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**COMMUNITY UPDATE**

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 Infections as of Nov. 30  
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**Christmas tree lighting in G.C.**  
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**A little holiday love**

Santa and Mrs. Claus, joined by a nativity scene, festive lights, reindeer and snowmen, are adding to the Christmas spirit on Jerome Drive. More photos, Page 3.

**Glen Cove Hospital earns accolades**

By **LAURA LANE**  
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Like so many people in the city, Tom Suozzi has a special place in his heart for Glen Cove Hospital, he said. The congressman was born there, and still lives in Glen Cove. At one time, his father, Joseph, was on the hospital's board of trustees, and his mother, Marguerite, was a GCH emergency room nurse. Suozzi has supported the hospital, he said, since he was the city's mayor from 1994 to 2001.

aging population. In Glen Cove, we have three nursing homes, three assisted-living centers, a fantastic senior center and senior housing."

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**MICHAEL DOWLING**  
 President and chief executive officer, Northwell Health

Suozzi stood beside Michael Dowling, Northwell Health's president and chief executive officer, on Nov. 30 to announce GCH's recognition as an "age-friendly" health system by the Institute for Healthcare Improvement and the John A. Hartford Foundation. Additionally, GCH has become Northwell's first Geriatric Center of Excellence. The hospital not only benefits the older population, but will also serve as a national model for

"I had my three children there, and I've been to the ER 15 times for my parents, wife and kids," he said. "We've got an

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**Grown and donated by a local, it's now G.C.'s official Christmas tree**

By **JENNIFER CORR**  
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Frank Joseph Thompson, a former Glen Cove resident who now lives in Pennsylvania, remembers his late mother, Vicky Thompson, planting what is now Glen Cove's official Christmas tree in front of the Thompsons' George Street home. What was then a 4-foot-tall

tree, a blue spruce in front of the home that the Thompsons moved out of and the Maziejka family moved into in 2006, grew into the 30-footer that it is today. This year the Maziejkas donated the tree to the city to have it displayed in Village Square. Decorated with strings of colorful lights, it was the center of attention at the city's Christmas Tree Lighting last Sunday, and

will brighten Village Square throughout the holiday season. "Christmastime was her favorite time of the year," Thompson said of his mother, who died in 2015. "Everyone in Glen Cove knows her — the whole Police Department, a lot of people know her. She would be walking down the street and people would know her. She

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**OUR COVID-19 TRACKER**

With the Covid-19 test positivity rate rising across the country, the Herald is adding a weekly coronavirus tracker to the upper-left corner of our front page to help you gauge what's happening in your area from week to week. The number is an aggregate of the communities that this newspaper covers. Data is obtained from the Nassau County Covid-19 Dashboard, which provides the total number of cases reported in an area since the start of the pandemic, and is updated regularly.



## Ask The Expert: JOHN BREEN



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**MELISSA, EMILY, LAURA**, Philip, Nicholas and Michelle Maziejka attended the annual Christmas tree lighting, where the tree that once occupied their lawn was the center of attention.

# A family's generosity leads to new tradition in city's Village Square

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loved Glen Cove."

Frank asked the city to honor his mother by naming the tree after her. "She decorated it every year for Christmas," he said. "She just loved decorating for Christmas. She made it a thing to do every year."

Mayor Tim Tenke called it a beautiful tree, and it stood out to city employees in their search for this year's Christmas tree. "The way it happened was kind of weird," Tenke explained. "We were looking at other trees that people were trying to donate to Glen Cove, and one of our guys saw this one across the street, and he said, 'I'm going to go over and ask those people.'"

But none of the Maziejkas were home. Tenke said that when they were able to get a phone number and call, Michele Maziejka was on line at Stop & Shop. "Our deputy mayor said, 'We'd like to get your tree to be our first tree in Village Square,'" Tenke recounted.

Deputy Mayor Maureen Basdavanos called at a perfect time, said Maziejka, a mother of six and a teacher's assistant at the Gribbin School in the Glen Cove City School District, where she has worked for 12 years. "It was getting too big, and it was starting to buckle up our sidewalk," she said of the tree. "I said, 'Let me talk to the kids and everything,' and then we



Courtesy City of Glen Cove

**DOM'S TREE SERVICE** and the Department of Public Works ensured a safe delivery of the 30-foot tree to Village Square.

decided to do it."

When the family moved into the George Street home, Maziejka said, the tree was still "a tiny little thing." Seeing it now, fully grown and on display for the entire city, was amazing, she said, adding,

"We're so excited."

Her family's tree is the first to be exhibited in the newly built Village Square, in what the city is planning to make an annual tradition.



# HERALD NEIGHBORS

GLEN COVE HERALD GAZETTE – December 10, 2020



**“HARK!” THE HERALD**  
Angels Sing near Red Spring Lane and Whitney Circle.

Photos courtesy Tab Hauser/Herald Gazette

## The holidays are upon us in the City of Glen Cove



**WITH HANUKKAH BEGINNING** on Dec. 10, a menorah is displayed in a window on Whitney Circle.



It may be a silent night in Glen Cove, but it certainly is not a dark night with Christmas lights, menorahs, inflatables and other jolly displays lighting up Glen Cove neighborhoods.

Local photographer Tab Hauser, on the night of Dec. 8, ventured through Glen Cove’s residential communities to take photos of festive houses.

Among the houses were those on Jerome Drive, Crescent Beach Road, Whitney Circle, Perdue Road and Barlow Avenue and a police booth decorated on School Street.

“People put a lot of effort into decorating their homes and capturing it through my eye and lens is a great way to share it,” Hauser said.

**THE “FORCE” CAN** surely be seen on Crescent Beach Road, top right.

**REINDEERS DECORATED IN** bright, festive lights are bringing joy to Perdue Road, left.



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### Arrest

■ On Dec. 1, a 23-year-old West Hempstead male was arrested for aggravated unlicensed operation in the third degree, criminal possession of a forged instrument in the third degree, criminal possession of marihuana in the fourth degree and vehicle and traffic law violations on Glen Cove Arterial Highway.

■ On Dec. 4, a 22-year-old Inwood male was arrested for criminal possession of

stolen property in the third degree, unauthorized use of a vehicle in the third degree, aggravated unlicensed operation in the second degree, numerous vehicle and traffic law violations and numerous First District warrants.

■ On Dec. 4, a 20-year-old Glen Cove male was arrested for criminal possession of a weapon in the second degree and fourth degree, criminal possession of a firearm and unlawful possession of marihuana in the second degree

*People named in Crime Watch items as having been arrested and charged with violations or crimes are only suspected of committing those acts of which they are accused. They are all presumed to be innocent of those charges until and unless found guilty in a court of law.*



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**FOUR-MONTH-OLD COLE ORLANSKY** met Santa Claus for the first time with his mom Carly and brother Cooper, 3.

## Tree lighting, Santa Claus kick start the holiday season in G.C.

By **JENNIFER CORR**  
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It was a festive evening in heart of Glen Cove on Sunday, as Santa Claus, riding into Village Square via a Glen Cove Volunteer Fire Department truck, took photos with families.

designer Maryvi Araujo from Safavieh in Glen Cove, was stationed behind plexiglass for safe greetings and picture takings. All families wore masks when taking pictures, making for some memorable Christmas photos that will symbolize a time of social distancing.

Santa, in his den decorated by interior

"I love Christmas," Araujo said, add-

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**SINGERS, FROM LEFT,** Ava Beaulieu, Lexi Briones and Kate Houghton put together a caroling performance in less than two hours.

## Village Square dedicated to G.C. ahead of tree lighting

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ing that part of her goal was to show what people can do with just some Safavieh products to bring a festive and chic look to their homes.

Araujo has been an interior designer all her life. Inspired by her mother's work in interior design, Araujo graduated from college in 2006 to pursue interior designing. She moved from the Dominican Republic two years ago to work for Safavieh.

"Safavieh did a wonderful job in decorating," said Patricia Holman, the executive director of the Glen Cove Downtown Business Improvement District, which organizes the event every year. "We've had a steady flow [of attendees.] American Paving sponsors the photos with Santa, [the distribution] of popcorn and the decoration of the police booth."

City of Glen Cove Mayor Tim Tenke, who said he appreciated seeing an event bring joy to the community all while celebrating in a safe manner and utilizing local businesses.

"It is so important at this time of year that our kids don't even miss one year of having Christmas celebrated because once that year is gone, it's gone," Tenke said. "The fact that we had Santa Claus here and we have a Christmas tree that we're going to light tonight is really, very special."

The 30-foot blue spruce, grown by the Thompson family in front of a home on George Street in Glen Cove and donated by the Maziejka family, the current home owners, arrived in Village Square last Wednesday. It was the first time Glen Cove's official Christmas tree was erected in the recently finished Village Square, a development of Garvies Point at Glen Cove by RXR Realty that was dedicated to the City of Glen Cove earlier Sunday afternoon.

Joe Graziose, RXR Realty's executive vice president of residential development and construction and a Glen Cove resident, with his family and colleagues, walked into Village Square admiring what was last year an uncompleted project compared to the hub it is now.

"Last year, we were in a totally different place," Councilwoman Danielle Fugazy Scagliola recalled. "We didn't have Covid, but we had no Village Square... It's beautiful that we can do a little something. It's nice that we do something for the kids and that they could see Santa."

To be a life-long resident of Glen Cove who was contributed to the annual celebration by providing Village Square, Graziose said, makes this time of year extra precious.

"We officially turned over the plaza to the city, which this evening is just one of the many opportunities for the city to enjoy this plaza," Graziose said. "We have had a tremendous success here in Glen Cove, as you know with our project on Garvies Point, as well as here in Village Square, and we look forward to our continued relationship here with Glen Cove."

After an evening of taking pictures with families in the chilly, December air, Santa took a short break, afterwards riding into Village Square once again via the Glen Cove Volunteer Fire Department. He then led the crowd in a countdown to the lighting of the tree, which was plugged in by The Rev. Shawn McNown Williams of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Glen Cove, Tenke, Philip Mazjicka, Tenke and Graziose.

"The main thing is that we all remember to stay safe," Tenke said. "I want people to enjoy not only their families and the holidays, but to stay healthy so that we can come out of this on the other side."

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# L.I. businesses left in limbo by pandemic

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Long Island business owners, particularly its restaurateurs, are feeling anxious and confused once again after a four-month period of relative calm following last spring's deadly local outbreak of the coronavirus, which forced shops and eateries to shutter before slowly opening back up over the summer and into the fall.

The big question now is, will businesses face tighter restrictions again because of a second infection wave that has surged across the country, including in New York, in recent weeks?

"Is there going to be a shutdown? Is there not going to be a shutdown?" asked Harry Malhotra, director of the South Asian Chamber of Commerce, during an online hour-long panel discussion, "Main Street Business Survival," on Dec. 3 at the Long Island Smart Growth Summit, hosted by the nonprofit Vision Long Island.

Such questions weigh heavily on small-business owners these days, Malhotra said. The answers will depend, in part, on the degree to which the Covid-19 virus spreads, and whether it can be controlled, according to government officials.

Starting in mid-November, Gov. Andrew Cuomo imposed a 10 p.m. closing time for bars, restaurants, gyms and any

establishments that serve alcohol, including bowling alleys. The measure, said Frank Camarano, first vice president of the Nassau Council of Chambers of Commerce, has been "catastrophic for restaurants."

Restaurants can serve curbside pickup and delivery orders after 10 p.m., but not liquor to go.

Cuomo's order came at a time when Covid-19 cases began to tick back up. In early October, the percentage of tests for the virus that came back positive hovered around 1 percent, according to New York state's coronavirus dashboard. By mid-November, it was above 3 percent. As of Dec. 1, it was close to 6 percent, with a seven-day rolling average of 4.9 percent.

By comparison, in April, the percentage of positive tests was above 20 percent at times, before declining.

For business owners, "It's very difficult ... It's like a tsunami coming down, and they don't know where to go," said Luis Vasquez, president and CEO of the Long Island Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, adding, "It's very confusing. There is no roadmap." His organization's objective, he said, is to be an informational resource for its members.

Malhotra noted the crippling effect of Cuomo's November order, restricting residential gatherings to 10 or fewer people, on a number of restaurants and catering halls. The order means no or few catered

parties in homes, a critical source of income for many restaurateurs. "All parties canceled again," he said. "Everything is gone again."

Elizabeth Wellington, deputy director of the Long Island African American Chamber of Commerce, said the public "must support downtown businesses."

Neil Seiden, president of the financial advisory firm Asset Enhancement Solutions, in Uniondale, noted that the federal Paycheck Protection Program, which provided Small Business Administration loans that would be forgiven if a company kept all of its employees on, ended Aug. 8. "Hopefully," Seiden said, "Congress can agree" on another round of economic stimulus — which, at press time, seemed increasingly likely. So, he said, business owners must be prepared to apply for aid if and when the next stimulus package is approved.

In recent days, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell were in talks over a \$908 bil-

lion stimulus plan. Whether it would be put up for a vote and would be signed by President Trump remained uncertain, however.

Camarano said he believes government restrictions are putting businesses "in a position that they need help." Closing restaurants at 10 p.m., he said, is "not solving the problem."

"Let them do their work," he said of area businesses. "Let them earn their money."

