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## Glen Cove gallery gets a really fresh coat

After months of preparation, First City Project, in downtown Glen Cove, got to show off its shiny new London-themed décor, with vividly colored paintings creating a stunning visual landscape both inside and out. The works were all produced by local artists. More photos, Page 3.

## GCSD mulls video link to police

### County contract allows districts to install Rave free

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The Glen Cove School District is in talks with local law enforcement agencies about whether to install a system that would allow school buildings to share their security camera footage and other information with police in the event of an emergency.

The Nassau County Police Department has contracted with

IntraLogic Solutions and Rave Mobile Safety to provide such a system, free of charge, to any school districts in the county that want to participate. Glen Cove Superintendent Maria Rianna said the district was considering any and all possible ways to improve the school's security system, "including Rave."

Rianna said that Glen Cove has yet to implement the system

because "technical difficulties" in some district buildings would affect Rave's effectiveness, depending on where on campus an alarm is triggered. "We want to make sure that whatever solution we're using, it's going to be the most efficient and most completely effective," she said. She declined to comment further, explaining that the district had been advised by security experts

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## Council's spat over contracts

### Silverman, McQuair throw jabs over billing outside vendors

By **ZACH GOTTEHRER-COHEN**  
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At a City Council meeting on April 24, Councilwoman Marsha Silverman raised an issue about warrants — normally a unanimous, uncontroversial vote to pay the city's bills — that led to nearly a half-hour of contentious debate over how the city handles professional-service contracts, under which firms are on call should the city need their services.

Silverman took issue with several points, including the fact that there's no clear way to track the projects the city pays for under the on-call contracts.

"My understanding is that those contracts put the parameters in place — the agreement and expenses," Silverman said at the meeting, "but not for any specific projects." She added that without the opportunity to vote on the individual projects, the council could not fulfill its "fidu-

ciary responsibility" to ensure that taxpayer money is well spent.

City Attorney Charles McQuair countered that there isn't always time to put projects to a vote before invoking a pro-

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**TIM TENKE**  
Mayor, Glen Cove

essional services contract. Requiring a vote on every project would make it impossible to address some of the time-sensitive, unforeseeable issues the city sometimes faces, he said.

The legal invoices are "approved and vetted by me to make sure that they're accurate," McQuair said.

Silverman fired back that without oversight from the council, or a policy for managing on-call contracts, "You

could engage firms that are on the annual contract list and the on-call list for hundreds of thousands of dollars, or millions of dollars, without board approval. That's what you're saying."

Darcy Belyea, director of the

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# First City Project benefits Sunrise Camp

By ZACH GOTTEHRER-COHEN  
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First City Project in Glen Cove opened its doors welcoming visitors into an art-lover's paradise on April 21. Stunning abstract paintings and other pieces hung on the walls, which were also works of art.

Vendors on the ground floor sold organic foods, decorative pieces and clothing. Upstairs, a face-painter dressed like a fairy, brushed delicate butterflies onto little smiling cheeks. There was a sleek looking sports car in the middle of the floor in one of the

rooms, and in the corner was a glass display with a Lego homage to Andy Warhol's work.

"I feel like Glen Cove is a diamond in the rough," said Joe LaPadula, owner of First City Project. "You need to demonstrate that if you build, they will come. If you have something interesting and worthwhile, people will come to you to see it."

A portion of the proceeds, thus far totaling about \$50,000 from vendor and art sales, will be given to Sunrise Day Camp, a summer getaway for children with cancer.



Photos by Zach Gottehrer-Cohen/Herald Gazette



**DEAN ADAMS, ABOVE,** discussed oil pastel blending technique with a fan outside the First City.

**WALKING INTO GLEN Cove's First City Project,** visitors were met with a room full of trinkets for sale.

**WILDFLOWER, A BOUTIQUE,** far left based in Glen Head, set up shop inside First City for the event.

## The art of the funeral, passed down through generations

By ZACH GOTTEHRER-COHEN  
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In a way, Glen Cove's oldest business, the Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home, owes its longevity to John Wilkes Booth, although its history goes back much farther, to the mid-1700s.

The Kirby family were early settlers to the North Shore of Long Island. They made a living doing carpentry, making and selling mainly wheels for horse-drawn carriages.

Their first foray into the funerary arts came when a farmer from the area asked the Kirbys to make a casket for his recently deceased wife. Death being one of the universal absolutes, the Kirbys added burial boxes — sure to be in steady demand — to their wares, and continued making them for those in the area.

Around the turn of the 19th century, a Kirby daughter married Jordan C. Dodge, who took over the wheelwright's workshop and began using it to construct furniture. The family continued to build caskets, and in 1816 officially began directing funerals.

In 1865, when Booth assassinated President Abraham Lincoln, the funerary arts were still just a side-gig for what was then the Dodge Furniture Company. Preserving

the deceased's remains through embalming wasn't the mortician's staple that it is today. Burials were held soon after death to avoid the natural decay process.

That changed when Lincoln's funeral train, dubbed "The Lincoln Special" carried the dead president's remains by train on a two-week long journey from Washington D.C. to his home state of Illinois, stopping in 180 cities along the way for a series of open casket processions.

The tens-of-thousands of mourners around the country must have been impressed by the posthumous preservation of the president, because all of a sudden, embalming became the norm, and the mortuary industry was launched.

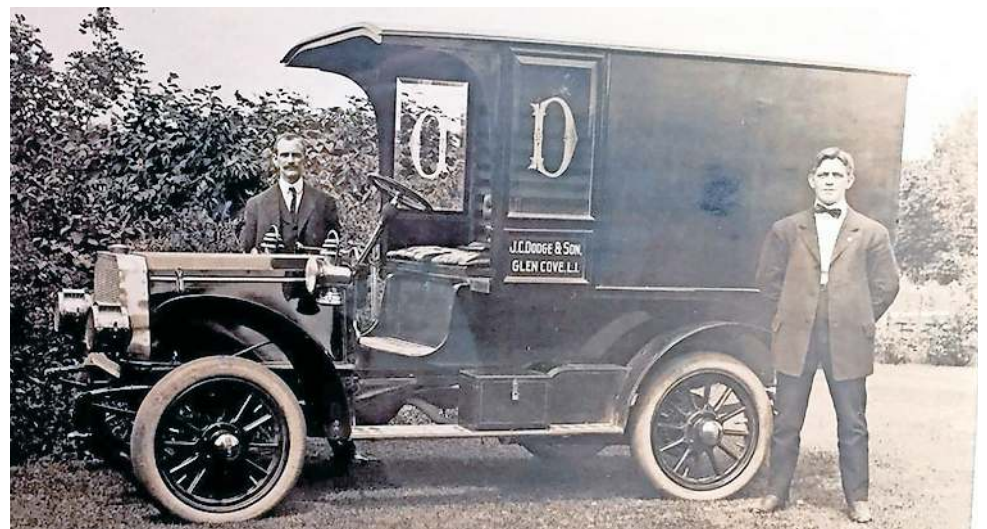
About 30 years later, in 1894, Dodge Furniture Company expanded its funerary capabilities by converting its old warehouse at 26 Franklin Ave. into a funeral parlor. Since then, the Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home has been passed down the generations of proprietors, sometimes from one family to another. But it has remained an open and operating funeral home, making it the oldest in the state, and the second oldest in the country.

That history, said Greg Minutoli, one of Dodge-Thomas' current funeral directors, is partly responsible for the quality of service they provide. "That was one advan-

### WHAT IS SMALL BUSINESS WEEK?

National Small Business Week, April 29-May 5, celebrates America's entrepreneurial spirit and the important role small business owners play in our communities.

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tage we always had, being here such a long time," he said. "We were always taught the things we were done."

It's the little things, Minutoli said, that make a big difference for a family in mourning. "It's all to let people know that we care," he said, from handwritten pages, to the floral arrangements, to the way that he comforts the grieving.

Minutoli's family grew up in Glen Cove, a stone's throw from the funeral home. As engrained into the fabric of the community as Dodge-Thomas is, so to are the people who run it.

Sometimes, Minutoli said, he knows the deceased. "A lot of the time," he said, "it's secondary. A friend of a friend."

Occasionally though, the job and his personal life intersect in uncomfortable ways. He said that the hardest part of his job is helping arrange a funeral for a friend. "After funerals like that, [the deceased's family] always associated me with the death of their loved one." He choked up, adding, "I never wanted them to see me and think of a bad time."

"This business is all about bittersweet," Minutoli said. "There's nothing I can say [to a grieving family], there's no magical words. What I can do is be there for them, answer their questions and reassure them that it's going to be OK, that we're going to help them through it in whatever way we can."

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# Legislature tightens county sexual harassment policy

By **ERIK HAWKINS**

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The Nassau County Legislature, on April 23, voted unanimously to enhance the county's policy on sexual harassment, and protections for victims of harassment.

According to Legislator Steve Rhoads, a Bellmore Republican, the bill came in response to the reports of sexual harassment and assault by high-profile figures that have dominated the national news cycle for months.

The bill was proposed by Legislator Arnold Drucker, a Plainview Democrat.

According to Rhoads, the bill requires:

- County employees to be informed of the county's sexual harassment policies within 30 days.
- A systematic review of the county's harassment training curriculum to ensure effectiveness.
- All county employees to complete online sexual harassment training by next March.

■ All necessary steps to be taken to keep the identity of any county employee who reports an incident of sexual harassment secret.

■ The county's Office of Equal Employment Opportunity to disclose findings of violations of the sexual harassment policy that lead to discipline within 30 days to the county attorney, the legislative presiding officer and the minority leader. Also that the Legislature be notified of all settlements of allegations of sexual harassment.

"Nassau County has zero tolerance for sexual harassment," said Rhoads. "It was impossible to witness the recent national conversation that unfolded over the last several months, and not look to see what we could be doing better to educate and protect the county workforce. We want all of our employees to not only feel comfortable and safe, but to be comfortable and safe in the workplace. It is my hope that these policy changes will bring us closer to that goal."

## CRIME WATCH

### Arrests

April 24.

- Male, 58, from Locust Valley, arrested on St. Andrews lane for DWI and failing to keep right on April 22.
- Female, 33, from Old Westbury, arrested on Dosoris Lane for second-degree aggravated unlicensed operation and unlawful use of a mobile phone in a motor vehicle on April 24.
- Male, 23, from Glen Cove, arrested on Jackson Street for second-degree menacing and second-degree harassment on

■ Male, 17, from Glen Cove, arrested on Brewster Street for fifth-degree criminal possession of marijuana on April 26.

■ Male, 26, from Glen Head, arrested on High Pine Road for seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance on April 28.

■ Male, 39, from Glen Cove, arrested on High Pine Road for seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance and unlawful possession of marijuana on April 28.

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

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#### Monday, May 7

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6p.m. – 7:30p.m.  
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#### Tuesday, May 8

Long Island Association | Presentation and Q&A  
6p.m. – 7:30p.m.  
300 Broadhollow Road, Melville, NY 11747

Learn about offshore wind: [nyscrda.ny.gov/offshorewind](http://nyscrda.ny.gov/offshorewind)

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### Nearby things to do this week



#### Locust Valley Senior Club

The Locust Valley Library hosts Senior Club every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. All seniors 55 years and older, including those from surrounding towns are welcome. 170 Buckram Rd., Locust Valley. (516) 671-1837.

#### Native Plant Sale

The Theodore Roosevelt Sanctuary & Audubon Center is holding a plant sale and lecture on Saturday, May 5 from 12 to 4 p.m. The lecture, "Creating a Bird Friendly Backyard with Native Plants," take place at 2 p.m. 134 Cove Rd., Oyster Bay, (516) 922-3200.



#### Astronomy Nights at Sagamore Hill

Sagamore Hill will be hosting a series of free public astronomy events this summer in partnership with the Amateur Observers Society of New York. Join park rangers and fellow stargazers on Saturday, May 5 at 8:30 p.m. for the hill's first Astronomy Night! The event includes an outdoor presentation on celestial activities and stargazing through telescopes. All ages are welcome. Bring flashlights, refreshments, chairs, and a blanket. 20 Sagamore Hill Rd., Oyster Bay, (516) 922-4788.

#### Scenes from the Roaring Twenties

Enjoy a musical cabaret at Nassau County Museum of Art, with Angela Sciafani, Sunday, May 6, at 3 p.m. This wild musical retelling of the relationship between Zelda and F. Scott Fitzgerald is part concert, part theater, part 1920s underground apartment party. Reservations are required. Info: (516) 484-9338 or [www.nassaumuseum.org](http://www.nassaumuseum.org).



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# HERALD SCHOOLS

## International Night at G.C. High School

Glen Cove High School hosted its fourth annual International Night on April 16, featuring community services, delicious food and traditional ethnic music and dance.

The evening was organized by Monica Chavez, the World Language and English as a New Language Coordinator, to share information and express appreciation of the Hispanic community. Before the celebration of food and dance, members of the community had an opportunity to learn about health insurance, local library resources, the Glen Cove Boys and Girls Club, Glen Cove Hospital and more. Some participants also enjoyed getting henna tattoos.

Glen Cove High School dance club members Maria Fernanda Aquilar, Eduardo Mancia, Dayrin Menjivar and Anderson Velasquez wowed those in attendance with a salsa and reggaeton dance. The group worked hard to prepare for the event, under the direction of teacher Clare Germino. While the guests in attendance enjoyed the food and music, they had an opportunity to view students' poems that lined the walls of the cafeteria.

Chavez expressed her gratitude to everyone who helped out at the event and those from the school community that attended.



Photos courtesy Glen Cove Schools



**MEMBERS OF**  
GLEN Cove High School's Dance Club Dayrin Menjivar, left, Anderson Velasquez, Eduardo Mancia and Maria Fernanda Aguilar with teacher Clare Germino.

