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No need for air conditioning

Those who attended the Gold Coast Cruisers car show on June 30 were treated to views of the harbor and an array of stunning cars. More photos, Page 9.

9/11 responder is seeking pension parity

By LAURA LANE
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Many images continue to haunt civilian 9/11 responder Timothy DeMeo. He saw close to 100 people engulfed in flames jump from the twin towers, he said — images that are still among his nightmares. And there was another that he still can't shake, 18 years later. "We found, on top of Tower 6, a shoe with a foot in it," he said, his voice breaking. "There was such a horrific loss of life there."

DeMeo, 50, is an engineer from Glen Head who works for the state Department of Environmental Conservation. After two jets struck the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, 2001, he was ordered to go to the site because he is an emergency spill responder and an advanced hazardous materials technician. Before Sept. 11, his job mostly involved cleaning up hazardous spills from over-

turned tankers, underground leaks and the occasional plane crash.

DeMeo said he is now sick with 9/11-related illnesses, having been covered in toxic dust that day and then spending five and a half months working at ground zero. He worked seven days a week, 12 to 16 hours a day, as part of the DEC World Trade Center Task Force, with duties that included the collection of petroleum and liquid chemical waste. He worked roughly 1,000 hours, he said, in basement levels 5 and 6 in both towers. "There was fuel everywhere," he said. "We collected hundreds of thousands of various [types of] petroleum products."

DeMeo has health coverage, he said, through the World Trade Center Health Program, and benefits from the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund and the Zadroga Act. What he is

People like me, we fell through the cracks. This is all about the financial protection of my family.

TIMOTHY DEMEO
Sept. 11 civilian responder, Glen Head

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Public to vote on new Glen Cove school bond in October

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The tension was evident during a Glen Cove City School District Board of Education meeting on May 22, when several attendees urged the trustees to draft a new school-infrastructure-improvement bond. Residents said they were disappointed by the board's lack of urgency in responding to the defeat of an earlier version of the bond in

March, but trustees and administration members said they had been working on developing a new bond since then.

The board said it would have a new bond ready by the end of the school year. At its June 19 meeting, it delivered on that pledge, adopting a new bond referendum with a vote of 6-0. Trustee Robert Field, who was vacationing in Switzerland, stayed up until 1:30 a.m. local time to vote "yes" via Skype, but

Trustee David Huggins was unable to attend the meeting, electronically or otherwise. The public will vote on the new bond in October.

There are a number of differences between the \$84.6 million bond that was voted down in March and the new measure. Perhaps the biggest difference is that the new bond is divided into two separate propositions.

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Patrol boat named to honor G.C. veteran

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The Glen Cove Harbor Patrol welcomed its newest boat during a christening ceremony on June 26. The Middleton, named for James Middleton, who died in 2017, is the third boat to enter into the Harbor Patrol's ranks.

A World War II veteran and resident of Glen Cove for decades, Middleton helped found the Glen Cove American Legion Young-Simmons Post 1765 in the 1950s. At the time, it was one of the only Nassau County chapters that welcomed African-American members.

After graduating from Glen Cove High School in 1944, Middleton entered the military where he served as a sergeant in the U.S. Army Air Corps. until his honorable discharge in 1946.

Middleton made great strides in the veteran community and held a number of hats among different veteran groups. He was the commander of the Nassau County American Legion, the City of Glen Cove's first veteran's coordinator, and he held multiple positions in the Young-Simmons post including first vice chair, historian, membership officer and publicity officer.

He was also a member of the First Baptist Church of Glen Cove where he served in the finance department, a committee member for the Glen Cove Memorial Day Parade, and an avid golf enthusiast who took an annual trip to Augusta for the Masters.

Tony Jimenez, Glen Cove's director of veterans' affairs, opened up the ceremony to say a few words about the impact Middleton had on the veterans in Glen Cove. Following a prayer led by Rev. Roger Williams of the First Baptist Church of Glen Cove, speeches were made by Mayor Tim Tenke, Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton, a Democrat from Glen Cove, and Harbormaster John Testa. They all acknowledged the vital role that Middleton played in Glen Cove during his lifetime, and all agreed that he was a perfect person to whom the city should dedicate a boat.

As the speeches concluded, leaves and branches were laid upon the deck of the ship. Middleton's sister, Eleanor, was joined by Testa in smashing a champagne bottle against the ship's bow, before the boat was lowered into the water.

Danielle Agoglia contributed to this story.



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CHAMPAGNE SPLATTERED AS Harbor Chief John Testa, top, left, assisted Eleanor Middleton in smashing the traditional bottle on the bow of the Middleton.

VETERAN DAVID HUBBARD, left, led the Pledge of Allegiance alongside Councilwomen Donna McNaughton and Pam Panzenbeck.



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Parity bill awaits Cuomo's signature

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seeking is pension parity that was promised to firefighters, police officers and other workers who were part of the 9/11 cleanup effort, and later developed illnesses, in a bill signed by then Gov. George Pataki on June 15, 2005. According to the bill, they qualify for annual disability payments equal to three-quarters of their final average salary, tax-free. Though he is not a firefighter or police officer, DeMeo said, he was a first responder. He wants civilian 9/11 responders to receive the pension that has benefited uniformed responders. Pataki's oversight in not including first responders like him was unintentional, DeMeo insists.

Now, forced to retire before his 55th birthday, with 25 years of service with the state instead of the required 30, his retirement pension will be considerably smaller. And there is a penalty for early retirement.

"People like me, we fell through the cracks," said DeMeo, who is married and has two sons, ages 20 and 17, and a 10-year-old daughter. "This is all about the financial protection of my family. I shouldn't be further punished for my dutiful response."

He testified before the state Senate Committee on Civil Service and Pensions on July 17, 2018, pleading for pension parity. He appeared there after a bill that would have established that parity, written in 2015, died after failing to make it to the Senate floor.

DeMeo visited newly elected State Sen. Jim Gaughran in January, in the first week of his term, to ask for help, bringing with him statistics and the 2015 failed bill. Gaughran, a Democrat from Huntington, agreed to sponsor a new bill, which passed unanimously in the Senate, and then in the Assembly on June 20. It is awaiting Gov. Andrew Cuomo's signature.

"This is really just to help people who are really sick because they stepped up to help their fellow citizens after Sept. 11, working side by side with the fire and police departments," Gaughran said. "People had different roles and came from different departments, but they were all working for the same thing."

Gaughran said that the bill was difficult to pass, because it would cost the state pension system an average of \$320,000 per eligible first responder.

"If some retired now, some wouldn't be entitled to a pension, or it would be very small," he explained. "I think that we have an obligation to these people, many of whom are very sick, to give them some sort of dignity and to allow them to enjoy the rest of their lives with their families."

Recalling that dreadful day

DeMeo was five minutes away from his Long Island City office when he received two calls on Sept. 11, telling him that a plane had crashed into the north tower of the World Trade Center and that he had to head there immediately.

Once there, he said, he saw fire coming from one of the plane's jet engines that had



Laura Lane/Herald Gazette

LIFE HAS BEEN difficult for Timothy DeMeo, a Glen Head civilian 9/11 responder, and his wife, Gloria.

fallen on West Street, across the street from where he was standing. "I had the foresight not to enter the building. I was there for the jet fuel," he said. "I remember telling my colleague that the building wouldn't come down."

Five minutes later, the south tower collapsed. "I was thrown like a piece of paper and got hit in the neck by a brick," DeMeo recounted, his eyes widening. "I was in a dust cloud, and couldn't see anything. I thought I was dead."

He found an emergency medical technician and asked for help, but was told he was on his own. DeMeo grabbed bandages and gauze from an overturned ambulance and made his way to a restaurant on West Street. He rinsed his eyes with water — and then watched the north tower fall.

A uniformed DEC law enforcement officer told him to walk to the South Street Seaport, where another DEC officer would take him to St. John's Hospital in Queens. He had been struck by debris on his shoulders, neck, back and hip and had gotten it in his eyes.

"I left the hospital in dust-covered street clothes," he said. "When I got to the office, I was stripped down and thrown in the shower. All we had were the protective suits and yellow protective over-boots that we wear in areas that are not environmentally safe. Nine hours later, I got home wearing that."

In order to return to work, DeMeo said, he had to get pulmonary and orthopedic medical clearance. At work a week later, he was assigned to the DEC World Trade Center Task Force. He spent the next five and a half months at ground zero.

His worsening health

DeMeo continues to experience excruciating pain in his neck and back, and his spinal cord is pinched. In 2006 he developed respiratory problems. He lost his voice in 2008 and underwent his first surgery, a repair of his vocal cords, which was successful. He has had four other surgeries, and said he is having another one soon.

"I'm a very private person, and don't usually talk about all of this except to my wife," he said. "I feel guilty sitting at home. But my doctors won't let me go back to work."

The last time he worked was last August. He has been in the care of a variety of doctors for five years, and has been told from the beginning to quit his job and collect the three-quarter pension that uniformed first responders are receiving, he said. "I keep telling them I don't get that," DeMeo said. "I feel like the forgotten responder. You don't even hear about us. They like to pretend we don't exist."

Gaughran said there are 610 people who would benefit from his bill.

DeMeo, who once enjoyed skiing, owns a motorcycle and loved to rebuild engines, no longer has the strength to toss a baseball with his children. His wife, Gloria, now mows the lawn. A first grade teacher, she is working at summer school for the first time to help with the family's finances. She is dedicated to her husband, and her life has been difficult on many levels.

"I'm very private," said Gloria, her eyes filling with tears. "You don't understand what this is like unless you're living it. It's lonely."

The Zadroga Act

In 2011, President Barack Obama signed the Zadroga Act, named for NYPD Detective James Zadroga, who died in 2006 from a 9/11-related illness. The legislation provides for medical screening and health care for both first responders and World Trade Center survivors who lived or worked in the contaminated zone in lower Manhattan, south of Canal Street. It was reauthorized in 2015, and will provide health care until 2090.

Sept. 11th Victim Compensation Fund

The September 11th Victim Compensation Fund was established after the terrorist attacks for those who died or were injured in them. In 2011, the fund was reopened to compensate first responders and individuals who later experienced health problems or economic losses due to a long-term World Trade Center-related disability. Congress added \$4.6 billion to the fund in 2015 and extended it by five years. Fund officials said they have paid almost \$5 billion in claims to 21,000 survivors or their families from the \$7.3 billion account. The fund cannot be used for mental-health diseases and conditions like post-traumatic stress disorder. It is estimated that between 20 and 30 percent of 9/11 first responders suffer from PTSD.

Years later, more may become ill

According to The New York Times, it's estimated that about 90,000 first responders played a role in the World Trade Center response and cleanup, which went on for months. Post-9/11, tens of thousands of public employees were required to report to their workplaces in Lower Manhattan, well within the World Trade Center contamination zone, throughout the cleanup period, including nearly three months when the site was still burning.

