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### **Bonding to the beat**

The Glen Cove Senior Center hosts a drumming circle once a month, giving seniors like Rosalie Okpe, left, John Progalaski and Juliette Johnson the opportunity to make music with their peers. Story, Page 9.

### 'A place to grow up and grow old'

### Glen Cove earns AARP's 'Age Friendly' status

By ZACH GOTTEHRER-COHEN

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"The earth is tilting," said Carol Waldman, the Glen Cove Senior Center's executive director. "In another two decades, there will be more older people on the face of this earth than younger." According to a 2015 U.S. Census report, by 2020, "people aged 65 and over will outnumber children under age 5 . . .

for the first time in human history"

Some might focus on the challenges posed by such a seismic demographic shift. Waldman called it "a huge opportunity for [the City of Glen Cove] to do some incredible things."

In anticipation of the population's impending inversion of young and old, Glen Cove applied in November to be designated an "Age Friendly" city, a designation bestowed by the senior citizen advocacy group AARP in conjunction with the United Nations' World Health Organization.

In February, the application was granted, making Glen Cove the third municipality in Nassau County — after Great Neck Plaza and North Hempstead — to earn the accolade.

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# Record showing for the Heralds

# Newspapers earn 29 awards in annual state press contest

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**CLIFF RICHNER** 

Heralds co-publisher

By SCOTT BRINTON

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The Herald Community Newspapers won big in the New York

Press Association's 2017 Better Newspaper Contest last weekend in Albany, taking home 29 awards — 26 of them for editorial excellence. That was a record for the Heralds in the annual competi-

The Riverdale Press, another newspaper owned by Richner Com-

munications Inc., the Heralds' parent company, received four awards, including first place for Overall Design Excellence.

"It's hard to find words to express how proud my brother Stuart and I are of our team and the excellent work that these awards recognize," said Heralds Co-Publisher Cliff Richner. "The range of awards across so many categories is particularly impressive, and reflects our ongoing commitment to quality community journalism. 2017 was Scott Brinton's first full year as executive editor, and he gets credit as

the coach of this winning team.

"While the entire staff contributed to these awards," Richner continued, "Mike Smollins, editor of the Lynbrook/East

Rockaway Herald. deserves special mention for winning the newly created Thomas G. Butson Award for In-Depth Reporting. So does Ben Strack, last year's Rookie of the Year, who brought home the Past Presidents' Award for General Excellence in his first year as editor of the Rockville

Centre Herald. I could go on, but let me just thank the entire Herald team in every department for the outstanding work they do."

Some 156 newspapers submitted 2,783 entries to the contest. The Heralds came in second in the state among newspaper groups. In all, the Herald earned eight first-place awards:

General Excellence, Rockville Centre Herald, First Place

The Rockville Centre Herald

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### Cuomo representative says,

## 'There are no secrets,' tunnel is only option

By LAURA LANE

Governor Andrew Cuomo's representative, Peter Kiernan, visited Nassau County more than once in late March to share an update of the governor's plans for a tunnel from Oyster Bay to Westchester. As the governor's special counselor for infrastructure initiatives he had all of the details when he met with Bayville's Tunnel Committee on March 23. He began by promising to be completely transparent. "There are no secrets," he said. "Maybe there will be at some point, but there are not secrets now.'

The latest initiative — the previous suggestion was for a sound-crossing bridge — satisfies the governor's findings from a 2017 feasibility study crafted to consider transportation alternatives. The tunnel, which Kiernan said would be one of the largest infrastructure projects in the world, will cost \$31.5 billion.

It will take between 12 and 15 years to complete. Kiernan said the tunnel was found to be the best alternative to "property taking and property disruption,' would produce the "greatest amount of traffic and congestion relief and promises the greatest amount of economic development."

The governor's original concept was to build three tubes, with two lanes per tube. But results from the feasibility study found that improvements in technology will allow for less disruption by creating one tube instead, with two lanes stacked on top of each other. The tunnel is projected to travel 9 miles under the seabed of the Sound and roughly 4 ½ miles on either end to stay clear of the coastline.

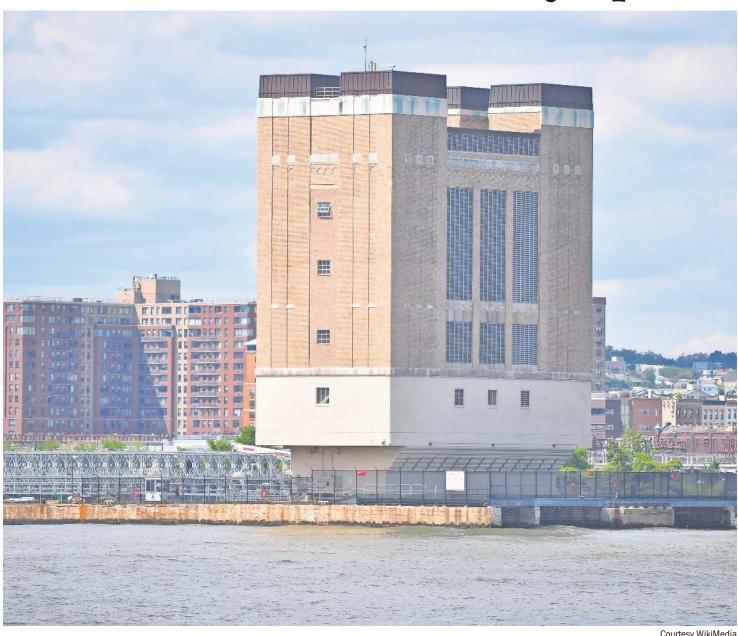
Sea Cliff Mayor Edward Lieberman said he cannot visualize it any other way than as a conduit to the creation of a "tremendous bottleneck through the center of Nassau County. It will benefit Suffolk, yet it will go through the heart of Nassau," he said. "The governor hasn't really been a champion of the villages.'

Bayville Deputy Mayor Joe Russo, who is also a member of the tunnel committee, said everyone was surprised by how quickly the decision to build the tunnel is proceeding. Cuomo is committed to the tunnel, he said, because he truly believes it is an infrastructure project that will make great strides in taming congestion on the roadways.

John Taylor, a member of the committee and a Bayville trustee, disagrees. He believes a tunnel will bring more freight, trucking and warehouses. "Historically, new crossings create more congestion, he said, adding that it will lead to urbanization. "Nassau County will become like Queens," he said. "Bayside was a suburban area before the Whitestone and Throgs Neck bridges were built.'

Those who oppose the tunnel also worry about the impact it will have on the water supply and the pollution that Taylor said would pour out of the tunnel

Glen Cove Mayor Tim Tenke said he has not made a decision yet whether he



WHEN THE GOVERNOR'S tunnel project moves forward a ventilation tower, like this one seen from the New Jersey side of the Holland Tunnel, will be needed and it may be built in Bayville.

supports the tunnel. But he is concerned about the air pollution and congestion that truck traffic will bring. The impact the tunnel will have on water and air must be minimalized, he said.

Bayville Mayor Paul Rupp, who created the eight-member tunnel committee, said he hopes to inspire his community to fight the tunnel. "I saw them do this with the Long Island Rail Road third track," he said. "The way to stop it will be an environmental impact study."

Rob Crafa, coordinator for the Ovster Bay-Cold Spring Harbor Protection Committee, said at a March 1 press conference held by Senator Carl Marcellino and village mayors that the environmental implications of a tunnel would be incredibly destructive" to the area. "This bay supports the state's fishing industry," he said. "Planning a sound crossing over or under this embayment is contrary to numerous government designations to protect the ecologic and economic benefits of the Sound'

Kiernan did not address the tunnel's environmental impact at the March 23 meeting. He cited instead the increase in population experienced on Long Island over the last couple of decades as a reason to move forward quickly with the tunnel. And "labor pools," including skilled welltrained labor, he said, are finding it difficult to get to Nassau County, where technology companies are flourishing.

Tenke said he has not met with anyone regarding the tunnel but he does agree with the governor that it could be economically advantageous. "People from Connecticut and Westchester would come to Long Island to work," he said. "It would be much more attractive for them.

The governor scrapped the initial idea, to run a bridge or tunnel to Connecticut, for a variety of reasons. "There was federal funding but having two state governments, two state bureaucracies was deemed to be ill advised," Kiernan said, adding that Connecticut wasn't enthusiastic about the project.

Taylor questioned the \$31.5 billion projected cost, comparing it to the Queens Tunnel that was \$20 billion and Manhattan's second avenue subway, which cost \$40 billion. He asked how a 9 mile plus tunnel could only cost \$31.5 billion?

Some early estimates have suggested that the project may come in less than \$31.5 billion, Kiernan said, Admitting he was not an engineer, he suggested that the

tunnel was a "different animal" than the examples Taylor had given. Additionally, plans to use the same designer and builder will be cost-saving

The governor is hoping that the Legislature will authorize a new Tunnel Authority for the project, which would allow for more private investment. Run by a board appointed by the Legislature the Tunnel Authority would have bonding

Lieberman said the idea to build a tunnel brings back memories. "When I was a little boy in Great Neck Governor Rockefeller discussed doing this with Robert Moses," he said. "I would think if it hasn't been built all of these years there is good reason.'

Although most people he has spoken to in Sea Cliff are against the tunnel there are some that see it as an extra exit if a natural disaster is to occur. But Lieberman remains opposed to it. "Are there going to be trucks standing still to get through?" he wondered. "Will we become overwhelmed with cars and trucks? I think it will probably cost \$100 round trip in today's dollars and cents."



Photos by Alyssa Seidman/Herald Gazette

**AMERICAN RED CROSS** regional senior director John Waldman and Long Island American Red Cross CEO Neela Lockel with Steve Morelli, the newly appointed Commissioner of the county's Office of Emergency Management, and Laura Curran.

# Leaders talk resiliency at Red Cross forum

By ALYSSA SEIDMAN

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"You don't want to exchange business cards after the storm has hit," said Neela Lockel, the CEO of the Long Island American Red Cross at the forum, "Building a Resilient Long Island: Preparedness and Partnerships," held at LIU Post on April 12.

The Red Cross invited experts in emergency management services from local, government and nonprofit agencies to engage in a daylong symposium with the hopes of building a more resilient Long Island, one that is better equipped to respond to future large-scale disasters.

"We are a vulnerable region, and it would be foolish of us to not recognize and prepare for those things," Lockel said. "We've seen the impact of what can happen in a devastating event, and nationally we're seeing a level and a severity of incidences that are somewhat unprecedented."

The forum comes after a devastating hurricane season and four nor'easters earlier this year. Nassau County Executive Laura Curran, whose first week on the job was disrupted by a blizzard, sat alongside Suffolk County Executive Steve Bellone at the forum to address storm preparedness at the local level.

Curran said she was impressed with the county's quick response to the storm. "Then acting police commissioner [Patrick] Ryder was there getting the homeless off the streets, and Social Services had mobilized to meet the needs of the residents, and there were a lot of new people in those departments," she said. "Seeing that as a new county executive gave me confidence in our workforce to do their job and work together."

Those partnerships, she added, were crucial in keeping lines of communication open between the county and the public, an action she hopes to see replicated through forthcoming table talks with the newly appointed commissioner of the county's Office of Emergency Management, Steve Morelli.

"Through federal funding we'll see the completion of storm resistance projects to protect our coastal communities from rising sea levels," Curran said.

Curran also noted Nassau's plan to uti-



**EDGEWISE ENERGY CEO** Sammy Chu moderated the county executive panel.

lize existing infrastructure under Sunrise Highway to divert treated effluent from Bay Park to the Cedar Creek ocean outfall.

"Additional power to the Bay Park plant is a critical component to ensuring the facility has redundancy in its operation," Curran said in a statement to the Herald. "Never again can the plant be inoperable because of a storm, and having this power is critical to our efforts to address nitrogen overload in the Western Bays." The Department of Environmental Conservation is overseeing the plan. No design or schedule for the project has been proposed.

The discussion also covered mass casualty emergencies, something each Nassau County police officer is trained to handle. In a post-Parkland world, Curran addressed the importance of cutting response times for an active shooter situation in half.

"The intention and investment in preparedness is critical," Lockel said, "So that when these things happen communities have a sense of safety and assurance, and a sense of hope that despite what's happening they know that the county and community agencies are behind them."

Curran believes fostering partnerships with agencies such as the Red Cross boost the county's resiliency. "These agencies help local leaders provide the necessary services, and give the people what they expect," she said.

### **NEWS BRIEF**

### Glen Cove raises their flags to cheer hometown marathoner Eva Casale's 'Hope for the Warriors'

On Wednesday, April 25, Glen Cove native Eva Casale will run through the city's downtown in what will be her fifth of seven marathons in as many days. Casale's impressive feat is to raise awareness and funds for "Hope For The Warriors" in memory of our fallen heroes.

Mayor Tim Tenke and the city's Department of Veteran Affairs will raise the flags in downtown Glen Cove on School and Glen streets and encourages residents to show up to cheer her on. Casale will run past local points of honor before finishing her journey at the Downtown Café between 4:15 and 5 p.m.

"We honor Eva for endurance and her commitment to our veterans, "said Tenke. "To encourage our community's support, we will be distributing free American Flags at my office from April 23 through April 25 on a first come, first serve basis so our veterans, residents and business owners can take pause to wave their flags to support Team Eva during her Glen Cove run."

Eva Casale's Glen Cove run on Day 5 "North Shore Fallen Heroes Day" of her marathons is as follows:

 $12\mbox{:}30~\mbox{p.m.:}$  Veteran's Memorial, Forest Avenue and Weir Lane

1:15 p.m.: Veteran's Memorial, Corner of Elm Avenue and Frost Pond Rd.

