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# Glen Cove's selfless giver

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Before the sun rises, he makes his way around Glen Cove, delivering gifts to the houses on his list. Some of the recipients try to catch him, but he always seems to evade them. But this annual event doesn't occur on Christmas. The jolly visitor isn't Santa Claus, and those getting up early to find gifts at their doors aren't children. It's Mother's Day, and the man running around the city, leaving flowers for about 60 moms, is Pete Prudente.

"He's always thinking about some gal and how he'll get her to smile," joked Allison Prudente, his wife.

Prudente, 59, a Local Union 15 operating engineer, is known around the city as a man who gives his all for others. Whether distributing flowers on Mother's Day, cooking meals for veterans or holding his regular blood drives, Prudente has become the face of altruism in Glen Cove, an identity that was cemented when he donated a kidney to a stranger in March. In recognition of all he does, Prudente was honored as the Man of the Year at the Glen Cove Police Department's 13th annual National Night Out celebration on Aug. 6.

The Herald Gazette is following suit, proudly naming Prudente its 2019 Person of the Year.



Courtesy Pete Prudente

**PETE PRUDENTE DONATED** his kidney to Carmen Sanchez, a stranger, in March.



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## CITY HONORS VETS

Glen Cove paid tribute to the fallen at the Memorial Day Parade.

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## CELEBRATING LONG LIVES

The city held its 13th annual Senior Day event at the Glen Cove Senior Center.

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### Altruistic by nature

Prudente was born in Mineola Hospital on March 23, 1960, and grew up in Port Washington. Because his parents were active in the community, he said, he developed an altruistic spirit as a youngster. The family volunteered at events with the Port Washington Polish Club and Knights of Columbus, two organizations that Prudente is still a part of today.

He attended Paul Schreiber High School and worked with his father as a stonemason. He went on to attend the Western Nebraska Technical School, where he studied heavy equipment operations, repairs, welding and surveying.

In 1990, Prudente got together with some friends at the Heads and Tails restaurant in Roslyn, where he met Allison. They started dating in 1993, and got married in 2000. As they looked for a place to settle down, the

couple decided to move to Glen Cove in 2002. They loved the tranquil city and its traditions, Allison said. And in their new home, her husband always made sure she

had fresh flowers, as though foreshadowing his Mother's Day antics.

"He's always been big on flowers," Allison said. "I still look around the house to this day to find the newest flowers he's brought home."

Also in 2002, Prudente fulfilled a lifelong dream, joining the Glen Cove Volunteer Fire Department in order to help others. By 2014, he began hosting blood drives, doing three or four every year at the Glen Cove VFW, the Polish Home, the Fire Department and the Port

Washington Polish Club. Prudente himself donates blood five times a year, the maximum amount allowable, and donates platelets once a month. "I started donating," he said, "because I wanted to save lives."

**I can't think of anyone in the City of Glen Cove more deserving of Person of the Year than Pete Prudente.'**

**GAITLEY STEVENSON-MATHEWS**  
Glen Cove City Councilman elect

# Person OF THE Year

*Pete Prudente*

When the New York Blood Center was dealing with a shortage this summer, Prudente helped State Assemblyman Charles Lavine gather about 60 people to donate blood at the firehouse on Aug. 27. Prudente always hopes his donations would inspire others to action, and seeing the blood drive take off meant so much to him. Lavine said he was grateful for his help, and hoped to host another drive with Prudente next year.

"I have tremendous respect for him," Lavine said. "We need more people like Pete."

### Always giving more

Prudente took his giving to the next level by donating one of his kidneys nine months ago. New York state ranks last in the nation in the percentage of residents registered as organ donors, leaving about

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# Year in Review

## JANUARY

**RICHARD GREENE AND Ramona Bobe-Greene** decorated their home with photos and artwork so they could reminisce about their lives together.



Courtesy Mike Conn/Herald Gazette

## Pillar of G.C. and Glen Head dies

Ramona Bobe-Greene was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in 2017, without much warning, and she died on Nov. 28, at age 64. Two of the three journals on Greene's table were still in their wrapping.

The extraordinary story that was Bobe-Greene's life started in Brooklyn, where she was born on May 21, 1954. Bobe-Greene lived a turbulent, troubled childhood, yet she excelled in school.

Bobe-Greene began her career in 1977 at Nassau County Offender Aid and Parole Services, where she helped released prisoners reacclimate to life outside prison. The following year she started working with

Neighborhood Youth Corps, as a counselor for high school students.

When her mother developed vascular dementia in the mid-2000s and her health deteriorated, Bobe-Greene made sure she got the best care possible, with the help of the Glen Cove Senior Center. "I watched her take care of her mother for many years," said Carol Waldman, the center's executive director.

Waldman said that Bobe-Greene's work at the senior center benefited everyone. "She would look at work at the senior center not only in terms of her mom, but also how it could help the community."

## Center provides warmth for the homeless

Homeless men will no longer have to suffer frigid temperatures outdoors because a new day center has opened in Glen Cove that is offering them shelter.

The center, which opened at the First Baptist Church of Glen Cove on Jan. 17, works in conjunction with the night shelter at the First Presbyterian Church, which houses homeless men overnight from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. The day center is cur-

rently only available to men who also use the night shelter, and a sign-in sheet is used to keep track of those who come in. It is open from 1 to 5:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

The new shelter took nearly a year of planning by a committee that included representatives from various Glen Cove religious organizations, spearheaded by Deputy Mayor Maureen Basdavanos.



Courtesy Mike Conn/Herald Gazette

**A DAY CENTER** has opened at the First Baptist Church of Glen Cove for homeless men to take shelter from the cold.

## Happy Holidays!

To all our Glen Cove Community,

I always love the holidays! It's such a special time for families, friends and neighbors to celebrate the wonders of the season. It is an opportunity to worship, to give thanks, and to help those who are less fortunate. A time to share a meal, share a story, and stop to remember the importance of being together.

As my family and I gather once again for our annual holiday celebration, I would like to thank all of you for your support. It means so much to me. As each new year begins, I am increasingly grateful to you for investing your trust and confidence in me as your Supervising City Court Judge. In the thirty one years since I first came on board as Associate Judge, I have consistently strived to rise to the challenges of the court with fairness and integrity.

Whenever you spot me around town – at City Hall, at the Senior Center, at the National Night Out Against Crime or enjoying the music at our downtown concert series – please be sure to say hello. You, our citizens, are what make this city a wonderful place to live and work. I look forward to serving another year as your Glen Cove Supervising City Court Judge. I hope you and your family have a wonderful and blessed holiday season!

Best Wishes,  
The Hon. Richard J. McCord and Family





# Pete Prudente, giving flowers and more

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12,000 people waiting for organs. It's a statistic that upsets Prudente. His decision did not come lightly, however, because he always thought that if he ever donated any organs, it would be for Allison, who shares his rare, B-negative blood type. But Allison told him not to worry, and that she supported his decision to donate a kidney.

"It was something he wanted to do," Allison said, "and it was something I knew he needed to do."

After being cleared to donate, Prudente sent out a letter to more than 50 fire and police departments in hopes of donating a kidney to a member of one of them. But he couldn't find a match, and his one-year clearance was coming to an end. Not wanting to waste time, he opened his search to anyone, and was matched with Carmen Sanchez, 60, of Copiague.

The fact that Sanchez was a mother had special meaning for Prudente. Because he and Allison don't have children, he said, he feels motivated to go above and beyond for parents, so he had no reservations about giving a kidney to Sanchez. While he was doing so, another kidney arrived for her, and it went to someone else. Since Prudente saved her mother, Sanchez's daughter, Adriana Orellana, 20, also donated to a stranger, creating a "donor chain." To start a chain, Prudente said, there need to be altruistic donors who can inspire others.