Malhotra said that business owners must work hard to promote themselves on social media, and, he added, "Local newspapers, they're helping us a lot." He also suggested that patrons might write online reviews of their favorite restaurants to help build buzz around them.

Vasquez reminded the 75 discussion attendees to shop locally, as did Wellington. Of small-business owners, Vasquez said, "I think we should be there for them."

He also said that business owners should "stay connected" with their local chambers of commerce. Camarano added that one need not be a chamber member to reach out — chambers are there to help all local businesses, regardless of whether they are dues-paying members.

In the end, Vasquez concluded, "Don't give up hope."

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**I**s there going to be a shutdown? Is there not going to be a shutdown?

**HARRY MALHOTRA**  
Director, South Asian Chamber of Commerce

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## NEIGHBORS IN THE NEWS

### St. John's of Lattingtown's Victoria Crosby re-elected to second term

Glen Cove resident Victoria Crosby was reelected to a second term on the Chapter of the Episcopal Cathedral of The Incarnation in Garden City at the recent Episcopal convention, where she was a delegate. She has also served two terms as a board member of the Mercer School of Theology in Garden City.

Crosby has been a parishioner at St. John's of Lattingtown in Locust Valley for more than 30 years and in that time has served two terms on the Vestry, taught Sunday school, been a member of the choir, a Eucharistic minister and lector and chairwoman of the annual Fall Fair for six years.

Probably her most notable achievement was when she served as chairwoman of the silent auction at the fair and sold a painting by Giovanni Paolo Panini at Christie's in 1990, which brought the church \$200,000.

Crosby has been an active member of the community for many years, also serving on boards of nonprofits and as Glen Cove's Poet Laureate since 1994.



Courtesy Glen Cove Arts Council

**GLEN COVE RESIDENT** Victoria Crosby, pictured prior to the pandemic, was reelected to a second term on the Chapter of the Episcopal Cathedral of The Incarnation in Garden City at the recent Episcopal convention, where she was a delegate.



Courtesy City of Glen Cove

**MAYOR TIM TENKE**, far left, Vincent Martinez, Destin Harvey, Saverio Gallace, Sal Gallace, Mike Johnson at a small ceremony for retiree Saverio Gallace.

### DPW employee retires after 35 years with the City of Glen Cove

Glen Cove Mayor Tim Tenke on Dec. 4 presented a Certificate of Congratulations to Saverio Gallace for his 35 years of service to the Department of Public Works.

Gallace was born in the small town Galatro, in Italy. In 1964, at the age of seven, he moved to the United States with his parents and older brother.

He and his wife, Rosa, have been married for 42 years and have two children, Sal and Maria.

Saverio began working for the city in 1985. His service was just not with DPW. He also is very involved in outreach with St. Rocco's Church.

DPW Supervisor Vincent Martinez said that Saverio "was an extremely reliable and conscientious employee. City Hall will not be the same without him. He will be missed."

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**MARSHA SILVERMAN**  
*Glen Cove City Councilwoman*

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# Experts: Expand 5G to increase connectivity

By **NICOLE ALCINDOR**  
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Internet use has rapidly increased across the country as meetings and events have switched to virtual platforms. As a result, many devices have slowed.

Most Americans have relied in recent years on 4G broadband cellular networks to connect to the internet on their devices. Starting last year, however, a select number of areas across the country have upgraded to 5G — the fifth generation of broadband connectivity.

On Dec. 3, Herald Inside LI held a webinar, sponsored by Crown Castle and New Yorkers for 5G, to educate Long Islanders about 5G. In the Zoom meeting, experts said America will likely see more areas adopt the new network in the near future.

“5G is a platform for innovation because it will improve internet service by making it faster, and with 5G, people will be able to download more on the internet,” said Karmen Rajamani, director of Crown Castle East Area, which works with governments and private companies to build out communications infrastructure. “With this pandemic, we are losing so many businesses; however, when we have technological advancements through 5G, new small and medium-sized businesses will come into fruition, and with that, more people will need to hire new people for those local businesses. Also, 5G will help new medium-sized businesses grow into larger ones.”

Caitlin Brookner, spokeswoman for New Yorkers for 5G, a statewide coalition of chambers of commerce, health care providers, real estate groups and development organizations, said the country is facing a technology crisis because of increased internet use. Communities of color in cities and underserved areas with weaker internet connections have been most affected during the pandemic.

“Many people lack access to high-speed internet, and this affects their ability to do online schooling and maybe



Courtesy Zoom

**ON DEC. 3,** Herald Inside LI held a webinar to educate Long Islanders about 5G.

even prevents them from socializing during this pandemic. 5G is the next generation of connectivity,” Brookner said. “The digital divide is not color blind. High-speed internet can serve as a social justice catalyst to allow for minorities to have better internet access when trying to speak with professors, etc. We need to make sure that minority communities aren’t left behind in the next wave of 5G.”

“This internet crisis is a social justice issue, and 5G will help break this divide,” agreed Matt Cohen, vice president of government affairs and communications for the Long Island Association. “5G will hopefully help minority communities to not have to go to a hot spot on the side of

the road to connect to teachers or to get a doctor’s appointment.”

According to Jim Misewich, associate laboratory director of energy and photon sciences at the Brookhaven National Laboratory, in Suffolk County, having 5G in more communities could also lead to new scientific findings and breakthroughs.

Under a 4G network, Misewich said, “We cannot study the full structure of the nucleus using a classical computer, but we will be able to understand all this better if we have 5G. We will be able to model things on computers that we currently can’t model now using 5G, which can lead to new discoveries in science.”

Both Brookner and Rajamani said expanding 5G coverage to more communities across the nation will help doctors to perform surgeries remotely, and it will provide better connectivity when people reach out to first responders for help.

“Eighty percent of 911 calls are made from a cellular device, and 5G will deliver better and faster responses and better access to first responders,” Brookner said. “People and first responders might even be able to send pictures in real time of their situations, which would be an advantage.”

For more information on 5G, specifically how it will affect health care workers and first responders, tune in to part two of the Herald Inside LI Webinar about 5G at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 10.

Expected guest panelists will include Dr. Purna Prasad, chief technology officer for Northwell Health; Ana Rua, government affairs manager for New York Crown Castle; and Fan Ye, associate professor of the electrical and computer engineering department at Stony Brook University.

To sign up for part two of the Power of 5G series, go to [www.LIHerald.com/5G2](http://www.LIHerald.com/5G2). To view a recording of part one of this webinar and to register for future ones, visit [liherald.com/insideli](http://liherald.com/insideli).

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### Magic Mystery Show livestream

Join the Glen Cove Senior Center at 6 p.m. for a livestreamed "Magic Mystery Show." Watch magician Ron Cain perform classic stage and close-up magic. After the performance, Cain will teach the audience some magic tricks. Watch the performance on the Glen Cove Senior Center's facebook at [www.facebook.com/GCSeniorCenter/](http://www.facebook.com/GCSeniorCenter/). Call (516) 759-9610 for more information.

## Friday, Dec. 11

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## Saturday, Dec. 12

### Natural ornament craft

Create ornaments with wood and water. Craft is included with Garvies Point Museum admission. Masks are required. Sign up for a half-hour slot in advance or at the door of the museum located at 50 Barry Drive in Glen Cove. For more information, call (516) 571-8010 or visit [www.garviepointmuseum.com](http://www.garviepointmuseum.com).

### Holiday Artisans Marketplace

In a collaboration between the Sea Cliff Farmers Market, Cove City Arts and the Sea Cliff Arts Council, the Sea Cliff



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## Christmas celebration with Pacini Orchestra

In an event sponsored by SAGE, join the Glen Cove Senior Center on Dec. 16 at 6 p.m. for a livestreamed performance of Christmas classics with the Pacini Orchestra. Watch the live performance on [www.facebook.com/GCSeniorCenter/](http://www.facebook.com/GCSeniorCenter/). Call (516) 759-9610 for more information.

Farmers Market will be held at Village Square in Glen Cove, located at 100 Village Square in Glen Cove, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. This is being run concurrently with the Sea Cliff Indoor Winter Market located in the space next door. For more information, call (516) 318-5487.

## Sunday, Dec. 13

### Yoga and meditation

Relax and unwind with morning yoga from 9 to 10 a.m. at Planting Field's Coe Hall, led by instructors from Glen Cove Yoga and Oyster Bay Yoga. Masks are required while taking the class and yoga mats will be spaced six feet apart. To learn more about and register for the event, visit [www.plantingfields.org](http://www.plantingfields.org) or call (516) 922-9210

### Tai Chi

Tai Chi is a moving meditation and Gold Coast Public Library patrons are invited to join Linda Cafiero for this online class. Register online at [www.goldcoastlibrary.org](http://www.goldcoastlibrary.org). For more information call (516) 759-8300.

## Monday, Dec. 14

### Morning yoga

Start the day with a relaxing, beneficial and virtual session of yoga led by Marie DiPrimo at 9:30 a.m. Morning yoga sessions, hosted by the Glen Cove Public Library, will also be held on Dec. 21 and 28. Visit [www.glencovepubliclibrary.org](http://www.glencovepubliclibrary.org) to learn more and register. Call (516) 676-2130 for more information.

### Free, live and virtual bingo for all

Join the Glen Cove Senior Center for a free and virtual bingo session at 7 p.m. for a chance to have fun and win prizes. Hosted by Eric Shuman, no registration is needed for this popular bingo night. Visit [www.glencoveathome.com](http://www.glencoveathome.com) to play. Call (516) 759-9610 for more information.

### Holiday Gift Shoppe

The Life Enrichment Center is offering its annual Holiday Gift Shoppe the week of Dec. 14 to Dec. 18 open from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. daily where hand-crafted items, holiday decor and other local products can be found. The shoppe will operate on the porch of the building located at 45 East Main St. in Oyster Bay. Visit [www.lifeenrichment-centeroysterbay.org](http://www.lifeenrichment-centeroysterbay.org) or call (516) 922-1770 for more information.

## Tuesday, Dec. 15

### 'It's a Wonderful Life' film lecture

Join the Glen Cove Public Library and Sal St. George at 2 p.m. on Zoom for a presentation of the holiday classic, "It's a Wonderful Life." To register for the event, visit [www.glencovepubliclibrary.org](http://www.glencovepubliclibrary.org). Call (516) 676-2130 to learn more.

## Wednesday, Dec. 16

### Book Burning in Hamburg

In this virtual "Curators Corner" on Zoom, Dr. Thorin Tritter, the Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center's museum and programming director, will talk about an image that shows the burning of books in Hamburg, Germany in the May of 1933. Visit [www.hmtcli.org](http://www.hmtcli.org) or call (516) 571-8040 for more information about the event and the Zoom link.

## Thursday, Dec. 17

### FiveStone Livestream performance

Join the Glen Cove Senior Center from 6 to 8 p.m. for a livestreamed show of band FiveStone performing hits from the 1970s to today. This event is free and open to all. To tune in, visit [www.facebook.com/GCSeniorCenter/](http://www.facebook.com/GCSeniorCenter/).

## HAVING AN EVENT?

Items on the Community Update pages are listed free of charge. The Herald welcomes listings of upcoming events, community meetings and items of public interest. All submissions should include date, time and location of the event, cost, and a contact name and phone number. Submissions can be emailed to [jcorr@liherald.com](mailto:jcorr@liherald.com)

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- Oyster Bay now accepts credit cards for building permits.
- Sea Cliff accepts residential rehabilitation applications.
- Glen Cove Board of Education meeting to be held Dec. 16.



# HERALD SPORTS

## Molloy comes off 22-win campaign

By TONY BELLISSIMO

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Molloy College women's basketball enjoyed one of the best seasons in program history in 2019-2020, going 22-9 overall and reaching the East Coast Conference title game.

"Twenty-two is just a number," coach Joe Pellicane said. "It's how you get your wins. What makes that 22 so special is the quality opponents we beat along the way. We beat Stonehill, the Northeast-10 champions, early in the season, and that set the tone."

Molloy ranked No. 12 in the country in strength of schedule and in the top 5 in points allowed and defensive field goal percentage. "We've always taken great pride in defense," Pellicane said. "Those accomplishments are something to hang our hat on."

Turning the page on a new season with what appears to be many obstacles on and off the court, the Lions return one full-time starter, senior guard/forward Gabrielle Aspuru, and will look to resume practice sometime in December to prepare for the Jan. 9 opener at Robert Wesleyan.

"We started individual workouts in October and hope to be back on the court soon," Pellicane said. "Nothing is guaranteed this season. I'm hoping for the best. I'm blessed to be teaching and coaching an exceptional group of young ladies."

Barring any changes, the 18-game ECC schedule and postseason tournament will be played without fans. The Lions won't participate in any non-conference games. In addition to Robert Wesleyan, they'll also face defending champ Daemen, D'Youville, District of Columbia, Staten Island, Queens, Bridgeport, Mercy and St. Thomas Aquinas twice each.

Pellicane described Aspuru as one of the best players in the conference. She was an All-ECC selection last season after starting all 31 games and averaging 12.6 points and 5.9 rebounds, ranking second on the team in both categories. She also blocked 35 shots. "Gabrielle is multidimensional on both ends and can defend anyone," Pellicane said. "She's a big-time winner and a captain on and off the court. She has a great motor and attitude and we're fortunate to have her on our side."