1:20 p.m.: Veteran's Memorial at St. Rocco's Church, 18 Third Avenue

2:25 p.m.: Morgan Memorial Park, Germaine Street



Courtesy Team EVA

**EVA CASALE WILL** run seven marathons in seven days for deceased veterans.

3:55 p.m.: Veteran's Memorial, Forest Avenue and Ford Street

4:15 p.m.: Glen Cove Downtown Café, School Street

5:05 p.m.: Doughboy Monument at Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Avenue

 $5{:}25~\mathrm{p.m.}{:}$  Morgan Memorial Park, Germaine Street

5:40 p.m.: Monument Park at the First Presbyterian Church, North Lane and Forest Ave.

### **CRIME WATCH**

### **Arrests**

- Male, 56, from Glen Head, arrested on Cedar Swamp Road for ability impaired by drugs or combined influence on Cedar Swamp Road on April 8.
- Male, 25, from Glen Cove, arrested at The Place for seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of marijuana and vehicle equipment violation on April 10.
- Two males, 55, from Glen Cove and Locust Valley, arrested on Forest Avenue for disorderly conduct on April 10.

- Male, 50, from Glen Head, arrested on a trespassing warrant on April 12.
- Male, 27, from Greenvale, arrested on Shore Road for circumvent interlock operate without device, second-degree unlicenced operation and other vehicular violations on April 13.
- Male, 51, from Glen Cove, arrested on Hendrick Avenue for second-degree strangulation, third-degree criminal mischief and third-degree assault on April 13. He was also charged with two counts of second-degree assault and resisting arrest on Carpenter Avenue.



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### THE WEEK AHEAD

### Nearby things to do this week

### **Teens Gotta Believe tournament**

On Saturday, April 28, North Shore students will host the third annual Teens Gotta Believe basketball tournament to benefit You Gotta Believe! The Older Child Adoption and Permanency Agency, Inc., and raise awareness and funds for the foster youth on Long Island. The three-on-three tournament will be held at North Shore High School, 450 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Head, from 1 to 6 p.m. The cost is \$20 per player. To sign up or learn more, call (718) 372-3003.





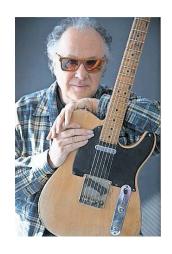
### **Unknown Heroes: Chinese Rescuers During the Holocaust**

On Sunday, April 29, at 2 p.m., Manli Ho will present this program about Chinese nationals who resided in Russia during the Holocaust and engaged in rescue activities to liberate the Jews. \$10 suggested donation. Seating is limited, RSVP in advance is recommended. Contact Axel Sarmiento at (516) 571-8040 or axelsarmiento@hmtcli.org to RSVP. Holocaust Memorial & Tolerance Center, Welwyn Preserve, 100 Crescent Beach Rd., Glen Cove.



Spend Arbor Day at Planting Fields Arboretum on Saturday, April 28 and Sunday, April 29 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. It is co-hosted by the Planting Fields Foundation and New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. Includes face painting, live music, giveaways, petting zoo and more! \$20 per vehicle. 1395 Planting Fields Rd., Oyster Bay, (516) 922-8600.





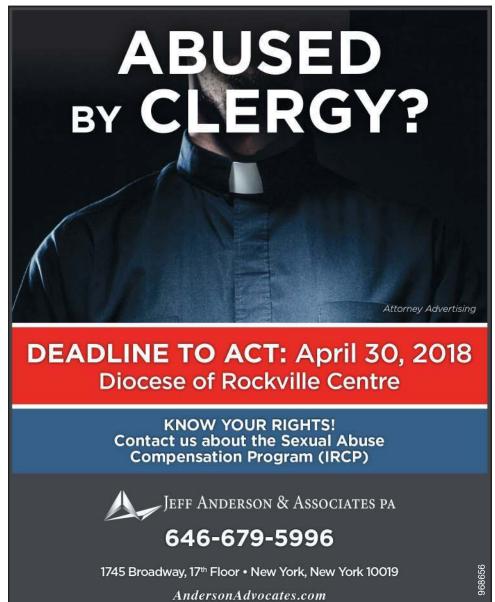
### **Strumming along at the Guitar Expo**

The guitar legend Arlen Roth headlines the latest edition of the New York Guitar Show, on Saturday, April 21, 12-4 p.m. The annual showcase of new and used instruments, vintage guitars, accessories and memorabilia offers something for everyone, whether novice or pro. An eclectic mix of music industry movers and shakers 'gear heads,' musicians, collectors, fans and consumers come together for guitar and music-related activities, Saturday and Sunday, April 21-22 at the Freeport Recreation Center in Freeport. Info: (516) 435-8382 or www.nyguitarexpo.com.

### An evening with Bruce Cockburn

The Canadian music legend stops on Long Island during his latest concert tour, on Tuesday, April, 24 at 7:30 p.m. An exceptional songwriter, who is a revered guitarist, Cockburn captures the essence of the human experience in song. His creative journey —shaped by politics, spirituality and musical diversity — embraces folk, jazz, rock and worldbeat. Info: (516) 767-6444 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org.







### **HERALD SCHOOLS**

### G.C. Chorale places at Disney Festival

Glen Cove High School's Select Chorale attended the Festival Disney Music Competition at Disney World in Orlando, Florida. There were 12 other choirs at the festival, which included bands and orchestras from all over the country.

The choir scored 97 out of 100, receiving second place out of all of the choirs. The group had the second-highest score of any of the 23 groups that were there. One of the judges, Dr. Russell Robinson from the University of Florida, remarked that the Glen Cove Select Chorale is one of the finest choirs that he has heard in his 15 years at Festival Disney.

Robinson reached out to Chorale Conductor Ed Norris upon their return to New York, to again let him know how impressed he was with the choir. Robinson will be conducting at Carnegie Hall in 2019 and has already invited Glen Cove to be a part of that performance.

"It was a wonderful experience and I am so proud of all of our singers for working so hard to prepare the challenging program," Norris said. "I am also extremely grateful to the school district and the chorale parents for all of their support. To hear Robinson, one of our industry's most respected authors and conductors, speak this way in regard to our ensemble was very moving. I am filled with pride!"



Courtesy Glen Cove City School District

**GLEN COVE HIGH** School's Select Chorale placed second in the Festival Disney Music Competition at Disney World in Orlando, Florida.

### Spark! Challenge success for Glen Cove H.S.



Courtesy Glen Cove City School District

**GLEN COVE HIGH** School students won first place against 30 other schools in Northwell Health's Spark! Challenge poster competition on April 12.

Twenty-seven students from Glen Cove High School competed against students from across New York City and Long Island in Northwell Health's Spark! Challenge on April 12.

One of the three teams from Glen Cove placed first in the poster competition, winning \$5,000. For the Spark! Challenge, each team was responsible for engaging in a shadowing day where they learned about telehealth, art therapy or emergency room nursing.

Each team took away incredible experiences from the shadowing days, which they translated into a poster and oral presentation. Both the poster and the oral presentation were judged by administrators from Northwell Health. This is the second year that Fran Krisch has led

the teams as the teacher advisor under the support of Coordinator of Science Alexa Doeschner. It is also the second consecutive year that students from Glen Cove High school won this competition.

Glen Cove High School art teacher Stephen Lombardo assisted Krisch and her students with the graphic design programs that were needed to render and submit the artwork entries. He was essential to the students' success.

Members of the administration and the entire school community are proud of the hard work students demonstrated during each phase of the challenge and hopes the entire Glen Cove community will extend a well-deserved congratulations to all students who participated in the Spark! Challenge.

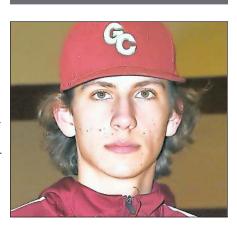
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### SPOTLIGHT ATHLETE



### **CAMERON FILIPPONE**

Glen Cove Senior Baseball

THE SOUTHPAW AT the top of the Big Red pitching rotation enjoyed two solid outings out of the gate. He opened the campaign with a gem against Roslyn and earned a 3-1 victory. He struck out seven and scattered four hits. Filippone came back in the next series against a strong Plainedge lineup and allowed just one run through five innings.

### **GAMES TO WATCH**

#### Thursday, April 19 Baseball: Hewlett at Glen Cove Friday, April 20 Boys/Girls Track: North Shore Invitational .4:15 p.m. Boys Tennis: Bethpage at Glen Cove Girls Lacrosse: Glen Cove at Hempstead .4:30 p.m. Boys Tennis: North Shore at Garden City. 4:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m. Softball: Glen Cove at Locust Valley Softball: Floral Park at North Shore 4:45 p.m. Saturday, April 21 Girls Lacrosse: MacArthur at North Shore Softball: North Shore at Jericho. .10:30 a.m. Boys Lacrosse: Glen Cove at G.N. South.. .. 11 a.m. Boys Lacrosse: Floral Park at North Shore. Monday, April 23 .4:30 p.m. Girls Lacrosse: West Hempstead at Glen Cove Baseball: Lynbrook at North Shore. .4:30 p.m. Softball: Glen Cove at Oyster Bay. 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 24 4:30 p.m. Softball: Bethpage at Glen Cove Baseball: Kennedy at Glen Cove .4:30 p.m. Softball: North Shore at Carle Place 4:30 p.m. Monday, April 23 Boys Tennis: Clarke at Glen Cove 4:30 p.m. Boys Tennis: G.N. South at North Shore .. .4:30 p.m. Boys Lacrosse: Wheatley at North Shore

### HERALD SPORTS Glen Cove focuses on bats

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South Side's ace pitcher Morgan Gilligan delivered a two-hit, 10-strikeout, 89-pitch complete game shutout in a 14-0 victory at Glen Cove last Friday in a Nassau Conference ABC-III/IV softball crossover game.

"She's the rock of our team," Lady Cyclones coach Nicole Tufano said. "She is a great pitcher, she is an all-around great ballplayer, can hit to all fields, and has plenty of pitches to punch people out.'

Gilligan's great all-around game also reared its head, as her first two at-bats resulted in home runs, padding an early lead that she would work behind in the circle all day long. She would finish 3-for-5 with six RBI's and 3 runs scored.

She adds this pitching gem to her great season, adding a third win and another high-strikeout performance, last striking out nine against East Rockaway on April 5.

Nafeesah Ali, Glen Cove's starting pitcher, sacrificed only two runs through the first two innings, but scoreless frames from her offense opened the floodgates for South Side's offense to force more pitches and pick its spots.

Glen Cove saw its lone two hits come from infielders Alyssa Schmitt and Brianna Malvino. Only two other Lady Big Red players successfully reached base due to a pair of errors. Gilligan surrendered no walks on the day.

South Side's Shannon Bender added three hits and two runs scored, with Mary Macre adding three RBI's to the mix as

The Lady Cyclones piled up 14 hits to match the number of runs on the day, and the team effort is something Tufano sees regularly from her squad to tack on the W's. "All of our girls have been working hard to hit to all fields, and when we string together hits, we string together runs, Tufano said. "It's a big confidence boost for

For Glen Cove, coach Angela Zupa is taking this time to focus on her team's hitting progression.

"We're working on shortening that swing, quickening their bat speed, and bunting," Zupa said. "We're working on 'punching' the ball. We're spending a lot of time in the cage doing just that.'



**GLEN COVE SHORTSTOP** Jaynise Espinal connected during last Friday's home loss to South Side which brought the Lady Big Red to a .500 mark through six games.

Zupa and her team have little time to focus on the loss, as they now face three games in three days this week. Continuing its crossover play, where they are 0-3 playing up a division yet 3-0 within conference, Zupa is aware of the Nassau softball reseeding and believes her team was placed in the right division.

'We were ranked 17th in the county before the season, and we were placed as the No. 2 seed in Conference ABC-IV," Zupa said. "Although I want us to finish as the top seed in the conference. I think we were placed in the right spot for competi-

"If you finish within the top few spots of the conference, the girls are eligible for player awards, and I would love to see some of my girls get recognized for their hard work," she added.

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### **HERALD NEIGHBORS**



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BARBARA STANGO, LEFT, first-timer Patti Paris, Rosaline Okpe and John Progalaski practiced rhythms, playing different beats and sharing in the groove.

### Jamming the beat of their own drums





By ZACH GOTTEHRER-COHEN zgottehrer@liherald.com

Outsiders attending the Glen Cove Senior Center's drum circle activity might have been surprised to hear participants chanting things like "peanut butter sandwich," "mac and cheese," and "I love apple pie." The food-based phrases have a natural syncopation to them, according to Eric Shuman, the senior center's activities coordinator, which helps participants with little rhythmic experience keep the beat.

According to a handout that Shuman gives to those who join the drum circle, drumming can accelerate physical healing, boost the immune system, reduce stress and anxiety, and lower blood pressure.

Drum circle regulars recently went on a trip to the Tilles Center to see YAMATO, a Japanese drum troupe that uses instruments and techniques from the Taiko tradition.

**ALICE WILLIAMS AND** Juliette Johnson drummed out a beat, using the phrase "pea-nut butt-er sand-which" as a guide.

THE SENIOR CENTER has a collection of percussion instruments for drummers of different abilities and tastes.

**PROGALASKI, LEFT, WILLIAMS** and Johnson clapped in time with each other in order to get on the same rhythmic page.



### **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

### Thursday, April 19

### Community giving day

Whole Foods of Manhasset, Jericho and Lake Grove, 12 to 6 p.m. Help support the Coalition to Save Hempstead Harbor by shopping at Whole Foods. The supermarket will donate 5 percent of the day's proceeds to benefit CSHH. Don't forget your reusable bag. (516) 801-6792.