"What I did ended up saving three lives," Prudente said. "I'm so happy I did it, and I hope this story can inspire others to give."

Those who know him aren't surprised that he is looking to do still more. He is now considering donating his liver, which would involve removing



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**MEMBERS OF THE** Glen Cove Fire Department, including Pete Prudente, second from right, attended Organ Donor Day at North Shore University Hospital, where Pete shared the story of his donation.

about 60 percent of the organ to give to someone else.

"How can someone look at him and not be inspired?" said Glen Cove City Councilman-elect Gaitley Stevenson-Mathews, who serves alongside Prudente on the city's Memorial Day Parade Committee. "I can't think of anyone in the City of Glen Cove more deserving of Person of the Year than Pete Prudente.

## Honoring Pete

**As an active member of about 16 different clubs and organizations, Pete Prudente has done plenty to be recognized by local leaders. Here are the honors he's earned in recent years:**

2014 Recipient of the Philip Dannenfels Award for Community Service in the Port Washington/Manhasset/Roslyn areas

2016 Glen Cove Chamber of Commerce Community Service Award

2016 Community Service Award from Assemblyman Chuck Levine and Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton

2016 Veterans of Foreign Wars Citation for Service to Glen Cove Post 347

2019 New York Senate Commendation Award from Sen. Jim Gaughran (Oyster Bay/ Glen Cove district)

2019 New York State Senate Commendation Award from Sen. Anna Kaplan (Great Neck / Port Washington)

2019 Service Commendation from Councilwoman Dina DeGiorgio and Town of North Hempstead Supervisor Judi Bosworth

2019 City of Glen Cove Police Department Man of the Year, U.S. Congressional Award and Flag from U.S. Rep. Tom Suozzi



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**NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATOR** Delia DeRiggi-Whitton, left, was one of many who honored Prudente and his wife, Allison, during National Night Out in August.



## FEBRUARY



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**A COMMITTEE MADE** up of several of Glen Cove's most influential people decided that Zangari, bottom center, a former city councilman, was more than deserving of a fundraiser for his cancer treatment.

## Big turnout helps Mike Zangari

"Over-the-top overwhelmed" was how former Glen Cove City Councilman Mike Zangari described his reaction to the fundraiser held in his honor on Feb. 2 at the Church of St. Rocco.

Zangari was forced to step down from the council last November because of declining health due to a rare form of cancer. The fundraiser was aimed at helping him with his treatment. He said he appreciated the effort, but added that being the subject of a charitable event was foreign to him. "I'm never used to receiving," he said. "I usually give, because I'm always about other people."

His wife, Janice, expressed her gratitude as well, while emphasizing how difficult it can be for her husband to accept help. "Mike deserves this," she said. "He doesn't like the attention. He's all about other people, and it's very

hard for [him] to accept."

Former Glen Cove Mayor Reggie Spinello and his wife, Coleen, spearheaded the fundraiser. With the help of Councilman Joe Capobianco, Councilwoman Pam Panzenbeck, city spokeswoman Lisa Travatello and many others, they formed a committee dedicated to providing Zangari with as much financial support as possible.

Their efforts paid off. They raised roughly \$15,000 in donations from the fundraiser's 225 guests, far surpassing the committee's initial goal of \$5,000. Zangari will undergo a number of treatments and procedures over the next few months, which will force him to stop working as a wheelchair price analyst at National Seating & Mobility in Garden City.

## Officials push for Section 8 housing

Fred Moore, Glen Cove's Section 8 program administrator; and Eric Wingate, the executive director of the city's housing authority, stressed the needs of the 275 people in the Section 8 housing program at a presentation at Glen Cove's InterAgency Council meeting on Feb. 13. According to Moore, the program is having a difficult time finding landlords willing to rent their homes to potential tenants.

Section 8 provides low-income residents with vouchers for use in finding homes. While the vouchers can help, a resident's ability to rent is ultimately at the discretion of a landlord. According to federal guidelines, Glen Cove can provide a maximum of 340 vouchers, but there is not enough available housing to make use of that many.

Moore said that many landlords are unwilling to accept Section 8 participants because they believe that people in need of

the services would be bad tenants and would not take care of their rentals, an idea he refuted. Only 1 to 2 percent of tenants turn out to be problematic, he said.

"We're fighting through stigmas," Moore said after the meeting. "We're fighting through bad experiences landlords have had, and we're trying to keep the program going by getting landlords to take a chance, because there are very [few] chances for low-income families."

In an effort to make prospective landlords more willing to rent to Section 8 users, Moore said that he hoped to give landlords a more realistic picture. Every community, he explained, has low-income families, and many are not in control of their housing situations for a variety of reasons, including issues with medical and mental health. "We need landlords who are willing to give people a chance even though they're poor," he said.



Courtesy Glen Cove Housing Authority

**THE GLEN COVE** Housing Authority hopes to privatize property on Mason Drive to build 30 units for senior housing.

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## MARCH



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**THE MAJORITY OF** voters rejected the \$84.6 million Glen Cove School District improvement bond on Tuesday.

## Glen Cove's school bond fails

Some passionate collective displeasure erupted from a small gathering in the front lobby of Glen Cove High School as Superintendent of Schools Dr. Maria Rianna announced that a proposed \$84.6 million bond, intended to fund improvements at the district's six schools, failed in Tuesday's vote.

According to unofficial results, 1,171 of the 2,725 voters who cast ballots supported the bond, while 1,554 opposed it.

The bond would have financed work at all of the schools — upgrades in security, compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and heating, ventilation and air conditioning — as well as renovations particular to each school, such as improved

drainage in Connolly Elementary School's parking lot, playground resurfacing at Deasy Elementary, elevator and restroom additions at Gribbin Elementary, and partial roof replacements at Landing Elementary. Finley Middle School would have seen improvements in Wunsch Auditorium, and many of Glen Cove High School's classrooms would have been renovated.

If the bond had passed, the average owner of a Glen Cove home worth \$500,000 would have seen a tax increase of roughly \$36.53 per month, or \$432 per year.

Reactions to the vote were mixed. "It's so disheartening," Rianna, a strong supporter of the bond, said, "but we'll pull together and move forward."



John C. O'Connell/Herald Gazette

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

## St. Patrick's Day parade thrives in G.C.

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

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

Atop a platform about a block shy of

St. Patrick's Church, Glen Cove Hibernians announced each group of marchers who reached the end of the route. They were soon joined by Furlong and O'Neill, as well as U.S. Rep. Tom Suozzi, State Sen. Jim Gaughran, Mayor Tim Tenke, members of the City Council and Sea Cliff Mayor Edward Lieberman, all of whom waved to the crowd of paraders.

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



Roni Chastain/Herald Gazette

**JEANINE DIMENNA**, the chef at the View Grill, and her boss, Peter Antonopoulos, whom she credits with changing her life. A celebration at the restaurant last Sunday marked Antonopoulos's 50 years in business at a variety of Glen Cove eateries.

## Celebrating 50 years in Glen Cove

Lost in thought, Peter Antonopoulos lit a cigar. Gazing at the calm water of the Long Island Sound from the back window of the View Grill, he smiled. His restaurant always reminds him of Greece, he said. And although he has lived on Long Island since 1962, Antonopoulos's heart is never far from his European roots.

As a fixture of Glen Cove's restaurant scene for 50 years, Antonopoulos, 85, has brought the ancient charms and flavors of Greece to an appreciative community.

Antonopoulos bought his first business, the Village Green in Glen Cove, in 1969. It

was an ice cream parlor, right next to the movie theater on School Street. "I found a nice opportunity in Glen Cove, so I decided to take it," he said. "It was beautiful in Glen Cove, and there was a nice Greek population here."

