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GLEN COVE HOSPITAL staff gathered in early December to break ground on the hospital's new Family Medicine Center.

New Family Medicine Center set for G.C. Hospital

By LAURA LANE

Reaching Glen Cove Hospital's Family Medicine Center from the hospital's main entrance requires a quarter-mile trek through an underground tunnel. Located on the ground floor at the rear of the hospital, the center is in the older portion of the facility, referred to as the L building. It once served as a dormitory for licensed practical nursing students in the 1940s and '50s. Then, in the 1970s, the space was converted to the Family Medicine Center.

"The location has been a disadvantage for us," said Dr. Barbara Keber, chair of family medicine at Glen Cove Hospital and vice chair of family medicine at Northwell Health. "A lot of the community doesn't know that we exist

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On New Year's Day, new City Council members

At swearing-in, they express eagerness to revitalize downtown and improve finances

By RONNY REYES

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When Glen Cove Mayor Timothy Tenke was first inaugurated in 2018, he said he was hopeful that he could bring positive change to the city. He and City Council members worked to improve water wells and the budgeting system, but heated arguments between Tenke, a Democrat, and the Republicanmajority council were a regular occurrence in City Hall.

On the eve of his second term, Tenke acknowledged that things had not gone entirely as he had envisioned, but he felt that the next two years would be more productive, thanks to the election of an all-Democratic City Council in November.

On Jan. 1, at the Robert M. Finley Middle School, Tenke and City Councilwoman Marsha Silverman were sworn in to their second terms, along with newcomers Danielle Fugazy Scagliola, Gaitley Stevenson-Mathews,

Rocco Totino, John Perrone and Eve Lupenko. Tenke said that the victory of his team reflected the public's desire for change.

"What we need to do now is move Glen Cove forward," he said. "Thank you, Glen Cove, for giving us the opportunity to serve."

In his inauguration speech, Tenke laid out a three-part plan for downtown revitalization, which included the ongoing work with the New York Power Authority to install new LED

lights downtown. The next two steps, he said, would include work on the sidewalks to increase walkability and handicapped accessibility, and creating an entrance to the Brewster Street Garage through School

Street. These improvements, Tenke said, would facilitate better access to downtown shops as well as the Village Square, which is scheduled to open in March.

The downtown developments

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because the center is disconnected from the main center. Some people who work in the hospital don't know it exists either."

That is about to change. A \$5.5 million renovation and expansion of the outpatient center has begun that will relocate the Family Medicine Center to a new, modern space on the third floor of the main hospital, where the pediatric and intensive care units were once located.

The old center will remain open until the new space opens in late spring.

According to a release from the hospi-

tal, the new 6,660-squarefoot facility is expected to serve more than 18,500 patients annually, a 40 percent increase in patient volume.

The uninsured and underinsured who use the center will continue to benefit from the Northwell Financial Assistance Program. Keber said that the program is vital, used by 50 percent of patients, who would otherwise have to go to Northwell's locations in Great Neck or Huntington.

The current center has a small procedure room, which, Keber said, doctors are often forced to use as an examination room, since there are only eight exam rooms. The new space will have 12 exam rooms and a large procedure room. Additionally, there are

plans for a centrally located, 200-foot-long, 40-foot-wide glass- enclosed area. It will contain hard-wired and wireless computers, printers, 12 work stations and storage for medications and vaccines.

The glass dome area will offer central viewing and monitoring of the center, and at the same time, provide space for clinical team members to collaborate before patient visits in a private setting.

"Nurses will be able to see if a resident is there easily, and vice versa, and there will be enough work stations for residents, faculty members and nurses to work side by side," Keber explained. "We offer team-based care, so with this new area, we will be able to review a patient's chart, for example, and a plan can be identified before the patient gets here, which should help with patient flow."

Ultrasound machines and retinal cameras, used to monitor the vision of patients with diabetes, will be available at the center as well.

The center will include 22 family physicians doing their residency training, six faculty and a number of subspecialists.

They will care for the patients and teach the residents. Surgeons will come to the center weekly, a convenience for admitted patients, who will be able to see the same surgeons who performed their procedures for follow-ups.

Many members of the center's staff will be bilingual, speaking Spanish as well as English.

The renovation was funded by donations and fundraising events by community members and the volunteer Glen Cove Hospital Advisory Council, which works to strengthen relationships

between the hospital and the community and serves as a liaison with the North Shore-LIJ Health System.

"We are extremely grateful to the hospital's advisory council and caring individuals in the community who spearheaded the fundraising campaign for the Family Medicine Center, making this vision into reality," said Kerri Anne Scanlon, RN, Glen Cove Hospital's executive director. "The state-of-the-art Family Medicine Center has been designed to provide quality medical care and to deliver the best patient experience possible."

Nancy Taylor, of Locust Valley, is a member of the advisory council and a longtime supporter and volunteer at the hospital.

When hospital leaders asked if she would donate to the renovation project through her family charity, the David S. Taylor Fund she said she would be "delighted."

Her husband, David S. Taylor, died in 1995. He served as chairman of the hospital's board of trustees from 1988 to 1990, and chaired the North Shore Health System board from 1994 to 1995. Nancy Taylor donated approximately \$800,000 to the center.

"I set up the fund every year for the hospital," she said. "David loved the hospital, and even worked here when he was a teenager as an orderly. The family practice desperately needs to be improved, and I'm happy to help."

The Family Medicine Center's clinical staff currently provides personalized medical services to patients of all ages, from newborns to older adults. The center offers primary, prenatal and pediatric care, preventive services as well as behavioral health and gynecological services to underserved members of the community and other residents.



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New City Council debuts at Finley Middle School

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are among the top priorities for the new City Council. Throughout their campaign, the new members had expressed their concerns about what they described as overdevelopment in the city, with housing developments at Village Square, Garvies Point and Livingston set to bring nearly 2,000 new residents to town. Fugazy Scagliola said she was cautiously optimistic about the projects, and that she would push to attract retail shops to those sites, the lack of which has given rise to a popular saying in the city: "You can't buy a pair of underwear in Glen Cove."

"It's in the best interest of the city and RXR to bring in more retailers," Fugazy Scagliola said. RXR Realty, based in Manhattan, is developing condominiums, apartment and retail spaces at Garvies Point and Village Square.

Stevenson-Mathews said the city needed to brace itself for the impact of these projects. "We're going to have to make some hard decisions as more people start moving in to the city," he said.

Improving the city's finances is also another top priority, and Silverman, who pushed for fiscal responsibility during her first term, said she was more than happy to continue leading the charge. She has proposed updating the city's procurement policies, under which, she has said, Glen Cove operates like a "momand-pop shop" rather than a large organization. Her proposed changes were tabled by the previous council, and never put to a vote. She said she would reintroduce them to the new council this year.

Silverman also wants the city to plan ahead rather than sticking to short-term goals, despite the council members' and mayor's two-year terms. She urged the creation of a five-year budget plan instead of single-year plans, in order to establish long-term revenue goals, and added that that could also help build a consistent reserve fund in the city budget



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COUNCIL MEMBERS, FROM left, Eve Lupenko and Gaitley Stevenson-Mathews with State Sen. Jim Gaughran and U.S. Rep. Tom Suozzi.

"The public sent a clear message that they wanted things to change," Silverman said, "and we have to deliver on that"

U.S. Rep. Tom Suozzi, who spoke at the inauguration, shared with the new administration a lesson he said he learned when he served as mayor in the late 1990s. The four most important things in Glen Cove, Suozzi said, are the city's finances, the downtown area, the waterfront projects and improving residents' quality of life. As long as the City Council made them top priorities, he said, Glen Cove would thrive.

"Tim cares about his hometown," Suozzi said of Tenke, "and now he finally has the team he needs . . . to make the city of Glen Cove the best it can possibly be. The best days for our city are yet to come."



AT HIS SEC-OND inauguration, Glen Cove Mayor Timothy Tenke, far left, was sworn in by his old friend Jeremy Weinstein.

Departing council members say goodbye at final meeting

By RONNY REYES

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It was a bittersweet moment at Glen Cove City Hall when local residents expressed their gratitude toward the exiting members of the City Council during the council's final meeting on Dec. 30.

Republican Council members Joseph Capobianco, Pamela Panzenbeck, Nicholas DiLeo, Kevin Maccarone and Donna McNaughton ended their terms on Dec. 31. Although she may no longer be a councilwoman, Panzenbeck, who had served for six years, said she would still be an active presence in the community.

"I'm not going anywhere," Panzenbeck said.

"It has truly been an honor and privi-

lege to serve the city that my family and I came to when I was a small child," Capobianco, an Italian immigrant, added

During their final meeting, the council agreed to accept a \$100,000 grant from Nassau County, which was secured with the help of County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton, to pay for the study and clean up plan to remediate Crescent Beach. The beach has been closed for a decade due to bacterial contaminants that were found in the stream that empties out into the beach. H2M, an architecture and engineering firm the city hired to help come up with solutions to clean the polluted beach, has suggested the city use helix filters to remediate the beach. The filters spin at a high velocity to separate heavier particles away form the water and flush the accumulated mass. Mayor Timothy Tenke said these filters were relatively simple to use, added no real noise pollution and wouldn't disturb the environment, as they would be encased in a pipe. Tenke hopes to work together with two residents who own property adjacent to the beach to help install the helix filters in order to get the water cleaned and have the beach open by the summer.