Glen Cove School District bond, Take 2

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Proposition 1, called Critical Scope, totals \$53.4 million, and outlines improvements that are most critically needed in the district. Maria Venuto, a member of the committee that drafted it, said that the safety and security of students and faculty was the measure's top priority.

If Proposition 1 passes, all six schools would see the installation of more secure classroom doors and improved heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems, and each building would receive needed safety upgrades as well. Superintendent Dr. Maria Rianna added that compliances with the American with Disability Act was a priority for Proposition 1 as well.

Proposition 2, called Essential Scope, would provide an additional \$23.5 million for other improvements, including renovations to the choral and music rooms at Glen Cove High School. It would fund restoration of the northern parking lot at Finley Middle School and play-area asphalt restoration at Connolly Elementary School, among other projects.

Together, the two propositions total roughly \$77 million.

Rianna said that separating them was largely a response to residents' feedback following the first bond's failure. Many said that the bond had asked for too much money at one time.

Venuto said the split was meant to make the proposed spending more palatable for voters. It will also give them options, she said, because they will be able to vote "yes" on Proposition 1 and "no" on Proposition 2 if they choose.

Rianna said that the administration, the school board and the bond committee examined every item in the previous bond when deciding what needed to stay in the new one. She said that nothing new was added that was not in the original measure, and some things were taken out, including aesthetic projects, such as converting the high school's grass field to artificial turf.

Rick Smith, who voted against the first bond, said he would not change his vote this fall. He said that \$53 million was still too much to ask for, and he didn't believe that any of the proposed improvements would directly benefit education. He specifically cited HVAC improvements as a sticking point. Schools need air condition-



Photos courtesy Glen Cove City School District



ing only for small periods of time, he reasoned, and schools without air conditioning have done fine in the past.

Smith, the owner of the Piano Exchange in Glen Cove, also said that the tax increase that the bond could necessitate would hit commercial businesses harder than the district is projecting. Most of the work that's needed could be done by local companies for less money, he said, so a bond is unnecessary.

Venuto and Rianna both said that one of the most crucial aspects of the bond process is that district representatives spread accurate information on the measure. They plan to set up tables at popular events such as Downtown Sounds, Venuto said, to answer any questions people may have.

"It's important that we go out into the community more," Rianna said, "and make sure that everybody has the real information."

Despite the opposition to the first bond, Venuto said she was optimistic that the new one would not suffer the same result. She added that she was confident about the measure, and about the community's desire to improve district schools.

The vote on Proposition 1 is scheduled for Oct. 22. If it passes, Proposition 2 will be put up for a vote at a later date.



THE SCIENCE ROOMS at Glen Cove High School, above left, would be overhauled, with new tables and cabinets installed.

THE WINDOWS IN the doors at Gribbin Elementary School, above, are too large to offer enough protection against intruders.

DEASY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, left, needs many repairs.

CRIME WATCH

Arrests

■ A female, 18, of North Bellmore, was arrested for second-degree criminal impersonation, operation of a motor vehicle by an unlicensed driver and a registration plate display violation on McLoughlin Street on July 6.

■ A male, 41, of Glen Cove, was arrested for disorderly conduct on Continental Place on July 6.

■ A male, 39, of Glen Cove, was arrested on three counts of fourth-degree criminal

mischief and second-degree criminal contempt on Johnson Street on July 5.

■ A male, 51, of Glen Cove, was arrested for second-degree strangulation and an open warrant from the First District Court on Glen Cove Avenue on July 5.

■ A female, 38, of Glen Cove, was arrested for second-degree criminal contempt on Glen Cove Avenue on July 5.

■ A male, 34, of Commack, was arrested for second-degree harassment on Brewster Street on June 30.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

Nearby things to do this week



Dancing in the Street

Every Friday until Aug. 9, dancers of all ages, skills, and styles are invited to come out for delightful evenings of pure fun under the stars as "Dancing in the Street" returns to Oyster Bay. Music and dance instruction will be provided by Long Island's most popular DJs and dancers. The next date is July 12, 7 p.m., at 74 Audrey Avenue in Oyster Bay. (516) 922-6982.

College application essay

Teacher and author Lynda Aron will be at the Sea Cliff Village Library on July 15 to give teens tips and tricks to help set their application essays apart. 7 p.m., 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. Registration is required. (516) 671-4290.

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'Picturing America' with Thomas Germano

This visual art presentation explores American art in the context of the nation's history. Painting, sculpture, architecture, photography and more will be discussed. Lead by Thomas Germano, Professor of Art and Art History at Farmingdale State College, SUNY. The lecture begins at 7 p.m. on July 17 at the Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. (516) 759-8300.

Honoring the Roosevelt family

Step back in time at Sagamore Hill, Sunday, July 14, at 2 p.m. The presidential summer home hosts a program examining the life of President Theodore Roosevelt's youngest son, Quentin. Join a park ranger for a talk on Quentin Roosevelt's short life, including his military service as a pilot in France. Info: (516) 922-4788 or www.nps.gov/SagamoreHill.



Summer playlist

The majestic Sands Point Preserve is the setting for chamber concert celebrating the season, on Saturday, July 13, at 7 p.m. This captivating evening features violinist Todd Reynolds, violist Kathryn Lockwood, accordionist Nathan Koci, and percussionist Yousif Sheronick, with poetry reader Sheri Hammerstrom. Info: (516) 304-5076 or www.sandspointconservancy.org.

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LIVER TRANSPLANT

PATIENT George Conte, of Floral Park, consulted recently with Dr. David Bernstein, Northwell Health's chief of hepatology, at the Sandra Atlas Bass Center for Liver Diseases at North Shore University Hospital in Manhasset. Conte received a new liver last August, at Montefiore Hospital in the Bronx. Patients no longer need to leave Long Island for liver transplants now that Northwell offers them. Below, the entrance to the Sandra Bass Center.

Liver transplant center is 'a godsend'

Northwell Health opens first program on L.I. at North Shore University Hospital

By **SCOTT BRINTON**

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George Conte reached the very high end of the Medical End-Stage Liver Disease scale last summer. The low end of the range is 6 — mild liver disease — and the upper end is 40 — near death. Conte, a milk truck driver and grandfather from Floral Park, now 63, was fading fast.

Without a new liver, Conte had only days to live. Then a 20-year-old woman who had recently given birth suffered a brain aneurysm, dying instantly. She was a donor match. Her liver saved Conte's life. He received the transplanted organ on Aug. 7, 2018, at Montefiore Hospital in the Bronx.

He had spent three years shuffling back and forth to the Bronx for weekly blood tests. The trips were exhausting and harrowing for Conte, who was in constant pain, often dazed and confused, and comatose at times, he said.

"It got very bad at one point," he said gravely.

Now, however, liver patients like Conte need not trek beyond Long Island to receive transplants. The state Department of Health recently approved the Island's first adult liver transplant program at Northwell Health's North Shore University Hospital in Manhasset. Surgeons and doctors at the 15,000-square-foot Sandra Atlas Bass Center for Liver Diseases, on the NSUH campus, began compiling a list of patients in greatest need of transplants in June. Now they are waiting for livers to become available to start transplanting them into patients.

Northwell is expected to perform 10 liver transplants over the next year.



"The burden of end-stage liver disease is enormous for Long Islanders, who in the past were forced to look elsewhere for life-saving treatment," said Dr. Lewis Teperman, vice chairman of surgery at NSUH and director of organ transplantation at Northwell Health. "It's time that care for these patients be provided close to home."

'He didn't know his name'

Conte, whose liver disease resulted from nearly three decades of taking diabetes medication, cannot recall the date when the veins in his esophagus burst, a side effect of the disease. It was February 2015. He vaguely remembers vomiting what appeared to be coffee grounds on the side of the road en route to a dairy in Bay Shore one night. He recalls the dairy owner saying he looked strangely yellow — he was jaundiced — and he wobbled as he stood. And he remembers vomiting again in an emergency room bathroom.

Then he blacked out.

Conte later learned that the vomitus was full of dried blood. The ruptured veins had sent blood pouring through his esophagus into his lungs and stomach.

Until that night, Conte said, he hadn't realized how sick he was because of liver disease. "I worked so hard all my life," he said. "I didn't think nothing of it."

Dr. David Bernstein is Northwell's chief of hepatology and head of the health system's liver sub-specialty service line, providing pre- and post-operative care for liver patients like Conte.

Bernstein started NSUH's liver program two decades ago. He has treated Conte for years, and said his liver disease stretched back a decade before that near-fatal night. "He's had every one of the complications that one could have," Bernstein said, seated in his office at the Sandra Bass Center on a recent Friday.

Conte was beside him. "If it wasn't for

Causes of liver disease

Roughly 4.5 million adults suffer from liver disease. Viruses such as hepatitis A, B and C, diseases such as diabetes, obesity, and alcohol and drug use are primary causes. Two main types are non-alcoholic and alcoholic fatty liver disease. Cirrhosis, or late-stage fibrosis, is scarring on the liver because of disease.

Sources: *The Centers for Disease Control and Mayo Clinic*

[NSUH], Dr. Bernstein and other doctors," Conte interjected, "I wouldn't be sitting here right now."

Dressed in a gray T-shirt and blue jeans, Conte smiled often, revealing missing teeth in the front of his mouth — also a result of liver disease.

The body's largest organ, slightly smaller than a football, the liver filters toxins for excretion. If it breaks down, so does the body, including the brain. One minute, a liver patient might be lucid, and the next in a state of frenzied confusion, as Conte was more than once.

"There were many times when he was sick, and he didn't know his name," said Bernstein, 57, who grew up in Merrick and now lives in Roslyn.

"Most people with cirrhosis," or scar-

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NSUH is now providing liver transplants

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ring of the liver, “don’t know they have it,” he added.

‘You totally change their lives’

Teperman joined the Northwell staff in 2016, coming from NYU Langone Medical Center in Manhattan. He studied under the renowned Dr. Thomas Starzl, who is known as the “father of transplantation” — he performed the world’s first liver transplant in 1963.

“It takes a village to run a transplant program,” including a team of surgeons, hepatologists, nurses, social workers and nutritionists, Teperman said. A patient must be seen for life after a transplant. Immunosuppressive drugs to prevent the body from rejecting the new organ must be monitored and adjusted indefinitely.

Surgeons, Teperman said, attend patients’ “weddings, christenings, bar mitzvahs . . . You totally change their lives.”

One such patient of Teperman’s is Laurie Rosen, of East Northport, whose liver he transplanted at NYU Langone four years ago. She was first diagnosed with liver disease in 2005, at age 53.

