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**PARADE GRAND MARSHAL** Patrick Furlong's exuberance set the tone for the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Glen Cove last Sunday.

# G.C. St. Patrick's Day Parade

#### A day to celebrate, even if you weren't Irish

By MIKE CONN

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Thousands of green-clad Glen Cove residents lined the city's streets last Sunday to enjoy the annual St. Patrick's Day parade in all its grandeur. From the corner of Dosoris Lane and Forest Avenue to St. Patrick's Church on Glen Street, the parade's hundreds

of marchers were clearly delighted to take part in one of the city's biggest events of the year.

Led by Grand Marshal Patsy Furlong and Aide to the Grand Marshal Marina O'Neil, the parade featured a multitude of marching bands, bagpipers and drummers, engines from six fire departments, city and state dignitaries, members of Glen Cove organizations and cheering spectators.

Atop a platform about a block shy of St. Patrick's Church, Glen Cove Hibernians announced each group of marchers who reached the end of the route. They were soon joined by Furlong and O'Neill, as well as U.S. Rep.

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# Teacher still recovering from stroke

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When Ed Smith woke up last June 27, it felt like the beginning of a normal day. It was 70 and sunny, and Smith, 54, the band teacher at Landing Elementary School, was just starting summer break. He got out of bed, got himself ready and made his way to the Glen Cove YMCA to work out, as he had done on countless previous mornings.

But when he got home, something went wrong. At 9:27 a.m., Smith felt his body changing. He called his wife, Elizabeth, at work, telling her that his right side was starting to go numb. Then he began garbling his

words. Elizabeth, a nurse at Northwell Health in Manhasset, asked if he could make it to the front door, because she immediately knew what was happening.

"You're having a stroke," she told her husband just before dialing 911.

Smith was rushed to Glen Cove Hospital, where he was diagnosed with right-sided hemiparesis, because he had lost much of the functioning on the right side of his body. He spent only a few hours there before being transferred to Northwell Health at Manhasset's neuro-ICU. Smith doesn't remember exactly what happened after his stroke, and said he only "started to wake up"



Courtesy Elizabeth Smith

ED SMITH HAS
had a profound
effect on
10-year-old
Landing
Elementary
School fifthgrader David
Maldonado,
who has visited
his favorite
teacher a number of times
since Smith's
stroke.

St. Patrick's Day photos on Pages 12-13.

# Changes coming to streets, but not Morgan Park

By MIKE CONN

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During their Glen Cove Pre-Council meeting on March 19, representatives from several different departments and companies from around the city discussed with council members the growing issues within its borders.

#### Changes to the city's roads

With Glen Cove Police Department Chief William Whitton in attendance, the council discussed several alterations being made to the city's roads. Whitton said that the department had met with residents looking for ways to calm traffic on Albin Street and Shore Road. As Shore Road comes in from Sea Cliff to Glen Cove, the speed limit changes from 25 miles per hour to 30. The GCPD has suggested lowering the speed limit to a constant 25 miles per hour, which council members said they'd consider. Albin Street, which branches off of Shore Road, might also see the same speed change.

Several changes in on-street parking could also be coming to Glen Cove. Parking within 90 feet east or west of the driveway of Cove Animal Rescue at 40 Shore Road could be prohibited at all times. Additionally, in order to make it easier for homeowners to pull in and out of their driveways, non-parking areas on Dosoris Way and Phillips Road may be extended. There may also be a 254-foot



Herald file photo

**DESPITE MONTHS OF** discussion, city officials have yet to come with a consensus on how to repair the bathrooms at Morgan Park.

stretch of road on Phillips Road, which will be "no stopping" zones between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m., still allowing homeowners to park on the street overnight. The city may also add a handicap space in front of 1 School St.

#### **Update on Brownfield Opportunity Area**

As the planning for a potential overhaul of Glen Cove's Orchard neighborhood moves forward, the council was presented with an update from Jocelyn Wenk of the Glen Cove CDA and Carrie O'Farrell, senior partner at Nelson, Pope & Vorhis, on comments from surrounding communities and state authorities.

According Wenk and O'Farrell, representatives from Sea Cliff are concerned with issues of groundwater removal, and the Town of Oyster Bay wants assurance that the area will maintain "suburban community character," which would prevent big box retailers from starting franchises in the area. The New York MTA has announced its support for the project.

The council will be given a lengthy document that will include all of the current information available about the developments at the Orchard, including new updates and are set to discuss it during their next City Council meeting.

#### **Morgan Park Bathrooms**

The issue of renovations to the bathrooms at Morgan Park arose once again, with several members of the council expressing concerns with the progress. Controversy surrounding the bathrooms has been abuzz since the city paid \$150,000 for contracting that has yet to result in the reopening of the bathrooms.

Mayor Tim Tenke has proposed that the council enter an agreement with Newport Engineering, P.C., to work on the project, which provoked opposition from councilmen Joseph Capobianco and Kevin Maccarone. They said that the repairs must go out for a request for proposal, something that the city has been reluctant to do since the summer of last

Capobianco said that the resolution proposed by Tenke shows a lack of communication between the mayor and the council. "Either you're going to be transparent or you're not going to be transparent," said Capobianco, shaking his head.

Maccarone expressed frustration with the amount of money being spent on the project, which has the potential of reaching upwards of \$500,000. "You could build a brand new mansion and put six bathrooms in it [for \$500,000]," he said.

The council failed to come to a resolution on the issue.

The Glen Cove City Council will convene next at Glen Cove City Hall on March 26 at 7:30 p.m.

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### Suozzi, Rice co-sponsor Dream and Promise Act

### Bill provides permanent protections for DACA, TPS recipients

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House Democrats introduced legislation last week that would offer a pathway to citizenship for "Dreamers," Temporary Protected Status recipients and Deferred Enforced Departure holders nationwide. The Dream and Promise Act promises permanent residency and citizenship for nearly 4 million immigrants in the U.S., and roughly 33,000 on Long Island.

"The stereotypes that have been painted of these hardworking people are vehemently unfair and unfeeling," said Rep. Tom Suozzi, a Democrat from Glen Cove and a co-sponsor of the bill, "and we can be so much better as a country by embracing these folks, bringing them out of the shadows and encouraging their full participation in our society."

The bill was introduced by Representatives Nydia Velazquez and Yvette Clark, Democrats from Brooklyn, on March 12. It has been signed by more than 200 members of the House, and received support from House Speaker Nancy Pelosi.

#### **DACA** recipients

President Obama's Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, enacted in August 2012, protects those who were brought to the U.S. as children. In 2017, President Trump announced his intention to end the program. Its constitutionality is still to be decided in federal court. Title I of the Dream and Promise Act addresses provisions and requirements to protect so-called Dreamers.

If the legislation were to pass, immigrants would be granted conditional permanent resident status for 10 years if they:

- Have been in the U.S. for at least four years before the bill's enactment;
- Were 17 or younger when they entered the country:
- Are not inadmissible on certain grounds (crime, terrorism, student visa abuse);
- Have not been convicted of a federal or state offense;
- Have graduated from high school or obtained a GED'
- Have passed security and law enforcement background checks.

The bill would require those seeking lawful permanent residency status to earn a degree in higher education, complete at least two years of military service or be employed for at least three years. The bill would also repeal Section 505 of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, which penalizes states that grant in-state tuition to undocumented students; allow Dreamers to access to federal financial aid; ensure that those with conditional permanent resident status can access permits; and allow those who are eligible for residency but have been deported by the Trump administration to apply for relief from abroad.

Glen Cove resident Nelson Melgar, a DACA recipient from Honduras, addressed the program's "limbo" status in the courts.



Herald Gazette file photo

**TPS RECIPIENTS AND** their supporters visited the Glen Cove Knights of Columbus last October to welcome the Journey for Justice bus, which was on Week Eight of its 12-week trip around the country.

"We live in this uncertainty," he said, "and something like the Dream Act represents for me an opportunity to continue being an active participant of this society and finally lead a life with dignity."

"If nothing is done about DACA," Melgar added, "I stand to lose everything."

Melgar said that the new bill differs from other pro-immigration legislation because it addresses TPS recipients as well as Dreamers and would provide immigration relief. But even if the bill were to pass, he said, immigrants would still face a variety of challenges to attain citizenship, such as paying government fees and finding proper representation to help prove their case.

"The community faces a number of risks due, in part, to misinformation and a lack of information, resources and guidance," Melgar said. He added that he planned to host a community forum with the North Shore Hispanic Civic Association to address changes in immigration law and what is being proposed, and to bring in professionals to answer people's questions.

#### **TPS recipients**

"It's the first time they're bringing us, Temporary Protected Status recipients and Dreamers, together," Glen Cove resident Jose Salinas said in his native Spanish, referring to the new bill.

TPS was established by Congress under the Immigration Act of 1990 as a humanitarian program. Its basic principle is that the U.S. should suspend deportations to countries that have been destabilized by war or catastrophe. TPS was granted to El Salvador, Haiti and Honduras after the countries were devastated by natural disasters in 1999 and the early 2000s.

When Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen announced the cancellation of TPS in December 2017 and July 2018, Jose Salinas and his wife, Carmen, began advocating for TPS holders.

The Salinases said they were thrilled to hear about the new legislation. "This is

what we need to move forward," Jose said. "We are finally seeing the fruits of our labors in the last year, so this bill is joyous. [Elected officials are] taking us into consideration."

Carmen said that the bill would give them what they have been advocating for — a pathway to citizenship. It would also affirm that immigrants in the TPS program have been properly admitted to the U.S., and grant lawful permanent residency to TPS and DED recipients. The bill would also cancel all removal pro-

ceedings so long as recipients had been in the U.S. for three years before its enactment, and were eligible for TPS or had DED status as of September 2016.

The bill would also amend current TPS law, requiring Nielsen to explain the agen-

cy's decisions to terminate TPS designations. The report would include an explanation of a country's TPS designation and any progress made by that country to resolve the issues leading to its designation. The report would also describe methods the agency used to assess whether or not a TPS country's conditions had

improved.

Courtesy Nelson Melgar

#### NELSON MELGAR ACCOMPANIED U.S.

Rep. Tom Suozzi to President Trump's 2018 State of the Union address. Suozzi has said he believes that what is needed is to put a face on the issue of immigration.

For the Salinases, the bill would mean staying united as a family and finally planning for the future, while acknowledging the challenges ahead. The greatest hurdle, Carmen said, would be the legislation's path through the Republican-controlled Senate.

If they finally became lawful, permanent residents and were given the opportunity to pledge allegiance to the American flag, Carmen said, she and her husband would find ways to become more active in

their community. They were also excited about the prospect of voting.

"Our roots are deep here," Jose said. "We work so much, and we are loved here because of our dedication to our work."

#### **NEWS BRIEFS**

#### Pre-prom underage drinking prevention tips

Glen Cove High School students received a presentation by the Glen Cove Police Department regarding underage drinking on Feb. 27. With prom a few months away, SAFE and the GCPD teamed up to further the mission of SAFE, which is to eliminate alcohol and drug abuse in the Glen Cove community by providing substance abuse prevention, intervention and education.

GCPD Sergeant Ryan Nardone presented a PowerPoint presentation to students that included pictures of the results of binge drinking and drunk driving. He expressed how important it is to have fun at prom but to also be safe and make good decisions.

There are increased risks and a range of negative consequences related to underage drinking. On average, alcohol plays a role in the deaths of 4,358 young people under 21 every year and 1,580 of those fatalities are from car crashes. Underage people who drink are more likely to carry out or be the victim of a physical or sexual assault after drinking. Drinking can cause teens to have trouble in school or with the law, and teens who drink are more likely to use other drugs than teens who don't.

Additionally, underage drinking can lead to developing alcohol use disorder, a medical condition that doctors diagnose when someone's drinking causes them distress or harm. In 2017 about 443,000 young people ages 12 to 17 had AUD. Even more important, the younger the use of alcohol the more likely one is to develop AUD later in life.

# New STEM student challenge focuses on water quality protection at Long Island schools

A new STEM competition has been launched that is designed to challenge middle school students to design projects to reduce nitrogen pollution on school grounds. On Long Island, excess nitrogen from aging residential septic systems, fertilizer and storm water runoff and other sources has led to deteriorated surface and groundwater quality.

The Long Island Water Quality Challenge was created by the Long Island Regional Planning Council, which, along with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and Nassau and Suffolk Counties, is implementing the Long Island Nitrogen Action Plan, or LINAP. LINAP is a multi-year effort to reduce the amount of nitrogen entering Long Island ground and surface waters

Nitrogen is the leading cause of water quality deterioration in Long Island's estuaries, threatening ecosystem health as well as the region's economic wellbeing. Excess nitrogen causes toxic algae blooms that lead to low oxygen conditions, fish kill, and degraded wetlands and marine habitats. Nitrogen also contaminates the groundwater, which is the sole source of Long Island's drinking water supply.