Point guard Giolibeth Perez was limited to 18 games (all starts) last season due to injury and will miss all of 2020-21. Her 7.2 points per game and ability to get teammates involved (74 assists.). Perez's absence leaves Aspuru as the only top seven scorer back in the fold.

Junior Katie Marquardt, who averaged 16 minutes per game last season in a reserve role, is expected to assume a larger role and could handle the point. Pellicane said she brings a tremendous basketball IQ and leadership ability. "We trust Katie with the ball," he said.

Senior Mackenzie Burke and redshirt



Photos courtesy Molloy College Athletics

sophomore Maryanne Bagonis, a Mepham High School graduate, bring experience to the backcourt. One of the program's newcomers is sophomore guard Trinity Hudson, a former standout at Glen Cove High School. "Trinity is very athletic and I'm looking forward to being able to work with her," Pellicane said.

At forward, senior Morgan Staab, a Lynbrook resident and Kellenberg High School grad, appeared in 18 games last season and will have an opportunity for a more defined role, Pellicane noted. "She shoots, rebounds and defends well," he said.

Graduate student Mikaiya Moore could make an impact in the frontcourt along with freshman 6-foot-2 center Danielle Hippner, who starred at East Meadow High School.

"We haven't been able to define much without much practice," Pellicane said. "We're taking it one day at a time."



**JUNIOR GUARD KATIE** Marquardt, top, appeared in 29 games last season, including three starts, and could assume a larger role.

**GABRIELA ASPURU** WILL be counted on to produce offense and leadership for the Lions after starting all 31 games last winter.





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ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH in Glen Cove held its annual Christmas Boutique last weekend.

## Tradition of Christmas boutique at thrift store

By JENNIFER CORR

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When St. Patrick's Church in Glen Cove held its annual spring Country Fair in 1976, the then Rev. Fr. Healy was impressed with how popular used clothing was at a section of the Parish Hall that was designated as the "Cobweb Corner."

George Mahan, Marge Leach, Pat Martinez, Mary Glynn and Helen Willenbacher, the founders of the shop, were asked if they would consider starting a thrift store for the church. They said "yes."

Today that thrift store, St. Patrick's Thrift Shop still remains a popular destination to buy and donate used clothing, house wares, jewelry and other second-hand items. Especially at this time of year, the shop is known for its Holiday Boutique, a decades old tradition where customers can find Christmas decorations, ornaments and gifts.

"We have the best thrift shop anywhere and very dedicated workers and friendships," said Willenbacher, 93. "I'm very proud."

Willenbacher, who is currently homebound to stay safe from the pandemic, said she is equally proud of this year's Christmas Boutique. "They work very hard," she said. "I miss them. But I do homework so I still feel a part of it."

Part of her "homework," is to price items like stuffed animals and to fluff up pillows to be sold at the thrift store in her dryer. But when Willenbacher was at the shop, volunteer Amy Solomito said, she'd often be lifting boxes, among other tasks that needed to get done that day. She called working at the shop her therapy.

The thrift shop has substantially supported the parish financially over its years of operation, the Rev. Gabriel Rach of St. Patrick's Church.

Not only does the thrift store help raise funds for the church, it also helps

the community surrounding the church. St. Patrick's Church Thrift Shop cooperates with the church's food pantry.

Theresa Nielsen, a volunteer at the thrift shop, said she's seen many changes at the shop over the approximately 20 years she's been there, including a renovation of the store's layout. "The one thing that remains the same is that we try to minister to the people who need a place like the thrift shop but we also get people who run the gambit of collecting things and looking for unusual things," Nielsen said. "It's evolved in that the times, especially now, people are really needing a place where they can shop for clothing and other usual odds and ends."

And all the clothing is marked at a reasonable price, Willenbacher said, with blouses, men's shirts and pants marked at around \$3 if it is not new.

Nielsen, who was involved with ministerial programs in the church over 20 years ago, used to shop at the store too. "I asked about volunteering," she said, "and what appealed to me was that if I couldn't come in one particular day, or if I had to leave early or come in late, that was okay."

There's a comradeship between the women who work at the shop, Nielsen said.

"We all just talk around the table as we're doing our work and we share our ideas and thoughts," Nielsen said. "We learn about our families and who is in need of something or other, whether it's prayers or a card when someone's out sick."

What sets St. Patrick's Church of Glen Cove's Thrift Shop apart, Willenbacher said, is that along with affordable items, lifelong friendships can also be found.

"We had fun," Willenbacher said. "We used to sing. They're all like my family. They all call me and it's wonderful. I've made wonderful friends. All of us. [Nielsen] is like my adopted daughter."



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Although we had to forgo our much-anticipated in-person gala awards celebration due to the coronavirus pandemic, we are able to honor their work with this special supplement.

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Prior to joining BDO, Diana held positions in advisory practices of Grant Thornton LLP and Huron Consulting Group. Diana also supported corporate and business development activities at Aplify, a subsidiary of News Corporation. She has a B.S. in Business Administration from the State University at Albany and is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

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**HAYLEY MAYER**  
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Hayley Mayer is a Director of Prager Metis CPAs, a member of Prager Metis International. Hayley currently oversees Client Account Services (CAS) for the firm's high net-worth clients whose lifestyles require attentive care in managing their personal financial tasks, and for entities seeking to outsource some or all of their financial functions.

Hayley joined Prager Metis CPAs in 2002 after working as a controller in apparel. She has an expertise in programs such as QuickBooks, and Enterprise Resource Planning, Point of Sale and EDI Electric Data Interchange systems. In 2016, Hayley became an enrolled agent (EA), a federally authorized tax practitioner who is empowered by the U.S. Department of the Treasury to represent taxpayers before all administrative levels of the Internal Revenue Service.

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**LISA RISPOLI, CPA, AEP, TEP**  
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Mary Santoli is a Director of Small Business Services within the Advisory, Audit and Accounting Departments of Prager Metis CPAs, a member of Prager Metis International Group. She also trains and develops new team members.

With more than 16 years of accounting experience, Mary proactively handles all client needs. She is a Certified QuickBooks Pro Advisor, which helps her with training and consulting. In addition to providing specialized advice with QuickBooks, she also consults on business management and financial statements as well as business and personal tax returns. She serves clients in many industries, including hospitality, food and beverage, fashion, medical and construction.

In 2019, Mary became an enrolled agent (EA), a federally authorized tax practitioner empowered by the U.S. Department of the Treasury.

EDUCATION



**MEREDITH CELENTANO**  
*Assistant Vice President for Development and Alumni Affairs*  
HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY

Meredith H. Celentano has served as an executive in the not-for-profit field for more than 25 years. Currently, Meredith is the Assistant Vice President for Development and Alumni Affairs at Hofstra University, where she's been since 2006.

A seasoned and accomplished development professional, she has been involved in initiatives raising more than \$350 million.

Meredith's current role involves the management of 20 team members within a department that raised more than \$32 million in the 2019 fiscal year. She is involved in all strategic decision-making and is directly responsible for the management of all alumni affairs activities, prospect research, foundation relations, gift processing, data management, special events, stewardship, annual giving, and personally manages a portfolio of more than 300 major gift prospects.

EDUCATION



**LINDA HOWARD-WEISSMAN**  
*Assistant Dean for Institutional Advancement*  
TOURO COLLEGE  
*Assistant Vice President, Institutional Advancement, Graduate Division*  
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Linda Howard Weissman has served as Assistant Dean for Institutional Advancement at Touro Law for the past 25 years, heading a department responsible for annual fund, corporate, foundation and government relations, special events, alumni relations and marketing and public relations.

In 2018, she was appointed Assistant Vice President, Institutional Advancement, Graduate Division. In this role, Linda works college-wide to build and develop alumni relations and fundraising programs.

Before Touro, she served as the Executive Director of The Five Towns Community Chest, and Development Director of Family Service Association of Nassau County and as a freelance writer. A former Registered Nurse and a graduate of SUNY's Empire State College, Linda is a founding member and former President of the Long Island AFP Chapter.

EDUCATION



**JOANNE O'BRIEN, EdD**  
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Joanne O'Brien earned her B.A. and M.A. degrees from Fordham University, an M.Ed. in religious education from Boston College, and an Ed.D. from Teachers College, Columbia University. Joanne has taught at all educational levels. She has also been a high school chairperson, assistant principal, principal, and associate superintendent.

Presently, Joanne is Dean of the School of Education and Human Services at Molloy College. Molloy offers varied education programs on the undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral levels. She has served on the boards of the De La Salle School in Freeport and the Nora Cronin Presentation Academy in Newburgh.

Joanne's work has centered on educational advocacy for underserved populations and creating community-based school programs incorporating social work and effective instructional practices.

EDUCATION



**ELAINE L. SMITH EdD, MS, MBA, RN, NEA-BC, ANEF**  
*Dean, College of Nursing and Public Health*  
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Elaine Smith, Ed.D., Dean at Adelphi University College of Nursing and Public Health, earned her B.S. and M.S. in nursing at Adelphi and went on to complete an M.B.A. at Dowling College and her Ed.D. at Teachers College, Columbia University. She joined Adelphi in 2015 as associate dean for operations and then served as interim dean of the College of Nursing and Public Health for two years before being appointed dean in March 2019.

Elaine is a fellow of both the National League for Nursing Academy of Nursing Education and the New York Academy of Medicine. She holds national certification in nursing administration, advanced. For several years, she served as an associate editor of the Journal of Continuing Education in Nursing.



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She also oversees the planning and operations of PSEG Long Island's Projects and Construction functions, Materials and Logistics Management, Fleet / Transportation Management, Safety, Health and Wellness, Environmental Management and Compliance and Facilities Management.

Previously, Peggy served PSEG Long Island as Director-Project, responsible for managing the \$729 million Public Assistance Grant from the Federal Emergency Management Authority (FEMA). In this role, she oversaw the important work of hardening priority mainline circuits, strengthening storm damaged transmission lines and upgrading the existing control and communication systems.

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Janice has spearheaded significant projects including multiple community reconstruction plans after Superstorm Sandy, redevelopment projects at the former naval facility in Calverton, and environmental impact statements/assessments for numerous projects including the corporate headquarters for Canon U.S.A.

She has served as State President of the New York Water Environment Association (NYWEA) and as President of the New York Metropolitan Chapter of the American Planning Association.

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**FRAN PANICCIA**  
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Starting as a telemarketer, she worked through college as a mortgage processor, transitioning to a processing manager and then eventually switching over to the sales side, where she has been recognized year after year as a top producer among her peers. Not only is Melissa dedicated to helping people get the financing they need to purchase a home, Melissa volunteers her time in many ways — from clothing and food drives to instructing classes at a home for youth in need.

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Before joining the firm in 2018, she was a director and senior investment leader at Willis Towers Watson, a global consulting firm. Prior to consulting, Diane's 20-plus-year career in capital markets also included roles in investment banking, trading and private offerings. She is an active member of many professional and community organizations, including Save the Sound, to support healthier and cleaner water in the Long Island Sound and metro New York region.

**FINANCE & BANKING**



**MICHELLE MOREIRA-JODICE**

*Vice President, Branch Manager*

**THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF LONG ISLAND**

Michelle Moreira-Jodice, Branch Manager of First National Bank of Long Island, has an incredible passion for helping customers achieve their financial goals, both personal and business. She began her 27-year banking career while still in high school in 1993 as a part-timer with New York Community Bank and worked her way up to branch manager.

Community service is important to Michelle, who has always volunteered with many organizations, including The Long Island Mentoring Partnership, and participates in First National Bank's many community initiatives. She was honored as a "Pacesetter," volunteering with the American Cancer Society's Making Strides Against Breast Cancer, helping to raise over \$51,000! She has advised the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's "Light The Night" initiative and volunteers at the Interfaith Nutrition Network.





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## BUSINESS WOMEN

## FINANCE &amp; BANKING

**THERESA POTTER***Director of Franchise Partnerships*

LENDIO

As an Asian-American woman, Theresa Potter has cultivated a career where she has been among the most visible proponents of business development and philanthropy on Long Island.

For several decades, Theresa has served as a leader in business development, having served as a Director and VP for JP Morgan Chase, Weight Watchers, the American Heart Association, and in her current role as Director of Local Partnerships at Lendio, where she works to fuel the American Dream for small business owners on Long Island. She has won numerous service and performance awards and has helped cultivate the careers of many professionals.

Among her accolades, Theresa was honored at the distinguished 40 Under 40 Awards in 2018 as well as the Diversity in Business Awards in 2019.

## FINANCE &amp; BANKING

**MARIE TAYLOR, CRPC, AAMS***Financial Advisor*

EDWARD JONES

Marie Taylor is a financial advisor and a limited partner at Edward Jones in West Hempstead. She assists individuals and businesses in achieving their financial objectives using a value proposition and appropriate investment strategy.

Marie began her Edward Jones career in 2000, becoming a limited partner in 2010. She came to Edward Jones from a 12-year career in the banking industry.

In addition to being a financial advisor, she serves as a inclusion and diversity leader, advocating for recruiting women and diverse individuals to the firm.

Marie was named one of Nassau County's Top 20 Influential African American Women in Business in 2005, Business Visionary by CACCI in 2006, and Small Business Person of the Year by Nassau Council of Chambers of Commerce, Inc. in 2014.