Under Antonopoulos's ownership, the Village Green became a diner in 1974. Although Glen Cove Restaurant, as it was called, was popular, Antonopoulos wanted to challenge himself further. He upgraded the diner to an upscale restaurant that he renamed Peter's Place in 1984. He renovated it again in 1997, and called it Page One.



Courtesy Angelo Grande

**KATHRYN GRANDE**, LEFT, Father Daniel and Father Elias arranged a table of offerings in honor of the Feast of St. Joseph.

## Loggia celebrates Feast of St. Joseph

Loggia Glen Cove No. 1016, Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America, held a celebration in honor of the feast of St. Joseph, a patron saint. A prayer service was conducted by Father Daniel, pastor at the Church of St. Rocco. A meatless dinner was served after all the food had been blessed. The St. Joseph's bread was sold and the proceeds from the sales and other donations were given to the Church of St. Rocco to help the poor in the church's Outreach Program. Father Elias, headmaster of All Saints Regional School, was also in

attendance.

St. Joseph's Day is celebrated on March 19 in Italy and all over the world, wherever Italians have settled. People pray to St. Joseph to intercede to the Lord to bring rain, promising that each succeeding generation would honor St. Joseph on his day if the rain came (this custom came about in the Middle Ages, between 700 and 1450, in Sicily). St. Joseph interceded and God sent the rain. Italians all over the world honor St. Joseph for his blessing during severe drought.



## APRIL

### Community rallies for fire victims

Early last Sunday morning, residents of Glen Cove's Orchard neighborhood were stirred from their sleep by the smell of smoke. Overnight, a fire had ripped through a two-family home at 5 Stanco St. The occupants were unharmed, but lost everything in the blaze.

The fire originated at around midnight in the second-floor apartment, and the ceiling of the first-floor apartment collapsed. Several fire trucks, police officers and Red Cross volunteers responded to the scene, and were there until 4:30 a.m.

Later that morning, a member of the Locust Valley School District created a GoFundMe page to help Damon Garner and his 22-year-old son, Tajah, who lived on the second floor of the home. Garner is a security guard at Locust Valley Intermediate School, and also works for Glen Cove's Department of Parks and Recreation. The donation goal was set at \$50,000, but community members raised over \$63,000 in a single day, preventing the page from accepting any further donations.

Garner said the shock of the weekend came in two waves. He wasn't home at the time of the fire, and couldn't believe his belongings had been lost. "I didn't think it was true until I actually got there and saw it," he recounted.

Later, he was shocked by the flood of



Courtesy Anthony Gallego

**DAMON GARNER, RIGHT**, can often be found working with the city's youth in any of the three basketball programs he oversees.

donations, which he described as an immeasurable show of love and affection from his friends in Glen Cove and Locust Valley. "These parents trust me with their children every day," he said, "and for them to go out of their way to help me in this situation is overwhelming."

### Road Panthers eye return at parade

The Road Panthers hot rod club has had a significant presence in Glen Cove since it was founded in 1952. The first group of its kind on the East Coast, the club took part in Glen Cove's Memorial Day Parade for decades, showing off its many souped-up cars to generations of onlookers.

That ended, however, when a monster truck — which wasn't affiliated with the Road Panthers — attempted a burnout and lost control during the 2015 Memorial Day parade, nearly veering into the crowd, according to Fred Nielsen, chair-

man of the Memorial Day Parade Committee. Club members remain upset that they were told they could no longer take part in the parade, and several are looking to change that this year by advocating for their reinstatement.

Tony Contorino, president of the Road Panthers, said that most members are veterans, and being part of the parade is especially close to their hearts. "It was just a way for us to honor our veterans, just like anyone else," Contorino said. "We'd love to be back in there."



Courtesy Tony Contorino

**THE ROAD PANTHERS** hot rod club has had dozens of members in its 67 years in the city.

## MAY



Courtesy Dave Nieri

**RXR'S DEVELOPMENTS AT** Garvies Point may have had a dramatic impact on the area's wetlands.

### Wetlands shrinking at Garvies Point?

Glen Cove resident Dave Nieri is an avid kayaker, having paddled up and down the creek by Garvies Point for years, enjoying the wetlands and the wildlife that inhabit them. But Nieri now believes those wetlands are threatened by RXR's development in the area, and he has seen the evidence firsthand.

What was once a lush ecosystem thriving with life, Nieri said, has been reduced to piles of dirt and rock nearly devoid of greenery. "There's nothing there that would let you know it was even a wetland," he said.

At a Glen Cove City Council meeting

on April 16, Nieri presented photos he took from his kayak early last month, showing just how much the landscape has changed. As a result, Councilman Joe Capobianco contacted the state Department of Environmental Conservation to see if RXR's actions followed the DEC's legal guidelines.

Chris Engelhardt, a representative of the DEC who is overseeing the project, visited the site soon afterward. According to Capobianco, Engelhardt told the councilman that work at the site complied with guidelines.

### Group home opens in Glen Cove

Across St. Andrews Lane from the Nassau Country Club and a block north of the Glen Cove train station sits a large two-story home. Made of brick and surrounded by a picket fence and lush trees, it fits in perfectly with the rest of the neighborhood. But it is no longer just one of the homes in the area, because it now houses a Monte Nido group home for men and women with eating disorders, a development that has concerned some Glen Cove residents for over a year.

The City Council unanimously rejected Monte Nido's proposal for a group home at 1 St. Andrews Lane in February 2018. Shortly after, the company, which

specializes in the treatment of eating disorders and is based in Miami, appealed to the New York State Office of Mental Health in an effort to establish the home under the state's Padavan Law, which states that communities cannot prevent the creation of group homes.

The state ruled in Monte Nido's favor last May, and the home was renovated. Its interior was rearranged so it could house more than a dozen live-in patients, and an employee parking lot was built in the front yard.

The facility opened on May 8, but several residents remain concerned.



Mike Conn/Herald Gazette

**A MONTE NIDO** group home for men and women with eating disorders has opened at 1 St. Andrews Lane.



## MAY

### GRAND MARSHAL ROBERT CURIANO

Curiano, below, was surrounded by his wife Rose Marie, bottom left, and their family.



Tab Hauser/Herald Gazette

## City celebrates Memorial Day

The streets of Glen Cove were a sea of red, white and blue on Monday as thousands of residents gathered to watch the city's annual Memorial Day parade. Starting at the corner of Forest Avenue and Dosoris Lane, the display of patriotism snaked through the downtown before ending in front of the Glen Cove Library.

A memorial ceremony took place in Monument Park before the start of the parade, in which several parade officials spoke, honoring those who have died while serving in the military. Family members of William Kevin Colwell, who served in the Air Force during World War

II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War, were honored, and retired Marine Sgt. Major Robert Pemberton read "In Flanders Field," a poem by John McCrae, written during World War I.

Once the parade got started, under the ceremonial leadership of Grand Marshal Robert Curiano, a variety of veterans associations, marching bands, fire departments, city and state dignitaries, community organizations and more were cheered on by spectators of all ages. As veterans marched by, the crowd shouted their names in gratitude for their service, receiving an appreciative wave in return.

## JUNE

### THE CITY OF

Glen Cove has made \$490,834.46 in premium payments to ineligible retirees.



Christina Daly/Herald

## Over \$600K paid in premiums

The City of Glen Cove paid nearly \$491,000 in health premiums for six retirees who did not qualify for coverage based on their personnel files, according to a February audit by the Manhattan-based accounting firm Marks Paneth. The men were covered by the New York State Health Insurance Program, but were found to be "ineligible ... based on eligibility requirements and resolutions passed by the city," the report said.

A report by the city controller based on the audit indicated that the city also

issued roughly \$125,700 in reimbursements of Medicare Part B for the six retirees from 2007 to 2018. As a member of NYSHIP, the city is required to submit monthly premium payments and reimburse Medicare Part B payments for its retirees, the controller's report said.

