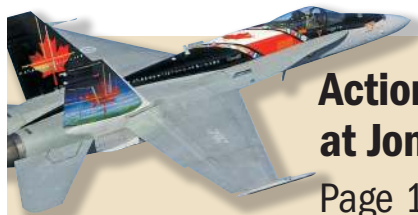


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DORA HILL, CENTER, interviewed ABC news reporter Kristen Thorne before an audience of residents, students and trustees to demonstrate what she learned taking television production classes.

At GCTV, studio as classroom

By **LAURA LANE**
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It's not every day that a high school student has an opportunity to interview an ABC news reporter: Dora Hill, 18, a junior at Glen Cove High School, has taken television production electives for two years. But Hill said she never imagined that she would get to practice all that she had learned quite this way. Sitting across from ABC's Kristen Thorne, she was nervous, she recounted later, as she waited for the cameras to roll.

Hill's live on-camera interview was the culmination of a Board of Elections educational workshop on April 30, which included a tour of Glen Cove High's television studio. When the GCTV student crew shot the segment, those who attended the workshop, which included residents, trustees and students, were invited to watch.

Originally from Sea Cliff, Hill came to Glen Cove as a freshman. She said that her involvement in GCTV, reporting often on community events, has helped her become

comfortable in her new home.

She said she did quite a bit of research on Thorne before the interview. "It was my first celebrity interview," she said afterward, still a bit giddy. Sitting outside the studio, she searched for the right words to express how it had felt. "I tried to remember why I love doing this," she said. "I think the most challenging part was finding the best way to keep naturally transitioning, while still validating what Kristen had to say."

There's a sign on a door of
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City mulls water rates

Mayor says increases are needed to rebuild aging infrastructure

By **ZACH GOTTEHRER-COHEN**
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At a City Council meeting on May 22, city officials and members of the public were presented with preliminary figures outlining a potential increase in Glen Cove residents' water rates.

The presentation included projections for potential rate hikes of 25, 35 and 40 percent. For the average residential ratepayer, they would amount to a quarterly water bill increase of between \$18 and \$28. The average commercial ratepayer would pay between \$69 and \$111 more.

With increases at those levels, Clarson's projected additional revenues for the city of between \$702,000 and \$1.1 million.

The city's water rates have not been raised since 2004, according to a presentation prepared by City Controller Sandra Clarson. A chart included in the presentation showed that if the city had charged "only 2.5 percent more per year, today's rates

would be 41 percent higher."

Mayor Tim Tenke put the blame for the city's beleaguered water infrastructure — for which the council recently presented a nearly \$4 million bond — on the un-changed rates, and the fact that the city hasn't always followed a state law requiring that municipalities' water revenues be used to pay expenses, including repairs and upgrades to the water system.

The can has been kicked down the road long enough.

TIM TENKE
Mayor,
City of Glen Cove

"The can has been kicked down the road long enough," Tenke

said. Councilman Joseph Capobianco asked Clarson what percentage increase would pay for the \$235,000 in interest the city will have to pay on its recent bond in 2019, adding that after doing some rough math, he believed it would take a rate hike of approximately 10 percent. Clarson replied that she didn't have figures for that specific situation, but, she added, Capobi-

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Manganos, Venditto get their say in court

By EDEN LAIKIN and LAURA LANE

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On Tuesday, Assistant U.S. Attorney Raymond Tierney told the jury in the 10-week corruption trial of former Oyster Bay Town Supervisor John Venditto and former Nassau County Executive Ed Mangano that the two were guilty of taking bribes from restaurateur Harendra Singh — the prosecution's key witness.

The bribes took many forms, causing the two to become tangled in a web of corruption that fed their inflated egos, Tierney said.

"When John Venditto referred people to Singh, he took care of them," Tierney said. "Venditto got prestige," free meals and limousine rides.

Singh provided an expensive massage chair and fancy office chair for Mangano when he became county executive and a \$7,350 watch for his son.

The Town of Oyster Bay voted to guarantee millions of dollars in loans for Singh on March 23, 2010.

The assistant U.S. attorney used a data-driven PowerPoint presentation, and hard copies of receipts and emails, to make his case that the stakes were high for Singh and he was desperate for money, leading him to bribe Mangano and Venditto.

Venditto was charged with unlawfully securing town guarantees for millions of dollars in loans for Singh's businesses. Ed Mangano was charged with pressuring Venditto to guarantee the loans, and Mangano's wife, Linda, was charged for lying to federal agents to cover it all up.

The case was expected to go to the jury Thursday afternoon, after press time.

Before that, though, the three defense attorneys — John Keating, John Carman and Marc Agnifilo — had their turn to say their piece in closing remarks from Tuesday through Thursday morning. In those remarks, they attacked the credibility of Singh, who testified against the defendants as part of a plea agreement.

Ed Mangano's defense

John Keating, Ed Mangano's attorney, summed up his remarks by asking jurors: "What did this guy get from Nassau County?" That is, Keating said, Singh received no special favors from the county in return for bribes.

Keating said Singh didn't need Mangano to win Town of Oyster Bay concession contracts, as Mangano played no functional role in the town because he didn't hold office there. He added that Mangano never ordered Venditto to act in any way.

"Singh probably said 400 lies on the stand," Keating said. "Lying means nothing to him, even in court."

The bulk of Keating's remarks centered on an emergency purchase order to feed relief workers from around the country in

the days after Superstorm Sandy hit in October 2012. He said emails back and forth between county officials discussing the selection of Singh's restaurant for the job didn't involve Ed Mangano.

Keating also spoke of a bread and rolls contract for the Nassau County Correctional Facility in East Meadow that Singh bid on for his wife's bakery in 2012. San Remo Bakery came in among the lowest bidders, but Singh withdrew the bid when he realized the 2,000-square-foot bakery couldn't supply the amount of bread needed by the jail.

In 2010, the year Mangano took office, "Singh got nothing," Keating said. "In 2011, zero. In 2012, there's the bread and rolls contract. And then Superstorm Sandy hits. In 2013, nothing, and nothing in 2014 or 2015. Quid pro quo? There's zero."

Linda Mangano's defense

Linda Mangano's attorney, John Carman, spent his closing hours picking apart the FBI's case against his client, inferring that pulling her into the criminal case was a way to get at her husband.

Officials contended that Singh gave Mangano a no-show job in return for political favors. Carman said, however, that emails prove Linda did work for Singh.

"She had a low-show job with a person she believed to be a dear friend. It's perfectly legal to have a low-show job," Carman told jurors. "Singh was fabulously rich, had a really nice house, a Maserati, and Linda has said she 'loved him like my brother.'"

He added that it would not have been a crime to have taken a no-show job.

Carman argued that none of the FBI's interviews were taped and that statements made by Linda Mangano weren't recorded, but rather were paraphrased by investigators. Carman said that, despite numerous requests, neither he nor Linda ever received a list of the "false statements" she allegedly made. He added that the agents' note-taking was "unreliable."

Linda Mangano, who has held various marketing jobs over the last 30 years and owns and operates a weekly newspaper, said she did work that included creating postcards for events at Singh's restaurants, and making suggestions for menu items and motif improvements.

John Venditto's defense

Marc Agnifilo, Venditto's attorney, attacked Singh's character. "Harendra Singh is selfish, remarkably self-important, and has grand plans ..." he said. "He's not happy with where he is. He needs more. He needs to be more — to be somewhere else."

He portrayed Venditto as "self-contained and happy" — already having all he could want or need. He said even Singh complimented Venditto at one point, calling him "a humble man."

Agnifilo went on to say, "Singh uses love and closeness to get what he wants, and



Photos by Christina Daly/Herald Gazette

FORMER TOWN SUPERVISOR John Venditto is facing multiple charges.

What are the charges?

Ed Mangano

- Conspiracy to commit federal program bribery.
- Federal program bribery.
- Conspiracy to commit honest services wire fraud.
- Honest services wire fraud.
- Extortion.
- Conspiracy to obstruct justice.

John Venditto Federal Charges

- Conspiracy to commit federal program bribery.
- Federal program bribery.
- Conspiracy to commit honest services wire fraud.
- Honest services wire fraud.
- Obstruction of justice.

- False statements.

In a superseding indictment

- One count of securities fraud.
- Federal program bribery.
- One count of conspiracy to commit wire fraud related to securities offerings.
- 19 counts of wire fraud related to securities offerings.

State charges

- Corrupt use of position or authority.
- Official misconduct.
- Conspiracy.
- Defrauding the government.

Linda Mangano

- Obstructing justice.
- Making false statements to the FBI.
- Conspiracy to obstruct justice.

then he tells us it's all a lie."

Agnifilo said Venditto saw Singh as good for Oyster Bay back in 2010. The restaurateur had been a town concessionaire for 10 years, and had made capital improvements to the town buildings that he leased with his own money.

Agnifilo said Venditto didn't know that Singh was in a corrupt relationship with former deputy town attorney Frederick Mei, who also testified last month in the

trial as per a cooperation agreement. Agnifilo said Mei admitted under oath that he forged a document to make it look as though Venditto had signed a loan agreement on Singh's behalf. Mei also admitted to forging a lease to get an earlier loan for Singh from Habib Bank, without Venditto's knowledge.

Agnifilo likened Mei and Singh to Bonny and Clyde. "They found each other to commit crimes," he said.

A studio becomes a classroom at GCTV

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the GCTV studio, leading to a hallway of the high school, that says “School.” Christopher Barry, the media communications teacher who runs the studio, says the sign embodies what GCTV is all about.

“School is out there, and this is GCTV — a different place,” said Barry, who lives in Glen Cove. “When I first got the job here in 1998, it was assumed I’d wear a shirt and tie, like other teachers, but I don’t, because no one wears a shirt and tie in the television business.”

The goal of GCTV has always been to allow students to experience what it’s like to work in a studio — even back in 1978, when Thom Ruckert, a GCHS English teacher, created the program. Dan Cox, who was an adjunct technology professor of Barry’s at LIU Post, developed it further when he worked at GCTV from April 1987 to November 1996.

The studio has come a long way since its modest beginnings, when there were tape decks and one video camera that filmed in black and white. The station broadcasts district events to the community. With the push of a button, a high school play can be live-streamed, and some sports teams’ games can, too. The school district’s website indicates when GCTV is streaming live.

Ruckert, now retired, and Cox, who went on to work for NBC and is now the director of broadcasting at WCWP Radio at Post, were at last month’s workshop, as



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CHRISTOPHER BARRY, LEFT, a media communications teacher at Glen Cove High School, gave people of tour of GCTV.

were others who had been at GCTV in its early days. “This is the first time in 40 years that we have everyone who has run the television studio here,” Barry said, beaming.

Barry, 49, was in the television business for seven years before coming to GCHS. He was a production coordinator for MTV, VH1 and AMC, before working for Jim Henson with the Muppets, where he managed the studio for six months. When Henson died, Barry re-evaluated his career.

“I liked TV work, but wanted to be doing something more than making entertainment,” he said. He called Cox, and told him he wanted to work with students in producing television.

When Barry led the tour on April 30, sharing all that the television station has to offer, he was as excited as some of his students. “The stuff my kids are doing is top-notch,” he said. Voice-over artists from Manhattan have come to work with students. And the studio is continuing to grow, Barry said. He is currently in the process of creating a newsroom.

The TV production classes include hands-on experience in front of and behind a camera, as well as studio time. “They learn to edit, how to do remote pro-

duction, and we have more advanced classes for the kids that are thinking of pursuing the business,” Barry said. Next year he plans to offer digital movie-making, which will include tips on generating story ideas and make short films.

Students with a variety of interests participate in the production classes. Some have a passion for theater, music, even athletics. Many who take the production classes are looking for a place to belong. “This helps some kids who don’t feel connected, giving them a connection they might not otherwise feel,” said district Superintendent Dr. Maria Rianna. “This allows for them to grow.”

Some of the students taking the classes find solace, Barry said. “There are tons of students with problems at home,” he said. “They come here and find a home, a family. I’ve walked two girls down the aisle years after they left Glen Cove High School. To have that kind of connection with a kid — if they go into television or not — that’s something.”