## HEALTHCARE &amp; WELLNESS

**EVE LUPENKO FERRANTE***Glen Cove City Councilwoman*

CITY OF GLEN COVE

*Board-certified Dermatologist*

GREENBERG COSMETIC SURGERY &amp; DERMATOLOGY

Dr. Eve Lupenko Ferrante is passionate about making people's lives happier and healthier. By day she is a board-certified dermatologist, but when office hours end, Eve doesn't go home — Eve goes out into the community — where she can make an even bigger impact. Not only is she on the boards of several community organizations, she is in her first term as a Councilwoman in the City of Glen Cove.

Eve is Director of Dermatology at Greenberg Cosmetic Surgery and Dermatology, and teaches dermatology residents in the pediatric dermatology clinic at Columbia-Presbyterian Hospital. Actively involved in community endeavors, in November 2019, Eve and her husband, John Ferrante, founded the Do Good To Feel Good Program, which dramatically expanded during the pandemic and still continues today.

## HEALTHCARE &amp; WELLNESS

**EILEEN MAHLER***Director of Nursing Education: Professional Development, Practice and Research*

MOUNT SINAI SOUTH NASSAU

Longtime Oceanside resident Eileen Mahler, PhD, RNC-OB, NE-BC, is Director of Nursing Education: Professional Development, Practice and Research at Mount Sinai South Nassau. She directs the Nursing Education Department, including nursing orientation; RN residency and fellowship programs; continuing education; nursing grand rounds; college affiliate contracts and student placements; oversight of clinical nurse specialists, nursing professional development specialists, and educators.

Eileen started as a staff nurse in the obstetrical unit in 1979. She quickly rose through the ranks and has been in her current role since 2011. A recipient of numerous awards, she has worked to develop systems, policies and programs that support and advance nursing at all levels of the profession during her more than four-decade career at Mount Sinai South Nassau.

## HEALTHCARE &amp; WELLNESS

**YELDA NOURI, MD***Board Certified Oncologist & Hematologist*

NEW YORK CANCER &amp; BLOOD SPECIALISTS

Dr. Yelda Nouri has been practicing medicine for the past six years, providing excellent care to patients across Long Island. She is the lead medical oncologist of the Fortunato Breast Center and sits on the Breast Panel Leadership Committee at Mather Hospital. She continues to devote time and effort to academic practice and is currently affiliated with Stony Brook University Hospital.

Dr. Nouri is passionate about community outreach projects that improve outcomes for cancer patients.

She is currently seeing patients in multiple locations throughout Suffolk and Nassau counties.

## HEALTHCARE &amp; WELLNESS

**TRACEY ROSENBERG***Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon*

PLAINVIEW, MASSAPEQUA, LEVITTOWN ORAL AND IMPLANT SURGERY

Tracey Rosenberg, D.D.S., M.D., F.A.C.S., a native of Winnipeg, Canada, joined Plainview and Massapequa Oral and Implant Surgery in 2005. She is currently Chief of Oral Surgery at Northwell Health/Plainview Hospital, and was a former Assistant Professor at Columbia University Medical Center.

Tracey is well-trained in all areas of oral and maxillofacial surgery including dentoalveolar, implant and orthognathic surgery as well as facial trauma. One of her areas of special interest is performing minimally invasive techniques for cosmetic facial rejuvenation; she has co-authored a book on this topic. Another area of special interest is the use of CAT scan-guided techniques to assist with dental implant and orthognathic surgical cases. She enjoys helping patients achieve their full potential using the most updated technologies.

## HEALTHCARE &amp; WELLNESS

**MEGAN RYAN, ESQ.***Executive Vice President and General Counsel*

NUHEALTH/NASSAU UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER

Megan C. Ryan, Esq. oversees all legal, corporate governance, privacy and ethics functions as General Counsel/ Counsel to the Board for NuHealth/ NUMC. Megan has served as NuHealth/ NUMC's Chief Compliance, Privacy and Ethics Officer responsible for investigating any suspicion of fraud, waste, or abuse and has maintained its strong compliance program since 2016.

Additionally, she served as Chief Compliance Officer for the Nassau Queens Performing Provider System (NQP) in the New York State Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment Program (DSRIP), implementing and overseeing DSRIP, compliance practices at NQP and its partnering hubs (NUMC, North Shore and Catholic Health Systems).

Megan's wealth of experience and impressive achievements, with extensive academic and legal skills, have well prepared her for the challenges and opportunities of this crucial position.

## HEALTHCARE &amp; WELLNESS

**KERRI ANNE SCANLON, RN***Executive Director*

GLEN COVE HOSPITAL

As Executive Director, Kerri Scanlon, RN, FAAN, oversees the day-to-day operations of Glen Cove Hospital, a 247-bed community hospital that features the renowned Inpatient Rehabilitation Service and state-of-the-art brain injury unit. In this role, she is responsible for advancing Glen Cove as a premier hospital in Nassau County while aligning its strategic vision with Northwell Health.

Kerri has been an integral member of Northwell Health for more than 25 years, serving in progressive leadership positions including Associate Executive Director, Patient Care Services and Chief Nursing Officer at North Shore University Hospital and Associate Executive Director of Quality and Chief Nursing Officer at Long Island Jewish Medical Center. Kerri has published and presented locally, regionally, nationally and internationally and has received several prestigious awards.





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**LISA E. BOGLIONE**

Founder & Chief Executive Officer

ACCU-SERVE PROCESS SERVICE, LTD & PUBLICATIONS ELITE COMPANY, INC.

From the very beginning of her career, Lisa Boglione took charge of her destiny. With a degree in criminal justice, augmented with a paralegal certificate, she began her journey as a supervisor at Cullen & Dykman, then headed up the Foreclosure Department at Berkman, Henoch, Peterson & Peddy for five years.

Passionate about the process service industry, she opened Accu-Serve Process Service, Ltd., which quickly grew into one of the top process serving agencies in New York, earning accolades and accreditation: woman-owned small business (SBA), DCA, NAPPS, NYSPPA. It also earned the much-coveted Financial Service Compliant accreditation.

Her most recent endeavor Publications Elite Company, Inc., handles all aspects of foreclosure sale throughout the state. In 2019, it successfully auctioned over 500M in foreclosed properties.

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**CHARO EZDRIN, ESQ.**

Principal

EZDRIN & WOODS, P.C.

Charo Ezdrin opened her own law firm in 2010, expanding the firm, which is now named Ezdrin & Woods, PC, in 2016. Her area of expertise is family, matrimonial and criminal law.

She is a member of the Nassau County Bar Association, a community leader for the Nassau County Police Commissioners Community Council, an active member of the Nassau County Bar Association Matrimonial, Family, and Criminal Law Committees, and was previously a Commissioner on the Nassau County Bridge Authority.

She has served as the Director of Government Relations for former Nassau County Executive, Thomas R. Suozzi who is currently a U.S. Congressman. Charo is the proud mother of two girls, Jacqui and Alexi.

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**JACQUELINE HAROUNIAN, ESQ.**

Law Partner

WISSELMAN, HAROUNIAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C.

Jacqueline Harounian is a Partner of Wisselman, Harounian & Associates, a recognized leader in the field of matrimonial and family law. She began working at the firm while in law school, and has been a partner since 2006.

Jackie's unique multidisciplinary background, including a graduate degree in Behavioral Forensic Psychology and Family Therapy, enables her to adeptly handle complex divorce and custody matters. She is recognized as a highly experienced trial and appellate advocate, but believes strongly that a negotiated settlement is almost always the best strategy, especially if there are minor children and co-parenting is desired.

Jackie has performed extensive pro bono work for The Safe Center, and serves on the board of The Long Island Crisis Center.

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**CATHERINE Z. O'BRIEN, ESQ.**

Of Counsel

MEYER, SUOZZI, ENGLISH & KLEIN, P.C.

Catherine Z. O'Brien is Of Counsel to the Real Estate Law Group at Meyer, Suozzi, English & Klein, P.C. Her practice focuses on commercial real estate matters, including representation of landlords and tenants in a variety of lease transactions, real estate acquisitions and construction loans. In addition, she has represented national wireless communications carriers in connection with lease and licensing transactions in New York City and surrounding areas.

Before joining Meyer Suozzi, Catherine was associated with two Long Island-based law firms, where she advised clients in commercial leasing, real estate acquisitions, construction loans and general corporate representation.

She received her J.D., with honors from St. John's University School of Law in 1992 and her B.A. from the University of Virginia in 1987.

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**CONSTANTINA S. PAPAGEORGIOU**

Partner

VISHNICK MCGOVERN MILIZIO LLP

Constantina Papageorgiou is a partner in Vishnick McGovern Milizio LLP's Trust and Estate Practice, focusing on estate planning and administration and elder law. She assists individuals and families with asset protection and long-term care through the use of advance directives and various planning techniques. She also provides legal counsel to administration of estates and the liquidation of assets after one's death.

Her passionate advocacy for her clients and business acumen have made her the youngest partner in the firm's 50 years. She was recognized in 2019 by Herald Community Newspapers and RichnerLIVE as a Top Lawyers of Long Island Rising Star.

Constantina is actively involved with her community and regularly hosts free seminars on estate planning for young families and older individuals.

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**FELICIA PASCULLI**

Law Partner

FUTTERMAN, LANZA & PASCULLI LLP

Felicia Pasculli is a law partner at Futterman, Lanza & Pasculli LLP, concentrating in Elder Law and Special Needs Law, Trusts and Estates and Veterans Law.

She takes great pride in having introduced VA pension benefits to the Elder Law bar in 2001. Certified as an elder law attorney (CELA) by the American Bar Association and accredited by the National Elder Law Foundation, Felicia was designated a NY Metro Area Super Lawyer for seven consecutive years, as well as a Best Lawyer in America.

Felicia chose her specialization after seeing how bureaucratic systems failed her own father, a veteran, and her mother, both of whom suffered from dementia. She has devoted her career advocating for the rights of elders, including those with dementia or cognitive impairments.

MARKETING & PUBLIC RELATIONS



**JOANNA ADDUCI**

Marketing Manager

NORTHWELL HEALTH - GOHEALTH URGENT CARE

Joanna Adduci serves New York as the marketing manager for GoHealth Urgent Care. In this role, she supports a network of 50+ urgent care centers that are built and operated in partnership with Northwell Health.

Adduci started with GoHealth Urgent Care in July 2018 and was instrumental in the launch of GoHealth Urgent Care's first pediatric service line and centers, in partnership with Cohen Children's Northwell Health, and later the launch of Virtual Visits, providing more access to care for community members via video.

Adduci's community relations expertise proved essential as the region began to grapple with the first outbreak of Covid-19. She was a driving force in supporting a testing program for first responders, including the NYPD, FDNY and MTA.

MARKETING & PUBLIC RELATIONS



**DONNA DEVITA**

Principal

ESQUIRE BRAND MANAGEMENT

Donna DeVita is Principal of ESQUIRE Brand Management, an award-winning national branding and marketing agency. Donna has worked with law firms throughout the country for over 25 years implementing unique marketing initiatives to help breathe life into a client's brand.

Donna has led marketing strategy for both blue chip and small businesses, including Marsh & McLennan, UK and Commerce Bank. Her agency won Best Advertising Agency 2020 by Long Island Business News (LIBN). Donna was named LIBN's Top 50 Women Professionals, 2019, and Woman of the Year, Media & Communications by the Town of Brookhaven.

Donna's dedication to charitable work has been recognized by Moxie Mentoring Foundation as Mentor of the Year and Herald Community Newspapers, 2019, as Philanthropic Firm of the Year.





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# BUSINESS WOMEN

## MARKETING & PUBLIC RELATIONS



**NINA MCCANN**  
Director of Marketing

### NATIONAL ARBITRATION AND MEDIATION

Nina McCann is a Marketing, Public Relations and Business Development professional with over 15 years' experience in the professional services environment. She is on the Advisory Board of Against the Current, a provider of educational business events. Some of her in-house roles have included overseeing marketing at a national accounting firm (Citrin Cooperman) and regional and global law firms (Forchelli Deegan Terrana LLP, Nixon Peabody LLP and Fried Frank LLP).

Nina started her career as a publicist for a New York City not-for-profit, Victim Services, Inc. almost 20 years ago. During her tenure, she acted as a bilingual spokesperson, resulting in media coverage in The New York Times, Daily News, Newsday, and the Hispanic publication El Diario.

She has contributed to numerous industry articles and been featured in the media.

## MARKETING & PUBLIC RELATIONS



**JILLIAN WESTON**  
Chief Executive Officer

### JILLIAN'S CIRCUS

Jillian Weston started Jillian's Circus, her online marketing company in 2013. Her team uses traditional values and new-age technology to serve clients with branding, content development, social media marketing, search engine optimization, and website design. She also teaches and mentors new business owners and students.

Jillian has been honored as Best Boss and Best Social Media Agency on Long Island, Long Island Business News' Top 30 under 30 Entrepreneur and with RichnerLIVE's Premier Business Women award, among her many accolades.

Jillian is President of the Board of The Unicorn Network, an organization for entrepreneurial millennials she established in 2016. She is also a board member of the Rockville Centre Chamber of Commerce and member of the Nassau Council Chamber's of Commerce, among other networking and community organizations.