Another big item the city council dealt with pertained to moving the city's bidding contracts further into the digital age as the council approved to enter into an agreement with BidNet Direct, a web-based service that would allow the city to post and manage all its bids online. Anthony Frisa, the city's Information and Technology manager, said the move to BidNet would help streamline the city's bidding process

while being transparent about the process.

"It makes sure all our bids are in one house," Frisa said. "It's a lot better than what we have in place right now...and I'm confident about this system."

Through BidNet, residents can view the city's contracts and follow the bidding process. Frisa added that vendors' bids are still kept confidential until the process ends to assure the city can get the best deal.

Along with the exiting City Council members, Tina Pemberton, the city clerk for 12 years, has also left her position. She was terminated and replaced with former Town of Hempstead Deputy Clerk Gaspare Tumminello. A spokesperson for the city said that there would be other new department heads named in the coming weeks.

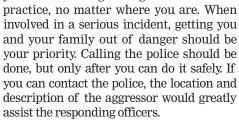
Keeping You Safe

Active shooter awareness

This article was written to give you some useful information and knowledge not to instill fear. First off, I would like to emphatically state that the chances of you, or someone you know, ever being involved in an active shooting scenario or terrorist action is very slim. That said there are things you can do to if you are ever confronted with an active shooter, or an emergency type scenario.

An active shooting incident can occur at work, at a shopping mall, department store, doctor's office, concert venue, movie theater, sporting event, etc. There are three

things you can do when faced with an active shooting incident. You can choose to evacuate, hide or act. What you decide is dependent on the activity happening around you. If you have time, you might decide to evacuate. To evacuate you need to stay calm and be aware of your surroundings. You need to know where you are, where the danger is and where the exits are located. Sometimes the closest exit isn't always the best, especially if everyone is using that exit and it becomes a bottleneck. Being aware of your surroundings is a good



If you are unable to evacuate, you can choose to hide. If you decide to hide, try to find a place out of an active shooter's view, lock the door if possible, turn off the lights and any electronic equipment that may be on, place your cell phone on silent and try to stay calm and quiet. If you are able, call the police to let them know what's going on and where you are. Stay hidden until the danger is gone. You should remember that just because you hear the police on the scene, it doesn't necessarily mean that the police have the scene under complete control. You may decide to remain hidden until a law enforcement officer finds you, or you are certain the danger has passed. You may decide to stay hidden until an opportunity for escape presents itself. Is it better to stay hidden or to take an opportunity to escape? There is no definitive answer to that because no two scenarios are the same. Each situation has different risks that you must weigh before making an educated decision.

The third option is to act, which usually means to fight back. This may not always be the last option or the best option. You may find yourself face to face with someone

intending to harm you before you had the chance to run or hide. The scene you find yourself in might happen so quickly that your first, and only option, is to fight back. Remember, if an active shooter confronts you, this is not a fair fight. You can, and should, use anything at your disposal as a weapon. If you can't locate a weapon, do whatever you're capable of doing to inflict damage on the attacker. If you can flee the attacker, run in a zigzag-type pattern, or try to run behind some type of cover. This will make it more difficult for the shooter



to target you.

The worst thing to do during an active shooting or emergency is to freeze up and do nothing. Will you evacuate, hide or fight? Once you reach a decision do it, don't be indecisive. Don't rely on law enforcement officers to immediately be there to help you, it could take them some time to get to you. Time is very important in an active shooting incident. Don't waste it.

The good news regarding active shooting scenarios, is that you will probably never be involved in one. I'm not advocating that you become paranoid in your everyday life, just become more observant. When you are out shopping, at work or at a concert, know where the exits are. Take note of things that seem out of place or suspicious. Take notice of suspicious people who are acting strangely Don't remain in a location where trouble seems to be starting or progressing. If you see something, say something.



Courtesy Twitter

MEMBERS OF THE Nassau County Detectives Association at their annual awards dinner last October.

Detectives union reaches labor deal with county

BY J.D. FREDA

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The Nassau County Detectives' Association (NCDA) reached an 8.5-year labor agreement with Nassau County to alleviate low detective numbers and to incentivize patrol officers to become detectives in the future. The union had been without a contract for more than two years prior to the agreement.

"We are budgeted for 360 detectives in Nassau County," said NCDA President John Wighuas. "We are currently at 302 detectives. We made this deal, yes, to incentivize more police officers to step up to the role of detective."

A lack of detectives was one of the reasons given for delaying the reopening of precincts in Levittown and Manhasset last year. Neither precinct had detectives assigned when they opened. Instead. detectives were seconded from other pre-

Wighuas said that the county even had an issue last year where "six or seven" detectives were stepping down from their role to once again become patrol officers. At issue were the greater demands of the job without a significant pay differential.

Because of this, the NCDA bargained for an increased differential between patrol officers and detectives. Before the pact was signed, the differential was only \$2,400 per year. With the increase, it is now \$6,249.

The deal also allows detectives to reach top pay more quickly. Before the current agreement, pay reviews occurred at 15-months interval at best, and it took a minimum of six years to reach the top pay grade. Now, reviews will take place annually, with the possibility of reaching top pay in four years.

'We also created tiers of detectives," Wighaus said. "We really created a career path. You can now move up in ranks of the detective division."

Wighaus hopes that this will not only incentivize more officers to make the jump to detective, but also for detectives to stay in their role.

"We believe this may lead to them staying longer," Wighaus said. "We want to help the current detectives to remain in their role. That is important."

Detectives will receive raises of 2% in both 2020 and 2021, 2.5% in 2022 and 2023, and 3% in 2024 and 2025. The detectives will receive a \$2,000 lump sum payment to cover the past two years, in which the union has not had a contract.

Detectives will also begin paying into their health insurance next year.

Although detectives will reach top pay quicker, they will also surrender a number of vacation days for three calendar vears.

County Legislator Steve Rhoads said that he was in favor of the agreement if it meant the benefit of the police depart-

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Shifting gears & exploring possibilities

Join adult motivational speaker Constance Hallinan Lagan in this inspiring seminar that can transform chaos into fulfillment at the Locust Valley Library on Jan. 15, at 7 p.m. Learn the three easy steps toward life transformation: cognitive theory, perception formation and action motivation. 170 Buckram Road, Locust Valley. (516) 671-1837.



Mind reading with Keith Zalinger



Explore the power of the human mind with mind-reader, mentalist and hypnotist Keith Zalinger, as he connects with members of the audience through thoughts, feelings and imagination at the Bayville Free Library. This extrasensory performance starts at 7 p.m. on Jan. 16, at 34 School St., Bayville. (516) 628-2765.

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HERALD SCHOOLS

Glen Cove names Top 10

The Glen Cove City School District announced the top ten students from the Class of 2020, including valedictorian Nicole Khaimov and salutatorian Megan Fahey. The other top 8 students were Caitriona Green, Nicole Valensisi, Axelle LaBaw, Sara Garcia, Abigail Weiser, Alex Beckhard-Suozzi, Elijah James and Emma Spoto. All ten students were honored during a Board of Education meeting on Dec. 18.

THE GLEN COVE School District honored their top students for their academic accomplishments.



Courtesy GCCSD



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STUDENTS CREATED FESTIVE gingerbread houses as part of their curriculum.

Houses of joy at Landing

After finishing up their studies on holidays around the world, third graders at Landing Elementary School made celebratory gingerbread houses as their culminating project. The students made visualizations

of what they wanted their houses to look like before putting them together with marshmallows, gumdrops and candy canes. The students were able to take their finished houses home to enjoy.

Student athletes honored

The Glen Cove High School seniors Brianna Guillen and Yunior Velazquez received the outstanding Physical Education Awards from the Nassau Zone of New York State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. Nassau Zone selects one male and one female from each school district who

demonstrate the state's learning standards for health and physical education. The district also commemorated the students on their accomplishments, saying they have shown tremendous leadership, sportsmanship and character throughout their time in Glen Cove.



Courtesy GCCSD

GLEN COVE HIGH School senior Brianna Guillen was one of the two students in the district who received the Physical Education Award.

Shooting to benefit Crohn's Disease research

By MIKE CONN

Harrison Gillman has never been one to seek attention. Although he is not shy about talking about his battle with Crohn's Disease, he doesn't enjoy the spotlight. That's why it was tough for him in 2013 when his older brother, Jagger, and cousin, Ethan, organized a fundraiser in his name to raise money for research at the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation.

Although it started out as a basketball clinic, the fundraiser quickly became a three-on-three basketball tournament called Hoops for Harrison, and it will celebrate its sixth iteration on Jan. 19 at North Shore High School. This is the first time the school will be hosting the event, as it had taken place at the Sid Jacobson JCC every year before, although it was canceled last year. This works out perfectly considering Harrison, 17, will graduate from NSHS in June.

Harrison, of Glen Gead, was diagnosed with Crohn's when he was seven and it has affected his life every day since. He described it as an invisible inflammatory bowel disease that heavily restricts his diet and can cause abdominal pain, fatigue and weight loss. As much struggle it has brought into his life, though, he knows that he would not be the person he is today without Crohn's.

"It's shaped me to be who I am," Harrison said. "I've become more of a compassionate person because of it. I have seen so many people in the same situation. I've been to many hospitals and doctors and all around I see sick kids just like me, and I realized it's not just me, I'm not alone."