The dietician had gone in for a physical required for a new job at a Queens nursing home. Her blood work showed elevated liver enzymes, indicating disease. She was diagnosed with primary sclerosing cholangitis, a rare chronic liver disease that causes scarring on the bile ducts.

Rosen’s abdomen was soon severely bloated. “I looked like a nine-month-pregnant woman,” she said, “and I felt like that, too.”

The mother of two carried on for nearly a decade in that condition. Her MELD transplant score never reached the point of eligibility, according to the United Network for Organ Sharing, the private nonprofit organization that regulates the availability of organs.



Courtesy Northwell Health

DR. LEWIS TEPERMAN, NSUH’s vice chairman of surgery and Northwell Health’s director of organ transplantation, heads a team of internationally recognized surgeons.

“It was extremely difficult,” she said. “I was an emotional wreck. I just kept crying.”

Her son, Jesse Rosen, now in his 30s and a history teacher in the Port Jefferson School District, gave her part of his liver in 2015. It’s called a living-donor transplant. The liver is the only organ that can regenerate. A 25 percent sliver can grow back to full size once transplanted.

Laurie Rosen said she was “extremely conflicted” about having her son be her donor. “Imagine having your child cut open for you,” she said.

The surgery, however, went off without complication.

U.S. organ transplant trends

Total number of patients in need of liver and other transplants in 2019: **113,417**

Transplants performed January to May: **16,167**

Donors January to May: **7,743**

Liver transplants in 2018: **8,250**

Source: United Network for Organ Sharing

How to be a donor

According to the Health Resource and Services Administration, 7,300 people, or 20 a day, will die waiting for organ transplants of all kinds. New York is among the states with the lowest number of donors. To sign up to become one, go to organdonor.gov.

Now Rosen is recovered, and so is her son. “I got to the point where I didn’t remember how it was to feel good,” she said. “If my son hadn’t stepped up, I wouldn’t be in this position right now. It’s such a gift. It’s the gift of life.”

Traveling on the Long Island Expressway to and from Manhattan for treatment was torture, Rosen said. “Now that there’s something on Long Island,” she said of the Northwell center, “it’s a godsend.”

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HERALD SPORTS

New-look Lizards a work in progress

By **TONY BELLISSIMO**

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The landscape of professional lacrosse has changed, but the goal for the rebuilt New York Lizards remains the same — compete for the Major League Lacrosse (MLL) championship.

Five games into the 2019 campaign, the Lizards, with only a few returning starters from last season's playoff team and a new coach, are still trying to find their way. They took a big step towards establishing some momentum with a 13-9 victory over the Dallas Rattlers on June 29 at Hofstra — the first of 10 games shown on MSG Networks.

Dylan Molloy and Ryan Walsh both had a hat trick, while Rob Pannell, the reigning league MVP, added two goals and three assists as the Lizards gave BJ O'Hara his first win as coach. New York dropped each of its first four games, with three defeats coming by a combined five goals.

"We've had one stinker but overall we've played pretty well, we just couldn't close one out until tonight," said O'Hara, who brought tons of coaching experience to the Lizards as well as championship pedigree, having won four MLL titles in 16 years including last season with Denver. "Probably us and the Rattlers brought back the fewest players from last year," O'Hara added. "So we're still a work in progress but we like our roster."

The Lizards trailed Dallas 6-3 midway through the second quarter before finding another gear. Goaltender Austin Kaut made 11 saves, including several from point-blank range in the first half. Even defensemen Brett Osman and Scott Corcoran found the net in the fourth quarter to seal the outcome. Pannell's assist on Corcoran's goal made him the franchise's all-time leading scorer with 388 points.

"I was telling coach during the week how this is the most frustrated I've ever been playing lacrosse," said Pannell, a native of Smithtown and three-time Ivy League Player of the Year (Cornell) who was drafted No. 1 overall by the Lizards in 2012. "How we started the season wasn't because of a lack of talent or effort," he added. "Tonight we stayed positive and I thought the third quarter was really important. We'll look to build off it."

Pannell has led Lizards in scoring in



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ROB PANNELL, RIGHT, became the Lizards' all-time scoring leader June 29 with a five-point effort in their 13-9 victory over Dallas.

each of his six professional seasons, including a career-high 78 points in 13 games a year ago on the way to earning MLL Most Valuable Player honors. Through five games this year, he has a team-leading 21 points (nine goals, 12 assists.) Last June 9, Pannell, a key member of the 2015 championship team, recorded a career-best 10-point game (three goals, seven assists) against Florida.

Molloy, who grew up in Setauket and starred at St. Anthony's High School, was the No. 1 pick of the 2017 MLL draft by Florida and spent his first two seasons with the Launch. Like Pannell, he was also Ivy League Player of the Year (Brown

University, 2015.) Molloy led Florida in scoring last season with 59 points, with eight of those (six goals) coming June 9 against the Lizards. He leads New York in goals with 10.

Kevin Crowley, who played collegiately at Stony Brook, is in his 10th MLL season and first with the Lizards. A midfielder, he spent the previous three campaigns with Charlotte after previous stops in Hamilton, Florida and Chesapeake. He was the league MVP in 2013 and so far has six goals and four assists.

Mark Matthews (four goals, three assists) is in his eighth MLL season and second stint with the Lizards after playing

eight games for New York in 2013. Nicky Galasso and Justin Reh both appeared in three games for New York in 2018 and have taken on larger roles. Through five games, both had four goals and one assist. Jack Carrigan (Rockville Centre, Chaminade High School) is a three-year starter on defense, while Greg Puskuldjian leads the league in faceoff percentage.

"Greg's work in the X always gives us a fair chance to stop the bleeding," O'Hara said of Puskuldjian.

The Lizards have four home games remaining at Hofstra. Next up is Chesapeake on Aug. 4 at 5 p.m.

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MICHAEL KALDEA BROUGHT his daughters Cecelia, 6, and Mabel, 4, to check out the real life version of Mabel's toy VW bus.

Cruising the Gold Coast Cruisers

There are not many days during which anything in Morgan Park can rival the scenic beauty of its beaches on a day with perfect weather. But June 30 proved to be one of the few outliers, as the Gold Coast Cruisers car show brought hundreds of cars and thousands of people to the park to enjoy a different kind of beauty.

Formed in 1997, the Gold Coast Cruisers is an organization of car enthusiasts who participate in car shows across the country that give proceeds to charity. The group holds its monthly meetings in Oyster Bay, so the North Shore holds a

special place in its members' hearts, making the yearly Morgan Park show one of its biggest highlights.

Over 750 cars were on display on Morgan Park's fields and beaches, with owners splitting their time between discussing what makes their cars special and taking in what the other automobiles had to offer. Car lovers could not have asked for a better day to share their interests with friends, family and fellow automotive enthusiasts from across Long Island.

—Mike Conn



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A CLASSIC MUSTANG, left, won many trophies.

NANCY CAVALLONE, top, a long-time member of the Gold Coast Cruisers organization, was dressed appropriately.

FRANK CUSUMANO AND Jeff Maitland, near left, checked under the hood of a '69 Camaro.

HAMZA KHAMISA, far, left, spoke to Chris Pellicci from the Locust Valley Fire Department about a military-grade car with a mounted gun attached.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, July 11

Code Club

Bayville Free Library, 34 School St., Bayville, 2 p.m. Children from grade 3 through 6 can use their love for video games to learn the skills to make their own games, websites, and computer programs. (516) 628-2765.

Peotry reading with Victoria Crosby

Marley's Cafe, 8 School St., Glen Cove, 6 p.m. Glen Cove Poet Laureate will entertain with her inspirational, humorous and British themed poetry, as well as Elvis tribute poetry. This event is free and open to the public, who are also invited to share their own poetry. (516) 200-5010.

Superhero bookmarks

Sea Cliff Village Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff, 6 p.m. Teens grades 6 through 12 can create a bookmark in the form of Iron Man, Captain America or the Incredible Hulk. (516) 801-3402.

Make cacti from painted rocks

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 7 p.m. Teens grade 6 and up can get the statement look of live cacti without thorns by creating their own rock art. It is a perfect accessory for a desk, nightstand or any small space. (516) 676-2130.

Friday, July 12

Super Soccer Stars

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 10:30 a.m. Two teachers from SSS will teach children three to five years old soccer skills in a fun, noncompetitive and educational environment. The SSS philosophy is to use soccer to build self confidence. Positive reinforcement ensures each child learns at their own rate while having fun, and it is a perfect gateway into athletics. (516) 676-2130.

Peat Moss and the Fertilizers

Village Square, Glen and School Streets, Glen Cove, 7:30 p.m. Enjoy the exuberant sounds of Peat Moss and the Fertilizers for the second part of Glen Cove's Downtown Sounds concert series. Based in West Islip, the band's performances are all about having a lot of fun while enjoying unique music. (516) 676-3766.

Saturday, July 13

Sea Cliff outdoor market

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, courtyard 253 Glen Ave., Sea Cliff, 9 a.m. Shop from a selection of locally grown vegetables, fresh eggs, flowers, baked goods, local honey, plant-based prepared meals and snacks, jams, soaps and more. Weekly guest artists and craft vendors will also be on site. Ongoing every Saturday through Oct. 26. (516) 318-5487

Plants that are pet friendly

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 11 a.m. Join horticulturist Paul Levine for some pet-friendly gardening tips that can help ensure all gar-



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Long Island Singles Kayaking & SUP Adventure

Because of its ideal placement on the Long Island Sound, Glen Cove is renowned for its waters and the life that inhabits them. Join Shore Things Rentals in a guided tour of the scenic Glen Cove Harbor. As a group, kayakers will explore birds, sea and plant life and some of the most beautiful spots on Long Island. The tour will take place on calm waters, no kayaking experience is necessary and all ages are welcome. This fun, educational and active event costs \$35 and starts at 2:30 p.m. from 128 Shore Road, Glen Cove on July 14. Reservations are needed. (516) 801-2201.

dens are safe and enjoyable for the whole family. (516) 676-2130.

Habitat Hike

Garvies Point Museum and Preserve, 50 Barry Drive, Glen Cove, 11 a.m. Join a Garvies naturalist on a guided walk through the nature preserve to discover a variety of habitats. (516) 571-8010.

Sunday, July 14

Orchestra Long Island

Morgan Memorial Park, Germaine Street, Glen Cove, 7 30 p.m. Enjoy classics from Broadway, Hollywood, jazz and opera by Orchestra Long Island as conducted by David Stewart Wiley. (516) 671-0017.

Monday, July 15

Community blood drive

Sea Cliff Fire House, 67 Roslyn Ave., Sea Cliff, 3 p.m. There is an emergency blood shortage and all types are needed. Food will be served for all donors and there will be a drawing for four New York Mets tickets. (516) 790-9253.