**GLEN COVE HIGH**  
School freshman Devyn Venegas, left, got a henna tattoo from Olivia Martino.

### Who's running for schoolboard?

- Amy Franklin (Incumbent)
- Gail Nedbor-Gross (Incumbent)
- Maria Venuto (Incumbent)
- Mary Murph
- Rose Sekelsky
- Daniel Rio

Three seats are up for election this year.

## Landing students fundraise for the heart



Courtesy Glen Cove Schools

**ARDEN JIMENEZ, LEFT** and Paige Jimenez, sisters and Landing School students, raised a total of \$1,620 for the American Heart Association.

Glen Cove students at Landing Elementary School raised an all-time-high of \$10,780 during its Jump Rope for Heart Fundraiser. The fundraiser took place during February in conjunction with the American Heart Association's Heart Month.

Congratulations to Arden and Paige Jimenez, who raised a combined \$1,620, the most ever raised by a family. Arden raised \$1,000, setting a new record at the school.

Other top fundraisers were:

- Milo Walthers: \$575
- Madelyn Buhr: \$566
- Mia Lupinski: \$500
- Juliet Bifone: \$450
- Kalia Edwards: \$300

Through the Jump Rope for Heart program, students secure donations to jump rope during their physical education class to raise awareness about heart health. There were 122 students and staff that participated in the fundraiser, with 61 of those students raising \$7,803 online.

In grade 3, Robin Tenke's class raised a Landing School all-time-high of \$1,560; in grade 4, Margaret Clark's class raised \$1,327 and in grade 5, Denise Reynolds class raised \$444. Every student who raised money received an instant lanyard and "scare crew member," a small alien-type sticker, which was placed on the "Scare Team" poster at school.

# 'You should be looking at the bottom line'

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Parks and Recreation Department, took issue with Silverman's claim. "Speaking as a department head," she said, "we do have a procurement policy, and we do act under a budget." We have constraints that we have to follow."

Silverman noted that she wasn't accusing anyone of wrongdoing or of failing to scrutinize the city's invoices, and added that she was referring specifically to the lack of a policy governing professional-service contracts.

Professional services — like lawyers, architects and engineers — are not subject to the same bidding process that most goods and services contracts go through to ensure that the city is getting the best deal.

Martha Krisel, now the deputy Nassau County attorney, wrote in a 2015 Nassau Bar Association newsletter that these roles require "skills, training, professional judgment and creativity." Because municipalities have to account for those intangible qualities, they do not need to adhere to the "lowest responsible bidder" threshold when hiring.

But Krisel said she does believe that professional services must be procured in accordance with "specific policies and through documented decision making," citing a statewide municipal law that requires local governments to adopt such policies. Glen Cove's procurement policy does not appear to address professional-



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**AT AN APRIL 24** City Council meeting, members spent a heated half-hour debating municipal procurement policy.

services contracts.

Mayor Tim Tenke — who at one point had to coax McQuair and Silverman back to civility after they repeatedly tried to talk over each other — said that he supported establishing a procurement policy so that the council can be made aware of the specific projects covered by a contract. "I'd like to make sure that we do have safeguards in place when we have contractual obligations," Tenke

said, "because these numbers can get quite large."

Such safeguards could be just around the corner, he added. "We are in the process of putting together a finance committee, which is going to be looking specifically at the topic of procurement," Tenke said. "That's hopefully something we're going to have up and running very shortly."

Returning to the subject of warrants,

Silverman said it was hard to scrutinize them properly, because council members receive them on the Friday before each council meeting, held on Tuesday. Because of that, she said, "We do not have a pre-council meeting to discuss warrants before voting on them."

The warrants, which are available on the city's website, provide a less-than-complete description of each expense. "Having been involved in municipalities myself," said Drew Lawrence, a Glen Cove resident, "I know that the warrants can be lacking in any sort of specific information." He recommended adding more detail to allow the council, and the public, to keep better track of the city's taxpayer-funded activities.

Other members of the public spoke in favor of greater transparency for on-call contracts. Steve Gonzales, a former councilman, could hardly contain his anger over a comment by McQuair, inviting council members to approach him with any questions they had about the warrants. "Why do they need to go up to you and ask you?" Gonzalez asked. "Shouldn't you be providing that information to them?"

Nancy Hawkins voiced what might have been on many people's minds. "I think every single one of you should be looking at the bottom line, all the time, for us," she said. "That's why we elected you."

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# HERALD SPORTS

## Glen Cove steadily improving

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### SPOTLIGHT ATHLETE



#### TRINITY HUDSON

Glen Cove Junior Lacrosse

**FRESH OFF A** big basketball season, Hudson's offensive success has carried over to the lacrosse field where she's helping lead the Lady Big Red to challenge for a conference title. Through the first 10 games, she netted 30 goals. A season-high six of those came in a hard-fought 16-15 defeat to West Hempstead on April 23. She also had six other games with at least three goals.

### GAMES TO WATCH

#### Thursday, May 3

Baseball: Glen Cove at Wantagh ..... 4:30 p.m.  
Boys Lacrosse: Glen Cove at New Hyde Park ..... 4:30 p.m.  
Boys/Girls Track: Glen Cove Invitational ..... 4:30 p.m.  
Baseball: Lawrence at North Shore ..... 4:30 p.m.  
Girls Lacrosse: Syosset at North Shore ..... 4:30 p.m.

#### Friday, May 4

Softball: Manhasset at North Shore ..... 4:30 p.m.  
Softball: Glen Cove at Wheatley ..... 4:30 p.m.  
Boys Tennis: Glen Cove at New Hyde Park ..... 4:30 p.m.  
Boys Tennis: North Shore at Locust Valley ..... 4:30 p.m.  
Boys Lacrosse: North Shore at Locust Valley ..... 4:45 p.m.

#### Saturday, May 5

Boys Lacrosse: G.N. North at Glen Cove ..... 1 p.m.

#### Monday, May 7

Boys Tennis: Glen Cove at Bethpage ..... 4:15 p.m.  
Baseball: North Shore at V.S. North ..... 4:30 p.m.  
Boys Tennis: Garden City at North Shore ..... 4:30 p.m.  
Girls Lacrosse: C.S. Harbor at North Shore ..... 4:45 p.m.  
Baseball: Jericho at Glen Cove ..... 4:45 p.m.  
Boys Lacrosse: Glen Cove at Freeport ..... 6 p.m.

#### Tuesday, May 8

Boys/Girls Track: North Shore Invitational ..... 4:15 p.m.  
Baseball: V.S. North at North Shore ..... 4:30 p.m.  
Baseball: Glen Cove at Jericho ..... 4:30 p.m.  
Girls Lacrosse: Wheatley at Glen Cove ..... 6 p.m.

Every aspect of the Glen Cove Big Red baseball team has been steadily improving since a difficult 2017 campaign. Currently sitting at 5-8 and looking down the barrel at five more league games, first-year coach George Kearns believes the ultimate goal is to play together and give opponents nothing but patented Big Red scrappy play.

"I think we're going in the right direction," Kearns said. "We still have a lot to work on, but we've been working hard to get there."

The improvements to the Big Red's offensive output, especially throughout the latter portion of the season, is through the practice/patience mindset. "Last year and early on in the season we were swinging at balls," Kearns said. "All throughout our batting practices we preached patience and not giving the opposing pitchers any breaks."

The team as a whole went from batting a combined .180 to .240 over the course of only a few games. The team average for strikeouts also dropped by a stark amount.

"We were striking out about 8 to 10 times a game, and we now are striking out roughly 2 to 4 times a game," Kearns said.

Some of these improved hitting statistics come from the top of the lineup. Matt Graf, now in the two-spot after batting sixth earlier in the season, is batting higher than .300 and has only struck out five times in 43 at-bats.

Catcher John Lascynski, who has added a stellar bat to his defensive prowess behind the plate, is currently batting around .300. Junior first baseman Kieran Calderon has certainly stepped up as a key piece that Kearns was hoping would produce.

"We really had high hopes for him to play the way we know he can this year, and he sure has looked good at the plate," Kearns said of Calderon, who is hitting .354. Chris Capobianco remains a mainstay as a productive hitter.

Conversely, Kearns believes that the success of this team begins with its pitching, sending Anthony Rant and Cameron Phillipone out to the bump confidently.

"Phillipone has some good stuff; keeps people off-balance and can make hitters miss," Kearns said. Of Rant, Kearns



Donovan Berthoud/Herald

**CHRIS CAPOBIANCO HELPED** the Big Red take last week's series against Kennedy, driving in two runs in a 6-5 victory in the middle game April 24.

praised his young pitcher's competitiveness and fire for the game. "I always joke around with my assistant coach that I wish we had 10 Anthony's, due to the way he approaches and plays the game," Kearns said.

Glen Cove currently sits at the fourth seed in the conference, the last position for a playoff berth. It had a big walk-off win over Hewlett on April 20 and impressed by

taking two of three games against Kennedy last week.

"We're going to win and lose as a team, a team that competes," Kearns said. "If things get tough, you could bet that we're going to go down with a fight."

Nine of Kearns' 17 players returned from the 1-17 team, and with a potential playoff berth in grasp, the Big Red is starving for an opportunity to upset the field.

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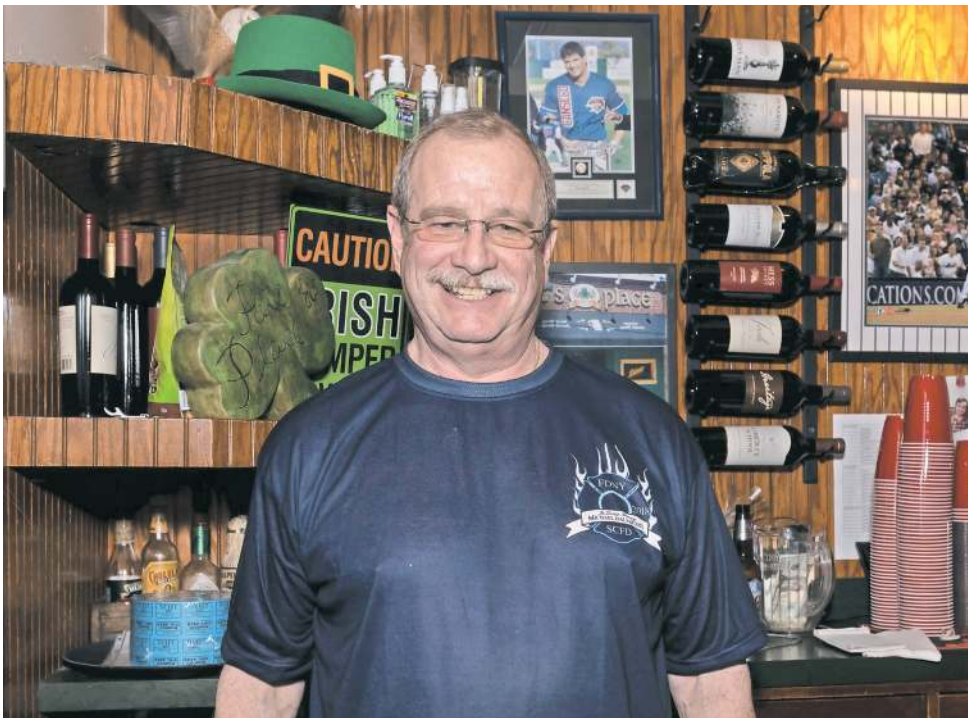
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# HERALD NEIGHBORS

## Memorial fundraiser held in honor of late fire chief



**PAT'S PLACE OWNER** Patrick Hall was thrilled to host the memorial fundraiser at his bar. Photos by Roni Chastain/Herald Gazette

Last Saturday, members of Nassau County's 5th Fire Battalion, family, and residents gathered at Pat's Place in Glen Cove for a fundraiser to honor Sea Cliff Fire Chief Michael Hallquest. The former chief died on Jan. 2 after an eight-year battle with brain cancer. He was 34.

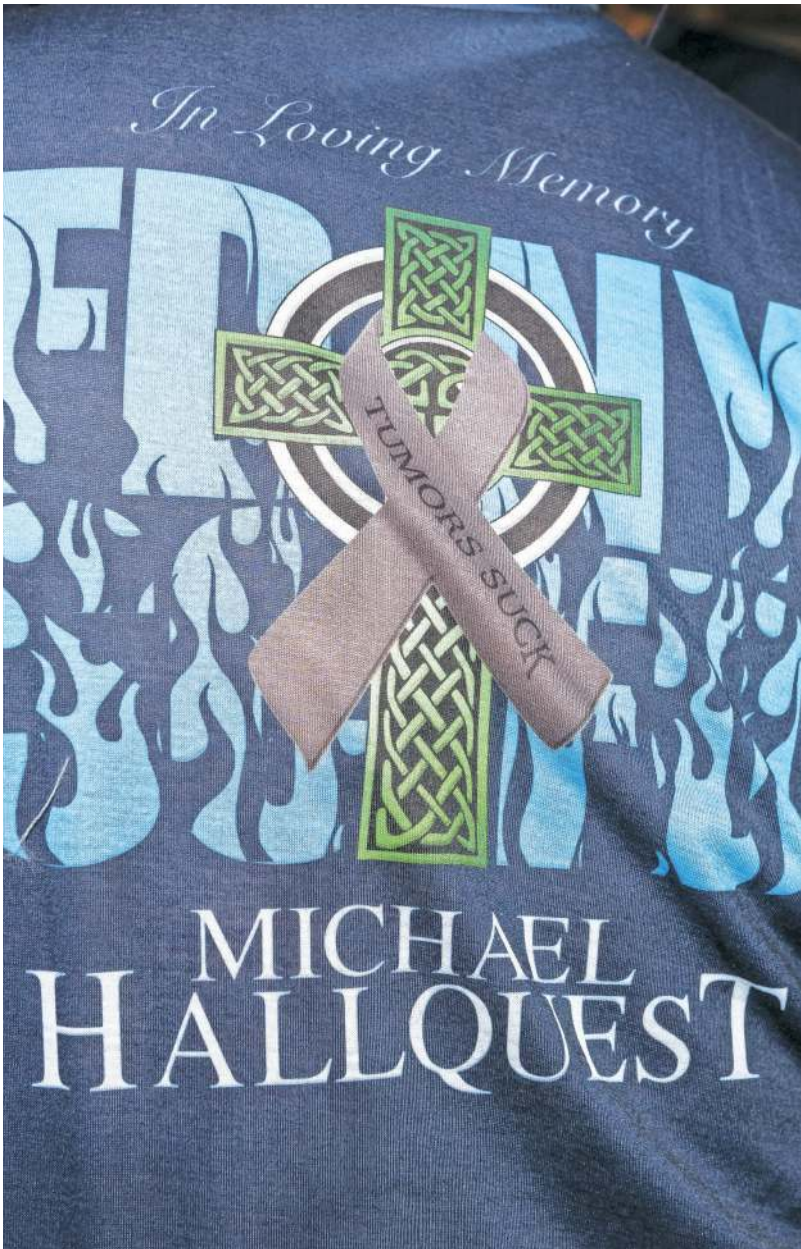
Bartenders donated the tips they collected throughout the night, and patrons were able to bid on raffle prizes. All proceeds raised through the fundraiser will benefit the Michael Hallquest Family Trust.