#### Poker night

Sea Cliff Firehouse, 67 Roslyn Ave., Sea Cliff, 7:30 to 11 p.m. Presenting a Sea Cliff PCA fundraising event, which includes a Texas hold 'em tournament, food and drinks. \$50 per person; must register online. Tickets can be purchased at https://501auctions.com/seacliffpcaauction.

#### **Spring mixer**

Metropolitan Bistro, 39 Roslyn Ave., Sea Cliff, 5 to 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Sea Cliff Beautification committee, which is celebrating 60 years of working with Sea Cliff's parks. Admission is free, includes a cash bar.

#### Family book night

Sea Cliff Children's Library, 281 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff, 6 p.m. Parents and children will enjoy this family-fun program. Bring your favorite book to share with fellow families. (516) 671-4290.

### No-bake cooking class

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 7 p.m. Learn to make "nobake" snacks including truffles and chocolate covered pretzels. Take your snacks and recipe cards home so that you can make them again and again. (516) 759-8300.

### Friday, April 20

### Friday night at the movies: "The Post"

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 7 p.m. Katharine Graham is the first female publisher of The Washington Post. With help from editor Ben Bradlee, Graham races to catch up with The New York Times to expose a massive government cover-up that spans three decades and four U.S. presidents. (516) 759-8300.

### Saturday, April 21

### Offbeat Artifacts sale

Village Green, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Sea Cliff Friends of the Library is sponsoring this sale on the Village Green, located in front of the library. Welcome the start of spring with fellow neighbors, and buy something unique for your home.

### Verdi Requiem concert

North Shore High School, 450 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Head, 8 p.m. The North Shore Community Chorus and the North Shore Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of conductor Stephen Goldstein, present Verdi Requiem. \$20 for adults, \$15 for children and seniors. For more Information call (631) 683-5750.

### Earth Day terrarium craft

Garvies Point Museum and Preserve, 50 Barry Dr., Glen Cove, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Photo courtesy Metro Creative Connection

### **Northwinds Symphonic Band performs for North Shore**

On Sunday, April 22, at 3 p.m., the 70-member Northwinds Symphonic Band, under the direction of conductor Helen P. Bauer, will perform at Concert Band Classics and Virtuoso Artistry's concert at North Shore High School, 450 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Head. Join us for this concert of exceptional band music and outstanding performances by many of Long Island's most talented musicians. Admission is free. For more information or directions, call (516) 759-9694.

Celebrate Earth Day and make an enclosed ecosystem that can last for years. Includes everything you need: glass jar, pebbles, soil, plants. Fun for all ages! \$8 per participant, in addition to admission. \$5 for current members. (516) 571-8010.

### **Yom Haatzmaut Community Adult Party**

Sid Jacobson Jewish Community Center, 300 Forest Dr., Greenvale, 9 p.m. Come celebrate just like they do in Israel with food, open bar and a DJ! In advance: \$55 per individual / At the door: \$70 per individual. For guests 21 and older. For more information, call (516) 484-1545 ext. 132.

### Friends of the Library book sale

Locust Valley Library, 170 Buckram Rd., Locust Valley. The Friends will be accepting donated books from April 21 through the 28 to sell at the book sale, which takes place on Saturday, April 28 from 9:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 29 from 1 to 4:30 p.m.

#### Countdown to college

Oyster Bay-East Norwich Library, 89 E. Main St., Oyster Bay, 1:30 p.m. This program offers a step-by-step guide to navigating high school without stress and maximizing college acceptance odds. Q&A to follow. Presented by Barbara Becker. Register at the Reference Desk, or call (516) 922-1212.

#### **First City Market**

 $149\ \mbox{Glen}$  St., Glen Cove,  $12\ \mbox{to}\ 7\ \mbox{p.m.}$  First City in Glen Cove is celebrating the

start of spring with First City Market. Residents can enjoy a vendor market, food trucks, music and art. Vendors will be





Alyssa Seidman/Herald Gazette

### **Dancing Dreams recital**

The talented dancers of Dancing Dreams' dance company will perform their annual recital, "The Enchanted Toyshop," on Sunday, April 29 at 2 p.m. at York College's Performing Arts Center, located at 94-45 Guy R. Brewer Blvd., Jamaica, Queens. Admission is free. For more information call (516) 659-8704.

donating a portion of proceeds to Sunrise Day Camp.

#### Fundraiser to honor firefighter

Pat's Place, 70 Landing Rd., Glen Cove, 7 p.m. to midnight. Pat's Place in Glen Cove will host a fundraiser to honor Sea Cliff fire chief Michael Hallquest. Raffles will be available for patrons.

### Sunday, April 22

#### Earth Day clean-up

Morgan Park, Germain St., Glen Cove, 12 p.m. All residents are welcome to join the park clean up. The event includes a "green" briefing with Mayor Tim Tenke, activities and "green" giveaways.

### Tuesday, April 24

#### Cheesy chicken empanadas

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 4:30 p.m. Kathy will show you how to make these tasty snacks from scratch. Learn cooking techniques like chopping, measuring, shaping, cooking and food safety. Recommended for children in grades K-5. (516) 759-8300.

### Wednesday, April 25

#### Long Island golf

North Shore Historical Museum, 140 Glen St., Glen Cove, 7 p.m. Phil Carlucci presents "Long Island Golf," an overview of the 130 private clubs and public courses on Long Island. Refreshments will be served. The cost is \$5 for members, and \$10 for non-members. (516) 801-1191.

### **Paint party**

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 6:30 p.m. Celicia Cargill from Authentic Heartworks is back to guide you through a paint party. There is an non-refundable \$10 fee due at time of registration. (516) 759-8300.

### Words for woman to live by

Sea Cliff Village Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff, 1:30 p.m. Constance Hallinan Lagan will present this program, "Wonderful, Wise, Wacky, Words for Women to Live By." This interactive, funfilled program stresses the power of words to transform us. Words and laughter will be shared. Register at the reference desk, or call (516) 671-4290.

### Thursday, April 26

### Treat and prevent back pain

Clinton G. Martin Park Community Center, 1601 Marcus Ave., New Hyde Park, 7 to 9 p.m. Back pain is one of the most common orthopaedic conditions in adults, but it can be treated and prevented with proper care. To help educate the community, experts from Northwell Health's Orthopaedic Institute will offer a free seminar about a range of back issues, treatments as well as wellness and prevention.

### HAVING AN EVENT?

Submissions can be emailed to llane@liherald.com.

### **NEIGHBORS** IN THE NEWS



Courtesy Amy Driscoll

GC350 HISTORY COMMITTEE members Kathie Flynn, far left, Ellie Pucciariella, Linda Ziccardi, Carolyn Willson, Anne Fitzgibbon, Valerie Michelsen, Linda Hochberg, Amy Driscoll, and Dave Nieri.

### Glen Cove Timeline on display

With Glen Cove celebrating its 350th anniversary, the city's 350 History Committee completed a detailed timeline to display in each of the schools. The committee has met monthly since 2016, working to collect and review information from the Tri-Centennial Committee to compile into its panel project.

The committee spent hours sifting through papers and microfiche files to decide what should be included on the timeline. The listings were then transferred onto six pop-up display panels that are easy to read and transport. The panels detail multi-centuries worth of historical events that happened in Glen Cove.

The timeline was put together with the help of Glen Cove Library staff Carol Stern and Ellen Quasha, North Shore Historical Museum Director Amy Driscoll, and committee members Kathie Flynn, Ellie Pucciariella, Linda Ziccardi, Carolyn Willson, Committee Chair Anne Fitzgibbon, Valerie Michelsen, Linda Hochberg, Dave Nieri and Ken Gutwein.

The timeline will begin to tour schools in the Glen Cove School District starting April 23. For information on the upcoming celebration in May, go to http://www. glencove350.com.

-Alyssa Seidman

### Glen Cove celebrates Earth Week

On Saturday, April 21, the Glen Cove Department of Public Works (DPW) will host an E-Waste collection day and paper shredding event at the DPW yard, 100 Morris Avenue.

The collection will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Glen Cove residents are invited to recycle their old electronic waste. On Earth Day, April 22, from 12 noon to 2 p.m., Mayor Tenke in partnership with the Glen Cove Beautification Commission, Department of Parks & Recreation and Department of Public Works with sponsorship support from Harvest Power and PSEG-LI will host a series of hands-on and educational activities at Morgan Park.

The day begins at 12 noon with a Morgan Memorial Park clean up. Supplies will be

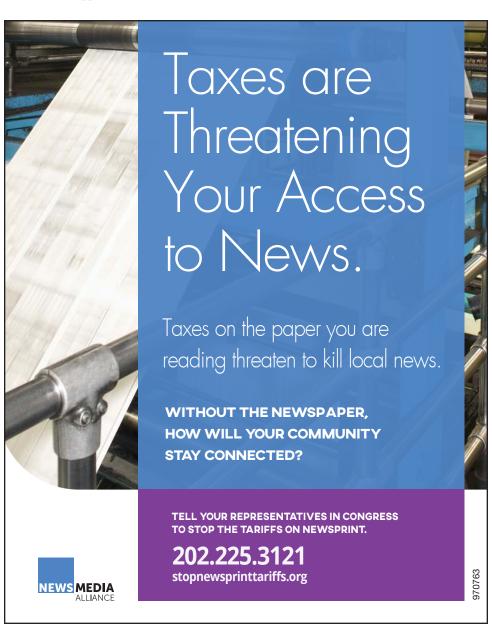
provided by the Glen Cove Beautification Commission. At 1 p.m. Mayor Tenke will host a "green briefing" at the park's Gazebo for residents to learn all about the ways the city is improving its environmental footprint while saving energy and money.

At 1:30 p.m. a special tree planting is planned in honor of former Glen Cove first lady Marguerite Suozzi, mother of Congressman Tom Suozzi, who will be in attendance. In addition, there will be a Goodwill clothing bin onsite for residents to donate workshops, a children's craft project, free giveaways (while supplies last), light refreshments and music.

-Zach Gottehrer-Cohen



**GLEN COVE'S DEPARTMENT** of Public Works team and staff members from Winter Bros. stand in front of grouping of televisions from last year's E-Waste collection.





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## What happens to residents if TPS ends?

### Nassau says it will continue to comply with immigration and customs enforcement

By RONNY REYES

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Elaine Duke, former Department of Homeland Security secretary, and current Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen announced last year that the Temporary Protected Status programs for El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras and Nicaragua would be terminated. That doesn't mean,

No Place to Call Home however, that Nassau County residents with TPS plan to leave.

"I will not go back unless I'm deported," said Gilberto, an Elmont homeowner and TPS holder who asked that only his first name be used. He has lived in the

U.S. for nearly 20 years with his wife and sons

Gilberto is not alone. Patrick Young, of Hempstead's Central American Refugee Center, has been working on dozens of TPS renewal applications in recent months. He said that among those he has spoken with, none intend to leave.

"Not a single person that's come in here has talked about going home, " Young said. "That's not home to them anymore."

TPS holders, he said, plan to stay past their termination dates. That could mean that some 9,000 current Nassau residents who have been living here legally will go underground, living off the books as undocumented immigrants, according to Long Island-wide analysis by the Suffolk County Department of Economic Development and Planning.

### No longer exempt

President Trump issued new priorities for the Department of Homeland Security and Immigration and Customs Enforcement at the start of his presidency last year. DHS officials subsequently directed the department, and ICE, to prioritize the deportation of criminal immigrants.

Without TPS, those same orders will, over the next two years, apply to thousands of law-abiding immigrants who are protected by the program.

Brendan Raedy, an ICE spokesman, said that when TPS ends, the immigrants who relied on it would revert back to whatever status they had before — for most of them, undocumented immigrant, Young said. Raedy insisted, however, that ICE would not issue a deportation order simply because an immigrant had lost TPS. "I can't stress this enough — that alien would come to ICE's attention under this scenario based on a hypothetical criminal infraction, not the fact [that] they once held TPS," he wrote in an email.

But criminal infractions can range from serious offenses to those as simple as failing to use a turn signal. Young said that the most common way law enforcement would get former TPS holders is



Courtesy ICE

**FOLLOWING PRESIDENT DONALD** Trump's executive orders in 2017, Immigration and Customs Enforcement has widened its deportation efforts to include any and all undocumented immigrants.

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**PATRICK YOUNG** 

Attorney for CARECEN

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through expired drivers' licenses. TPS holders have licenses that display their immigration status, including the date their status expires.

That turned a simple trip for Carmen, an Oyster Bay resident who has TPS, into

an intense confrontation with law enforcement. Carmen, who also asked to be identified only by her first name, was returning from a college open house in upstate New York with her daughter when an officer stopped them for failing to move aside to give him clearance under the moveover law. Carmen said she was initially confused, because she thought police cars just went around you when they needed to pass, but she handed over documents that included her expired TPS driver's

"I told him up front that it was expired, but that my renewal had already been approved and I was just waiting for the new license to come," Carmen said. But the officer did not care

about her story, she said, and immediately told her that he would report her to ICE. She knew she was not in danger, but the officer went on for nearly an hour about how he would contact ICE and have her deported. Although she remained calm, she said, her daughter began to cry. The officer eventually left, having given her the ticket for her traffic violation.

"I was able to keep my cool, because I knew I was safe," Carmen said. "But how many of us can do that?"

### State and local plans

Following Trump's call in January

2017 to increase immigration enforcement in the U.S., New York state Attorney General Eric Schneiderman issued his "2017 Guidance Concerning Local Authority Participation In Immigration Enforcement and Model Sanctuary Provisions." The guidelines describe how local law enforcement agencies can navigate the legal landscape of immigration enforcement.