Code Club

Bayville Free Library, 34 School St., Bayville, 5:15 p.m. Children ages 3 to 7 can go on an adventure to explore the mysteries of outer space. They will launch a rocket, build a space probe and take a picture in space. They will also learn all about the sun, moon and stars in the sky. (516) 628-2765.

50th anniversary of Apollo II landing

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 7 p.m. Learn all about the 1969 moon landing that changed the

world forever as well as more current space-related phenomena. Attendees will also learn about current space missions and view Jupiter and Saturn



Photo by Christina Daly/Herald Gazette

Author visit: Cherise Wolas

The Family Tabor, the new novel from Cherise Wolas, acclaimed author of The Resurrection of Joan Ashby, is a fascinating story about family, faith and loyalty. Wolas will discuss her book at the Glen Cove Library on July 16. A book signing, Q & A and refreshments will follow the discussion. The talk starts at 2 p.m. at 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. (516) 676-2130.

through a telescope. (516) 759-8300.

Tuesday, July 16

Sunshine Music Duo

Glen Cove Senior Center, 130 Glen St., Glen Cove, 12:15 p.m. Enjoy a wonderful performance from The Sunshine Duo with Diane Menzel and Helen Kotzky. The performance will encompass songs that inspire audience participation, accompanied by guitar, mandolin, piano and flute. (516) 759-9610.

Learn to use Pinterest

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 7 p.m. Pinterest is a great tool for sharing projects and ideas with people around the world. Lisa Colon will demonstrate how to create participants' own own pinterest account and how to start pinning. (516) 676-2130.

Thursday, July 18

Balloon volleyball game

Glen Cove Senior Center, 130 Glen St., Glen Cove, 11 a.m. Enjoy a fun and easy game of balloon volleyball while also getting a workout. (516) 759-9610.

Board paint party

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 6 p.m. Teens grade 6 through 12 can have a crafty night out by making inspirational painted wooden signs. They will make a professional-looking sign to give as a gift or to decorate their own rooms. (516) 759-8300.

Space activities for teens

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 7 p.m. Teens grades 6 and up can put together an LED Constellation lightbox, participate in an alien cupcake making challenge and other space-related activities. (516) 676-2130.

Friday, July 19

Downtown Sounds: 2U

Village Square, Glen and School Streets, Glen Cove, 7:30 p.m. 2U will rock downtown Glen Cove as the world's second-best U2 experience. (516) 759-6790.

Saturday, July 20

Geology of Garvies Point and L.I.

Garvies Point Museum and Preserve, 50 Barry Drive, Glen Cove, 11 a.m. Learn about local geological phenomena including concretions, rattlestones, Cretaceous clays, plant fossils and more. A walk along the rocky beach will follow. (516) 871-8010.

Sunday, July 21

Dr. K's Motown Review at Morgan Park

Morgan Memorial Park, Germaine Street, Glen Cove, 7:30 p.m. Dr. K's Motown Review will be bringing their emphatic tribute to Motown for a free show at Morgan Park. Celebrate the tunes of The Supremes, The Temptations, Stevie Wonder and much more. (516) 671-0017.

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NEIGHBORS IN THE NEWS



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U.S. REP. TOM Suozzi led a group of dedicated volunteers in organizing the 60th annual Morgan Park Music Festival.

Volunteers celebrated at Morgan

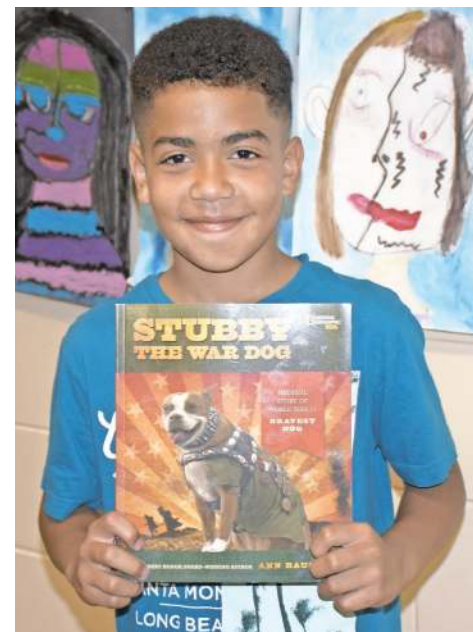
The Morgan Park Music Festival celebrated its 60th anniversary on July 7. Beginning in 1959, the festival has brought free concerts to Glen Cove for generations. The festival is run and organized by volunteers led by chairman U.S. Rep. Tom Suozzi, a Democrat from Glen

Cove. Suozzi's mother, Marge Suozzi, ran the festival from the very beginning until she stepped down in 2016, shortly before her death on Sept. 2, 2017. A performance by Beatles tribute band Strawberry Fields kept the audience entertained during the celebration.

Connolly's Scholastic award-winner

Kyle Demosthene, a student in Frank Monteleone's fifth grade class at Connolly Elementary School, was recognized for his writing by Scholastic.

The class was tasked with writing a letter from the point of view of a World War I soldier, based on the true story of the 77th Infantry Division, which was surrounded by German soldiers in France in October, 1918. They used a homing pigeon named Cher Ami to deliver the message that they were trapped and were being bombarded by friendly fire. The pigeon was wounded by German snipers, but managed to deliver the message, saving nearly 200 lives.



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CONNOLLY ELEMENTARY FIFTH-GRADER Kyle Demosthene was named Scholastic's Storyworks' Cher Ami Contest winner.



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G.C. leaders receive Girl Scout honors

By MIKE CONN

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During its 27th Annual Adults Recognition Awards Ceremony at LIU Post in June, the Girl Scouts of Nassau County presented awards to a pair of Glen Covers who have devoted much of their lives to the Girl Scouts. Cheryl Hatala received an Honor Pin for her work with the prestigious Girl Scout Gold Award process, and Tracy Gleckler received an Appreciation Pin for her decades of dedication and achievements with the Girl Scouts.

Cheryl Hatala

A lifelong Glen Cove resident, Hatala, 55, has lived in the city her entire life. She joined the Girl Scouts when she was 7, although she left as she entered her teens. However, the scouts became a part of her life once again when her daughter, Catherine, entered kindergarten leading Hatala and Robin Stanco, a friend, to form a new troop in Glen Cove. She has remained a fixture in the Girl Scouts community, providing mentorship to scouts all across Nassau County.

Hatala said she the reason why she has spent so many years with the Girl Scouts is due to the organization's tenets of courage, confidence and character; things she believes are necessary to instill within young women. She said scouting serves as a means of keeping girls grounded and guiding them to make good choices when they are faced with one of life's many obstacles. They also build a strong sense of character, she said, one that helps them to develop into successful and caring adults.

With her daughter now out of Girl Scouts, Hatala continues to serve as a mentor to teenage scouts working toward their Gold Award, the highest award a Girl Scout can receive. She has mentored seven Gold Award Girl Scouts, all of whom have worked on projects designed to make the world a better place. With her help, her mentees have accomplished things such as raising awareness for spaying and neutering animals in the Dominican Republic, creating STEM workshops for girls and setting up a club for mental health awareness in Syosset schools.

Emily Rogers, a 16-year-old Girl Scout from Glen Cove and a rising senior at Long Island Lutheran High School in Glen Head, has received guidance from Hatala while working on her Gold Award project. Rogers is working with the Glen Cove Seed Library to develop a gardening curriculum for children. She has created boxes with vegetable seeds, gardening guides and tools, and also leads gardening workshops.

Rogers said the encouragement she has received from Hatala has been invaluable. Not only has Hatala provided her with a wealth of new ideas, but Rogers said she has learned that even the smallest piece of progress is impactful from



Courtesy Tracy Gleckler

TRACY GLECKLER, FAR right, and fellow troop leaders Helen Rosado, top left, Christine Santoro and Rae Schopp all played a significant role in the development of scouts including Saige Harrison, bottom left, Karen Walia and Megan Moses.

her talks with Hatala. Every little thing makes her project better, she said, and that helps her affect those children in a meaningful way.

Hatala said she takes great pride in the Gold Award winners she has helped, as she knows she has helped these girls to learn about themselves and develop skills which will help them later in the life. On receiving her Honor Pin, Hatala said, "It's humbling because you do it for the girls. I would say all of my fellow mentors, we all do it to help the girls achieve their goals and what they want to do."

Tracy Gleckler

Much like Hatala, Gleckler, of Glen Cove, also joined the Girl Scouts but left in her early teens and then returned as an adult. A biology teacher at Glen Cove High School for 31 years, she and earth science/astronomy teacher, Debbi Grosser, decided to form a troop shortly after Gleckler arrived in the district. They both underwent training and created a troop in Bayville.

Gleckler, 53, would go on to start two more troops, the first of which was in Sea Cliff when her daughter, Briana, entered kindergarten. She left that troop after Briana achieved the rank of junior, although she soon decided that she missed being a leader. Just a few years later, Gleckler and Rae Schopp, who works for Girl Scouts of Nassau County, decided to start another troop in Hicksville.

Over the course of five years, that troop grew from six to 21 girls, who come from various racial and religious backgrounds. Although Gleckler has since retired from Girl Scouts to focus on different volunteer work, Schopp described her as a fantastic leader who loved and cared for her scouts on a special level. She said she took the time to nurture every girl



Courtesy Cheryl Hatala

CHERYL HATALA, RIGHT, instilled her love for Girl Scouts within her daughter, Catherine, since she was in kindergarten.

based on their individual needs and has instilled within them a willingness to always be willing to help others.

Gleckler said that one of her biggest motivators throughout her Girl Scout career was "helping women become the best they can be." She said empowering women from an early age is a passion of hers, and that her work with Girl Scouts was a way for her to tell girls that they can be anything they want to be so long as they work hard and be a good person.

Although she is retired from Girl Scouts, Gleckler continues to empower women through her volunteer work, as she visits women in an addiction-recovery home every Friday for Bible study. A devout Christian, she also does a variety of volunteer work at Shelter Rock Church

in Syosset, including teaching Sunday School every week.

Gleckler said that, as a Christian, she believes in God's work, and the Girl Scouts was just one way in which she helped others. "When you serve others, you're fulfilling God's work in your life," she explained.

Both Hatala and Gleckler said that while they were proud to receive their awards, their main mission has always been to help their scouts grow into strong, independent women. So long as the girls they have helped take the lessons they have learned in Girl Scouts into the real world, they said, they know they accomplished their mission, regardless of any awards they may receive.



KAREN FERGUSON, FAR left, and Lia Leone, far right, joined the Glen Cove Board of Education for the first time on July 9 as new trustees.

