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**The chef who gives back**

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**F**or over 30 years, Chef Jeanine DiMenna has been feeding the Glen Cove community, and in the process, bringing people together.

Her restaurants have long been meeting places and gathering spots for special events, and people come because they know DiMenna will deliver. But she also gives back in whatever ways she can, and has continued to support those in need even during a particularly challenging time. Despite the obstacles for her businesses created by the coronavirus pandemic, DiMenna has opened her doors to those who have fallen on even tougher times, and for all she has done, the Herald is proud to name her its 2021 Person of the Year.

DiMenna has owned The View Grill, at the Glen Cove Golf Course on Lattinatown Road, since 2013, and her story is known by many who have followed her career: Acquiring the restaurant brought her full circle, because her first job was at the golf course, when she was 14. She collected golf balls on the driving range, and was soon hired to work at the restaurant on the property, which at the time was called the Tiffany House. She worked there through high school, climbing the ranks from doing prep work and dishwashing to sharing the duties of head chef at age 19.

Her love of cooking led DiMenna to study at the New York Institute of Technology's Culinary Arts Program, and then she worked at the Harrison House — now the Glen Cove Mansion — for over a decade. In 1997, she decided that it was time move on in her career, and she became the assistant chef at Page One Restaurant in Glen Cove. She was promoted to executive chef within a year, and became a part owner. After nearly two decades of success there, an opportunity presented itself that she couldn't pass up. She closed Page One and opened The View

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**JEANINE DIMENNA**

**'S**he proved to be a survivor, and our community is a better place on account of it.'

**FRED DIMENNA**

Grill.

Owning a restaurant isn't easy, but DiMenna, 56, said she does it out of love of "the whole industry." "I love everything about it," she said. "I love cooking, and I love being in my community. I've been able to provide a gathering place for people through good times and bad times, and I like that. It's almost like an extension of our home. And I can always give that extra help when people need it. I can call my own shots. It's nice to be able to do that."

For the most part, business was good, with a steady stream of customers. Then the pandemic hit, and with it came an onslaught of unforeseen challenges. Jeanine's husband, Fred DiMenna, said he believes his wife helped others get through the toughest period with her food and her warm personality.

"Jeanine has a strong sense of community that she displays via her cooking, and also by the way she interacts with guests at our restaurant," Fred wrote in an email. "When Covid struck, in addition to the effect on the restaurant's bottom line, she had to rely solely on her food to continue this mission, and did so by transitioning to a takeout/delivery model. While not ideal, it kept the business up and running, with at least some employees receiving paychecks, and also helped to brighten dark days for many in our community who enjoyed her food during isolated times at home. As she has done in the past, she proved to be a survivor, and our community is a better place on

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 Jeanine DiMenna at The View Grill in 2019.

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## Suozzi witnesses Capitol riot

U.S. Rep. Tom Suozzi, of Glen Cove, was in the House chamber when the Capitol was breached by protesters on Jan. 6. A debate over certification of Electoral College results in the presidential election was under way, when members of Congress were instructed to retrieve the gas masks from under their chairs.

"Tear gas had been used in the rotunda," Suozzi said during a call to the press while he remained in an undisclosed area. His voice was measured and calm. "The chaplain of the Congress said a prayer. The doors in the chamber were locked, but then people began banging on them."

Capitol Police drew their guns. Republican and Democratic lawmakers huddled together, Suozzi said. A protester broke through the glass of the door through which the president enters for the State of the Union address.

Representatives on the floor of the chamber were escorted out first. Suozzi was upstairs in the gallery, far from the door, at the time.

Courtesy Tom Suozzi

U.S. Rep. Tom Suozzi in the wee hours of Jan. 7 after Congress ratified Joe Biden's presidential victory.

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## Northwell reopens dental practice

Northwell Health renovated its Dental Medicine at Glen Cove, at 10 Medical Plaza. The clinical services there included routine dental care, crowns and bridges, dental implants, oral surgery and sleep apnea treatment.

Investing \$25,000, the hospital system added state-of-the-art equipment and changed its treatment rooms, which are now fully compliant with infection-control measures to prevent the spread of Covid-19. The hospital's dental practice reopened on Jan. 4. Three single-occupant isolation rooms were constructed at the dental center in Glen

Cove to contain airborne pathogens. In the negatively pressurized rooms, air is pulled in and exhaust is routed through ductwork and high-efficiency particulate air filters. Unlike traditional dental-office configurations, the center's reconstructed rooms have doors.

Courtesy Northwell Health

Dr. Leonard Patella, chair of dental medicine at Glen Cove Hospital, and dental hygienist Jenny Diaz.



## Event honors Holocaust survivor

The Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center of Nassau County held a Virtual Gala Concert, complete with tears, touching remarks and songs performed by Israeli cantor and "Les Misérables" star Dudu Fisher.

The event was one big thank-you letter to Boris Chartan, a Holocaust survivor who founded the center in 1992.