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THE WEEK AHEAD

Nearby things to do this week



An artful Saturday

All ages are invited to can explore their creativity at Nassau County Museum of Art's Studio Saturday, May 26, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Come by the Manes Center to create projects and work inspired by the art on view in the current exhibition, "Anything Goes: The Jazz Age." Spend up to an hour exploring a range of materials, techniques, and themes. Info: (516) 484-9338 or www.nassaumuseum.org.

Library welcomes historic speaker

The Glen Cove Public Library will be having a guest speaker on Tuesday, May 29 from 7 to 9 p.m. Michael Chaplan will discuss his knowledge of the Jewish immigrant community and their migration to New York City between 1881 and 1924. He'll be sharing photos of Ellis Island, old immigrant tenements, yeshivas, synagogues, and other resources they used to make the city feel more like home. 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. Info: (516) 676-2130.



From May 22 to the 26, Garvies Point Museum and Preserve will be hosting a nature film series. Each day starting at 3 p.m. a different hour-long film will be shown at the museum. The showings include "American Eagle," "What Plants Talk About," "Hummingbirds: Magic in the Air," and "The Incredible Journey of Butterflies." 50 Barry Dr., Glen Cove, Info: (516) 571-8010.

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Watercolor painting workshop

Learn to paint a spring still life or landscape with resident artist Michael Goudket at the Raynham Hall Museum on Thursday, May 31 at 6:30 p.m. Wine and cheese served. Bring friends and family ages 13 and up. Space is limited, Fee: \$30 per person. 20 West Main St., Oyster Bay. Info: (516) 922-6808.



The Beatles reinterpreted



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R. M. FINLEY Middle School students who participated in National History Day are pictured with Assistant Principal Lawrence Carroll.

Board of Ed honors Glen Cove students



LANDING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S Phoebe Pinder, above, left, and Connolly School's Sara Roditi represented the district at the Regional Scripps Spelling Bee held at Hofstra.

GLEN COVE HIGH School freshmen J.P. Pinella Hernandez facilitates live streaming and audio visual for the Board of Education meetings.

GLEN COVE HIGH School students who participated in the Northwell Health Spark! Challenge, with Assistant Principal Katie Prudente, far right, teacher Fran Krisch and science coordinator Alexa Doeschner.



The Board of Education celebrated more than 70 Glen Cove City School District students at the BOE meeting on May 9 at Glen Cove High School.

The honorees were selected for, among other things, stellar performances in art, mock trial and spelling, and participation in the Spark! Challenge, at which Glen Cove High School students beat out 700 other Long Island students and took home first prize, winning \$5,000.

"This was Glen Cove High School's second year competing and they won the biggest prize," Superintendent Dr. Maria Rianna said of the Northwell Health Spark! Challenge. "They truly represented Glen Cove in the best of ways."

After presenting dozens of awards, Dr. Rianna noted that while Glen Cove students are accomplished, they need and receive help.

"They don't do it alone; they have parents, teachers, teachers' assistants and all the support staff. It is truly a family," she said.



Residents urge city to appeal on group home

By ZACH GOTTEHRER-COHEN
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On May 15, the New York State Office of Mental Health ruled that the city cannot prevent a group home for women with eating disorders from setting up in a Glen Cove home at 1 St. Andrews Lane.

The Glen Cove City Council had voted unanimously on February 20 against a proposal by a California-based company, Monte Nido, to open what would be the first residential eating disorder treatment facility on Long Island.

The arguments that residents made at a Feb. 20, public hearing at City Hall on the matter — specifically those that pertained to Monte Nido's proposed alterations to the property, including adding a 12-space parking lot — were ultimately rejected as “not germane” to the legal questions upon which the hearing was based, namely, whether there are already so many such facilities in the area that one more would change the nature of the neighborhood.

At a city council meeting on May 22, residents urged council members to file an “Article 78” legal challenge to the state's ruling. According to a Fordham Urban Law Journal article titled, “NIMBY's Legacy,” for an Article 78 proceeding to prevail, the OMH's ruling must be found to have been, “arbitrary, capricious or an abuse of



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A GROUP HOME for women with eat has clearance from the state to move in to the property at 1 St. Andrews Lane, unless the city appeals their recent ruling.

discretion,” which means, the article continues, “there is a strong presumption favoring the regulatory authority.”

Mayor Tim Tenke said that the council met privately just before the public meeting on Tuesday to discuss the matter, and added that they weren't yet ready to decide whether to take further action.

To the approximately 10 neighbors of 1 St. Andrews Lane who attended the meeting, Tenke invited them to a private meeting on May 23, where they could address their concerns with him.

Quarterly impact of proposed rate hikes

	2017 Actual	25 percent increase	35 percent increase	40 percent increase
Average bill (residence)	\$72.04	\$90.05 (+ \$18.01)	\$97.25 (+ \$25.21)	\$100.86 (+ \$28.82)
Average bill (business)	\$279.76	\$349.763 (+ \$69.97)	\$377.76 (+ \$98.00)	\$391.65 (+ \$111.89)
Total revenue	\$2,809,375	\$3,511,765 (+ \$702,425)	\$3,792,375 (+ \$983,395)	\$3,933,686 (+ \$1,123,880)

City looks to hike water rates, first time in 14 years

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Clarson's estimates were likely sound.

According to Clarson's presentation, of the approximately \$2.8 million in water fees the city collected in 2017, about 70 percent of that revenue came from residential customers.

Councilwomen Pamela Panzenbeck and Marsha Silverman asked to be presented with options for a tiered-rate system that would reward those who used less water by charging them less, in the

hope of incentivizing conservation. Clarson said she would look into it.

The average commercial customer uses about 3.5 times as much water as the average residence, although businesses account for about 11 percent of the city's more than 30,000 water customers. The businesses that use the most water — over 1.1 million gallons per quarterly billing period — are charged less per gallon than those in the middle tier of water usage.

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HERALD SPORTS

Glen Cove shows progress

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After losing its finale to Wheatley on May 4, the Glen Cove softball team missed out on winning its conference by just a game and finished third in Nassau ABC-IV. The Lady Big Red completed its campaign at 7-9 with some progress and steps towards a potential league title next year and a conference promotion.

“That is our goal for next year of course... We want to finish in first in our league and move up a conference,” Glen Cove head coach Angela Zupa said. “We were only kept out of first by one game this year.”

Zupa’s squad was comprised of three award-winning juniors that have made their impact on this team throughout their softball careers.

Junior dynamo shortstop Jaynise Espinal received All-County honors thanks to her consistent bat and impressive defensive abilities.

Junior catcher Micaela Costello received an All-County honorable mention as her quick, slashing bat, blazing foot speed, and improving catching capabilities have caught the eye of the All-County Committee.

Outfielder/third base Angela McCarthy finished with All-Conference honors and was a big power threat in the heart of this Lady Big Red lineup. Each three of these juniors will return to this talented team next year, along with juniors Alyssa Schmidt and Brianna Malvino.

“Schmidt is due for a big year next year and Malvino I feel the same way,” Zupa said. “I feel confident that next year’s team will be even better than this year’s. We graduate three players this year but we return our award winners and have some nice pieces in the eight-grade system.”

The three seniors that have played their last softball games in the maroon and white include center-fielder Karla Fernandez, pitcher Nafeesah Ali, and OF Amber Brown.

Zupa is focused on who the pitcher will be come springtime of 2019. With Ali graduating, Zupa will take a hard look at some of the younger pitchers in the program. “We’ve got two girls with pitching experience who I will really take a look at, both Freshman Kristen Sita and sophomore



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NAFEESAH ALI WAS a workhorse in the pitching circle for the Big Red, which finished a respectable 7-9.

Jennifer Heman will be leading candidates over the offseason.”

Zupa also is ecstatic the girls will be playing summer league, building rapport and improving steadily to get over the hump for those late games in the season.

Glen Cove strung together a late-season three-game win streak over Oyster Bay, Garden City and Lynbrook, however dropped its last two to East Rockaway and Wheatley.

Glen Cove’s win over Oyster Bay snapped a long mid-season skid and was a showcase for its All-County talent as Espi-

nal delivered a 4-5 performance at the dish whilst also driving home the winning run in the bottom of the seventh inning.

Zupa believes that her core girls will work out the kinks over the summer and have the ability to win their league next year.

“They were upset after their last game because they knew they could have done it,” Zupa said. “I want to tell each and every girl ‘thank you’ for a great season, and I am looking forward to a bright future.”

SPOTLIGHT ATHLETE



DAVEY MOORE

Glen Cove Senior Lacrosse

SERVING AS THE Big Red’s quarterback on the lacrosse field, Moore etched himself into the record book May 7 in its 14-7 win over Freeport. He scored three goals and assisted on three others to reach the 100-point milestone for his career, becoming the 12th player to accomplish the feat during coach Steve Tripp’s tenure. He finished with 16 goals and 28 assists this spring.

NASSAU PLAYOFFS

BOYS LACROSSE

Class B first round
MacArthur 15, Herricks 6
Calhoun 18, Jericho 6
Long Beach 11, Roslyn 6
Carey 10, Mepham 1

Class C first round
Lynbrook 9, Plainedge 4
Friends Academy 9, North Shore 8
Mineola 10, Wheatley/Carle Place 4
Locust Valley 18, Seaford 8

GIRLS LACROSSE

Class B quarterfinals
Garden City 17, MacArthur 2
Manhasset 21, Mepham 4
South Side 19, Calhoun 4
Long Beach 17, Elmont 6

Class C quarterfinals
Cold Spring Harbor 15, Division 1
North Shore 15, Lynbrook 3
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BILL AND CYNTHIA Harrand were crowned king and queen of the Senior Citizens Prom. They celebrated their first dance surrounded by students from the North Shore High School Key Club.

Seniors relive their yester years at a prom



SHARP DRESSERS CLEO and Charles Pappas posed under the Hollywood sign.



Local seniors dusted off their dancing shoes for the 11th annual Senior Citizen Prom, hosted by the North Shore High School Key Club. Older members of the community got a chance to dance alongside high school students and share a memorable day of music and movements.

Guests gathered in the scenic courtyard at the high school to dance the night away. The entryway was adorned with decorations of red, black and gold to reflect the evening's Hollywood theme. Each senior received a special boutonniere upon arrival and was treated to a buffet dinner.

This year, the Key Club crowned longtime local couple Bill and Cynthia Harrand as prom king and queen.

-Alyssa Seidman

BOUTONNIERES WERE GIVEN out to each of the guests. Stephanie Zurawski got her pin from Key Club advisor Julia Salat.

DURING THE TWIST, students Jules Firouztale and Keaton Danseglio spun around the dance floor.

NOTORIOUS DANCER DONALD "Duck" Blumhagen showed sophomore Julia Vineis his smooth moves.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, May 24

Glen Cove 350 picnic celebration

Morgan Memorial Park, Germain Street, Glen Cove. 5:30 p.m. Kick off a weeklong celebration for Glen Cove's 350th anniversary. The community festival features school performances, fireworks, food trucks, a beach bonfire and local entertainment. Don't miss out!

Kayaking Long Island

Bayville Free Library, 34 School St. # B, Bayville, 7 p.m. Boating expert and author Kevin Stiegelmaier will give you a great idea of what it's like to paddle in Long Island's amazing waters. Designed for the beginner as well as experienced kayakers, this presentation will touch on the best destinations on the island, and resources needed to plan your trips. (516) 628-2765.

Bee-dazzled

Sea Cliff Village Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff, 6:30 p.m. Attend this talk on honey bees with Kathy Scialzo. Learn about bees and how you can help them thrive and survive. Register at (516) 671-4290.

Hogwarts hour

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 4:30 p.m. Do you love Harry Potter? Make your very own, one-of-a-kind wizard craft and play Harry Potter-inspired games! Recommended for children in grades 3 through 6. (516) 759-8300.

Friday, May 25

Old timers baseball game

John Maccarone Memorial Stadium, Morris Ave., Glen Cove, 7 p.m. Watch Glen Cove legends engage in America's favorite pastime as part of the city's 350th anniversary celebration.

Saturday, May 26

Covefest

Downtown Glen Cove, at the intersection of Glen and School Streets, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Enjoy a celebratory street fair and "time traveling" tours this weekend in honor of the city's 350th anniversary celebration.