However, that development as a person didn't take away from the difficulties that Harrison has endured throughout his life, especially as a child. Crohn's often forced him to stop engaging in some of the activities he enjoyed the most, including sports. Jagger, who is three years older and the more extroverted of the two, was saddened to see his brother so restricted, so he and Ethan decided to take action. Given the family's passion and expertise for basketball, which was heavily influenced by their father, Eric, they knew something related to the sport was the

"Me and Ethan realized we had to make a difference somehow," he said. "We took our passion for basketball and my dad's knowledge of how to run clinics that we've going to for years, and we just decided to start off as a clinic and move onto a three-on-three basketball tournament."

The Gillmans have also hosted several walks in Harrison's honor to raise money for Crohn's research. According to Eric, the family has raised almost \$100,000 over the past eight years through the walks and Hoops for Harrison.

Suzanne Beck, director of the Long Island chapter of Take Steps for the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation, has helped the Gillmans organize all of their fundraisers. She said she has watched Harrison grow from a shy seven-year-old to a young man with a passion for giving back. She said fundraisers like Hoops 4



Courtesy Rachel Gillman

HOOPS FOR HARRISON has brought together basketball players of all ages since 2013.



HARRISON GILLMAN, BOTTOM right, has had unwavering support from his brother, Jagger, bottom left, and parents, Rachel and Eric.

Harrison are pivotal in raising awareness for the foundation, making it just as important an event as any.

'We wouldn't be able to be out in the community without volunteers like the Gillman family," Beck said.

As supportive as his brother, father and community have been over the years. perhaps no one cheers louder for Harrison than his mother, Rachel. She has been by his side all his life, making sure he stays healthy, gets the treatment he needs and, much to her teenage son's dismay, constantly reminds him to take his medication. She has been a part of the fundraiser from the beginning, and said she is proud of her boys for taking the lead.

Rachel is also truly grateful for the generosity the North Shore community has shown throughout the last decade. "The support has been heartwarming," she said. "A lot of people go above and beyond...they've always been there for him. For me, to watch that and see them all come together for these kinds of events and walks, even though they may not be in the same social groups, it's a heartwarming thing to me.'

This year's Hoops for Harrison tournament will consist of two separate tournaments based on age, with one being for ninth through 11th-graders and the other for high school seniors and adults. There will also be raffles and a silent auction where guests can win a variety of sportsthemed prizes.

Dr. Peter Giarrizzo, North Shore Superintendent of Schools, said he is excited to see the district host a fundraiser like Hoops for Harrison, especially since this is Harrison's last year at NSHS. He said it is important for educators to help students come around a cause and teach them civic responsibility, something which hosting these types of events promotes.

"Whenever we can lend our voices to issues that are important to us," Giarrizzo said, "we should be empowering that in kids."

Harrison will attend Northeastern University in the fall and plans to study psychology. He has spent much of his teenage years speaking to children with Crohn's and helping them through the hardships the disease presents. As a psychologist, he wants to continue doing

"It's great to be in a position to be able to help kids like that," Harrison said, "because when I was younger, I had a good support system, and to help them through this situation is a great feeling."

HERALD SPORTS

Hofstra wrestling poised for breakthrough

By ANDREW COEN

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As Dennis Papadatos dives into his sixth season as Hofstra's wrestling coach, he sees signs of progress with the program he hit the mats for 20 years ago.

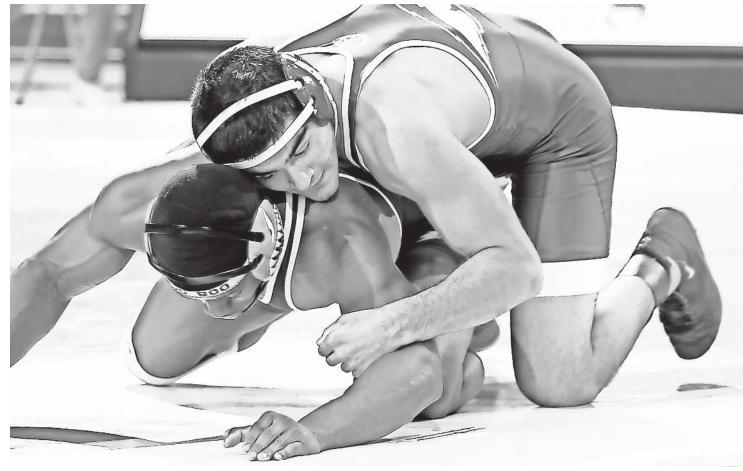
The 2000 Hofstra graduate's efforts to foster a championship mentality in Hempstead are beginning to come into fruition with the potential for multiple All-Americans on a roster featuring stronger depth than in previous years. This season's team is the first one comprised solely of wrestlers Papadatos recruited providing a chance for him to establish a winning foundation of young men who buy into his philosophy of shining on and off the mat.

"At the end of the day I want guys competing on the final day of the national championships," said Papadatos, who recorded 95 career victories during his collegiate wrestling career at Hofstra two decades ago. "We feel we have the guys that can get it done."

Among the returning wrestlers who have a chance for a breakthrough season are 125-pound sophomore Dylan Ryder and red-shirt junior Ricky Stamm, who wrestled at both the 165 and 174-pound weight classes last year. Stamm, who placed seventh in the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association (EIWA) Championships at 174 last year, is off to a 4-0 start at 165 while Ryder is working his way back from an early-season injury after going 23-13 as a freshman.

Sophomores Holden Heller (157) and Trey Rogers (197) are also poised for big seasons after making strides during their first year competing on the collegiate wrestling level. Red-shirt juniors Vinny Vespa (141) and Sage Heller (174) are fueled for larger heights after battling injuries last year.

Newcomers emerging early on as possible future All Americans include 184-pounder Charles Small, a Florida native who arrived at Hofstra a season removed from capturing a junior college national champion at Northwest Kansas Technical College. Red-shirt freshman Zachary Knighton-Ward has shined at 285 pounds and nearly knocked off secondranked heavyweight wrestler in a 9-8 loss to Arizona State's Tanner Hall at the Cliff Keen-Las Vegas Invitational.



Photos courtesy Hofstra Athletics Communications

RICKY STAMM, TOP, is a former standout at Division High School and rolled up 21 victories for the Pride last season. He's competing at 165 pounds.

Freshman 149-pounder Reece Heller is off to a promising start to his Hofstra journey with a 4-1 record following a standout high school career in which he was a three-time Illinois State Championship qualifier. He is part of a trio of Hellers on the Hofstra roster along with his older brothers Sage and Holden.

"They feed off each other," said Papadatos of the Holden brothers. "They are close, but also very competitive."

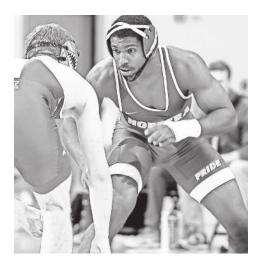
Hofstra, which began the dual meet season with a 24-12 win against Air Force on Nov. 21, began a stretch of eight-straight home matches in early January. The long homestand is highlighted by hosting ACC foe North Carolina State on Jan. 18 new local Division I program Long Island University on Jan. 26.

The Pride will also host EIWA matches against Franklin & Marshall and Colum-

bia on Feb. 1. After a road tilt at George Mason, Hofstra returns to the Mack Sports Complex for another EIWA doubleheader beginning at 11 a.m. versus Harvard and Brown. The regular season concludes at home against EIWA opponent Sacred Heart on Feb. 22 at 2 p.m.

The EIWA Championships are set for Lehigh University on March 6-7 where Hofstra will seek a strong showing that produces a number of qualifiers for the NCAA Championships in Minneapolis two weeks later. Papadatos is hoping to make history with Hofstra's first individual EIWA champion since the Pride joined the nation's oldest collegiate wrestling conference for the 2013/14 season.

"If you win a EIWA title you are ready to be an All-American," Papadatos said. "You are basically automatically going to be seeded in the top eight at nationals."



NEWCOMER CHARLES SMALL, right, bolstered Hofstra's lineup at 184 pounds after capturing a national championship at the JUCO level last winter.

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HERALD NEIGHBORS



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JOHN AND VALERIE Rodriquez, left, celebrated the end of 2019 with Ira Cosell and Emily Bongiorino at the Mansion's New Years Eve Gala.

The Roaring 20s are here





ANDREA MARCHESE, ABOVE, served wine to guests.

CATHERINE AND DONOVAN

Detwiller, top-right, dawned their best Roaring 20s attire for the party.

YOUNG PARTY GOERS,

from left, Ava Morizio, Viviand Gannascoli, Jonathan and Joshua Miranda and Frank Morizio, right, also dressed for the decade.



ocal residents celebrated the end of the decade as the Glen Cove Mansion held their annual New Years Eve Gala on Dec. 31.

The party, themed the Roaring 20s, kicked off with a one-hour cocktail reception open bar, passed hors d'oeuvres, carving stations, an Italian cheese and bread station and other delicious treats.

The appetizers were followed by an elaborate four-course sit-down dinner featuring surf and turf fare. Guests were also treated to a live DJ, and special guest Joe Gannascoli from the HBO series "The Sopranos."

Those who stayed until the end of the night enjoyed a stop at the hangover continental breakfast station.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, Jan. 9

Girls Who Code

Bayville Free Library, 34 School St., Bayville, 4 p.m. Girls Who Code is a national, nonprofit organization founded with the mission of closing the gender gap in technology. This equips girls from third through fifth grade with computing skills, inspires interest in STEM and builds confidence while providing a meaningful learning experience. (516) 628-2765.

Zumba Jr.