Courtesy Glen Cove City School District

BOE welcomes new members and leaders

By **MIKE CONN**

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The Glen Cove Board of Education's reorganization meeting on July 8 was the first to feature new trustees Lia Leone and Karen Ferguson, won the seats of incumbents Alexander Juarez and David Huggins as well as fellow challenger Daniel Rios. Additionally,

Gail Nedbor-Gross was reelected as board president by a 4-3 vote over trustee Monica Alexandris-Miller, and Alexandris-Miller was unanimously voted in as vice president.

Following a photo op, Leone and Ferguson were sworn in by Christopher Venator of Ingerman Smith LLP, the district's legal counsel. Venator then asked for nominations for board president, and

Ferguson quickly nominated Nedbor-Gross to resume the role. Trustee Robert Field then nominated Alexandris-Miller for president as well.

"I would like to look for a change in the president of the [Board of Education] and try to get someone who can bring some new light and some fresh perspective to the office of president," Field said.

Trustees Rose Sekelsky, Mary Murphy and Ferguson voted in favor of Nedbor-Gross, and Field and Leone voted for Alexandris-Miller. Both nominees voted for themselves.

After Nedbor-Gross was declared president once again, she nominated Alexandris-Miller for vice president. No other candidates were nominated and she was elected by a 7-0 vote.

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Strawberry Fields brings the Beatles to Morgan Park

There is no shortage of things for Glen Cove residents and non-residents to do from June through August. While new activities are constantly popping up throughout the city, the Morgan Park Summer Music Festival has remained one of Glen Cove's biggest attractions for generations.

The festival began in 1959 under the leadership of then-Glen Cove Mayor Joseph Suozzi and his wife, Marge. She immediately became the chair of the festival's committee, taking care of all of its organizational duties. She shouldered these responsibilities for 56 years until she stepped down from her position in

2016, passing the baton to her son, U.S. Congressman and former Glen Cove Mayor Tom Suozzi, who now serves as chair in her stead. Marge died shortly after on Sept. 2, 2017.

Strawberry Fields, Long Island's premiere Beatles tribute band, helped the Morgan Park Music Festival celebrate its 60th anniversary on July 7. Over 1,000 people attended the concert, and Strawberry Fields did not disappoint. Complete with mop tops and instruments resembling those of the Fab Four, they transported their listeners back to the 1960s to enjoy the work of one of the greatest musical acts in history.

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STEPPING OUT

Where to go, what to do, who to see

Adam Pascal revisits his career

An intimate retrospective with the 'Rent' star

Adam Pascal has built an impressively diverse and extensive career since originating the role of Roger in Broadway's "Rent" in 1996. With eight Broadway shows under his belt, it is only fitting that Pascal, who grew up in Syosset, titled his new cabaret show "So Far."

He debuts his acoustic solo evening at Madison Theatre, at Molloy College, on Friday, July 12. He'll walk fans through his career — spanning from his Tony-nominated performance in "Rent" to his stint as the final Master of Ceremonies in the 1998 production of "Cabaret," through his most recent role, Edward Lewis, in "Pretty Woman."

"The show seemed like it named itself and it became obvious to me," Pascal says of "So Far." "I'd been wanting to do a show like this for a really long time because whenever I go out there's always people who are asking me to do songs from the shows I have done. It seemed like a great opportunity to put together a retrospective."

Interestingly, not every song that Pascal performs will be numbers that his characters performed in the shows.

"The reason I do that is because I like those songs better and the style in which I am performing those songs is just me on an acoustic guitar," he says of the bold choice. "The 'Chicago' stuff doesn't lend itself to that kind of interpretation," he says, revealing that he will be performing "Funny Honey," one of Roxie Hart's big numbers (he played Billy Flynn). "I think people will really like my version."

Other favorites in his repertoire include what Pascal calls "quintessential songs." Audiences will hear hits in the order in which they were featured throughout his career, beginning with "Rent's" "One Song Glory," and moving through "Aida's" "Elaborate Lives" and the "Memphis" showstopper "Memphis Lives in Me."

However, "So Far" covers his career comprehensively, so other defining



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Adam Pascal reflects on his career to date, sharing songs and stories from the various shows that have shaped him.

moments are featured as well. Fans will enjoy his concert staple "Pity the Child" from "Chess" at London's Royal Albert Hall, where Pascal performed with Idina Menzel and Josh Groban.

Pascal is excited to share personal anecdotes throughout the evening, and even has a surprise in store for audiences. "I'm going to give the audience the opportunity to ask questions periodically. I think it will be cool for them."

Although he has frequently performed on Long Island (often with "Rent" co-star Anthony Rapp), this marks his debut at Madison Theatre as well as the debut of "So Far" (which he will be bringing to Green Room 42 in Manhattan next).

"The best part of performing in the area is that I always get amazing surprise guests that come to see me; old friends that I haven't seen in years will show up at gigs," he says, laughing.

"For many of them, the last time they saw me perform was in Battle of the Bands at Syosset High School. It's a great way to see them and for them to come see me perform in a way that I'm sure they never imagined back then."

When Pascal was growing up he never thought that he would be associated with "something as positive as 'Rent,' that has such longevity."

The show recently celebrated its 23rd anniversary. "The biggest surprise is that

it's still so popular and resonates in the same way," he says. "It almost resonates more now in certain ways! I think 'Rent' speaks to anyone who has ever felt different or other."

Of course "So Far" will feature stories from "Rent," but Pascal is looking forward to sharing lesser-known tidbits from other favorite times in his life, including his experience as Shakespeare in "Something Rotten!"

He points to "Hard to be the Bard" as a pivotal song in "So Far" and in his career.

"I love that show so much and it was such a joyful experience to be in it every night," he remembers fondly. "It was so much fun and so silly. I've never done a show where I literally looked forward to it every night for a year and a half."

After performing in it on Broadway, Pascal starred in the national tour. "I also learned something for 'Something Rotten!' that I thought I'd never be able to do — tap dance. It holds a really special place for me."

The care that Pascal has for his craft is evident in all of his concerts, but it is clear that he will be wearing his heart on his sleeve in "So Far." He credits this to what he took away from his experience in "Cabaret."

"I perform [the song] 'Maybe This Time' because even though I only did the show for a few months, it initiated me into a world of Broadway performers that I thought I'd never be part of," he says.

"Everything I did in it was a new skill for me: the German accent, the [tremendous] choreography... I probably worked fifteen hours each day to perfect that. I was closing out the show and didn't want it to be a dud! It changed my perspective on performing and acting, and it gave me a newfound respect for it."

For tickets and information, visit www.madisontheatreny.org or call (516) 323-4444.

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IN CONCERT Peter Asher

Everyone first came to know Peter Asher through the global smash "World Without Love" as one half of the British Invasion duo Peter & Gordon. He returns, now a Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, in "Peter Asher: A Musical Memoir of the 60s and Beyond," which brings a multimedia experience to the stage, hosted by the two-time Grammy winner. Asher moved effortlessly from his role with Peter & Gordon to music executive with the Beatles' Apple Records, then famously (as in cover of Rolling Stone magazine-level famous) to producer and manager handling the careers of James Taylor, Linda Ronstadt and a host of others. Books abound, as do documentaries but now, finally, Asher tells first hand his tales from the eye of the cultural hurricane in this intimate evening.



WEEKEND Out and About

Saturday, July 13, 8 p.m. \$40. My Father's Place at the Roslyn Hotel, 1221 Old Northern Blvd., Roslyn. (516) 413-3535 or www.myfathersplace.com.

SUMMER SOUNDS 'Wild About Harry'

Local musicians gather with fans of Harry Chapin for that annual rousing tribute to Chapin's musical legacy and philanthropy in "Just Wild About Harry." Stuart Markus, with his band Gathering Time, leads a lineup of Long Island's top musical talents, in spirited renditions of Chapin's many hits. This year's slate includes newcomers Travis McKeveny and Pete Mancini, along with returning performers Patricia Shih, Lisa Itts, Robin Eve & Frank Walker, Robinson Treacher, Debra Lynne, Media Crime, Karen Bella & Mara Levine, Jerry DeMeo, Sid Cherry & Helen Schrier Pandal, Toby Tobias, Mike Barry, Folk Goddesses, and Christine Solimeno, plus assorted side



musicians. And, of course, the evening features a performance by Markus and Gathering Time. As always, visitors are asked to bring donations of non-perishable food items to be collected by Long Island Cares, the regional food bank founded by Chapin.
Monday, July 15, 7:15 p.m. Free admission. Harry Chapin Lakeside Theatre, Eisenhower Park, East Meadow. (516) 572-0201 or special events line at (516) 572-0355.

Performances/ On Stage

Better Than Extra

The alternative rock band in concert, Thursday, July 11, 8 p.m. With special guests Brett Newski and the No Tomorrow. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountry.com.



Saturday Night Fever

Musical adapted from the popular film, Thursday and Friday, July 11-12, 8 p.m.; Saturday, July 13, 3 and 8 p.m.; Sunday, July 14, 2 p.m. John W. Engeman Theater, 250 Main St., Northport. (631) 261-2900 or www.engemantheater.com.

The Secret Comedy of Women

An immersive theatrical experience about the challenges of womanhood, Thursday, July 11, 2 and 7 p.m.; Friday, July 12, 8 p.m.; Saturday, July 13, 2 and 8 p.m.; Sunday, July 14, 2 p.m. A mix of sketch comedy, improvisation, audience participation, and hilarious songs and videos. Jeanne Rimsky Theater, 232 Main St., Port Washington (631) 271-4626 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org.

Shindig

The '60s tribute band in concert, with Boomer Brothers, Thursday, July 11, 7:30 p.m. My Father's Place at the Roslyn Hotel, 1221 Old Northern Blvd., Roslyn. 413-3535 or www.myfathersplace.com.

Barnaby Bye

The band in concert, Friday, July 12, 8 p.m. With comedian Daren Dillon. My Father's Place at the Roslyn Hotel, 1221 Old Northern Blvd., Roslyn. 413-3535 or www.myfathersplace.com.

Billy Gardell

The actor-comic on tour., Friday, July 12, 8 p.m. NYCB Theatre at Westbury, 960 Brush Hollow Rd., Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com.

Brooklyn Bluegrass Collective

The acoustic ensemble in concert, Friday, July 12, 7-9:30 p.m. Coe Hall, Planting Fields State Park., 1395 Planting Fields Rd., Oyster Bay. 922-8600 or www.plantingfields.org.

Matt Costa

The singer-songwriter in concert, with JD and the Straight Shot and Matt Hartke, Friday, July 12, 8 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountry.com.

Peat Moss and the Fertilizers

The cover band in concert, part of the Downtown Sounds summer concert series, Friday, July 12, 7:30 p.m. Village Square Plaza at Glen, School and Bridge St., Glen Cove. Visit www.glencovedowntown.org for more information.