Caumsett peace hike

Caumsett State Park, 25 Lloyd Harbor Rd., Lloyd Harbor, 10 a.m. Join us on this Mindfulness Hike where we will expand our awareness in team building, hiking with a balanced mind and body, and peaceful approaches to problem solving. Bring water and snacks. (516) 320-5955.

Monday, May 28

Glen Cove Memorial Day Parade

Ceremony at 11 p.m. in Glen Cove's Monument Park (Cottage Row and Ford Street), followed by a parade through downtown at 12 p.m.

Tuesday, May 29

SAT Crash Review Course

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 6 to 8:30 p.m. Come to the



Alyssa Seidman/Herald Gazette

Walking tour of Oyster Bay

On Saturday, May 26, join Howard Ehrlich and Denice Evans-Sheppard of the Theodore Roosevelt Association on a foot tour around Oyster Bay, featuring historical sites along East and West Main Street, Audrey Avenue, and South Street in the heart of the hamlet. The tour will begin at 2 p.m. Registration is \$20 per person, \$5 for ages 12-17, and free for children under 12. Participants should arrive 15 minutes early to check-in and pay prior to the tour. To make a reservation, call (516) 922-5032 or email obhsdirector@optonline.net.

library for a crash review course by the test-prep company Curvebreakers. A \$25 non-refundable check payable to the library is due at time of registration. (516) 759-8300.

Karaoke jam

Glen Cove Senior Center, 130 Glen St. A, Glen Cove, 1:30 p.m. Join us for an afternoon of singing and fun. There will be many songs to choose from, so don't be shy, and show us your talent. (516) 759-9610.

Pickleball and bocce

Stanco Park, Lattingtown Road, Glen Cove 9:45 a.m. Join senior members of the pickleball and bocce clubs for rousing rounds of competition, weather permitting. No experience or equipment necessary. Contact Eric at the Glen Cove Senior Center if you have any questions. (516) 759-9610.

Wednesday, May 30

Spring bunny oatmeal

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 4 p.m. Chef Rob will stir up some oatmeal with sugar and spice, and kids will turn it into a spring bunny. Recommended for children in grades K through 5. (516) 759-8300.

NY-inspired treats

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 6:30 p.m. Chef Rob will

teach you how to make New York soft pretzels while you sip on a delicious Brooklyn egg cream! Participants will leave with four medium-sized pretzels.

Patrons must bring: mixing spoons, a large bowl, a cookie tray and a rolling pin. There is a \$7 fee at time of registration. (516) 759-8300.



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Memorial Day in Sea Cliff

The annual Memorial Day parade will take place on Monday, May 28 at 9 a.m., starting at Memorial Park and concluding at Clifton Park. The closing ceremony will commemorate this most solemn of American holidays. All village residents and friends are invited to take part in the commemoration.

Love to yarn club

Locust Valley Library, 170 Buckram Rd., Locust Valley, 1 to 3:30 p.m. All levels of quilters, knitters and crocheters are welcome. Bring your friends, your #8 (H) crochet hook or knitting needles, and 4 ply yarn. Registration required. (516) 671-1837.

Thursday, May 31

String art craft

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 7 p.m. Linoleum nails gently pressed into cork are the foundation for creating this fun design using embroidery thread. This is a great project for exploring symmetrical and asymmetrical designs in art and makes a great piece of artwork to hang in your room! (516) 759-8300.

Friday, June 1

Astronomy Nights at Sagamore Hill

20 Sagamore Hill Rd., Oyster Bay, 9 p.m. Sagamore Hill will be hosting a series of free public astronomy events this summer in partnership with the Amateur Observers Society of New York. The event includes an outdoor presentation on celestial activities and stargazing through telescopes. All ages are welcome. Bring flashlights, refreshments, chairs, and a blanket. (516) 922-4788.

Saturday, June 2

Tag Sale

Saint Patrick's Church cafeteria, 12 Pearsall Ave., Glen Cove, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Shop savvy at the All Saints Regional Catholic School's annual tag sale.

L.V. Library tennis classic

170 Buckram Rd., Locust Valley, 9 to 11 a.m. Mixed-up doubles; \$75 per player; no partner needed. Prizes for top scores. Proceeds to benefit the Locust Valley Library Campaign 2020. (516) 671-1837.

Summer fun with aromatherapy

Bayville Free Library, 34 School St. # B, Bayville, 11 a.m. Learn the healing power of aloe vera and essential oils to enjoy right at the beach, secret ways to keep the bugs away and lotions for after your time outdoors. Certified aromatherapist Tara Penske will help you discover how this is done. Make products to take home. There is a \$5 materials fee. (516) 628-2765.

Sunday, June 3

Family Day at Bailey

194 Bayville Rd., Locust Valley, 12 to 3 p.m. Join us for an afternoon of fun at the arboretum, including food, games, music, crafts, lawn games and more. For more information, call Pat Paluszek at education@baileyarboretum.org. (516) 801-1458.

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Courtesy City of Glen Cove

COUNCILMAN KEVIN MACCARONE, Carol Waldman, executive director of the Glen Cove Senior Center, Glen Cove Mayor Tim Tenke, Jean Ealy, a senior center member and esteemed matriarch, Karen Tenke and Senior Center activities coordinator Eric Shuman.

Mother's Day at the Senior Center

Members of the Glen Cove Senior Center and city dignitaries gathered to honor the city's mothers, grandmothers, godmothers and great-grandmothers.

"I want to wish all of the outstanding women with us today a very happy Mother's Day and to thank you for all you do for your children, grandchildren and the youth in our community," said Mayor Tim Tenke.

Also in attendance for this celebration of motherhood were Councilman Kevin Maccarone, Congressman Tom Suozzi and Judge Richard McCord.

Tenke and the Glen Cove Senior Center Executive Director Carol Waldman also took a moment to acknowledged Jean Ealy,

a very spirited member of the center. She is the mother of eight children, 26 grandchildren, 35 great grandchildren and nine great-great grandchildren.

"To all you beautiful women who have either had your own children, grandchildren, great grandchildren," said Waldman, "or for those of you who are incredible aunts, sisters or friends — any woman who has touched and continues to touch another person's life, thank you.

"We honor you for your patience," she continued, "for your wisdom, for your compassion, for your intelligence, for your inner beauty, for your strength and for all the ways you continue to inspire us."

Revvng up for Bimmerstock 2018

The 2018 Gold Coast Concours/Bimmerstock Car Show will take to the streets of downtown Glen Cove on Sunday, June 3, 2018 (rain or shine), from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The annual show is attended by thousands of local residents and car enthusiasts alike.

Last year, the Gold Coast Concours/Bimmerstock Car Show raised \$75,000 and over the past eight years the Diabetes Research Foundation (DRI) has received \$534,000 with all proceeds dedicated to supporting research to find a cure for diabetes.

As he prepares for this year's exhibition, show founder Joe La Padula of Martino Auto Concepts says, "I am grateful for the generosity of Long Island's car commu-

nity as each year they rally to help make a difference for diabetes research."

Nassau County Legislator and DRI board member, Delia DeRiggi-Whitton added, "As a mother whose child has diabetes, this event underscores the power a concerned group of individuals can have and the positive impact they can bring to people in need."

"The City of Glen Cove is proud to host the 10th Annual Gold Coast Concours/Bimmerstock car show as our residents look forward to seeing a remarkable array of exotic and custom cars while supporting a worthy cause," said Mayor Timothy Tenke.

-Zach Gottehrer-Cohen



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Believer in service to others before self dies

By LAURA LANE

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Pasquale Eliseo, a diehard Mets fan, had a skill that he shared with anyone who would listen. "Pat would call all of the pitches," said his friend of 46 years, Michael Coco, chuckling. "He was usually right, too, even if the pitcher didn't [throw] it effectively."

Coco, of Locust Valley, said his memories of Shea Stadium with Eliseo encapsulated who he was. Eliseo, who was known as Pat, had a knack for knowing people, what they would do and what they needed.

A lifelong Locust Valley resident, he was born in a backroom of a house on Birch Hill Road. He died in his sleep on May 13, at age 85, at his home.

He was active until the end of his life, and his daughter Jean Eliseo, of Huntington, said he remained committed to what was always most important to him — family, the Catholic Church and service to others before self. "He'd come over to my home and, sitting in his wheelchair, his hands arthritic, he'd say, 'Can I help you? Can I get you anything?'"

Eliseo learned the importance of doing unto others, his daughter said, during his years at Glen Cove's St. Patrick Elementary School, now All Saints Regional School. But he had to travel over an hour by train to Brooklyn to continue his Catholic education at Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School, because there were no Catholic high schools nearby.

An Army veteran of the Korean War, he was patriotic, putting his hand on his heart as tears rolled down his face any time anyone sang the national anthem. In his later years, Jean said, he couldn't remember much, but



Courtesy Jean Eliseo

WHEN PAT ELISEO came to Sunday dinner at his daughter, Jean's Huntington home, he dressed for the occasion.

he always knew his rank and serial number and the dates he was in the war. "He remembered how cold it was in the barracks, knew the names of his sergeants," she said. "On Veterans Day I asked him what he remem-

bered, and he talked to me about the war for 45 minutes. I looked at the clock."

A commissioner of the Locust Valley Water District for the past 20 years, he recently ran unopposed for reelection, and won.

He was a volunteer member of the Locust Valley Fire Department for over 66 years. He served as company captain, district fire commissioner and department treasurer as well as treasurer of its emergency medical rescue squad.

"To us he was the patriarch of the company," said Lynn Ramskill, a 38-year volunteer and captain of the LVFD's Emergency Medical Rescue Co. #1. As one of the first company members, he was there during the "days of scoop and run," Ramskill said of the relatively primitive rescue operations of the past, adding that these days the back of an ambulance is almost as well-equipped as a hospital emergency room. When Eliseo was too old to be a medic, he became the ambulance driver, which he did for many years.

"He was the glue that stuck us together, a wise man who had the answers to any questions about the rules and regulations," Ramskill said.

Eliseo's grandchildren meant the world to him. "He always knew what they were doing, and was so proud that they all went to college," said his oldest daughter, Lori Dalton, who lives in Upper Brookville. "In later years he lived vicariously through them. He was just a great guy."

Besides his daughters, Eliseo is survived by a son, Mark, and many grandchildren. His wife, Dolores, died in 2016.

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Guns: Too close to America's heart to discuss?

National experts say ingrained culture and fear make real change difficult

By **ERIK HAWKINS**

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Part three in a series.

For many Americans, firearms are linked to the national concepts of self-reliance and individualism — after all, it was with guns that we shook off the yoke of British rule. Even with popular attitudes toward gun control changing, the place that guns hold in the country's imagination still makes a serious public conversation about how to legislate them difficult, experts say.

Adam Winkler, a professor of American constitutional law and history at the University of California, says that despite strong emotions favoring more regulation, deeply ingrained feelings about the firearm as a quintessentially American right can be even stronger. "When you're trying to regulate guns, you're not just trying to regulate a tool," Winkler said in an interview last week. "You're also regulating people's identity. You're influencing and touching on people's deeply held values."

A Pew Research Center poll conducted in March and April 2017 found that 74 percent of gun owners polled said that the right to own guns was "essential to their own sense of freedom."

Winkler noted that the founders weren't necessarily thinking about personal self-defense when they wrote the Second Amendment. They were concerned for the maintenance of local militias to defend the nation. He added that the guns of the time would not have been particularly useful in defending oneself against an intruder because of their unwieldiness.

"You couldn't store a gun loaded ... You could only load one round at a time. It was not primarily a self-defense weapon," he said.

Still, owning guns is a well-established right, with most states guaranteeing it in their constitutions. But a national tendency toward fear and a collective mythology that continues in popular entertainment can "add to the difficulty" of having productive conversations about the best way to legislate guns, Winkler said.

Fear of Crime

Violent crime in America has been steadily declining since the early 1990s, according to Pew. It was down 48 percent between 1993 and 2016, according to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Still, 67 percent of American gun owners said that self-defense is a major reason for owning a gun. And 60 percent of Americans surveyed over 17 years by Pew said they believed that crime was up from the year before, despite contradicting data.