Locust Valley Library, 170 Buckram Road, Locust Valley, 4:15 p.m. This class at combines movement, music, community and healthy lifestyle awareness for children in kindergarten through fifth grade. It's filled with rocking, specialized choreographed, high-energy and kid-friendly routines featuring all types of music. (516) 671-1837.

Seed Library Garden Group meeting

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 7 p.m. Discuss successes, failures, tips and tricks for the season past and plans for the future. This is a great opportunity to share knowledge and chat about all things garden related. (516) 676-2130.

Friday, Jan. 10

Tea Time

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 11 a.m. Tea Time is a great way for parents to meet other parents and discuss the challenges they are facing, but it's also a wonderful way for children to meet other children, learn to play together and make friends. Tea and coffee will be served. (516) 759-8300.

Peppa Pig storytime and craft

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 7 p.m. Children ages 2 through 5 will read a few Peppa books, make a winter hat for Peppa and celebrate her birthday in style. (516) 676-2130.

Yuto Kanazawa Ensemble

Planting Fields Arboretum, 1395
Planting Fields Road, Oyster Bay, 7 p.m.
Enjoy an evening of acoustic jazz guitar, bass and drums played by the Yuto
Kanazawa Trio, offering a selection of music inspired by American, Asian and South American sounds. Wine, beverages and a selection of special refreshments will be served. \$30 for members. \$45 for non-members. (516) 922-9210.

'Downtown Abbey' trivia night

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 7:30 p.m. Bring friends and family to participate in a 'Downton Abbey' trivia night! (516) 759-8300.

Saturday, Jan. 11

Chip-A-Tree

Morgan Memorial Park, Germaine Street, Glen Cove, 9 a.m. Drop trees off to the corralled area in the Morgan Park parking lot. Free coffee and donuts will be available. (516) 676-2000.



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Tax Grievance Seminar at Gold Coast Library

Michael P. Reynolds is an attorney who has worked in both the public and private sectors of the law. On Jan. 13, at 7 p.m. at the Gold Coast Library (50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head), he will speak about the numbers behind tax bills, what the county is looking at in determining fair market value and what it isn't. Guests will learn how to properly assess their property value by making comparisons with similar properties in the area. With the Nassau County government effectively increasing the overall assessed value in the county, it has never been more important to grieve assessments. Arriving at the right assessed value is the key to successfully grieving the assessment. (516) 759-8300.

Winter wine tasting

Village Wine Merchant, 252 Sea Cliff Ave., 5 p.m. Co-owner and Wine Director Michael Amendola will take guests on a tour of four different wines, including natural, organic and biodynamic selections. Learn about each wine's terrior, sustainable viticultural practices and the small, family producers that create them. Tickets are \$40 for members and \$50 for non-members at the door. (516) 200-9370.

Monday, Jan. 13

Tea Time

Planting Fields Arboretum, 1395
Planting Fields Road, Oyster Bay, 7:30
p.m. The Long Island Bonsai Society will
host bonsai artist Vin Russo at the
Planting Fields greenhouse classroom. A
tree will be trained into a bonsai and
raffled off at the end of the evening.
(516) 922-9210.

Tuesday, Jan. 14

Wire jewelry making class

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 6:30 p.m. Jewelry designer Donna Irvine will teach guests wire wrapping techniques to make woven Bohemian-style earrings. Customize your creations by choosing wire and bead colors. The \$15 materials fee includes everything needed to make these beautiful earrings. Register at the

Information desk. Class size is limited. (516) 676-2130.

NARCAN training

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Road, Glen Head, 7 p.m. Legislator Josh Lafazan's office is sponsoring a NARCAN training. Learn how to recognize the signs of an overdose and learn what to do to save a life in the community. Registration is required through Lafazan's office. (516) 571-6218.

Wednesday, Jan. 15

St. Francis Hospital outreach bus

Oyster Bay-East Norwich Libary, 89 East
Main St., Oyster Bay, 10 a.m. Free health
screening for adults ages 18 and over.
Includes a brief cardiac history, blood
pressure test and a simple blood test for
cholesterol and diabetes. Patient
education and referrals are also



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A Tale of Two Woman Painters

Presented by Ines Powell, this exhibition at the Locust Valley Library (170 Buckram Road, Locust Valley) will reveal the artistic personality of two of the most outstanding women artists in western art — Sofonisba Anguissola and Lavinia Fontana. Both artists were able to break away from the prevailing stereotypes assigned to women and the deep-rooted skepticism regarding women's creative abilities. Jan. 14, 1:30 p.m. (516) 671-1837.

provided. Flu shots will be available. Located in the library's parking lot. (516) 922-1212.

Census workshop

Sea Cliff Village Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff, 2 p.m. Learn all about the upcoming 2020 census, including how to get counted and why that matters. (516) 671-4290.

Winter Wonderland card workshop

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 4 p.m. Professional artist Chris Vivas will teach children grades three through six how to make and design their own unique pop-up, book-style card. Supplies will also be provided to decorate and color Winter Wonderland-themed greeting cards. (516) 759-8300.

Thursday, Jan. 16

Friends Academy open house

Friends Academy, 270 Duck Pond Road, Locust Valley, 8:30 a.m. Tour the Friends Academy campus, meet some of the faculty and find out why there is no better time for preschoolers to enroll in the school. (516) 676-0393.

Intergenerational discussion

Glen Cove Senior Center, 140 Glen St., Glen Cove, 10 a.m. Enjoy a pleasant discussion with Friends Academy students about generational similarities and differences. This discussion will be a great opportunity to bond with students in the community. (516) 759-9610.

Sea Cliff MAKEshop coding

North Shore Middle School, 505 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Head, 3 p.m. Students will learn to code in Python, a versatile, popular programming language. This class will be an introduction to fundamental coding concepts and Python programming language (syntax). Students will problem solve while they program. The latter half of the class will involve students making a game to apply the learned concepts. Ongoing Thursdays through the winter. (202) 246-4818.

An Evening of Enlightement

American Legion Hall, 190 Glen Head Road, Glen Head, 6:30 p.m. Join Sandy from Readings by Sandy as she demonstrates her ability to connect with loved ones who have crossed over to the other side. Messages of love will be shared with the audience during this dynamic event. Admission is \$50. Proceeds will benefit Cove Animal Rescue. (516) 676-5913.

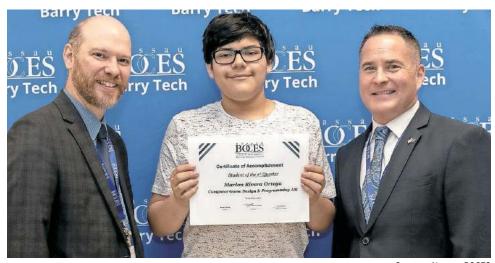
Building your first budget

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 7 p.m. A smart budget balances expenses and still affords the finer things in life. Teens in seventh grade and up can find out to make and maintain a budget based on their needs. (516) 676-2130.

HAVING AN EVENT?

Submissions can be emailed to llane@liherald.com.

NEIGHBORS IN THE NEWS



BARRY TECH ASSISTANT Principal Sean Johnson, left, and Principal Peter Dalton and congratulated Glen Cove student Marlon Rivera Ortega.

BOCES recognizes G.C. student

Nassau BOCES named Marlon Rivera Ortega as one of three Glen Cove City School District teens selected as Students of the Quarter on Dec. 23. Fellow Glen Cove High School students Diahana Cardenas and Ariana Garcia joined Ortega as they were all honored for their grades and work ethic at the Nassau BOCES Barry Tech career and technical education high school. At Barry Tech, Marlon studies computer game design and programming.

Students spread holiday cheer

The Glen Cove High School Student Senate and Select Chorale paired up with the North Shore Lions Club to bring holiday joy to the children at the AHRC in Brookville. The students sang festive holiday songs for the kids and helped introduce a special visit from Santa Claus. The AHRC is an organization that helps meet the needs of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, as well as



Courtesy GCCSD

GLEN COVE HIGH School students sang holiday songs at the AHRC in Brookville.



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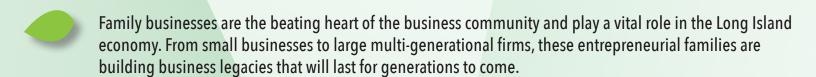
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STEPPING OUT

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Happily ever after on ice

Big dreams take shape with Disney's princesses



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A sequence with that fearless dreamer Ariel.



Jasmine and Aladdin discover their new world.

Mickey is joined by Tinker Bell on an adventurous journey where courage leads the way.

he world of Disney welcomes the New Year with yet another spectacle. A world of adventure, enchantment and thrilling figure skating unfolds when Disney On Ice's "Dream Big" glides into NYCB Live's Nassau Coliseum, now through Jan.12.

Families are invited to share the empowering tales of Disney's courageous leading ladies and how they made their dreams come true, which come to life in this skating extravaganza.

"The show is about big dreams," says skater TJ Yang, 28. "It focuses on Disney characters who had a dream of what they wanted to accomplish, then [follows] their journey as they go out and do it with the help of some of their friends."

With Tinker Bell guiding the audience, the stories colorfully unfold as the skatimg routines capture some of the most inspirational moments from the films. The production uses a combination of glittering sets, dramatic lighting and effects and fast-paced choreography to translate the movie scenes onto the ice.

"In 'Beauty and the Beast' we get to meet Belle and perform the big chorus number 'Be My Guest'," says Yang. "It's very cool with a massive kickline and there are a lot of props as we see dancing cutlery and napkins."