"The Attorney General's Office recognizes that by protecting the rights and well-being of immigrant families, we build trust in law enforcement and other public agencies, thus enhancing public safety for all," Schneiderman said in a statement. On

March 13 of this year he joined 19 other attorneys general to call on Congress to allow TPS holders to receive permanent resident status.

The state guide also provides information on how a local government may become a sanctuary, meaning that its lawenforcement agencies would not comply with ICE regulations on deporting immi-

### Deportations between 2016 and 2017

- Overall deportations increased by 25 percent.
- Almost three times as many immigrants were deported without a criminal incident.
- There was a 12 percent increase in undocumented immigrants who were deported after being arrested.
- The number of deported Haitians jumped from 310 in 2016 to 5,500 in 2017.

Source: Immigration and Customs Enforcement

grants. Nassau County Executive Laura Curran has said that the county did not have any plans to become a sanctuary, adding that she feared that the county might lose some federal funding if it did so and citing repeated threats against sanctuaries by the White House. The federal government has yet to cut funding for any sanctuary county.

Since 2007, the Nassau County Police Department's policy has been to work with ICE whenever it arrests a foreign-born defendant, according to the NCPD's Policy 3610. The NCPD did not respond to the Herald's requests for a statement on the department's plan should TPS be terminated. County officials have said that NCPD would continue to comply with ICE, as usual.

Village police officials said they have drafted their own policies in case TPS is terminated. The Herald contacted the Long Beach, Lynbrook and Rockville Centre police departments, but has not been able to obtain a copy of such a policy.

According to a letter Schneiderman sent out to police chiefs around the state in 2014, and reiterated in his 2017 state guide, "compliance with requests for immigration holds is voluntary — not mandatory — and compliance with such requests remains at the discretion of the local enforcement agencies."

The guide goes on to explain that the mere fact that someone is an undocumented immigrant is not a criminal offense, and that such status does not allow local enforcement agencies to detain someone, even if ICE uses terms like "probable cause" or "warrant." It further states that agencies that detain individuals in the absence of a judicial warrant or probable cause may be liable for monetary damages.

The Central American Refugee Center and a local, unnamed undocumented immigrant are suing Nassau County for its police policy and its compliance with ICE, on the grounds that detaining TPS holders is unconstitutional.

Brian Stieglitz contributed to this story.

## City borrows \$10 million, half for well fixes

### By ZACH GOTTEHRER-COHEN

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On April 10, the Glen Cove City Council approved a plan to bond almost \$10 million, nearly doubling its average borrowing over the prior two years. The extra funding was needed to pay for necessary upgrades to the city's water infrastructure, as well as measures to restore Pryibil and Morgan beaches after a series of severe winter storms left them deficient of sand.

Hanging over the council's decision was the prospect of a potential water shortage this coming summer. About 90 percent of the emergency borrowing would be spent on renovations to the city's wells. Prior to casting their votes, each and every councilmember agonized about the urgent necessity of the plan.

"I don't like spending your money," Councilman Joe Capobianco said. "I feel like we have no choice in this regard. There's nothing more that I can say. Water is vital to our lifeblood as a city."

Councilman Michael Zangari acknowledged, "We're borrowing double what we did last year, but it has to be done."

"Some of you may think that putting \$10 million out there in one night is not responsible," Councilwoman Marsha Silverman said. "But this is absolutely necessary. It's unfortunate that the seven of us are put in this position."

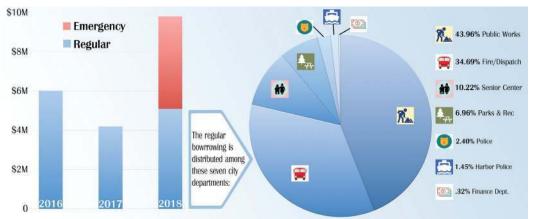
Silverman added that the necessity of borrowing suggested the need for a finance committee, which she has pushed for in recent council meetings, "so that these kinds of things don't become recurring emergencies year after year."

Among the relatively expensive nonemergency expenses is a new aerial ladder truck for the fire department, which costs about \$1.3 million. In an email, Chief Robert Marino expressed gratitude for the purchase, for which the council approved borrowing in late March. The old truck had been in service for over 30 years, he explained, adding, "the repairs and maintenance required had become quite costly."

The borrowing will add approximately \$625,000 to the city's annual debt service payments, which will have to be offset by a combination of spending cuts in its operating budget and a tax increase. City Controller Sandra Clarson said that when she and the council hammer out the 2019 budget this summer, they'll be looking to cut costs by decreasing overtime and perhaps cutting back on staff as well. But, she added, "\$624,000 is a lot of money," and taxes would likely have to be raised in order to account for those payments.

"Every one percent tax increase is about \$200,000 to \$250,000 in additional revenues," Clarson said. If all other factors remained constant, the two percent limit that New York State imposes on municipal tax increases means that the city would have to find another way — either by spending cuts or alternate revenues — to cover between approximately \$125,000 and \$225,000.

Clarson said that it's not quite that simple. If the city winds up closing out a debt from years ago, that would take a chunk out of the total debt service payment.



Data courtesy City of Glen Cove. Graphics by Christina Daly/Herald Gazette

MOST OF THE city's emergency borrowing will pay for water infrastructure renovations. The two largest portions of its regular borrowing will pay for a fire truck to replace the current 30-plus-year old aerial ladder, and for the Department of Public Works to repair the city's road and drainage systems.





Zach Gottehrer-Cohen/Herald Gazette

MEMBERS OF THE Age Friendly committee met on April 12 to discuss how to make the most of the city's new designation.

### Age Friendly status shows commitment to livability

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mittee held its first full meeting on April 12 at the Glen Cove Senior Center, officially accepting the challenge the AARP issues to recipients of the designation to "actively work toward making their town, city or county a great place for people of all ages."

A committee that meets at a senior center to discuss an AARP designation might be expected to focus on one age group, but in this case, the city's younger constituency was well represented by officials from the school district, the Youth Bureau and the boys' and girls' clubs.

According to Waldman, being an Age Friendly city means making Glen Cove a good place in which to both grow up and grow old. And according to resident Ron Roel, an expert in intergenerational issues, it's not that hard to find ways to do both at once. He noted a development strategy called universal design, which aims to create public facilities that can be used by people of all ages and abilities. It is an offshoot of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and includes innovations like doorways wide enough to fit both wheelchairs and baby strollers.

"This isn't just a senior center initiative," said Mayor Tim Tenke, who attended the committee meeting. "This is for the whole community." He emphasized the city's recent approval of a new temperature-control system for the senior center. and a \$59,000 grant to purchase a new accessible loop bus, which would enable people without cars to easily travel among the city's neighborhoods and amenities.

But, Tenke said, "We can always do more. We can always make this a more friendly community."

The next step is to come up with an action plan to improve the city's "livability indices," which the AARP compiles to rate things like an area's health care access, social engagement and transportation. Glen Cove's "livability average" is on par with the rest of Nassau County, though its environmental score is much

higher and its transportation and 'opportunity" scores are lower. According to the AARP website, however, the Age Friendly designation is less about a municipality's current situation and more about its commitment to doing better in the future.

Waldman said that committee members were already generating ideas. She mentioned creating a park within a park for people with cognitive disabilities, whether children with autism or seniors with dementia. An enclosure would give their caregivers peace of mind, and the park could be designed to accommodate their special needs.

Another idea, which would lend itself to the city's "engagement" index, is a time bank, which would basically turn small favors for others into currency that residents could "buy" their own favors with. We all have such tremendous value inside of us," Waldman said, and a time bank could help the city make the most of its human resources

The area in which Glen Cove needs the most improvement, according to the AARP's livability index, is housing. The Herald Gazette recently reported on the city's limited number of rentals, which has an impact on seniors living on fixed incomes and on people of all ages who rely on Section 8 rental vouchers. Any Age Friendly action plan would have to address the issue, and Waldman is getting a head start. "We're looking at the idea of taking some of the houses that have been neglected," she said, "and maybe in one or two instances, as a pilot program, creating affordable housing with them." She acknowledged that that would be a long process, with at least two years of legal preparation, and that a commitment was still a long way off.

At this point, committee members plan to review the materials that AARP provides to all new Age Friendly designees and form working groups to focus on the issues most in need of attention.



### VIEWFINDER

**By SUSAN GRIECO** 

### THE QUESTION:

What are you doing to protect the earth?



I have my class collecting water bottles to repurpose them for a class project where we are creating an ocean in a bottle. We will also be learning about the earth and ocean for Earth Day.

### **MELISSA VADALA**



I help my mom plant flowers, like tulips, and I throw my water bottles in recycling.

#### **BRIDGET** CUNNINGHAM Kindergarten

My school had blue bins for glass, but my

**Environmental Studies** teacher put donated green buckets in the classrooms for paper. She told us. "If you can rip it, you can recycle it!"

### **BRANDEN AYALA**

5th Grade



If I'm not in a room, I turn off the lights to save electricity, I don't let water run if I'm not using it, and I don't throw garbage in the ocean because the sea animals can die from it.

### **NOEMI CARVAJAL**

2nd Grade



I plant tomatoes and eggplants with my grandma and I clean up my stuff, like my clothes

#### PARKET LEARY Kindergarten



I volunteer to clean up pastic bottles and garbage that can wind up in the ocean and hurt the seals.

#### NICOLE BUZZETTA 5th Grade





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### "Heralds win more NYPA awards than ever

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submitted three full editions of the paper for review by the judges. In particular, they praised Editor Ben Strack's feature story on the Henry Viscardi School's 2017 eighthgrade salutatorian — who overcame the challenges of spinal muscular atrophy to rise to the top the class. Judges called the story "engaging."

RVC Herald reporters last year included Peter Belfiore and Zach Gottehrer-Cohen, who were promoted to editor and assistant editor, respectively.

Judges also commended the annual Election, First on the Scene firefighters' tribute, K-Kids kindergarten and Arts & Entertainment sections. Scott Brinton, the Heralds' executive editor, was editor of the Election and First on the Scene sections. Karen Bloom, the special sections editor, was editor of the K-Kids and Arts & Entertainment sections. Creative Director Jeff Negrin designed the special sections, and Christina Daly was the photo editor.

Rhonda Glickman is the vice president of advertising, and Marty Goldenberg and Ron Rothenberg are the RVC Herald's advertising executives.

### In-Depth Reporting Lynbrook-East Rockaway Herald, First Place

Editor Mike Smollins submitted an investigative series on a Hurricane Sandy contractor who authorities allege scammed storm victims out of hundreds of thousands of dollars. Smollins's series was credited with breaking the story and bringing Long Island-wide attention to it.

Judges said, "This is what being a newspaper is all about: Nailing the scam artist and spurring [prosecutorial] action."

### Spot News Coverage Rockville Centre Herald, First Place

Strack, Brinton and Nassau Herald Editor Jeff Bessen teamed up to cover the



**THIS PHOTO**, **SHOT** by Christina Daly at Jones Beach, won first place for Feature Photo.

mass shooting at the Jason Aldean concert at the Route 91 Harvest Festival in Las Vegas last October. The three tracked down local people who attended the concert and escaped unharmed. The morning after the shooting, the victims painted a detailed picture of the horror felt by all on the scene that day.

"Great job localizing a national story on a deadline," the judges wrote. "Shows that organizing a staff in a focused effort can bring a story to readers quickly."

### News Story Freeport Herald-Leader, First Place

Freeport Editor Nadya Nataly, Bellmore-Merrick Editor Erik Hawkins, East Meadow Editor Brian Stieglitz, Brinton and Daly worked together last fall to cover a series of MS-13 gang killings in Freeport and Bellmore-Merrick, and followed up their coverage with an editorial that caught local and state officials' attention. John Scalesi, an area citizen photographer, also provided images of police scenes.

"Excellent job of tag-teaming the coverage of this breaking and dramatic story," Judges wrote. "Excellent follow-up coverage as well. Inclusion of the governor's proposed investment in gang prevention and the editorial, which includes vital information and applicable steps for the community, shows the staff's commitment to their communities."

#### News/Feature Series East Meadow Herald, First Place

Stephany Reyes, who was the East Meadow editor in 2017 but recently left the paper to pursue public relations work, produced an in-depth series on Latinos living in the East Meadow community in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, from mid-September to mid-October. She also wrote an editorial to cap the series.

"Great variety of stories highlighting the Latino experience in the community," the judges wrote. "Editorial ties the news pieces together in a call to action that resonates with Hispanic and non-Hispanic readers alike."

#### Feature Photo Freeport Herald-Leader, First Place

Daly took a wild ride on a stunt plane last May to preview the annual air show at Jones Beach State Park, held over the Memorial Day weekend, and captured an image from the plane as it rolled across the sky over the Atlantic Ocean.

Judges wrote, "The photo puts the reader in a spot few see and captures a perfect moment when the inverted plane is passed by another plane, complete with exhaust, with the bridge perfectly placed in the frame. Couldn't be better."

### Sports Feature Photo Long Beach Herald, First Place

Freelance photographer Brian Ballweg captured a celebratory moment shared by the Long Beach High School girls' volleyball team at a championship match, which ran across the top of the front page.

"Great emotion," the judges said. "The team reaction is priceless. Great image."

### Best Special Section Cover Nassau Herald, First Place

Creative Director Jeff Negrin designed the cover for the First On the Scene section, which showed the back of a firefighter in full gear stepping into the flames of a raging fire.

Judges said, "Cover really catches the meaning of the whole section. Great job!"