"Our goal is to connect students, teachers and their communities with key issues that are actively being addressed by LINAP to control nitrogen pollution loads impacting our water," said John Cameron, Chair of the Long Island Regional Planning Council. The council serves as the Island's chief planner and a leading advocate for issues affecting the economic, environmental and social well-being of Long Island. "The council

recognizes the need for greater interaction between professionals engaged in STEM pursuits and our schools to generate interest and excitement about project learning and STEM careers."

As part of the challenge, schools will choose one of two categories to examine: "Low Input Landscaping on School Grounds," in which students will identify ways to reduce the use of fertilizers, pesticides and overwatering by choosing different landscape designs and plant varieties; and "Stormwater Treatment on School Grounds," in which students will design projects to collect and/or treat runoff on their school grounds to help reduce pollutants.

At the final competition, teams will be evaluated by a panel of experts on originality, quality of ideas, practicality, technical merit, digital and oral presentation and team collaboration. An awards ceremony will honor the top projects and teams.

Any state accredited educational institution in Nassau and Suffolk counties serving students in grades 6, 7 and 8 is eligible. Each school may submit up to two teams of any size; however, schools should identify a faculty lead for each team or one lead for both teams. Schools are encouraged to create collaborations with other schools in the district or across districts.

For more information about the Long Island Water Quality Challenge and to submit a Letter of Interest, go to www. lirpc.org, email info@lirpc.org or call (516) 571-7613. Letters of Interest are due by April 5, 2019.

-Alyssa Seidman

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#### **CRIME WATCH**

#### Arrests

- Male, 35, of Glen Cove, was arrested for tampering with physical evidence, third-degree hindering prosecution, resisting arrest and second-degree obstructing governmental administration on Glen Cove Avenue on March 15.
- Female, 34, of Glen Cove, was arrested for two counts of third-degree criminal sale of a controlled substance, two counts of third-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, tampering with physical evidence and resisting arrest on Glen Cove Avenue on March 15.
- Male, 38, of Bayshore, was arrested for second-degree assault, two counts of third-degree assault, fourth-degree criminal possession of a weapon and second-degree menacing at Morgan's Park on March 15.
- Male, 27, of Glen Cove, was arrested for aggravated criminal contempt, third-degree assault, third-degree menacing and obstruction of breathing on Forest Avenue on March 15.
- Male, 45, of Glen Cove, was arrested for three counts of second-degree assault and second-degree strangulation on Clement Street on March 14.

- Female, 20, of Glen Cove, was arrested for fourth-degree criminal possession of a weapon on Town Path on March 14.
- Male, 20, of Hicksville, was arrested for fifth-degree criminal possession of marijuana and unlawful possession of marijuana on Cedar Swamp Road on March 13
- Male, 17, of Glen Cove, was arrested for obstruction of breathing and third-degree menacing on Vanderbilt Lane on March 12.
- Male, 32, of Bainbridge, was arrested for fugitive from justice, DWI, second-degree reckless endangerment, unlawful fleeing from a police officer in a motor vehicle, reckless driving and numerous other vehicle and traffic law violations on Taylor Drive on March 10.
- Male, 44, of New York City, and male, 31, of Garden City Park, were arrested for one count each of making graffiti and possession of graffiti instruments on Crescent Beach Road on March 10.
- Female, 24, of Rockville Centre, was arrested for DWI, ability impaired by drugs and other vehicle traffic law violations on Cedar Swamp Road on March 10.

# GCHS teen sent video of New Zealand shooting

By MIKE CONN

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According to the Glen Cove Police Department, a Glen Cove High School student was sent a video of the March 14 mosque shooting in New Zealand from an unknown phone number.

The video, which was available across the internet, was sent to the student on the morning of March 15 during school hours. Police were notified at

approximately 9:30 a.m. A detective was sent to the school and spoke with the student before starting an investigation.

Detectives contacted the person who sent the video to the student and were told that it was sent by accident. The sender had allegedly typed in the wrong number when trying to send it to a friend. The incident was deemed to be a mistake and the sender is not considered a threat.



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#### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### Nearby things to do this week



#### **Marjorie Merriweather Post**

Celebrated Post Cereal heiress Marjorie Merriweather Post was well documented for her glamorous lifestyle. However, Post was also an astute business woman and generous humanitarian. Historian Kenneth G. Mensing uses the Post family's private photos and archives to reveal the history of this pioneering woman during his talk at the North Shore Historical Museum on March 24. Refreshments will be served and entry is \$10. The event starts at 2 p.m. at 140 Glen St., Glen Cove.

#### **STEM Structure Superstars**

Families will work together to build a variety of fun structures using cups, paper, toothpicks, marshmallows, masking tape, foil and bendy straws. Enjoy some family time while supporting STEM-related learning. The projects will start reaching for the sky at 4 p.m. on March 26 at the Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. (516) 676-2130.





#### **Library Hoedown**

Friends of the Sea Cliff Library will host a "Library Hoedown" fundraiser at Still Partners in Sea Cliff, featuring the music of the band The Rectangle. Admission is \$40 in advance and \$45 at the door, and includes one drink, appetizer and a raffle ticket that can go towards a

number of fun prizes. Saddle up and join the fun on March 27 at 7 p.m. at 225 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. (516) 200-9229.

#### **Experience the universe**

Go on a journey through space and time with the award-winning Axiom Brass Quintet when the ensemble presents "Limitless," at Adelphi University's Performing Arts Center, Friday, March 22, at 7:30 p.m. Explore the connections between the vastness of the universe and our significance in today's world. Info: (516) 877-4000 or www.aupac.adelphi.edu.





#### **Glorious strings**

The acclaimed South Shore Symphony Orchestra, under the baton of Music Director Scott Jackson Wiley, showcases its string musicians at its upcoming concert, at the Madison Theatre, in Rockville Centre, on Saturday, March 23, at 8 p.m. Featured soloists include Port Washington-based violinist Catherine Fish and Baldwin violinist Adam Burke. Info: (516) 323-4444 or www.madisontheatreny.org.

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# **HERALD SCHOOLS**

# Tempers flare at Glen Cove BOE meeting

By MIKE CONN

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Upwards of 50 people attended the March 13 meeting of the Glen Cove Board of Education, the first since the proposed \$84.6 million school bond failed. The library at Finley Middle School was so crowded that not enough seats were available for all of the residents, some of whom stood in the back during the entire two-and-a-half hours of the meeting.

The beginning of the meeting held nothing unusual. Finley Middle School English teacher Rebecca Carfora was recognized for achieving a special certification. District science coordinator Alexa Doeschner detailed new science programs and activities that are being conducted in each school. Victoria Galante, assistant superintendent of business, presented an update on the 2019-20 budget. And Superintendent Dr. Maria Rianna shared the details of her recent trip to Albany. But once public participation began, the entire atmosphere changed.

Lia DiPaola Leone, a mother of two Glen Cove students, was the first to take the podium. "I'm heartbroken and I'm numb about yesterday's results," she said. "I'm saddened that many people feel the repairs and the safety of our children [aren't] worth \$36 a month."

Leone went on to ask about the next steps toward fixing the schools, as well as to question the efforts the board put forth to get the bond passed. "Each one of you should have worked to get your 'yes' votes to the polls like you worked to get the 'yes' votes to be sitting there."

In response, Board President Gail Nedbor-Gross read a statement in which she thanked all who came out to vote, as well as the bond committee. She also said that the failure of the bond would not stop the board from working toward fixing the district's schools.

"Although the bond didn't pass," she said, "there is still work that is needed in our schools beyond what can be included in our annual budget. This board will work together to develop plans that both address the needs and various funding options to minimize the cost to our residents.'

Nedbor-Gross also said that members of the Board of Education are not legally allowed to promote the bond leading up to the vote. The board must adhere to legal restrictions regarding the number of days before they can move forward with any sort of future votes, she said. Rianna later indicated that the minimum amount of time between the resolution and a new vote is 45 days.

The answer was not enough to satisfy resident Janet Blatt. A vocal supporter of the bond in the weeks before the vote, she said that the board could have done something in support of the bond, despite the legal regulations.

"At least one of you has to be clever



There were accusations that the members of the Glen Cove Board of Education failed to persuade residents to vote in favor of the bond at the March 13 meeting.

enough to understand the mindset in this city and find the way around that," Blatt said, "which means you don't stand on a soap box and talk, but you make sure the people around here do. People who voted

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**JANET BLATT** 

resident

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Two days after the meeting, Blatt clarified her statement, saying that the board did not need to break the law in order to advocate for the bond and that she believes board members lacked the cleverness to figure out how. She also described such regulations as "asinine" and was unsure of their validity.

Regardless, Blatt said that she believes the bond was important enough to do everything possible to get it

passed. "You need what you need and when it's just and it's right, you should stand up and say something," she said.

After multiple other attendees further questioned the board on what the next steps would be, Rianna said that the board and the administration are actively troubleshooting the schools' issues. She explained that the district would continue to look at immediate solutions to problems as they have in the past. However, she also acknowledged that such measures likely would not be as effective as the solutions suggested by the bond.

'You're right, this is not a perfect condition," Rianna said, "but we continue as a school district to try to do whatever we can and I personally do believe that [at the next board meeting] you will have an update with a more strategic plan that will allow us to move forward."

Later on, board members expressed their feelings about the bond vote and some of the reasons they believed it failed. After announcing her disappointment in the vote's result, Trustee Monica Alexandris-

Miller said, "We're elected officials, we should be held accountable. And while it's not the job of the board to promote the bond, to tell people how to vote, it is the job of the board to look after the conditions of the schools and the make sure that the information and facts get out to the community and I don't think we did a good enough job."

There were 2.734 Glen Cove residents that voted on the bond, an amount that Trustee David Huggins said he considers far too small. Considering that there are approximately 3,000 children in the school district, he explained, there is no reason as to why more people did not vote.

"What we really have here is apathy, and that is really sad," Huggins said.

Board Vice President Alexander Juarez also made his frustration apparent, expressing disappointment in the fact that the bond failed to pass despite his best efforts. He told residents that they were welcome to file FOIL requests for his emails so they could see that he had done all he could to get school improvement projects underway. However, Juaraz said, he is unhappy with the job that the board did during the weeks leading up to the vote, much like many in attendance.

Shortly thereafter, the board deemed it necessary to stop taking questions in order to allow the meeting to move forward. Most people left following this announcement. At approximately three hours long, this was the longest Board of Education meeting during the 2018-19

The next Board of Education meeting will be on March 27 at 7:30 p.m. at Landing Elementary School.

# Ed Smith is missed by students and staff

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about two weeks later.

Elizabeth said that he had not shown any signs of an impending stroke before that day. "Sometimes things just kind of hit you and your life changes on a dime," she said.

After spending three weeks at Northwell in Manhasset, Smith was transferred back to Glen Cove Hospital, where his intense rehabilitation consisted of speech, occupational and physical therapy. When he was deemed well enough to do so, he was transferred to the Northwell Health Stern Family Center for Rehabilitation in Manhasset for "subacute" rehabilitation. He was finally discharged on Oct. 31. He doesn't know when he will be able to return to work.

"I was delighted to come home to my wife," he said.

Ed and Elizabeth have two daughters — Samantha, a senior at Georgetown University, and Meghan, a freshman at Fordham University — both of whom are Glen Cove High School graduates and accomplished clarinetists, thanks to the influence of their father. "They only got there because of their dad," Elizabeth said.

Smith is not only adored by his family, but has also captured the hearts of countless people in the community. According to many of his colleagues in the Glen Cove City School District, he has always had a commanding presence at Landing Elementary, and his absence has sent ripples

throughout the district.

Karen Serani, a health and phys. ed. teacher at Landing, has worked with Smith for nearly 25 years. She said that his passion for sharing his love of music with his students is unrivaled. "He is the basic foundation for the band program in the community," Serani said.

District Superintendent Dr. Maria Rianna said that she has always been astounded by Smith's devotion to his students. "You can see his love of children and his dedication to what he does," she said. "He is so committed to giving [students] the love of music."

Rianna added that she believes Smith is the perfect example of how important teacher-student relationships can be. "The single most significant factor in

student success is their connection to an adult," she explained. "The impact he has had on his students cannot be measured because of all that he has done. I think the children have really connected to him in the way we would hope all our children

One student who has a particularly close connection to Smith is David Maldonado, a 10-year-old Landing fifth-grader. David has visited the Smith family twice since Ed's stroke, sharing snacks and chat-

ting with his favorite teacher. He's even shown off his proficiency at the trombone, which Smith has described as a gift.