Equally as impressive, according to Yang, is the journey Moana takes on her quest to restore the heart of goddess Te Fiti with demigod Maui's help. The special effects light up the ice, literally, with a ring of fire.

And, of course, "The Little Mermaid," is featured, which follows Ariel's desire to become human by follow her heart. Ariel's journey is Director Patty Vincent's favorite part of the show.

"I love the 'Under the Sea' production number because I was able to combine bubbling special effects with the most fantastic costumes and high-energy skating," says Vincent.

"The scene is even more fun than I imagined it would be."

Yang agrees. "My favorite moment is when we meet Prince Eric. He comes down on a rope from really high up as if he's on a ship."

It's clear when talking to Yang that he's as dazzled by the show's visuals as is the audience. "Cinderella is a huge number. She comes out in a carriage, which reminds you of the movie," he

says. "And in 'Sleeping Beauty' Prince Phillip fights a dragon that's as realistic as a dragon can be. It's very big and very scary and even shoots fire which gives life to the story."

Along with the appealing visuals, the heart of "Dream Big" lies in the stories themselves. Clearly none is more beloved than the tale of two sisters who band together in their quest to save their kingdom.

"Frozen' is the kids' favorite and when it comes on they go crazy," says skater Sarah Santee, 22, who takes on the pivotal role of Anna. "She is really cool to play

because a lot of the Disney princesses are poised, reserved and elegant. But Anna is such a high-energy character. It's fun to play a character that has energy and power and a quirky attitude."

The role is challenging for the young skater. "'Frozen' is the longest segment in the show and Anna is one of the biggest, most high-energy roles," says Santee. "The hardest aspect is keeping up a lot of energy for a

long time."

Santee is clearly up to the task. She comes from a figure skating family and has been skating her entire life.

"Both my parents were figure skaters," she says. "They actually met when they were both performers for Disney on Ice." Santee remembers watching videos of their performances as a little girl and immediately knew "I wanted to be a show skater, I fell in love with everything about it." She dedicated herself to realizing that dream by training diligently and becoming a competitive skater during her teens. After graduating high school she followed in her parents' footsteps by joining the Disney family.

Taking on Anna has been a rewarding experience. "The kids know all the songs, they want to high five you," she says. "When you see all the emotions in their face it's really cool and unique and special."

That connection to the audiences is something Yang also cherishes.

"Who doesn't want to be part of a Disney show? As a performer, the audience is the most important piece to everything," he says. "We can see and hear their reactions and it really gives the performance energy."

> – Maria Lane kbloom@liherald.com

DISNEY ON ICE PRESENTS 'DREAM BIG'

When: Thursday through Sunday. Jan. 9-12. Times vary. Tickets start at \$15; available at the Nassau Coliseum Box Office, (800) 745-3000 or www. ticketmaster.com.

Where: Nassau Coliseum, Hempstead Turnpike, Uniondale.

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Out and About

and finally, the "skin" which is either cloth or treated fur for feathers. A meet-and-greet after the performance offers the audience a chance to get up close with these life-like creatures. Take part in a prehistoric archeological dig, in the lounge, prior to the show. at 5:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 10, 7 p.m. \$55, \$45, \$39, \$29. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post, Route 25A, Brookville. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www. tillescenter.org.

IN CONCERT We Banjo 3

The grassroots crossover sensation has emerged as fast-rising touring darlings in the country that two of the members now call home since their 2012 debut. The Galway, Ireland, and Nashville-based quartet — comprised of two sets of brothers,



Enda and Fergal Scahill and Martin and David Howley — continually push musical boundaries while maintaining an unwavering devotion to the essential audience experience. WB3 seamlessly converge the shared and varied traditions of Americana, bluegrass, and Celtic music with pop-sensible songcraft to create a unique signature sound. Their lively instru-

ments — banjo, fiddle, mandolin, guitar, and percussion — effortlessly elevate lead singer Howley's propulsive voice. WB3 deliver their music with rapport, stunning precision and infectious energy as the bandmates find common ground between old world tradition and authentic Americana.

Sunday, Jan. 12, 7 p.m. \$39, \$36 and \$28. Landmark on Main Street, Jeanne Rimsky Theater, 232 Main St., Port Washington. (516) 767-6444 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Coming Attractions

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The contemporary band in concert, with Molotov Cocktail, Thursday, Jan. 9, 9, 8 p.m. My Father's Place at the Roslyn Hotel, 1221 Old Northern Blvd., Roslyn. 413-3535 or www. myfathersplace.com.

The Purple Xperience

The Prince tribute band in concert, Thursday, Jan. 9, 8 p.m. With special guest Funkin' A. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountny.com.

The Bucket List

The rock-R&B band in concert, Friday, Jan. 10, 8 p.m. Still Partners, 225 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. 200-9229 or www.stillpartners.com.

Teddy Smith and Greg Kritikos

The comedians join forces for 'Brothers From Other Mothers," Friday, Jan. 10, 8 p.m. My Father's Place at the Roslyn Hotel, 1221 Old Northern Blvd., Roslyn. 413-3535 or www. myfathersplace.com.

Unforgettable Fire and Fix You

The U2 and Coldplay tribute bands in concert, Friday, Jan. 10, 8 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountny.com.

Yuto Kanazawa Jazz Trio

The Japanese guitarist-bassist and his ensemble in concert, Friday, Jan. 10, 7 p.m. Program includes selections inspired by American, Asian and South American Sounds, Planting Fields Arboretum's Coe Hall 1395 Planting Field Rd., Oyster Bay. (516) 922-8600 or www.plantingfields.org.

Crescent Moon

The bass-drum rock duo in concert, Saturday, Jan. 11, 8 p.m. Still Partners, 225 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. 200-9229 or www.stillpartners.com.

The Simon and Garfunkel Story

A concert-style theatrical tribute to the iconic duo, Saturday, Jan. 11, 8 p.m. NYCB Theatre at Westbury, 960 Brush Hollow Road, Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or www.livenation.com.



Royal Philharmonic Orchestra

The orchestra in concert, with pianist Khatia Buniatishvili, Sunday, Jan. 12. 3 p.m. Program includes Liszt's Piano Concerto No. 2 and Rachmaninoff's Symphony No. 2. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post, Route 25A, Brookville. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.tillescenter.org.

Man in Black

A tribute to Johnny Cash, Sunday, Jan. 12, 8 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.tick-



Richard Thompson

The acclaimed guitarist visits the Landmark on Main Street stage during his solo acoustic tour, on Wednesday, Feb. 5, at 7:30 p.m.

A pioneer of '60s British folk-rock as a member of Fairport Convention, he's known worldwide for his masterful musicianship and darkly witty lyrics that range from coffeebitter to haunting. Over a storied career, he's released dozens of albums, toured extensively and even received the OBE from Queen Elizabeth. His influence can't be overstated - his music has been covered by everybody from Robert Plant, Don Henley and Elvis Costello to REM, Sleater-Kinney and David Byrne.

Powered by evocative songcraft, jaw-dropping guitar playing and indefinable spirit, this venerable icon holds a coveted spot on Rolling Stone's "100 Greatest Guitarists of All Time" with Lifetime Achievement Awards from the Americana Music Association and the BBC among his many accolades.

Tickets are \$67, \$57 and \$47; available at 767-6444 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org. Landmark on Main Street, Jeanne Rimsky Theater, 232 Main St., Port Washington.

etmaster.com or www.paramountny.com.

Small Town Gig

The acoustic trio in concert, Sunday, Jan. 12, 2 p.m.Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 676-2130.

The Irish bluegrass band in concert, Sunday, Jan. 12, 7 p.m. Jeanne Rimsky Theater, 232 Main St., Port Washington (914) 361-9333 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org.

Morrie Louden Duo

Bassist Morrie Louden and pianist Mike Eckroth in concert, Wednesday, Jan. 15, 2 p.m. Program includes jazz and Latin standards and more. Jeanne Rimsky Theater, 232 Main St., Port Washington (914) 361-9333 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org.

The rock band in concert, Wednesday, Jan. 15, 8 p.m. My Father's Place at the Roslyn Hotel, 1221 Old Northern Blvd., Roslyn. 413-3535 or www.myfathersplace.com.

Danny Lipsitz and the Brass Tacks

The band performs New Orleans Dixieland as part of Sands Point Preserve's Jazz Through the Ages series, Thursday, Jan. 16, 8 p.m. Sands Point Preserve, Hempstead House, 127 Middle Neck Rd., Sands Point 304-5076 or www.sandspointpreserveconservancy.org.

Josie Bello and Hank Stone

The Long Island-based singer-songwriters in concert, presented by the Folk Music Society of Huntington, Thursday, Jan. 16, 8:30 p.m. (open mic 7:30 p.m.). Cinema Arts Centre, Hard Luck Cafe, 423 Park Ave., Huntington. (631) 423-7611 or www.cinemaartscentre.org or www. fmsh.org.



Million Dollar Quartet

The musical about a recording of an impromptu jam session involving Elvis Presley, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins, and Johnny Cash in 1956, Thursday and Friday, Jan. 16-17, 8 p.m.; Saturday, Jan. 18, 3 and 8 p.m.; Sunday, Jan. 19, 2 p.m. John W. Engeman Theater, 250 Main St., Northport. (631) 261-2900 or www.engemantheater.com.