Hallquest was an FDNY firefighter with Elmhurst Eagles Ladder 136 for five years and served with the Sea Cliff Fire Department for 17 years.

—Alyssa Seidman



**CJ MONTESANO**, a Sea Cliff firefighter, and his wife Kelly, attended the fundraiser to honor the former chief.



**PATRONS WORE SPECIALLY** crafted shirts to remember the legacy of Chief Michael Hallquest.



**LOCAL EMS MEMBERS** Charlie Picoli and Selena Guastella attended the fundraiser fully geared up.



**TONY TRIPP**, left, Hallquest's father-in-law, appreciated the support from Mike Mulhall and Steve Messina.



**RESIDENTS STACY MCKENNA**, Pam Winckler, Nancy Cavallaro, John McKenna and Sal Cavallaro enjoyed a bucket of beers at the fundraiser.

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## Thursday, May 3

### Friends of Sunrise Auction event

Glen Head Country Club, 240 Glen Cove Rd., Glen Head, 6 p.m. Friends of Sunrise has raised over \$6.8 million since its inception 12 years ago and has helped send over 1,100 children with cancer and their siblings to camp, free of charge. The event draws over 400 of the North Shore's most significant philanthropists for a fabulous evening to benefit the children of Sunrise Day Camp—Long Island.

### Heroes Among Us charity dinner

Crescent Beach Club, 333 Bayville Ave., Bayville, 6 p.m. Heroes Among Us is hosting its annual charity dinner to salute and honor veterans for their service and sacrifice to our country. Veterans of all wars are invited to attend free of charge to enjoy an evening of dining and dancing. Tickets are \$70 for non-veterans. For more information or to register or donate, please visit [www.heroesamongus24.org](http://www.heroesamongus24.org).

### John Gable lecture series

Christ Church Parish Hall, 61 E. Main St., Oyster Bay, 7 p.m. Sagamore Hill National Historic Site Ranger Scott Gurney will speak about Theodore Roosevelt's sense of moral obligation in pursuing conservation and his belief that it is the rightful duty of the U.S. Government to protect the nation's natural resources. Light refreshments will be provided. Sponsored by The Friends of Sagamore Hill. (516) 742-5555.

## Friday, May 4

### Play, Learn, Grow

Sea Cliff Manor, 395 Prospect Ave., Sea Cliff, 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. The Sea Cliff Parent Community Association's 2018 fundraising gala will include dinner, drinks, live music, and an auction. Tickets are \$80 online and \$100 at the door. To purchase tickets or donate to the PCA visit: [www.501auctions.com/seacliff-pcauction](http://www.501auctions.com/seacliff-pcauction).

### Mah Jongg workshop

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 11 a.m. Want to learn Mah Jongg or sharpen your skills? Master player Jacqui Palatnik will introduce you to the tiles and basic moves in this game of skill, concentration and strategy. Class size is limited; please register. (516) 676-2130.

### Dog tales

Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 E. Main St., 4:15 p.m. Children often feel more comfortable reading to dogs than people because they are viewed as "non-critical." Petting the dog lowers stress and brings positive association to reading. Register in the Children's Room, or call (516) 922-1212.

## Saturday, May 5

### Woman's Day Apart

Sea Cliff Methodist Church, 63 Downing Ave., Sea Cliff, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Seeds of Faith invites you to Woman's Day Apart, featuring award-winning author Tessa Afsar. Tessa, who has captivated audiences with her knowledge and humor, will



Courtesy Metro Creative Connection

## Moms in Prayer meet and greet

Whether you're sending your little one off to kindergarten for the first time or experiencing an empty nest, learn how you can give your child and your school the gift of prayer from Moms in Prayer. Experience the joy of replacing anxiety with peace and hope when you pray with fellow moms. This free meet and greet will be held at the Glenwood Life Center, 71 Grove St., Glenwood Landing, on May 12 from 3 to 5 p.m. For more information, contact Bonnie Watkins at (516) 671-1847.

speak about living a fulfilling life in the midst of storms and knowing your worth in the eyes of god. Cost is \$25; includes lunch and coffee break. Purchase tickets: <https://seeds-of-faith.eventbrite.com>. For more information: [seedsofffaith4women@gmail.com](mailto:seedsofffaith4women@gmail.com).

### Seed starting workshop

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 1 p.m. Join us for a hands-on seed starting workshop where you'll start some great flowering plants to make your garden more beautiful and environmentally friendly. Materials provided. (516) 676-2130.

### Writers' group

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 10 a.m. If you are a serious writer, join the Writer's Group for a lively exchange of ideas. (516) 676-2130.

### Modern Monarchy

Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 E. Main St., 1 p.m. Hear ye! Hear ye! Join in the excitement of this month's Royal Wedding of Prince Harry and Ms. Meghan Markle as well as the news that The Queen will be unveiling her new galleries in the rafters of Westminster Abbey. Jeanne Schnupp will be here to explore all things royal. Look at the changing fashions, royal weddings, magnificent crown and personal jewel collections, royal residences, famous

comments and royal baby naming! Enjoy a taste of English chocolate sponge cake too! (516) 922-1212.

## Monday, May 7

### Monet's Garden

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave.,



Alyssa Seidman/Herald Gazette

## Yoga at the library

Every Tuesday at 10 a.m. through June 5, yogi Rebecca Scaramucci will hold classes at the Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. The cost is \$30 for the entire six-week session and is payable at the time of registration. Bring your own mat and water. Register in person at the Reference desk. (516) 676-2130.

Glen Head, 7 p.m. Enjoy welcoming spring while creating an acrylic painting on glass, inspired by Monet's garden in Giverny, France. Doris Benter makes it easy and fun! \$3 fee due at time of registration. (516) 759-8300.

## Tuesday, May 8

### Excel for home use

Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 E. Main St., 6:30 p.m. Use your computer to help manage your personal finances: learn how to create a check register and format for a bank reconciliation, keep track of investments and expenses and create a simple database. Register at the Reference Desk or call (516) 922-1212.

### All about essential oils

Locust Valley Library, 170 Buckram Rd., Locust Valley, 6:30 p.m. Join wellness advocate, Angela Farinacci, as she explains the wide range of emotional and physical wellness applications of essential oils. All are welcome to this free program. Registration is requested. (516) 671-1837.

## Wednesday, May 9

### Mosaic creations

Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 E. Main St., 4 p.m. for children ages 3 to 5 and 5 p.m. for children ages 6 and up. Decorate a container with a colorful mosaic rim, paint a design on rocks and add a colorful plant just perfect for Mother's Day. Register in the Children's Room, or call (516) 922-1212.

### Fall prevention workshop

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 2 p.m. "Stepping On" is a seven-part fall and injury prevention program led by staff from Northwell Health's Trauma Department. This workshop empowers independent, older adults and/or those with balance issues to learn behaviors that reduce the risk of falling. (516) 676-2130.

### Open mic poetry nite

Sea Cliff Children's Library, 281 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff, 6:30 p.m. A celebration of the spoken word for children. Come share your own poetry or poems you love. Registration suggested. (516) 671-4290.

## Thursday, May 10

### Herbal walk and talk

Sea Cliff Village Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff, 11 a.m. The Herb Society of America will be host a walk and talk with stops at Sea Cliff's several parks led by resident Angus Towse. (516) 671-4290.

### American Legion Post 76 meeting

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

## HAVING AN EVENT?

Submissions can be emailed to [llane@liherald.com](mailto:llane@liherald.com).



Courtesy City of Glen Cove

THE BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION added five trees to the city's Christmas Tree Farm.

## G.C. Beautification Commission plants trees for Arbor Day

The Glen Cove Beautification Commission weathered a damp spring day to plant five trees at Glen Cove's Christmas Tree Farm in recognition of Arbor Day. The farm, located at Dennis Brian Murray Park on Leech Circle South, is the site of the city's future Christmas Trees. The commission planted trees from Glen Cove's Merry Tree Festival, a holiday event that features live Christmas trees that have been sponsored and decorated

by local businesses and families.

"Since the late 1800's people around the world have been celebrating Arbor Day," said Darcy Belyea, director of Glen Cove's Parks and Recreation Department and Beautification Commission. "Each year our Beautification Commission staff and volunteers do their part by planting trees to underscore the importance of trees in the city's ecosystem."

## Quick Commercial Capital president visits Rotary Club of Glen Cove

On Tuesday, April 17, Howard Mann, president of Quick Commercial Capital, visited the weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Glen Cove.

During his visit, he gave a presentation on the importance of funding a business, and how business owners can best finance their endeavors through unique financing options.

Both Mann and club members benefited from the presentation, by networking, and by learning about Quick Commercial Capital's offerings, respectively. Each club member also received a pamphlet outlining Quick Commercial Capital's services and offerings.

The Rotary Club of Glen Cove meets every Tuesday at 12:15 p.m. at Sweet Mandarin Bistro, and at 6:30 p.m. on the last Tuesday of the month at a rotating location. For more information, please email club President Rev. Richard Wilson at [revtuxedo@msn.com](mailto:revtuxedo@msn.com).



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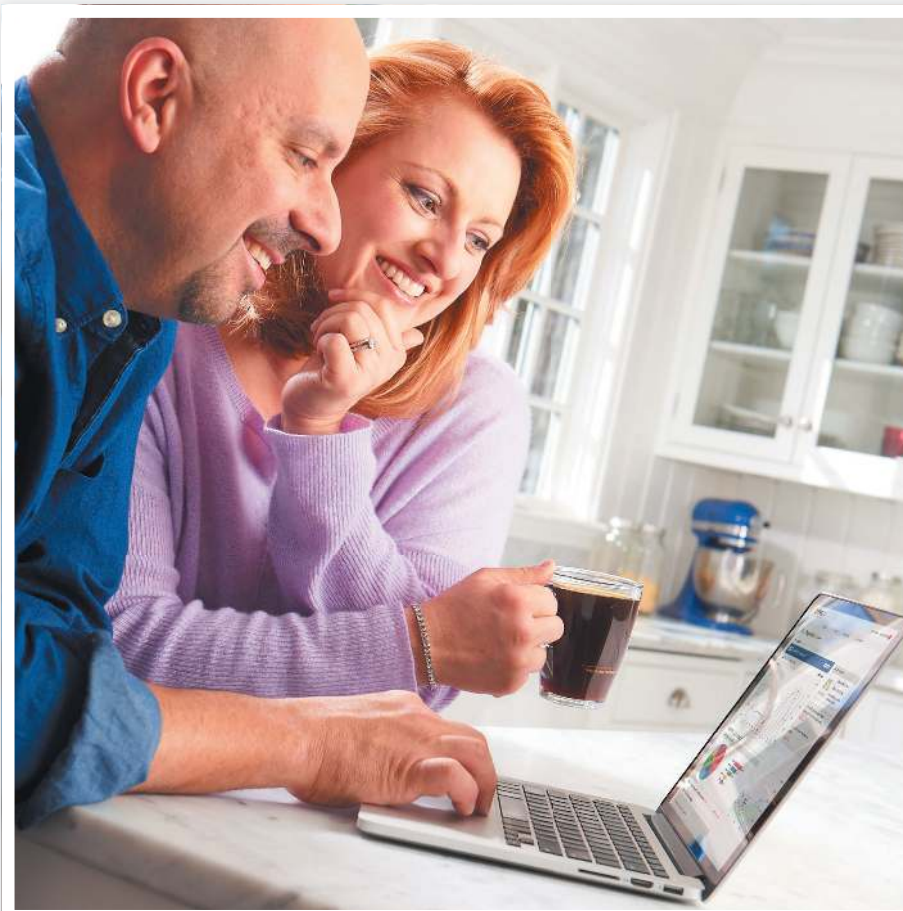
HOWARD MANN, OF Quick Commercial Capital, presented to the Glen Cove Rotary Club on how to fund a business.

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## GLEN COVE TIME CAPSULE

# Learn local trivia before G.C.'s big birthday



### That's a lot of cornstarch!

The largest cornstarch manufacturing company in the world was located in Glen Cove?

The Duryea family established the Glen Cove Starch Manufacturing Company at the head of the Glen Cove Creek in 1855. It quickly grew to become Glen Cove's largest employer, and eventually, under the name National Starch Manufacturing Company, became the world's largest. The starch works was completely destroyed by fire in 1906 and never rebuilt.