## MEDIA & JOURNALISM



**KIMBERLY RAE MILLER**  
President & Founder

### KRM EDITORIAL, INC.

Kimberly Rae Miller is a bestselling author, editor, journalist and blogger. Her memoir "Coming Clean" is a Wall Street Journal bestseller, Amazon Top Memoir of 2013 selection, Elle Magazine Top 20 Books of 2013 selection, and Goodreads Choice Award recipient, among other recognitions.

Her second book, "Beautiful Bodies," a unique genre-bending memoir-history-science hybrid, was published to great acclaim and was nominated for the 2017 National Book Award.

Kimberly has written on varied topics for numerous national and international publications. Following several years of freelance experience, she established KRM Editorial Inc., a boutique ghostwriting and editing services firm based on Long Island in 2018. Her success is a testament not only to her literary talents but also to her business acumen.

## NOT-FOR-PROFIT



**GERI BARISH**  
Executive Director

### HEWLETT HOUSE/1 IN 9

President

### THE LONG ISLAND BREAST CANCER ACTION COALITION

Geri Barish has been at the forefront of the battle against breast cancer on Long Island since 1988, and has earned the distinction of being New York State's preeminent breast cancer activist.

A breast cancer survivor herself, Geri also lost her son Michael from complications of Hodgkin's disease. Geri's promise to Michael was to dedicate her life to find the causes and cures for cancer.

As president of 1 in 9, Geri spearheaded negotiations of New York State's Pesticide Registry Law and advocated for the bipartisan "Mastectomy Bill". Her appointment as executive director of Hewlett House fulfills a dream and vision Geri had during her own struggle with breast cancer, to ensure that no one has to battle this dreadful disease alone.

## NOT-FOR-PROFIT



**RANDELL M. BYNUM**  
Chief Executive Officer

### GIRL SCOUTS OF NASSAU COUNTY

Randell Marie Bynum, LMSW, is the Chief Executive Officer for the Girl Scouts of Nassau County (GSNC). A third generation Girl Scout, Rande brings decades of experience enhancing the efforts of nonprofit organizations. Early in her career, Rande was the Director, Program and Adult Development at GSNC. Girl Scouts of Nassau County serves over 16,000 girls and 5,000 adults and recently celebrated its 100th year in Nassau County.

Before returning to GSNC, Rande was content designer and editor with various organizations, media entities and corporations. She was tasked with elevating content to best meet the needs of the target audience, support professional development efforts and ensure consistency and sustainability.

Rande has over 20 years of experience working with youth and families in various settings.

## NOT-FOR-PROFIT



**LISA COHN**  
Chief Executive Officer

### LIVINGWATERFORWOMEN.ORG

As President of Lifeline Communications of LI Inc., Lisa Cohn sold telephone systems and accessories for businesses from 1981 until 2011. Passionate about serving others, 19 years ago Lisa began volunteering at the Nassau County Correctional Center. Her work developed into addiction recovery support. Lisa realized there was a poor chance of these women "making it" without adequate housing, supportive care, counseling, and job training.

In 2011 Lisa sold her business to create an alternative to the typical "halfway" or "sober house". She funded the purchase of two former boarding houses, calling them "transitional homes," offering the personal and comprehensive services needed to transform these women's lives.

Since 2014, Living Water for Women has opened its doors to over 100 women from all walks of life.

## NOT-FOR-PROFIT



**GLENDA HILLS**  
Chief Executive Officer

### MILLENIUM SISTAHS

Glenda Hills is the Founder of Millennium Sistahs Inc, and Cari Flair Boutique, located in West Hempstead.

Glenda has always been a humanitarian concerned with the needs of marginal groups, devoting her work to the needs of women and girls. Being cognizant of the pressures of womanhood, and its implications on the lives of female adolescents, she developed programs geared towards this population. Glenda stresses that there is urgency among this population that is not felt by the societies in which they reside.

Glenda attended Lincoln University where she was awarded the Andora Quinby Scholarship for Women. The recipient of several awards and commendations, Glenda has worked with various nonprofit organizations in New York City and on Long Island, and continues her missionary work throughout the world.

## NOT-FOR-PROFIT



**KRISTINE KOSSEGI LEHN**  
Chief Network Officer

### LONG ISLAND CARES, INC. - THE HARRY CHAPIN FOOD BANK

After more than 20 years in corporate purchasing, Kristine Koszegi Lehn joined Long Island Cares, her first venture into the nonprofit world. As Chief Network Officer she has led the growth of the Agency Relations Department to include two registered dietitians offering food safety and nutrition education workshops, expansion of the child nutrition programs and agency compliance with state and local health departments.

Kristine has focused on the partnership model with member agencies; working together with member organizations as they reach maximum capacity by offering food and additional resources such as volunteer development, grant writing, food sourcing, budget writing.

Kristine's passion for helping others stems from having great role models during her childhood. She hopes to pass this on to her son and grandchildren.






We would like to congratulate our CEO  
*Deirdre O'Connell*  
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Kerri Anne Scanlon, RN, FAAN**  
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## NOT-FOR-PROFIT

**SARA LIPSKY***Executive Director, Metro NY***LEUKEMIA & LYMPHOMA SOCIETY**

Sara Lipsky's ability to create and implement strategic programs that result in broad impact led her to a career in the nonprofit sector that spans more than 20 years. In 2013, Sara was named Executive Director of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's (LLS) Long Island Chapter.

She is responsible for the oversight of staff and volunteer development; fundraising and marketing; strategy development and implementation; financial management and operations; and community outreach. Prior to her ED role on Long Island, Sara spent eight years at The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's NYC Chapter. As Deputy Executive Director she was responsible for leading staff and volunteers in the development and execution of campaigns that generated revenues in excess of \$5.6 million. This included oversight of a number of campaigns and initiatives. In August of this year Sara was promoted to Executive Director, Metro New York at LLS.

## NOT-FOR-PROFIT

**GWEN O'SHEA***President & Chief Executive Officer***COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF LONG ISLAND**

As President and CEO of Community Development Corporation of Long Island, Gwen O'Shea is responsible for two non-profit affiliates and numerous for-profit subsidiaries, over \$31 million in assets, an annual budget of \$35 million, and staff of 90.

Gwen works with the Board of Directors setting the strategic direction and with team leadership to implement this strategy by cultivating and growing its business lines: Rental Assistance, Resident Services, Home Ownership and Improvement and Real Estate Development.

CDCLI's CDFI provides critical capital to under-financed communities — over \$10 million deployed.

CDCLI is a co-venture partner in 15 multi-family tax credit complexes representing over 2,000 apartments. CDCLI has developed 235 single-family affordable for-sale subdivisions.

## NOT-FOR-PROFIT

**AMY ZASLANSKY***Chief Executive Officer/Founder***THE BOOK FAIRIES**

Amy Zaslansky is the founder of The Book Fairies, a nonprofit organization that provides books to people in need across metropolitan New York. Since its inception in 2012, The Book Fairies has donated more than two million books to underserved schools and nonprofit organizations including hospitals, homeless shelters, soup kitchens and correctional facilities.

Amy, a lifelong avid reader, realized the urgent need for a book donation charity after being unable to find a home for her own outgrown library. She also discovered the scarcity of reading materials in many schools and homes, with the primary barrier to book ownership being cost. She further learned that the illiteracy epidemic perpetuates the cycle of poverty. With this in mind, Amy created The Book Fairies to help eradicate illiteracy.

## REAL ESTATE

**RONNIE GERBER***Licensed Real Estate Salesperson***DOUGLAS ELLIMAN REAL ESTATE**

Ronnie Gerber specializes in sales in the Five Towns and surrounding South Shore areas. She has been a top producer for Douglas Elliman since 2006.

In 2019, she was ranked #5 companywide for Gross Commission Income on Long Island, honored with the Diamond Award. Ronnie received the Pinnacle Award in 2016 and 2017, Diamond Chairman's Circle Award for 2013, 2014, 2015, 2018, 2019 and the Platinum Chairman's Circle Award, among other honors. She has been ranked #1 Producer in DE's Merrick office for the last 10 years.

Ronnie grew up in the Five Towns, graduating from Lawrence High School and received her B.A. from Boston University. Her integrity, knowledge and professionalism sets her apart, as well as being an expert in the neighborhood.

## REAL ESTATE

**DEIRDRE O'CONNELL***Chief Executive Officer***DANIEL GALE SOTHEBY'S INTERNATIONAL REALTY**

As Chief Executive Officer, Deirdre O'Connell plays a leading role in both the day-to-day success of Daniel Gale Sotheby's International Realty and strategic initiatives, including its recent rebranding efforts.

She has excelled as an agent and as a broker-owner throughout her career and is recognized as one of the top residential real estate executives on Long Island. Deirdre enjoys a longstanding reputation for exceptional customer service, unparalleled local knowledge and strong managerial skills that result in positive outcomes for Daniel Gale Sotheby's sales agents, customers and clients.

Deirdre oversees a \$3.3 billion dollar organization with 950 sales associates, and nearly 100 employees in 28 offices spanning Long Island and Queens. She has been instrumental in its growth and expansion over the last 10 years.

## REAL ESTATE

**PEGGY POGUE STEINER***OWNER, LICENSED REAL ESTATE BROKER***SALTWATER REALTY, LLC**

Peggy Keane Steiner established Saltwater Realty in January 2018, in Point Lookout, specializing in beach area properties in the South Shore communities of Point Lookout, Lido Beach, Long Beach, East Atlantic Beach and neighboring communities. Peggy and her sales associates pride themselves on honesty and integrity, guided by the principal of always keeping their clients' best interests first in every conversation, negotiation and any other interaction.

Prior to establishing Saltwater Realty, Peggy was an Associate Broker with William E. Meier, Inc., also of Point Lookout, Daniel Gale and William Pitt Sotheby's International Realty, where she was a gold level producing agent.

Associated with Point Lookout since age four, Peggy has a deep love for the area and a reverence for its natural beauty and serenity.

## RETAIL &amp; SALES

**KRISTIN DANIELLE HENDRICK***General Sales Manager***VOLVO CARS GLEN COVE**

Kristin Hendrick is fortunate to love not only what she does, but who she does it with. She has been in the automotive industry for 20 years and everyday is still an adventure. That's one of the things she loves most about it. There is never a dull moment and no two days are ever the same.

This is also true with her family. She wouldn't be who she is without them. She is blessed to have such a strong support system.

When not at work, Kristin loves traveling and all things sports. She looks forward to many more years in the car business. It has shaped her life in more ways than she can count and she can't imagine doing anything else.

## TECHNOLOGY

**CLORINDA ANTONUCCI***Vice President***CORPORATE LOSS PREVENTION ASSOCIATES**

With 25 years of operations experience working for American Airlines, Clorinda Antonucci transitioned in 2007 into a leadership position within the facility operations and customer service industry. As Airserv Corporation's Regional Manager, Clorinda grew revenues to an annual volume of \$15 million.

Joining Corporate Loss Prevention Associates in 2015, Clorinda was responsible for business development and marketing. In 2018, she was promoted to Vice President. With rarely matched corporate and entrepreneurial expertise, Clorinda is uniquely qualified to understand client operating needs regardless of facility size, operating objectives and customer service requirements.

A longtime community service volunteer, Clorinda was acknowledged with the Brooklyn Community Services Employer Recognition Award in 2010 for her work in providing employment opportunities for individuals with physical and mental disabilities.





TECHNOLOGY



**VIDYA RAMSAMMY**  
President

**CORPORATE LOSS PREVENTION ASSOCIATES**

Vidya Ramsammy graduated from New York Technical College. Vidya has been with CLPA since 2003 and during that time has attained the knowledge and experience to become one of the foremost experts in the aviation industry. She has proven herself in many advanced training programs, including TSA, Department of Homeland Security and Explosive Trace Detection. She is a New York State certified security officer trainer.

Vidya works very closely with clients on the preparation of security plans that work within their budgets. Her expertise in aviation security enables her to develop site-specific training programs for clients.

TECHNOLOGY



**GABBY WEDDERBURN**  
Northeast Regional Manager

**CHAMPION CONTROLS, INC.**

Gabby Wedderburn earned her Bachelor's Degree in Culinary Arts & Food Service Management from Johnson & Wales University in Miami, Fla. and pursued her Master's in Management of Food & Beverage at Bocconi University in Italy.

Returning to the U.S., Gabby began managing the Food and Beverage Department for Marriot Biscayne Bay, then a year later moved to New York to open a regional branch of her family's manufacturing business.

Gabby has a way with meeting and connecting with people; she was introduced to and joined the HIA (Hauppauge Industrial Association), where she is actively involved. Gabby remains passionate about continuing her contributions to the growth of Long Island, empowering women in her industry and supporting the development of young entrepreneurs.

UNDER 30



**ARIANNA GEORGIADIS**  
Human Resource Supervisor

**GRASSI ADVISORS & ACCOUNTANTS**

Arianna Georgiadis brings over five years of public accounting experience to her role as Human Resource Supervisor at Grassi Advisors & Accountants. She began her career in taxation where she was involved in corporate and high net worth tax compliance, income tax provisions, and tax audits.

Arianna recently joined the Human Resources team. In her new position, she deals with internal HR matters, HR consulting with clients and prospects, along with various projects in taxation.