Even with crime at historic lows, "the news tends to emphasize the dangers of crime and bad incidents," Winkler said, adding that it's possible that since 9/11, Americans could be more on edge and "prone to exaggerate the threats we have."

"The gun makers and National Rifle Association constantly warn that danger is lurking right around the corner, and you need to defend yourself," Winkler said. "It's amazing ... There's still a sense Americans have that they're in grave danger."



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Guns are linked to many Americans' sense of identity and freedom. At this pro-gun rally in Albany last month, demonstrators held signs that mocked gun control advocates' perceived lack of understanding about firearms.

The 'Dirty Harry' moment

Gun manufacturers have benefited from the branding that action-movie firearms provide. According to the Economist, Smith & Wesson's .44 Magnum, for example, received a sales bump after Clint Eastwood's character Dirty Harry gave a nod to the gunmaker. "Die Hard 2" also boosted Glock sales.

"According to Mother Jones, Glock started to give free or steeply discounted guns to Hollywood prop houses in search of 'its Dirty Harry moment,'" in the words of reporter Paul Barrett, whose book, "Glock: The Rise of America's Gun," documents firearm manufacturers' growth.

—Zach Gottehrer-Cohen

Kara Alaimo, an assistant professor of journalism, media studies and public relations at Hofstra University, agreed.

"I think there are many narratives in the media and entertainment that do serve the NRA's interest by promoting a culture of gun ownership in America at a time when it's not necessary for our national security," Alaimo said.

Gun mythology

The American idea of the "Wild West" is where the nation's fascination with the gun begins. Even our understanding of that history, however, said Winkler, is far from the reality.

"We imagine the Wild West as being



filled with guns and shootouts at noon every day," he said. "The truth couldn't be more different."

Frontier towns, according to Winkler, had stricter gun controls in place than many American towns today. While gun ownership was nearly ubiquitous, carrying in towns was restricted, and a Wild West town on the frontier would average less than one murder per year.

"We've been sold an image of the Wild West that's far from the reality," he said. "It's been designed for the commercial and cultural interests of Americans."

Further, many Americans' idea of firearms — how they work and the damage they can cause — is similarly distorted. Winkler said that America's fetishization of firearms isn't necessarily unique — American action films play around the world, and Asian cinema is full of gun-heavy melodramas — but its impact on the national conversation is.

"They're more like toys in the way they're portrayed," he said. "You can fire them on end without having to reload. Our imagery is very distorted."

When gun violence is killing women and children, Alaimo said, "I think that entertainment companies have a real responsibility to look at how they portray these issues."

New advocates

Still, the prevalence of young voices

speaking out in the aftermath of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School shooting in Parkland, Fla., may bode well for a change in public attitudes, and eventual legislative action, Alaimo said.

"First of all, kids tend to speak really bluntly," she said. "And I think that we need people who will challenge politicians and talk about this issue in starker ways. It's powerful to hear from a child who's been a victim of gun violence."

Larry Levy, executive dean at Hofstra's National Center for Suburban Studies, agreed that the Parkland students, and thousands of high-schoolers nationwide who have joined them in recent protests, are particularly effective spokespeople.

"So many kids were killed in a community that most white middle, upper-class people — the majority of suburban voters — can identify with," he said.

Seeing the survivors of a school shooting speak out resonates with people: "Cognitive research teaches us that people don't respond emotionally to statistics; they respond to stories," Alaimo explained.

The younger voices — who Alaimo said have now "been given a playbook" by Parkland students for the next school shooting — will face entrenched attitudes, even in trying to engage a national conversation.

Winkler said that many law-abiding Americans who would never be prevented from owning a gun, even in the face of expanded background checks, likely will not budge on the issue because of deep-rooted beliefs.

"People are very reluctant to support what we might think of as truly common-sense gun control measures because they feel it's an attack on their identity and their liberty," he said. "It's a very powerful emotion."

Tyler Marko contributed to this story.

Nancy Burpee has overcome impossible challenges all her life. The latest was lung cancer.



Nancy Burpee has been swimming competitively all her life. Not only against other elite swimmers, but also against a rare connective tissue disease. Then she faced her greatest challenge: lung cancer.

Nancy was told she faced a choice: either major invasive surgery or wait and see if the tumor would shrink. Instead, she turned to NYU Winthrop Hospital and Dr. Laurence Spier, one of the country's top robotic lung surgeons. Dr. Spier not only removed the tumor without removing the entire lung, he was able to "tease" her lung free from the chest wall. Nancy was amazed at the improvement in her breathing and stamina. In just three weeks, she was back in the pool, swimming faster than she had in years.

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By SUSAN GRIECO

THE QUESTION:

What would you like to say to all the Veterans out there?



Thank you very much for helping my country be safe!

LAUREN TUTTLE
2nd Grade



Thank you for fighting for everyone and risking your life for us while you try to protect us.

ANTONIO TELESE
4th Grade



Thank you for your service and for protecting us so we can have a good life.

LEAH GUZOWSKI
2nd Grade



Thank you for leaving your families behind to save our country.

VIOLET LONDINO
2nd Grade



Thank you for all that you've done for this country. We really appreciate it!

GREGORY PORCARO



Thank you for giving us our freedom by fighting for us every day.

ANDREW WALTER

'Human error' caused district election snafu

By ZACH GOTTEHRER-COHEN

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As the Herald Gazette was going to press last week, we learned that the originally reported results of the Glen Cove School District's election on May 15 were incorrect. The results we published were accurate, but we were not able to edit our story in time to reflect what happened.

According to school officials, a "clerical error" resulted in a ballot miscount. District Clerk Ida Johnson, who is charged with running the district's elections, said that she discovered the error the following morning.

She said that as part of the official procedure, she has to "close out" the election by recording the results, in part by reconciling the total number of ballots cast — which Johnson doesn't get until the morning after the election — with the total vote tallies.

"As soon as I looked at the numbers," Johnson said, "I noticed that there was something off with the budget."

The district's budget passed by a margin of three to one, not two to one as we had originally reported. The error resulted in 204 more "No" votes being tallied than were actually cast.

In the election for the three open Board of Education trustees, 307 more votes were counted for Gail Nedbor-Gross than were actually cast. Following what district officials described as a thorough recount, all other candidates were within two votes of their originally reported total.

Other than having isolated the issue to what she called, "human error," Johnson said that she "didn't know what the problem was," and that "I've never had this issue before."

The correct tally of votes cast at the High School for Nedbor-Gross was 437. The originally reported tally was 743, a different configuration of the same digits. There is no similarly apparent reason for the mismatch in the budget numbers.

Johnson said that she consulted with the Nassau County Board of Elections about the proper procedure to follow given the situation. Other than providing that advice, the BOE's involvement in



Zach Gottehrer-Cohen/Herald Gazette

SUPERINTENDENT DR. MARIA Rianna tallied up the votes in last week's election.

school district elections is to supply the district with the electrical ballot readers used on Election Day.

Johnson said that the BOE also supplied a list of the election workers for the district to choose from, of people who frequently work federal, state, and county elections for the board. The individuals on the list are trained and certified by the Board of Elections to monitor polling places and handle other election day logistics, including vote tally reporting.

"I'm going to make some suggestions," Johnson said, "that I feel will make sure this never happens again."

"It's a big district," she continued. "There have to be changes put in place, and that has to come through the board and the superintendent."

Trustees will have to re-certify the election results at their next business meeting, scheduled for May 30 at 7:30 p.m. at the High School. The results were first certified on election night, but were nullified when the error was discovered.

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Looking skyward Aerial stunts command attention at the Bethpage Air Show

While we get ready to kick back over Memorial Day weekend and welcome the unofficial start of summer, those high flying pilots are kickin' it up above, in the sky over Jones Beach. This spectacular two-day display of flying stunts — always an eagerly awaited annual prelude to summertime — on Saturday and Sunday, May 26-27, starting at 10 a.m., is headlined by the U.S. Navy Blue Angels.

Besides the Blue Angels the lineup features the return of the Royal Canadian Air Force Snowbirds and a special appearance by the U.S. Air Force's elite F-22 Raptor. The stealth fighter aircraft will strut its stuff in a performance, which includes the Air Force's Heritage Flight Team, that demonstrates its air dominance in fulfilling its air-to-air and air-to-ground missions.

The renowned Blue Angels Navy Flight Demonstration Squadron always delights air show visitors with unparalleled displays of flight precision, in keeping with the squadron's time-honored tradition. A total of 16 officers voluntarily serve with the Blue Angels. Each year the team typically selects three tactical (fighter or fighter/attack) jet pilots, two support officers and one Marine Corps C-130 pilot to relieve departing members.

This year's lineup also includes the U.S. Army Golden Knights Parachute Team, the renowned air show pilot Sean Tucker performing in his custom-built Oracle Challenger II biplane; aerobatic pilot Matt Chapman; Lt. Col. John Klatt flying the Jack Links' Screamin' Sasquatch Jet Waco; the popular GEICO Skytypers and their flight squadron of vintage World War II aircraft; the American Airpower Museum Warbirds; the 106th Air Rescue Wing, with a HC-130 and HH-60 fly-by demonstration; along with the SUNY Farmingdale State College Flying Rams,



Courtesy Bethpage Air Show

The renowned U.S. Navy Blue Angels are back in action at Jones Beach this weekend.

who fly seven of their 22 college-owned aircraft, in a fly-by piloted by their top academic professional pilot performers.

As always, air show favorites the GEICO Skytypers showcase the best of old and new. The Skytypers use six of the remaining 11 World War II-era North American SNJ-2 planes left in the world, which have been meticulously restored with the latest technology.

The GEICO-sponsored team is a familiar sight along beaches in the northeast with their skytyped messages generated at an altitude of 10,000 feet with puffs of smoke in dot matrix-style

letters. Each letter is higher than the Empire State Building and messages can be seen from as far as 15 miles away.

But when it comes to their air show participation, it's all about the flying.

Much of the team's low-level demonstration takes place in front of the crowd. The historic roar of vintage engines fills the air as the team demonstrates more than 20 different period-specific tactical maneuvers in a new 18-minute routine, introduced for this year's air show season.

"The SNJs flown by our team were originally used as training aircraft for World War II pilots," says

Team Flight Lead Larry Arken. "We consider it an honor to demonstrate the amazing abilities of these vintage warbirds on behalf of our sponsor, GEICO, while sharing some rarely seen aviation history with air show crowds. At more than 75-years-old the SNJ-2 is a testament to the engineering genius of the Greatest Generation. These planes are a dream to fly."

The Skytypers team remains based in Farmingdale, at Republic Airport, where the planes are maintained by a full-time staff of mechanics.

"Many of our team members [who live in the New York metro area] earned their wings in the military and we always pay tribute to the brave combat pilots who originally trained in our aircraft as well as those currently serving in the Armed Forces," Arken adds.

"We are eager to perform our new routine. It's extremely dynamic with totally new maneuvers, with added interaction within the air show space. In one of our new maneuvers the six aircraft turn into each other and cross paths. It's a cool sight to see."

"The pilots are excited every time they get in these planes to demonstrate their capabilities and love our new show. They're very engaged, all professional aviators who want to bring their best to the spectators."

"Be sure to come out to Jones Beach over the weekend," he says. "It's a great venue and a great family day. We love being here in front of our New York friends and family. It's one of our favorite shows and we're tremendously excited about this year's lineup, with the Blue Angels and the Snowbirds."

— Karen Bloom
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BETHPAGE AIR SHOW

When: Saturday and Sunday, May 26-27, 10 a.m. Admission is free; standard \$10 vehicle use fee will be collected upon entry.

Where: Jones Beach State Park, Wantagh. For up-to-date information, visit www.bethpageairshow.com.