Music Jam

Bring an acoustic instrument and voice and join in or just listen, Thursday, Jan. 16, 7 p.m. Sea Cliff Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. 671-4290 or www.seaclifflibrary.org.

Nicole Henry

The jazz vocalist in concert, with Roberta Lawrence, Thursday, Jan. 16, 8 p.m. My Father's Place at the Roslyn Hotel, 1221 Old Northern Blvd., Roslyn. 413-3535 or www.myfathersplace.com.

Phil Vassar

The country singer-songwriter in concert, Thursday, Jan. 16, 8 p.m. The Space, 250 Post Ave. Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www. thespaceatwestbury.com.

For the Kids

Dinosaur World Live

The Jurassic period comes alive in this interactive show, Frday, Jan. 10, 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Meet impressive creatures, including a flesh-eating plant and a Tyrannosaurus Rex. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post, Route 25A, Brookville. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.tillescenter.org.



Peppa Pig Birthday

Read Peppa books and make a craft during the birthday celebration, Friday, Jan. 10, 10:30 a.m. For ages 2-5. Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. 676-2130.

Story Tots

Investigate color, shape, form and texture with art activities based on a story, Friday, Jan. 10. 10-11 a.m. Listen to stories while exploring various art materials and processes; followed by an art project. For ages 3-5. Registration required. Nassau County Museum of Art, 1 Museum Dr., Roslyn Harbor. 484-9338 or www.nassaumuseum.org.

Rubber Ducky Party

Celebrate National Rubber Ducky Day, Saturday, Jan. 11, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. With scavenger hunt and ducky crafts. Whaling Museum, 301 Main St., Cold Spring Harbor. (631) 367-3418 or www.cshwhalingmuseum.org

Studio Saturday

Drop into Nassau County Museum of Art's Manes Center for hands-on activities inspired by the current exhibition, Saturday, Jan. 11, 12-3 p.m. Nassau County Museum of Art, 1 Museum Dr., Roslyn Harbor. 484-9338 or www.nassaumuseum.org.

Pizza and Paperbacks

A book discussion for second-graders and up, Wednesday, Jan. 15, 3 p.m.; also Friday, Jan. 17, 12 p.m. (for children entering Kindergarten in 2020) 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.

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100 Years of Children's Books

An exhibit that showcases popular child and young adult reading. Through Jan. 25. North Shore Historical Museum, 140 Glen St., Glen Cove, 801-1191 or www.nsh-

Picture This! The Art of Children's Books

A celebration of children's book illustration guest curated by author/illustrators Tim Miller and Isabel Roxas. Works on view include illustrations by Sophie Blackall, Eric Carle, Catia Chien, Victoria Cossack, Mike Curato, C.G. Esperanza, Brian Floca, Gilbert Ford. Stephanie Graegin, Jen Hill, Ezra Jack Keats, Aram Kim, Colleen Kong-Savage, Leo Lionni, Tim Miller, Oge Mora, Il Sung Na, John Parra, Isabel Roxas, Cecilia Ruiz, Maurice Sendak, and more. Through Jan. 12. Nassau County Museum of Art, 1 Museum Drive, Roslyn Harbor. 484-9338 or www.nassaumuseum.org.

Theodore Roosevelt:

A Man for the Modern World An exhibition that celebrates the presi-

dency and legacy of Theodore Roosevelt, who is often considered the first modern president. Sagamore Hill National Historic Site, 20 Sagamore Hill Rd, Oyster Bay. 922-4788 or nps.gov/sagamorehill.

At the Movies

See "Downton Abbey," the historical drama based on the acclaimed TV series, Thursday, Jan. 9, 2 and 6:30 p.m.; also "Judy," the biopic based on the life of Judy Garland, Thursday, Jan. 16, 2 and 6:30 p.m. Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 East Main St., Oyster Bay. 922-1212.

See "Network," the acclaimed satirical drama, Friday, Jan 10, 2 p.m.; also "Edie," the drama about a newly widowed senior citizen who embarks on an adventure following her husband's passing, Tuesday, Jan. 14, 2 p.m. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www.goldcoastlibrary.org.

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ear Great Book Guru,
This coming weekend, my
friends and I are attending the Sea
Cliff Civic Association's

sold-out, first-ever "Dinner & The Dead" event, a dramatization of James Joyce's iconic short story followed by the sumptuous dinner Joyce so wonderfully described.

Speaking of the dead, I just read that one of my favorite mystery writers, M.C. Beaton, died this week. Have you enjoyed her works as much as I have?

-Mystery Maven

Dear Mystery Maven,

I just finished her latest, "Beating About the Bush" — the 30th in the series — when M.C. Beaton's death was announced. Over the years, my feelings for her "Agatha Raisin" series have varied: The early books were wonderful, but then there were some that were mediocre. However, I truly enjoyed this last adventure.

Agatha Raisin is the antithetical Agatha

Christie detective — brash, politically incorrect, self-absorbed, insecure, jealous of her friends and colleagues, but oh so very clever.

After selling her successful public relations firm in London on her 53rd birthday, Agatha fulfills a longstanding dream of moving to a small village in the Cotswolds. She quickly develops a reputation for attracting trouble a poisoned quiche she accidentally enters in the local pie contest is her first foray into village life. All her novels are filled with humor, local color and outrageous coincidences. In "Beating About the Bush," she is hired to investigate an industrial espionage incident. Soon, murder and

mayhem follow. A light, clever series that is a perfect antidote for a long, dark winter month. M.C. Beaton will be missed. Recommended!

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

OBITUARIES

Arthur Bohner

Arthur Bohner, 91, of Glen Cove and Westhampton Beach, died on Dec. 26. He was the beloved husband of Suzanne, his wife of 65, loving father of Suzanne Toomla (Toomas), Arthur (Susan), Andree Iacono (Rudy), Cherie Baldenko (Kenneth), Jennifer Bliven (the late Peter) and Peter (Kimberly), dear brother of Robert and the late William and cherished grandfather and greatgrandfather.

Arthur attended Choate Rosemary Hall and Williams College. He continued to be a great supporter of his schools and attended his reunions faithfully. He began his career at General Electric, moving to the The American Stock Exchange where he maintained a seat for over thirty years. Among his many passions were spending time with family, tennis, skiiing, hunting and croquet, where he won a U.S National Championship. His kindness, generosity and love for life endeared him to many beyond his large loving family.

Mass and Interment to be held at a later date. Arrangements entrusted to the Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home, Glen Cove. NY.

Thomas Bond

Thomas Bond, 95, of Glen Cove, died on Dec. 30. He was the beloved husband of the late Ethyl. Loving father of Steve (Linda), Rich (Jackie) and Ken (Nancy), proud grandfather of Michael, Chad, Alex, Harrison, Emma, Brian and Eric and special great-grandfather of Isaac, John, Elizabeth and Thomas. Thomas Bond was a professor of Electrical Engineering at the Webb Institute of Naval Architecture. He was an avid sailor and member of Glen Cove Yacht Club. He was also a devoted and active parishioner of St.Paul's Episcopal Church. Visitations were held at the Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home of Glen Cove. Funeral services were held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church of Glen Cove. Interment St. Paul's Churchyard Cemetery.

Lillian Minicozzi

Lillian Minicozzi, of Glen Cove, died on Jan. 3. She was the loving mother of Joseph A. Minicozzi, III and Florence Marie Minicozzi and cherished Mimi of Joseph A. Minicozzi IV, Alexander C. Papas, Nolan T. Papas and Sidney K. Papas. She was also survived by her companion of 30 years, John Dougherty and his children Amanda Ragsdale and John Dougherty. Visitations were held at the Whitting Funeral Home, in Glen Head. Funeral mass was held on Wednesday at 10 a.m., at the Church of St. Rocco. Interment private.

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NEWS BRIEF

Enter the Marty Glickman essay contest

The Jewish Sports Heritage Association is sponsoring the Marty Glickman Anti-Semitism & Sports Essay contest in honor of Jewish Sports Heritage Month, which is April.

Glickman, a sports broadcaster who influenced several future announcers such as Marv Albert, was a world class sprinter who qualified for the United States track and field team that took park in the 1936 Olympics in Berlin.

On the day of the 4 x100-meter relay, Glickman, and another Jewish runner, Sam Stoller, were told they were not racing. The relay team did capture the gold medal as Jesse Owens and Ralph Metcalfe were the replacements. Glickman, who felt the sting of anti-Semi-

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

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tism, said years later: "I feel disappointed that I can't show an Olympic gold medal to my grandchildren. I

immediately feel guilty for placing value on a medal denied me by Nazi sympathizers who cooperated with those who helped create the Holo-

caust."

The contests is open to middle school and high school students, and there will be first, second and third prizes for each school category. First place \$250, second \$125 and third \$50. Contestants need to choose a subject on anti-Semitism and sports, such as an anti-Semitic incident at a sporting event. The essay must be original and unpublished. Each entry should double-spaced with 1-inch margins and no more than 2,000 words.

One entry per student. All entries must be received by Wednesday, Feb. 26 at 4 p.m. The winning essay in each category will be published in the April issue of Jewish Sports Heritage magazine, which will be devoted to anti-Semitism and sports.

Submissions can be electronically submitted to ahfreedman142@aol.com. Include a cover page with contestant's full name, essay title, email address, phone number and address.

-Jeffrey Bessen

OPINIONS

My choice for two true Scrooges

ere's to

Secretary Betsy

Attorney General

DeVos and

William Barr.