Marks Paneth reviewed 191 personnel files, and determined that 88 percent of them "did not have the appropriate supporting documentation to support the retiree and/or their dependents' eligibility," according to the report.

## Spreading the message of giving

As he dashed out the door to the View Grill for Paint Night to benefit the Glen Cove Child Day Care Center, local voice and speech coach and Glen Cove Chamber of Commerce member Gaitley Stevenson-Mathews decided he would make a quick video and post it to Facebook, offering his art from last year's event up for auction with the proceeds going to the center.

Stevenson-Mathews's video was more than a little tongue-in-cheek, noting how unusually valuable the art was sure to become over time and that perhaps the bidding should start at \$1,000. In the end, he said he was quite pleased that by offering his newest art up for auction, in addition to last year's work, he was able to secure \$100 for each of the paintings for a total of \$200.



Courtesy Glen Cove Child Day Care

**STAFF AND STUDENTS** at Glen Cove Child Day Care Center accepted checks totaling \$200 from The View Grill and The Max Challenge of Glen Cove.

## Hall of Fame legacy thrives

When former Glen Cove Parks and Recreation Director John Maccarone founded the Glen Cove Hall of Fame in 1982, he sought to honor many great athletes who excelled in the city and beyond. The hall's first inductees dated back to the early 20th century.

Until he died in 1992, Maccarone continued to add members to the hall. His daughter, Leslie Maccarone Baptista, and current Parks and Recreation Director Darcey Belyea have worked diligently to keep Maccarone's legacy alive. One way they have done so is through the John

Maccarone Memorial Scholarship Fund, presenting scholarships to student-athletes graduating from Glen Cove High School and moving on to play sports in college.

"It's an overwhelmingly warm experience for me," said Belyea, adding that her maiden name was Maccarone and John was a distant cousin. "To bring the family together, as well as my parks and recreation team, it really is nice to see the community support our young graduates."

Belyea reported that the event had raised over \$31,000.



Tab Hauser/Herald Gazette

**PARKS AND RECREATION** Director Darcey Belyea, far left above, helped run the raffle, with Leslie Maccarone Baptista, Erin Moore and Lindsey Payton.



## JULY

**BARBARA MAKROPOULOS** COULDN'T have been happier.



Ryan Hedlund/Herald Gazette

## Here's to the Class of 2019

Glen Cove High School's J.C. Maiden Field hosted perhaps the most emotional and exciting ceremony of the school year on June 26. As members of the class of 2019 marched from the school to their seats, family members stood up, clapping and cheering. The graduates were ending one chapter of their lives and starting another, and the feeling of pride among the crowd was almost palpable.

Principal Antonio Santana spoke about his personal connection with the graduating class. He became principal four years ago, when the class of 2019 was starting high school. He had watched the

students grow, and said he was proud of their success.

Valedictorian Matthew Tran told his classmates that, while leaving high school can be a sad time, they had more reason to be excited. "For me, I'm just happy, because I know that today marks the beginning of a new chapter," Tran said. "I'm happy that we are taking the next step in our lives, and on our way to becoming the young adults we already think we are. Even though we are leaving high school, Glen Cove High School will always hold a special place in all of our hearts."



Mike Conn/Herald Gazette

**MAYOR TIM TENKE**, far left, responded to an assertion by City Councilman Joe Capobianco, far right, that a press conference was unnecessary, as Councilwomen Marsha Silverman and Donna McNaughton listened.

## Mayor calls for controller to resign

At a news conference outside Glen Cove City Hall last Friday, Mayor Tim Tenke called for the resignation of city Controller Sandra Clarson. Clarson was hired by former Mayor Reggie Spinello, a Republican, in December 2016, and fired by Tenke, a Democrat, last December, but has remained in her position until a replacement is found.

Tenke said that Clarson disclosed documents to Newsday without his knowledge, which revealed that there had been no health care deductions from his bimonthly paychecks since he took office on Jan 1, 2018. According to the city's health care deductions listing, Tenke should have had

\$119.01 taken out of each paycheck. Saying he was unaware that the deductions were not made, Tenke volunteered to write a check for the \$4,795 he owed.

Disclosing the documents to the press was an attempt by Clarson to "undermine" him, Tenke said, adding that Clarson could have told him about the mistake privately instead of giving the information to the press, and that department heads should confer with him before publicly releasing personnel information. The only reason for Clarson to fail to do so, he said, would be to sabotage him politically.

Clarson did not respond to several requests for comment.

## Reverend Jim Phegley retires

Glen Cove has more than a dozen places of worship, reflecting the rich diversity of the city's population. In a place with large churches such as St. Patrick's and the Church of St. Rocco in busy areas of the city, it can be easy to miss the humble, non-denominational Glen Cove Christian Church on Walnut Road.

Even easier to miss is the adjoining house where the Rev. Jim Phegley lived with his wife, Sarah Ann. Phegley served the church and the community for more than 30 years, retiring at age 65 earlier this month. He gave his final sermon on July 7, and he and his wife have moved to

Connecticut to be closer to their children and grandchildren. His retirement marked the end of an era of dedication to the betterment of his community that extended far beyond religion.

He moved to Glen Cove in 1985 to start La Iglesia Cristiana and teach English at Finley Middle School and literacy at Landing Elementary.

Jim became the leader of the English-speaking congregation at the Glen Cove Christian Church in 1987, which consisted of 32 people. He held that position until his retirement, helping the church population grow to over 200.



Roni Chastain/Herald Gazette

**COUNTY LEGISLATOR DELIA** DeRiggi-Whitton, far left, expressed her appreciation for the Rev. Jim Phegley and his wife, Sarah Ann, at a farewell party at the View Grill. Phegley led the Glen Cove Christian Church for over 30 years.

## Scout's project to honor city's vets

On Memorial Day in 2018, Boy Scout Genalie Prezeau helped 95-year-old veteran Michael Madejski, of Sea Cliff, walk from the corner of School Street and Cottage Row to the veteran's memorial across a lawn. Escorting him through the grass, Genalie noticed that Madejski tripped. He likely would have fallen if not for Genalie's help, which made the scout decide that he wanted to do something to make sure that that would never happen again.

Now 14-years-old and going into his freshman year at Glen Cove High School,

Genalie decided to rectify the problem by way of his Eagle Scout project. He has designed plans for a walkway from the sidewalk to the monument, enabling those who wish to view it would walk on even ground without the risk of falling.

The walkway would be in the shape of a five-point star, with each point representing a different branch of the military. It would be made from a large collection of bricks, each of which would have a veteran's name engraved in it, as well as a unique message dedicated to them.



Courtesy City of Glen Cove

**BOY SCOUT GENALIE** Prezeau, center, has gained the support of city officials and local veterans for his Eagle Scout project.



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## AUGUST



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**BENNIE AND THE** Jets played at the Glen Cove Downtown Sounds concert.

## G.C. hosts summer concerts

Glen Cove's Downtown Sounds and Morgan Park free summer concerts continue throughout the month of August.

Downtown Sounds, which was originally called Jazz in the Square back in 1997, spans throughout July and August, bringing in a free concert every Friday at Village Square. The Hey Nows party-rock band will perform on Aug. 2, and the globe-trotting Right on Band will perform the following week on Aug. 9 with a full repertoire of Funk, Disco and Motown classics.

The Morgan Park Summer Music Festi-

val celebrates 60 years of free concerts in Glen Cove. Originally, the summer Morgan Park Concerts hosted a few musical acts on its old gazebo until the stage was eventually built through the efforts of the festival's former chairwoman Marguerite Souzzi. The Arena Rock band will play at that stage on Aug. 4 as they perform music by Queen and other rock n' roll greats. The musical "Mame," will be converted into a concert format by Plaza Productions for the following Sunday on Aug. 11.