WEEKEND Out and About

storytelling. The Village's Civil War "veterans" honor Decoration Day as it was first observed in the early 1870s, complete with a parade, a solemn patriotic program, and ceremonies at the Village cemetery to acknowledge departed veterans. *Saturday and Sunday, May 26-27, 10 a.m.- 4 p.m.; parade at 2:15 p.m. \$12, \$8 seniors (60+) and children 5-12. Old Bethpage Village Restoration, Round Swamp Rd., Old Bethpage. (516) 572-8400 or www.obvmassau.com.*

ART ADVENTURES Spring Fling

Bring the family to converse, collaborate and create together at Nassau County Museum of Art's Super Family Sunday, which features an exploration of new art materials and ideas with a museum educator, inspired by the museum's current exhibit "Anything Goes: The Jazz Age." Bring a picnic lunch to enjoy on museum grounds (weather permitting of course), then attend a performance by Fadeyev



STEPPING BACK IN TIME An old-fashioned Memorial Day

The 19th century unfolds during Old Bethpage Village Restoration's annual salute to Memorial Day. Take in a glimpse of Long Island's past, culminating with the village's commemoration of Decoration Day, as it was observed during the holiday's early years. Entertainment includes brass band concerts, craft demonstrations and



Ballet dance students. During the art-making session, create dapper, fashionable hats or headbands and experiment with geometric printmaking inspired by Art Deco architecture. It's also a great time of year to explore the sculpture park, which features over 30 works, many of the monumental in size, which are situated to interact with nature on the museum's 145-acre property. Or traverse a nature trail, ideal for family hikes. *Sunday, May 27, 1-4 p.m., art-making at the Manes Center;*

1:15 and 3:15 p.m., Fadeyev Ballet performances at the museum. Museum admission plus \$15 family materials fee \$12, \$8 seniors 62 and older; \$4 children 12 and older. One Museum Dr. (off Northern Blvd.), Roslyn Harbor. (516) 484-9338 or www.nassauuseum.org.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Coming Attractions

Performances/ On Stage

Apocalyptica

The Finnish metal band in concert, with "Plays Metallica by Four Cellos" tour, Thursday, May 24, 8 p.m. NYCB Theatre at Westbury, 960 Brush Hollow Rd, Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or www.livenation.com.



Cirque du Soleil

The inventive circus troupe returns to Long Island with their "Big Top" show "Volta," Thursday, and Friday, May 24-25, 8 p.m.; Saturday, May 26, 4:30 and 8 p.m.; Sunday, May 27, 1:30 and 5 p.m.; Tuesday through Thursday, May 29-31, 8 p.m. Through July 1. Nassau Coliseum, Uniondale. (800) 745-3000 or www.tickmaster.com or www.nycblive.com.

Singin' in the Rain

Musical adapted from the 1950s MGM movie musical, Thursday, May 24, 2 and 8 p.m.; Friday, May 25, 8 p.m.; Saturday, May 26, 3 and 8 p.m.; Sunday, May 27, 2 p.m.; Wednesday, May 30, 8 p.m. John W. Engeman Theater, 250 Main St., Northport. (631) 261-2900 or www.engemantheater.com.

Acoustically Correct

The Tom Petty tribute band in concert, Friday, May 26, 6 p.m. Coe Hall Front Lawn, Planting Fields, 1395 Planting Fields Rd., Oyster Bay. 922-8600 or www.plantingfields.org.

Aligon Mitra

The affable comedian, who made his TV debut on NBC's "Last Comic Standing," performs, Friday, May 25, 7:30 p.m. Sky Room Cafe, Cinema Arts Centre, 423 Park Ave., Huntington. (631) 423-7611 or www.cinemaartscentre.org.

Cold Beer on a Friday Night

Jimmy Kenny and the Pirate Beach in concert, with a tribute to Zac Brown, Kenny Chesney and Jimmy Buffett, Friday, May 25, 8 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountny.com.

Johnny Herbert

The singer-songwriter in concert, performing original tunes on piano and ukele, Sunday, May 27, 1-3 p.m. Coe Hall, Planting Fields, 1395 Planting Fields Rd., Oyster Bay. 922-8600 or www.plantingfields.org.

David Clark's 'Songs in the Attic'

Singer-pianist David Clark's tribute to Billy Joel, Tuesday, May 29, 8 p.m. Program includes hits, rarities and requests. Jeanne Rimsky Theater at Landmark on Main Street, 232 Main St., Port Washington. 676-6444 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org.



Raunchy Little Musical: Belle Barth is Back

The life and times of the groundbreaking Queen of the Borscht Belt, Belle Barth, comes to life on the Landmark on Main Street stage, on Friday, June 29, at 7:30 p.m. Breaking the glass ceiling for Amy Schumer, Joan Rivers and the Marvelous Mrs. Maisel, Barth was the original irreverent female comic, deflating anyone who dared take sex too seriously. "Raunchy Little Musical," starring singer-actress Sara DelBeato, chronicles the launch of the 1950s queen of crassness. Anchored by an original Grammy-winning score, the 90-minute show features plenty of Barth's jokes and songs, which topped the charts of "adults-only" records. Inspired by her comedian father, Barth, a classically trained pianist, defied the odds and her mother's wishes. She rose to the top of a performance genre at a time when it was thought that "women ain't comics." Tickets are \$39-\$54; available at (212) 868-4444 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org. Landmark on Main Street, Jeanne Rimsky Theater, 232 Main St., Port Washington.



Classic Albums Live

The tribute band in concert, performing The Beatles White Album, Thursday, May 31, 8 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountny.com.

Board Game Night

Enjoy a relaxed evening of game playing, Wednesday, May 30, 7:30 p.m. Cinema Arts Centre, 423 Park Ave., Huntington. (631) 423-7611 or www.cinemaartscentre.org.

For the Kids

Hogwarts Hour

Play Harry Potter-inspired games and make a craft, Thursday, May 24, 4:30 p.m. For grades 3-6. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www.goldcoastlibrary.org.

Think Up: Old Westbury Whodunit

Investigate the wonders of nature and history's mysteries at Old Westbury Gardens'

beds, Saturday, May 26, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Go on a self-guided scavenger hunt through Westbury House and gardens to uncover clues and solve riddles. Free with admission. Old Westbury Gardens, 71 Westbury Rd., Old Westbury. 333-0048 or www.oldwestbury.org.



Weekend Storytime

Storytime fun for all ages, Saturday, May 26, 11:30 a.m. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www.goldcoastlibrary.org.

Stargazing

Go inside the Starlab portable planetariums and explore the universe, Tuesday, May 29, 5:30 p.m., grades K-5; 6:30 p.m., grades 3-6. Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. 676-2130 or www.glencovelibrary.org.

String Art Design Workshop

Explore symmetrical and asymmetrical designers in art, Thursday, May 31, 7-8 p.m. Create string art to take home. For grades 6-12. Registration required. Gold Coast

Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www.goldcoastlibrary.org.

Museums/Galleries and more...



Anything Goes: The Jazz Age

The wild times and brilliant work of a tightly connected group of musicians, artists and writers during the 1920s are the subject of this exhibition. On view are masterpieces of the '20s, including neoclassical paintings by Picasso. Through July 8. Nassau County Museum of Art, 1 Museum Dr., Roslyn Harbor. 484-9337 or www.nassaumuseum.org.

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.

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.

Heavy Metal: Photographs by Jan Staller

An exhibition of Staller's large-scale photographs that transform the industrial environment. Found industrial objects are presented 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.

Peter Max: The Retrospective

A newly-curated collection of Peter Max's paintings are on exhibit, available for acquisition. Opening May 26, through June 3. LaMantia Gallery, 127 Main St., Northport. (631) 754-8414 or www.lamantiagallery.com

Urban Pop

An exhibition of artists who bring a myriad of visual cultural influences to their fine art practice. Some hone their skills on the street, others working in the studio find their own version of pop urban art, some having unique language of their own, that can't be categorized within a specific movement. Through Sept. 8. Gold Coast Arts Center, 113 Middle Neck Rd., Great Neck. 829-2570 or www.goldcoastarts.org.

Bee Dazzled

Discuss honey bees with beekeeper Kathy Scalzo, Thursday, May 24, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Learn how you can help them thrive and survive. Registration required. Sea Cliff

Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. 671-4290 or www.seaclifflibrary.org.



Movie Time

See "The Greatest Showman," the fictionalized musical biopic about P.T. Barnum, Thursday, May 24, 2 and 6:30 p.m. Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 East Main St., Oyster Bay. 922-1212.

Sketching in the Galleries

All ages can express their creativity and sketch in the museum's gallery space, Sunday, May 27, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Help yourself to a variety of drawing supplies, grab a seat and create. Free with admission. Heckscher Museum of Art, Main St. and Prime Ave., Huntington. (631) 351-3250 or www.heckscher.org.

Sky Spectacles

See photos from the last August's total solar eclipse and learn about future eclipses, with Larry Gerstman, Tuesday, May 29, 6:30 p.m. Also discuss other upcoming scientific events, such as the North Magnetic Pole passing close by the North Geographic Pole and NASA Discovery's launch of the InSight Mission to Mars. After the talk, observe the moon and glorious sky using powerful binoculars and a telescope. Registration required. Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 East Main St., Oyster Bay. 922-1212.



Seashells...

Nature's Inspired Design

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



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Elisa Dragotto/Herald Gazette

HAZEL REUKAUF CELEBRATED her 100th birthday a week early surrounded by some of her great grandchildren in her Glen Cove home.

The 'happiest person in school' turns 100

By **LAURA LANE**
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Hazel Reukauf was an English teacher at Glen Cove Middle School for 27 years. She said she can no longer recall what teaching in the district was like, but when asked about her students, she smiled broadly. "I was the happiest person in the school," she said, her blue eyes smiling too. "I never had any bad experiences with anyone. The children liked me, and I liked them."

She will celebrate her 100th birthday on May 26, a milestone that she equates with "being lucky." It does not appear to matter to her that the memory of much of her past is a bit fuzzy. She is content, smiles easily and appears interested in the conversations of others that swirl around her. Once in a while she will look away to watch the birds as they feast from the feeder outside a nearby window in her home. That's because the birds, she says, make her happy. She likes the cardinals the best.

Having mothered four children, she is a grandmother to 11 and a great grandmother to 13. And another great grandchild will be born very soon. She is still living in the Glen Cove home that she and her husband, Bill, moved to 67 years ago,

Born in Brooklyn, her father a lawyer and a professor at Columbia University, her mother a homemaker, Reukauf might have stayed there if she hadn't met Bill. Three children later and pregnant with a fourth child they moved to Silver Spring Maryland in 1946 because Bill had been offered a job there.

It was another job transfer that led the couple to Dosoris Woods in Glen Cove. "They weren't sure where to move but Mom's brother was the editor of Cosmopolitan magazine and he recommended Glen Cove, saying it was a good place to raise a family," said Barbara Hedwig, 71, her daughter, who also lives in Glen Cove. "I heard that that year the houses from this

neighborhood were on the cover of Better Homes and Gardens."

Moving to Glen Cove Reukauf said, is her oldest memory. "I liked the weather in Glen Cove and spent the whole summer at Crescent Beach," she says. Then she stops talking, perhaps to continue the memory on her own.

The couple became involved in the community. Bill coached Little League and Hazel became active at St. Patrick's Church in the Mothers' Club. Hedwig said her mother would like to attend mass now, but it is difficult, since after tearing her quad when she fell in her home in 2015, she is dependent on a wheelchair for mobility.

Bill died in 1967, leaving Hazel a widow at age 47. She continued teaching and, began a new chapter of her life as a traveler. With her many friends she vacationed abroad to China, England, Wales, Italy and Ireland. Some countries, like Italy she visited twice.

She was also an avid golf player and played until she was 89. And she had a gym membership at the YMCA in Glen Cove until five years ago. "She took Silver Sneakers exercise classes and swam too at the Y," Barbara said. "That was before she fell."

These days Hazel remains as active as she can be. Every day she watches Jeopardy and soap operas and reads the New York Times. But what she looks forward to most is a nightly visit from Hedwig, to share in an evening cocktail. Her favorite drink? Bourbon and water.

"Mom has always been a happy go lucky, nice mother," Hedwig said. "She wasn't the warm and fuzzy type. She was practical."

Hedwig will always remember her mother's dedication to the English language. "She was a wonderful grammar teacher and big on diagramming sentences," she said. "At the dinner table she would correct anyone, even someone we brought home for the first time to meet the family. 'That's the object of a preposition,' she'd say." Then Barbara looked at her mother who was smiling and smiled too.