### Gold Coast's first golf course

In the 1890s, Arthur Sleight of Glen Cove was on a business trip to London for the Duryea Starch Works. He met a Scot who invited him to Scotland and demonstrated the game of golf. On his return to the states, Sleight introduced his friend Billy Hicks to the game and the two of them practiced the sport on empty lots around The Place. A third friend was introduced to the mysteries of golf, John Coles Tappan, and the three men soon created a 6-hole golf course in the Red Spring Area of Glen Cove, between Crescent Beach Road and Red Spring Lane. Their Queens County Golf Club opened in October 1895, and soon gained many members from the Red Spring and North Country Colonies. Three more holes were added on the east side of Crescent Beach Road and the membership grew. When 107 acres became available near Duck Pond Road, the club purchased them and created an 18-hole course and incorporated it as the Nassau Country Club in 1898.

### Did you know?

Long-time residents know many of the stories and myths of prominent people who lived in or visited Glen Cove, including:

■ The story of Captain William Kidd, who may have buried (and then retrieved) some of his ill-gotten treasure from a spot at Sheep-Pen Point (Garvies Point).

■ Frank Winfield Woolworth, the Five and Dime King, and how his empire of F.W. Woolworth stores funded his marble-façade mansion in Glen Cove, and also the



Woolworth Building in New York City, which was the world's tallest skyscraper when it was dedicated.

■ The financier J.P. Morgan, Jr. owned an entire island in Glen Cove – East Island – that comprised his vast estate “Matinecock Point,” and which is more often called Morgan Island.

■ The Brooklyn Dodgers' Roy Campanella and the New York Yankees'

Whitey Ford, both made their homes in Glen Cove.

### Distinguished for honor

Sergeant-Major Daniel Joseph Daly, USMC (1873-1937) was born in Glen Cove and served as a U.S. Marine during the Boxer Rebellion in China in 1900, for which service he received the first Medal of Honor decoration. His second award of the Medal of Honor was for actions in Haiti in 1915, where U.S. Forces were deployed to put down a rebellion, making him one of only 19 servicemen to earn the medal twice. Daly also received the Navy Cross for conspicuous action in France during World War I. A Fletcher-class destroyer commissioned during World War II was named for SGT-MAJ Dan Daly and the Arterial Highway (Route 107) entering Glen Cove is also named for this heroic son of our city.

### The 'Father of the American Roller Coaster'



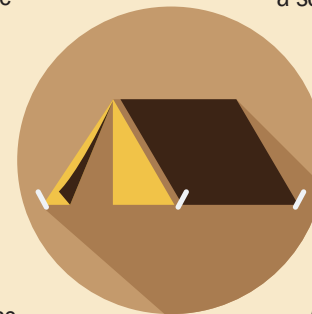
LaMarcus A. Thompson, who developed the first planned community in Glen Cove, and resided there – Thompson Park – was better known for his development of the roller coaster. His “Gravity Pleasure Switchback Railway,” for which he obtained a patent, opened at Brooklyn's Coney Island in 1884, and riders were charged a nickel to ride it at the breathtaking speed of up to 10 mph. Although competitors capitalized on his design, Thompson continued to improve his design by adding tunnels, lights, and scenery to what he later called the “L.A. Thompson Scenic Railway,” and which eventually came to be known as the “roller coaster.” Obtaining 30 patents along the way, he constructed 50 of these early roller coasters across the country in four years, and in 1888 began building his more advanced “scenic railways” around the world. His most notable scenic railway opened in Venice, California in 1910. While Thompson is not credited with the invention of the roller coaster, he has been deemed the “Father of the American Roller Coaster” and the “Father of the Gravity Ride” by many, particularly because his innovations introduced the roller coaster to the masses.

### That's a 'wrap'

F.W. Woolworth's palatial estate, “Winfield Hall” on Crescent Beach Road, was sold by his heirs in 1929 to Richard S. Reynolds, the head of Reynolds Aluminum (technically, Reynolds Metals Company). Reynolds Aluminum began as the U.S. Foil Company in 1919. When Reynolds purchased “Winfield Hall” in Glen Cove, he converted the estate garages to a research laboratory where it is reported that the process for producing the company's best-known aluminum foil product, Reynolds Wrap, was first developed. Reynolds Metals was the second largest American aluminum company and the third largest in the world.

### Appleby's Grove Scout Camp

Within one year after the Boy Scouts of America were formed in 1910, the area behind the bluffs where the Garvies Point Museum is currently located, and was known as “Appleby's Grove,” was used as a campground by the Boy Scouts. In 1915, through the generosity of the property owner, Charles Appleby, “Camp Coogan” was officially established as a Scout Camp for Boy Scouts from NYC's poor neighborhoods and was named for the scoutmaster of the troop that established the camp, Rev. John J. Coogan. According to the New York Times,



Rev. Coogan was the first Catholic priest in the United States to be commissioned as a scoutmaster in the BSA. Following World War I, a second Boy Scout camp, constructed by and for Glen Cove Scouts was also located in “Appleby's Grove.” In addition to tent sites, “Camp Gramor,” as it was called, had buildings for a dining hall, kitchen, and store room.

Although the Scout camps were long gone by the early 1960s, local Boy Scout troops still camped occasionally in “Appleby's Grove,” until the property was sold to Nassau County as a preserve and museum.



## School's out, but don't let up on the family routine

### Managing those carefree summertime days

In many ways, today's kids have busier schedules than any previous generation of youngsters. Many extracurricular activities, including sports, require a nearly year-round commitment, and the dual-income household has landed many kids in afterschool programs where kids tend to their schoolwork or engage in various activities that keep them from resting on their laurels.

But those busy schedules get a lot less hectic when the school year ends. Once school is out, kids used to a full schedule might find themselves with lots of time on their hands. Though it's good for kids to squeeze in some rest and relaxation during their summer break, it's also important for kids to stay active and the family keep to a routine so they don't develop poor habits as the summer goes on. In addition, the American Psychological Association notes that kids who are physically

active are more capable of coping with stress and tend to have higher self-esteem than kids who do not include physical activity as part of their regular routines.

Kids often see the summer months as a time to do whatever they please, with no responsibilities or academic pressures. Some kids expect an endless range of fun activities — and besides that, if they are not at camp or don't have a job or scheduled activity of some sort — they're hanging out with friends, sleeping until noon, and might see an easing of the rules as their reward for making it through another school year.

Your child might be imagining a summer that reality can rarely deliver, which sets them up to be let down. The change in routine alone can be sufficient to throw some kids off-kilter. When you combine these factors — expectations and a change in schedule —



Just because the bus isn't coming early in the morning to whisk your kids off to school, doesn't mean you should give up on the family's structure that you've worked so hard to enforce all throughout the school year.

with an increase in family togetherness (or claustrophobia, depending on how you look at it), it's only a matter of time before the level of conflict rises in your home.

Having some amount of structure in the summer is helpful for most families. Determining how much structure to put into place will depend on the individual needs of your family.

Look for ways to keep kids active throughout the summer while still allowing them to recharge their batteries after a long school year.

**Consider a camp.** If you are a working parent who needs your child to be engaged in something all day every day, a camp is a great way to take a break from the traditional childcare you use during the school year. It is not true that the most expensive camp in the most exotic location is the best one. As long as your child is safe and has fun, any camp is a good one.

**See what the community has to offer.** School districts, libraries, and parks offer a variety of activities for children, although these may require you to have a flexible schedule. Libraries have activities for toddlers through elementary aged children during the summer months. These can include story hours, summer reading programs, and group activities.

Also, consider our local museums, notably Long Island Children's Museum and The Whaling Museum on the north shore, which have special events and activities during the summer.

**Keep teens on their toes.** While your teen may no longer want to attend summer camp or participate in a structured activity, she still needs to keep busy. If she is old enough, she might be able to get a job. However, be sure that your teen understands

the responsibilities she is taking on and that she has some practice or training. If all else fails, give your teen something constructive to do at home, like watching a younger sibling, painting, or cleaning out the garage or basement and having a yard sale. While your teen will want to have some down time to hang out with friends, make sure you know where she is and that she is safe.

**Pencil in some family fun.** Make sure that you take some time to enjoy each other's company without the pressures of the school year. Take a family vacation, go to the beach or have a picnic in the park, and consider attending community events such as free concerts or fireworks.

**Teach kids to garden.** Gardening might be seen as a peaceful and relaxing hobby, but it still requires a lot of elbow grease and hard work that pays physical dividends. A garden must be planted, hoed, weeded, and watered, and gardening gets kids out of the house to enjoy the great outdoors.

When growing a vegetable garden, kids might embrace the chance to be directly involved in the foods that will eventually end up on their dinner tables. Parents can embrace this as an opportunity to teach the value of eating locally-produced foods and the positive impact such behavior has on the environment.

**Limit how much time kids spend watching television, playing video games or surfing the Internet.** Many of today's kids are as tech savvy as they are busy. But it's important that kids don't spend too much time online or on the couch watching television or playing videogames. Such activities are largely sedentary, and they can set a bad precedent for the months ahead, even when the school year begins once again. ■

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# Ready, set, go ... off to camp

## Help your child prepare for an enjoyable session

Summer camp is on the horizon.

Ramping up for camp is a process — whether you happen to be a camp or a camper. And we've officially entered the season. With summer around the corner, now's the time to start preparing.

Now that you have picked the best summer camp, it's important to make sure your child is fully prepared to go. It doesn't matter if this will be the first time for your child to attend summer camp, or he has been doing this for a couple of years already; preparation is key if you want your child to have a wonderful camp experience.

Brooke Cheley-Klebe, of Cheley Colorado Camps, offers some tips to ease your camper — and parents — into a summer of fun.

### Camper

Plan several sleepovers. Resist the urge to pack their bags for them or to check on them while there. If they have a phone, have them leave it at home. This is a good way to practice not having direct or constant contact.

Have them write a good ol' letter to someone. It's great practice to get them prepared to actually do it at camp. And be sure to pack self-addressed envelopes in their luggage.

Gear up physically. If you have purchased hiking boots, break them in with a long walk. Especially for teenagers, have them take a mini-vacation from their devices. A couple of hours or a weekend will do.

Have them write a statement for their social media pages. "Peace out Facebook, I

won't be sharing my day-by-days with you, I will be at camp." Your teenager may not post that, but maybe something like it.

Make a homesick plan. Homesickness isn't entirely bad. It's great to love your home. It's sometimes part of the process, and it's a confidence booster when a camper gets through it.

Make a happy place plan and write it down. This is an amazing opportunity to learn a life skill. Today's youth go to technology to escape, and studies show this increases their stress. Some ideas might be: taking 10 deep breaths, traveling to a happy place in your mind, packing a certain stuffed animal, shooting hoops, or tossing a football. They are capable of this independence.

Your plan should not be, "Give it a couple of days and if you don't like it, we will come get you." This will set them up to give it a couple of days and knock the confidence right out of them.

Let your camper know what to expect with correspondence. You don't need to write everyday, but let them know what to expect.

### Yourself

You are giving your child an incredible gift. Camp staff cannot promise you that they won't lose some socks, that they will love every meal or activity, and that they will adore every counselor. But you are preparing them for college and beyond; you are giving them the freedom to gain confidence, independence, and leadership skills; and you are



Sending your child away to camp for the first time is a major milestone for most families, one that is often marked by excitement, anticipation, and perhaps even some anxiety.

instilling in them that they can do it.

What do you want during their time at camp? Think about a vacation, time to organize, time to have one-on-one time with your other children, or some "date nights" with your spouse or friends.

If you have apprehensions, work to resolve them. If you are worried that your camper is not going to know anyone, set up a pre-camp get-together. If you are worried about your camper's medical needs, become

friendly with the camp nurse. If you are anxious about their food allergies, talk to the camp's head cook.

Make a camper-sick plan for yourself. Make sure there is only excitement and optimism coming from you, and share your anxiety with another adult.

Whether they are flying or driving, refrain from bawling until they can't see you. Take a deep breath, trust, and remind yourself that you are giving them an awesome gift. ■



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## VIEWFINDER

By SUSAN GRIECO

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Laura Lane/Herald Gazette

**GLEN COVE SCHOOL** officials are exploring ways to increase school security, including the Rave app.

## District to boost security

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to keep the details of its security system confidential.

Andrew Bennet, a Glen Cove parent and the principal of a middle school in Suffolk County, who ran unsuccessfully for City Council last year, agreed with Rianna. "The best scenario is when there is open communication between the school and the public to the greatest extent possible, but when it comes to safety, Dr. Rianna is correct," Bennet said. "The more specific information that is put out there to the public, the greater the opportunity for someone to use it to compromise the safety of the students."

While the specifics of the Rave system itself are hard to come by, it is being implemented across Long Island. The Rave app is an information-delivery system that can be triggered by school faculty members on their smartphones. It is supported by hardware and software developed by IntraLogic Solutions, a Massapequa-based security firm that gathers and parses the information.

In May 2016, the NCPD contracted with IntraLogic and Rave for almost \$1.6 million. According to officials from both companies, under the contract, schools can participate in the system free of charge.

Lee Mandel, CEO of IntraLogic, said that about 75 percent of Nassau County school districts are taking part in the program. He would not say whether Glen Cove was one of them, but having worked with the district in the past, he said, "They have been extremely proactive" about school security.

Mandel spoke at a Board of Education forum on school security in March. In 2014, the Glen Cove district paid IntraLogic \$35,000 for its "access control" system, which, according to presentations the company has made to other districts, consists of automatic card readers at building entry points and other measures to ensure that everyone who is on campus is supposed to be there.

He added that all of the money from the county contract went to Rave Mobile Safety, the company behind the app. For IntraLogic's part of the deal, the county paid \$1. "We try to give back to the communities," Mandel said.

IntraLogic has other contracts, dating back to 2014 and totaling more than \$2.4 million, with county departments, including the Police Department, the Office of Emergency Management, the county jail and the Department of Public Works. To help with the construction of a new office building, completed in 2016, the company received roughly \$84,000 in tax incentives from the county. IntraLogic has made \$18,500 in campaign contributions to candidates for county office since 2011.