## 'She empowered us all'

Inside Glen Cove's Garcia Muay Thai gym, owner Anthony Garcia, 45, pushes his students to reach ever-higher levels of athleticism and fitness. Garcia said that he has a good eye for talent, and one of the most talented people he ever came across was Lisa Margaritis, of Albertson.

Margaritis's spirit always seemed invincible to Garcia, which is why he couldn't believe that she died on Aug. 2, at age 49, in a paddleboarding incident on Mill Creek and Hashamomuck Pond in Southold. In a grief-tinged effort to preserve her legacy, Garcia created a GoFundMe page to raise \$10,000 for the Church of St. Aidan, where she often volunteered.

On the morning of Aug. 2, Margaritis headed out to Hashamomuck Pond, along with two other women, for a paddleboard yoga class. Southold police said that as the trio made their way under a Long Island Rail Road bridge, one of the women got caught in a strong current. Margaritis, an experienced paddleboarder, paddled over to help the woman, but her own board was taken by the current, and it knocked her off into the water near the bridge piling. Because she was still tethered to the board, which was stuck on the piling, police said, Margaritis was unable to free herself.

Margaritis was rushed to Eastern Long Island Hospital in Greenport, where she



Courtesy Garcia Muay Thai

## LISA MARGARITIS

was later pronounced dead.

"I was destroyed, heartbroken, when I found out," Garcia said. "But I know that if she could replay that scene 100 time over; she would go in to help that woman 100 times."

Susan McCormack, one of Margaritis's best friends, is in the early steps of founding a nonprofit organization called Luv Like Lisa to raise money for Muay Thai classes for children with disabilities.

# Happy New Year!



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## AUGUST

**FROM TOP LEFT,** James Barron, Gabriel Rodriguez, Ever Padilla, and bottom left, Annie Spiers and Elsa Valle plan to officially debut the North Shore Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of New York in September.



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## A voice in the community

Every time James Barron drove by Padilla Barber Shop, in Sea Cliff, he would spot Ever Padilla waving at the front door. The two were strangers, but Barron grew curious about who the friendly barber was. So he stopped by last September, and got more than a haircut. Snipping away at Barron's hair, the 41-year-old Padilla shared an ambition that he held close to his heart — a plan to galvanize the North Shore's Latino community.

Data from the 2010 U.S. census indicates that the Latino portion of Glen Cove's population has increased to more than 25 percent. Encouraged by that statistic, Padilla, teamed up with fellow Salvadoran immigrant Elsa Valle, who helps manage her family's catering business in Port Washington, to try to push for a Lati-

no candidate for City Council in 2017. Their hope was that representation on the council would provide support for their community. When their candidate failed to get elected, Padilla and Valle moved forward with an idea that they have mulled for years, the formation of a Hispanic Chamber of Commerce on the North Shore.

As the new chamber's executive members work to finish the organization's website, set to launch the first week of September, Padilla hopes to secure a location for an opening ceremony on Sep. 14. Though the initial membership recruit will focus on Glen Cove, Huntington and Port Washington, if the organization meets its 300-member goal in 2020, Padilla said, he hopes to expand its reach as far east as the Hamptons.

## G.C. scout has green thumb

Glen Cove Girl Scout Emily Rodgers chose to focus her Gold Award project on creating a gardening curriculum for local youths at the Glen Cove Children's and Seed Libraries and the Glen Cove YMCA. The Gold Award is the highest award in the Girl Scouts, which culminates everything that they've learned as a scout in order to create a positive impact on their communities.

With the gardening program, Rodgers has held multiple workshops with local elementary school children to teach them how to maintain a garden, create gardening kids that they can circulate among themselves and the importance of organic gardening. Rodgers also established raised garden beds at the YMCA, which can be utilized by the preschool and summer camp children at the facility.



Courtesy Emily Rodgers

**EMILY RODGERS ESTABLISHED** gardening programs for kids at several Glen Cove locations as part of her Girl Scout Gold Award project.

## SEPTEMBER



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**DEASY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** student Anthony Dahne was excited to return to class as Anthony McDonald opened the door to greet him.

## Heading back to school

Kids and parents from all over Glen Cove made their journeys back to school during the first day of the 2019-2020 school year on Sep. 3. While the students made their bittersweet return to classes, they might also find changes coming to the Landing, Gribbin, Deasy and Connolly Elementary Schools, as well as at R. M. Finley Middle School and Glen Cove High School as the Glen Cove School District preps itself for another chance at passing an estimated \$76 million bond.

The bond, which failed to pass back in March, hopes to bring major renovations

to the Glen Cove School District. It would help address overcrowding at Deasy and Connolly, relocate two classrooms that are in the basement at Landing and bring elevators in Landing and Gribbin up to compliance with the American with Disabilities Act. It would also provide finances for security and classroom upgrades.

"The needs we have identified will not go away," District Superintendent Maria Rianna told parents in a video on the school's website. "They will only worsen over time and will cost more to address if [they are] not taken care of now."

## Celebrating Seniors Day

As he makes his way around the city, Glen Cove Police Officer Eddie Loeffler, 29, is often spotted by senior citizens who want to greet and chat with him. They recognize him because Loeffler stops by the Glen Cove Senior Center at least once a week to keep them updated on police activities and crime-prevention tactics.

"Eddie is like all of our grandsons," said the center's director, Carol Waldman.

Loeffler was one of the main honorees at the 13th annual Glen Cove Senior Day celebration last Saturday. A block party outside the senior center, the event not only helps connect the city's seniors with

local resources and services, but also honors several community members who have helped them in the past year: Mayor Timothy Tenke, who helped lead the festivities, said the city was proud of the work being done at the senior center.

This year's celebration recognized Loeffler; Lee DelValle, president of the Glen Cove Senior Activity Generational Endowment, or SAGE, Foundation; and the four members of the Continentals band, Rich Cheshire, Bob Curiano, Dan Ranieri and Craig White — all senior center members. The honorees were selected for their impact on the senior community.

### U.S. REP TOM

Suozzi greeted Josefa Vega, 102, left, and Flora Schierhorst, 105, as they were honored during Glen Cove's 13th annual Senior Day celebration.



Elisa Dragotto/Herald Gazette



## SEPTEMBER



Tab Hauser/Herald Gazette

WITH THE EXTERIOR construction done this month, Village Square would be completed by March 2020.

## Milestone reached at Village Square

Exterior construction has been completed at 100 Village Square, in downtown Glen Cove, after more than two years of work. At a topping-out celebration last Friday, Joe Graziose, RXR Realty's executive vice president of residential development and construction, said he was pleased to mark the milestone, as RXR continues work on two projects in the city that will create both residential and commercial space, one in Village Square and the other at Garvies Point.

"These developments are some of the largest projects on Long Island, and it's amazing to oversee something that will reshape my own home for the future and

for my grandchildren," said Graziose, a Glen Cove native.

The \$53.9 million Village Square project, scheduled to open next March, is a 16,500-square-foot public plaza designed to help revitalize the downtown area. The development, between School and Brewster streets, will feature 15,600 square feet of retail space and 146 studio apartments, 10 percent of them designated as workforce housing. There will be 171 parking spots, with 69 additional spaces to be reserved at the neighboring Brewster Street garage. RXR will make a \$207,000 one-time payment to the city for the garage parking spaces.

## OCTOBER

## Carol Waldman retires from center

It's nearly impossible to overstate the impact that Carol Waldman has had on the North Shore community since she became executive director of the Glen Cove Senior Center in 2001. For the past 18 years, she has made sure that the North Shore's elder residents have as much fun as they did when they were children.