"This has been a year of firsts and challenges," said Andrea Bolender, the center's board chair. "I'm proud to tell you that HMTTC has been at the fore-

front of weathering those firsts and climbing the mountains of those challenges."

And on the eve of National Holocaust Remembrance Day, those challenges were reflected in the stories of triumph and perseverance shared.

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Courtesy Holocaust Memorial and

Tolerance Center of Nassau County

Boris Chartan, founder of the Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center of Nassau County, shared some pre-recorded remarks.

## Joe Johnson, a Tuskegee Airman, dies

William Joe Johnson has a special place in the annals of Glen Cove: He will go down in American history as a member of the Tuskegee Airmen, a group of Black fighter pilots who served in the U.S. Army Air Forces in World War II. Formed in 1941, the regiment was the first of its kind, because Black men had never been permitted to fly military planes.

Over the past 70 years, Johnson could be found all over Glen Cove, spending time with his family at Morgan Park, sharing his experiences with neighborhood children at the local Boys & Girls Club and at schools, or simply sitting on his front porch, enjoying his immaculately groomed garden.

Johnson died on Jan. 28, at age



95. His wife, Teresita Medina-Johnson, said the cause was acute kidney disease.

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Courtesy Virginia Cervasi

When Joe Johnson was presented with a knot board by Boy Scout Rion Weber at the 2016 Heroes Among Us gala, he enthralled the crowd with his life story.





## Adoptable puppies find love at dog park

Since the Glen Cove public dog park opening ceremony late last year, RXR Realty's The Beacon at Garvies Point has continued to establish the area as a dog-friendly community.

In partnership with the North Shore Animal League America, The Beacon hosted a pet adoption event on Feb. 13 in celebration of Valentine's Day. All 12 dogs were adopted that day.

NSALA's mobile "shelter on wheels" with adoptable dogs was parked at the lot beside the Garvies Point dog park

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for the event. To ensure the safety of participants, mobile shelter visits were by appointment only. Visitors were required to wear masks.

The mobile shelter has windows on one side so that visitors were able to see the adoptable animals without entering the unit.

Christina Daly/Herald

Nicknamed "Elvis," this hound dog had fun with volunteers Bobby Fernandez and Sharon Levin, who took him into the dog park for play time.



## GCPD's Chris Albin retires on St. Patrick's Day

St. Patrick's Day was a quiet holiday for many this year, but for Glen Cove Police Detective Chris Albin, it was a bittersweet celebration. He retired from the Glen Cove Police Department after 27 years that day, greeted as he walked out the back door of the building by three pipe bands, members of various police departments and a Nassau County Aviation helicopter fly-by.

St. Patrick's Day has always been significant for the 53-year-old Albin. At

age 12, he joined a pipe band as a snare drummer, beginning a long tradition of playing in St. Patrick's Day parades. In 2017, he and his mother, Julie Albin, were the co-grand marshals of the city parade. Six years earlier he had been promoted to detective on March 17, and four years later to the day, he walked out of the building for the final time.

Courtesy Tony Gallego/Gill Associates

Detective Chris Albin retired on March 17, after 27 years with the Glen Cove Police Department.

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## WISHING ALL HAPPY NEW YEAR

Yes, that is me in Times Square ringing in the new millennium. Who'd have ever imagined what the beginning of the next century would bring? From 911, to our current pandemic, to ongoing challenges at home and abroad, it has been a tough 21 years. Yet, as in past centuries, we have found our way through - in the words of Invictus, "bloody but unbowed."

As we look to the future, let's remember the strength of those who have gone before us and draw on that strength in shaping the future. I wish all a Happy New Year. I am thankful for family, faith, community, and for being given the opportunity to serve as your councilman.

My very best to all in the new year. May 2022 bring a renewed sense of hope, unity and peace.



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## Students return to five-day schedule

Glen Cove City School District students started to experience some sense of normalcy as they began to transition to having in-person classes five days a week.

Students in kindergarten through first grade, as well as students in third through fourth grade, transitioned to a full, in-person schedule on Feb. 22. Children in grades second and fifth began their new schedules on March 1.

At the secondary level, senior students were invited to have class five-days a week on Feb. 22 and middle school students returned March 1. Parents and guardians did have the option of having their children learn from home. They remained with the same teacher they had since the start of the school



year. Overflow students were sent to a room, in large areas like school auditoriums, on a rotating basis. Students in these overflow rooms participated in their class through Google Meet. Additional staff was hired as well to monitor the students sent to these rooms.

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Courtesy Glen Cove City School District

Luke Mendez read a book he received at the Landing Book Fair in March, the month students returned to school five days a week.



## Retired GCVFD fire truck sent with fanfare to Ireland

The departure of Ladder 5211, of the Glen Cove Volunteer Fire Department's Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1, was no ordinary event.