The Rave app, when triggered by a school faculty member, automatically provides information, including the school's floor plan, and in some cases live video feed from the school's security cameras, to emergency responders and school personnel, as well as to a 911 dispatcher. Michael Shields, regional dispatcher for Rave Mobile Safety, the company behind the app, said that pieces of information are "silos" in different places, and that the Rave app is designed to make them easily accessible to the dispatcher, who acts as a coordinator. Shields added that there was a great deal of information that a school district could share with law enforcement, and that a district using Rave didn't necessarily have to share its video feed with the police, but did so in many cases.

Mandel said that it was up to each school district to reach an agreement with police about whether its surveillance feed would be shared all the time, or only during emergencies, but added that there was nothing in the Rave technology that would prevent continuous sharing.

The Glen Cove district has accelerated its plan to improve school security, and has budgeted about \$250,000 for capital projects — like "man-trapper" vestibules at the school's entrances, which are expected to be installed over the summer. Additionally, a bond committee, made up of school board members, parents and teachers as well as architects, engineers and designers contracted by the district, has completed walkthroughs of each of the school buildings, and will present a wish list of security improvements at the next Board of Education meeting on May 9 at 7:30 p.m., at Glen Cove High School.

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# STEPPING OUT

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## Taking another quack at bat The Ducks' 19th season gets underway



The defending Liberty Division Champion Long Island Ducks are aiming for a fourth consecutive division title and fourth overall Atlantic League of Professional Baseball Clubs crown as the team's 19th season got underway with a six-game road trip April 27-May 3, with the home-opening series this weekend against the Southern Maryland Blue Crabs.

Playing in Bethpage Ballpark in Central Islip, the Ducks will host the league's All-Star game for the third time. The game is on July 11. The fan friendly park with its \$12 tickets and host of promotions has helped the team attract more than 7.3 million fans to its 6,002-seat capacity stadium in 18 seasons.

"We don't rest on our laurels," said team President and General Manager Michael Pfaff, "right after the season ended we got right back to work on how we can improve the ballpark and the team."

Owned by Brightwaters resident Frank Boulton, Seth Waugh and former Mets shortstop Bud Harrelson, the Ducks are the flagship franchise of an independent minor league with seven other teams. Being an independent league, the players are seeking to be picked up by a major league organization. The most recent success stories are Henderson Alvarez, Quintin Berry and Tim Melville in 2017.

Along with the Ducks, the Road Warriors, New Britain Bees and Somerset Patriots are in the Liberty Division. The Blue Crabs, Lancaster Barnstormers, Sugar Land Skeeters and York Revolution make up the Freedom Division. The Road Warriors are the displaced Bridgeport Bluefish. A new iteration of the team will play in High Point, North Carolina next season.

"It's a great baseball market and there were fifteen-hundred people at the [stadium] groundbreaking," Boulton said,



Jeffrey Bessen/Herald

Holbrook resident Alec Sole took his cuts during warm ups as Wagner Gomez waited his turn.

referring to the new team.

### New season, new team

Former major leaguer Kevin Baez is in his eighth season as Ducks manager. The former Mets player called it an "honor" to manage the team. "I look forward to a championship season," he said, "we have a nice mix of new players, young players and experienced players."

Right-hander John Brownell who has pitched for the Ducks since 2012, will double as pitching coach. Saying that his routine for getting ready for games is "simple" he'll have "plenty of time to focus on everyone." "I have a lot of experience and I'll look to help KB (Kevin Baez) manage the game," Brownell said.

The finalized roster includes former Met infielder Jordany Valdespin, longtime Duck Lew Ford, who plays the outfield and serves as the team's hitting coach, and

three Long Islanders: Dennis O'Grady, Rob Rogers and Alec Sole.

O'Grady, from Floral Park, is another righty pitcher who played with the Ducks last season. His professional career started in 2011, where in was in the San Diego Padres organization until 2015. "Being here last year was good and knowing some of the players from organized ball is a help," he said, adding that Baez does create a good working environment for the players who are scheduled to play 140 games in 154 days.

### Come out to the park

The home opener on May 4, will include the first of several post-game fireworks shows. "There is a lot going on," Pfaff said, including former Duck Ray Navarrete sponsoring the All Star game's Home Run Derby through his Port Washington-based DIGMI clothing company. Navarrete is the



Courtesy Long Island Ducks

John Brownell will not only pitch but also use his experience to counsel the pitching staff.

career team leader in home runs, 137, RBI, 548, hits, 963, runs 599, doubles, 245, and games played 863.

On the uniform there is a JK patch in honor of longtime baseball executive Joel Klein who died last year. Boulton said Klein was instrumental in his career as a minor league team owner and founder of the Atlantic League of Professional Baseball Clubs.

For Boulton, in his 28th season of minor league baseball, owning the hometown Ducks means a lot to him. "Having friends and relatives and people you know come to the park in the summer it's wonderful and it's very personal for Buddy and I."

— Jeffrey Bessen  
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### ON STAGE

## Emerson String Quartet

The acclaimed ensemble stops on Long Island as part of its busy touring schedule, which included a recent appearance at Carnegie Hall. Having celebrated its 40th anniversary last season, a major milestone for a ground-breaking ensemble that has earned its place in the pantheon of the classical chamber music world, the Emerson looks towards the future by collaborating with today's most esteemed composers and premiering new works, thus proving their commitment to keeping

## WEEKEND

### Out and About

the art form of the string quartet alive and more relevant than ever. With nine Grammy awards, a catalogue several dozen albums deep, an Avery Fisher Prize, and a 52-disc Deutsche Grammophon box set to its name, the quartet maintains what The Boston Globe once called "an extraordinary fusion of experience and authority with audacity and freshness." Their concert program includes Haydn's Quartet in D Major, Op. 50, #6, "Frog"; Barber's Quartet in B minor, Op. 11; Beethoven's Quartet in B-flat Major, Op. 130.

Sunday, May 6, 4 p.m. \$66. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post, Route 25A, Brookville. (800) 745-3000 or [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com) or [www.tillescenter.org](http://www.tillescenter.org).

### IN CONCERT

## Salvo & Hugo

Historic Coe Hall welcomes Brooklyn-based flamenco guitarists Salvo & Hugo. Driving Spanish rumba rhythms mixed with spicy Latin grooves create the



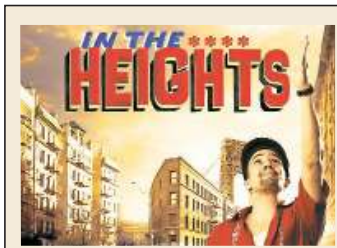
soundscape for their dynamic performances. Inspired by world fusion — drawing from Flamenco, Spanish/classical, Latin and Bossa Nova, the duo plays a mix of original and remixed acoustic tunes from artists such as the Gipsy Kings, Buena Vista Social Club and Ottmar Liebert, among others. Their virtuoso guitar riffs will have everyone feeling that Latin vibe. Salvo & Hugo's moving rhythms and transporting melodies can be heard on their recently released debut album, "About Time."

Sunday, May 6, 1 p.m. \$5. Coe Hall, Planting Fields, 1395 Planting Fields Rd., Oyster Bay. (516) 922-8600 or [www.plantingfields.org](http://www.plantingfields.org).

# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Coming Attractions

### Performances/ On Stage



#### In The Heights

The acclaimed musical about a community on the brink of change, Thursday and Friday, May 3-4, 8 p.m.; Saturday, May 5, 3 p.m.; Sunday, May 6, 8 p.m. John W. Engeman Theater, 250 Main St., Northport. (631) 261-2900 or [www.engemantheater.com](http://www.engemantheater.com).

#### A Whole New World of Alan Menken

An evening of song and story with award-winning composer, Friday, May 4, 8 p.m. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post, Rte. 25A, Brookville. (800) 745-3000 or [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com) or [www.tillescenter.org](http://www.tillescenter.org).

#### Bill Engvall

The actor-comedian shares his insights and comic perceptions on his latest standup tour, Friday, May 4, 8 p.m. NYCB Theatre at Westbury, 960 Brush Hollow Rd., Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or [www.livenation.com](http://www.livenation.com).

#### Yacht Rock Revue

The '70s light rock tribute band in concert, Friday, May 4, 8 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com) or [www.paramountny.com](http://www.paramountny.com).

#### A Rock'n Doo Wop Spectacular

An oldies revue, Saturday, May 5, 7 p.m. With The Duprees, Charlie Thomas' Drifters, Shirely Alston Reeves, Bobby Wilson's Tribute to Jackie Wilson, The Devotions, and Teresa McClean. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post, Rte. 25A, Brookville. (800) 745-3000 or [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com) or [www.tillescenter.org](http://www.tillescenter.org).

#### Disco deMayo

A disco showcase, Saturday, May 5, 8 p.m. With Tavares, Harold Melvin's Blue Notes, Double Exposure, and more. NYCB Theatre at Westbury, 960 Brush Hollow Rd., Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or [www.livenation.com](http://www.livenation.com).

#### Lucy Kaplansky

The singer-songwriter in concert, presented by the Folk Music Society of Huntington, Saturday, May 5, 8:30 p.m.; with open mic at 7:30 p.m. Congregational First Church of Huntington, 30 Washington Dr. (off Route 25A), Centerport. (631) 425-2925 or [www.fmsh.org](http://www.fmsh.org).

#### Poetica Musica

The chamber ensemble in concert, with "1918 Composers of the Great War," Saturday, May 5, 8 p.m.; guided tour of Westbury House at 6:45 p.m.; pre-concert talk at 7:30 p.m. Program includes works by Britten, Bartok, Villa-Lobos, Rachmaninoff, and others. Westbury House, Westbury Gardens, 71 Westbury Rd., Old



### Aztec Two-Step

Rex Fowler and Neal Shulman, the acclaimed duo known as Aztec Two-Step, visit the Landmark on Main Street stage, on Saturday, May 19, at 8 p.m.

Since they burst on the scene in 1972 with their debut album, the pair has continued to impress audiences and critics with intelligent songwriting, guitar prowess and soaring two-part harmonies.

They bring those harmonies to a masterful interpretation of Simon & Garfunkel's catalogue of hits in their multimedia concert, "The Paul Simon Songbook." The storyline of the Songbook show, originally created by the late pioneer of progressive FM radio and author Pete Fornatale, is enhanced and narrated by DJ Tony Traguado.

Tickets are \$40, \$34, \$30; available at (516) 767-1384 or [www.landmarkonmainstreet.org](http://www.landmarkonmainstreet.org).

Landmark on Main Street, Jeanne Rimsky Theater, 232 Main St., Port Washington.

Westbury. 333-0048 or [www.oldwestbury.org](http://www.oldwestbury.org).

#### Naomi Zeitlin

The popular vocalist in concert, with "A Tribute to America," Sunday, May 6, 2 p.m. Registration required. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or [www.goldcoastlibrary.org](http://www.goldcoastlibrary.org).

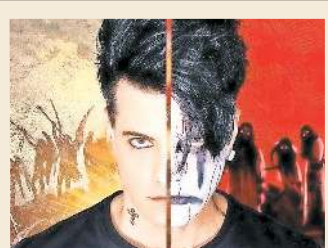
#### The Yardbirds

The iconic British rockers in concert, Sunday, May 6, 7 p.m. With the Mark Stein Project, and special guests Canned Heat and The Blues Magoos. NYCB Theatre at Westbury, 960 Brush Hollow Rd., Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or [www.livenation.com](http://www.livenation.com).

#### Indigo Girls

The folk-rock music duo in concert, Thursday, May 10, 8 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com) or [www.paramountny.com](http://www.paramountny.com).

### For the Kids



#### Criss Angel Raw

The popular illusionist displays his mentalism, sleight of hand and iconic illusions in his new theatrical show "The Mindfreak Unplugged," Thursday, May 3, 7:30 p.m. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post, Rte. 25A, Brookville. (800) 745-3000 or [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com) or [www.tillescenter.org](http://www.tillescenter.org).

#### Cinco De Mayo Party

Celebrate Cinco De Mayo with Mexican-style treats, Saturday, May 5, 12:30-1:30

p.m. For grades 6-12. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or [www.goldcoastlibrary.org](http://www.goldcoastlibrary.org).



#### The Wizard of Oz

A fresh new musical comedy, based on Frank L. Baum's classic story, Saturday, May 5, 11 a.m.; Sunday, May 6, 10:30 a.m. John W. Engeman Theater, 250 Main St., Northport. (631) 261-2900 or [www.engemantheater.com](http://www.engemantheater.com).

#### Listen Up: Storybook Stroll

Stroll through Old Westbury Gardens and listen to Crockett Johnson's "Harold and the Purple Crayon" Saturday, May 5, 12 p.m. Also create a unique take home craft. For ages 3-5. Free with admission. Old Westbury Gardens, 71 Westbury Rd., Old Westbury. 333-0048 or [www.oldwestbury.org](http://www.oldwestbury.org).

#### Viking Invasion

Explore the Vikings, the early whalers and seafarers, Saturday, May 5, 1-2 p.m. Create an array of Viking gear including a helmet, beard and a sparkly Viking brooch. The Whaling Museum, 301 Main St., Cold Spring Harbor. (631) 367-3418 or [www.cshwhalingmuseum.org](http://www.cshwhalingmuseum.org).

#### Candlemaking Workshop

Create a candle to give to Mom on Mother's Day, with Chrissy from Curiously Cre-

ative Candles. Wednesday, May 9, 4:30 p.m. For grades K-5. Registration required. Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. 676-2130 or [www.glencovelibrary.org](http://www.glencovelibrary.org).

#### Open Mic Poetry

Share an original work or a favorite poem, Wednesday, May 9, 6 p.m. Registration required. Sea Cliff Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. 671-4290 or [www.seaclifflibrary.org](http://www.seaclifflibrary.org).