### **Thirty-three awards in all**

### **First Place**

- General Excellence, Rockville Centre Herald: Ben Strack, Zach Gottehrer-Cohen, Peter Belfiore, Scott Brinton, Karen Bloom, Jeff Negrin, Christina Daly, Rhonda Glickman, Marty Goldenberg, Ron Rothenberg
- In-Depth Reporting, Lynbrook-East Rockaway Herald: Mike Smollins
- Overall Design Excellence, Riverdale Press: Michael Hinman, Richard Stein, Mekea Fishlin
- Spot News Coverage, Rockville Centre Herald: Strack, Brinton, Jeff Bessen
- News Story, Freeport Herald-Leader: Nadya Nataly, Erik Hawkins, Brian Stieglitz, Brinton, Daly
- News/Feature Story, East Meadow Herald: Stephany Reyes
- Feature Photo, Freeport Herald-Leader: Daly
- Sports Feature Photo, Long Beach Herald: Brian Ballweg
- Best Special Section Cover, Nassau Herald: Negrin

### **Second Place**

- General Excellence, Long Beach Herald: Anthony Rifilato, Bridget Downes
- News Story, Rockville Centre Herald: Belfiore, Brinton
- Feature Story, Lynbrook-East Rockaway Herald: Smollins
- Best Obituaries, Lynbrook-East Rockaway Herald: Smollins
- Best Column, Nassau Herald: Randi Kreiss
- Special Section/Niche Publication, Nassau Herald: Brinton, Tyler Marko, Negrin
- Best Small Space Ad, Wantagh-Seaford Herald Citizen: Mona Waitzman

### **Third Place**

- Community Leadership, Long Beach Herald: Rifilato, Downes, Brinton
- Coverage of Education, Bellmore Herald Life: Hawkins, Stieglitz, Brinton
- Coverage of Crime and Courts, Oceanside Herald: Belfiore, Gottehrer-Cohen, Strack

- Sports Coverage, Nassau Herald: Tony Bellissimo, Negrin
- News Story, Riverdale Press: Zak Kostro
- Editorials, Valley Stream Herald: Nataly, Brinton, Nick Ciccone, Reyes
- Art Photo, East Meadow Herald: Daly
- Sports Feature Photo, Sea Cliff-Glen Head Herald Gazette: John Heckman
- Spot News Photo, Nassau Herald: Sue Grieco
- Best House Ad, Glen Cove Herald Gazette

### **Honorable Mention**

- Best Front Page, Long Beach Herald: Rifilato, Downes
- Headline Writing, Lynbrook-East Rockaway Herald: Smollins, Melissa Koenig
- Feature Story, Riverdale Press: Julius Constantine Motal
- Best Column, Merrick Herald: Brinton
- Spot News Photos, Rockville Centre Herald: Rossana Weitekamp, Brinton, Daly
- Best Small Space Ad, Bellmore Herald Life: Gabriella Sobell
- Sports Feature, Riverdale Press: Sean Brennan

### STEPPING OUT

Where to go, what to do, who to see

'Little' films in the spotlight

### The Short Film Concert offers up a peek at filmmaking creativity

hort films are have hit it big. Some of the best can be screened on Friday, at the Madison Theatre in Rockville Centre, when Asbury Shorts Short Film Concert returns to Long Island with its latest edition.

This national touring showcase of films — including award-winners brings cinematic gems to a wide audience on the big screen.

'We have certainly become the concert's Long Island home," says Angelo Fraboni, the Madison Theatre's artistic director. "Storytelling is woven into the fabric of our culture. And, great short films are brilliant precise storytellers. I am amazed at the emotions that can be pulled from me in a three to five minute short

film."

"The audience is engaged in multiple journeys during these concerts that keeps them on a thrilling rollercoaster that have them coming back year after year.'

And come back, they do. The event maintains its loyal following, here and nationwide.

'We just keep growing," says Doug LeClaire, Asbury Shorts' director and founder. "Last year we did the most shows in our 40-year history. That means we are succeeding in our mission, which is to get indie shorts out to people who don't normally go to film festivals.

It's a long way from Asbury Shorts' start as an event LeClaire created to get college films noticed in the early '80s.

"We've evolved into a way to bring award-winning short films to an audience. These are films that deserve to be seen

Don't call LeClaire's event a festival however. He insists it's a "concert."

We are not a festival, since this is not a competitive event," he explains. "We combine shorts from past screenings with current film festival winners and first-time filmmakers. We are giving life to filmmaker's projects. So it's a mix of old hits and new hits, just like a concert. If you don't like a certain film, hang on and you'll like the next one.



A devoted daughter must take her parents to an assisted living facility in "The Drive."

"I don't expect everyone to like them all. It's a successful night for me if audiences like five or six.

The slate of films is designed to entertain across the genres — comedy, drama and animation (with the occasional documentary making an appearance) from up-and-coming filmmakers, along with prominent directors.

Asbury Shorts had its start in 1981 (on Asbury Avenue in Westbury) as a showcase of student-produced shorts from local colleges, guided by LeClaire, who was then a recent graduate of New York Institute of Technology,

"It's been a labor of love for those of us who work in the film business in New York," he says. "Our show is like a trip to the best film festivals in the world where you sample the elite of the short film genre but without competition.

LeClaire, who was a commercial producer for over two decades, remains passionate about giving filmmakers an audience for their creative efforts.

"Our number one priority is the enjoyment of our audience," he says. "We're proud to provide an outlet for the filmmakers' product. "We give them the opportunity to experience great films on real theater screens the way they were meant to be seen. I guarantee that the majority of the audience hasn't seen most of these films

As always, all films shown are 20 minutes or less in length. The program includes selections from the film festival circuit and, of course, Academy Awardnominated titles. "It's an eclectic lineup," says LeClaire. "In true Asbury style, it's a fast paced night in two acts. And all have an award pedigree of some kind.

This year's edition includes some "classics" that are audience favorites from previous shows, along with films making their New York area premieres

Highlights include "Sac De Merde," a new comedy from director Greg Chwerchak (who directed the 2007 coming-

of-age feature "'Greetings From the Shore"). It tells of an unlucky-in-love yet irrationally optimistic New Yorker who thinks her luck has changed when she spends the night with the man of her dreams But as it turns out, that's not exactly so. Written by and starring Arielle Haller-Silverstone, it also features David Fumero, currently in the cast of



Photos courtesy Asbury Shorts

"The Suitor," set in the Australian wilderness, is a surreal tale of courtship. A nervous young suitor attempts to win the heart of the beautiful young heiress who may have other ideas.

the hit STARZ series: "Power."

"It's a bit risqué, but very well done," says LeClaire, of the film, which runs 13 minutes. So we've put it in Act 2.

Another selection "The Suitor," from Australian TV commercial director Kate Riedl, tells a surreal tale of young courtship in the wilds of the Australian outback. The dark comedy has been a hit on the festival circuit. "It's a cool little comedy," says LeClaire.

He also touts "The Drive," the poignant story of Evie, a loving daughter who struggles with role reversal as she drives her aging parents to an assisted living facility. "The subject is very relatable," says LeClaire. "It's nice story that provides an emotional impact — in seven minutes. The casting in this is really well done."

Of course, there's plenty more that LeClaire won't share. "I can't reveal the entire lineup," he says. "We want to be theatrical." That might even mean that there might even be some "surprises' added in. "You'll just have to come and see for yourself," he says. "We always like to surprise our audience."

Karen Bloom

### When: Friday, April 20, 7:30

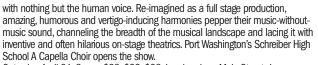
**SHORT FILM** 

CONCERT

p.m. \$15. Where: Madison Theatre, Molloy College, 1000 Hempstead Ave., Rockville Centre. (516) 323-4444 or www.madisontheatreny.org.

### WEEKEND





Saturday, April 21, 8 p.m. \$38, \$33, \$28. Landmark on Main Street, Jeanne Rimsky Theater, 232 Main St., Port Washington. (516) 767-6444 or www. landmarkonmainstreet.org.

### **ON STAGE How I Became a Pirate**

Sail off on a swashbuckling musical excursion, based on the popular book by Melinda Long. Young Jeremy Jacobs joins Captain Braid Beard's band of comical pirates and searches for the perfect spot to bury their treasure, in this joyful family



musical. When a pirate ship interrupts a day at the beach, the young lad joins the Captain' 's scurvy but not so fearsome band of musical buccaneers. Pirates ignore table manners and never have to brush their teeth. But they don't get bedtime stories or a goodnight kiss either. As Jeremy helps the pirates find a spot to bury their treasure, he learns about the real treasures of home and family. The lively production features original songs such as "Green Teeth," "I'm Really Just a Sensitive Guy" and "Talk Like a Pirate," which will have young mateys (and their parents) yo-ho-hoing along. Sunday, April 22, 2 p.m. \$45, \$25, \$15. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU

Post, Route 25A, Brookville. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.



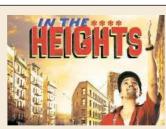
### **IN CONCERT VoicePlav**

The imaginative a capella ensemble introduces Long Islanders to their unique sound and performance style. The Orlando, Fla.-based singers, who gamered much acclaim on Season 4 of NBC's "The Sing-Off," have taken the timeless sound of vocal music and turned it completely on its head. What began quite literally as a street corner barbershop act has now evolved into an international touring sensation. They recreate the orchestrated sound of an entire musical production

### **ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT**

**Coming Attractions** 

### Performances/ On Stage



#### In The Heights

The acclaimed musical about a community on the brink of change, Thursday and Friday, April 19-20, 8 p.m.; Saturday, April 21, 3 and 8 p.m.; Sunday, April 22, 2 and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, April 25, 2 and 8 p.m. John W. Engeman Theater, 250 Main. John W. Engeman Theater, 250 Main St., Northport. (631) 261-2900 or www.engemantheater.com.

#### Ari & Mia

The Americana sister act shares the stage with Sea Cliff-based folk-rock singer songwriter Roger Street Friedman, Thursday, April 19, 18, 8;30 p.m. (open mic at 7:30 p.m.). Hard Luck Cafe at Cinema Arts Centre, 423 Park Ave., Huntington. (631) 425-2925 or www.fmsh. org or www.cinemaartscentre.org.

#### **Music Jam**

Bring an acoustic instrument and voice and join in or just listen, Thursday, April 19, 7 p.m. Sea Cliff Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. 671-4290 or www.seaclifflibrary.org. Jazz After



### George Thorogood & The Destroyers

The blues rockers in concert, Friday April 20, 8 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountny.com.

#### Hours

Jzzz musicians in concert, Friday, April 20, 9:30 p.m. Sky Room Cafe, Cimema Arts Centre, 423 Park Ave., Huntington. (631) 423-7611 or www.cinemaartscentre.org.

#### The Pillowman

Martin McDonagh's dark comedy about a writer in a totalitarian state, Friday and Saturday, April 20-21, 8 p.m.; Sunday, April 22, 3 p.m. Carriage House Players, Vanderbilt Museum, 180 Little Neck Rd., Centerport. 557-1207 or www.vanderbiltmuseum.org.

### **Second City**

The acclaimed improv ensemble on tour, with "Look Both Ways Before Talking," Friday, April 20, 8 p.m. Jeanne Rimsky Theater at Landmark on Main Street, 232 Main St., Port Washington. 767-6444 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org.

### **Three Great Sopranos**

Join Dr. Mel Haber for a video tribute to



### **Dancing Dream**

The '70s come alive once again when the ABBA tribute band Dancing Dream visits the Landmark on Main Street stage, on Sunday, April 29, at 3 p.m.

The dynamic band brings ABBA-style charisma and energy to their entertaining concert, which, of course, includes the mega-hits "Mamma Mia," "Dancing Queen," "Take A Chance," "Fernando," "Waterloo," and so many more. This New York City-based group delivers an enthralling homage to the classic pop act with exciting harmonies, elaborate costumes and choreography.

Tickets are \$37.50; available at (631) 698-9696 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org. Landmark on Main Street, Jeanne Rimsky Theater, 232 Main St., Port Washington.

Leontyne Price, Marica Callas and Nontserrat Caballe, Frday, April 20, 2 p.m. See excerpts from their performances. Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. 676-2130 or www.glencovelibrary.org.



### Cheech & Chong

The iconic counter-culture comic duo on tour, Saturday, April 21, 8 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster. com or www.paramountny.

#### **North Shore Community Chorus**

The chorus performs Verdi's Requiem, with the North Shore Symphony Orchestra, Saturday, April 21, 8 p.m. North Shore High School Auditorium, 450 Glen Cove Ave, Glen Head. (631) 683-5750.

### Your Big Break

A competition showcase of up and coming local talent, Saturday, April 21, 8 p.m. Lineup includes 37 Stripes, Kaylee Shahira, All Types of Kinds, Lydia von Hof, and Psychopompus. Gold Coast Arts Center, 113 Middle Neck Rd., Great Neck. 829-2570 or www.goldcoastarts.org.

### Centennial of J. Willard Roosvelt

Concert celebrating composer J. Willard Roosevelt, Sunday, April 22, 2:30 p.m. Registration required. Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 East Main St., Oyster Bay. 922-1212.

### **Bruce Cockburn**

The singer-songwriter in concert, Tuesday, April 24, 7:30 p.m. Jeanne Rimsky Theater at Landmark on Main Street, 232 Main St., Port Washington. 767-6444 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org.

#### Gov't Mule

The southern rock jam band in concert, Wednesday, April 25, 8 p.m. NYCB Theatre at Westbury, 960 Brush Hollow Rd, Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or www.livenation.com

### For the Kids



### The Wizard of Oz

A fresh new musical comedy, based on Frank L. Baum's classic story, Saturday, April 21, 11 a.m.; Sunday, April 22, 10:30 a.m. John W. Engeman Theater, 250 Main St., Northport. (631) 261-2900 or www. engemantheater.com.