According to David's mother, Lerida, school hasn't been the same for her son since Smith left. David and his fellow trombonists usually had group lessons with Smith twice a week after lunch, replacing

> recess in his schedule which David didn't mind because he loved band class so much. However, without Smith in the classroom, David doesn't want to go to class, and sometimes skips his lessons with his new teacher to play during

During his visits, though, Smith persuaded David to continue going to his lessons to hone his trombone skills. David said he was encouraged by Smith's words,

which helped him change his mind. "He's the best teacher in the world," David said. "I miss him."

Aside from his teaching, Smith is an accomplished musician. He is the principal clarinetist and concertmaster of the Northwinds Symphonic Band, which rehearses at North Shore High School in Glen Head and performs across the North Shore. Conductor/director Helen Bauer described Smith as the ensemble's "fearless leader." He has been with the band

since it formed 12 years ago, Bauer said, and has performed as a featured soloist more than any other member.

"He is one of the finest musicians I've ever encountered in my 50-year career," said Bauer. "He's a wonderful technician, and he also plays with incredible artistry and musicianship."

Bauer also said that their band's rehearsals and concerts haven't been the same without Smith. "We think of him every week," she said. "At the last two concerts — the two we've had without him his chair [was] left empty on the stage. No one sits in his chair; it sits empty, waiting for him to return."

"No one can really replace him," she added

Nine months after his stroke, Smith continues his rehabilitation. He has speech and occupational therapy twice a week, and physical therapy three times a week. He uses a wheelchair much of the time, but is making significant progress and working his way toward walking again. He also focuses a great deal of effort on speech therapy, as he has regained the ability to speak almost normally.

His family is taking his recovery one day at a time and, although the process has been difficult, they are looking forward to seeing what the future holds. "I wish for everybody in the supporting community to keep thinking ahead and thinking positively," Smith said with a smile, "as we are."

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# HERALD SPORTS Hofstra eyes CAA tourney berth

By ANDREW COEN

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Hofstra baseball is seeking its first back-to-back postseason appearances this century with an almost entirely new pitching staff.

The Pride, who recorded a program-best 3.59 earned run average last year, lost nearly 75 percent of their innings pitched during a 23-23 season where Hofstra reached the Colonial Athletic Association tournament for the first time in six years and just the second time since joining the league in 2002. The biggest loss on the mound came via the Major League Baseball Draft with junior lefty ace John Rooney selected in the third round by the Los Angeles Dodgers in June.

"I lost about 90 percent of my conference innings," seventh-year Hofstra baseball head coach John Russo said. "I'm excited to watch a lot of new guys grow and get better."

Fifth-year senior Michael James brought back to the most pitching experience after making 17 appearances with three starts last spring. The Tennessee native recorded 23 strikeouts in 31 innings during the 2018 campaign.

Hofstra returns some experienced arms along with James including sophomore Brad Camarda, who tossed a four-hitter in the Pride's 3-2 win against Incarnate Ward on Feb. 16, and senior Andrew Mundy, who missed most of the last two seasons due to injury. Red-shirt Junior Seamus Brazill is also back after throwing a no-hitter during opening weekend last season at Lamar and could take on more of a role in 2019. Former Wantagh High School standout Jimmy Joyce is also expected to take on more innings in his second season of collegiate baseball after appearing in 10 games and is also integral part of the Hofstra offense.

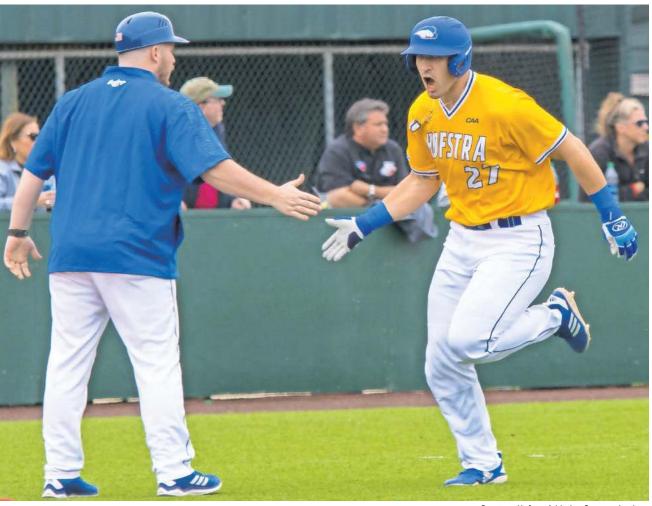
"He's one of the best athletes on the team," Russo said of Joyce, who plays outfield when he isn't pitching. "He can do it all."

Freshman Ryan Rue added spark to Hofstra's pitching and picked up his first career win with six innings of sixhit ball in a 14-9 victory against Saint Peter's on March 2. Newcomers Mark Faello, Robert Lucano, Steven Boscia, James Cardinale, Michael Murray and Jack Jett are also capable arms for starting or relief roles.

While much of Hofstra's pitching is new, Hofstra returned seven of nine position players led by First Team All-CAA catcher Vito Friscia, who batted .353 with seven home runs last year. The Valley Stream Central product is off to a powerful start to his senior campaign with two home runs on the young season after hitting .350 in the prestigious Cape Cod League last summer.

"Vito is one of the most prestigious players we have ever had at Hofstra," Russo said. "He is as good a hitter as there is in the CAA."

Hofstra's lineup is bolstered by another Valley Stream



Courtesy Hofstra Athletics Communications

**VALLEY STREAM CENTRAL** product Vito Friscia, right, led Hofstra with a .353 batting average last year while belting seven homers and driving in 31 runs.

native in junior Rob Weissheier, who drove in 31 runs as a sophomore. The Kellenberg graduate is off to a strong start this season with a .304 average through the Pride's first 11 games and drove in two runs during Hofstra's 10-5 upset win at Liberty on St. Patrick's Day.

Anthony D'Onofrio is among newcomers from Hofstra's backyard giving the Hofstra offense a jolt early. The freshman third baseman registered three hits in Hofstra's March 2 blowout against Saint Peter's and is quickly adjusting to the college level as a leadoff hitter after a standout career at Wantagh High School.

"I can't be more excited with how fearless he is playing," Russo said of D'Onofrio, who batted .557 as a senior at Wantagh with five home runs. "He is a fantastic kid."

D'Onofrio is among multiple infielders seeing playing time early this season along with shortstop Austin Gauthier, Myles Mensah and Ryan Morash at second base and third baseman Tyler White. The outfield features Joyce, Vinnie Costello, Austin Pollack and Sean Rausch, who missed all of last year due to injury. Senior Parker Quinn is the Pride's primary designated hitter.

Hofstra is next in action for a three-game set at defending Big East champions and NCAA Regional participant St. John's from Friday to Sunday. The CAA schedules begins with a series at College of Charleston on March 29-31 and an April 5-7 trip to Northeastern, who received an at-large bid to the NCAA Tournament last season. The Pride's first home conference games are slated for April 12-14 versus Towson.

The Pride was picked to finish eighth in the nine-team CAA. The Blue and Gold will have to finish in the top six in order for a return CAA Tournament appearance.

"It's a very hard conference," Russo said. "But on a three-day weekend we can match up with anyone."

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# **HERALD NEIGHBORS**



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TOVA ROBBINS, 3, was impressed by Cantor Gustavo Gitlin's balloon animal-making skills during Congregation Tifereth Israel's Purim celebration on March 17.

# Purim party celebrates inclusivity

**BY ALYSSA SEIDMAN** 

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The children raced from table to table in the auditorium of Congregation Tifereth Israel, their hands tinkering with crafts, crayons and carnival games. They spun around wildly in the makeshift gaga pit—the Israeli version of handball—and exchanged fits of laughter as they played in the bounce house. Many dressed for the occasion, wearing costumes you would see at Halloween, which added another aspect of fun to the party.

The unbridled silliness, Rabbi Irwin Huberman said, is the essence of the Jewish holiday of Purim, which was celebrated at the congregation with a carnival on March 17.

"It's mandated in the Jewish religion that you must be happy this time of the year," Huberman said. "So much of the time religion is about seriousness, but this is an opportunity once a year to let your hair down a little bit, dress up in costume and have fun."

Purim, which was observed on Wednesday and Thursday this year, commemorates events that occurred in ancient Persia over 2,000 years ago, when Jews evaded persecution from King Ahasuerus and his minster Haman. (see box) Purim, Huberman said, "Falls into the category of,



**JULIA STROOT, LEFT,** and Eliana Ecker, right, got some help making Purim masks from teen volunteer Gaby Brichta.

as many Jewish holidays, they tried to kill us, they failed, let's eat!"

The celebration began with an original play performed in the sanctuary, which featured characters from the Purim story competing in a bake-off to create the tastiest hamantaschen, a three-cornered pastry that is traditionally eaten on the holiday. Congregants recited songs and prayers about Purim, and then flooded the auditorium for the carnival.

Perhaps the most special part of the carnival — aside from Cantor Gustavo Gitlin twisting balloons into animal shapes with ease — was the congregation's focus on inclusivity; that is, inviting children of all needs and abilities to attend the Purim party. "As a father of a 39-year-old son with autism," Huberman said, "it's important that every child and adult be happy in the way that it's appropriate to them."

Chad Altman, of Glen Head, vice president of education at Congregation Tifereth Israel, said inclusivity is a major pillar of the congregation and is often reflected in its services and programs. "We're part of a larger community, and we want to teach our children respect for all, regardless of background," he said, "and

get them to recognize that they can play cooperatively with everyone, even [those] with disability."

As the carnival continued, Debbie Ilberg, of Glen Head, took note of her son, Matthew, playing with his peers. A wide smile crept out from under the snout of his dog costume. Matthew attends Hebrew school classes at Congregation Tifereth Israel and works with an aide who provides him with support since he has autism. "At Congregation Tifereth Israel, with their philosophy towards children with special needs, Matthew isn't 'that kid with autism,'" Ilberg said. "He's Matthew, one of the sixth-graders."

This philosophy follows the congregation's commitment to providing any individual, regardless of need, to practice the Jewish faith. Huberman said Congregation Tifereth Israel would soon provide religious programs equipped for specialneeds individuals, including bar and bat mitzvah services.

"Everyone has the right to find the core of religion inside them, and sometimes we get lost in the rules and regulations when really all religion wants us to be is happy and grounded and satisfied," Huberman said. "Even if it means that [the children] say one blessing or just a few words or have some reason to smile, for them that's their happiness."

# **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

#### Thursday, March 21

#### Lego Duplo storytime

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 10 a.m. Children ages 2 to 4 can join Miss Alex in singing songs, reading stories and building legos for a fun STEAM-themed storytime. This is the first of a four-part series. (516) 759-8300.

#### "Age of Love" documentary screening

Glen Cove Senior Center, 130 Glen St., Glen Cove, 5 p.m. View a free screening of a film about the importance of love and friendship in the later years of our lives. Hors d'Oeuvres will be served before the screening, and a Q+A session with director Steven Loring will follow. (516) 759-9610.

#### **Buzz of the Beekeeper**

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 7 p.m. Beekeeper Gerald Raffa will discuss the life of bees in a bee colony and explain why the lives of bees are in jeopardy. (516) 676-2130.

#### **Council of Advisory Teens**

Locust Valley Library, 170 Buckram Road, Locust Valley, 7 p.m. Teens can join a group that participate ins and influences the functioning of the library, specifically the Teen Room, YA programming and collection materials. CATS will start meeting on a monthly basis starting in the fall, so this will a preliminary meeting. (516) 671-1837.

#### Friday, March 22

#### Toddler Time with A Time for Kids

Locust Valley Library, 170 Buckram Road, Locust Valley, 10:30 a.m. Toddlers will engage in music, fine and gross motor skills and storytelling. Then they can make and take home their own MArch lion. (516) 671-1837.

#### The Little Gym

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 10:30 a.m. Children ages 18 to 36-months can enjoy a pre-school program that revolves around active play alongside the staff of Little Gym. (516) 676-2130.

#### **Afternoon Art for Teens**

Locust Valley Library, 170 Buckram Road, Locust Valley, 2 p.m. Teens can create acrylic paintings on canvas, working on anything that comes to mind. Music, snacks and supplies will all be provided. Any paintings can be donated to the library's teen room. (516) 671-1837.

#### **Psychic Night Dinner at the View Grill**

The View Grill, 111 Lattingtown Road, Glen Cove, 6:30 p.m. Enjoy a sit down dinner that includes salad, an entree, desert, coffee, tea and soda, as well as a guaranteed one-on-one private psychic reading. \$55 per person, reservations are recommended. (516) 200-9603.

#### Saturday, March 23

#### Spring plant conservation

Garvies Point Museum and Preserve, 50 Barry Drive, 10 a.m. Volunteer to assist in removing invasive plant species from the preserve. (516) 571-8010.