### Museums/Galleries and more...

#### Between the Lines

A solo exhibition by Barbara Grey. Mixed media works (watercolor, pen, ink, oil pastels) are on view, inspired by the landscapes of New Mexico. Through May 27. B.J. Spoke Gallery, 299 Main Street, Huntington. (631) 549-5106 or [www.bjspokegallery.org](http://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. Through July 22. Heckscher Museum of Art, Main St. and Prime Ave., Huntington. (631) 351-3250 or [www.heckscher.org](http://www.heckscher.org).

#### Heavy Metal:

#### Photographs by Jan Staller

An exhibition of Staller's large-scale photographs that transform the industrial environment into a place of profound, otherworldly beauty. He presents found industrial objects as sculptural artifacts of the post-industrial age. Through July 29. Heckscher Museum of Art, Main St. and Prime Ave., Huntington. (631) 351-3250 or [www.heckscher.org](http://www.heckscher.org).

#### Anything Goes: The Jazz Age

Explore the masterpieces and experiments of a generation that changed the history of Modernism. 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 a survey of works 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](http://www.nassaumuseum.org).

#### Movie Time

See "Darkest Hour," the biopic that tells of Winston Churchill's first weeks as Britain's prime minister as Western Europe crumbles under the Germans' blitzkrieg assault, Thursday, May 3, 2 and 6:30 p.m. Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 East Main St., Oyster Bay. 922-1212.

#### At the Movies

See the 1937 screwball comedy "The Awful Truth," starring Cary Grant and Irene Dunne, Friday, May 4, 2 p.m.; also "Murder on the Orient Express," the latest adaptation of the Agatha Christie classic, Tuesday, May 8, 2 p.m. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or

[www.goldcoastlibrary.org](http://www.goldcoastlibrary.org).

#### Friday Flick

See "Dunkirk," the war film that depicts the Dunkirk evacuation during World War II, Friday, May 4 2 p.m. Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. 676-2130 or [www.glencovelibrary.org](http://www.glencovelibrary.org).

#### Film Screening

See "The Visitor," a drama about a lonely man whose life changes when he is forced to face issues relating to identity, immigration and cross-cultural communication in post-9/11 New York City, Sunday, May 6, 12:30 p.m. Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center of Nassau County, 100 Crescent Beach Rd., Glen Cove. 571-8040 ext. 107 or [www.hmtcli.org](http://www.hmtcli.org).

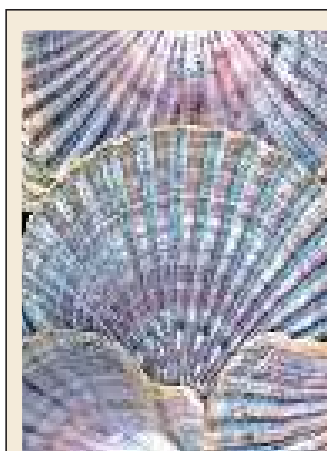


#### Movie Matinee

See "Ladybird," the somewhat autobiographical coming-of-age story of a teenager growing up in California in 2003, Tuesday, May 8, 1:15 p.m. Sea Cliff Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. 671-4290 or [www.seaclifflibrary.org](http://www.seaclifflibrary.org).

#### Movie Trivia Night

Challenge like-minded film fans in a battle of wits for cash and other prizes, hosted by Daniel French, Monday, May 7, 8 p.m. Come alone and play solo, or join a team to answer 60 questions based around film, actors and actresses, awards, and everything else associated with film. Cinema Arts Centre, 423 Park Ave., Huntington. (631) 423-7611 or [www.cinemaartscentre.org](http://www.cinemaartscentre.org).



#### Seashells...

#### Nature's Inspired Design

An exhibit of seashells from around the world, in celebration of Garvie's 50th anniversary. Garvie's Point Museum and Preserve, 50 Barry Dr., Glen Cove. 571-8010 or [www.garviespointmuseum.com](http://www.garviespointmuseum.com).

### Having an event?

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# 'Signs' of progress for the deaf in Nassau

By **ALYSSA SEIDMAN**  
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A new measure passed by the Nassau County Legislature requires an American Sign Language interpreter at all county emergency news conferences.

The bill passed the Legislature 19-0 on April 23, and County Executive Laura Curran, a Democrat from Baldwin, signed it into law two days later.

"Today reminded me of why I ran for office as a teenager — to use my voice to lift up the voices of others, and to listen to the needs of my constituents," Josh Lafazan, the first-term legislator behind the bill, of Syosset, said.

Lafazan was elected to the Syosset Board of Education at age 18. He won election to the Legislature last November.

Lafazan met Christine Oddo, of Bayville, and her three dogs, Beau Bear, Caroline and Cody, while campaigning. Oddo said she was surprised by the legislator's bravery to enter her yard with a trio of barking dogs.

When Lafazan asked what he could do to secure Oddo's vote, she had two requests: erect a dog park in Bayville, but more important, require an ASL interpreter at all emergency news conferences.

Oddo is director of corporate compliance and community outreach at the Mill Neck School for the Deaf. "For years I've been concerned about our individuals, many of whom are developmentally dis-



Courtesy Legislator Josh Lafazan

**ASSEMBLYMAN STEVE STERN**, left, attended the signing of Lafazan's bill. Curran, center, signed the measure into law at the Day Habilitation Center.

abled, [during emergencies]," she said.

Oddo said that for the deaf and hard of hearing, closed captions are often flawed. "They don't represent exactly what is being spoken, and it's difficult for a deaf person to capture the essence of what's being said in an emergency situation, and try to decipher what is meant by that communication."

Shortly after Lafazan was inaugurated in January, he met with Oddo to develop the bill. Along with Oddo and attorneys, the legislator solicited input from his for-

mer Cornell University professor; Thomas Golden, executive director of the Yang-Tan Institute on Employment and Disability, to help craft the legislation.

"I took his class during my senior year, and learning about the disability community's fight for equality lit a fire in me," Lafazan said. "I promised him then that if I ever achieved higher office, I'd be a champion for people with disabilities."

Members of the Mill School's Day Habilitation program accompanied Lafazan to events promoting the bill. An inter-

preter attended with them, and signed beside him as he spoke.

"The atmosphere was one of excitement," Oddo said. "Some of our members had never been in that environment before, but they all felt tremendous pride being a part of the process, and being included, and that's what this is all about."

Day Habilitation member Lisa Grant Woodley, of Rockville Centre, signed before the Legislature during the bill's public hearing period. "There are about 31,792 deaf people in [Nassau County] that need real, professional interpreters," she signed. "We need interpreters for people who are deaf and hard of hearing to make sure that we are all supported and equal. I want to be equal."

Achieving bipartisan support for the bill was another point of pride for Lafazan, who caucuses with the Democrats, but is unaffiliated with a political party. "The legislation yielded itself to bipartisan support," Lafazan said. "But in a building of polarization, I'm able to get things done because I work to humanize the place. I treat everyone the same whether there's an 'R' or 'D' next to their name."

Now Lafazan is teaming up with Steve Stern, who was elected to represent Huntington's 10th Assembly District in Suffolk County, to pass statewide legislation. Lafazan said the two have been in talks to replicate the bill in Albany, so deaf and hard of hearing individuals across New York can stay informed in emergencies.

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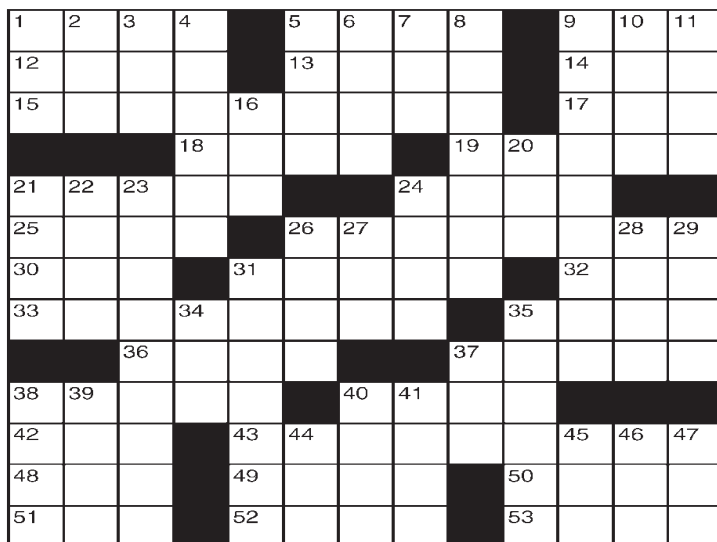
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25 Cookware  
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30 Equal (Pref.)  
31 Bichon — (dog breed)  
32 "— the fields we go"  
33 Reins  
35 Metal refuse  
36 Actor  
37 How one says "alas"  
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40 Leaves  
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Alyssa Seidman/Herald Gazette

**CO-OWNERS DIMITRI SCHIDLOVSKY** and Andrei Boglubov, who share a passion for marine life and the outdoors, founded Hook Life.

## Keeping a hook in the small business community

By **ALYSSA SEIDMAN**

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As the days lengthen, residents are taking advantage of every minute of sunlight, and outdoor enthusiasts are finding joy yet again on their beloved excursions by foot and by boat. Dimitri Schidlovsky and Andrei Boglubov, co-owners of a business called Hook Life, created a brand based on their love of such adventures.

The partners have known each other since they were children as first-generation Americans. Their parents became friends within the small Russian-American community in Sea Cliff.

Schidlovsky grew up in New Jersey, but returned to Sea Cliff in 1979 to set up an art studio. His inspiration to create came from his grandmother, an internationally acclaimed miniaturist. Along with Boglubov, who is a marketer by trade, the two consulted a number of big, corporate clients, including Cablevision and IBM, to cultivate the commercial brands of the company.

The partners had an epiphany, Boglubov said, when they realized they could apply their skills to a brand of their own.

It all started with an illustration of a fishing hook, which Schidlovsky, a self-proclaimed "biological illustrator," created in 2006. He began selling apparel, hats and stickers sporting the simple design at Sea Cliff's annual Mini Mart, which sparked something of a word-of-mouth tsunami within the community.

"Every year after Mini Mart, you'd have a wave of people coming in, saying, 'Are you the artist that has the sticker and T-shirts with that hook on it?'" Boglubov recounted. "It's a little bit like the Nike swoosh; it's a simple symbol that evokes something in people."

After 10 years of selling exclusively at seaside festivals in Oyster Bay, Greenport, and Norwalk, Conn., the partners established a storefront in Sea Cliff. In July 2016, they upgraded Schidlovsky's studio space at 252 Sea Cliff Ave. to include shelving and a modest clothing rack for their products. The line has since expanded, and now they sell performance wear, hoodies,

socks and bandanas.

The latest addition to the brand's lineup is a sub-brand called EcoMotifs. "We identified different sectors of an estuary — droplet, reef, air, plant, tidal, water and deep — and each sector has its own design," Schidlovsky explained. The designs depict marine plants and animals that inhabit the different sectors, set in a circle. The owners lovingly refer to the motifs as "circles of life."

"We wanted to have stuff that's true to nature's patterns and shapes and species and colors," Boglubov said. "It's an authentic brand from people who've fished all their lives."

"There's an educational component to this," Schidlovsky added, "and it reflects our commitment to the ecology and awareness of the animals."

Hook Life's eco-consciousness extends beyond the threads. The company also contributes to the health of marine ecosystems by donating a portion of its proceeds to aid restoration projects championed by the Community Oyster Restoration Effort, or CORE, an advocacy group based in Garden City that works to keep Long Island's coastal waters clean.

In just two years, Hook Life's brand has found its way into sporting goods stores and surf shops Island-wide, and its distinctive emblem has caught the eye of members of every demographic group. Boglubov credits the success to simplicity. "With a brand," he said, "you can build something that goes beyond your immediate community, if you start with something that works."

The impetus to evolve from a small-scale sticker supplier to a full-fledged business was the almost ethereal resonance the brand engenders. "People are motivated by this aspirational lifestyle," Schidlovsky said. "They get a good feeling about buying something that reminds them of some of the nicest times. When you go fishing or boating, or you just go outside for a walk, you feel that connection to nature, and that's what we think this ultimately symbolizes."

For more information about Hook Life, visit [www.hook.life](http://www.hook.life), or visit @hooklifeusa on social media.



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# L.I. Tactical finds home among local business

## Glen Cove businessmen to sell 'accessories for the outdoors,' camping supplies

By **ALYSSA SEIDMAN**  
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A shared passion for pocketknives and other “everyday carry” tools — bordering on an obsession — recently led to a new storefront at 15 Glen Head Road. L.I. Tactical & EDC, which opened in Glen Head on Wednesday, is a small, family-run business specializing in pocket-sized products.

Co-owners Brett Newman and Michael Grimaldi, who met through work at a local car dealership, decided to pursue their mutual interest in everyday carry tools and start a business together.

“I have this thing with flashlights that no one can explain,” Newman said, “but Mike gets it, and my father gets it, and there’s people out there that like it, too. We’re fortunate enough to have this place and get our hands on products that we’re interested in selling.”

The shop carries high-powered flashlights, multi-tools, pocketknives, backpacks, KeyBars, camping gear and self-defense tools that can be carried on a keychain. Newman described them as “accessories for the outdoors.”

L.I. Tactical is a world away from the mass-market businesses that are common across Long Island. “It’s something different,” Newman said. “You meet the person that’s putting all the time and effort into the business, and there’s a sense of pride for the owner that can be there and be a part of it every day.”

“There’s no local place like it,” Grimaldi added.

L.I. Tactical offers brands like Olight, Gerber, Spyderco and Maxpedition to suit the needs of everyday people, no matter their line of work or hobbies. “The way we wanted to market this store is, it’s not really geared towards fishermen or hunters, but geared towards the enthusiast that can use [these tools] really for anything,” Newman said.