Mike DelGuidice

Mike DelGuidice and his band rock The Paramount in lively celebration of the music of Billy Joel, on Saturday, July 20, at 8 p.m.

DelGuidice leads his band rousing concert that highlights the Piano Man's decades of hits. Like his idol, DelGuidice has become one of the area's most celebrated performers, balancing his schedule between performing with Big Shot and touring with Billy Joel. DelGuidice packs hit after chart-topping hit in a high energy, interactive show that's always a crowd pleaser. He and his bandmates — touring members of Joel's band — bring their dynamic musicianship to their always popular concert experience.

Tickets are \$50, \$40, \$25, \$20; available at (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountry.com.

The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington.

Roger Street Friedman

The singer-songwriter in concert, as part of the Summer Music Series, Friday July 12, 7 p.m. Sea Cliff Beach, Sea Cliff.

Shorewave Radio

The band in concert, Friday July 12, 8 p.m. West Harbor Beach, Bayville.

The Tempest

Shakespeare's comedy of betrayal, ill treatment, the development of magic arts and revenge, Friday, July 12, 8 p.m.; Sunday, July 14, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, July 17, 8 p.m. Carriage House Players, Vanderbilt Museum, 180 Little Neck Rd., Centerport. (631) 854-5579 or www.vanderbiltmuseum.org.

Johnny Mathis

The iconic crooner in concert, Saturday, July 13, 8 p.m. NYCB Theatre at Westbury, 960 Brush Hollow Rd, Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com

Nassau Pops Symphony Orchestra

The popular local orchestra performs the best in popular and light classical music, Sunday, July 14, 8 p.m. With guest vocalists. Heckscher Park, Route 25A, Huntington. 565-0646.

Orchestra Long Island

The new orchestra, led by former Long Island Philharmonic music director David Stewart Wiley, in concert, Sunday, July 14, 7:30 p.m. Program includes Broadway, jazz and opera. Morgan Park, Germaine St., Glen Cove. 671-0017.

Frank Carillo and the Bandoleros

The guitarist and his band in concert, Wednesday, July 17, 8 p.m. My Father's Place at the Roslyn Hotel, 1221 Old Northern Blvd., Roslyn. 413-3535 or www.myfathersplace.com.

Killer Queen

The tribute band in concert, Wednesday, July

17, 8 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountry.com.

Vanessa Trouble and the Red Hot Swing

The jazz/swing band in concert, as part of the Picnic Pops concert series, Wednesday, July 17, 7 p.m.; gates open 6 p.m. Westbury Gardens, 71 Westbury Rd., Old Westbury. 333-0048 or www.oldwestbury.org.



JJ Grey and Mofro

The southern soul rock band in concert, with Jonny Lang and special guests North Mississippi Allstars, Tuesday, July 16, 6:30 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountry.com.

Ken McGorry and the Achievements

The blues-folk rock band in concert, Thursday, July 18, 8 p.m. Featuring the Meade Brothers, Blue Velvo and Ray Lambiase and the Tin-Kickers. Father's Place at the Roslyn Hotel, 1221 Old Northern Blvd., Roslyn. 413-3535 or www.myfathersplace.com.

Liverpool Shuffle

The Beatles tribute band in concert, Thursday, July 18, 8-9:30 p.m. Vanderbilt Museum Courtyard, 180 Little Neck Rd., Centerport. (631) 854-5579 or www.vanderbiltmuseum.org.

Music Jam

Bring an acoustic instrument and voice and join in or just listen, Thursday, July 18, 7 p.m. Sea Cliff Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff.

671-4290 or www.seaclifflibrary.org.

The Rectangle

The band in concert, as part of the Sunset Serenade series, Thursday, July 18, 7 p.m. Veterans Memorial Park, Sea Cliff.

For the Kids

Bubblemania

Explore the many ways creatures use bubbles in their environments, Saturday, July 13, 12-2 p.m. With a take-home craft project. The Whaling Museum, 301 Main St., Cold Spring Harbor. (631) 367-3418 or www.cshwhalingmuseum.org.

Beach Storytime

Enjoy a story, craft and song, hosted by Seal Cliff Public Library, Wednesday, July 17, 10:30 a.m. For all ages. Registration required. Sea Cliff Beach, Sea Cliff. 671-4290 or www.seaclifflibrary.org.

Drop-in Art

Young artists are invited to create wonderful works of art under the guidance of professional museum educators, Wednesday, July 17, 10:30-11:30 a.m. For ages 5-10. Heckscher Museum of Art, Main St. and Prime Ave., Huntington. (631) 351-3250 or www.heckscher.org

Pizza and Paperbacks

A book discussion for second-graders and up, Wednesday, July 17, 3 p.m.; also Friday, July 19, 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.

Exploring the Universe

Explore the universe at the interactive program presented by the Vanderbilt Planetarium, Monday, July 15, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. For ages 6 and up. Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 East Main St., Oyster Bay. 922-1212.

Trivia Night

Test your knowledge of Marvel and DC superheroes, Thursday, July 18, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Bring comic books for a comic book swap. 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.

In a New Light: American Impressionism 1870-1940

A sweeping survey of American Impressionism, the exhibition reveals the transformative influence of Impressionism on American art between the years of the Hudson River School—whose majestic landscapes influenced, and then gradually gave way to, French Impressionist-inspired works—and modernist trends of the early 20th century. Featured artists include Colin Campbell Cooper, Daniel

Garber, Childe Hassam, George Inness, Ernest Lawson, Thomas Moran, Edward Willis Redfield, and Guy Carleton Wiggins. Through Aug. 18 Heckscher Museum of Art, Main St. and Prime Ave., Huntington. (631) 351-3250 or www.heckscher.org.



Seashells...

Nature's Inspired Design

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

Member Showcase 2019

An exhibition of works by Huntington Arts Council Members. Through July 14. Main Street Gallery, 213 Main St., Huntington.

60 Years of Music in the Park

An exhibition tribute to the Morgan Park Summer Music Festival. Through Sept. 7. North Shore Historical Museum, 140 Glen St., Glen Cove. 801-1191 or www.nshmgc.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. 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 "Ben Is Back," the drama about mother who tries to help her addict son after he returns home from rehab, Thursday, July 11, 2 and 6:30 p.m.; also "Isn't it Romanci," the rom-com spoof involving a Manhattanite who finds herself in a glossy fantasyland of rom-com cliches, Thursday, July 18, 2 and 6:30 p.m. Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 East Main St., Oyster Bay. 922-1212.

Summer Hike

Observe Caumsett State Historic Park woodss and tall grass meadows, on a slow 1-mile walk, Sunday, July 14, 9:45-11:45 a.m. \$4. Registration required. Caumsett State Historic Park Preserve, 25 Lloyd Harbor Rd., Huntington. (631) 423-1770.

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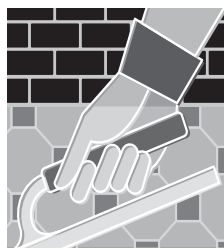
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 The hearing will be on the application of Cove Theatre Realty, LLC to which seeks a special use permit and site plan approval for the utilization of a 1,760 sq. ft. vacant retail store to operate an Indian Take-out Restaurant.
 The subject property is located at 82 School Street, Glen Cove, N.Y., designated on the Nassau County Land & Tax Map as Section 23, Block 53, Lot(s) 27-28. The property is in the City's B-1 Central Commercial District and CBD Overlay Commercial District.
 The above application is on file at the City offices located at 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, NY where it may be seen during regular business hours of the usual business days until the time of the hearing.
 Dated: July 3, 2019
 BY ORDER OF THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE CITY OF GLEN COVE
 THOMAS SCOTT, CHAIRMAN
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 The hearing will be on the application of Arcadia Landing LLC, which seeks amended site plan review for the construction of seventy-two (72) condominium units for adults fifty-five (55) and over. The applicant proposes to renovate the units in the three existing two story buildings, construct four additional two-story condominium buildings and one clubhouse to be shared by the residents.
 The property is located on 40 Hill Street designated on the Nassau County Land & Tax Maps as Section 31, Block F, Lot 1063, and located in the City's R-5 Garden Apartment Townhouse District.
 The above application is on file at the City offices located at 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, NY where it may be seen during regular business hours of the usual business days until the time of the hearing.
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 The hearing will be on the application of 41 Forest Realty LLC which seeks an amendment to its prior site plan approval to maintain the existing 10,217 sq. ft. daycare facility and outdoor playground area on the northeast side of the property and construct a new 10,770 sq. ft. Rising Tide grocery store with one loading dock and trash enclosure on a 1.911 acre lot.
 The property is located on 41-49 Forest Avenue, Glen Cove designated on the Nassau County Land & Tax Map as Section 30, Block D-1, Lot 566 and located in the City's B-3 Shopping Center District.
 The above application is on file at the City offices located at 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, NY where it may be seen during regular business hours of the usual business days until the time of the hearing.
 Dated: June 26, 2019
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 THOMAS SCOTT, CHAIRMAN
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 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a PUBLIC HEARING will be held by the Glen Cove Zoning Board of Appeals on Thursday, July 18, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. at the Council Chambers, City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, New York, when all interested persons will be given an opportunity to express their views.
 The hearing will be on the application of Rose Militano residing at 12 Lincoln Place, Glen Cove N.Y. which seeks Variances from Sections 280-30 and 280-58 (B)(5) of the Glen Cove Zoning Code to maintain an existing exterior wood staircase with less than the required rear yard setback. Applicant is proposing a rear yard setback of 5'3" feet where 30 feet is the minimum required.
 The subject property is located 12 Lincoln Place, Glen Cove, N.Y., designated on the Nassau County Land & Tax Map as Section 31, Block 15, Lot 115. The property is located in the City's R3-A One Family Residence District.
 The above application is on file at the City offices located at 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, NY where it may be seen during regular business hours of the usual business days until the time of the hearing.
 Dated: June 24, 2019
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 The hearing will be on the application of John Paul Foschi, residing at 18 Valley Road, Glen Cove, N.Y. which seeks a Variance from Section 280-30 (A) of the City Code to alter a nonconforming building in such a manner as to increase its nonconformance by increasing the footprint. Applicant is proposing a 200 sq. ft. rear addition to the existing dwelling on a lot with 21,786 sq. ft. where the minimum lot area is 2 acres (80,000 sq. ft.) in the R1-A Two Acre Residence District.
 The subject property is designated on the Nassau County Land & Tax Map as Section 31, Block 31, Lot 5.
 The above application is on file at the City offices located at 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, NY where it may be seen during regular business hours of the usual business days until the time of the hearing.
 All interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.
 Dated: June 28, 2019
 BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS OF THE CITY OF GLEN COVE
 TERI MOSCHETTA, CHAIRPERSON
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 The hearing will be on the application of Giovanni Sacchetta, owner of St. Rocco's Bakery located at 4 St. Rocco's Place Glen Cove, N.Y. Said property is designated as Section 22, Block 2, Lots 246 & 247 on the Land and Tax Map of the City's R-4 One & Two-Family Residence District.
 Applicant seeks the following permit and variances for said property:
 1) Permit pursuant to Section 280-30 of the City Code to alter a pre-existing nonconforming commercial bakery in a residential district by increasing the footprint of the non-conforming building;
 2) Variance from Section 280-59(B)(7) of the City Code to allow for a rear yard setback for the principal building of 12'6" where the minimum required setback is 30 feet;
 3) Variance from Section 280-59(B)(12) of the City Code to allow for coverage of 3,535 sq. ft. for the principal use where the maximum permitted coverage is 2,498 sq. ft.;