Prior to Grassi, Arianna worked at Ernst & Young and Mazars USA, where she prepared state and federal tax returns for corporate and high-net worth individuals. Upon arrival at Grassi, Arianna used her previous knowledge with professional development to assist in the enhancement of Grassi's training program.

WONDER GIRL



**OLIVIA MARCO**  
Student

**VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY**

Olivia Marco, a June 2020 graduate of Malverne High School, is recognized by her peers and high school faculty as a young woman who truly exemplifies academic excellence, strength of character and commitment to self-growth. She graduated in the top two percent of her class while challenging herself to take all honors and AP level courses.

In addition to being a Scholar-Athlete, AP Scholar with Distinction and AP plus PLTW Student Achiever in Engineering, Olivia spearheaded the high school's Capstone Program. She stands out as a self-motivated, well-rounded young leader, now at Vanderbilt University on a full four-year ROTC scholarship.

Besides her impressive academic accomplishments, Olivia is involved in many activities, outreach and community service endeavors. She works diligently to make positive change within her community.

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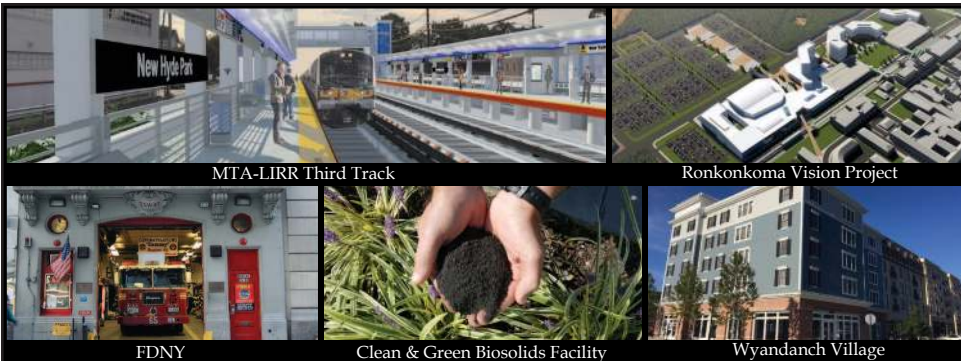
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# It's a wrap for Herald holiday contest

The results are in for Herald Community Newspapers first Holiday Wrapping Paper Contest!

In the spirit of giving, and to spread holiday cheer throughout our communities, the Herald invited students in grades kindergarten to 12 to create original gift-wrap designs. We are pleased to share their creative designs with our readers in this edition of your newspaper.

The Herald was thrilled with the enthusiastic response to the contest. Teachers in schools throughout our communities used the contest as a class assignment. To our delight, we received hundreds of submissions. As you can imagine, our panel of judges found it too difficult to select just one winner per paper. Our solution was to create a patchwork quilt effect to display all the wonderful and creative artwork.

The winning designs are printed on newsprint wrapping in this week's editions as an insert. The larger center designs are the first-place winners from each town. Runner-up selections, from an array of towns, form the border. Brighten up a holiday season unlike any other by using this wrapping paper for your gifts to loved ones. For those who would like additional wrapping paper sheets, they can be purchased at the Herald office at 2 Endo Blvd. in Garden City.

Congratulations to all the winners!

## Baldwin

### First Place

Baldwin – Datrell Williams  
Baldwin – Genao

### Runners-up

Freeport – Tyler Acquavella  
North Bellmore – Briana Sayoc  
Oceanside – Anna Sokoli  
Oceanside – Brody Lucas  
Oceanside – Hailey Bischoff  
Oceanside – Hannah Weininger  
Oceanside – Makayla Sheriff  
Rockville Centre – Benjamin Yin  
Rockville Centre – Caroline Dunham  
Rockville Centre – Clare McKenna  
Rockville Centre – Finley Sarva  
Rockville Centre – Isabelle Fuentes  
Rockville Centre – Madeline McKenna  
Rockville Centre – Nicholas Amato  
Rockville Centre – Patrick McKenna  
Rosedale – Avalyn Peters

## Valley Stream

### First Place

Rockville Centre – Benjamin Yin  
Valley Stream – Gianna Moran  
Valley Stream – Joseph DiMaio  
Valley Stream – Lairabelle Snyder Feintuch

### Runners-up

East Rockaway – Juliana Becker  
Elmont – Isabella Reichbach  
Franklin Square – Lillian Wilde  
Hewlett – Natalie Villatoro  
Lawrence – Heather McHale  
Lynbrook – Grace Dillard  
Lynbrook – Madison Moore  
Lynbrook – Veer Goel  
Malverne – Lorelai Thrasher  
Merrick – Ben Ferraro  
Merrick – Matheo Esquivel  
North Bellmore – Kayla DiMaio  
North Bellmore – Olivia Lettieri  
Rockville Centre – Clare McKenna  
Valley Stream – Kayla Diaz  
Wantagh – Megan Martone



## THIS WINNING WRAPPING

paper was produced by  
Datrell Williams, of Baldwin.

## Oceanside

### First Place

Long Beach – Georgia Rector  
Oceanside – Anna Sokoli  
Oceanside – Brody Lucas  
Oceanside – Makayla Sheriff

### Runners-up

Oceanside – Aiden Eltabib  
Oceanside – Andrea Ocasio  
Oceanside – Ava Cardiello  
Oceanside – Chloe Zapata  
Oceanside – Cole Ocera  
Oceanside – Gabriella Streshinskaya  
Oceanside – Gianna Maley  
Oceanside – Hazel Odayan  
Oceanside – Jacklyn Kirichenko  
Oceanside – Jonathan Kirichenko  
Oceanside – Liana Horan  
Oceanside – Logan Miller  
Oceanside – Madison Serino  
Oceanside – Nikos Athanasopoulos  
Oceanside – Reid Levine  
Oceanside – Samantha Madden

## East Meadow

### First Place

East Meadow – Andrea Faye Dungca  
Merrick – Matheo Esquivel  
North Bellmore – Kayla Diaz  
Wantagh – Megan Martone

### Runners-up

Bellmore – Garifalia Vatougiou  
Bellmore – Michaela Dietrich  
Bellmore – Penny Graff  
Bellmore – Rex Dietrich  
Merrick – Ben Ferraro  
Merrick – Grace Gallo  
Merrick – Jenna Gorelik  
Merrick – John Costalas  
Merrick – Leighton Gaudie  
Merrick – Lindsay Nashatik  
Merrick – Shivonne Barry  
Merrick – Sophia Atela  
Merrick – Valentina Alferi  
North Bellmore – Alison Niedfeld  
North Bellmore – Bella Lanzello  
North Bellmore – Briana Sayoc

## Lynbrook

### First Place

Lynbrook – Charli Celentano  
Lynbrook – Grace Dillard  
Lynbrook – Madison Moore  
Lynbrook – Veer Goel

### Runners-up

East Rockaway – Alyssa Villatoro

East Rockaway – Christopher Buccino

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East Rockaway – Isabella DiChiara

East Rockaway – Jayden Vacchio

East Rockaway – Juliana Becker

East Rockaway – Violet Buccino

Hewlett – Natalie Villatoro

Lawrence – Heather McHale

Lynbrook – Alexandra Turman

Lynbrook – Ava Sionov

Lynbrook – Fiona Barcellino

Lynbrook – Giovanna

Malverne – Lorelai Thrasher

Valley Stream – Gianna Moran

Valley Stream – Lairabelle Snyder Feintuch

## Sea Cliff/Glen Head

### First Place

Glen Head – Arianna Amato  
Glen Head – Lienna Riess  
Glen Head – Mikaela Riess  
Sea Cliff – Scarlett Bader

### Runners-up

Baldwin – Genao  
Bellmore – Jessica Kane  
East Meadow – Andrea Faye Dungca  
East Norwich – Lauren Cunningham  
East Rockaway – Charlie Celentano  
Glen Cove – Jennifer Racanelli  
Glen Head – Anthony Amato  
Glen Head – Samara Riess,  
Long Beach – Georgia Rector  
Merrick – Jenna Gorelik  
North Bellmore – Kayla Diaz  
Oceanside – Anna Sokoli  
Oceanside – Makayla Sheriff  
Rockville Centre – Benjamin Yin  
Rockville Centre – Clare McKenna  
Wantagh – Megan Martone

## Glen Cove

### Winners

Glen Head – Arianna  
Glen Head – Lienna  
Glen Head – Mikaela  
Sea Cliff – Scarlett

### Runners-up

Glen Cove – Jennifer  
Baldwin – Genao  
East Rockaway – Charli  
Merrick – Jenna Gorelik  
Glen Head – Samara  
North Bellmore – Kayla  
Rockville Centre – Benjamin  
East Norwich – Lauren  
Glen Head – Anthony

Oceanside – Anna

Oceanside – Makayla

Long Beach – Georgia

Bellmore – Jessica

Rockville Centre – Clare

Wantagh – Megan

East Meadow – Andrea

## Merrick

### Winners

Merrick – Ben Ferraro  
Merrick – Jenna Gorelik  
Merrick – Sophia Atela  
Merrick – Lindsay Nashtick

### Runners-up

Bellmore – Brendan Radicone  
Bellmore – Rex Dietrich  
Merrick – Caleb Shogan  
Merrick – Grace Gallo  
Merrick – John Costalas  
Merrick – Lacey Behrens  
Merrick – Leighton Gaudie  
Merrick – Luke Julian Kaplan  
Merrick – Shivonne Barry  
Merrick – Zoey Stiegelbauer  
North Bellmore – Kayla  
North Bellmore – Matthew  
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## Bellmore

### First Place

Bellmore – Rex  
North Bellmore – Briana  
North Bellmore – Kayla  
North Bellmore – Olivia

### Runners-up

Bellmore – Jessica Kane  
Bellmore – Michaela Dietrich  
Bellmore – Penny Graff  
Merrick – Caleb Shogan  
Merrick – Grace Gallo  
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Merrick – Leighton Gaudie  
Merrick – Luke Julian Kaplan  
Merrick – Shivonne Barry  
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North Bellmore: Daniela Sicignano  
North Bellmore – Emily Radicone  
North Bellmore – Emma Showerer  
North Bellmore – Matthew Fugieri  
North Bellmore – Paige Harvey

## Rockville Centre

### First Place

Rockville Centre – Benjamin Yin  
Rockville Centre – Clare McKenna  
Rockville Centre – Gabriella Amato  
Rockville Centre – Siena Macaluso

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# Celebrating Hanukkah on the North Shore

By JENNIFER CORR

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Gifts are not what 12-year-old Natalie Macknow is looking forward to this Hanukkah. Rather, she's looking forward to spending precious time with her immediate family.

"It's not about the presents at all," said Natalie, referencing a lesson by Congregation Tifereth Israel's Cantor Gustavo Gitlin. "I just want to spend time with my family and I want all of us to be safe. That's all I want."

Natalie's mother, Marisa Macnow, added that as a Congregation Tifereth Israel teen group had a gift swap this year, Natalie gave a gift she had received to Macnow, instead of keeping a gift for herself. "She brought the gift into my car and said, 'Mommy, this is for you,'" Macnow said. "It was a candle and a scarf and gloves set. She sacrificed her gift that she got and gave it to Mommy."

The weekend before Hanukkah began on Dec. 10, Macnow said she had already prepared potato latkes for her children, which was Natalie's idea. But an aspect of the Macnow's Hanukkah celebration that will be different this year, besides the potential delay of online shopping deliveries containing gifts, is missing grandma. "Grandma doesn't want to stay away, but she knows she has to," Macnow said. "We'll be Zooming a lot."

Hanukkah celebrations are generally



Photo courtesy Congregation Tifereth Israel

**NATALIE, MARISA AND** Jacob Macnow were featured in the adapted play "Chanukah on Planet Matzah Ball."

home and family oriented, Rabbi Janet Liss of North Country Reform Temple in Glen Cove explained. "The rituals for Hanukkah are really made for the home," she said. "The lighting of the menorah and just the warmth and celebration with families."

North Country Reform Temple's observances of Hanukkah will be digital, but interactive this year. "We're going to be having people light their own menorahs from home and hopefully we'll all be able

to see them on Zoom," Liss said.

The Saturday after, there will be a virtual story telling service in the late afternoon, followed by a Havdalah service, which separates the Sabbath from the rest of the week, as well as menorah lighting.

Rabbi Irwin Huberman, of Congregation Tifereth Israel in Glen Cove, agreed that the traditions of Hanukkah are primarily observed in the home with immediate family.

"So, during this time of the year when

the days are a little bit shorter and it's a little bit colder and the world around us just looks a little bit insurmountable," Huberman said, "the Hanukkah celebration for eight days in a row reminds us that we have the capacity to put light into the world."

In addition families will also be watching a play featuring members of the congregation based on the children's special "Chanukah on Planet Matzah Ball."

Cathi Turow, a writer for children's television who was a staff writer for "Sesame Street," worked on the play with Gitlin.

Through the pandemic, Turow has worked on several plays on Zoom for Congregation Tifereth Israel.

"I had this thought that I can take the brain work from the DVD I did called 'Chanukah on Planet Matzah Ball' and we can act out parts of it," Turow said, "and I can adapt it into a little show that many of the congregants can have a script and act out."

In addition to presenting the play, Congregation Tifereth Israel will hold a car parade, handing out gifts and singing songs for members who are currently home bound.