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#### "The Age of Love" documentary showing and discussion

The Glen Cove Senior Center will be showing a screening of "The Age of Love" on March 21. A touching film that explores the importance of friendship and love in our later years, the documentary follows a group of seniors trying out speed dating as a form of match-making and explores the importance of personal relationships among the senior population. Hors d'Oeuvres will be served at 5 p.m., the film will start at 6 p.m. and desert will be served following its conclusion at 7:30 p.m. Director Steven Loring will answer questions from the audience following the screening. 130 Glen St., Glen Cove.

#### Indoor winter market

Creative Arts Studio, 256 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff, 12 to 4 p.m. Shop fresh produce, baked goods, pickles, juices, snacks and other locally crafted goodies. Ongoing Saturdays through March.

#### **College essay writing**

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 1 p.m. Students from grades 10 through 12 can join Ethan Mann, a former guidance counselor and the founder and lead mentor of Writemove. net, as he explains the step-by-step process of writing a great college admissions essay. (516) 759-8300.

#### Sunday, March 24

#### The GRiD Irish Music Show

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 2 p.m. The GRiD, featuring Tom Donovan and Paul Henry offer an afternoon of Irish/Celtic songs and ballads. (516) 676-2130.

#### Monday, March 25

Bilingual Storytime/Historias Bilingues Locust Valley Library, 170 Buckram Road, Locust Valley, 4 p.m. Children ages 3 to 7 can enjoy stories told in both English and Spanish. Each session features an additional craft or activity. (516) 671-1837.

#### **Tuesday, March 26**

Introduction to e-mail Part 2

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 6:30 p.m. Learn about downloading and attaching documents in this free workshop. (516) 676-2130.

#### **Glen Cove City Council meeting**

Glen Cove City Hall, 9 Glen St., Glen Cove, 7:30 p.m. Join the Glen Cove City Council as they discuss the most impor-



#### **Marketing: Keys to Increasing Sales**

This marketing workshop is for people who already have a business and others who are starting a new business. Topics such as developing a marketing plan, market research, pricing, advertising, internet marketing and tracking results will be covered. SCORE-retired executives and business owners will donate their time to give advice to small businesses. March 26 at 7 p.m. at the Locust Valley Library, 170 Buckram Road, Locust Valley. (516) 671-1837.

tant matters going on in the city. (516) 676-2000.

#### Thursday, March 28

#### **Glen Cove Town Hall Meeting**

Landing Elementary School, 60 McLoughlin St., Glen Cove, 7 p.m. The first of three scheduled town hall meetings, Glen Cove mayor Tim Tenke will present a city progress report and answer resident questions alongside members of the Glen Cove City Council and officials from various city departments. All residents are welcome to attend and ask questions. (516) 676-2000.

#### **Teen Tech Club**

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 7 p.m. Teens can explore, create and design projects involving 3D printing and technology. Work on individual projects or make creations for the library. (516) 676-2130.

#### Saturday, March 30

#### **Bruce Marshall art hanging**

Locust Valley Library, 170 Buckram Road, Locust Valley, 9:15 a.m. Artist Bruce Marshall will display his artwork in the community room. These acrylic artworks are rich in color and design duplicating the kinetic flow of energy in nature. (516) 671-1837.

#### Any Soldier volunteer program

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 11 a.m. Bring donations to send to soldiers overseas. Teens from grades 6 through 12 can help organize the donations and bring them to the post office. Community service hours can be earned. (516) 676-2130.

#### Music and Movement with Miss Kaitlyn

Bayville Free Library, 34 School St., Bayville, 1 p.m. Be a part of this music program designed to stimulate and develop children's creativity and imagination. It can also help with fine and gross motor skills and help build language development and coordination. Perfect for newborns all they way up to five-year-olds. (516) 628-2765.

#### Glow in the dark charm

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 3 p.m. Ms. Kristen will shows children from grades 3 through 6 how to make a keychain or necklace using glow in the dark polmer clay. (516) 759-8300.

#### Sunday, March 31

#### "Defining Moments" screening

Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center, 100 Crescent Beach Road, Glen Cove. "Defining Moments: The Civil Rights Movement of North Hempstead" highlights the true stories of the civil rights movement in the Nassau neighborhood, which was an epicenter of change during this tumultuous time. \$10 suggested donation. (516) 571-8040.

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#### **NEIGHBORS** IN THE NEWS

Photo courtesy Glen Cove City School District

THE GLEN COVE High School Mock Trial Team went up against Baldwin High School's team in their first match of the year.

#### **Success for GCHS Mock Trial Team**

Trial Team recently participated in their first match of the year, facing off against Baldwin High School's team in the New York State Bar Association's Mock Trial tournament.

Team members Noemy Annunziata, Angelina Bevernijk Holden, Elijah James, Nicole Khaimov and Isabelle

The Glen Cove High School Mock Unger argued the petitioner's side in a case about succession rights for a rentcontrolled apartment. The team put forth a solid effort, with the judge commending their preparation and presentation, especially since this was the first match for many of the students. Though the team lost this match, they're looking forward to improving and moving forward.

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#### **Celebrating Women's History Month**

In celebration of Women's History Month, SCO Family of Services of Glen Cove teamed up with the Long Island Nets for Women's Empowerment Night, a panel discussion at Nassau Coliseum that delved into the importance of engaging and inspiring young women to become future leaders.

Jennifer Outlaw, SCO's chief program officer, and Connie Cerrato, the assistant executive director, were joined on the panel by several prominent women from throughout New York, all of whom hold

powerful positions in their respective industries. The hour-long discussion was moderated by Ally Melendez, the Long Island Nets in-arena host, to a standingroom audience comprised of women, men and young girls.

Immediately following the panel discussion, hundreds of SCO Family of Services clients, volunteers and staff got up close and personal with the Long Island Nets, cheering them to victory against the Erie BayHawks.



Photo courtesy SCO Family of Services

FEMALE LEADERS FROM across New York gathered for a panel discussion aimed at encouraging young women to become future leaders themselves.



Tara McGinn - AR Workshop, Port Washington

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THE NEW YORK Shields Police Pipes & Drums are always welcome at Glen Cove's St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Photos by John C. O'Connell/Herald Gazette

# Irish pride was on display in Glen Cove

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Tom Suozzi, State Sen. Jim Gaughran, Mayor Tim Tenke, members of the City Council and Sea Cliff Mayor Edward Lieberman, all of whom waved to the crowd of paraders.

During its hour-and-a-half run, the parade proved to be yet another great success in Glen Cove's long history of celebrating Irish culture. Whether residents continued on to the post-parade party at the church or made their way home, the spirit of the holiday was sure to be in their minds for the remainder of the day.





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the Nassau County Board of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, is also a member of the Tara Pipes & Drums.

**THE TWO HIBERNIANS** most responsible for the parade were co-chairs Lisa Bartley Forgione and Andrew Stafford, above.

**MIKE DILEO, CHIEF** of the Glen Cove Auxiliary Police, left, drove one of the first cars in the parade.

**CHILDREN FROM ALL** Saints Regional Catholic School, far left, had a great time.











#### **SPECTATORS PRAISED MEMBERS** of the Glen Cove Hospital Auxiliary, top left, for their generous, caring ways.

#### **HIBERNIAN ROBERT LYNCH,**

top right, did the piping honors at the after-parade party, and also served as master of ceremonies.

**BRIANNA HOOD AND** her mother, Donna, center left, waited at Finley Middle School for the cannon shot that signaled the start of the parade.

JANICE PREISZ, LEFT above, marched with a small herd of Irish Wolfhounds.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT of the City of Glen Cove, left.

# Bond voters turned away due to miscue

By MIKE CONN

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During the Glen Cove Board of Education meeting on March 13, the first since the proposed \$84.6 million school bond was voted down, resident Alex Pappas told the board that his parents had a difficult time voting.

Pappas said his parents went to Glen Cove High School to vote on the bond at about 2 p.m. on March 12. Upon arriving, they were allegedly turned away and told they could not vote on the bond by a female election worker who was checking the voter registry. Pappas said his parents called him soon after to tell him what had happened.

When Pappas went to vote later in the day, he asked the same election worker why his parents were turned away. He was told that because his parents had not voted in a previous Board of Education election, their names were not in the registry and thus could not vote on the school bond.

Pappas said that he saw the same thing happen to the person next to him when he went to vote. The man didn't question the election worker. Pappas said he simply turned and left the building.

After speaking to the woman who had turned his parents away, Pappas approached another election worker and asked the same question. He was then told that his parents could come back and fill out an affidavit ballot, a paper ballot used when a voter's name doesn't appear in the registry at their normal polling place.

After noting that the polls opened at 7 a.m., Pappas asked the board how many voters could have been turned away before he arrived at 2 p.m.

Two days after the Board of Education meeting, Pappas said that the issue was not exclusive to the high school. "When I spoke to the people I know that were voting 'yes' on the bond . . . they said that Connolly [Elementary School] was having the same situation," he said.

According to Bonnie Garone, who serves as legal counsel to the Democratic Commissioner at the Nassau County Board of Elections, Pappas's parents may have been misinformed.

"My understanding is that, if you're a registered voter, you can vote so long as you live in the district," she said.



THE PARENTS OF resident Alex Pappas were originally told they could not vote in the Glen Cove school bond election because they had not voted in the previous Board of Education election.

On whether or not this could be considered election fraud, Garone said that there are many things to take into account. She explained that in her experience as a lawyer, fraud depends a good deal on intent. If the individual providing the false information did so intentionally in order to mislead potential voters, it could be considered fraud. However, the lines become blurred if the person made a genuine mistake when they turned voters away, and Garone said that there was not enough evidence in this particular instance to determine if fraud took place.

Dr. Maria Rianna, Superintendent of Schools, said that there is not a policy in place dictating that one must vote in a previous Board of Education election in order to participate in the bond vote. The voter "should not have been turned away, but it was an [election worker] oversight," she said.

Garone also explained that, while all workers at polling places receive yearly training from the Board of Elections regarding the use of machines and special ballots, the area-specific training falls to the school district in the case of school votes.

District Clerk Ida Johnson runs that training in Glen Cove. She said that all of the district's polling inspectors are Glen Cove residents, many of whom have worked in previous school elections. According to Johnson, Pappas's parents were the only two people she knew of who were turned away from vot-

In response to the possibility of others being turned away, Johnson said, she didn't believe that was true and that voters may have misunderstood what the election workers were saying. "But just from interviewing the workers, if [voters] were told they were at the wrong polling place," Johnson said, "they decided they would not be going to the [other one]."

Johnson said she took care of the issue faced by Pappas's parents as soon as she heard about it, and that measures will be taken to make sure this doesn't happen again, most likely through further training.

Pappas, a father of two children in Glen Cove schools, said that he doubts the amount of people turned away would have ultimately made up for the nearly 400 votes by which the bond failed. Nonetheless, he said that he was disappointed

"I wanted it to pass," Pappas said. "I just want the kids to be in a safe environment."

This is not the first instance of missteps occurring during Glen Cove school elections. In May of 2018, a "clerical error" in the voting process of last year's Board of Education elections resulted in a ballot miscount. After recounting the ballots, however, the results of the election remained the





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# CELEBRATING dynamic BUSINESSWOMEN

#### **By Jeffrey Bessen**

RichnerLive, a division of Herald Community Newspapers, will host the Premier Business Women of Long Island Awards Gala, an intimate and elegant evening to celebrate Long Island's high-level women business leaders who make an impact.

The gala, on Thursday, March 28, at the Heritage Club at Bethpage, beginning at 5:30 p.m., will recognize the achievements of outstanding executives in both the workplace and in the communities they serve.

News 12 anchor Antoinette Biordi, K-98.3 Morning Show host Kara Reifert and Herald Community Newspapers Assistant Editor Alyssa Seidman will share hosting duties. The event begins with a private reception for the honorees and event sponsors. Guests will then enjoy an open networking party followed by dinner and the awards ceremony.

Awards will be presented in categories ranging from Real Estate to Nonprofit Organizations to Hospitality and Financial Services. Each of the honorees will offer motivation with newcomers in their field, while also joining the ranks of other storied leaders in the Richner Executive Network. Their membership in the Executive Network will allow their efforts to grow continually with year-round access to exclusive invitation-

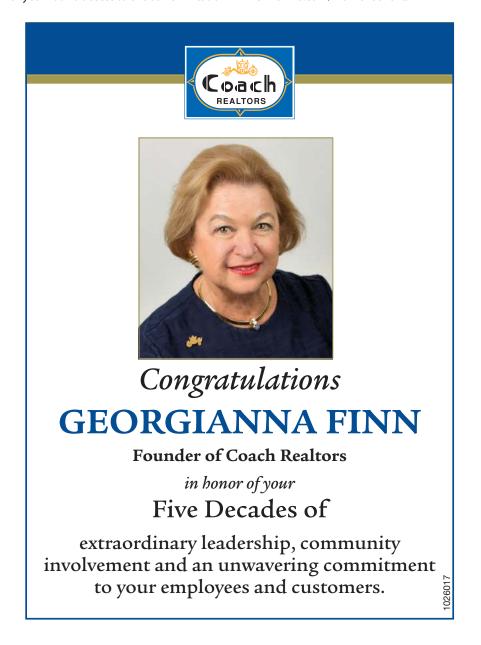
only events, meetings and business opportunities.