Education

s we begin a new decade, it's time for the once-every-10-years Scrooge Award. It was a close contest for me. The candidates included Housing Secretary Ben Carson, Education Secretary Betsy DeVos and Attorney General William Barr. Each has distinguished him or herself by violating his or her oath of office with cruelty or



JERRY KREMER

misdeeds. As the year ended, I declared a tie and chose DeVos and Barr.

DeVos's job is to be a cheerleader for better public education and to help make the lives of students a little better. If you've paid attention to her three years in office, you'll know

that she is anything but a champion for education, based on an established record back at home of undermining public schools

The wealthy DeVos family is well known in Michigan, where they played a major role in electing a number of candidates who champion charter schools over public schools. I have nothing against charter schools, which in many communities are a positive force. But Betsy DeVos has spent years promoting them at the expense of public schools. A 2016 report by the Education Trust-Midwest found that Michigan's K-12 system, with some help from the DeVos family, was considered "one of the weakest in the country."

The situation in Detroit is even worse. The trust found that approximately 79 percent of the state's charter schools are in Detroit, and have "exacerbated white flight and affluent desertion, leaving the public schools more segregated than before." In addition, since DeVos took office, she has concentrated on rolling back student loan protections and promoting forgiveness of for-

profit colleges that have broken state consumer-protection laws and have made millions of dollars cheating students from struggling families.

In recent years, hundreds of for-profit colleges, including Corinthian Colleges and ITT Technical Institute, collapsed under accusations of widespread fraud. That left their students with huge debts and no degrees. Federal law allows borrowers to apply for loan forgiveness if they attended a school that misled them or broke state laws. Corinthian's collapse

alone led to more than 15,000 loan defaults totaling some \$247 million. The Obama administration had approved debt elimination for about 32,000 students at Corinthian and two other schools. But in April 2017, in one of DeVos's first acts as secretary of

education, she stopped all relief applications that were pending.

There have been countless other actions taken under DeVos's leadership that have harmed students by either suspending existing protections for those in debt or erecting new barriers to future relief. As for the nation's public schools, which are also part of her portfolio, her record is less than stellar. She clearly pre-

fers to visit private and charter schools.

One of the mandates of the Education Department is that it investigate fraud and abuse, especially in the case of for-profit colleges. The DeVos answer to this challenge was to drastically reduce the number of investigators needed to root out such illegality.

My second scrooge award goes to Attorney General Barr. At his January 2019 Senate confirmation hearing, Barr sounded like an experienced government attorney who was prepared to be the "people's law-

yer." Apparently, no one looked carefully into his record or dug deeply enough into his opinions on a variety of issues.

Barr is known for a get-tough-on-crime mindset, but his positions conflict with much of the rest of society. Many states are closing prisons, but Barr wants bigger ones, and is against parole. He is a strong advocate of the death penalty, but he couples that with favoring a law that would prevent even innocent felons from challenging their sentences.

His recent conduct has been even more bizarre. In order to curry favor with President Trump, Barr has been traveling around the world, looking to find ways to help Trump prove there was corruption in Ukraine. He has teamed up with Rudy Giuliani, who's doing the same thing in other countries. Attorneys general are sworn to fight crime in our country and protect our citizens. Barr is anything but that.

So, even though there are a few more Trumpsters who deserve the Scrooge Award, DeVos and Barr win it hands down

Jerry Kremer was a state assemblyman for 23 years, and chaired the Assembly's Ways and Means Committee for 12 years. He now heads Empire Government Strategies, a business development and legislative strategy firm. Comments about this column? JKremer@liherald.com.

Dear Randi: A peek inside my mailbox

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I get plenty of letters, but only a few of them get published, so I thought you'd like to see some samples of the mail I get day in and day out from supporters and critics, the thoughtful, the loonies and the insightful. What follows, without commentary, are the words of some readers who decided to take a moment to share their thoughts (edited but unidentified).



RANDI KREISS

Dear Randi:
Based on your columns, you already have become "that person": The person who hopes and prays that something bad happens to people you disagree with. What a country, in which somebody who's anti-American, anti-capitalism and probably a socialist

can get paid to do what you do.

Do you realize that people view those who don't report the facts and the truth as being immoral? Do you know how many people read your columns and feel that way about you? No disrespect meant, just a rant from a passionate, patriotic American.

Dear Randi: I just want to thank you for your column, and tell you how much I appreciate your words. I find myself cowering from conversations concerning Trump, unable to understand the massive amount

of support this blatantly disrespectful clod has among seemingly intelligent people. His rude, crude mannerisms should have never been tolerated! I'm baffled, disenchanted and disheartened by the division his presidency has had on our lives.

Dear Randi: Thank you for your insightful column. I am also part of the anti-Trump movement. He's an embarrassment to the office of the presidency. And those are kind words. His message of hate has gone deep into the psyche of the people of our great country.

president.

I am certain that a similar situation took place as Hitler came to power, or when brother fought against brother during the Civil War. I pray every day that he will not be re-elected, or better yet, he will be removed from office. Please continue to speak up against this

Dear Randi: Your Jan. 2 column, laughably titled "My resolution is not to become that person," is unfortunately too late: you already are that person. A person so blinded by her Trump Derangement Syndrome that she feels the need to perpetuate the DNC and media distortions about President Trump. It's a shame Pravda is no longer published, as you would have made a fine addition to its staff of "truth tellers."

I look forward to your tear-filled column this November on the death of democracy and other such nonsense when President Trump is re-elected.

Dear Randi: How phony can you get? You will hold love in your heart? How can

you say that and put out your column almost every week showing how much you hate President Trump? You can't do that almost every week and say you don't and think that makes you a wonderful person.

There are a lot of stories in the papers about people attacking Jewish people. I have not seen anything in your columns about this. Is that because you can't blame President Trump? Try not to

be a phony in the new year. I would love to hear your reply but I know I will not.

Dear Randi: I only read your columns when none of the anti-Trump stuff appears. They are very, very good and leave this reader in a good place.

Dear Randi: Thank you for keeping your readers apprised of the horrors of Trump. "The world is not threatened by those who do evil, but by those who let it happen." —

Albert Einstein. Thank you for doing your part!

Dear Randi: Wow, I have had enough of you. Go work at CNN and get out of our local paper with your godawful views. This community doesn't want to hear from you or be subjected to your negativity. Good riddance every week. We are sick of it.

Dear Randi: Every week I look forward to the Herald for the delight your column brings me. Your insight, common sense, writing style and sense of humor deserve applause, and your fitting commentary about our rogue president merits national broadcasting. You provide an invaluable service to our community. In this wacky world of ours, you are a beacon of sanity.

Dear Randi: Thank you, thank you, thank you! You are a breath of fresh air, a gem hidden in a small-town paper. I have forwarded your article on the "alte kakers" running for office to my crew, including my book club of retired and semi-retired (I still teach at Hofstra) professional women ... and some men. I just wish you had a bigger audience.

Dear Randi: I am one of the 63 million voters who elected President Trump. Fear not our president, but fear those that are trying to undo the election results.

Dear Randi: I have finished reading you latest column, and I must say that it is totally confusing, irrelevant and totally biased.

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In 2020, resolve to live sustainably

new year brings new promises, an opportunity for a fresh start. A chance to rid yourself of unhealthy habits and commit to doing better in the year ahead. But as we cleaned up the confetti from our New Year's parties, emergency responders in Australia were busy clearing the remnants of destructive brush fires across the conti-

According to The Verge, more than 100 fires are still burning, and on Jan. 1, Canberra, Australia, recorded an air quality index 23 times higher than what is considered "hazardous" — the worst pollution the capital city has ever seen.

While firestorms are typical to Australia's hot, dry climate, this season's fires are unprecedented. The continent marked its hottest day on record in December 2019 an average of 105 degrees Fahrenheit and extreme heat and drought conditions created more tinder to fuel the brush fires. The heightened intensity and frequency of this season's firestorms, The Verge reported, correlates to climate change.

In recent years, the climate crisis has inspired many global citizens to adjust the ways in which they live, eat and interact in the world around them in the name of sustainability. Adopting a sustainable lifestyle begins with the realization that some diehard habits — using single-use plastics, throwing away recyclables or driving when you could take mass transit, among many others — have real-world impacts on the Earth.

So in 2020, we encourage readers to resolve to live more sustainably, for themselves and Mother Earth. Here are five ways to get started:

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- 1. Drink responsibly: Instead of drinking from plastic bottles, invest in a reusable water bottle to take with you on the go. Plastic bottles make up a large proportion of plastic waste, and only about one in five bottles are properly recycled. Toting a glass or stainless steel bottle is a convenient and eco-friendly way to reduce your plastic pollution footprint. Plus, many reusable bottles are BPA free.
- 2. Rethink straws: When you're ordering a beverage from a coffee shop or restaurant, tell your server to keep the straw. A growing trend in the environmental movement is the use of metal straws. Drinking with these portable, reusable, collapsible straws can prevent more single-use straws from polluting lakes and oceans after they have been disposed of. Plastic straws are also harmful to marine life, and can kill fish or animals that mistakenly ingest them as food.
- 3. Pass on plastic packaging: When doing your weekly grocery shopping, avoid products in excessive plastic packaging. Zerowaste supermarkets have reformed the way people can buy and use food, allowing shoppers to purchase unpackaged goods in their own bulk bags, jars or containers. While there are no zero-waste supermarkets in Nassau County, they are a growing pres-

ence in Brooklyn and Manhattan.