#### PJ Masks Live

The heroic trio from the hit Disney Junior animated series in action, in a musical adventure, "Time to Be a Hero," Saturday, April 21, 4 p.m. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post, Rte. 25A, Brookville.(800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.tillescenter.org.

#### Sound Off

A hands-on prorgram that explores the history and conservation of the Long Island Sound, in celebration of Earth Day, Sunday, April 22, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Activities for all ages include a live touch tank from the Waterfront Center, science programs and more. The Whaling Museum, 301 Main St., Cold Spring Harbor. (631) 367-3418 or www.cshwhalingmuseum.org.

### The Polar Bears Go Up

An adventure with two polar bear friends, told through mime, Thusday, April 26, 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. For ages 3-8. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post, Rte. 25A, Brookville.(800) 745-3000 or www. ticketmaster.com or www.tillescenter.org.

### Museums/Galleries and more...

### **Spring Has Sprung**

An exhibit of limited edition works by neopop pioneer Steve Kaufman. Through April 29. B.J. Spoke Gallery, 299 Main Street, Huntington. (631) 549-5106 or www. bjspokegallery.org.

### The Age of Tiffany: Between Nouveau and Deco

An exhibition that places Tiffany within the context of other decorative art from the Heckscher Museum's permanent collection. Opens April 21, through. July 22. 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.

#### **Movie Time**

See "Phantom Thread," romantic drama about a dressmaker who believes he's cursed in love, set in 1950s post-war Britain, Thursday, April 19, 2 and 6:30 p.m. Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 East Main St., Oyster Bay. 922-

### Reflections of a Bygone Era

Historian Orin Z. Finkle shares his personal archive of ephemera and highlights local Glen Cove estates at the lecture program, Thursday, April 19,7 p.m. Examine original old magazines, post cards, auction catalogs and rare books dealing with architecture, high society, and the era's lifestyle. North Shore Historical Museum, 140 Glen St., Glen Cove. 801-1191 or www.nshmgc.org.



#### At the Movies

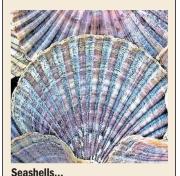
See "Stalag 17," the classic 1953 war film that tells the story of a group of American airmen held in a German World War II prisoner of war camp, Friday, April 20, 2 p.m.; also "Phantom Thread," romantic drama about a dressmaker who believes he's cursed in love, set in 1950s post-war Britain, Tuesday, April 24, 2 p.m. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www.goldcoastlibrary.org.

#### On Screen

See "The Post," the political thriller that dramatizes The Washington Post's historic decision to publish top-secret government documents detailing America's decadeslong involvement in the Vietnam War., Friday, April 20,7:30 p.m., presented by Gold Coast Public Library and Sea Cliff Library. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www.goldcoastlibrary.org.

### **Gallery Talk**

Join Nassau County Museum of Art Director Charles A. Riley, Ph.D. for a lively tour of the current exhibition, Sunday, April 22, 3 p.m. Nassau County Museum of Art, 1 Museum Dr., Roslyn Harbor. 484-9337 or www.nassaumuseum.org.



### 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.

### Having an event?

Submissions can be emailed to kbloom@liherald.com.

### FROM THE DESK OF THE GLEN COVE MAYOR

### It's Only Natural To Protect Glen Cove's Resources

April is Earth Month and it's the right time to talk about our efforts to enhance and protect our City's natural resources. From our City's water supply, beaches, parks and greenery to how we recycle and handle our waste management, there are many initiatives underway to restore, reclaim and recycle and ultimately preserve the beauty of our environment.

Fresh, clean water is the lifeblood of any community and we are fortunate to have our own Water Department to meet our needs. However, since last October we have been tackling the presence of Freon 22 in two of our Duck Pond Road wells which were immediately shut down when our testing revealed traceable amounts.

Freon 22 in our area's water supply is not an isolated situation for Glen Cove as neighboring water districts in Jericho and Roslyn have also been faced with a similar situ-

ation. In all cases the source or cause of the Freon 22 in our aquifer has not been found.

To resolve this issue we are working with the Nassau County Department of Health on a compliance plan that addresses the critical installation of a temporary air stripper to two of our Duck Pond wells to filter out Freon 2 while finalizing the electrical upgrade and reopening of our Kelly Street well following a 2017 lightning strike and beginning the reclamation process for our Seaman Road well.

While our open wells on Nancy Court and Duck Pond Road are currently supplying the City with 100% safe water, we are asking residents to think more about water conservation as we gear up for peak water usage season. With irrigation systems being turned on, cars being washed and pools filled, our water consumption increases substantially in the summer. In the coming month I will be sharing more information about our water conservation recommendations as well as a reminder of Glen Cove's watering guidelines. It is imperative that all of us do our part and conserve water to ensure there is an adequate supply.

From the water in our wells to the changing tides at Pryibil, Morgan and Crescent Beaches, we are also working to address a few key challenges. For Pryibil Beach, our Parks & Recreation and Public Works teams are collaborating with the

Village of Lattingtown to repair East Beach Road. For the short-term, we are looking at repaving and filling pot holes on sections of the road that have been damaged by flooding. Over the long-term, a complete renovation of the road with new drainage will be discussed in more detail.

In addition, after four Nor'easters

impacted our area, Pryibil Beach has experienced extensive erosion with the beach sand eroding as much as 8 feet in depth. As part of our Capital Improvement Plan we will be underwriting the cost of sand replacement at Pryibil Beach as well as Morgan Memorial Park Beach in time for Memorial Day weekend.

This administration is also assessing the repair requirements to re-stabilize the sea wall at Morgan Park. And, our Code Enforcement consultant continues to work with the DEC on pinpointing

the sources of the Crescent Beach contamination by surveying outlay pipes and cesspool systems with line cameras. In anticipation of the reopening of the Crescent Beach I am also having its parking lot repaved this year.

On a closing note I want to invite all Glen Cove residents to join me for an Earth Weekend celebration on April 21 and 22. On April 21 our Sanitation Department will host their bi-annual E-Waste and Paper Shredding Collection at the DPW Yard, 100 Morris Avenue. For more information call (516) 676-4402.

For Earth Day, April 22, I will be joining Glen Cove's Beautification Commission at 12 noon for a community park clean-up at Morgan Memorial Park and I encourage all residents to meet us. At 1 p.m. come to the "Gazebo" for my Glen Cove "Green" briefing and then enjoy a variety of special exhibits, light refreshments and give-aways. Special thanks to Harvest Power and PSEG-LI for their support and we will complete our day with a special tree planting at 1:30 p.m. in honor of Marguerite Suozzi, a former Glen Cove first lady and founder of the Morgan Park Summer Music Festival.

While Earth Month is a vivid reminder to re-visit our commitment to preserving the environment, it is my belief that we can each make small changes throughout the year to help protect our natural resources.



MAYOR TIM TENKE



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### THE GREAT BOOK GURU Too kind a heart?

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**DIPIETRO** 

ear Great Book Guru. This weekend I will be attending my family's annual Duck Hunt

rubber duckies, of course. It will be great fun and I will see my siblings and lots of cousins, all of whom are avid readers. The question of the day will be what have you read lately? Do you have a book I can offer to the group?

From A Family of Readers

Dear From A Family of Readers.

It's April so that means the latest Donna Leon novel has arrived. Her "Temptation of Forgiveness" is the newest in her Venice literary mysteries. As in the past, Inspector Brunetti faces a series of dilemmas that often have little to do with real criminality. Rather his is the struggle of a moral man

living in a world of great moral complexity.

There are few villains in Leon's books but instead men and women who are dealing with issues that refuse to have simple outcomes. In this latest novel, it is the terrible consequences of the too kind heart that Leon presents to us, set against the ever beautiful, ever mysterious Venice. Highly recommended!

Another work you might consider is Sea Cliff author Margaret Gay Malone's recently published "Choices of the Heart."

Malone writes a multi-generational novel set over two continents and many decades with many fascinating plot developments.

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

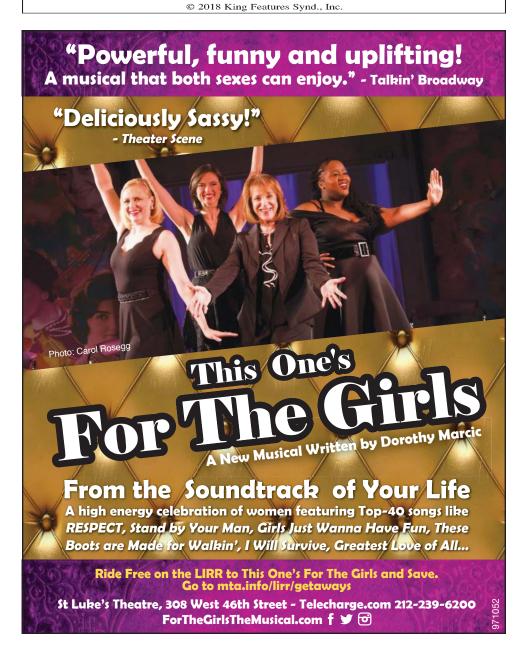
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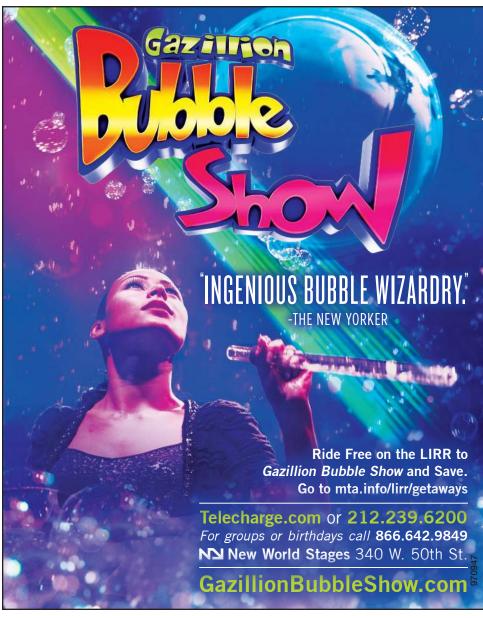
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### Spring comfort food to go

### By CATHI TUROW

Even though it's spring, the cold weather is having a tough time letting go. Thankfully, there's one thing that helps me through these unusual days - spring comfort food. I've tracked down some of the newest help me make it through until spring shows up comfort foods in our area. If the thought of putting on your winter coat one more time is putting you over the edge, visit some of these eateries.

· Crispy Pig (243 Glen Cove Ave., Sea Cliff) With a new chef and menu, the homey food in this café just became homier. The new meat loaf recipe is filled with chunks of onions and vegetables you can taste and see. Instead of chicken waffles,

now pork waffles with chipotle maple sauce are offered. The biggest ta-dah is dessert — bacon bread pudding with homemade caramel sauce. Yum.

· Nitalis Grill (214 Glen Cove Ave, Glen Cove) The moment you enter this café, you'll be comforted. You will be greeted warmly, seated at a charming table and sometimes treated to samples "just to taste." Unique, homemade combinations of fresh Greek and Turkish foods including red lentil balls, a Turkish rice and orzo dish, and fried phyllo scrolls stuffed with spinach and spices, will make your stomach smile. Try the spicy feta dip (made with feta cheese, roasted red peppers, sour cream and lemon juice). Snack on that with some pita wedges and you won't mind if it snows again. Slices of

plain Cheesecake Factory cheesecake are now offered. If leave filled with a festival of flavors.

· Amalfi Pizzeria and Restaurant (197 Forest Ave., Glen Cove) When I'm craving comfort food, pizza is up there on my list. The new artichoke pizza (made with artichoke hearts, lemon juice, a touch of mustard, mozzarella cheese, salt, pepper, olive oil and a sprinkle of breadcrumbs) combines delicious spring flavors that are super satisfying. I also love the new Grandpa Pizza. Though it looks a bit like Grandma Pizza, it's prepared with different ingredients (vodka sauce cooked in tomato sauce, fresh mozzarella, grated cheese, and a lot of love). If you like Grandma, you'll love Grandpa.

- · Stresa Italian Restaurant (1524 Northern Blvd., Manhasset) If we're having comfort food, we can't forget the soup. I discovered campagnola, an elegant, four bean soup served in a perfectly prepared pastry crust. This gourmet restaurant, under new ownership, offers so many dishes worth trying. It's a comfort just knowing it's there.
- · Carvel Ice Cream (181 Forest Ave., Glen Cove) What's the best spring comfort food of all? Ice cream! Fortunately, Carvel has soft ice cream as well as hard. The new soft flavor of the month is Oreo, and the new hard flavor is Kit Kat. My favorite? Mint Oreo.

See you next month — hopefully wearing shorts!

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that a Public Hearing shall
be held on Tuesday, April
24, 2018, at7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Glen Cove City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, New York, to discuss Local Law York, to discuss Local Law 01-2018, amending §C9-2 (C) Assessment procedure, of the Glen Cove City Charter regarding the taxable status of real

property. All interested parties will be All interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.
Tina Pemberton
City Clerk
94618

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LEGAL NOTICE
The ordinance, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted on April 10, 2018, and the validity of the obligations authorized by such ordinance may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the CITY OF GLEN COVE, in the County of Nassau, New York, is not authorized to expend money authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this Notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the publication of this Notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

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TINA PEMBERTON City Clerk
BOND ORDINANCE OF THE
CITY OF GLEN COVE, NEW
YORK, ADOPTED APRIL 10, AUTHORIZING 2018, AUTHORIZING
VARIOUS CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENTS IN AND
FOR THE CITY, STATING THE
ESTIMATED TOTAL COST
THEREOF IS \$8,891,350,
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The objects or purposes for which the bonds are authorized consist of various authorized consist of various capital improvements in and for the City of Glen Cove, as further described in the City's 2018 Capital Improvement Plan, at the estimated total cost of \$8,891,350. The amount of obligations authorized to be issued is

authorized to be issued is not to exceed \$8,891,350. The periods of usefulness are various periods from 3 to 40 years.