"Women do so much for our communities and for our local businesses," said Amy Amato, executive director of Corporate Relations and Events for Richner Communications. "We are in the conference rooms and board meetings and innovating the way we lead our teams to success. But we're also involved in the grassroots efforts in our neighborhoods, helping our municipalities and our communities to stay vibrant and healthy for our friends and families."

The Premier Business Women of Long Island Awards Gala is expected to attract hundreds of local businessmen and businesswomen for one special night of recognition. It is sponsored by PSEG Long Island, Dime Community Bank, Forchelli, Deegan, Terrana, LLP, Molloy College, Prager Metis, Engel & Volkers Leah Tozer, Coach Realtors, LMN Printing, Erika Cole Salon & Spa, Maple Family Centers, SVS Fine Jewelry, and Crown Trophy. K-98.3 is the media sponsor.

To sponsor or for more information about this event, call Amy at (516) 569-4000 ext. 224. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Long Island. To purchase tickets, visit www. richnerlive.com/womensevent.









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# **Putting hope into action**

# Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Man & Woman of the Year campaign is more than a title — it's all about curing cancer

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Man & Woman of the Year campaign is a spirited fundraising competition in which men and women set out to raise as much money as they possibly can for LLS over a 10-week period. RichnerLive's Premier Business Women of Long Island Awards Gala is proud to support this vital fundraising campaign by donating a portion of the Gala proceeds to LLS.

LLS's campaign, which kicks off at the same time as the Gala, includes Lloyd Harbor's Asaf German. He is one of nine candidates running in Man & Woman of the Year to support The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's mission to find cures for blood cancers and ensure that patients have access to lifesaving treatments. German, a real estate attorney at German PC, was nominated by a friend to run in the campaign. Alongside him are more than 70 team members — friends and colleagues — who are helping to raise vital funds in the hopes of putting an end to blood cancer.

Man & Woman of the Year candidates are competing in honor of a local boy and girl who are blood cancer survivors, to raise the most funds for blood cancer research. This year's Boy & Girl of the Year are 12-year-old



Man & Woman of the Year candidate Asaf German

Jesse Pallas and 6-year-old Morgan Sim from Port Washington. Morgan was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL), but is now in remission and ready to help the candidates fundraise!

The campaign runs from March 28 through June 6; fundraising totals are kept completely confidential. Every dollar counts as one vote, and the titles are awarded to the man and woman with the most votes at the

end of the campaign.

Visit the Man & Woman of the Year website (www.mwoy.org) and learn how you can become engaged with LLS.

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society ® (LLS) is the world's largest voluntary health agency dedicated to blood cancer. The LLS mission: Cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families. LLS funds lifesaving blood cancer research around the world, provides free information and support services, and is the voice for all blood cancer patients seeking access to quality, affordable, coordinated care.

Through programs like Man & Woman of

the Year, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society has invested more than \$1 billion since its inception in research to advance breakthrough therapies. In fact, nearly 40 percent of new cancer therapies approved by the FDA since 2000 were first approved for a blood cancer, and LLS helped advance most of them.

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Founded in 1949 and headquartered in White Plains, N.Y., LLS has chapters throughout the United States and Canada. To learn more, visit www.LLS.org. Patients should contact the Information Resource Center at (800) 955-4572, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. ET.

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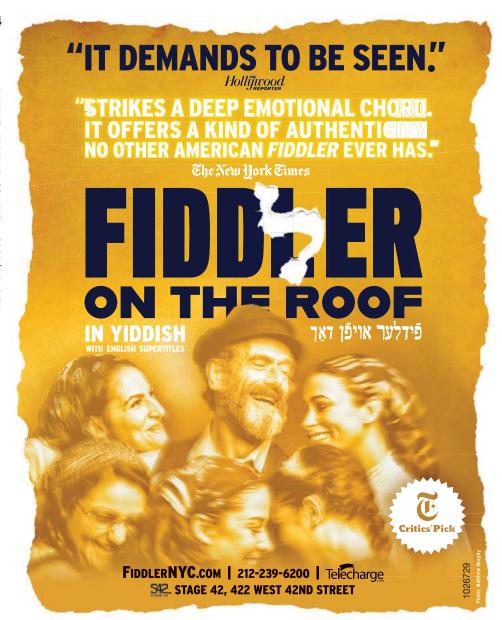
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#### **NEWS BRIEFS**



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**MAYOR TIM TENKE** swore in Glen Cove Downtown Business Improvement District board members on Feb. 28.

#### Glen Cove BID shares highlights from 2018

Last year was a good one for the Glen Cove Downtown Business Improvement District, which put a strong focus on marketing downtown businesses in 2018. At its annual meeting on Feb. 28 at the North Shore Historical Museum, Executive Director Patricia Holman presented the highlights of the past year to local business owners, board members, elected officials and members of the community.

Holman said that the Glen Cove BID put a great deal of emphasis on marketing in 2018. She said this not only provided businesses with a cost-efficient means of advertising on a large scale, but "kept downtown Glen Cove on the minds" of all the people who saw the commercials. She also promoted businesses through social media and email campaigns.

Over the holiday season, the BID brought back its Small Business Saturday playbook promotion as a way to encourage shopping locally in the downtown area. Shoppers received stamps on their playbooks from participating businesses then returned completed playbooks to the BID office for a raffle. The lucky winner, Eileen Borer, received a check for \$250 during the meeting.

In addition to marketing, the BID organizes special events every year, including the Holiday Festival, the Halloween Parade and Festival and Downtown Sounds. In 2018, nine concerts were held on Friday nights in July and August, with overflow crowds in attendance each week enjoying the free outdoor music. This

year, Downtown Sounds lost its \$25,000 annual contribution from the City of Glen Cove due to budget cuts, so the BID has been actively seeking alternative funding in addition to the \$25,000 in sponsorships it needs to raise. One avenue Holman is exploring is grant money. She recently applied for a grant through Nassau County.

Melanie Eitel from RXR Realty provided an update on the Village Square project, saying that it is on track for completion in March 2020. The project will have 146 units, retail space and a public plaza. Eitel said RXR will be tying the Garvies Point waterfront redevelopment into the Village Square project to help further revitalize the downtown.

Cindy Rogers spoke on behalf of U.S. Rep. Tom Suozzi, discussing some of the committees and projects in which he is currently involved and noting his appreciation for the BID, which he formed during his term as mayor.

Mayor Tim Tenke expressed his gratitude for the work Holman and the board members do for the downtown and then swore in the board members: President Alvin Batista, Vice President Lou-Ann Thompson, Secretary James O'Grady, Charles Parisi, Maureen Basdavanos, Mary Cooper, John Zozzaro, Danielle Fugazy-Scagliola, Melanie Eitel and auxiliary member Pam Panzenbeck. Treasurer Leonard Gleicher, board member Joe LaPadula and auxiliary member Lisa Dutra were not in attendance.

#### L.I. Music Hall of Fame accepting applications

The Long Island Music Hall of Fame is now accepting applications for the 2018-19 High School Recognition Program. Toprated participants will be invited to be part of LIMHoF's 2019 Holiday Concert at NYCB Theatre at Westbury.

2018 Holiday Concert participants performed with LIMHoF Inductees and friends, including saxophonist Richie Cannata, original member of the Billy Joel band, drummer Albert Bouchard, original/founding member of Blue Oyster Cult and "America's Got Talent" Season 11 finalist Sal "The Voice" Valentinetti.

The LIMHoF School Recognition Program is designed to identify Long Island High School music programs that are creating notable music experiences for their

students and incorporating national and state standards for the arts in creative and meaningful ways.

Several high schools will be recognized by the Hall of Fame. Application categories include program details, inclusion of national and state standards for music in curriculum, facility, staffing and community and board support. Applications are reviewed by a panel of music educators.

The Recognition Program application is available for download at: https://www.limusichalloffame.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/The-LIMHoF-HS-Recognition-Program-Application-2019.pdf.

-Alyssa Seidman

## **STEPPING OUT**

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#### Swirls of color

# Children's Museum welcomes spring with a Holi Festival

amilies can spring forth at Long
Island Children's Museum this
weekend. A bold explosion of color
marks the beginning of the season as the
museum celebrates the ancient Hindu
festival of Holi, on Sunday, March 24.

A fusion of dance, tasty treats, arts and crafts and the traditional throwing of the colors, "Celebrate Holi" creates connections across cultures. It gives kids — and their parents — a chance to shake off the winter blues in spectacular fashion.

"Holi is a street festival in India that announces the arrival of spring," says the museum's Director of Education and Visitor Experience Aimee Terzulli. "It's about forgiving and forgetting and moving on to the new season with laughter and joy."

The museum is celebrating Holi for the first time, giving families unfamiliar with Holi to learn about the exuberant holiday alongside those who celebrate annually. The many activities take in all aspects of the holiday's customs.

Visitors will learn why it is known as the "Festival of Colors" as they take part in the tossing of colored powders, traditionally made from flowers (known

as gulal), on each other.
The colors of the powder have special significance
— blue refers to vitality, red for love and happiness, green for harmony and orange for optimism.

"Nowadays we do it with a very fine colored powder that's totally safe," says Terzulli. "This activity creates a human mosaic, representing all the colors seen in spring. We encourage visitors to wear white so the colors



Photos courtesy LICM

Dancers interpret the meaning of the festival in dance.

really show up."

A separate room is set up for this activity. "But if it's a beautiful day, we might decide to throw the chalk outside," Terzulli says.

Dance is a big part of the Holi

celebration and it's prominently showcased during the event. Indian dancer, Abha Roy will lead a troupe of Srijan Dance Center dancers as they perform and teach classical and folk dances based on mythological stories from different eras and geographic regions of India.

"Dancing is storytelling and audiences will learn the story of Prahl da, the young hero of Holi myths and his triumph of good over evil," she says. "Usually the Holi dancing is done outside as part of the street festival. But we'll do it in the museum lobby so everyone feels a part of things."

Kids can make masks of Prahl da and other characters from the stories as well as design Holi bracelets similar to what women wear in India. These colorful bands symbolize good fortune, health and energy.

The community aspect of the festival, which dates back centuries, makes it a perfect fit for the museum, according to Terzulli. "Not many places have the town square anymore and the museum serves that purpose as a beacon where people can come together and learn together," she says. "Holi is a bright, colorful, family holiday that provides a vibrant learning experience."

Adds Roy: "The Indian community is definitely growing on Long Island. So this is



The tossing of colored powders is a Holi tradition.

a way for everyone to learn about the culture hands-on."

That includes sampling some sweet and savory Indian treats. In fact, Roy recently took museum staff on a shopping adventure in Hicksville to some of the local Indian markets looking for culinary inspiration. They've devised a menu with a selection of Indian pastries including Gur para (a fried sweet made from flour and fennel seeds and coated in a sugar syrup) and Namak para (a crunchy savory snack flavored with Indian spices).

A traditional drink is also on the menu. "Kanji juice is made from carrots and mustard seeds," says Roy, "It has to ferment for two weeks before it's ready to be served, so we needed to get it going in advance."

The Holi festival will embrace other symbols of Indian culture as well.

When visitors arrive, they'll be greeted by an eight-foot papier-mache elephant in the lobby. Elephants, one of the most revered animals in Indian culture, "are known for their wisdom," explains Roy. Everyone can have some fun with the elephant by dressing it up with bright paint and other colorful adornments. An exhibit of Holi clothing will also be set up with photos of Holi festivals and costumes from different parts of India, including Bengal, Kashmir and Punjab.

"According to Indian text, the goal of existence is happiness," says Roy, "and the Festival of Colors is about sharing happiness with each other."

- Maria Lane

#### CELEBRATE HOLI

When: Sunday, March 24, 12-5 p.m. \$14 adults and children, \$13 seniors, free to museum members and children under 1 year old. View the LICM events calendar at www.licm.org for additional information or call (516) 224-5800.

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#### **WEEKEND**

**Out and About** 

stunning vocal performance, Linehan brings Clark's career alive. Her respect and longtime admiration for Clark is evident from the start to finish, which she eagerly shares with her audience. A live album recorded in Paris will be released this year. Saturday, March 23, 8 p.m. \$40 and \$35. Adelphi University Performing Arts Center, 1 South Ave., Garden City. (516) 877-4000 or aupac.adelphi.edu.