Waldman, 66, dedicated herself to making the seniors smile, laugh and dance their way through life, and when she announced her retirement late last month, many said the center would never be the same. Nearly everyone she knows or has worked with agrees that she has changed innumerable lives.

"She's helped mold me into a better person," said Laurie Huenteo, Waldman's secretary for the past seven years. "I found depth of compassion I didn't even know I had because of her."

"She's got an absolute heart of gold, and she is so giving and so thoughtful," said the center's program coordinator, Eric Shuman. "She goes above and beyond in everything she does, and everyone that knows her is better off because of her."

Waldman plans to continue being an



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AFTER DECADES OF dedication to the Glen Cove Senior Center, Carol Waldman is retiring.

active member of the North Shore community. She will stay on for a time as a consultant to help her replacement, Christine Rice, become acquainted with the executive director's position. She is also thinking of teaching college courses in gerontology, hoping to spread her love of the subject to younger generations.

## Duo secures \$18K for seniors

The golf-loving ladies of Glen Cove gathered at The View Grill to raise money and awareness for breast cancer research and wellness programs.

Through raffles and donations, the group was able to raise over \$5,000 for the Manhasset Women's Coalition Against Breast Cancer, which was about \$1,000 more than what they donated last year. The coalition's mission is to fund innovative research, increase awareness through education and provide support services to those with breast cancer and related diseases. Representative Bernadette Doherty was there to receive the hefty check.



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ELLENMORRIS TIEGERMAN, TOP center, in gray, cut the ribbon for the grand opening of the Tiegeman Middle School on Sept. 26.

## Coles School reopens as Tiegeman

Ellenmorris Tiegeman arrived in Glen Cove 20 years ago with the vision of establishing two new Tiegeman campuses there. Tiegeman Schools and Community Services, a 34-year-old nonprofit organization based in Glen Cove, provides educational and vocational programs that help children, teens and adults who have speech and learning disorders or autism. Tiegeman and her board of directors lead the organization, which has two other schools in Richmond Hill and Woodside.

Tiegeman acquired the South School building, on Glen Cove Avenue, to create

the Tiegeman Preschool/Elementary School in 1999, but she was unable to purchase the old Coles School building, on Cedar Swamp Road. "But then I got a call two years ago from Mayor [Timothy] Tenke, asking if we were still interested, and we were absolutely interested," Tiegeman said. "Third time's the charm."

After two years of work, Tiegeman and board members, staff, teachers and students gathered at the new Tiegeman Middle School to celebrate its ribbon-cutting ceremony on Sept. 26.



## OCTOBER



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Sharon Cirlincione, of Glen Cove's 9 Holes women's golf group, who hosted the event, said that the event was a success thanks to the donations made by merchants from Glen Cove, Glen Head and Locust Valley

## District's school bond fails, again

Gasps and tears erupted at the Glen Cove High School lobby when Superintendent of Schools Dr. Maria Rianna announced that the proposed \$78 million bond, intended to fund improvements at the district's six schools, failed in Tuesday's vote.

The bond was split into two propositions. According to unofficial numbers, Proposition No. 1 received 1,102 votes in support and 1,325 votes in opposition. Proposition No. 2 received 1,048 votes in support and 1,339 votes in opposition. Residents could have passed the first proposition without the second. This is the sec-

ond time this year the bond has failed to pass.

"I can't believe 223 votes defeated it," Board of Education Vice President Monica Alexandris-Miller said, referencing the outcome of the first proposition.

The Glen Cove City School District hoped to use the funds to address "critical needs" at the schools. The schools' ceiling tiles, which are no longer manufactured in the U.S., are deteriorated and have been falling to the ground. The outdated doors at the schools also posed significant safety issues in the buildings, as were the lack of fire safety doors in the stairwells.

**SOME OF THE** bathrooms have deteriorated to the point where one mirror fell to the floor, ripping tiles off the wall as it fell.



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## NOVEMBER



Ronny Reyes/Herald Gazette

**GLEN COVE MAYOR** Timothy Tenke, right, won his re-election bid against challenger Reggie Spinello.

## Local democrats win big

Glen Cove Democratic headquarters cheered in a frenzy on Tuesday night as Glen Cove City Mayor Timothy Tenke won his bid for re-election. According to the Nassau County Board of Elections, Tenke beat challenger and former Mayor Reggie Spinello 3,611-2,921.

In the last election, in 2017, Tenke won by only three votes, so to win by nearly 900 this time, he said, solidified the city's confidence in him. He added that while negative fliers about him circulated through the city, refusing to use such tactics himself

helped propel him to victory.

"It's an unbelievable feeling," Tenke said as he spoke to his supporters, who packed the Meritage Wine Bar on School Street. "Thank you for standing by me in a campaign that got really ugly. This shows that what people really care about is what you're going to do for them to improve their quality of life."

County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton, a Democrat, also enjoyed her re-election victory in the Legislature's District 11 race.



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**U.S. REP. TOM** Suozzi presented a Purple Heart to the family of the late Sgt. Leander Willett.

## Harlem Hellfighters honored

Oyster Bay native Debra Willett, 59, has loved history since she was a student at Oyster Bay High School. Members of her family have always been history buffs, too, she said.

Willett's roots on the North Shore go back more than two centuries. Among the Willetts who inspired the family's fascination with the past was the late Sgt. Leander Willett, Debra's grandfather, an Oyster Bay resident who served in World War I in the U.S. Army's 369th Infantry Regiment, also known as the Harlem Hellfighters.

Although Leander's valor was well known among his descendants, the Hell-

fighters received little recognition through the years. An all-black division in a segregated Army, they could not fight with the U.S. military, and instead fought with the French army.

Debra Willett and her family, joined by dozens of local residents, gathered at the North Shore Historical Museum last Saturday to celebrate the memory of Leander Willett and the other North Shore Hellfighters. The event included a surprise announcement from U.S. Rep. Tom Suozzi, who presented the Willett family with a long-sought posthumous Purple Heart for Leander.



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## A new Garvies Point Brewery

After RXR Realty prepared its initial plan for development at Garvies Point in 2014, it faced a troublesome problem: what to do with the Marina Support Building. The building was meant to house a business that would complement the proposed marina, but the challenge was finding one that would thrive there, RXR officials said. The structure was tucked away and not visible from Herb Hill Road, and there was no parking.

To make the location more attractive, RXR has teamed up with the Garvies Point Brewery to move the brewery from Garvies Point Road to the support build-

ing in order to create a brewery-restaurant hub. Joe Grazioplene, RXR's executive vice president of residential development and construction, said he was excited about the project when the developer presented it to the Glen Cove Planning Board for preliminary review on Dec. 3.

"The plan is to make use of the site and replace the Marina Support Building, which would have probably lied there empty for years to come," Grazioplene said.

The planning board voted to hold a public hearing on the project in January.

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## Uniting against hate on L.I.

In the U.S. and around the world, anti-Semitism has been on the rise. According to the Anti-Defamation League, a New York-based organization that works to fight anti-Semitism, there were 1,879 attacks against Jewish people and Jewish institutions in 2018, the third-highest number on record since the ADL began tracking the statistics in the 1970s.

The North Shore was reminded of the frequency of these hate crimes when the Nassau County Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center, in Glen Cove, was spray-painted with anti-Semitic graffiti over the Thanksgiving weekend and again on Dec. 2. Afterward, elected leaders, including U.S. Rep Tom Suozzi, Nas-

sau County Executive Laura Curran, her Suffolk County counterpart, Steve Bellone, and HMTC Chairman Steven Markowitz announced the formation of an Island-wide task force against anti-Semitism and symbols of hate at a Dec. 9 news conference at the HMTC.