Negative comments were shared on a community Facebook page in response to L.I. Tactical’s grand opening. “The backlash came from terminology that was used to describe what they sell, and people were nervous about the term,” said Christopher Pierce, of Glen Cove, who posted a rebuttal in support of the shop. “There’s often a misconception about everyday carry tools



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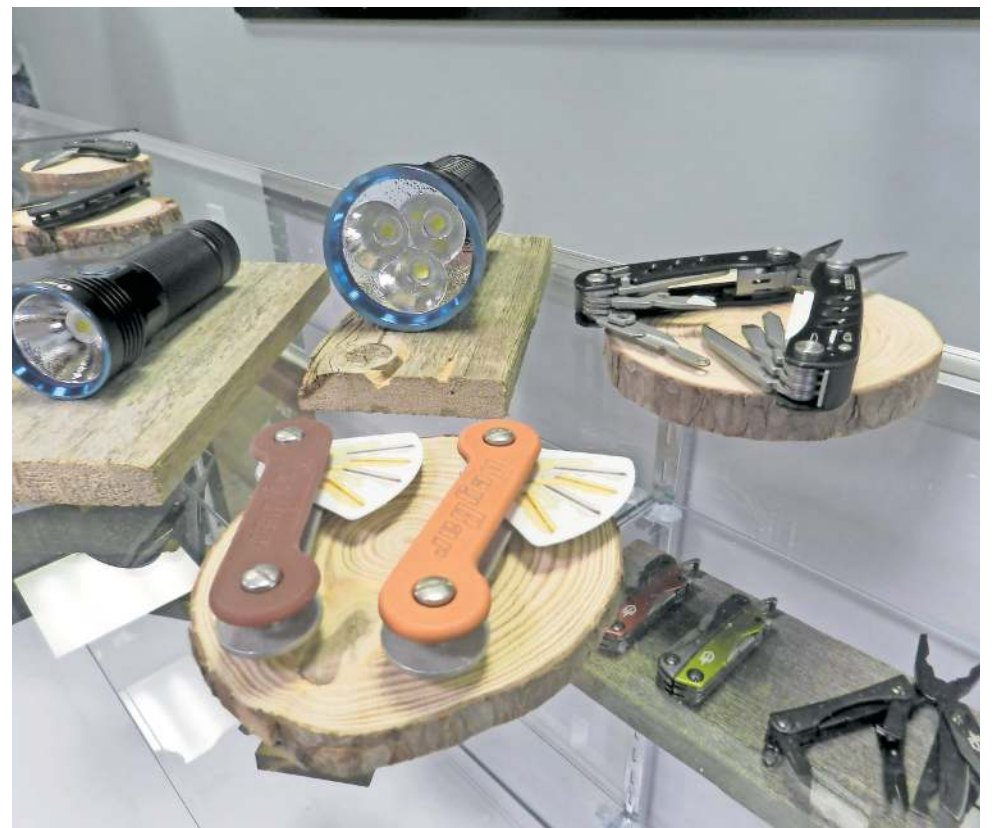
**CO-OWNERS MICHAEL GRIMALDI**, left, and Brett Newman decided to open L.I. Tactical when they discovered they shared a passion for everyday carry tools.

— it can be anything from a Swiss army knife to a wallet.”

Pierce added that people shouldn’t be deterred by the term “everyday carry,” and is excited to see a store that offers something new to the community. “It’s a fresh idea,” he said, “and will benefit people who just want to explore.”

Newman said he was interested in expanding the store’s range of self-defense tools, but added that firearms would not be sold. “We’re fortunate that we don’t live in a high-crime area, but there is crime around here,” he said. “We want to sell little devices to provide peace of mind and help people defend themselves, and you can defend yourself without needing a gun.”

Newman encouraged residents to come in and see what the store has to offer, and said he would welcome any questions they may have. “At the end of the day, we’re doing what we can to sell things that make life a little bit easier,” he said.



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Dear Fan of Flowers,  
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local governments converge when an ambitious young congressman introduces legislation to make gun ownership mandatory for every citizen over the age of four. The village mayor takes up her own fight, and the battle lines are drawn. The premise is of course absurd, but the politics of lobbying, special interests, and tribalism are certainly not. Israel brings his government experience to the scene, which is alternately horrifying and hilarious. Clearly a biting satire, this tale of politics gone awry is a fun read and will resonate even more with those of us living in New York on Long Island in a small village. Highly recommended!

*Would you like to ask the Great Book Guru for a book suggestion? Contact her at [annmdipietro@gmail.com](mailto:annmdipietro@gmail.com).*

# OBITUARIES

## Charles D. Christ

Charles D. Christ, 73, of Glen Cove, died on April 28, 2018. Beloved husband of Barbara; devoted father of Todd (Donna) and Dawn; loving grandfather of Joanna, John and Nathan. Interment at Pinelawn Memorial Park. Arrangements entrusted to McLaughlin Kramer Megiel Funeral Home.

## Linda A. Cornella

Linda A. Cornella, 65, of Glen Cove, died on April 26, 2018. Beloved mother of Dominic (Kristy) and Anthony; dear sister of Lori (Kevin) and Paul (Josie); adored grandmother of Alexandra, Sophia and Lila. Service to be determined at a later date. Arrangements by Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home, Glen Cove, NY.

## William T. Weber, Jr.

William T. Weber, Jr., of Glen Cove, died on April 27, 2018. Beloved husband of Kathy; loving father of Michael and the late Robert; dear brother of Patricia (Curt); cherished uncle of Adriane and Kate. Funeral Mass at the Church of St. Patrick. Interment at Locust Valley Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to McLaughlin Kramer Megiel Funeral Home.

## Julio Esquilin

Julio Esquilin, 54, of Glen Cove, died on April 25, 2018. Beloved husband of Sherry Blumhagen; loving father of Jason and Justin; devoted son of Julio and Margarita. Arrangements entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home of Glen Cove. Interment is private.

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

## PROPOSITION 1 - SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

To adopt the annual budget of said school district for the fiscal year 2018-19 and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.

## ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBER(S)

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

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

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

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

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. prevailing time with the District Clerk of said School District at the District Office, Administration Building, 154 Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove, New York, on or before Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. prevailing time.

Such petition must be directed to the District Clerk; must be signed by at least one hundred (100) qualified voters of the district; must state the name and residence of the candidate.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the qualified voters of the District may register between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. in the main office of each of the school buildings of the district and the office of the District Clerk in the Administration Building during the school year, and only in the Office of the District Clerk during the summer months of July and August.

The final date to register for the annual meeting to be held on May 15, 2018 is Tuesday, May 1, 2018. If a voter has heretofore registered pursuant to the resolution of the Board of Education, and has voted at any Annual School District Election and Budget Vote or special district meeting within the last four (4) years (2014), or if he or she is eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law, he or she is also eligible to vote at this election. All other persons who wish to vote must register. Any person will be entitled to have his or her name placed on such register, provided that he or she is known or proven to the satisfaction of the District Clerk, and the Board of Registration to be then or thereafter entitled to vote at such Annual School District Election and Budget Vote for which the register is prepared and that the register so prepared pursuant to Education Law and the registration list

prepared by the Board of Elections of Nassau County will be filed in the Office of the District Clerk of the Glen Cove School District, in the District Office, Administration Building, 154 Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove, New York, and will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the district between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. prevailing time, on and after Tuesday, May 1, 2018, and each of the days prior to the date set for the Annual School District Election and Budget Vote, except Saturday and Sunday, including the day set for the meeting.

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

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

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes may be obtained by any resident in the district upon request on May 1, 2018, and during the fourteen (14) days immediately preceding such Annual School District

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AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with the rules adopted pursuant to 2035 of the Education Law, any qualified voter may have a proposition or an amendment placed upon the ballot, provided that such amendment (a) be typed or printed in the English language; (b) that it be directed to the District Clerk of the said School District; (c) that it be submitted to the District Clerk no less than sixty (60) days preceding the date of the Annual School District Election and Budget Vote, i.e. no later than Friday, March 16, 2018, 3:00 p.m. prevailing time, at the District Office, Administration Building, 154 Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove, New York; and (d) that it be signed by at least one hundred (100) qualified voters of the district. However, the school board will not entertain any petition to place before the voters any proposition for the purpose of which is not within the powers of the voters to determine, nor any proposition or amendment which is contrary to law.

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

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## Legislation would crack down on violent threats

By ERIK HAWKINS

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Nassau County District Attorney Madeline Singas on Monday announced a new state legislation that would criminalize threats of mass violence that the current laws do not address.

"School threats have skyrocketed since the Parkland tragedy, causing lockdowns, panic, and have diverted law enforcement resources from their lifesaving work," Singas said. "We need stronger laws that criminalize phony threats and protect our communities from the horrific violence that has stolen so many lives."

The bill will remedy a deficiency Singas said was highlighted by a court decision that found an Oyster Bay-East Norwich School District custodian's alleged statement to a faculty member that she "better be absent the day they fire me because I'm going to come in here and Columbine this s\*\*\*," was not enough for a Making a Terroristic Threat charge.

The charges in the case were dismissed, and the defendant later requested the return of guns seized by police, including an AR-15-style semi-automatic rifle, an FN Herstal PS-90 semi-automatic rifle and a Mossberg 500A shotgun.

The proposed legislation creates new crimes of Making a Threat of Mass Harm (an A misdemeanor), and Aggravated Threat of Mass Harm (an E felony), which would close the loophole and, according to Singas, "hold those who make threats accountable for their words."

Singas's office drafted the legislation, which has been introduced by State Senator Todd Kaminsky, and will be intro-

duced by Assemblywoman Christine Pellegrino in the Assembly.

Kaminsky said, "Law enforcement needs every available tool to protect our schools and communities from mass shootings and other violence. The fact that someone in our state could say that he is going to 'Columbine' a school and yet police are nearly powerless to take action shows that our laws needs strengthening. This bill will allow law enforcement to arrest those who make threats of mass harm, and, importantly, provides them a basis to seize weapons from perpetrators of these threats."

Assemblywoman Christine Pellegrino agreed.

"As a mother and a former teacher, a school shooting is my worst nightmare," she said. "The number of threats against our schools has dramatically increased, and we're here to say enough is enough! Threats against the lives of students and faculty cause fear and panic throughout the community. They are not to be joked about or taken lightly. This bill will fix a glaring flaw in the current state law and ensure anyone who threatens our schools is held accountable for their actions."

Those convicted of Making a Threat of Mass Harm would face up to a year in jail. Defendants convicted of Aggravated Threat of Mass Harm, an elevated charge for individuals who make an overt act to commit the threatened harm, such as making a plan, compiling a target list, or possessing any weapon or device, would face up to four years in prison. If passed by both houses of the legislature and signed by Gov. Andrew Cuomo, the laws would take effect immediately.

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## OPINIONS

## Pompeo nomination deserves bipartisan support

As Michael Pompeo's nomination for secretary of state wound its way through the Senate confirmation process, a spotlight shined on the unfortunate hyper-partisanship afflicting Congress these days. The opposition to Pompeo from Senate Democrats reflects a historic shift from the bipartisanship that has characterized the



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nominations of previous secretaries of state.

It's worth taking a look at Pompeo's qualifications to judge his fitness for the office. He didn't just squeak through the famed U.S. Military Academy at West Point. He graduated first in his class, join-

ing an elite group of West Point first-rankers that includes Gen. Douglas MacArthur. Not bad company, I'd say.

After a distinguished military career, Pompeo went to Harvard Law School. Again, he didn't just slide through, but was one of the editors of the prestigious Harvard Law Review, joining other distinguished scholars who have held that high honor, including former President Obama.

After Harvard Law, Pompeo spent a dozen years in the business world, successfully heading aerospace and energy companies. Then, in 2010, he won a seat in Congress, where he represented a Kansas district for four terms and was a member of the important U.S. House Intelligence Committee. His work there caught the attention of President-elect Donald Trump, who nominated Pompeo to be director of the CIA. His nomination was approved by the Senate by a 3-to-1 margin.

At the CIA, Pompeo has again proven himself to be an effective leader, getting high marks from both the career intelligence community he heads and outside observers. In the process he has also won the confidence of President Trump, with near daily briefings in which he lays out the world situation.

Given his background and the rapport he has developed with Trump, it's easy to understand why the president nominated Pompeo to head the State Department. It is infamous for its endless bureaucratic infighting and sluggish responses to fast-paced world events. It is a top-heavy organization plagued by too many overlapping committees and too many "corridor walkers" who seem to be mostly waiting for

the next step up the foreign service ladder. Reorganizing and energizing this staid bureaucracy should be a prime objective of the next secretary, and Pompeo's positive experience running an equally cumbersome bureaucracy at the CIA bodes well for his management of the nation's diplomats.

**F**rom West Point to Harvard to the CIA: He's well prepared to be secretary of state.

Beyond managing the State Department's sclerotic inner workings, Pompeo will also show a strong U.S. face to the world on major diplomatic fronts. It is no coincidence that Trump recently deputized him to make a top-secret trip to North Korea to set the stage for the Trump's upcoming meeting with North Korean leader Kim Jong-un. Pompeo's visit undoubtedly sent a strong signal to the North Koreans that the summit is critically important to U.S.-North Korean relations, and that Trump will have a decisive and clear-eyed adviser at his side during the talks who will help keep the negotiations on a productive path.

Given all of the reasons why Pompeo is so thoroughly qualified and prepared to serve as secretary of state, he should have been a shoo-in for confirmation. Instead, his nomination was buffeted by harsh political headwinds, with Senate Demo-

crats opposing the nomination at every turn. This opposition flies in the face of Senate tradition and history. In all my years as a senator, nominees for secretary of state were routinely approved by near-unanimous margins, whether proposed by Republican or Democratic presidents. More recently, the nominations of John Kerry and Hillary Clinton — who both had credentials and experience similar to Pompeo's — received overwhelming Senate approval. Politics was put aside in favor of fairness.