# IN CONCERT Canta Libre Chamber Ensemble

The renowned quintet welcomes the season with a spring equinox concert. The ensemble of harp, flute and three strings — under the helm of flutist Sally Shorrock, founder and director — specializes in a repertoire that brings the music and cultural



atmosphere of turn-of-the-century Paris to 21st century audiences. The repertoire for this program includes music for septet: "Angels in Flight" by Marjan Mozetich; "Distant Light" by Joseph Russo; "Cherry Blossoms" by Gary Schocker; the world premiere of "Abstract No. 1" by Joel Lambdin (composed to commemorate this special concert); and Maurice Ravel's pivotal work "Introduction and Allegro." These selections are accompanied by striking imagery on the Planetarium dome. Saturday, March 23, 6-7:30 p.m. \$20 in advance, \$25 at door, \$15 children \$15 and younger. Vanderbilt Museum's Charles and Helen Reichert Planetarium, 180 Little Neck Rd., Centerport. (631) 854-5579 or www.vanderbiltmuseum.org.

# ON STAGE What Would Petula Do? Acclaimed Irish singer-actress

Acclaimed Irish singer-actress Maxine Linehan offers up a sparkling tribute to Petula Clark in her dynamic cabaret performance. She takes her audience on a musical journey exuberantly charting the course of Clark's extraordinary career from her early, popular recordings in the 1940s, through her mega-stardom in the 1960s, to her award-winning performances in film and on Broadway right up to the 1990s. With songs like "I Know a Place," "Don't Sleep in the Subway," Color My World," "Old Devil Moon," "The Sound of Music," "This



is My Song," and of course, "Downtown," this show puts a fresh spin on the iconic vocalist's classic tunes. Hailed by critics for her ability to emotionally engage audiences throughout a

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#### A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder

The musical comedy about an heir to a family fortune who sets out to jump the line of succession by eliminating the relatives in his way, Thursday and Friday, March 21-22, 8 p.m.; Saturday, March 23, 3 and 8 p.m.; Sunday, March 24, 2 p.m.; Wednesday, March 28, 8 p.m. John W. Engeman Theater, 250 Main St., Northport. (631) 261-2900 or www.engemantheater.com.

#### **Del McCoury and David Grisman**

The bluegrass guitarists in concert, with "The Del & Dawg Show," Thursday, March 21, 7:30 p.m. Landmark on Main Street, Jeanne Rimsky Theater, 232 Main St., Port Washington. 76 7-1384 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org.

#### **Eddie Money**

The rocker in concert, with special guest John Waite, Thursday, March 21, 8 p.m. NYCB Theatre at Westbury, 960 Brush Hollow Road, Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or www.livenation.com.

#### "Funny Folk"

Comical singer-songwriters Dennis MC DoNoUgh! and Carla Ulbrich in concert, Thursday, March 21, 8:30 p.m. (7:30 p.m. open mic.) Cinema Arts Center, Sky Room Cafe, 423 Park Ave., Huntington. (631) 423-7611 or www.cinemaartscentre.org or www.fmsh.org.

#### **Music Jam**

Bring an acoustic instrument and voice and join in or just listen, Thursday, March 21, 7 p.m. Sea Cliff Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. 671-4290 or www.seacliffllibrary.org.

#### The Rippingtons

The acclaimed contemporary jazz ensemble in concert, featuring Russ Feeman, Thursday, March 21, 8 p.m. My Father's Place at the Roslyn Hotel, 1221 Old Northern Blvd., Roslyn. 413- 3535 or www.mvfathersplace.com.

#### Dan St. Germain

Join the comic, seen on Comedy Central among other appearances, for some laughs, Friday, March 22, 9:30 p.m. Sky Room Cafe at Cinema Arts Centre, 423 Park Ave., Huntington. (631) 423-7611 or www.cinememaartscentre.org.

#### **Fancy Shapes and White Houses**

The band in concert, Friday, March 22, 8 p.m. Still Partners, 225 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. 200-9229 or www.stillpartners.com.

#### Joel McHale

The actor-comedian shares his commentary on pop culture, Friday, March 22, 8 p.m. With special guest Doug Smth. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Hunting-



#### **Piano Battle!**

Acclaimed pianists Andreas Kern and Paul Cibis bring their unique musical competition to the Landmark on Main Street stage, Saturday, April 13, at 8 p.m.

The duo go head-to-head on stage, charming and enchanting the audience with a variety of classical pieces. The show is divided into several rounds, each featuring a certain musical style. Kern and Cibis, good friends with distinctly different performance techniques, will even go so far as to improvise on the tune you request.

Audience members are invited to vote on the pianists' performances and eventually crown the "winner."

Tickets are \$55, \$45 and \$35; available at 767-6444 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org. Landmark on Main Street, Jeanne Rimsky Theater, 232 Main St., Port Washington.

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The blues rock guitarist in concert, Friday and Saturday, March 22-23, 8 p.m. NYCB Theatre at Westbury, 960 Brush Hollow Road, Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or www.livenation.com.

#### **Lara Hope and the Arktones**

The rockabilly singer-songwriter and her band in concert, Friday, March 22, 8 p.m. With special guests Roy Wilson and the Buzzards and Bobcat Arkham. My Father's Place at the Roslyn Hotel, 1221 Old Northern Blvd., Roslyn. 413- 3535 or www.myfathersplace.com.

#### **Demetri Martin**

The quirky comic on tour, Saturday, March 23, 7 and 10 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountny.com.

#### Dr. K's Motown Revue

The popular tribute band in concert, Sunday, March 24, 3 p.m. My Father's Place at the Roslyn Hotel, 1221 Old Northern Blvd., Roslyn. 413- 3535 or www.myfathersplace.com.

#### The GRiD

Tom Donovan and Paul Henry in concert, Sunday, March 24, 2 p.m. Program features Irish/Celtic songs and ballads. Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. 676-2130.

#### Matisyahu

The Jewish reggae-alternative rocker in concert, Sunday, March 24, 8 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountny.com.

#### **Music of Roy Orbison**

Bob McArthur in concert, in a musical tribute, Sunday, March 24, 2 p.m. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www.goldcoastlibrary.org.

#### JavCee Driesen

The vocalist in concert, with pianist Lydia Sabosto, performing "Somewhere in My Lifetime," Wednesday, March 27, 2 p.m. Program includes Broadway, pop and jazz tunes, with tributes to David Bowie, Glenn Frey and National Cole. Jeanne Rimsky Theater at Landmark on Main Street, 232 Main St., Port Washington. 767-6444 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org.



**Matthew Marshak** 

The singer-songwriter in conceret, Thursday, March 28, 8 p.m. With special guests Jon and Krista Predice. My Father's Place at the Roslyn Hotel, 1221 Old Northern Blvd., Roslyn. 413- 3535 or www.myfathersplace.com.

#### Experience Hendrix

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#### Lil Mosey

The rapper in concert, Thursday, March 28, 8 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountny.com.

#### For the Kids

#### Picture Book Filns

Watch short films based on favorite children's books, Friday, March 22, 10 a.m. For ages 2-5. Registration required. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www.goldcoastlibrary.org.

#### **Pizza and Paperbacks**

A book discussion for second-graders and up, Wednesday, March 27, 3 p.m.; also Friday, March 29, noon (for children entering Kindergarten in 2019) and 3 p.m. (Kindergarten and Grade 1). Registration required. Sea Cliff Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. 671-4290 or www.seaclifflibrary.org.

### Museums/Galleries and more

#### The Harlem Hellfighters

A groundbreaking exhibit about the World War I African-American Army unit, consisting of 33 men from the Glen Cove area. North Shore Historical Museum, 140 Glen St., Glen Cove. 801-1191 or www.nshmgc.org.

#### **Heckscher Collects:** Recent Acquisitions

An exhibition of two dozen 20th century and contemporary works that have been acquired by the museum over the past five years. With a selection of pri nts produced by more traditional and diverse experimental processes; experimental photography by Bill Armstrong, Ellen Carey, and Joe Constantino; New York City street scenes by N. Jay Jaffee; and images of Cuba by Bastienne Schmidt; along with abstract and representational paintings. Through May 12. Heckscher Museum of Art, Main St. and Prime Ave., Huntington. (631) 351-3250 or www.heckscher.org.

#### **Objects Found**

An exhibit of varied works by local artists, using salvaged materials. These include items found or collectedf rom twigs, buttons, and antiques to toys, textiles, etc. Participating artists include Beth Atkinson, Lisa L. Cangemi, Kathleen Celestin-Parks, Janet Costello and Heather Gottfried. Naomi Diracles, Terry Finch, Jim Finlayson, Anindita Ghosh, Bill Grabowski, Jeffrey Grinspan, Lenore Hanson, Beth Heit, Julianne Jimenez, Julianna Kirk, Liz Kolligs, Stephen S. Martin, Martha McAleer, Glenn McNab, Kristen Memoli, John Micheals, Gabriella Grama, Gail Neuman, Ellen Paul, Jonathan Pearlman, Howie Pohl, Denis Ponsot, Meryl Shapiro, Sally Shore, Lauren Singer, Toxic/Nature Studios by Scott Schneider, Nancy Yoshi. Through March 23. Main Street Gallery, 213 Main St., Huntington. (631) 271-8423 or www.huntingtonarts.org.

#### Rivera and Beyond: Latin American Art

An exhibit of 20th century and contemporary artists from across Central and South America, from the collection of Joan and Milton Bagley. Masterworks by Fernando Botero, Elena Climent, Ana Mercedes Hoyos, Wifredo Lam, Julio Larraz, Roberto Matta, Carlos Mérida, Diego Rivera, and others are on view. Through March 31. Heckscher Museum of Art, Main St. and Prime Ave., Huntington. (631) 351-3250 or www.heckscher.org.

#### Theodore Roosevelt: A Man for the Modern World

An exhibition that celebrates the presidency and legacy of Theodore Roosevelt, who is often considered the first modern president. On view are a collection of historic documents, photographs, and many never before seen artifacts that celebrate TR's major achievements and underscore his legacy. Highlighted objects include family sporting equipment and the license plate from the Roosevelts' automobile, shown alongside presidential gifts such as a book inscribed by Booker T. Washington and a coal scuttle given after the resolution of the Anthracite Coal Strike of 1902. Some familiar artifacts from the Roosevelt home are also on display. Sagamore Hill National Historic Site, 20 Sagamore Hill Rd, Oyster Bay. 922-4788 or nps.gov/sagamorehill.



#### At the Movies

See "Widows," the heist thriller about four women with nothing in common except a debt left behind by their dead husbands' criminal activities, Thursday, March 21, 2 and 6:30 p.m.; also "Creed II," the next chapter in the Adonis Creed story, Thursday, March 28, 2 and 6:30 p.m. Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 East Main St., Oyster Bay. 922-1212.

#### Afternoon Movie

See "Coal Miner's Daughter," the musical biopic of legendary singer Loretta Lynn, Friday, March 22, 2 p.m.; also "The Favourite," the period drama about two women vying for the favor of Queen Anne in 18th century England, Tuesday, March 26, 2 p.m. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www.goldcoastlibrary.org.

#### Marjorie Merriweather Post: A Pioneering Woman

Discuss the life and legacy of the celebrated Post Cereal heiress, with historian Kenneth G. Mensing, Sunday, March 24, 2 p.m. North Shore Historical Museum, 140 Glen St., Glen Cove. 801-1191 or www.nshmgc.org.

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#### THE OUESTION:

March being the month of women, what woman inspired you?



Wonder Woman is my favorite female, she inspires me, she is so strong and helps so many people.

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The woman who inspires me is my mother. My mother is a strong woman. She helps my dad at the hospital.

**Adrienne Chacon** Student



My mother, Elena inspired me. She encouraged me and everyone in my family to go to college. She believes that a woman has more advantages and control with her life with an educational degree.

Maria Tapia **Building Department** 



The woman who inspired me is my grandmother. We stand on the many shoulders of many wome who came before us. My grandmother taught us values and beliefs.

#### **Catherine Newman** Mother



My favorite female who inspires me is my stepmom. She is so much fun and does so much for me.

#### Marisella Flores



The woman who inspired me was my mother. She had worked many years supporting her family. She taught me the most important gift in life is family.

Eileen Tackman Teacher Aide

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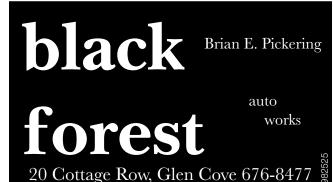
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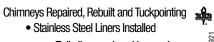
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# How to avoid being scammed

No one wants to become a crime victim. We have been told at an early age not to trust strangers, lock the doors of our homes and automobiles and educate our children about gangs and drugs. Unfortunately, we don't live in a perfect world and can't trust everyone we meet.