"Then after that, we're going to release the Hanukkah play," Gitlin said. "We're going to light the candles and the rabbi is going to tell the story and we're going to sing a few songs and say the Chanukah blessings."



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# Northwell's first Geriatric Center of Excellence

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geriatric care that is coordinated with the surrounding community.

"We have been recognized by Northwell Health," said Dr. Usman Khan, chief of geriatrics at GCH. "We will provide the foundation for how to provide excellent care for our geriatric community. And we hope to teach the other [hospitals] that are in the Northwell network."

According to the Center for an Urban Future, which is supported by AARP, New York state has an estimated 3.2 million residents ages 65 and older, including about 43,400 in Nassau County. In February 2019, the center estimated that nearly one in six New Yorkers is 65 and older, a larger share of the state's population than ever.

"Caring for our older adults is a big responsibility, one that we take great pride in," Dowling said. "Our aging population will face health issues that require the right care at the right time, which is why we have increased our services, including at Glen Cove Hospital."

Northwell's emergency departments receive geriatric emergency department accreditation from the American College of Emergency Physicians by providing fall-prevention education. Multi-disciplinary teams provide the best management to people with hip fractures. Northwell also has developed a dementia memory care program that incorporates neurologists and psychologists. The program aims to help families understand the stages of the disease, as well as how to manage a loved one's mood.

The geriatric community requires "unique care and attention," Khan said. And those caring for the elderly need proper training and education, he said.

"We base our care on the four pillars: medication, mental status, mobility and what matters most," he said. "We have been recognized because of the care programs we have here as well, which include inpatient acute rehabilitation, inpatient programs and the Parkinson program."

Dr. Alessandro DiRocco, director of Northwell Health's movement disorders program, co-directs GCH's Parkinson's program, one of the components of the hospital's geriatric care. "The Parkinson's program is unique because patients come from home as outpatients and their treatments are customized," he said. "The personnel are specifically trained to deliver Parkinson-specific programs, which is the second most common brain disorder among the aging. The first is Alzheimer's."

The Parkinson's program has been placed on hold as a precautionary measure because of the coronavirus pandemic, he said.

"People are struggling," DiRocco said. "We have a long waiting list for people to join this program."

One of the goals is to help people grow older with dignity, said nurse Kerri Scanlon, GCH's executive director. "At Glen Cove Hospital, we have developed improvements in care for our older adults starting from the moment they enter our hospital," she said, "and we are building



Courtesy Northwell Health

**NORTHWELL HEALTH'S CHIEF** of geriatrics and palliative medicine, Dr. Maria Carney, with one of her patients, Rita Ingrassia. Glen Cove Hospital is Northwell's first Geriatric Center of Excellence.

## What is an age-friendly health system?

Glen Cove Hospital follows the four M's framework, which addresses the four essential elements of care for older patients:

- What matters most
- Medication
- Mental ability
- Mobility

vital connections to the community to provide a continuum of care post discharge."

Suozzi said he had been speaking with Dr. Maria Torroella Carney, Northwell's chief of geriatrics and palliative medicine, for the past five years about creating the Geriatric Center of Excellence at GCH. She had been Suozzi's health commissioner when he was county executive and is a friend.

"This is a national issue," Suozzi said. "Baby boomers are becoming senior citizens. The whole Northwell system is designated as an age-friendly system. Glen Cove is leading the way."

Torroella Carney said Northwell Health has added services for older adults in recent years. The goal is to promote longevity, safety and independence, she said.

Suozzi said that caring for older adults is a critical issue for him, and he is proud GCH is leading the way.



Courtesy U.S. Rep. Tom Suozzi

**U.S. REP. TOM** Suozzi said he was proud that Glen Cove Hospital had been named Northwell's first Geriatric Center of Excellence, as was Kerri Scanlon, GCH's executive director.



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Glen Cove, LLC seeking a  
Special Use Permit and  
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Jaguar service and  
construct a new one story  
27,507 square foot motor  
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC  
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application of Kenneth  
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Whitman Lane, Glen  
Cove, N.Y. who seeks  
Variances from Section  
280-59, 280-59.1 (2) of  
the Glen Cove Zoning  
Code to construct a new  
24 X 28 detached garage  
with less than the  
required lot coverage and  
with more than the  
maximum height  
permitted. Applicant is  
proposing 17.8 feet from  
the surrounding grade  
when the maximum  
height shall not exceed  
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and; proposing 672 sq. ft.  
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sq. ft. is the maximum  
size permitted for  
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Map as Section 21, Block  
84, Lot 29 and located in  
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Applicant is requesting  
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Front Porch on a non-  
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## ON THE ROAD WITH A TAKEOUT QUEEN

# Talking to traditional takeout

By CATHI TUROW

As the holidays continue to be different this year, I continue to look for ways they will be exactly the same. Halloween wasn't quite as festive but the skeletons still came out on our porches to say boo and the fall foliage was as brilliant as ever. Fortunately, I'm bilingual. I speak English and Food. So, these days, I hear traditional holiday takeout foods in our local eateries expressing their thoughts. They're saying, "It's not our fault there's a pandemic. We're still showin' up." Thank goodness! Here are local holiday favorites proudly making their yearly comeback, along with new treats perfect for a pandemic.



CATHI TUROW

night (choices include broccoli rabe; or onion and rosemary). Tuesday's taco night (fish or beef). Wednesday is pasta night with awesome, upcoming additional menu choices. Be on the lookout.

■ Carvel (2 Audrey Ave., Oyster Bay/181 Forest Ave., Glen Cove) <https://www.carvel.com/> The menorah ice cream cakes are yelping, "Great to see you again! Happy Chanukah! We're dying to get out of this freezer!" The yummy Carvel cakes are shaped like menorahs surrounded by blue icing. The good news is blue teeth and tongues won't matter this year. We're wearing masks. So, why not go all the way? Wash the cake down with the new, cool Blue Winterfest Shake (a vanilla shake with blue swirls).

■ Loafers Bakery & Gourmet Shoppe (175 Birch Hill Rd., Locust Valley) <http://loafersbakery.com/wp/> The snowball cakes are screaming, "Remember us? We're the giant snowballs filled with chocolate or vanilla cake, topped with coconut buttercream icing, and sprinkled with edible glitter!" The flatbreads are shouting, "Our brie, pecan and caramelized onion version is ready to leave the store. And we've got two new flavors: bacon and leek, and cauliflower flatbread with tomato basil and mozzarella." Baked brie is beaming in the background with holiday toppings: cranberry chutney, honey mustard, pesto, and the new raspberry flavor. The mincemeat pies and harvest pies (filled with apples, cranberries, apricots, raisins, nuts, currants and brandy) are crying "We're back!" Gingerbread men are cheering on the shelves. There's lots more, so if you enter the store, wear ear muffs.

■ Old Fashioned Bakery (10 Cedar Swamp Rd., Glen Cove) The pistachio cannoli are screaming, "We're back for the season! The white chocolate ones are here, too! Plus, the strawberry, blueberry and peach pie; the mango and blueberry macaroon cookies; the cassata pastry with a shell of whipped cream icing and ricotta cheese; and the olive bread and prosciutto cheese breads are hangin' out here for the holidays, too!" I couldn't have said it better.

■ Metropolitan Bistro (39 Roslyn Ave., Sea Cliff) <http://www.themetropolitanbistro.com/> The peppermint brownies with candy canes on top are calling, "Yoo hoo! We're here again!" Gulp them down with the returning favorite holiday drink, "The Broken Leg" (made with hot apple cider, cinnamon and bourbon). Also, introducing new takeout nights. Monday is pizza

■ St. Rocco's Bakery (4 St Rocco Pl., Glen Cove) <https://www.facebook.com/StRoccasBakery> The Yule Logs are shrieking, "You knew we'd be back for you, right?" These logs are unique. Each one looks as if it has been sawed off the side of a branch. Chocolate swirls look like the grain in the wood and they're decorated with candy versions of mushrooms and moss. Each year is different. Of course, there's lots more in the store!

Time to go. My oatmeal is complaining it's getting cold. Happy holidays! See you next month!

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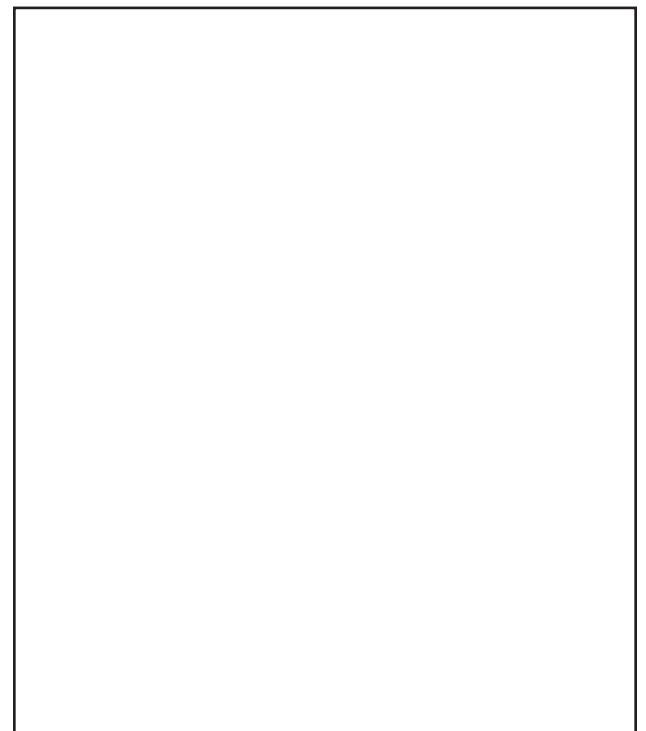
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## OPINIONS

# We can't overlook the hardships of our L.I. neighbors

**W**hen I first came to the Herald in January to cover Long Beach, I took in what most others see — the fine beaches, the beautiful boardwalk, the tony restaurants on Park Avenue and the cool, funky bars on the West End.

But the coronavirus peeled back the layers fast, and what emerged was a portrait not normally associated with Long Beach, a place with a high median household income, fine homes, razor-cut lawns and a busy downtown. What came as a surprise to me was the significant number of people living below the poverty level, and the long



**JAMES  
BERNSTEIN**

lines for food whenever it's given out by the city, the Martin Luther King Center or one of the religious organizations.

Some 6.9 percent of Long Beach's 33,000 residents live below the federal poverty level of about \$24,250 for a family of four. This seems high in a city where, according to the most recent U.S. Census figures, the median household income is \$93,722 and the median property value is \$478,800.

These surprising poverty figures aren't unique to Long Beach. The larger picture is worse: Long Island has for some time been turning into a tale of two societies, one well-to-do and the other struggling.

Our vast middle class, for which we were long known around the country, is vanishing. Our once thrumming manufacturing base, made up of major national aircraft companies such as the old Grumman Corp., in Bethpage, and Fairchild Republic Co., in Farmingdale, is gone.

Those companies provided good-paying jobs that supported solid middle-class families, and boasted of generations of employees from the same families — great-grandfathers, grandfathers and fathers (and mothers). But those companies, and the workforces they spawned, have never been replaced.

As a long-simmering result, Long Island's poverty level has grown to an eye-popping 6.6 percent, according to the census — the highest since President Dwight Eisenhower's last year in the White House, 1959.

In once solid middle-class towns such as Levittown (the nation's first post-

World-War II suburb), Baldwin and East Meadow, there are too many struggles to make ends meet, a crisis that was taking shape even before the onset of the coronavirus, as thousands of good-paying careers were replaced by mostly lower-paying service positions. Now, even those jobs are disappearing in the pandemic.

According to Long Island Cares, a leading philanthropic organization, 10 percent of Long Islanders must make use of a food pantry every week. And in some Long Island school districts, some 80 percent of students are eligible for free breakfasts or lunches at school.

Of course, poverty and food insecurity have tragically been the norm in a number of Long Island communities since Nassau and Suffolk mostly abandoned potato farming in the middle of the 20th century. The issue is, these dreadful realities are spreading rapidly, sinking more and more people into food insecurity.

I've asked myself many times why this should be so in a well-educated, largely compassionate place like Long Island. Why, in Long Beach, are we building so many multi-million-dollar oceanfront condos when there is a crying need for

more affordable housing? We can, after all, accommodate both. Why, at local government meetings, do we not hear more about what municipalities are doing about food insecurity and poverty? Why should there be long food lines at all outside the MLK Center or other agencies?

All is not lost, however, and Long Islanders, hearty, giving and caring, have survived hard times before. We made it through the horrors of 9/11, after losing so many brave first responders and other citizens in the World Trade Center towers. We made it through the ravages of Superstorm Sandy, and rebuilt our communities and our lives. We were able to do these things because we reached out to others, either to offer life's necessities like food, clothing and shelter, or just a friendly hand. What seemed like small steps proved life-saving to many.

And we can do it all again. Once more, our efforts may seem small, but they can be life-saving. We can donate to some awfully important organizations: Island Harvest (IslandHarvest.org), Long Island Cares (info@licares.org), the Harry Chapin Foundation (harrychapinfoundation@aol.com) or the Long Island Community Foundation (info@licf.org.)

Over the years, what seemed like small steps have taken us where we needed to be. Maybe they weren't so small after all.