4) Variance from Section 280-59(D)(4) of the City Code to allow for one trellis gazebo only to be 15 feet and 10 feet from the respective front property lines and for a second trellis gazebo only to be 15 feet from the front property line where the minimum required distance to the front property line is 65 feet.;
 5) Variance from Section 280-45(N)(1) of the City Code to allow for 3,143 sq. ft. (31.5%) of paved coverage where the maximum permitted coverage is 1998.6 sq. ft. (20%); and
 6) Variance from Section 280-59(F) of the City Code to allow for only 13 parking spaces where the minimum required off-street parking spaces is 23 spaces.
 The above application is on file at the City offices located at 9 Glen St., Glen Cove, NY where it may be seen during regular hours of the usual business days until the time of the hearing.
 All interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.
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THE GREAT BOOK GURU

Fractured family

Dear Great Book Guru,
 Now that the Fourth of July week of celebrations has ended, I am concentrating on the upcoming concerts here in Sea Cliff. This Friday, July 12, the acclaimed Roger Street Friedman will be performing at Sea Cliff Beach from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. My friends and I are planning on a delicious dinner there at Jennifer Angliss DeSane's Beach Hut. I love that shrimp taco dish! While waiting for the fun to begin, I know there will be time for a
 -Beach Music Lover



ANN DIPIETRO

Dear Beach Music Lover,
 I just finished "A Nearly Normal Family," by M.T. Edvardsson, a fascinating psychological thriller set near Stockholm, Sweden. Eighteen-year-old Stella has been accused of the violent murder of a corrupt businessman and

is awaiting trial. Her parents, Adam, a pastor of a large Christian congregation, and Ulrika, a criminal defense lawyer, are afraid she might be guilty and must decide how far they will go to protect her. The story is told from the perspectives of the three family members and we gradually learn many disturbing facts about this so very normal family. Cell phones, encrypted messages and surveillance cameras all come into play as the parents are confronted with information they find both shocking and confusing. What is justice and can it be

served? A chilling tale that presents us with an aching moral dilemma. Highly recommended!

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

OBITUARIES

Helen M. Greene

Helen M. Greene, 92, of Glen Cove, died on July 7. Beloved wife of the late Albert; loving mother of Barry (Julie), Andrew (Patricia) and the late Susan; proud grandmother of Eliot, Suzanne, Michael and Michelle. She was the Dean of the School of Education at LIU Post for 22 years. She was also the Dean of School of Education for Southampton, Brooklyn, Rockland, Westchester and Brentwood, as well as the Dean of Education at NYIT for 13 years, Brookville, New York City and many online Universities. Greene was a founding member of the American Association Colleges of Teachers Education, also serving as President of the New York State Chapter.

Jennifer Callahan

Jennifer Callahan, 46, of Glen Cove, died on July 7. Devoted companion of Eric Underhill; loving mother of Aidan; beloved daughter of Cornelia and the late Philip; dear sister of Laura and the late Michael; also survived by many loving family and friends. Visiting is on July 12 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home. Funeral service to begin at 8 p.m. at Dodge-Thomas, officiated by Deacon Ted of St. Gertrude RC Church of Bayville. Interment private.

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OPINIONS

Dems veer hard left, headed for a cliff

Watching the Democratic debate marathon(s) two weeks ago drove home to me just how far to the political left the Democratic Party has veered. If it keeps this up, the radical fringe that's hijacking their party will take it right over a cliff in 2020.

But I must begin with a defense of my former colleague and longtime friend Joe Biden. I've made no secret of my admiration of and respect for the former vice president. While we didn't always agree on policy matters in the U.S. Senate, and I supported both John McCain and Mitt Romney in their



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runs against the Obama-Biden ticket, I have always found Biden to be a model of civility and kindness. That's what he was alluding to when he mentioned that he had found ways to work successfully with Southern senators who didn't share his support for civil rights. To allege that Biden tolerates racism, as Sen. Kamala Harris did in her ambush of him, is simply preposterous.

Today — even when the Senate is sometimes polarized to the point of paralysis —

senators often find a pathway to compromise that gets important legislation passed. A perfect example is the \$4.6 billion emergency immigration relief measure that finally cleared Congress after a bipartisan group of senators stood firm for its passage. Extremists at the fringes of both parties were holding up this critical legislation even as the refugee crisis on our southern border worsened. The refugees we see crowded into U.S. border patrol shelters have suffered because of this political opportunism. Only because senators put aside political differences is aid now finally on the way.

Which leads me back to the almost surreal Democratic presidential debates. The candidates all but tripped over one another in one-upmanship on the immigration crisis. Right now we're being flooded with thousands of Latin American refugees seeking "asylum status" under our weak immigration laws. But rather than close gaping loopholes that encourage mass migration, which is straining our border to the breaking point, most of the candidates promised to further weaken the system by eliminating all criminal penalties for illegal entry into the U.S. Instead of facing arrest, immigrants would presumably get an appearance ticket and be released. If you

think we're being overwhelmed by illegal immigrants now, just imagine what would happen if we moved to the "open borders" policy pushed by the Democratic radical left and embraced by those presidential candidates.

The sharp left turn by the party doesn't stop with immigration. Many of the candidates have signaled that they now support Socialist-Democrat Bernie Sanders's call for "Medicare for all." Taken to the extreme proposed by these would-be presidents, the policy would abolish private health insurance that now covers nearly 200 million Americans and replace it with a government-run

health care monopoly.

When Biden instead suggested simply expanding Obamacare to cover the 30 million Americans who currently lack health insurance, he again spoke to the need to reach for the middle ground on such a contentious issue. But in today's Democratic Party, the Obama-Biden incremental approach to lawmaking is deemed too tame. It must be all-or-nothing for the radical left now calling the shots among Democrats.

This race to the fringe includes promises of free public college, forgiveness of \$1.2 trillion in existing college loans, a

massive "Green New Deal," mandatory paid family leave, universal child care and a raft of other leftish wishes. And to pay for it all? Democrat presidential candidates claim they can cover these astronomical expenditures simply by taxing the rich. But responsible economists point out that even after soaking the "one-percenters," taxes would have to be raised on *everyone*, with the bulk of the new taxes falling on middle-class taxpayers. That's most Long Islanders.

What the radical Democratic left conveniently fails to recognize is that the American economy is now stronger than ever, and it's producing real economic gains for those who have previously been stalled at the economic margins. Employment among minorities is at all-time highs. And wage growth is finally increasing after years of stagnation. Jobs are plentiful, the stock market is booming, and Americans are more financially secure than in years.

So why does the left insist on seeing only doom and gloom on the political horizon? Why do the Democrats push far-out new spend-and-tax programs that Americans say they neither want nor need? Why take their party — and America — over that cliff?

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Buggy brilliance lights up the summer sky

We're in the warm clutch of summer, when fireflies begin their dance through the deep velvet nights of June and early July. Summer in our villages and towns has to be held close and breathed in because it is sweet and it is brief, and the obvious metaphor for life itself is so poignant.

Fireflies, or lightning bugs, are my flighty icons of summer, but it seems that the joy of the season presents in some very mundane ways. Several friends told me that summer hits them as high-impact pleasure in the form of homegrown beefsteak tomatoes. A long-lost relative



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of the hard, tasteless pink fruits that pass as tomatoes, the backyard variety is quite sensual and delicious and best if eaten right off the vine, at room temperature, perhaps with a sprinkle of salt.

Lots of people feel that way about other seasonal foods. It doesn't matter that we can get corn and clams and water-

melon all year; the sweetness of corn plucked from a field in the morning and served up just hours later is sublime. Clams and fish just seem to taste better in the summer.

A friend said that the Platonic ideal of summer for her is the very-late-afternoon hour at the beach, after almost everyone has traipsed home with their chairs and their phones and their kids. She says it is the silence-except-for-the-waves and the calling of the gulls that get her thinking that if time stopped, it would be OK.

Summer sounds, or perhaps it's the silence, speak to me as well. Backyard birds wake me up in the morning. The porch gets so still in midday that I can hear the bees buzzing outside, and toward evening the birds sing again. Soon cicadas will join the symphony. It is the quiet, the escape from man-made noise that feels like an extraordinary gift. Winter can be still, too, especially in a snowstorm, but it chills the soul rather than expanding our senses.

I saw my first firefly maybe two weeks ago, and I sighed to no one, "Summer is here." Lillybee the dog made a few swipes

at the fantastical distractions, but they're too quick for her, slow as they may be. In an instant I time-traveled to my years growing up in Queens, waiting for the fireflies to arrive so we could snatch them out of the air and put them in glass jars.

We poked holes in the metal tops so the bugs could "breathe," and we let them go after a night flickering away in our dark bedrooms. When we opened the jar, we released the lightning bugs and also a distinctive musky beetle smell that lingers in memory.

What an unlikely creature. According to fireflies.org, there are fireflies on every continent except Antarctica. And there are thousands of species, most but not all of which display bioluminescence. The light they produce is uniquely energy-efficient, pure light without heat. Scientists continue to study the bioluminescent chemicals in the hope of finding human applications.

Fireflies grow from larvae that live underground all year. In the larval stage they eat slugs and other soft critters. They emerge in the summer heat and flash their lights in order to attract mates. They

either eat other fireflies or don't eat at all during their brief season on earth. After mating, they die.

In only two places around the world, Southeast Asia and the Great Smoky Mountains of Tennessee, fireflies synchronize their flashing lights for reasons that remain a mystery to scientists. Apparently it's quite a show.

I'm happy enough with the mini-diamonds flashing around my garden.

And you? What's your iconic summer experience? The perfect plum? Fireworks on the Fourth? One friend said it was the sight of the camp bus rolling out of the Home Depot parking lot with her three sons onboard. Another friend cherishes the privacy of her mornings, sitting in her garden with a mild espresso and a strong book.

For us firefly lovers, time is short. Along with so many of nature's gaudy performers, fireflies are endangered by pesticides and encroaching development. It helps to turn off outside lights at night, allow some wood and debris to accumulate and avoid poisons in the garden.