A complete copy of the Bond Ordinance

Bond orumanized above shall be public summarized above shall be available for public inspection during normal business hours at the office of the City Clerk, City of Glen Cove, City Hall, Glen Cove, New York. Dated:April 10, 2018 Glen Cove, New York 94357

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES

PROPOSALS DUE:May 11,

2018
TIME:11:00 a.m.
The North Shore Central
School District is requesting
proposals from qualified
firms/individuals to provide
Internal Audit Services, as
described in the complete
REP

The District will receive sealed proposals at North Shore Central School District on or prior to 11:00 a.m. on Friday, May 11, 2018. Proposals received after stated date will be returned to the sender, unopened Proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope plainly marked on the outside:

RFP:Internal Audit Services

#001 Addressed to:Olivia Buatsi

Assistant Superintendent for Business North Shore Central School

112 Franklin Avenue

Frankin Avenue
Sea Cliff, NY 11579
For additional information
or copies of the complete
RFP please contact Olivia
Buatsi at 516-277-7815.

Proposals will be opened on the stated date. The names of the proposing firms/individuals shall be available following the

available ronown...s proposal opening. The Board of Education of The North Shore Central School District, reserves the right to reject any or all proposals that they consider not to be in the best interest of the school district. Olivia Ruatsi

Assistant Superintendent for Business North Shore Central School

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LEGAL NOTICE INVITATION FOR BIDDERS INVITATION FOR BIDDERS
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that
the sealed bids will be
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Cove Purchasing Agent
located at City Hall, 9 Glen
Street, Glen Cove, N.Y.
11542 until 11:00 a.m. on
May 22, 2018 at which time
they will be publicly opened
and read aloud and the
contract awarded as soon
thereafter as practicable for:
BID NO. 2018-001
FLOORING REPLACEMENT

BID NO. 2018-001 FLOORING REPLACEMENT FOR CITY OF GLEN COVE VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT

DEPARTMENT
The Bidding Documents may be obtained at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, N.Y. upon non-refundable payment of \$100.00 in cash or check payable to City of Glen Cove for each set. The Bidding Documents are available beginning April 20, 2018.
Each bid must be made on the proposal form prepared

the proposal form prepared for this work and in the manner designated therein and be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in an amount of ten percent (10%) of the gross amount of the bid. The bid shall be enclosed in an opaque sealed envelope addressed to the Purcharing Agent of to the Purchasing Agent of the City of Glen Cove and marked on the outside with the name and address of the bidder, and the words "Bid for FLOORING FLOORING
REPLACEMENT FOR CITY OF

GLEN COVE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT - BID# 2018-001".

labor and Compensation.

Requests for information regarding this Invitation should be sent only in writing to Nancy Andreiev, Purchasing Agent of the City. Ms. Andreiev may be contacted at nandreiev@cityofglencove.o

The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids received, to waive any informality in the bids received and to accept that bid which in its judgment best serves the interests of the City

Nancy Andreiev, Purchasing Agent City of Glen Cove, New York 94610

LEGAL NOTICE CITY OF GLEN COVE PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF HEARINGS

HEARINGS
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that public hearings will be held by the Glen Cove Planning Board on Tuesday, May 1, 2018, at 7:30 p.m. at the Council Chambers, City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, N.Y., when all interested persons will be given an opportunity to express their views on the following applications: applications: 1.GLEN COVE 2017, LLC

Applications.

I.GLEN COVE 2017, LLC (Contract Vendee)
Continued Public Hearing-Applicant seeks site plan approval for the construction of a three-story, 108,000 square foot Self-Storage Facility on vacant land located at 30 Sea Cliff Avenue, Glen Cove, N.Y. on the north side of Sea Cliff Ave west of Pratt Boulevard in the I-2 Light Industrial District, as shown on the Nassau County Land & Tax Map as Section 21, Block H, Lots 37, 273, 314 & 320, in accordance with the 320, in accordance with the

Glen Cove Building Zone Glen Cove Building Zone
Ordinance & Map.
2.WEBB INSTITUTE Applicant seeks an amended
site plan approval and
special use permit to allow
the construction of a 29,563
square foot two-story (classrooms/studios faculty offices) and new

faculty offices) and new landscaped terraces, north of the existing library and east of the President's residence, at the Webb Institute New Academic Center located at 298 Crescent Beach Road, Glen Crescent Beach Road, Glen Cove, N.Y., located in the R-1A Two-Acre Residential District, as shown on the Nassau County Land & Tax Map as Section 31, Block 8,

Map as Section 31, Block 8, Lot J, in accordance with the Glen Cove Building Zone Ordinance & Map. The above applications are on file at the City offices located at 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, NY where it may be seen during regular business hours of the usual business days until the time

of the hearing. Dated:April 12, 2018 ORDER DT UKDER OF THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE CITY OF GLEN COVE THOMAS SCOTT, CHAIRMAN

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF ANNUAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION OF NORTH SHORE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, NASSAU COUNTY, YORK (MAY 15, 2018)

that a Public Hearing of the qualified voters of the North Shore Central School 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 3, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. for the 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 discussing and furnishing 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 Notice, and for the 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 to the control of the control (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. and by other than a 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

election, and on the day of the election, together with the text of any resolution which will be presented to the voters.

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 10:00 p.m. on May 15, 2018 at the Gwmnasium of the at the Gymnasium of the North Shore Senior High School, on the following Propositions: PROPOSITION NO. 1 SCHOOL BUDGET

2018-2019

2018-2019
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

TRANSPORTATION DISTANCE LIMITS
RESOLVED, that the Board
of Education of the North
Shore Central School District

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 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 35,445,911.91, of 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 Glenwood Landing Landing ol, (2) Elementary School, (2) installation of Air Condition at Cafeteria Space at Glen Head Elementary School,

Sea Cliff Elementary School and North Shore Middle School, (3) installation of Air 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
Cafeteria Ceiling and
installation of new LED
Lights at the North Shore
High School, and, if funds 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.

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

HERERY NOTICE IS HEREBY 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.

30, 2021.
AND FURTHER NOTICE IS
HEREBY GIVEN, that
candidates for the office of
member of the Board of 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 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 of the candidate. Each such petition shall be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the School District between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 pm on the fore April 16 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
the North Shore Schools
Administrative Office, 112
Franklin Avenue, Sea Cliff,
New York 11579.

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.

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 be the provided at any whose left. 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 and maintained by Nassau County Board of Elections, shall be eligible to vote at the Annual Budget Vote and Election to be conducted on May 15, 2018.

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 hours 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 persons eligible to vote by 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

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 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 voter, or one (1) day before the Annual Budget Vote and Election if such ballot 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.

District Clerk until the day of

Law will be annexed to any tentative/preliminary budget as well as the final adopted budget of which it will form on the District's website NOTICE APPROVED:

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

LEGAL NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL PROPOSALS DUE:May

PROPOSALS DUE:May 11, 2018
TIME:11:00 a.m.
The North Shore Central School District is requesting proposals from qualified firms/individuals to provide Claims Auditor Services, as described in the complete RFP. The Claims Audit function will be performed to ensure that the operating

policy. The District will receive sealed proposals at North Shore Central School District on or prior to 11:00 a.m. on Friday, May 11, 2018. Proposals received after stated date will be returned to the sender, unopened. Proposals must submitted in a envelope plainly marked on the outside: RFP:Claims Auditor Services

112 Franklin Avenue

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 a part; and shall be posted

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CLAIMS AUDITOR SERVICES

function will be performed to ensure that the operating procedures including all internal controls are being followed and that all expenditures of the school district funds are in accordance with laws, regulations and district policy.

Addressed to:Olivia Buatsi Assistant Superintendent for North Shore Central School

Sea Cliff, NY 11579 For additional information or copies of the complete RFP please contact Olivia Buatsi at 516-277-7815.

Proposals will be opened on the stated date. The names of the proposing firms/individuals shall be available following

proposal opening.
The Board of Education of
The North Shore Central
School District, reserves the right to reject any or all proposals that they consider not to be in the best interest of the school district.

Olivia Buatsi

Assistant Superintendent for North Shore Central School

Place a notice by phone at 516-569-4000 x232 or email: legalnotices@liherald.com

LEGAL NOTICE
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
S T U D E N T
RESIDENCY/INVESTIGATIVE PROPOSALS DUE:May 11,

PROPOSALS DUE:May 11, 2018
TIME:11:00 a.m.
The North Shore Central School District is requesting proposals from qualified firms/individuals to provide S t u d e n t Residency/Investigative Services. as described in the Services, as described in the complete RFP.

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the outside: RFP:Student Residency/Investigative Services Addressed to:Olivia Buatsi

Assistant Superintendent for Business North Shore Central School

District 112 Franklin Avenue Sea Cliff, NY 11579

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### HERALD EDITORIAL

### No ethics without fair districting

alking about ethics is always a crowd-pleaser, particularly when scandals are as recent and as numerous as they have been in New York. So it was almost to be expected when Gov. Andrew Cuomo pledged in his January State of the State address to make ethics an important part of his agenda for the coming year.

Those reforms were to have included public financing of campaigns, limiting outside income for lawmakers and imposing term limits. Yet in recent budget negotiations, amendments that would have made those reforms possible were traded away. The cynical might say that, too, was almost to be expected. The electorate has gotten used to both the promise of reform and the failure to deliver.

Whatever the issue, from outside income to nepotism to the undue influence of lobbyists, elected officials will have little incentive to reform themselves until elections become truly competitive. To accomplish that, the current system of redistricting has to be scrapped.

The problem is gerrymandering.

The word is relatively new, but the practice is as old as elective politics. For the professional politician, nothing is as desirable as a "safe" seat, for which the incumbent faces only token opposition — or none at all. To bring this about, legislators draw weirdly shaped districts that cut across town or county borders and combine voters on the basis of party affiliation or perceived interests. The members of the party that controls a governing body have a powerful incentive to manipulate election districts to their advantage.

The two most common forms of gerrymandering are cracking and packing.

Cracking happens when voters of the same party are spread among several constituencies; packing occurs when those voters are concentrated in a small number of districts. Besides creating a party advantage, cracking and packing have also been used to effectively disenfranchise minority voters.

Nassau County Republicans were accused of cracking and packing during the protracted struggle to approve redistricting after the 2010 census. "It is demoralizing to see [them] used to such an extent in Nassau," Nancy Rosenthal, co-president of the county chapter of the League of Women Voters, said in 2013. The map of legislative districts that ultimately received approval from the Republican-led County Legislature can only be described as bizarre.

The same issues exist on a larger scale in New York state. Assembly and senatorial districts — and even congressional districts — have the same jagged lines. Boundaries jut in and out to include or exclude, depending on what is needed to solidify an incumbent's position. And it works: In 2016, only four incumbent state legislators lost at the polls.

Redistricting plans are coming under increasing scrutiny from the courts. In Pennsylvania, the League of Women Voters sued last year over the state's congressional map, drawn in 2011, contending that it discriminated against Democrats. While the state has a roughly 50-50 split between the two major parties, Republicans won 13 of 18 seats in the state's congressional delegation in 2014, and 12 of 18 in 2016. In January, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court agreed with the League that the map was skewed.

At the same time, however, the U.S. Supreme Court stayed a lower court order in North Carolina requiring the state to redraw its congressional map, despite baldly partisan remarks from the legislator responsible. "I think electing Republicans is better than electing Democrats," Rep. David Lewis was quoted in the New York Times as saying. In 2016, North Carolina Republicans took 10 out of 13 House seats, or 77 percent, although they garnered only 53 percent of the vote.

The high court is due to consider similar cases of alleged partisan gerrymandering by Democrats in Maryland and Repubicans in Wisconsin. But while the court has ruled that gerrymandering on racial grounds is unconstitutional, it has never overturned partisan gerrymandering.

It should. Only 58 percent of registered voters went to the polls in the 2016 general election, according to a PBS report, and that was regarded as a relatively high turnout. The 2014 figure was just 36.4 percent. In other representative democracies, turnout routinely tops 80 percent. A 2016 Pew Research study ranked the U.S. 31st out of the 35 member nations of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development in voter turnout. One of the reasons citizens gave for their lack of interest was gerrymandering.

"The most important element of New York's social progress agenda is equality: It is guaranteed by the Constitution and our belief in human rights," Cuomo said in his January address. If those words are to be more than mere oratory, then one-personone-vote has to become a reality. Until elected officials can be held genuinely accountable to the people they serve, any talk of ethics reform will ring hollow.

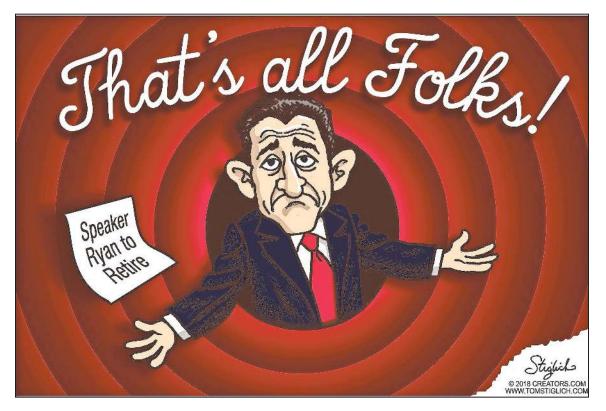
### **LETTERS**

### Fighting the opioid crisis in every possible way

To the Editor:

While the fight against opioids continues to be an uphill battle, strides continue to be made to reverse deaths caused by overdoses. I have sponsored many opioid education and Narcan training sessions over the past several years. And, the U.S. Surgeon General is now recommending that as many people as possible train in the use of Narcan and have the opioid overdose reversal medication with them just in case they need to potentially save a life.