"This bicounty coalition will work to educate our communities about the negative impacts of anti-Semitism and hatred as well as stress the value of the diversity of our population," Curran said. "We cannot allow anti-Semitic and hateful acts, whether they come in the form of graffiti, speech, discrimination or violence, to become normalized and find comfort in our communities."



Courtesy Office of U.S. Rep Tom Suozzi

**U.S. REPRESENTATIVES PETER King and Tom Suozzi** joined HMTC Chairman Steven Markowitz, third from the right, to announce the formation of the island-wide taskforce.



## The masthead

The box at the far left side of the page is called the masthead. It contains the newspaper's flag, or nameplate. The masthead offers important information about the paper, including the names of the staff members who are responsible for producing it each week.

Publisher Stuart Richner guides the business and news operations of the 18 newspapers in the Herald Community Newspapers group, including the Nassau Herald, which serves the Five Towns, and Heralds for Baldwin, Bellmore, East Meadow, Franklin Square-Elmont, Freeport, Glen Cove, Long Beach, Lynbrook-East Rockaway, Malverne-West Hempstead, Merrick, Oceanside-Island Park, Oyster Bay, Rockville Centre, Sea Cliff-Glen Head, Valley Stream, Wantagh and Seaford.

Each paper's editor is responsible for the assignment, selection and placement of stories, most of which the editors and reporters write. The executive editor oversees news operations for all 18 papers in the group.

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## HERALD EDITORIAL

### Help students in need of school supplies

Imagine opening a new marble notebook on the first day of school, running your fingers along the paper and taking out your new box of crayons — the 64-pack with the sharpener in the back.

Now imagine what it might be like to show up to class empty-handed and have to ask your teacher, or a classmate, to borrow a sheet of paper and pencil.

Many children don't get the same opportunities to succeed in school as their peers because they don't have the tools necessary to get the most out of their education. And families that are already struggling financially feel an additional burden in September when children must return to school with a

new set of supplies.

Some teachers bear the weight of their students' school-supplies shortage as well. In May 2018, the U.S. Department of Education found that 94 percent of teachers across the country paid for supplies out of their own pockets in the 2014-15 school year.

A child may not derive the same joy from school supplies that they associate with toys. And a pack of colored pencils may not seem as important as a healthy meal. But donating to school supplies drives is as necessary as donating to toy or food drives around the holidays.

The Long Island Nets have partnered with United Way of Long Island to organize the 11th Stuff-a-Bus program. The

Herald urges you to help make the event a success by donating supplies to one of 18 drop-off locations in Nassau County. The deadline for donations is Sept. 3, and on Sept. 5, volunteers will meet at Nassau Coliseum in Uniondale to organize the donations and load them onto school buses that will deliver them to beneficiaries. For additional information, visit [www.longislandnets.com](http://www.longislandnets.com).

Some towns and cities across the U.S. have come up with a creative solution to help those who need school supplies this fall. When residents receive parking tickets, they can purchase school supplies to donate to local schools in lieu of paying a fine. Programs like this are under way in Las Vegas; Mulvane, Kan., and Clinton, Miss.

## Editorial comment

Editorials offer the opinions of the Herald. Editors write them. Editorials do not necessarily reflect the views of the individuals who write them; rather, they are the institutional voice of the news organization. That is why they are unsigned.

Herald editorial department staff members meet weekly to plan the editorials. Independent reporting by our staff often helps inform our editorials. We might also speak with experts and advocates to gain their perspective before sitting down to write an editorial.

We are proud to say that we have won many press association awards for our editorial writing over the years.

Among our most important duties is publication of our annual endorsements in local elections. We take this responsibility seriously. Editorial staff members sit down with candidates to question them about their views on major issues before offering the paper's opinions about which candidates would best represent our readers.

## Editorial cartoon

Each editorial cartoon provides a thoughtful and, we hope, humorous perspective on the major news of the week. Prize-winning cartoonists from across the country produce the cartoons, which do not necessarily represent the opinions of the Herald or its staff.

## Enjoy the rest of summer, locally

As the summer winds down, many families are racing to make the most out of the last days of the season before children return to school, high school grads go away to college and the days begin to cool.

But look no farther than your geographic backyard, and devote the remainder of the summer to exploring someplace new, visiting an unfamiliar beach or checking out a local festival.

Eisenhower Park offers concerts and festivals throughout the summer, and at 930 acres, it's bigger than Manhattan's Central Park. On Aug. 31 and Sept. 1, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., it will host Art Craft and Gift Shows, featuring over 500 exhibitors.

If your family is of Scottish heritage, or you're interested in learning more about the culture, check out the 59th annual Long Island Scottish Festival and Highland Games on Saturday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Old Westbury Gardens.

Then after a day of traditional music, caber tossing and vendor viewing, take a tour of the historic site. The Old Westbury Gardens, constructed in 1906, offers walking tours, botany lessons and gardening classes in its 216 acres of gardens, rolling fields and woodlands.

Summer peaches are in season on Long Island. The Harbes Family Farm in Mattituck is home to an annual Peach Festival on Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. A Peach King and Queen will be crowned winners of the free peach-

eating contest.

There's no need to travel upstate for a lakeside vacation when Oyster Bay Harbor offers its own scenic views and opportunities for sailing, kayaking and clamming. The Water Front Center, an Oyster Bay nonprofit, offers rentals, harbor tours, sunset cruises and children's programs throughout the summer.

The center also partners with groups like the Boys and Girls Club Youth and Family Counseling Agency of Oyster Bay-East Norwich to host a number of free programs for those who may not otherwise be able to enjoy its activities.

Whether it's a day on the beach, by the bay, at a botanical garden or in a peach orchard, Long Island has you covered for your end-of-summer "staycation."

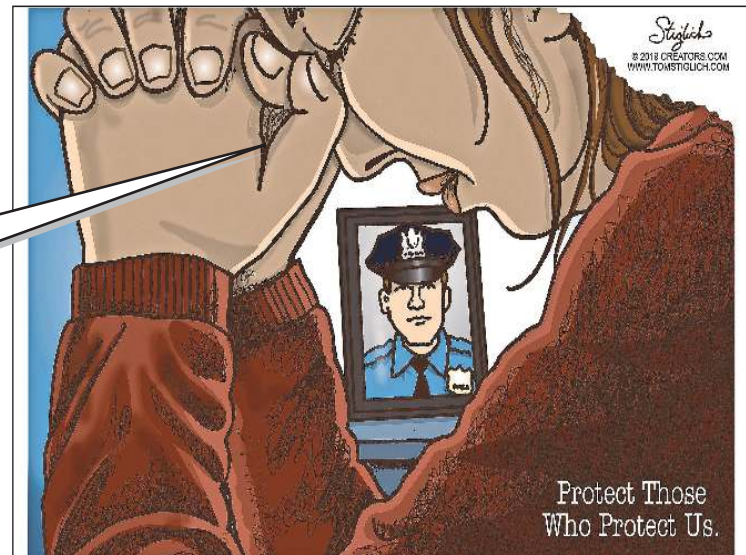
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### Thanks for the coverage, Randi

To the Editor:

Thanks to Randi Kreiss for her wonderful column "School store: the gift that keeps on giving" (Aug. 8-14) on the occasion of Jewish Week. She accurately portrayed the organization's endeavor, from its inception to execution to fulfillment. It takes a village — and a full year — to present our pop-up store to the deserving children. Our volunteers, from Vice President Hope Coleman, the inspiration for the Back to School Store, to the high school students who join us for two days to assist, are dedicated to making this a wonderful event.

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Who writes editorials?  
How do letters and guest columns get published?  
This week's pages offer some answers to our readers.  
We thank The Riverdale Press for the idea.