Even those who may differ with the political philosophy of presidential nominees have an obligation to confirm their nominations without clouding the decisions with partisan bias. As my good friend Sen. Lindsey Graham said in explaining his vote in favor of Obama-era nominees with whom he disagreed philosophically, "Elections have consequences ... what you do today can set the tone for tomorrow." In other words, the president's nominees deserve congressional deference, because in the final analysis, their nominations reflect the electorate's judgment. It's the American way.

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## Hitching yourself to Donald Trump's star

If the White House calls, just hang up. Put down the phone, run out of the house as if your hair were on fire, change your number and move to a remote town in Saskatchewan where you can live off the grid for the rest of your life.

I say this because answering a call to serve this administration is like getting a bad diagnosis. You have to know it will not end well, and the process will be painful. Think of all the people who would be better off today if they had never heard of Donald Trump or been drawn into his orbit.



**RANDI  
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For one, Adm. Ronny Jackson, M.D., the president's physician from central casting, might have continued to serve presidents now and in the future, enjoying the perks and power that access to the White House confers. But according to published reports, Jackson drinks too much and is free and easy with pain pills, but, hey, no one talked about it until Trump decided to promote him to secretary of the Veterans

Administration. In the rude glare of the ensuing attention, coworkers and associates came forward with accusations of bad behavior and substance abuse.

Call it the Trump touch. Unvetted, inexperienced and apparently fatally flawed, Jackson eventually "declined" the promotion.

The guy is done now. He's lucky if he doesn't lose his medical license, all because the president liked his looks and wanted to make him an offer he couldn't refuse.

Jackson joins many others who might have lived productive and successful lives if they hadn't crossed paths with Trump. Michael Flynn most likely never would have been investigated, indicted and flipped by the feds if he hadn't joined the Trump campaign. Apparently, you can do a lot of bad, illegal stuff if no one notices, but everyone notices when you become national security adviser. Flynn went from hero to security guru to snitch in just a few months.

Rob Porter, Hollywood handsome and popular among his colleagues, was living large in his high-profile job as the president's top aide. Porter was lauded as a rising star until the Trump spotlight revealed his dark side. Two of his wives

went public with accusations of mental and physical abuse by him. There were photos. Porter took the exit.

Tom Price — do you even remember him? He was the secretary of Health and Human Services for seven months. He might have continued his career elsewhere without incident, but in the Trump administration, he drank the Kool-Aid, took 25 private charter flights in a few months, spent like he was king for a day and resigned amid charges of indiscriminately using taxpayer dollars for his personal benefit. Gone. Certainly Price's time in the Trump cabinet did not enhance his resume.

I imagine Paul Manafort also has mixed feelings, at best, about his association with Trump Inc. Manafort, charged by the feds with numerous financial crimes, might have continued living the high life, consorting with oligarchs and lining his pockets, if not for Trump's ascendancy to the presidency. Under the scrutiny that accompanies high office, Manafort proved to be a liability to Trump, and vice versa. The feds are squeezing him like a lemon, but we don't know yet where that will lead.

Perhaps the sorriest member of the

Trump team might be Michael Cohen, the president's longtime personal lawyer. Cohen is known for his fierce loyalty to Trump. For a little over a decade, he basked in the celebrity surrounding Trump, ran interference for him and solved problems, and it was all good, apparently. Maybe some people didn't like his style, but his boss did, and that was all that counted.

That was then. Now Cohen is a target of a criminal investigation. His office, hotel room and apartment were raided by government agents. He took the Fifth in the ongoing legal battle with Stormy Daniels, the woman paid off to keep her affair with Trump under wraps. Cohen faces a world of trouble.

Playing fast and loose while Trump was a reality show celeb was one thing. Then the game and the rules changed. The stakes are high, the decisions to be made are life-changing, and the downside is sobering and sad. In a different life, Cohen could have had the successful career he built as a businessman and lawyer. In this life, he hitched himself to Trump's star, a shooting star, streaking across the sky and into the void.

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# HERALD EDITORIAL

## Tunnel plan not so grand for North Shore

**G**ov. Andrew Cuomo is moving forward with plans to build a tunnel from Oyster Bay to Westchester County, which he said is vital to alleviate traffic congestion in the greater New York City area, connect Long Island to the mainland and ensure the Island's future economic competitiveness.

The price that the North Shore might have to pay could be very big, however.

We could see the region's small-town feel erode as large-scale structures were erected and the area became increasingly urbanized. Think Queens. When the Throgs Neck Bridge was built in the late 1950s, Bayside was a quaint residential community. Not so much anymore.

With greater traffic — particularly greater truck traffic — moving in and out of Long Island, we could see Nassau County as a whole lose its suburban landscape as well. Property values, particularly on the North Shore, could drop.

The tunnel would be 18 miles long. Nine miles would be under land, and nine would be under the Long Island Sound. The entrances and exits are planned to be just north of the Seaford Oyster Bay Expressway and Jericho Turnpike, and in Westchester, south of the New England Thruway and Playland Parkway.

Long Island motorists take the Throgs Neck and Whitestone bridges now to get to Westchester. How much time would the tunnel actually save anyone? According to estimates, it would only take 15 minutes to travel through the tunnel when traffic was optimal. The key word is opti-

mal. If an 18-mile-long tunnel were congested, or worse, and traffic was blocked, you could be sitting for a very long time, just as you might on the Cross Bronx Expressway.

The governor's 2017 feasibility study, crafted to consider transportation alternatives, estimates that 86,400 vehicles would use the tunnel per day, 3,715 of which would be trucks. Pollution, both in emissions and noise, would undoubtedly increase locally, especially in Syosset.

Communities like Bayville, Oyster Bay, Oyster Bay Cove and Centre Island would experience a big increase in air pollution as well while the tunnel was being built, which, according to estimates, would take 12 to 15 years.

We really cannot take the state's timeline seriously, though. The MTA's East Side Access project was supposed to be finished by 2019. Last week completion was delayed to 2022.

Costing an estimated \$31.5 billion, the tunnel would require ventilation and access shafts that would be several city blocks wide, near the center of the tunnel. The shafts, too, would add pollution locally, and would be eyesores.

Bayville is a quiet seaside community. Many area residents say they moved there to escape the noise and hectic lifestyle of other parts of Long Island. Bayville residents living on the shore say they can hear beachcombers talking from quite a distance at night. If the ventilation and access shafts were built, people would hear only their industrial droning,

which would drown out all other sounds, including the bird calls that local people so adore.

Many area residents also worry about the potential environmental threats that the tunnel might pose. The single tube tunnel would stretch under the Long Island Sound, under which the Lloyd Aquifer can be found. Building the tunnel would require drilling through the aquifer, the lone source of pristine drinking water for the area. The governor's study does not provide any details on how the drilling would be completed without disturbing the aquifer.

Additionally, the tunnel would be located under Centre Island, where residents depend solely on wells, which could be destroyed when the tunnel was built.

It's also important to remember that traffic would travel both ways. People from Westchester and elsewhere up north might come to the already uncomfortably crowded Jones Beach, populating it further, for example.

The Throgs Neck Bridge was built to alleviate traffic on the Whitestone Bridge. Now both bridges are clogged. The tunnel could become a traffic nightmare too.

Or worse, it might not be used much at all. No one's really sure. With the tolls predicted at \$20 one way, the tunnel could be too costly for many. And then we would have done irreparable harm to the region's already fragile environment and upended local communities for nothing.

Tell the governor you don't need or want a tunnel in Nassau County.

## LETTERS

### Re-elect Venuto

To the Editor:

On May 15, Glen Cove has a Board of Education election. Considering how important our public schools are to our community, I hope Glen Cove residents will mark their calendars and turn out to vote for Maria Venuto. After our last squeaker of a City Council election, we know that every vote counts in local politics and our local elected officials affect our lives and our children's lives deeply.

Members of the Glen Cove Board of Education address budget issues, set standards, and reflect the community's values and expectations for the school district. That is why I am supporting Venuto for re-election to the board. She has two girls in Glen Cove City Schools — so she is personally invested in the success of our district. She has demonstrated her commitment to excellence during her service on



## OPINIONS

# The war on Republicans shaping up for November

If you're a student of the Revolutionary War, you know that some of the greatest military battles took place on Long Island. There haven't been any such conflicts here since that time, but this year the Island will be the location of one of the most significant political battles in New York state history.

From time to time, the voters in Nassau and Suffolk counties have been the deciding factor in an election. But this year, both major political parties will closely watch the results of the races for Congress and the State Senate, because they will reverberate in Washington as well as Albany. And nobody can



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ever recall that happening.

New York is known to be a blue state, historically favoring Democrats. But with a national groundswell of support for the party this year, the turnout for Democratic candidates may be even stronger than in a typical even year, and it could have a dramatic impact on all of Long Island's Republican candi-

dates.

Most political experts think the Democrats can take over the House of Representatives. Long Island has two Republican members of Congress up for re-election, and they will face the possibility of being swept away by a so-called Blue Wave. U.S. Rep. Peter King has been an established winner for many years, and his visibility and knowledge have earned him the respect of people from both political parties.

But King has a problem dating to 2010. When the congressional district lines were redrawn, it was decided that additional Democrats would be added to his district, which changed it from a safe seat to a competitive one. Strong turnouts in the Suffolk County portion of the district could make King's race a very tight one. His Democratic opponent will be the Suffolk County Legislature's majority leader, DuWayne Gregory, who could benefit from having run two years ago.

The second Republican with election headaches is Rep. Lee Zeldin. Although he had an easy re-election race two years ago, this time he has a big target

on his back. Zeldin votes with President Trump and the conservative faction of the House most of the time, and many of those votes will come back to haunt him in November if there's a Democratic wave. His Democratic opponent hasn't been chosen, but a carload of money will be spent in the effort to defeat him.

The next big challenge for Republicans will be for the incumbents in the State Senate. Democrats are expected to make a strong challenge to Kemp Hannon and Carl Marcellino. Both are veterans of numerous campaigns, and their seats are critical to the GOP's chances of holding the majority in Albany. To balance any possible

loss, the Republicans have a chance to unseat one-term Democratic Sen. John Brooks.

The problem for some of the Republican incumbents is not of their making. Trump has made many Republicans vulnerable, and his popularity ratings in New York state are at a national low. While there are pockets of supporters upstate and in Suffolk County, the anti-Trump fervor is at a high pitch. The universal New York distaste for him will bring out lots of voters who may vote

across the ballot for Democrats, and swamp Republican incumbents.

The local challenge for Republicans is the numerous corruption trials in Nassau County. While one Democrat has faced criminal charges, the press has focused heavily on the trial of Republican former County Executive Ed Mangano, and there's no doubt there will be negative fallout, regardless of the verdict in that case. The electoral wave that elected Democrat Laura Curran county executive was energized by the political corruption allegations in the county, and there's no sign that the tide has gone out.

Outside Long Island, Republicans will be strongly challenged, especially at the congressional level. There are at least five targeted incumbents, and the odds are that at least two or three will be swept away in November. But the local battles are being watched by leaders in Washington as well as Albany. It's possible that the upcoming election will make both national and state history, without one cannon shot being fired.

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## LETTERS

the BOE for the past three years, consistently showing up to do the hard work in projects large and small. For example, Venuto is responsible for the creation of the monthly Education Board workshops that have provided the board with a forum for in-depth discussions about academics in our district, which was not previously happening at that level at regular meetings before she was elected. She also consistently challenges the administration and other board members to think more creatively and expansively about ways to improve our educational programs and district reputation. She has the needs of all students in mind, a necessary trait in our diverse district.

I'm a mom with two children in Glen Cove schools, and I work in two other school districts, so I think about quality of education a great deal. I have attended board meetings and seen Venuto in action. I trust that she has my children's best interests in mind. I don't want Glen Cove to elect candidates who run for the Board of Education with personal agendas that have nothing to offer our children or schools. I want us to elect trustees who care about our schools, children and community. To that end I hope you will show up to the polls on May 15 and vote for Maria Venuto for Board of Education.

**MICHELLE CHALFOUN**  
Glen Cove

## We all need to enforce social hosting

To the Editor:

Social Hosting, a recent topic of CASA meetings, sparks opinions and questions. For me, the goal is prevention of hazardous drinking and druging of middle and high school kids, not 19-year-olds hanging out in their parents' back yard smoking weed or drinking beer. Another one of my goals is to empower parents to take a stand on "If you see something, say something" with neighbors. Community programs need to be enforced, not diluted by politeness, as much effort went into this new legislation from the district attorney's office. My hope is that fines and civil penalties against property owners where unsupervised teenage parties occur will be upheld in the courts. I think it's a good start.

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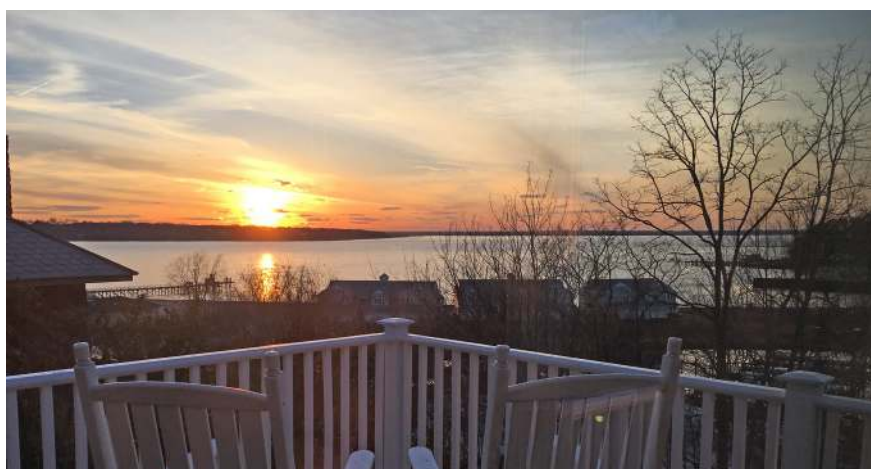
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