- 4. Bring your own bag: Starting in March, plastic bags will be banned in all New York retail stores. Under the plan, counties can opt to require a 5-cent fee on paper bags — 3 cents of which will go to the state's Environmental Protection Fund to expand New York's Forest Preserve and restore historic sites. The other 2 cents will go to counties to purchase and hand out reusable shopping bags to residents.
- 5. Shop sustainably: Last year, The Independent reported that the fashion industry accounts for 20 percent of wastewater and 10 percent of carbon emissions globally. As a result, several fashion brands have made efforts to produce "ethical apparel," from partnering with Fair Trade producers to sourcing recycled fabrics. To shop sustainably, opt for thrift stores and second-hand shops, or buy clothes made with biodegradable materials like linen and organic cotton.

For the skeptics who say a sustainable lifestyle is unattainable, there are many examples of the movement here in Nassau. Last summer, the Town of Hempstead upgraded 2,700 municipal lighting fixtures with LED lights to cut down on energy costs and reduce demand from power plants, which decreases greenhouse gas emissions. Four Long Beach eateries are registered with the Surfrider Foundation's Ocean Friendly Restaurants program, which recognizes restaurants making sustainable choices to protect the world's oceans. And in 2018, the Village of Sea Cliff approved legislation banning the use of single-use food packaging and plastic straws, coffee stirrers and cutlery in local eateries.

LETTERS

Despite the criticism, I do fight for the bond

To the Editor:

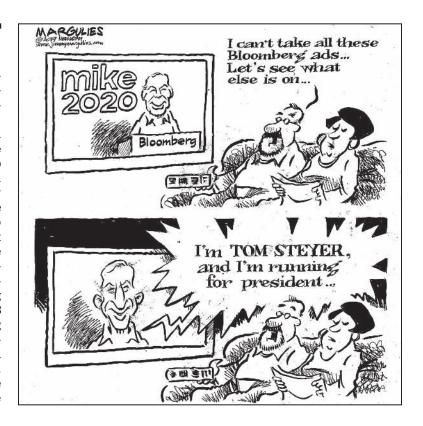
In response to the personal attack in the article printed in the Herald titled, "Parents call for school board president to resign," I would like to say the following:

I have been a child advocate for the past three decades in Glen Cove. In addition to my service as Board of Education trustee, I have served as PTA president in four schools, fundraising for cultural arts, athletics and building improvements, and have always been there first and foremost for Glen Cove students.

I was elected to be a board of trustee by the Glen Cove community, including many parents, five

times. I was also elected to the position of board president by our fellow trustees twice, and as vice president twice.

In my first year on the board, in 2008-09, we created for the first time a Facilities Committee and put up two bond proposals. The second bond for \$3.5 million was finally approved in May 2009. It was one that the community was willing to accept and could afford. In the past 10 years, the BOE always hoped the administration would consider putting up another bond, but unfortunately there were issues during these years that interfered. In 2008 we came into a recession causing hardships on families in our community, followed by an outcry for a tax cap that was put into place. With this, school districts became limited in spending due to severe



OPINIONS

'Ad Astra,' an object lesson for us all

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'm sorry I missed writer-director
James Gray's sweeping sci-fi thriller
"Ad Astra" — Latin for "To the Stars"
— when it was in theaters last fall. I
finally caught it over the holidays on
demand, and found it stunning. There is a
grandeur to this film that is no doubt best
conveyed on the big screen.

I mention it here not because it's a cine-



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matic tour de force
— it is — but
because I see it as a
warning of what
could become of us
soon enough.

Gray is a master of his craft, having previously produced such exceptional films as "We Own the Night" (2007) and "Lost City of Z" (2016), two of my

favorites. His films are cerebral and cinematically flawless — and hardly commercial. Despite mega-star Brad Pitt playing the lead in "Ad Astra," the film took in only \$50 million in the U.S. and Canada, and another \$77 million in other markets, for a total box office take of \$127.2 million. The film cost \$80 million to produce, so it wasn't a blockbuster.

If only it had been. It's an important film, raising the question, is a future in space what we truly desire for our children and grandchildren? "Ad Astra" is set in the "near future." Maj. Roy McBride (Pitt), a decorated astronaut, is called away from Earth to Mars by Space Command (presumably a successor of NASA) to make radio contact with his insane father, Clifford McBride (Tommy

Lee Jones), who is floating on a spaceship somewhere in the far reaches of our solar system, beaming out antimatter waves that are disrupting our electrical systems with massive power surges. It's unclear whether he's doing so purposely. Sounds far-fetched, I know, but suspend your disbelief and you begin to see the film's deeper message.

Roy McBride was abandoned by his father 30 years earlier, when he was 16, in favor of space exploration. Roy, who was left to attend to his ailing mother, is best described as emotionally damaged. He broods a lot.

Apparently, the only place with an antenna powerful enough to reach the outer regions of the solar system is a secret base on Mars. McBride must first fly a commercial airliner to the moon before heading off to the red planet. He lands on the moon to find a port that resembles a mall, replete with a Virgin Atlantic outlet, DHL, Applebee's and Subway. McBride ruminates on how disappointed his father — an MIT-trained scientist bent on proving the existence of extra-

terrestrial life — would be in the commercialization of space.

When we began the quest for space in the 1960s, we told ourselves that it was all for science. We marveled, and still marvel, at the courage and fortitude — the "right

stuff" — of the early astronauts who escaped Earth's gravity and hurtled to the moon and back. Theirs was a necessary mission, we said, carried out to further humanity, which was — and is — rapidly outgrowing Earth. The space race between the U.S. and Soviet Union might have been born out of the prosaic fear that one side or the other would dominate the moon, but we believed in the nobility —

the greater good — of our cause.

Now, 50 years later, there is the very real possibility of commercial space travel—that is, the commercialization of space. Three private companies—Blue Origin, SpaceX and Virgin Galactic—are racing to capture the emerging space tourism industry, which promises to send humans on regular suborbital flights 62 miles above the Earth. Meanwhile, NASA officials hope to sometime soon construct a lunar outpost that could be used to blast the first astronauts to Mars, perhaps as early as the 2030s.

If we go there, the venture will likely be public-private partnership between the

federal agency and one or all of the major private space-flight companies. Blue Origin, whose motto is "Gradatim Ferociter"—Latin for "Step by Step, Ferociously"—sees millions of people living in space. When exactly that might happen is anyone's guess—sometime in the "near future," perhaps.

"Ad Astra" speaks to the futility of such an endeavor. Space, viewed from Earth, is a seemingly beautiful place. The stars, all perfect light beams, are abundant in the night sky. We are drawn to them, believing a better future lies somewhere out there. We imagine that we might construct a brave new world beyond our pale blue planet.

Clifford McBride is a metaphor for the madness that is space exploration. Mars, his son finds, is a desolate place, devoid of any sense of humanity. As he travels further into the solar system in search of his father, there is only emptiness — nothingness. The outer planets and their moons might make pretty pictures in a planetarium slide show, but they are lifeless, uninhabitable worlds.

There is only one place where humanity belongs — Earth — Roy McBride learns. It is a lesson that we should all heed.

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LETTERS

budget restraints. Then, in Glen Cove, we were overwhelmed in dealing with the state investigations costing us terribly both in reputation and funding. These were not years to put up a bond.

Also, understand that I am only one of seven trustees and the board works by majority, not by the rule of one. I have advocated for another bond proposal for years, through the Facilities Committee, one that the community will accept again. Ms. Venuto had the opportunity to encourage the administration to propose a bond in her first year but didn't. The administration has been here for over six years now, but only last year finally proposed a bond, which unfortunately a majority of voters turned down twice. No one person is ever responsible for the outcome; it's always up to all the voters to decide. At our first bond workshop after the second bond failed, all of the trustees expressed disappointment, and all agreed that no blame should be cast on any one person or group among us.

In addition, it's illegal for trustees to "promote, advocate for or sell" a school bond or budget proposal, in writing or verbally. We are limited to providing information necessary for voters, which I have always done and continue to do. I have been on many building tours and attended school meetings to help pro-

vide information about these past bond proposals. I am sorry if I did not see a volunteer table at a community event one time, while I was with my husband and friends for the evening. However, I did visit them every other time I was there

It is disheartening to be bashed by a fellow past board trustee on social media and now in our local paper. This behavior is what we teach our students not to do. It is hurtful and defamatory. I have dedicated years working with the Glen Cove School District as a parent and board trustee. Over these past 12 years, I have gained a wealth of knowledge on school governance and finance. I am dedicated to using my knowledge and advocacy as long as I remain an elected trustee and will not be bullied or intimidated to step away from my duties.

I continue to work toward improving our school district in every way possible, for our students and faculty, within the means of our community. I will work collaboratively and cooperatively with my fellow trustees, administration and constituents, in a kind, understanding and respectful manner, hoping others will do the same. Let there be peace.

Gail Nedbor-Gross Board of Education President

FRAMEWORK by Sue Grieco



Happy Noon Year! — Rockville Centre Public Library

CORRECTION

Last week's editorial, "There's nothing to fear in bail-reform law," contained two errors.

One section should have read: "Roughly one-third of prisoners in the county jail were expected to be released, but the county announced on Dec. 31 that it would let go 29."

Another section should have read: "The five most populous counties in New York state outside of New York City, including Nassau, spend an average of \$114 million per year to incarcerate prisoners, or about \$115,000 per inmate, according to the Civil Liberties Union."

We regret the errors.



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