## Opinion pages

### OPINIONS

# Looking back on Adirondack days

The black bear suddenly appeared as if it were an apparition. It was tugging on a rope that suspended our duffel bag full of food high in a tree, a good distance from our lean-to. All at once the line snapped and the sack dropped to the ground. The bear grabbed it in its mouth and bolted into the dense Adirondack forest.

The year was 1980 or 1981, if I remember correctly. We were a group of "high-adventure" Boy Scouts with Troop 79, out of

Yaphank, in Suffolk County, camping in Adirondack Park. I was 13 or 14. There were a dozen of us, including our four adult leaders — Mr. Nicoletti, Mr. Brady, Mr. Carman and Mr. Baker.



**SCOTT BRINTON**

It was early evening, as the sun was setting, and the forest was mostly in shadows, which made seeing the bear difficult, and made the creature appear ghostly as it hurried away.

Normally, that's where this story might end. Normally, you'd stay put in camp, cowering in your sleeping bag. Not Mr. Baker, however. He was a hulk of a man who plunged into the woods, chasing the bear. I can't recall how quickly he jumped into action, but it all seemed to happen in an

instant.

In August, my thoughts often return to Adirondack Park, the 6 million-acre wilderness in northern New York that encompasses one-third of the state's total area, according to the State Department of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. In particular, I think of the High Peaks Region, where I had visited twice with the scouts, in 1980 and again in 1981, for one-week, 50-mile treks across rivers, lakes and mountains. They were strange, wondrous experiences, far removed from life on suburban Long Island.

For months I looked forward to those trips with giddy excitement. There was no sleeping the night before we left. All of us boys were chatterboxes on the nine-hour drive up to the Adirondacks.

Back to Mr. Baker.

He had *actually* run after the bear, everyone kept saying, with a certain nervous laugh. As scouts, we had always been taught *never* to challenge a bear. We had long prepared for the possibility of meeting one in the wild. Should you stand your ground, making a racket to scare it off? Should you run uphill? Downhill? Play dead?

In my teenage mind, with all those scenarios at play, I had lost track of which was correct. (I had to look up the answer for this

column. Apparently, the right response is to walk back slowly in the direction you came from while watching the bear, and hope for the best.)

Mr. Baker clearly violated all the rules of human logic. His prefrontal cortex, governing reason, must not have kicked in as it should have. Rather, his amygdala, dictating emotion, took over. Fight or flight? He chose fight.

**You're never supposed to challenge a bear. Mr. Baker just couldn't help himself.**

He nevertheless lived to tell the tale, as they say. He returned to camp a short time later, out of breath. You wouldn't believe what he found, he huffed. The bear had carried the duffel bag to a clearing in the middle of the forest, torn it open and made off with the big packets of food inside, leaving only peanut butter, jelly and crackers

in vacuum-sealed plastic bags. The clearing was littered with gear from which food had been rummaged, he said.

With the bear off somewhere chowing on our supplies, we tiptoed into the woods with Mr. Baker to check out this wasteland, and indeed, there were bags everywhere. I remember the clearing looking like a circle. Adrenaline coursed through my veins.

That night I hardly slept. Our adult leaders kept watch in shifts, with a roaring fire in front of our lean-to. I remember looking into the darkness beyond the fire and feeling

not fear, but excitement. This was life on the edge in a primordial land.

I have many memories of the Adirondacks — of rappelling down a cliff face; swimming underwater through a cave and encountering a fish; canoeing on a really long lake that led to a stream with a beaver dam; hiking on a narrow, mud-covered path in a driving rain; sliding down granite rocks into a giant pool of water (again and again). Most of all, I remember climbing Mount Marcy, New York's highest peak, which towers 5,344 feet, a little more than a mile, above the surrounding terrain.

Memories of the trek up are vague, but I remember the view. Near the top, the forest gave way to scrub brush and finally only rock and low-lying vegetation at the peak, marked by a rock pile. In all directions you saw green forest, with the occasional blotch of blue — a lake or pond. With nothing to obstruct our view of it, the sky seemed so large.

Looking back, I'm grateful for those memories, and more so for the four scout leaders who brought us boys into the wilderness. Adirondack Park is a place of uncompromised beauty and serenity. I have found it at such a young age.

*Scott Brinton is the Herald Company's executive editor and an adjunct professor at the Hofstra University School of Communication. He has written about this column? SBrinton@herald.com.*

## Opinion columns

We publish three columns every week. Columns represent the views of the writers themselves, not of the Herald. Each writer works independently and chooses his or her own subjects. Among our regular contributors are the Herald's executive editor, Scott Brinton, and the Nassau Herald's former executive editor, Randi Kreiss, both of whom have won numerous awards for their opinion writing. We also feature columns by prominent political figures, including former U.S. Sen. Alfonse D'Amato and former State Assemblyman Jerry Kremer, both of whom are now consultants. And we regularly invite guest columnists to offer their views.

## Special features

The op-ed, or opposite the editorial, page features a weekly Framework photo, which is chosen by our photo editor. The Framework offers a creative, at times humorous outlet for our photography staff. In this spot, we also publish photos sent to us by readers, featuring them on vacation, reading the Herald at various international landmarks. We call it Herald Around the World.

At times, a correction box might appear on the op-ed page. We strive each week for the highest standards of accuracy and accountability. When we make mistakes in our reporting, we believe we must own up to them and correct the record.

## LETTERS

nization, has had the goal of improving the quality of life for women, children and families. We have many community services that enrich the recipients as well as the members and volunteers who participate in them. Thanks, Randi, for focusing attention on the work of our organization.

MYRA GARBER  
President, National Council of Jewish Women, Peninsula Section

## Not all the hate comes from the right

To the Editor:

The Herald's editorial "Tone down the rhetoric — and pass tougher gun laws" in last week's issue was so incredibly one-sided that it bordered on delusional. In discussing the three recent mass shootings that broke Americans' hearts, you stated that *one* of them has been classified as a hate crime — the El Paso, Texas, shooting in which 22 people were murdered.

It's fairly obvious that you emphasized this so you could go into the song and dance we're all familiar with, about how President Trump stokes hate and inspires such horrific events. Interestingly, you ignored the hateful rhetoric that comes from the left. Is it OK when U.S. Rep. Maxine Waters says people

should "create a crowd" to harass Trump cabinet members, and "push back" so they know "they're not welcome"?

You further ignore that the murderer in Dayton, Ohio, was a self-described "leftist." Could *he* have been encouraged in his hate by remarks such as those made by Waters? How about the lunatic who nearly killed Rep. Steve Scalise in 2017? He was a registered Democrat. Consider the possibility that his hate might have been stoked by the constant barrage of anti-Trump rhetoric the mainstream media serves up on a daily basis. No, you conveniently, and typically, ignored the violence from the left and the hateful rhetoric of the left that may inspire the unhinged.

I agree with your view that the rhetoric needs to be toned down, but I suggest there's plenty of negative, hateful rhetoric coming from the left, too, yet you presented the typically one-sided view that it's Trump's fault alone. This is ridiculous.

The Herald's, and the media at large, would do the country a wonderful ser-

vice if you condemned more broadly *all* the hateful rhetoric that is currently poisoning the public discourse. Give *all* of it the same scrutiny and you'll gain a ton more credibility with me, and no doubt many more of your readers..

MICHELLE GRAHAM  
Oceanside

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At the scene of the Battle of Culloden — Scotland

## Letters to the editor

We welcome readers' letters to the editor and publish most that we receive. We believe these letters are critically important, because they reflect the shared voices of the communities that we cover.

Letters should be 250 to 300 words in length. Each letter must include an address and phone number. Our editors call all letter writers to confirm the authenticity of letters before publication.

We edit letters for length, grammar, spelling and foul language. We do not censor viewpoints.

If we believe a letter requires major revisions, we will send it back to the writer and ask that he or she change it so that meaning and intent are not lost.

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