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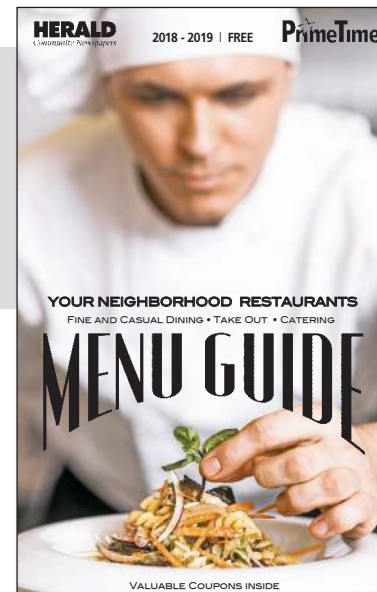
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Two years in the making, 350 years of history

By **ZACH GOTTEHRER-COHEN**
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After two years of intense brainstorming, researching, fundraising and planning GC350, a celebration of Glen Cove's history, has finally arrived. The events — which began with the Heritage Garden ribbon cutting ceremony at Mill Pond and culminates in a Memorial Day parade on Monday — are the result of the hard work of the GC350 Advisory Board, comprised of the city's resident history buffs, civic leaders and energetic volunteers.

There are a number of Glen Covers who are descended from the founders of what was then Mosquito Cove — the Coles, the Carpenters and the Skimpsons. Carolyn Wilson and Dave Nieri, members of the North Shore History Museum, were tasked with tracking them down, so that they could be honored at the Morgan Park Picnic on Thursday May 24.

"Some of them knew their families went back that far," Wilson said, "but they weren't really thinking about how they fit into the history."

Thankfully, Nieri had them covered. Nicknamed "Our own ancestry.com" by fellow advisory board member Lisa Travatello, Nieri used his knowledge of history and historical records to help people confirm whether they had deep ties to old Glen Cove. Give him "a couple of dates and a couple of names," he said, and if your ancestors ever lived on the North Shore, Nieri can probably find them.



Zach Gottehrer-Cohen/Herald Gazette

GLEN COVE'S SCHOOL children made papier-mâché dioramas of the city's historical buildings, like this one of the Boys and Girls Club.

Travatello said that part of the fun she's had in moving GC350 forward has been the buy-in from the community. For example, she said, the schools have been doing art projects, like painting disk-shaped cutouts from tree trunks to symbolize the "roots" of Glen Cove, or making papier-mâché models of the city's historical buildings.

Part of what the advisory board members hope for the events is that it will bring Glen Covers into deeper contact with the community, and give them something to share: a love for the city they all call home.

On May 21, over two years since the

GC350 plan began in earnest with a handful of dedicated volunteers, about 30 people gathered at the Meritage in downtown Glen Cove for the final logistics meeting of the Special Events Committee. Participants excitedly hammered out a number of last-minute affairs.

The committee, chaired by Jacki Yonick's experience as a Youth Bureau program coordinator certainly paid off as she corralled the somewhat chatty group. "We've got a lot of people here today," she boomed over the crosstalk. "We need to be one voice."

GC 350 Schedule

May 23, 1 p.m. — Ribbon Cutting for Glen Cove's Heritage Garden at Mill Pond, corner of Brewster Street and Herb Hill Road.

May 24, 5:30-9:30 p.m. — Morgan Memorial Park Picnic and 350 Celebration. Special guests and performances by school choruses and local talent, dance routines by local dance schools, reunion of Glen Cove mayors. Bring your own picnic or enjoy food trucks, fireworks and more.

May 25, 7 p.m. — Take Me Out to the Olde Timers Baseball Game. John Maccarone Memorial (City) Stadium, Glen Cove Avenue.

May 26 and 27, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. — The Downtown Street Fair. Downtown Glen Cove will close its streets to allow vendors providing art, crafts, clothing, jewelry, children's entertainment, refreshments, mementos, and gifts.

May 28 11 a.m. — Memorial Day Parade. Ceremony at Monument Park, Cottage Row and Ford Street. Parade starts at noon on School Street in Downtown Glen Cove.

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Why I love Glen Cove

The Arts Council's poetry contest winners

A reception was held at The Meritage in Glen Cove at the end of April, in celebration of poetry month, and of the winners of the Glen Cove Arts Council's 350 poetry contest. The winners will read their poems on Thursday, May 24, as part of the 350 celebrations in Morgan Park.



Dakota Wiesner

Dakota Wiesner

I remember when we first entered this beloved town

I didn't know that the big yellow house in front of me would be my next life's chapter

The trees were young and the grass was new but I still had a lot of things to learn about you

This place was growing that's for sure

Our street was like a flower, it blossomed and flourished some more

The sun greeted me every morning like the friendly neighbors and friendly faces all throughout town

A mailman with a kind smile but never a frown

That was just my Glen Cove School which was now a daily routine

I found fellows with different colors, hair and faces, which I thought was amazing

Blue skies and a bright blue ocean always wanting to chase me

And when it did I watched as my feet would become devoured by the sand and the sea

Huge and small white boats that I saw out in the distance that carried fisherman to find food to eat

The music rushed through me as I moved to the beat

After I left downtown sounds I would see my first film with yellow popcorn to eat

No matter where we went or roads we traveled so many more places to meet and greet.

That was just my Glen Cove My day wasn't close to over, it would last forever

I'd attend the Glen Cove Mansion I felt so royal; you would feel like a million bucks too

That was just my Glen Cove so many things to do

Morgan's Park that had so many activities to play with ducks and geese always wanting to run away

When the weather turned cold none of the friendly faces would ever fade away

Everyone always helping each other and lending a helping hand day after day

That was just my Glen Cove When I'd ride my bike throughout my town

I love to look at the scenery all around

I remember when I first entered this beloved town

I didn't know that Glen Cove would be my next life's chapter

The trees grew old and the grass didn't smell as new

But I really could never let go of you



Nicole Valensisi

Nicole Valensisi

Glen Cove to me is my community
Where my friends are dear
And the air is clear
Oh, how I love Glen Cove!

The pier at Prybil Beach
Jetting out into the Long Island Sound
The children playing whimsically
On the playgrounds

From Welwyn Preserve to Morgan's Park
To the majestic mansions all around
What history we have here
The blessings abound

Everywhere you go
St. Rocco's Feast to concerts in the square
There's always a smiling face
Of someone you know

Most of all, there isn't anywhere I'd rather be
Then surrounded by the beauty
Of my community
Oh, how I love Glen Cove!

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Enemy of the good

Dear Great Book Guru,
With Memorial Day quickly coming upon us, I am making my plans. At 8 a.m. on Monday we will be hosting a breakfast on the front lawn of the Children's Library, after which we will march in the village's iconic parade, again organized by Phil Como. Following the beautiful, bittersweet ceremony at Clifton Park, we will head down to Sea Cliff Beach for lunch. Any suggestions for a good book to bring along?

-Memorial Day Observer

Dear Memorial Day Observer,
Sounds like you have a fine plan and I have an interesting, thought-provoking book to complete your weekend: "The Perfect Mother," by Aimee Molloy. This psychological thriller can be read on two levels. The obvious one is that of a crime novel — a child is kidnapped and there are many col-

orful suspects and leads. The other is a disturbing social commentary: our harsh judgment of women and mothers in particular. The May Mothers is a group of Brooklyn women whose babies were born in May and have met up through an online parenting group. They gather weekly at Prospect Park with their children to share, advise and yes, judge. The women decide to meet at a popular local bar for a night out without children or husbands. During the evening, one of the babies is kidnapped and for the next 13 days, we follow the stories of four of these women as the media, their families, and their peers turn on them for what are perceived as failings. While the resolution is farfetched, the story of societal demands on mothers is right on. Highly recommended!

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

OBITUARIES

Daniel C. Miller

Daniel C. "Rip" Miller, of Glen Cove, died on May 20, 2018. A WWII Navy Vet and an Exempt member of the Glen Cove Fire Department. Beloved husband of the late Jean; loving father of Anthony (Marie), Daniel (the late Cathy) and Elizabeth Appelbaum (Robert); cherished grandfather of Michael, Brian, Keith, Kimberly, Colleen, Allison and Andrew; great grandfather of Jordan, Aiden, Chase, Jocelyn, Lorelei, Corinne, Kenzie, Parker, Zachary and Ryan. Visitations will be held on Thurs, May 24 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. at Whitting Funeral Home, 300 Glen Cove Ave. in Glen Head. Funeral Service at 10 a.m. on May 25 at the funeral home. Interment at St. Patrick's Parish Cemetery, Old Brookville, NY.

Dennis C. Fedechko

Dennis C. Fedechko, of Glenwood Landing, N.Y. died on May 12, 2018. Sole practitioner of Dennis C. Fedechko, CPA for over 48 years. Beloved father of Dennis D., Jr. (Christina), Adam D. (Michele) and Victoria Denise Fedechko; loving grandfather of Sarah, Amelia, Roman, Christopher and Nicholas Fedechko; dear brother of Paul (Faith) and uncle of Jason R. Fedechko. Also survived by his fiancé Zinaida Poderiene and his ex-wife Barbara E. Fedechko. Visiting held at Whitting Funeral Home. Funeral service held at Russian Orthodox Cathedral of the Transfiguration of Our Lord in Brooklyn, followed by an interment at St. Vladimir's Russian Orthodox Cemetery, Jackson, N.J.

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'Yentl' writer Leah Napolin dies at 83

By **ALYSSA SEIDMAN**
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Leah Napolin, whose adaptation of Isaac Bashevis Singer's story "Yentl the Yeshiva Boy" found fame on the Broadway stage, died in her Sea Cliff home last Sunday after a long battle with breast cancer. She was 83.

Napolin was born on April 27, 1935, in Brooklyn. She moved to Sea Cliff with her parents when she was 15. Her father, Morris, owned a lamp shop in Glen Cove. At the time, Sea Cliff was something of a resort town for Russian families migrating away from the crowded confines of the city, according to Napolin's daughter, Jessica Starke.

"For her, Sea Cliff was a great place to grow up," Starke said. "She remained in touch with friends from childhood up until just a few months ago."

Napolin's interests in reading and writing took her to Alfred University upstate, where she joined the theater club. After she graduated in 1956, she acted and directed in various summer stock productions, both at Alfred and in Sea Cliff. After teaching English in Venezuela for a year, she moved to Manhattan, where she met Bertram Katz. They married, and had two daughters, Margo Katz, now 56, and Starke, 54.

Margo Katz regarded her mother as "a woman before her time." "She found a way to synergistically be a mother and find her own way through her creative life," she said. "As a writer, I looked to her for that balance. She was someone who very clearly found and defined her voice, and not just in 'Yentl,' but in other plays she wrote."

In the 1960s the family relocated from their residence on Riverside Drive to suburban Ohio, where Leah and Bertram taught at Ohio State University. Napolin, who was an adjunct professor of comparative literature, found being a "faculty wife" unsatisfying, Katz said, which prompted her to teach creative writing classes for inmates at the Reformatory

for Women in Marysville, Ohio. Around the early 1970s, a yearning for Sea Cliff brought Napolin back to the village. "Her roots were in Sea Cliff," Starke said. "She wanted to come back, and we've been here ever since."

Napolin was encouraged by an old friend, Robert Kalfin — who founded the Chelsea Theater Center in New York City — to write a stage adaptation of "Yentl." It took her seven weeks. The story focuses on a young Jewish woman who disguises herself as a man so she can study the Talmud. The original production opened at the Brooklyn Academy of Music in 1974. A year later, in October 1975, it moved to Broadway, where it ran for 223 performances.

Starke was 10 when her mother wrote the play and recalls attending auditions and readings for "Yentl" before it premiered. "It was amazing to be part of that at such a young age," she said. "I don't know any other kid that experienced that. It marked a very untraditional upbringing."

Just as untraditional were the "sister Seders" Napolin held for fellow women writers. "She had an eclectic group of friends," Starke said, and the guests included notables like Gloria Steinem and Esther Broner.