Imagine it: A creature that lights up and flashes its desire out into the night. That says *summer* to me.

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HERALD EDITORIAL

Let undocumented immigrants drive legally

Gov. Andrew Cuomo recently signed the aptly named Green Light Law, which will allow undocumented immigrants to obtain driver's licenses. This isn't a new law. If anything, it takes New York back to the more trusting years before the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

In 2001, Gov. George Pataki overturned the law allowing undocumented immigrants to get licenses, saying the practice posed a security risk. It might have in the weeks and months after the attacks, so no one questioned Pataki's thinking. But we are now long past 9/11, and it is time to apply sound reason to this question.

Long Island has 51,000 potential drivers from around the world who will potentially benefit from the new (old) measure.

New York is considered by many — including President Trump — to be a so-called "sanctuary" state for undocumented immigrants, because it gives them a modicum of freedom to move about and work without fear of random deportation by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement when they are processed for traffic tickets and other minor infractions of the law.

If undocumented immigrants are here, and they are driving — which they are — it makes perfect sense to license them. Licensed drivers are safer drivers. They are in the Department of Motor Vehicles system, so if they are in a crash or break our traffic laws, they can be processed and penalized, the same as everyone else. Moreover, they must demonstrate driving competency through written and road tests.

After California removed the "legal

proof" requirement in 2015, the state saw a 10 percent drop in hit-and-run accidents, saving Californians millions of dollars in out-of-pocket expenses. That decrease was likely because licensed drivers can obtain insurance. If you know you can pay for an accident through your insurance, you're far less likely to just drive away. That also helps lower insurance rates for everyone, if only a little.

Allowing undocumented immigrants to get licenses will also help fill the state's coffers. On Long Island alone, those new licenses could bring in nearly \$3.3 million, at \$64.25 per license. Insurance companies and car dealerships will also see financial gains, helping to bolster the economy. More people with driver's licenses could also mean more people with cars and a boost to the local economy. Undocumented immigrants could purchase and register as many as 97,000 cars statewide, according to the National Immigration Law Center.

Some 800 new DMV employees may be hired to process all of the new applications for licenses and registrations, further helping the economy.

Many elected leaders and conservative activists who oppose the measure say it unfairly rewards undocumented immigrants for coming here illegally, ahead of those who waited in line to enter the country legally. That position has some merit. Why should we give undocumented immigrants certain legal rights if they aren't in the country lawfully in the first place?

The answer is multi-pronged. For starters, many of the undocumented immigrants who are now here, particularly

those from Latin America, are fleeing civil unrest and narco-trade violence that threaten their families. They are, in a very real sense, refugees. New York has long been a welcoming place for immigrants, legal or not. The Statute of Liberty implores us to take in the world's tired, poor and "huddled masses yearning to breathe free."

At the same time, we mustn't forget that undocumented immigrants contribute to the economy. They pay roughly \$11.64 billion in state and local taxes. On average, immigrants, regardless of status, contribute \$80,000 more in taxes than they receive in government services over their lifetimes. On average, one undocumented immigrant will pay about 8 percent of personal income in taxes.

Legal or not, immigrants also help sustain the Social Security Trust Fund, which we constantly hear will eventually run out of money. Over the years, they have contributed about \$300 billion to the fund. Without their contributions, it would be insolvent after 2037.

Contrary to popular opinion, undocumented immigrants aren't draining the system of its resources. They're helping keep the system alive. Even if they wanted to, they couldn't just take, take, take. In 1996, President Bill Clinton's welfare-reform bill restricted access to public benefits for many immigrants, in particular undocumented ones.

Since, legal or not, they are contributing to the system, they should, from a purely moral standpoint, receive some benefit from it. That begins with awarding licenses to those who are qualified to drive.

LETTERS

Empowering women

To the Editor:

Antigone Rising would like to thank the community for its incredible support of the sixth annual Girls Rising Music Festival and Game Changer Awards. The two-day event, a fundraiser for the band's not-for-profit Girls Rising was a huge success, with more than 4,000 attendees over the course of the festival.

The Girls Rising Game Changer Awards and full-day music festival was an opportunity for Antigone Rising to present scholarships and grants to high school seniors, as well as middle and elementary school students. Established grants include the Girls Rising Melissa Etheridge, Joan Jett and Carnie Wilson grants, as well as four college scholarships totaling more than \$10,000 in gifts.

The women's panel, moderated by News 12 Anchor Carol Silva, offered young women, parents and other onlookers' words of encouragement, inspiration and words of wisdom. Other



OPINIONS

The gritty beauty of the organic farm

I remember hiking in 90-degree heat on a dusty but paved road, past fields of fruit trees and vegetable plants. Suddenly, my father-in-law pointed and said in Bulgarian that we should turn into a thicket. That was his plot of land, which was his mother's plot before him, he explained.

We tiptoed past berry bushes and through a stand of fruit trees to a wide expanse of earth full of tomato and pepper plants. It looked in disarray. There were no neat rows of plants. Rather, they were scattered about, with beanstalks looping throughout. The garden was jungle-like, as



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were all the family plots that extended for miles across the valley.

It was the summer of 1992, and the place was Razhdavitsa, a village of 259 residents in southern Bulgaria that was first settled in the 1500s. My wife's family has had a white stucco cottage there for at least a century — but probably long before that. My wife's dad and mom, who died in 2000 and 2014, respectively, lived most of the time in an apartment in Sofia, Bulgaria's capital of 1.2 million, two hours northeast of the village. Razhdavitsa, though, was ancestral land — and a primary source of sustenance.

My father-in-law spent long weekends tending to his three gardens, each at different points around the village, returning to Sofia with large sacks of fruits and vegetables, which he and my mother-in-law canned for winter.

I met and married my wife while serving in the Peace Corps in Bulgaria from 1991 to 1993. Razhdavitsa is one of the most serene places I have been, with a certain gritty beauty. Essentially it's one giant farm to feed a hundred or so families, each with their own little gardens handed down from generation to generation.

Wildflowers grow abundantly amid the fields. No one would dare pull them out. They attract bees, which pollinate the fruit trees and provide honey. Many Bulgarians pay homage to the Greek Orthodox patron saint of beekeepers, St. Haralambos. Yes, in Bulgaria, bees are sacred creatures.

When I first arrived there, I was shocked by the country's centuries-old tradition of family farming in small garden plots. Most people, it seemed, had at least one, whether they lived in a city or in the country. So when democratic revolutions swept across Eastern Europe in the late 1980s and early '90s, causing widespread food shortages, Bulgarians weren't worried about starving. They grew their own food, as they long had.

I grew up in Yaphank, in eastern Long Island, next to a cabbage farm. For miles, all you saw were the little green orbs, planted in perfect rows, surrounded only by brown earth, with nary a weed in sight — and no bees. The farm screamed American efficiency, with crops controlled by a steady diet of pesticides, herbicides and synthetic fertilizers.

For my five decades on this planet, that was my image of the American farm — sterile, devoid of biodiversity. That all changed, I'm thankful to say, when I volunteered on June 27 with five fellow Herald staffers at a two-acre farm in Brentwood cultivated by Island Harvest, a nonprofit

that feeds tens of thousands of food-insecure Long Islanders. The farm helps provide nourishment for 6,000 to 8,000 people.

The Island Harvest farm sits on a 28-acre parcel owned by the Sisters of St. Joseph, with multiple small plots that are leased to non-profit and for-profit organic farmers. It was the first place in this country to remind me of Razhdavitsa, with all manner of vegetables growing in every direction. There were straight rows of plants, yes, but there were also wildflowers and bees and weeds, which formed borders between the plots.

We spread compost — the product of decayed leaves — around two long rows of tomato plants to fertilize the soil. This

is an organic farm; no synthetic anything is allowed.

One of our guides was Bonny Morlak, 54, who was born and raised in Germany and lived in Australia for 23 years — including three years outdoors in a rainforest — before immigrating to the U.S. to open the tech startup Tiltsta.com. Our other guide was Bunny Yan, who grew up in Patterson, N.J., and now lives in New York City, where she manages her own website, leftsideoffashion.com. They both volunteer at the Island Harvest farm with World Wide Opportunities on Organic Farms, a nonprofit that connects people who want to work the land with farmers in need of a hand. Volunteers receive room and board in exchange for their labor.

The Island Harvest farm is a peaceful place. There is the faint sound of traffic from nearby thoroughfares. Otherwise, you hear only birds chirping and cackling. Trees surround the farm on three sides. To the northeast are the towering, off-white structures of the Sisters of St. Joseph Convent.

If you have a chance, spend a morning volunteering at the farm. You will understand better, if only on a basic level, how humans should connect with the land.

For more, go to IslandHarvest.org.

Scott Brinton is the Herald Community Newspapers' executive editor and an adjunct professor at the Hofstra University Herbert School of Communication. Comments about this column? SBrinton@liherald.com.

The best gardens aren't the neatest, but they've got the most going on — bees included.

LETTERS

highlights were performances by Sophie B. Hawkins, who presented the Girls Rising Game Changer Award to Grammy winning singer songwriter Paula Cole, the festival's honoree. Cole, Jill Sobule and Lucy Kaplansky performed on the Branch Real Estate Group main stage at Morgan Park. Each main stage artist acted as a mentor to a young, up-and-coming singer from the Bach To Rock as part of Girls Rising's mission to provide opportunities for girls to perform alongside successful, nationally touring female artists.

Girls Rising raises funds throughout the year so it can continue its mission to empower and inspire girls and LGBTQ youth to pursue jobs in STEAM fields.

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Being considerate is a thing of the past

To the Editor:

At the age of 61 years old, I have finally retired after working for the last 45 years. I thought I would enjoy working around the house and in the garden. Instead, from 8 a.m. until 5 or 6 p.m., I must instead listen to

and watch armies of landscaping companies destroy my Glen Cove neighborhood. The noise is from loud mowing machines that are no longer pushed. They are driven along with the continuous screaming of one, two or three leaf blowing machines, which prevent me from opening my car and home windows to enjoy the beautiful weather. And I no longer am able to hang my wet clothes on a backyard line to dry with all of the dirt and dust being blown into the surrounding air, which we all share.

I also noticed that these landscapers no longer even attempt to rake up and bag the clippings that are left over from their mowing services. They are simply blown into the street, which negates the idea of lawn care by making the neighborhood less attractive.

Regulations should be implemented. Home owners don't seem to care whether their neighbors' properties are being casually destroyed by their clippings. I have also noticed lately that people walking their dogs no longer do so in the street. Although secured with very long retracting leashes, pet owners allow their dogs to walk onto people's lawns and driveways. What the heck has happened to neighbors being considerate?

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