Being aware of your surroundings could help you from becoming another crime victim. Put down that cell phone for just a few minutes. Is someone watching you, paying too much attention to your children, and did you see that suspicious car or person in your neighborhood but didn't call the police because it's probably nothing?

One of the biggest slogans out on radio and television is, "If you see something say something." The police department is open 24 hours a day and we would much rather check out something suspicious and prevent a crime from occurring than to have that crime take

Sometimes crimes aren't so easily prevented. Police officers can't be stationed inside your home and unfortunately, that's where many crimes are being committed. Phone scammers will call your home or cell and try to trick you into believing they are law enforcement officials, IRS agents, bill collectors, or lawvers representing a family member who needs bail money. These scammers can be very convincing. They can even "spoof" their numbers to convince you they are legitimate. Spoofing is simply a process by which a caller makes their phone number show up differently on your caller ID. They can make the local police department phone number show up or the local utility number show up. Don't believe what your caller ID reads, especially when someone is asking for money. Whenever the caller asks for

payment using prepaid gift cards it's a scam. Hang up the phone and call the police. When receiving a phone call from a number you don't recognize just don't answer it.

When using a home computer make sure you have virus protection on it. This will help protect you against viruses that could steal your personal information. Scammers use e-mail daily to trick you into believing it's coming from the actual institution or organization. They will ask you information about your password, social security number or other



DET. LT. **JOHN NAGLE** 

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important information. When you click on the link they supply in their e-mail it takes you to a fake website which is set up to resemble the real one. Once you enter your password of critical information they steal it and use that information to gain access to your bank account or open a new line of credit. Whenever vou receive an email from what appears to be a legitimate source, don't answer them back by clicking the link they give you. Instead, type the name of that institution into your search engine.

That way you know if it's the real site. If you still are not convinced, call them directly. You should never give out passwords or other sensitive information without verifying its source. The internet is a great source of information on scams and there's a lot of information out there on how these scams work and how to avoid becoming a victim.

There are companies out there that monitor your credit. These services will alert you when there are changes to your credit files. If you decide on a monitoring service, make sure they monitor all three credit bureaus. These companies are advertised on television and the internet and can cost you between \$8.00-\$30.00 a month. You can always try and stay on top of things yourself by carefully checking your credit and bank accounts for suspicious activity.

Remember, when you encounter an Remember, when you encounter an online deal that's too good to be true it probably is and it's most likely some form of a scam. When selling something online and someone gives you more than what you asked for its most likely a scam. The money you are expecting will never materialize but they will ask you to return some of the money that they overpaid. Once you do that they have your money and the check or money they transferred will bounce. If you win the lotto or some type of sweepstakes congratulations! But remember one thing. Don't get tricked into giving money up front for taxes and handling fees because you're getting scammed.

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#### **OBITUARIES**

#### Josephine M. Galante

Josephine M. Galante, 89, of Glen Cove, died surrounded by her family on March 16. Daughter of the late Anthony and Sabina Giambruno; beloved wife of 63 years of the late Anthony R.; devoted mother of Anthony A. (Michele), Gary (Gina), Richard (Midori) and Lisa Kivlen (Christopher); beloved grandmother of Juliana, Joseph, John, Jessica Carbone (Frank), Nicholas, Miranda and Jasmine; special great-grandmother of Carmelo; dear friend of Annette; loving aunt of many nieces and nephews.

Galante was a devoted lifelong parishionar of the Church of St. Rocco and a yearly volunteer at the church feast. Her passion in life was her family, gardening and cooking. Visiting was on March 19. Mass was on March 20. Interment Holy Rood. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Galante's name to the Glen Cove Senior Adult Day car Center.

#### Arnold W. De Voe

Arnold W. De Voe, of Glen Head, died on March 15. Beloved husband of Darlyn Rottkamp and dear stepfather of Megan Rottkamp. Visiting was on March 17. Funeral service was on March 19. Interment Nassau Knolls Cemetery, Port Washington. Contributions may be made to the Animal Lovers League.

#### Elizabeth A. Fanning

Elizabeth A. Fanning, 77, of Glen Cove, died on March 14. Wife of the late Malcom; mother of Marie, Anthony, Kathleen and the late Malcom; sister of Doroty Castrogiovanni; grandmother of Christofer, Barrington and Stephon. Prayer service at Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home on March 23 at 11 a.m. Interment Long Island national Cemetery.

#### **Rita Shortell** Longworth

Rita Shortell Longwork, 95, of Glen Cove, died on March 14. Beloved wife of the late Daniel; loving mother of Daniel, Peter (Linda), John, James (Lynn), Mary Ellen (Gary) Pecorelli, Rose Ann (Michael) Telese, Paul and the late Anthony; proud grandmother of 9; cherished great-grandmother of 3; dear sister of William Pattison, the late Betty May, Rosalie MacDonald and George Pattison; also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Longworth was a member of the Glen Cove Women's Club and a 50 year member of the Catholic Daughters of America. She was a registered nurse at Glen Cove

Hospital and Supervising Nurse at the former Montclair Nursing Home. Visiting was on March 20. Mass at St. Patrick R.C. Church on March 21. Interment to follow at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

#### **Edward G. Gustafson Jr.**

Edward G. Gustafson Jr., formerly of Glen Cove, died on March 12. Survived by his beloved wife Mary, brother Warren (Betsy), nephew Howard Korten, nieces Darlene DeCurtis (Dominick), Brenda Kenny (Michael), William and Eric (Catherine) Gustafson, Christine Sleiman (Roni), great nieces Amanda Rose and Lisa Marie Kenny, Jessica Lokatz (Jeff), Jennifer Miller (Andrew) and Howard Korten Jr. (Heather), and many great-great nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his mother Rose Ingersol, sister Arlene Woods and brother Ronald Gustafson.

Gustafson was an army veteran, a retired postal carrier for the City of Glen cove for 25 years. He was also a driver for Windsor Fuel in the 1960s and Dell Transportation after retiring from the Post Office. Gustafson was a lifelong member of the Glen Cove Fire Department, Hook and Ladder Company and served as the Chief og GCFD from 1988 to 1989. He was also a member of the fire department drill team for many years.

Mass at the Church of St. Boniface Martyr. Interment Holy Rood Cemetery.

# PUBLIC NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the City Council adopted the following Ordinance at the City Council Meeting of March 12, 2019:

Prohibited at All Times, as it relates to Shore Road, as indicated:

Name of Street

Location North

From entrance/exit corner of Sea Isle community east for 30 feet

This Ordinance shall take effect 3 days after publication.

Tina Pemberton City Clerk 108532

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Tina Pemberton City Clerk 108537

#### THE GREAT BOOK GURU

### A troubling time

ear Great Book Guru, I am making plans for the upcoming Saint Patrick's Day weekend. Top on my list will be a traditional Irish dinner at the Metropolitan Bistro while listening to my favorite band of Irish troubadours, The Winfield Irregulars, featuring Sea Cliff's own Joe Hughes. During the week I would like to read some Irish history. Anything new you would recommend?

-Fan of All Things Irish

Dear Fan of All Things Irish,

I have just finished a remarkable book, my number one favorite this year

#### Answers to today's puzzle Solution time: 24 mins.

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"Say Nothing," by Patrick Radden Keefe. A mystery, true crime tale, study of Irish-Anglo history, and a biography of three unforgettable characters, this is ultimately a depiction of the horrors, banality and futility of war. Keefe begins his story in 1972 with the kidnaping and murder of a young widowed mother of 10 — Jean McConville. Quickly the story turns to three young Irish rebels — Dolores Price, Bernard Hughes and Gerry Adams — who are all shown to have played a role in her disappearance and death. Price is a beautiful, charismatic woman who later marries the actor Stephen Rea years after her imprisonment and torture in British prisons. Hughes is a thoughtful, skillful tactician who also spent many years in jail for his activism. Gerry Adams, the only one of the three still alive, is portrayed as a cunning master of politics who eventually is instrumental in bringing the "troubles" to a close. This is an unforgettable story of lives destroyed and lives redeemed played out in the ultimate patriot game. Highly, highly recommended!

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#### **OPINIONS**

# Albany should give taxpayers a break

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very year at this time, Gov.
Andrew Cuomo and the State Legislature wrestle with the state budget, facing an April 1 deadline to get it done.

This year, the process is more contentious than usual, due to several factors, including a \$2 billion shortfall in state tax receipts. That drop in revenue could be an



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evenue could be an early sign that New York's economy is slowing. If that's the case, it's all the more reason the state budget should restrain the high taxing and spending that have burdened us for too long.

The governor's proposed \$175 billion budget would increase total state

spending by 2 percent over the current budget. That's not an insignificant increase, but it's less than some legislators and special-interest groups are clamoring for. And it would set an example for local governments and school districts that Cuomo also wants to stay under the 2 percent tax levy cap.

The cap has placed some modest restraints on local tax increases, and the

governor has wisely called for making it permanent. But some local governments — school districts in particular — have chafed under the cap. They are prodded by powerful public-employee unions and their political allies, who too often cater to them. For these folks, there's

never enough money taxed and spent.

It's important to remember that New York's combined state and local taxes are already the highest in the nation. And with the higher tax burden imposed on New Yorkers as a result of reduced federal deductions of state and local taxes, many taxpayers here face such a financial squeeze that leaving New

York for lower-taxed states looks more and more attractive.

So how can Albany make up possible revenue shortfalls without tipping the scales irreversibly toward an exodus of New Yorkers? One of the most palatable proposals Cuomo has put forward is an accelerated schedule for legalizing and taxing the sale of marijuana. Other states near New York have moved or are moving in the legalization direction, and as a practical matter, if New York lags behind them in following suit, it will lose large amounts

of tax revenue to those nearby states.

The governor has proposed using a portion of the marijuana tax money to help fund desperately needed infrastructure projects here, including improvements to the Long Island Rail Road and the New

York City subway. But some legislators from minority-centered districts have raised legitimate concerns about fairly distributing the financial benefits of marijuana legalization and addressing the disproportionate incarceration rates of minorities for minor marijuana infractions. These are concerns that Cuomo and legislative leaders should be able to sort out without holding up on-time

passage of the budget and the raising of money to help fix our mass-transit system.

An even more controversial proposal advanced by the governor is congestion pricing, which is basically a way of imposing tolls on vehicle travel within New York City. Some of these funds could be used to improve the state's highway and masstransit infrastructure. It's certainly one way to scrape together extra money to fix our crumbling roads, bridges, trains and subway. Another way would be to blend lower congestion-pricing tolls with a mod-

est increase in the state tax on gasoline. With gas currently at relatively low prices, an extra nickel or dime wouldn't kill us. It could actually save lives and make commutes more tolerable by helping to fix all those dangerous roads and bridges.

Perhaps the most tempting target for budget revenue, by way of a proposed new state tax, is expensive second homes purchased in New York City. This new tax has a nickname, the "pied-a-terre tax," and, according to early reports, would be imposed on second homes worth \$5 million or more in the city. It would be aimed at the super-rich purchasers of New York's mega-mansions and penthouses, and could raise an estimated \$650 million in annual revenue, which Cuomo proposes be used to help underwrite up to \$9 billion in infrastructure bonding.

However the state budget battle works out, let's hope our leaders will recognize that as a priority, they should be fighting to protect hard-pressed, hard-working, taxpaying middle-class families that are already overburdened by the high cost of government here at all levels. Let's give New York taxpayers a break.

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# Displaced children will tell the story

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ow do we find any common ground in the midst of this paralyzing political chaos?
On one side, we hear that this or that Trump misbehavior or statement is "unprecedented." We witness the rise

or that Trump misbehavior or statement is "unprecedented." We witness the rise and precipitous fall of countless unqualified Trump political cronies. We see the new normal of truth on a sliding scale.



RANDI KREISS

We look at the economy and see privilege going to privilege; we see a stock market that rewards the rich.

We hear the president excoriate his enemies in crude epithets and racist slurs. He elevates his children to positions of power and trust without the appro-

priate vetting. His former campaign chairman is in jail and his personal attorney is on his way to the slammer.

We note that the world is laughing at

On the other side, Trump supporters see the economy as robust. They believe that the president's unconventional madman theory of diplomatic sparring is refreshing and effective. They are tired of too many people getting government sub-

sidies, and too many undocumented refugees crossing the border into our country.

They are gratified that our allies have been put on notice that we aren't the world's pocketbook. They oppose expen-

sive programs to fight climate change because they don't believe there is science behind the initiatives. They despise the new progressives who have come to town in D.C.