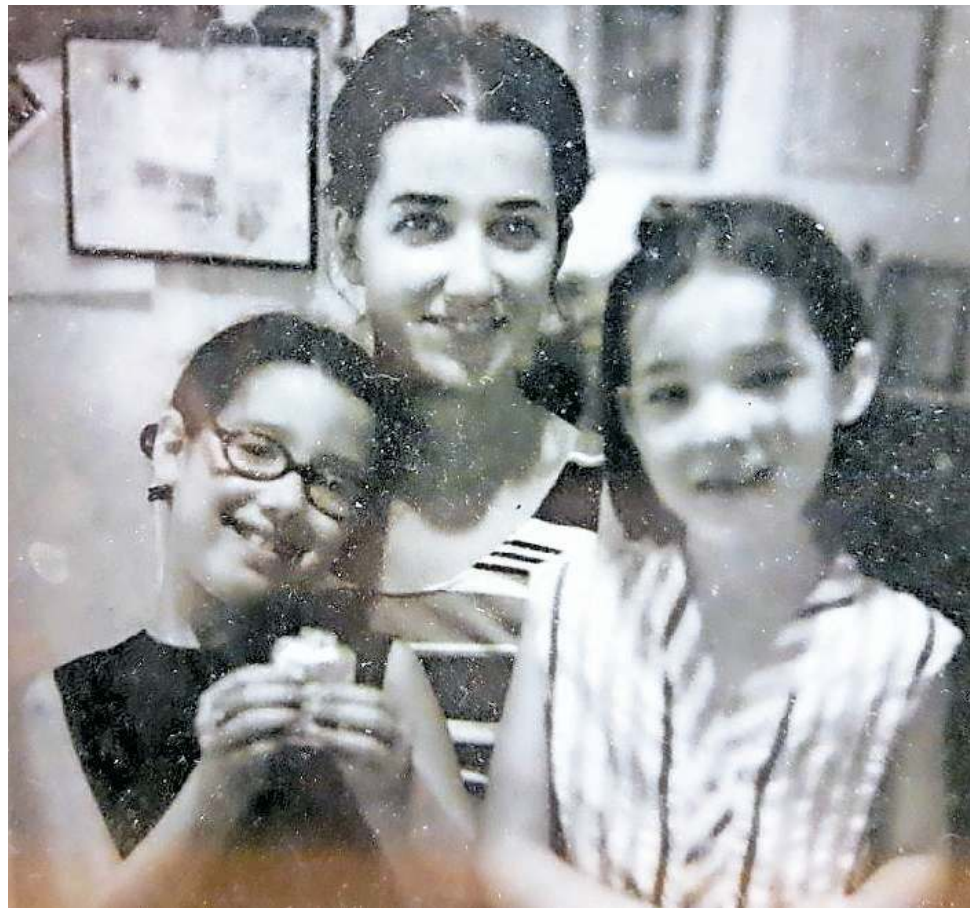
And feminist leaders weren't the only ones enthralled with Napolin's play. "Our subject [is] love, which transcends categories, which goes beyond gender," she said in the 1991 book "Chelsea on the Edge: The Adventures of an American Theater," written by Davi Napoleon.

Napolin's romantic life offers proof of that claim. "My mother was true to herself, and that wasn't always easy," Starke said. In 2000 she divorced Katz, and she married Barbara L. Murphy 13 years later. "Her legacy is love," her daughter said, "and she really welcomed and accepted that."

Katz can recall the sparkle in her mother's eyes and the gracious way in which she embraced the world, full of

life and love. "Every one who met her was drawn to her," Katz said. "She asked you meaningful questions, she wanted to engage — she was the most curious person I ever knew."

That inquisitive nature made her own mortality difficult to deal with. "It was not an easy thing for her. She felt there was so much more to do," Katz said. "She wanted to keep creating and learning."



Courtesy Jessica Starke



MARGO KATZ, LEFT, Leah Napolin and Jessica Starke, circa 1972.

LEAH NAPOLIN, CENTER, with her daughters Jessica Starke, left, and Margo Katz at the playwright's home in Sea Cliff.

Courtesy Margo Katz

As a mother and a feminist, Napolin never faltered in raising her daughters with the strength that was essential to her. "She always stressed the importance of having something outside of the home, and maintaining your own identity," Starke said. "That's the best advice she ever gave me."

Napolin's memoirs will be published later this year.

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OPINIONS

U.S. trade strategy is on right track

There's plenty of second-guessing on all sides as President Trump seeks to negotiate better trade deals for the U.S. But these negotiations are particularly tricky to get right, and the administration deserves some leeway in order to achieve the best outcomes.

For instance, last week the president took flak from both the left and the right after suggesting some relief from the Iran trade sanctions for Chinese telecommunications company ZTE. Critics complained that Trump was somehow undercutting the U.S. position with this apparent concession to China.



**ALFONSE
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Nonsense! I believe this negotiating tactic gives the president greater power to deal with China, not only on trade, but on other international issues as well. What good would it do to put up to 75,000 Chinese people out of work with these sanctions when there are bigger issues at stake — not just trade, but other international matters as well?

I believe it's better to use power for our own country's advantage, as the president is

doing, by recognizing that China can be especially helpful in our dealings with North Korea, which poses major challenges to both the U.S. and China. Using trade concessions in recognition that China can wield influence on North Korea is smart. It's what Trump's book "The Art of the Deal" is all about.

As the U.S. prepares for what will likely be difficult negotiations with North Korea over American demands that it dismantle its nuclear weapons program, China can press the North Korean leader, Kim Jong-un, to meet these demands. Other trade imbalances between the U.S. and China can and should be corrected as well, but right now the best thing for both countries is to defuse the North Korean nuclear menace, even as we push for a fair trade relationship with China.

The Trump administration has shown the same kind of flexibility in its trade negotiations with our European allies and our neighbors, Canada and Mexico. When broad tariffs are proposed on items such as steel imports, it makes sense to grant limited tariff relief to specific industries and individual trading partners to encourage a more positive response to proposed trade reforms. Particularly in the case of negotiations sur-

rounding the North American Free Trade Agreement, the administration is right to use a carrot-and-stick approach, which recognizes that some trade leeway should be given to key sectors, like agriculture and manufacturing, that span both sides of our borders.

All of these trade negotiations should come together in a way that meet Trump's pledge for a fairer trading situation for American businesses and workers. Right now, the U.S. is on track to maintain solid economic growth into the foreseeable future. With better deals with our trading partners, this growth can get a real shot in the arm. Our national unemployment rate, which is already at historically low levels, could go down even more. That should spread more jobs and higher wages to the hardest-pressed working Americans who struggle most to make ends meet.

All of which brings me to the next phase in securing American economic improvement for the long haul. Economists tell us that as our economy continues to improve, we will eventually hit a growth wall created by simple demographics. The American work force is aging rapidly, and in almost every industry, labor shortages — especially of skilled workers — loom on the horizon.

A negotiating tactic gives President Trump greater power to deal with China not only on trade.

Today there are hundreds of thousands of skilled jobs going unfilled in the U.S. for lack of qualified, trained workers. Without aggressive training programs to help match workers' skills with these available jobs, businesses that depend on skilled workers won't be able to continue to grow. And even in businesses with less-skilled employees, there aren't always enough workers to go around — not enough laborers to harvest produce, to work in construction or to take jobs in the service sector.

So, eventually, my former colleagues in Washington are going to have to confront another hurdle to sustained economic growth here at home. They're going to have to face the challenge of reforming our immigration laws to establish a balanced inflow of workers to meet the demands of a growing American economy. The current situation, in which immigrants continue to sneak into the U.S. illegally and live in the shadows, just won't do. It's time to finally secure our borders, and then establish a systematic process for allowing in the mix of skilled and unskilled workers we'll need to grow and prosper.

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

A book for all time — read it this weekend

The men burst into the house and dragged out the 15-year-old boy as his mother screamed for help. The sheriff's men bound the boy's hands and feet, loaded him into their car and stopped at the lumber mill to grab the boy's father. They drove the father and son to the banks of the Suwannee River.

The boy was told his choice was to jump into the raging river or be shot in the head. Hysterical, he collapsed backward into the deep water, and was never seen again. The father, under threat from the authorities, signed a document supporting the sheriff's account of events. The boy's mother packed up their belongings, and they left town the next day.

Willie James Howard's "crime" was writing a Christmas card to a white girl in the small town of Live Oak, Fla., saying he liked her. She showed the letter to her father, and he summoned the goon squad. None of the killers was ever brought to justice.

That was America, 1944. It was not an anomalous atrocity, nor an unusual crime in Florida or throughout the South. Florida

had more registered Ku Klux Klansmen than any other state, and more lynchings.

It is recent history. We forget, we really do, that just decades ago, there were mob killings throughout the South. The last known lynching was in 1981, in Mobile, Ala., where several Klan members beat and hanged a 20-year-old black man. From the years after the Civil War until the late 1960s, some 3,500 African-Americans were lynched.

Some of the victims of racial violence, particularly in the South, were American veterans who had fought in World War II, defending this country, the Constitution and the American way of life. I am thinking about those soldiers as we celebrate Memorial Day, and I'm struck by the resilience of all fighters for racial and social justice who witnessed the hate crimes and lynchings of the 20th century. How do they keep the faith?

Here's a suggestion for Memorial Day 2018: March in a Memorial Day parade. Honor our soldiers, and the families that defended America.

But do something else this holiday weekend: Read Gilbert King's "Devil in the Grove: Thurgood Marshall, the Groveland Boys and the Dawn of a New America." The book won the Pulitzer Prize for nonfiction in 2013.

King, an amateur historian, wrote a vivid account of the life of Thurgood Marshall, the first African-American Supreme Court justice. In his biography, the author traces Marshall's career from his early days, traveling through the South in search

of small-town justice, to his landmark argument before the Supreme Court in 1954. That case, which came to be known as Brown vs. Board of Education, finally guaranteed integrated schools, at least on paper.

The story of young Willie James Howard is told in "Devil in the Grove," along with other accounts of night riders and Klansmen dragging boys and men from their beds and hanging them in their own front yards.

On the road to becoming a Supreme Court justice, Marshall took on dozens of bias cases, lynching cases and class-action suits. One of the most notorious and disturbing was the Groveland Boys case, in which a young white woman falsely accused four black youths of kidnapping and raping her in Lake City, Fla.

A posse killed one suspect immediately. Two others were shot and killed years later, "trying to escape." One was sentenced to death but was eventually paroled.

The alleged rape was charged in 1948. Last year, 69 years later, all four young men

were "posthumously exonerated" by the state of Florida.

We live now in the days of new threats to minorities and newcomers. We fear for the integrity of our Bill of Rights, and the social and legal blueprint that is the U.S. Constitution. We have a president who speaks to the darkest side of his supporters in racist code and "dog whistles."

Read "Devil in the Grove." Discover all over again how precious our American way of life is, and how much richer it becomes with new voices and diverse cultures blending in with the old.

Read the book and commemorate Memorial Day, honoring the men and women who died for our freedom. We get lost in big words like "freedom." Our mothers and fathers and brothers fought under appalling conditions to preserve a way of life that respects the civil rights of all citizens. They fought, and many died, to defend our government and its leaders.

Now, in 2018, emerging stories of government leaders using power and position for personal gain tarnish the memory of our soldiers. A president who serves just part of the people serves none of them well.

Read the book. As the Christian Science Monitor said in its review, "The story of Thurgood Marshall and his Groveland Boys reminds us that man's capacity for evil may be deep, but so is his capacity for change."

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HERALD EDITORIAL

State must do more to ensure parkway safety

From the look of the damage sustained by a charter bus after it crashed into the Eagle Avenue Bridge on the Southern State Parkway in early April, the incident should have been a mass tragedy. We should be thankful that all of the students and adults on board escaped with their lives, though three dozen of them were injured — six seriously.

The students were returning home from a trip to Europe. The bus driver, who was from out of state and unfamiliar with Long Island's parkways, was using a non-commercial GPS to guide him.

The incident should, at the very least, have been a wake-up call for state transportation officials. The roof of the bus was nearly shorn off. We can only imagine — and shudder at the thought of — the terror that the young people and their chaperones must have felt at the moment of impact.

Trucks and buses are prohibited on New York's parkways, which were built with private cars in mind in the 1920s and '30s as part of developer Robert Moses and the Long Island State Parks Commission's vision of connecting all residents and visitors to Long Island's parks by way of scenic thoroughfares. The parkways were actually designed to be "linear parks," acting as grand entrances to iconic gems such as Jones Beach State Park. They were never intended for commercial traffic.