*James Bernstein is the editor of the Long Beach Herald.*

## Saying goodbye to a force of nature on four paws

I want to tell you the end of the story, since I've already shared the beginning and the middle in other columns.

In our family, we love our dogs wildly and too well. When my daughter adopted Grandma the dog as a little pup from her local Humane Society, she felt good about taking in a rescue and also about the beauty of a dog for nothing. But nothing is for nothing.



**RANDI  
KREISS**

You've heard about Grandma. Many people west of the Mississippi have heard about Grandma, but east of the Mississippi, only readers of this column know about her. She was the extraordinary black lab mix my daughter found at a shelter near the mountain town where she lives.

Grandma was one of 11, and she and all her siblings regularly ran the trails around their town, exercising themselves and their humans. Once a year, on their birthday, the town hosts a barbecue down by the lake, marked by lots of splashing and tossing and fetching.

Grandma had been touched by both

grace and abundant luck, both good and bad. She was strong, carried her own food on her back on overnight hikes, protected her humans and wasn't afraid to challenge the occasional buck she encountered on the trail.

When she was just 6 months old, Grandma nosed her way into the ski shack on the mountain and ate a dish of rat poison. As she started to seize, my daughter grabbed an emergency medical kit, poured an emetic down her throat and kept her alive until they could get to the emergency veterinarian. She ran six miles the next week, with no signs of any ill effects.

Two years ago, she ripped open her chest jumping over a barbed wire on a camping trip. No one noticed until she almost bled out in the car. She healed well.

Last year she found a porcupine in the brush and nudged it with her nose. It nudged back with 14 sharp quills into her snout. She needed general anesthesia to have them removed.

These were all chapters in Grandma's glorious adventure in the world, until 10 months ago, when my daughter called to say that the dog had a swelling in her abdomen, and the veterinarian said it was

likely a malignant tumor. They were on their way to a surgeon. We spoke of how much treatment to do. The thought of this sweet girl dying before her time seemed a dark possibility. Grandma went into surgery with the family thinking that it

would be better not to wake her up if there were obvious widespread cancer metastases. But the tumor was removed, and Grandma recovered from surgery; she was out on the trail in a week.

It would not be a long remission, however. The cancer surged back after a few months. Eventually, Grandma wouldn't lie down and couldn't sleep. Two weeks ago, the family decided to help her die.

There are veterinarians who will come to your house to euthanize your dog in the calm space of your home. But not during a pandemic. So they wrapped Grandma in some sheets that smelled like home and they brought her to the town vet. But the veterinarian could not allow more than one person inside her hospital. The family, including my grandkids, begged the doctor to bring the medication outside where they could hold the dog for this one last journey. The kindness of strangers. The doctor agreed, and administered the

**S**ometimes a solitary loss — in this case, a dog — takes on the weight of the world.

dose as Grandma, only 5 years old, passed away in the arms of the people who love her.

My kids buried her themselves, in the woods where she loved to roam.

How could we grieve over one dog in the midst of a pandemic when there is so much human suffering? Sometimes, I think, a solitary loss takes on the weight of the world. Love is love.

I couldn't find the words, so I offered my children the words of Mary Oliver, from her poem "Her Grave."

*... She roved ahead of me through the fields, yet would come back, or wait for me, or be somewhere. Now she is buried under the pines. Nor will I argue it, or pray for anything but modesty, and not to be angry. Through the trees is the sound of the wind, palavering The smell of the pine needles, what is it but a taste of the infallible energies? How strong was her dark body! How apt is her grave place. How beautiful is her unshakable sleep. Finally, the slick mountains of love break over us.*

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# HERALD EDITORIAL

## Bike paths: Build them and cyclists will come

It is a frightening statistic: Pedestrian deaths shot up by nearly 56 percent nationally between 2009 and 2018, from roughly 4,000 lives lost to cars and trucks to 6,227. That followed a long period of steady decline, from a high of 6,500 in 1990.

Long Island has its share of pedestrian deaths, averaging about 60 per year.

Frank Wefering, director of sustainability for the Babylon-based Greenman-Pedersen Inc., an engineering and construction firm, presented the statistics during an hour-long panel discussion, "Walking, Biking and Complete Streets," that was part of the three-day Long Island Smart Growth Summit hosted last week by the nonprofit Vision Long Island.

If you think about it, every sixth day on the Island, a pedestrian or cyclist is killed on the roads. Does it have to be this way? "No" was the resounding answer during the talk, given by four panelists, including officials from both the Nassau and Suffolk County governments.

The thing is, reducing pedestrian deaths requires planning and a sustained financial commitment, as well as greater vigilance by motorists, the panelists said. We agree.

We have reported all too often on pedestrians or cyclists struck down and severely injured or killed by careless drivers, many times drunk or glued to a cellphone. This has to stop.

It's not this way in many parts of Europe, where the pedestrian fatality rate is a fraction of what it is here, noted Wefering, who is from Germany. He cited

several reasons for the disparity. In addition to intoxication and cellphone use while driving, motorists in the U.S. are driving heavier vehicles, often SUVs and pickups, which, Wefering said, "are killing people at a much larger rate."

Additionally, he said, driver education and traffic enforcement are weaker here, and we simply don't have the same infrastructure to protect pedestrians, including walking and biking paths, as there is in much of Europe — in particular the Netherlands, Denmark, Germany and the United Kingdom.

It's long past the point where Long Island should adopt transportation alternatives that would allow people to move around without their cars. The Island was, in many ways, shaped by the "car culture" of the mid- to late 20th century. The sprawling parkway system created by legendary developer Robert Moses determined the location of entire communities and was, in large part, responsible for the development of Long Island as America's first suburb.

We need not, however, remain mired in the old ways. We can develop new infrastructure to encourage walking and biking — both healthy alternatives to driving, for our bodies and as well as the planet. The less driving we do, the less carbon dioxide is emitted into the atmosphere, and the slower the Earth warms.

We can be thankful that both the Nassau and Suffolk County governments have awakened to this new reality and are steadily working to build the necessary infrastructure. We may need a while to

match the Europeans, with their myriad transportation alternatives, but with commitment on all of our parts, we can someday soon get there.

Suffolk has long been ahead of Nassau in constructing bicycle paths, which now connect whole swaths of that county. There are hundreds of miles of bike paths to the east, while, we're sorry to say, Nassau still measures its paths in the tens of miles. We have yet to develop the interconnected network of paths that Suffolk has, and that was evident in the two presentations that county officials made at the Smart Growth Summit. Nassau is "stitching together" mile-long segments of paths to eventually link its existing ones, while Suffolk is long past that point.

There are promising projects here, though: Nassau County is developing plans to create a network of bike paths that will run the length of the Long Beach barrier island, from Atlantic Beach to Point Lookout, in the coming years, which will connect with both the Atlantic Beach and Long Beach boardwalks.

New York state also plans to extend the 3.6-mile-long Ocean Parkway bike path, which begins at Jones Beach and ends at Tobay Beach, another 10 miles east to the Robert Moses Causeway, at a cost of \$16.2 million. That project is scheduled for completion in 2021.

And there are about a dozen miles of bike paths around Eisenhower Park and the Nassau Hub. But right now, that's about it for Nassau. Bringing more bike paths to our county will require continuous public pressure.

## LETTERS

### She remains a Trump fan

To the Editor:

Jerry Kremer ("Will Trump come to Biden's inauguration? I don't care," Nov. 19-25) may not miss President Trump, but I, along with about 74 million other Americans, will! I admit that he is often abrasive, and I wish he would tone down his rhetoric, notwithstanding almost four years of abuse from the Democrats, but he loves this country and has accomplished more than the Obama-Biden administration did in eight years.

I think Kremer needs a fact-checker, because his column follows the party line and hauls out the same tired lies that have been hurled at the president over and over again.

How can anyone say that Trump is doing nothing about Covid-19? At the beginning, blocking travelers from China was very important. He got manufacturers to stop making their own products in order to produce badly needed personal protective equipment, ventilators, etc. The "warp speed" that is bringing vaccines in record time — is that nothing? Trump converted the Javits Center into a makeshift





## OPINIONS

# Next month, it's goodbye to Trump's rogues' gallery

**M**y parents, Charles and Dorothy Kremer, immigrated to this country in 1922 from Romania, anxious to enjoy the American dream. They worked hard, raised a family, and every day of their life they metaphorically kissed the ground they walked on, celebrating the freedom they were enjoying. Our national holidays



**JERRY  
KREMER**

were meaningful events, and of all the benefits bestowed on them, the biggest one was the right to vote.

If they were alive today, they would be distraught at the attacks being waged on the voting system by President Trump.

Many weeks after the Nov. 3 election, Trump continues his daily harangues challenging the voting tallies in Michigan, Pennsylvania, Georgia and Arizona, all states won by President-elect Joe Biden. Trump has singled out the results in cities that are inhabited mostly by Black citizens.

He attacks Republican governors and election officials with venom, even

though they are loyal members of his party who acknowledge voting for him. Republicans have called on him to give up his denials. The National Review, the voice of many conservatives, called Trump's attacks on voting "a petulant refusal of one man to accept the verdict of the American people."

The weeks between now and Jan. 20 will go by swiftly, and the holidays hopefully will blur the memory of a man who was fired by an overwhelming number of the voters. As eager as many in this country are to see him go back to Mar-a-Lago, there are many others whose exit from Washington should be loudly applauded by a nation in need of healing. At the risk of forgetting a few, the ones who immediately come to my mind are Betsy DeVos, William Barr, Steven Miller, Wilbur Ross and Ben Carson.

No one has done more damage to public schools than DeVos, the secretary of education. She has redistributed Covid-19 funding from them to her pet private schools. She came into the job four years ago after having been a huge donor to Republican politicians who supported redirecting money from public to for-prof-

it private schools. And worst of all, she has hurt students who have defaulted on their student loans by blocking their appeals processes.

There are not enough unkind words to fill the pages when you write about Steven Miller, President Trump's immigration

guru. He has worked to separate children from their parents at the Mexican border — even to deport non-native medical professionals from this country (whose services were desperately needed) — and has battled any relief for those in the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, or DACA, program. He is the one of the few people I've ever heard of in public office whose relatives have publicly denounced him.

Wilbur Ross, a long-time New Yorker, has done little for the reputation of the Department of Commerce. The census is an important vehicle to deliver more dollars to state and local governments. Census figures determine how many members of Congress that a state is apportioned. Ross has gone out of his way to prematurely close down the census so that states like New York are financially hamstrung. Ross knows Long Island well,

but his actions have only harmed our vibrant community.

Ben Carson has been one of the least effective heads of the Department of Housing and Urban Development. He has failed to implement any serious programs to upgrade public housing, which desperately needs help across the country. He took over the HUD secretary's job almost four years ago and all but disappeared from public view. He had a great opportunity, but wasted it.

Last but by far not least is Attorney General William Barr. The person who holds that position is supposed to be the "people's lawyer," but Barr has devoted himself to being the president's lawyer. He has verbally attacked Trump's enemies and has injected politics into the Justice Department, to the dismay of its professionals. Many qualified government lawyers have left the agency in protest of Barr's policies.

It will be especially gratifying to see this gang head out the door, no longer denigrating our democratic government.

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## LETTERS

hospital and brought a hospital ship to New York. Both were under-used.

Regarding children at the border: That program involving "cages" was the work of the Obama-Biden administration. There were inspectors sent down who have reported that the children were well cared for.

To Charlottesville and the so-called famous words "very fine people on both sides": How disgusting to twist the president's intentions. Even Jake Tapper of CNN — no friend of the president — said that Trump wasn't referring to neo-Nazis in Charlottesville, and that he condemned neo-Nazis and white supremacists.

So now it seems that Joe Biden will become president, although I haven't given up hope. There are those who have suggested that Biden may not serve out his term, and then we'll have President Kamala Harris, the senator who is more to the left than Bernie Sanders. I have a feeling that Trump will be missed.

Mark Twain reportedly said, It is easier to fool people than it is to convince them they have been fooled. May God bless America.

FAY SLADOWSKY  
*Lawrence*

## Can't understand conservatives

To the Editor:

Re John O'Connell's column, "Give thanks the election is over, and put the knives away"

(Nov. 26-Dec. 2): I'll bet O'Connell calls himself a conservative. What kind of morals and values do conservatives have that allow them to support a liar like Donald Trump?

How can they watch as Trump attacks the democratic institutions and norms that have been the bedrock of our society since the inception of our country? What do they say as Trump uses the Department of Justice to do his bidding? How do they respect him as he signals pardons for those who cover up for him, and offers military aid to countries in exchange for digging up dirt on his political opponents?

What do conservatives think when a man who lies with impunity challenges the results of an election that was deemed secure by the Department of Homeland Security? How do they stand by silently while he explodes both the deficit and the national debt?

I will tell you how conservatives abide this, and it goes beyond hypocrisy. They abide it because once they realized that democracy could lead to a Black man being elected president, they abandoned democracy. They set Trump loose to destroy it. Hopefully, he won't succeed (though he is still trying in the weeks he has left), and we can elect true patriots who can pass laws and policies to make sure that this never happens again. And these true patriots will be able to ensure that we have fairer representation, and that conservatives have a more limited role in governing, reflective of their more limited role in the population.

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- Your comments must be received by the Magnet Program Office by January 10, 2021.

#### NOTE:

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