I could list 20 more divisive issues on which the staunch pro-Trumpers and the staunch anti-Trumpers could go to the wall. So let's go to the wall — the border wall — and see what we can

If we set politics aside for a moment — and I know that's a big lift — can we all not agree that it is morally reprehensible to separate children from their parents? For any reason, least of all as punishment to discourage those seeking political asylum?

Last April, Trump said that the government needed to adopt a "zero tolerance" policy on people coming over the border without documentation. According to Sen. Jeff Merkley of Oregon, at the peak of the debacle, some 15,000 children, including infants, had been separated from their parents and placed in govern-

ment-run shelters. Metal cages housed the youngest children, to keep them "safe," authorities said. Walmarts were refitted to shelter kids.

How were so many callous individuals

found to serve this catastrophic policy? Why didn't more officials refuse to follow orders?

Even after the policy was reversed, and disavowed by the president, government officials claim that many children, for various reasons, still remain separated from their parents.

How is this happening in our America?

As decent people with political differences, can't we agree that this policy is

inhumane? This isn't who we are, as individuals or as a nation. We fought the Nazis because they had the moral depravity to separate children from their mothers and fathers. We give money to charities that save children and help mothers keep babies and support families in crisis. What changes the calculus when the babies and their parents are migrants or asylum seekers? We can detain them or prosecute them or give them a path to citizenship, but how do we possibly justify breaking up families?

Nothing ever happens in a vacuum. As

I'm writing, the news is breaking that Juan Sanchez has resigned as head of Southwest Key Programs, a nonprofit agency that houses migrant children separated from their parents. Last month the organization's chief financial officer resigned. According to The New York Times, the agency and its officers are being investigated for alleged financial improprieties. Its business was detaining children who, by any ethical standard, should have been with their parents.

Another coincidence is that I have been reading "The Body Keeps the Score" by Dr. Bessel van der Kolk. He writes about trauma and its effect on the body. One of the salient points he makes is the profound trauma experienced by children who are separated from their mothers at an early age.

What is going on at our border is one of the saddest chapters in the life of our nation. There are still children and parents who have not been reunited. There will be hell to pay: hell for the kids and for their mothers and fathers, all of whom have been traumatized by this policy.

The conversation must start here: Taking babies from mothers is wrong-minded. This shameful policy is now part of our history. Without question, the displaced children will tell the story.

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### **HERALD EDITORIAL**

## College admission can't be about cheating

he collegiate world was rocked last week when 50 (mostly wealthy) parents, including Long Island's Lori Loughlin, of "Full House" fame, were accused of being part of a bribery and cheating scheme to guarantee their children entrance into prestigious colleges nationwide.

It was an embarrassing, and criminal, turn of events for those involved, including the students and the universities. At the same time, it raised the question of whether the college admissions process is fundamentally stacked in favor of the wealthy, particularly those willing to bribe their

Given the pressure-cooker environment of the latter high school years, when anxiety over college admissions peaks among students and their families, a scandal such as this can only add to the worries of the honest. It's here that we should all take a collective deep breath.

The scandal doesn't point to widespread cheating by families with money. Last fall, roughly 20 million students enrolled in colleges in the United States, according to the National Center for Education Statistics. Compare that with the 50 families accused of illegal acts to win admission to college. They represent a vanishingly small percentage of the total college population. Let's not jump to the conclusion that our university system is somehow now a corrupt enterprise. It isn't.

The admission rate at the University of Southern California, where Loughlin's two daughters are enrolled, is 18 percent. That's certainly competitive, but gaining admission there isn't an insurmountable goal. So why cheat? Who knows? Vanity, perhaps, on the part of Loughlin or her

#### **Acceptance rates at** some N.Y. schools

Adelphi University: 73 percent Columbia University: 6 percent Fordham University: 45 percent Hofstra University: 64 percent **Hunter College: 35 percent** Molloy College: 76 percent New York University: 19 percent Pace University: 66 percent Pratt Institute: 63 percent SUNY Stony Brook: 42 percent

Source: U.S. News & World Report

husband, fashion designer Mossimo Giannulli?

Apparently, though, their daughters, by their own admission, had little to no desire to attend USC. In a 2018 vlog post, Olivia Giannulli bragged that she was "literally never at school," and that she "didn't really care" about college except on game days, when she could attend parties. That is perhaps the biggest tragedy of all here.

New York Times columnist Frank Bruni has written extensively on college admissions, including the book "Where You Go is Not Who You Will Be." Hard work, Bruni rightly notes, will ultimately lead to success in life. Graduating from a so-called elite university can give you an edge early in your career, but without drive and determination, your degree will make relatively little difference in the wider world, where competition for jobs can be - and most often is - far more intense than the college admissions process.

There are untold numbers of people who didn't attend top-tier universities, or didn't even graduate from college, yet found success, Bruni points out. Thomas Edison comes quickly to mind. He never went to college, and had little formal schooling, in fact. Investor Warren Buffett - the "Oracle of Omaha" — graduated from the University of Nebraska, which has a 76 percent acceptance rate and is ranked 129th among the nation's universities by U.S. News & World Report.

Bruni may be an imperfect messenger - he graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and went on to Columbia. His point is well taken, though: Your school should never define who you are as a student — and, more important, as a human being.

Reacting to the recent scandal, many are equating the multi-million-dollar donations by many wealthy families to universities — often, in part, to ensure acceptance for their children — with the illegal acts of Loughlin and company. While such donations might seem to be ego-driven guarantees of preferential treatment, let's not link legal acts, which benefit thousands of students through better facilities and training for professors, with the reprehensible cheating of four dozen families. There is a greater good to the legal donations, as philosopher John Stuart Mill might say.

Ultimately, what this scandal makes clear is that we should all take a step back when it comes to college admissions and our children, and think about what we're really doing when we send them on their way. College is an opportunity for them to discover and learn about their passions, and that's all that should matter.

#### **LETTERS**

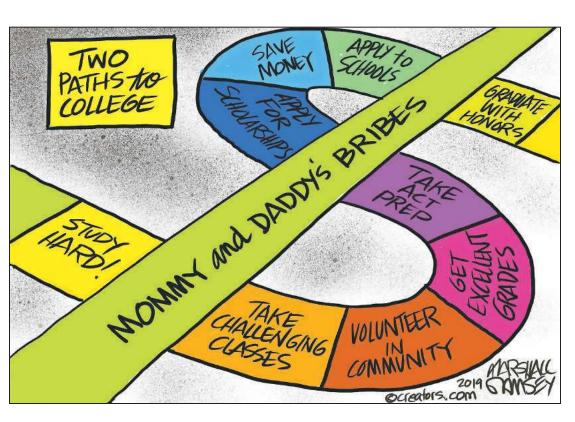
#### Against Trump's military parade

To the Editor:

President Trump wants to have a big celebration on the Fourth of July. That date has been big for years with other presidents and enjoyed by all Americans who often attend concerts, enjoy different kinds of entertainment and even see a fireworks show.

Trump wants something like a military parade or an overpriced show. Class has never been one of his strong points. Why can't he do what he wants at Mar-a-Lago and leave us alone?

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#### **OPINIONS**

# Slow down, New York. We're moving too fast on pot.

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Marijuana is now

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s the debate around legalization of recreational marijuana in New York state swirls, and the punches and counter punches of the pros versus cons become more frenetic, we need to take a step back, slow down and use reason rather than rhetoric.

There are wide disconnects among what we know, what we think we know



JUDI VINING

and what is actually happening elsewhere. The mythology about the harmlessness of marijuana stems, in large part, from our collective—sometimes nostalgic—memories of the '60s, which are juxtaposed against the old "reefer madness" mentality, or the belief that

pot causes insanity. Neither position represents what we need to focus on to make the informed choices that will impact our state in many ways for decades to come.

As a colleague put it, if you haven't used marijuana or been exposed to its consumption in the past two or three years, you're likely seeing the legalization debate through the wrong lens. The THC component of marijuana (which produces the high) has skyrocketed from between 5 and 10 percent in the 1960s to an average of 40

to 50 percent or higher now, according to The Los Angeles Times. This isn't Woodstock weed. It's far more potent.

And the implications are far-reaching. A report by the Colorado Department of Public Health shows that marijuana-related hospitalizations

ed nospitalizations increased from 1,313 per 100,000 in 2011 to 3,025 by 2015 — an increase of 43 percent. Colorado legalized marijuana in 2013. The number of drivers involved in fatal crashes who tested positive for marijuana more than doubled between 2013 and 2017 in the state, according to The Denver Post.

Young people vape more than they smoke marijuana.
Vaping leads to higher concentrations of THC levels in users, giving them a more powerful high that can be accompanied by hallucinations, according

accompanied by hallucinations, according to NBC News. And THC-based gummies, candies and sodas are clearly marketed to attract youth.

About the "safer product" myth: In Oregon, only 3 percent of retailers and growers have had their products tested, and a state audit notes, "We cannot ensure that the products are safe," according to Oregon NBC affiliate KGW8. In California, more than 20 percent of the marijuana products tested failed "purity and potency" testing requirements, according to an

NBC affiliate there.

The \$300 million in annual sales tax revenue that Gov. Andrew Cuomo anticipates the marijuana industry would generate would represent only .17 percent of the \$176 billion budget proposed for New

York state this year. Meanwhile, in Colorado, for every \$1 of sales tax revenue generated by marijuana, \$4.57 is spent to mitigate the problems that come with its use, according to a study by Colorado Christian University.

And it's common knowledge that the black market for marijuana has not been eradicated in states where it's legal — and, in fact, it continues to thrive in those places.

Let's consider social justice. In 2014, the year after Colorado legalized marijuana, the number of arrests for the drug decreased by 51 percent for whites, 33 percent for Hispanics and 25 percent for African-Americans. The marijuana arrest rate for blacks (348 per 100,000) was almost triple that of whites (123 per 100,000) that year, according to a report by the Colorado DPH.

The tobacco giant Altria (the owner of Marlboro) invested \$12.8 billion in the Juul vaping company last year, giving it a 35 percent stake in the company, according to CNBC. And Altria invested \$1.8 billion in Canadian cannabis company Cronos last year. This is big business poised to cause, and then profit from, a public health crisis.

The American Journal of Psychiatry states, "Cannabis use, even among adults with moderate to severe pain, was associated with a substantially increased risk of nonmedical prescription opioid use." Clearly, pot is not the solution to the opioid epidemic.

The American Medical Association opposes marijuana legalization. So does the New York Catholic Conference, the New York State STOP-DWI Association and the New York State PTA. STOP-DWI recently sent a letter to Cuomo and the State Legislature, asking that they "allow appropriate time to consider the implications in regard to highway safety, as we are surely facing a whole new school of impairment."

With legalization comes more availability of products attractive to children, including marijuana-based cookies and brownies. Availability means access, and, we know, with greater accessibility comes greater use.

Slow down, New York. What's the rush to legalize marijuana?

Judi Vining is executive director of Long Beach AWARE, a nonprofit public policy organization "that helps create and maintain a healthy environment for families and teens."

#### **LETTERS**

# Stop scaremongering legal abortions

To the Editor:

I am deeply concerned by the misinformation being spread about the Reproductive Health Act. I am disgusted by the opposition's attempts to scaremonger about a woman's constitutional right to make her own health care decisions. Their inflammatory claims are false and offensive to pregnant women and their partners who face complications during pregnancy.

We all deserve access to health care based on our medical needs and doctor's best judgment, not politicians. Every person's circumstance is different, and every pregnancy is unique. A person's health should drive important medical decisions, not a lawmaker's political ideology. Politicians are not medical experts, and this is not an area where politicians should be interfering. Throughout pregnancy, women must be able to make their own decisions with the advice of the health care professionals they trust.

Opponents of women's health care use provocative, false scenarios to hide from admitting that they don't care about women's health, are trying to end family planning programming and take away health insurance and health care

from women and children. The people pushing these false allegations are the same people who are trying to ban safe, legal abortion.

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#### Putting Glen Cove first

To the Editor:

It is with great honor and pleasure that I announce my candidacy for Glen Cove City Council. I was asked by the Glen Cove Democratic Party and Mayor Tim Tenke to run on his slate.

I gave this decision much heartfelt thought, and based on my 25 years of participation in various Glen Cove civic organizations and youth sports programs and service on the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals for over 20 years, I believe I am well-qualified for the job.

Our city is poised for growth, and we must all work together to achieve it. We need to strengthen all areas in the city so we can be prepared for the predicted increase in population. Having a sound financial foundation and a well-maintained infrastructure we can build on, we will raise the bar for quality of life for both current and new residents.

It is my hope to make Glen Cove the true Gold Coast it once was. If elected,

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my years of experience in making decisions for our city will help guide us. My goal is to ensure that all communities and people of the city are represented.

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