This year, after much public outcry, the state has begun taking down a slew of unsightly "I Love NY" tourism signs that dotted the parkways and, officials and drivers contended, were distractions for



Courtesy Steve Grogan

LAKEVIEW FIRE DEPARTMENT volunteers and Nassau County Emergency Medical Services personnel hurried to rescue passengers trapped inside a charter bus that crashed into a bridge on the Southern State Parkway in April.

motorists. That was a start. However, last month's horrific bus crash signaled the need for the state to do more to make the parkways — where speeding and dicey merges already make for harrowing rush hours — safer.

According to the state Department of Transportation, highway signage keeps commercial vehicles off parkways. Clearly, the signs aren't working to the degree they should be. Year in, year out, there are reports of commercial vehicles that crash into bridges. The Meadowbrook Parkway, which extends from the Northern State Parkway to Jones Beach, is notorious for

such crashes, most often involving tractor-trailers. In fact, earlier this month, only weeks after the Southern State bus crash, a Walmart tractor-trailer slammed into a Meadowbrook overpass, tying up traffic for hours.

The existing signage clearly isn't enough.

The state has also installed infrared over-height detection systems at five sites, which will indicate on flashing screens when a vehicle is too tall to drive on a parkway. In the days after the Eagle Avenue crash, officials said that eight more of these systems were yet to be installed. As State Sen. John Brooks noted, they need to be a priority.

Additionally, the Herald has heard reports of systems that have been installed but are not functioning properly. Given the threat posed by crashes like the one in April, if the systems don't work 100 percent of the time, they might as well not work at all.

Brooks also asked the DOT to install low-clearance bars at the entrances to parkways — a simple warning system that, according to the senator, would cost all of \$80 per bar.

Finally, we have to wonder why a commercial driver was on a parkway with a non-commercial GPS. The state should move to require commercial navigation systems for commercial vehicles.

Whatever the DOT's next steps might be, we urge that they be swift and comprehensive. When lives are on the line, half measures and vague timelines are just not enough.

LETTERS

Red-light ticket tyranny

To the Editor:

Regarding Nassau County's imposing new, additional fines to drivers who receive red-light camera tickets:

There is no evidence whatsoever as to whom the actual drivers are in the red-light camera videos. However, the added fees refer specifically to the actions of the driver. These fees are based on a presumption of guilt on the driver's part, rather than a presumption of innocence, and assume that the owner of the vehicle was also the operator at the time of the incident. Most vehicles today usually have a number of drivers with access to them, making the conclusion that the owner must be the driver simplistic and unrealistic.

The question of who the driver was at the time of the incident is summarily dismissed as insignificant on the ticket. Owners can be held liable even if they were not the drivers at the time of the violations.



OPINIONS

A new era in politics, or more of the same?

Since the beginning of this year, the media has been dominated by stories about corruption by public servants. There have been four headline-grabbing trials to date, and at least three more are coming. No level of government has been immune, from the governor's office down to key local officials. For the average citizen, these continuing developments further erode respect for all public officials.



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Having been a public servant for more than 30 years, I can't help but ask, What were these people thinking when they deliberately broke the law in dozens of different ways? We live in an era when almost no corrupt act, big or small,

goes undetected. Are some of our elected officials so drunk with power or jaded that they accept the smallest favors just because they think they can get away with it? Is a free trip, or tickets to a luxury sports box, worth losing your career?

The saddest part of the constant drip-

drip of corruption and prosecutions is the fact that it fails to deter others from doing the same thing. The idea that taking a bribe will go undetected is a form of arrogance that is hard to fathom. There's no doubt that elected officials in low-paying jobs can be tempted to step over the line. The salary for a state legislator, \$79,500, hasn't changed since 1998, and that creates all types of the wrong temptations.

The awarding of public contracts is one of the most tainted processes I can think of. It's not hard to find some successful company that has given a major campaign contribution just before winning a coveted contract. Not only is this wrong, but many a qualified owner of a business, big or small, is shut out because he or she isn't able to pay to play. Why would respected international companies, with smart executives, give a lawyer like Michael Cohen millions of dollars in the foolish hope that he can get them access to President Trump? In 2018, trying to pay off some friend of a friend is an act of corporate suicide. Maybe it works in third-world countries,

but not in America anymore.

We've arrived at a turning point in American politics. Across the country, hundreds of new and exciting candidates are opting to run for office. Despite the sacrifice and abuse that comes with these jobs, men and women from every walk of life are deciding to challenge the system, in some cases taking on entrenched politicians. The other good news is that a record number of women in male-dominated governments, like the state of Pennsylvania, are seeking public office.

Most people who follow politics focus on public officials, but there's another group that needs to clean up its act. The people who run for public office don't get to those positions without being chosen by some political leader. The party leaders are often just as much to blame when a candidate of their choice gets into criminal trouble. Party leaders sometimes spend little or no time vetting their candidates, choosing instead to pick some misfit who they hope will stay out of trouble.

There are no formal training programs for new candidates, other than

things like weekend retreats. It's time for party leaders to recognize that programs are needed to help educate political novices on the responsibilities of their jobs and the penalties for wrongdoing. Based on our current climate, elected officials also need to be schooled in workplace harassment and the basics of interacting civilly with others.

In the months and years ahead, many of today's public officials will leave office voluntarily or involuntarily. They will be opening the door to a new crop of elected officials who could someday make a positive contribution to their constituents and their communities with the right training. Sadly, there's no way to implant a moral compass, because either they have one or they don't. But it is clearly time for a better political system that produces better public servants. We can't afford to repeat the current horror scene in this state and throughout the country.

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LETTERS

This is unjust, unfair, and presumes the guilt of an unidentified person. If a ticket is issued by a police officer at the scene for a violation, the driver is identified, and the fines are thus legitimate.

The limited "evidence" provided in a red-light camera video should serve as the sole basis for imposing a penalty, consistent with the known evidence. The penalty should not be increased with added fees through wishful thinking, with suppositions and misguided presumptions substituted for facts. The County Legislature went too far in adopting additional fees in order to stuff its coffers, trampling on people's rights in the process.

This appears to be a matter for the state Department of Motor Vehicles to resolve with Nassau County. The county has chosen to presume a driver's guilt, concocted its own illogical rules to define who a guilty party is, set constitutional guarantees aside and declared that it alone has the right to assign guilt, even without proof or a factual basis for doing so. That is tyranny.

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Gazans' 'March of Return' anything but peaceful

To the Editor:

I should be accustomed by now to the reaction of the international media and the community when violence breaks out

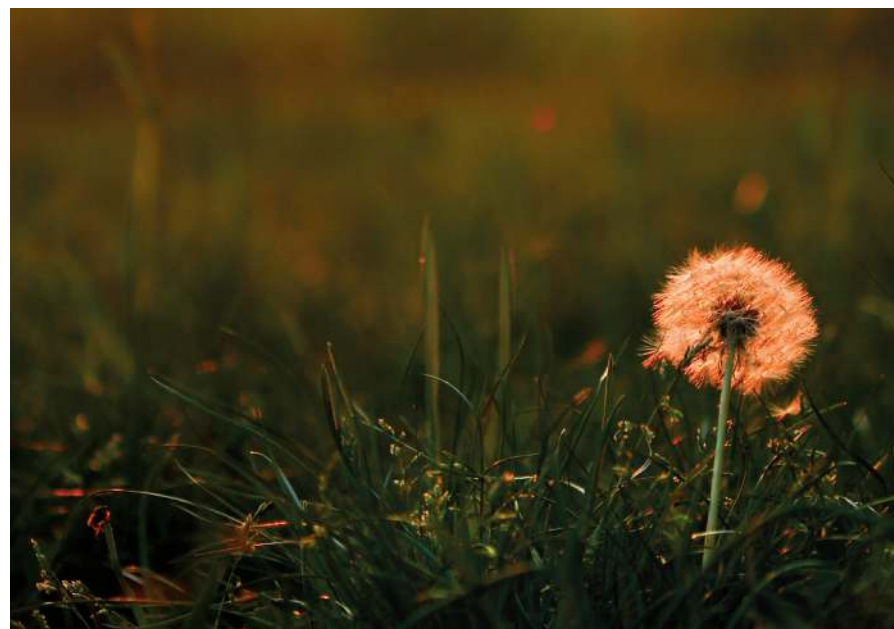
along the Israel-Gaza border. When I hear words such as "atrocities," "slaughter" and "massacre" to describe Israel's military actions in response to violence begun by Hamas in Gaza, however, I cannot remain silent.

The international media — and community — have adopted Hamas's narrative concerning the events that have transpired over the past few weeks along the Israel-Gaza border. The media reports, which have consistently been dismissive of context and ignorant of history, cry out for refutation. This conflict has been going on for weeks, and I have yet to hear any reporter or correspondent pose hard questions to Hamas. Of course they don't. Long ago, so many of them embraced the Hamas narrative. Besides, to question Hamas is to lose your press credentials in Gaza.

But there are tough questions that should be asked of Hamas. What kind of government both coerces and incentivizes its people to make themselves human shields? How do you refer to this as a peaceful demonstration when your purpose is to incite violence, leaving Israel with no choice but to respond with military force?

Hamas is deliberately creating a scenario that will inevitably lead to the death of many of its citizens. This is nothing less than modern-day human sacrifice. Hamas long ago decided that it would sacrifice its citizens for the sole purpose of bringing about worldwide condemnation of Israel. And to increase the numbers of those to be sacrificed, they offer monetary incentives.

FRAMEWORK by Christina Daly



The sun finds a way in — Merrick

The family of anyone killed receives \$3,000, and for those who are wounded, the compensation is several hundred dollars.

Framed as a peaceful demonstration, the "March of Return" has been anything but peaceful. There can be no parallel drawn between it and the freedom marches of the late Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Under the smokescreen of burning tires, Hamas has been deploying children and women as human shields as terrorists have made repeated attempts to destroy

the security fence.

Where is the condemnation of Hamas for turning its citizens into sacrificial lambs? Even the Palestinian leadership in Ramallah has criticized Hamas for sending Palestinian children to lose their lives. How is it that this has been ignored by so many in the media and the overwhelming majority of the international community?

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Real Estate Market Report

1st Quarter, 2018 | Glen Cove



Year Over Year

1Q 2018: 45 Closed Transactions

Average Days on Market: **120**

Average Closing Price: **\$590,022**

1Q 2017: 57 Closed Transactions

Average Days on Market: **107**

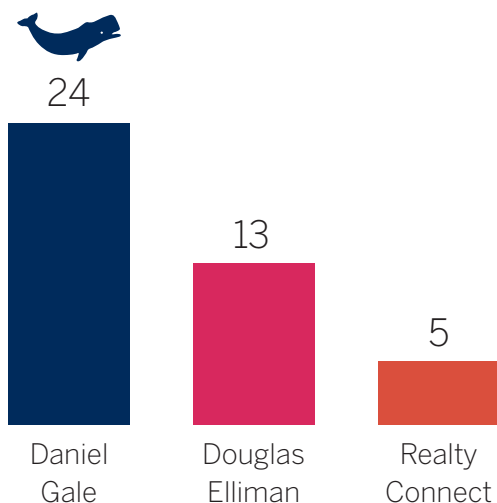
Average Closing Price: **\$541,566**

Closed Transactions By Price Bracket

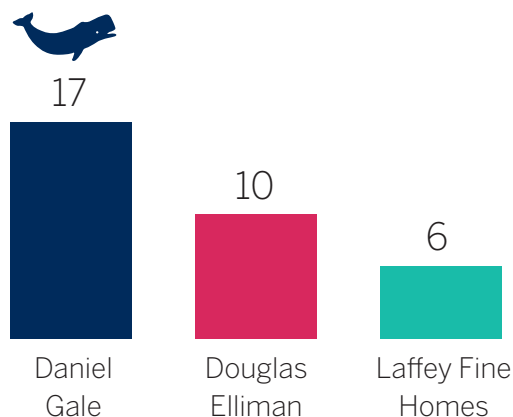
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