I am very proud that the Nassau County Legislature voted unanimously to amend and dramatically expand the existing Social Host Law. Now, not only is allowing the consumption of alcoholic beverages by persons under the age of 21 in one's home a criminal offense, but so is allowing



### **OPINIONS**

### Finding hope among the crowd at the March for Our Lives

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ust in front of me, a teenage girl tentatively raised her arm. Then she clenched her fist. We were at the March for Our Lives rally in Washington on March 24, and she was responding to a request from a survivor of the February shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High in Parkland, Fla., to "Raise your hand if you've been personally affected by gun violence." I didn't raise mine. I couldn't.

Wiping away tears, like so many oth-



LAURA LANE

like so many others around me, who were primarily teenagers, it was hard enough just to be there. To see sympathy, surprise or, really, any reaction to my hand going up? I couldn't handle that, too.

My cousin was murdered a year and a half ago. He was 21. Ryan was

quiet, had a problem with depression and liked nothing more than to help people, especially children. Having dropped out of college, he lived at home. I didn't know him very well, but I was close to his grandfather, who died a year before he did, and his mother, Shari, who's one of my favorite cousins.

I've wanted more gun legislation for many years. I'm not an advocate of taking away everyone's guns, but the laws regulating who can get them are inadequate. Even so, I had become one of the jaded ones that the National Rifle Association loves. Disheartened that no gun legislation ever seemed to ever

become law, I had given up.

And I had never taken
part in a march, or any kind
of protest against guns,
until the march in D.C.
There were more conveniently located protests that
day, but I wanted to go to the
nation's capital to let lawmakers know that hundreds
of thousands of people like
me had taken it up a notch.

The girl in front of me held her arm up for so long.
Listening to the speakers who passionately promised to get out the vote among young people, my gaze kept shifting to her. How could she keep doing that? It left

her naked.
I clutched my sign — You Can't Pray
Away Guns. I wanted to tell the girl, "This
is the best I can do. How I wish I could be
like you."

Interestingly, it's harder for me to talk about guns now, much more so than before Ryan was killed. I feel like I've become an unwitting member of the Murder in the Family Club, which, of course, exists only in the hearts of those who have lost family members to violent acts.

I wish I could explain the chills I felt when the survivors spoke, the desire I had to sob, to scream, which I didn't do.

But also, the hope that enveloped me as they said over and over again that they were committed to bringing about change. I knew they had lost more than a football coach, an athletic director, a geography teacher and their classmates. They had lost their innocence. Murder does that to you.

Thoughts and prayers. Those words, meant to comfort, have done nothing to

erase the image I have of Ryan's last moments. After he was forced to empty his bank account at an ATM, he was driven to a desolate area and dragged into the woods. The last thing he saw was more than likely the barrel of a gun.

Thoughts and prayers didn't help our family when he was missing for four days. Once he was found, because it had been so hot, Shari wasn't allowed to see his body. It was like her son just disappeared.

Thoughts and prayers don't soothe our

family's continuing anguish as the trial of the 20-something woman and man who allegedly killed Ryan continues to be delayed. The phrase is so overused and so hurtful. But I get it. What do you say to someone who's had someone she loves murdered? I'm not sure, but I guarantee thoughts and prayers isn't it.

Most people's votes are driven by issues. But gun legislation should supersede all other issues, because if people continue to die in mass shootings, other issues won't matter. I know that for my cousin, so much no longer matters.

She and her husband, John, marched in Pittsburgh's March for Our Lives, for change and for Ryan. She said he was with her, like an angel. The teenagers spearheading change have given her hope. And they've given it to me, too.

Every murder leaves behind suffering family members who have to try to move on with their lives. Some just can't. So, next time you see people who have lost a loved one to gun violence, the ones who cry, work so hard to remain stoic or sound so bitter you want to turn away, know that they could be you. No one is exempt from the Murder in the Family Club. I never thought I'd be a member.

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### **LETTERS**

minors under the age of 18 to use opioids or other controlled substances, including marijuana and cocaine.

Some people are unaware of the opioid pain medications they have in their medicine cabinets. It is very important for everyone to be aware of and responsible for the medications they have in their homes and to use this as a chance to "shed the meds."

Fortunately, the amendment does not alter the Good Samaritan Law, which protects people that are with someone overdosing from facing criminal charges. So, people who think their friend or family member is overdosing should not hesitate to call EMS.

As Ranking Member of the Nassau County Public Safety committee, I am very serious about my role in working with law enforcement and public health professionals to keep our residents safe. The Social Host Law is a small move forward, but it is one more piece in the fight against opioids.

**DELIA DERIGGI-WHITTON** 

Nassau County Legislator Glen Cove

### Enlightening the anti-gun protestors

To the Editor:

May I take this opportunity to address students, teachers, and others

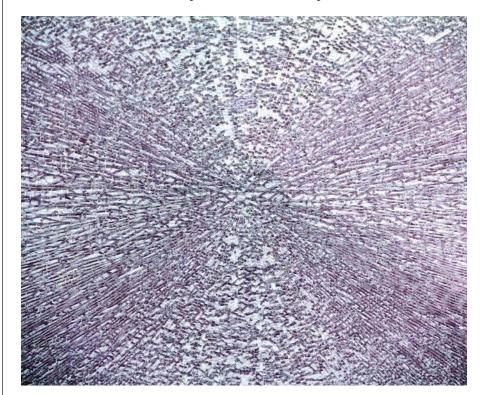
who have assembled and marched recently in response to the terrible high school shooting that recently took place in Florida. I won't condemn them, but instead suggest that instead of constantly using the term "gun violence" perhaps they and legislators should refer any acts of violence of any kind as "criminal violence," just as it would be if anyone was threatened or attacked with fists, feet, boards, pipes, baseball bats, knives, scissors, hatchets, icepicks, strangled with a rope, burned with acid, poisoned, or deliberately run over with a motor vehicle.

Clamoring for more gun laws when you don't even know there are as many as 20,000 or more federal, state and local gun laws in existence right now across the United States is tantamount to knowing little or nothing about exactly what you are clamoring for. Crime analysis reveals these gun laws have not had any measurable effect on reducing firearms related "violent crime" such as murder, robbery, assault, rape or in the case of property crimes, arsons burglary and home invasions.

Gun laws control sheep for the lawabiding citizens. They don't control violent criminal predators who knowingly, deliberately and willfully commit their violent crimes on a recurring basis as recidivists using firearms.

Poorly crafted and hastily adopted anti-gun legislation often becomes a

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A study in shattered glass — Garden City

platform and springboard for government abuse of law abiding citizenry without ever having the significant and quantifiable impact on the violent crime its proponents allege it will have. The NY SAFE Act is a good example. The

NRA is the only civil-rights catalyst in the world that opposes this type of legislative behavior

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### **OPINIONS**

### Do we have the right to privacy, or not?

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efenders of privacy and freedom from unnecessary intrusions into legal rights got a wakeup call on two fronts last week. One involved our expectations of privacy in the internet age, and the other challenged our assumptions about attorney-client confidentiality.

In the first case, boy billionaire Mark Zuckerberg did his best imitation of Cap-



**ALFONSE D'AMATO** 

tain Renault in "Casablanca." being "shocked, shocked" that Facebook data was breached and apparently widely disseminated for political purposes during the 2016 presidential campaign. Forget that the whole premise of Facebook

from the days it

was concocted by Zuckerberg in his dorm room — is precisely to facilitate the sharing of information. The business model of Facebook and other online platforms gives users a means to communicate widely in exchange for giving advertisers wide access to those communications.

Anyone who has a Facebook page or who's browsed online leaves a digital information trail regularly mined by advertisers. That's how Zuckerberg became a billionaire. The lesson for all to learn is that *nothing* we do online is ever truly private. If we want privacy, we must be very careful about things we put

What seems to have suddenly gotten

everyone's hackles up in Washington is that Facebook's vast troves of digital information were somehow appropriated for nefarious political purposes by a shadowy company that also gained access to personal information users had willingly, if unwittingly, posted on Facebook. Unfortunately for the mostly left-leaning geniuses who inhabit Silicon Valley, the geeks who figured out how to access

this data ran a conservative-leaning company called Cambridge Analytica, which used the gold mine of information it gleaned from Facebook to construct profiles of its users that could then be used to target political messages to them.

If you're at all politically active, you already know that every public action you take in support of a candidate or cause is information that others can use to target you with online ads. If you belong to the Sierra Club or the NRA, you'll receive online ads directed at those interests. If you give to candidates of a political party, other candidates will mine public records of your contributions to solicit online contributions too.

It turns out that what Cambridge Analytica and other digital information-mining companies have managed to do is construct such detailed voter profiles that campaigns can now micro-target key

voter groups with pinpoint accuracy and identify where candidates' personal campaigning is most likely to have the greatest voter impact. During the 2016 presidential election, the Trump campaign kept visiting a swath of very specific but less-traveled areas in key Midwestern states that the Clinton campaign was ignoring or taking for granted, leading to the election-night surprise that saw

those states fall into the Trump column.

Much has since been made of the insidious influence wielded by Russian hackers, who also mined Facebook and other digital sources to convey election disinformation, supposedly helping turn the election Donald Trump's way. But the reality is that the guerilla tactics of Cambridge Analytica and other similar entities are what undercut the Clinton juggernaut and helped open the way for Trump to become president. Diminished privacy and information transparency in the digital age won the day. In a very real sense, Silicon Valley did itself in.

On another privacy front, long-held expectations of confidentiality deeply

embedded in U.S. legal traditions also came under recent assault. Most Americans assume that communications with their lawyer - like those with their doctor or confessor - are sacrosanct and cannot be pried open by law enforcement. But that assumption was seriously challenged when FBI agents conducted a raid of Trump's personal attorney, Michael Cohen.

The information scooped up in this dragnet apparently may be related to actions Cohen took to protect the president from potentially damaging disclosures about his personal life. One can only imagine what similar FBI raids would have uncovered about the personal lives of half of our previous presidents, but in today's world — as Facebook proves — nothing is private.

But the fundamental question here is, where does this erosion of our right to privacy end? We can definitely give it up when we communicate publicly online. But do we give it up when we communicate privately with an attorney? Perhaps the best guidance came from the great Justice Louis Brandeis, who wrote, "The most comprehensive of rights, and the right most valued by civilized men, is the right to be let alone.'

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### Flying away on a literary magic carpet

y mother

'm writing about books because my mother is dying and I can't write about that. I know that my sense of myself, my personal latitude and longitude, are about to change in the coming weeks. But that place feels too tender to probe, so I turn to a great source of comfort in my life: books. And I offer my syllabus of escape to you as well, for today

or the day that you need it.



**RANDI KREISS** 

I recently discovered a terrific suspense/mystery writer, Margaret Millar, who did

her best work in the 1950s. She won the Edgar Award for mystery more than once. This year I lectured on her prizewinning "Beast in View," a creepy bit of a thriller that will spin you right out of your world and into a mid-20th century

time of silk stockings and pompadours, sexual secrecy, stalkers and surprise endings. Once you leap in, you really can't think about anything else until you turn the last page. And of course, that's the point.

Another book I picked up recently and couldn't put down is "The Vegetarian," is dying, by Han Kang, the South Korean writer who won the Man-Booker Prize for this and I try to novel. It's a weird and compelling story about an ordidistract myself nary Japanese woman who from the sadness decides not to eat meat anymore. In that time and of the moment. place, among these people, her decision horrifies and shocks her immediate family. I confess, I didn't completely understand the book, but I couldn't stop reading it. Han has crafted a very strange tale of madness and weaponized family dynamics.

Another exotic distraction was "An Artist of the Floating World," by Kazuo Ishiguro. He walks us through the winding back lanes of post-war Japan where serious artists lived and recovered after the war. We witness their struggle as

they contemplate the role their work may have played in the push to war before 1945. Ishiguro prompts the reader to consider the power of art in a politically charged world.

And if you need a getaway, by all

means consider Mischa Berlinski's "Fieldwork," a family saga about several generations of American missionaries in the wild border territory of northern Thailand. This novel conflates several genres in an unusual mystery about the remote tribal people ordinary travelers never encounter.

I put down one book and pick up the next. A friend suggested I read Roz Chast's

brutally honest memoir about her parents' decline and death, "Can't We Talk About Something More Pleasant?" The truth is, I read it some time ago, and it is brilliant, but this isn't the moment to stare at the painful truth. The same goes for Atul Gawande's "Being Mortal." It's a must-read, and I did, but not for this deli-

Rather, I picked up an old friend,

"Moby-Dick," and set sail with the Captain, Ishmael and Queequeg for a week.

If you're going through a tough time, I also recommend food books. The other night I leafed through my ragged copy of "The Joy of Cooking." It made me think more about my mother's matzo balls and her recipe for pea soup than her illness. And that led me to think about how she made her unicorn apple cake, dumping the flour on the kitchen table and stirring in all the other ingredients, until the dough was a sweet-sticky mound to be spread in a pan and covered with fruit. There's no recipe, and that particular apple cake will pass with my mother.

Trying to distract myself from the sadness of the moment. I find that my old friends, my books, are a singular comfort. The noise of TV and the internet, even the telephone, are distressing. Politics has become a cacophony of misery and despair.

But sitting and reading in a quiet room, my mother's breathing setting the steady rhythm of the moment, is a real blessing.

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