The retired fire truck received a celebratory sendoff as it left the firehouse for its new venture in Ireland. The Seagrave Tiller, which served Glen Cove for 32 years, traveled to Dublin, where it will spend its retirement involved in charitable work.

The Seagrave Tiller was sold by Auctions International last November, and was purchased by Liam Moore, a

private collector in Dublin, for \$11,000.

GCVFD Ex-Chief Tommy Cross had the distinction of being the first

to drive the truck into Glen Cove in 1987, and was the last to drive it out. Cross

retired from the department in 2005, after 33 years as a volunteer firefighter, and was emotional before he drove the truck away.

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County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton spoke of the history of the truck, and said she was happy to hear that it would be involved in charity events in Ireland.

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# She's 'always been there' for the community

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account of it."

Jeanine is more humble about her role during the early days of the pandemic. "Getting through the pandemic was one thing — we really held our own," she said. "Everybody worked as a team, and the community came together. We did what we had to do to help each other."

Then the problem became rising prices, a shortage of workers and the increase in the minimum wage. "It became really challenging over this past summer," Jeanine said, "and that has become an issue. With restaurants, it's always hard enough to make ends meet. To couple it with erratic prices, the inability to get items that are on your menu, the minimum-wage increase ... it's become a really difficult time to do business as a small mom-and-pop."

Even though she was still dealing with what she called the most difficult time of her life, DiMenna opened for others who had fallen on even harder times. When a fire destroyed the North Shore Soup Kitchen/NOSH headquarters in late August, causing the loss of about two months' worth of food for the 600 families the nonprofit serves, she offered it space to store donations. The organization also used The View Grill's parking lot, setting up tents and tables for its biweekly pickups.

"As a human being and a business owner in my community, I think it's important to help each other," DiMenna

said. "NOSH fell on really hard times. I have the room, and I wanted to help them. We're a small community. We have to be there for each other, help each other, day to day. I enjoy doing my business that way."

Kimberly Charon started a charcuterie company last year, and said DiMenna has been a mentor to her throughout her first year in business. She has come to lean on DiMenna for support and advice, Charon said, and has a lot of respect for her.

"She's so kind, and will literally give you the shirt off her back," Charon said. "She just wants to help. She told me that it wasn't always easy for her when she started out, so she always wanted to give back. She's always been there."

Mary Stanco, former president of the Glen Cove Chamber of Commerce, has known DiMenna for more than 35 years.

"Jeanine has a heart of gold," she said. She has always given back big time to the community she was raised in. One year, probably 2005, she ran out of candy to distribute during the BID Trick or Treat Costume parade, so she gave out \$5 bills to the kids instead."

For Mary Grace Donaldson, of Glen Head, DiMenna has been a part of significant life events since she was 11, and her surprise party on her 13th birthday was held at Page One.

"She was close to my family, and always made us feel like we were home there," Donaldson, now 32, said, "and made sure I had chocolate dessert when-

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Courtesy Mary Stanco

Dr. Maxine Cappel-Mayreis, far left, Jeanine DiMenna, Gaitley Stevenson-Mathews, Mathilde Tysz, Mary Stanco and Peter Antonopoulos.

ever I came in."

When Donaldson moved back to the area after college, she said, she joined the Glen Cove Rotary Club, which met monthly at Page One, and later, The View. She also joined the Glen Cove 350 Committee, and is now the promotions manager for the North Shore Biz Network. "I become more involved with her as an adult," she said of DiMenna, "and any time we needed something, she was there."

"I will donate to anybody who comes through the door," DiMenna said. "Any time it's a fundraiser, I can provide an area that's large enough, and I always like to work with charities, because these people do so much volunteer work, and I have the spot. You have to pay it forward. I think that's very important, especially now. We have to keep focused on who we are as a community, and stay together."



## Two rescued from G.C. house fire

Two Glen Cove men were rescued from their burning home on April 23 after a housemate allegedly set the house on fire. The Glen Cove Fire Department, Police Department and EMS arrived at the scene, on Raymond Street, and found the men trapped in the house. The quick response of the departments, as well as the actions of a neighbor, Larry Pascucci

likely saved the men's lives, according to officials.

A 70-year-old resident was rescued from a second-story window as was a 51-year-old man who was unconscious, from another second-floor bedroom.

Courtesy Tab Hauser

Glen Cove police, firefighters and EMS responded to a house fire on Raymond Street on April 23, and rescued two men from inside.

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## Neighbors organize car parade

Ryan Aguilar, 17, a junior at Glen Cove High School, was diagnosed with osteosarcoma, a rare form of bone cancer, last November. To show support and raise his spirits, relatives, friends and neighbors organized a car parade past the Aguilar home on Doxey Drive on May 22.

His grandparents Barbara and Horace Brown drove in from Brooklyn,

but, like Ryan, were not told about what would be happening. "It's overwhelming," Horace Brown said of the parade. "We didn't expect it, and it's nice to see the support of the neighborhood and the community."

Jill Nossa/Herald

Ryan Aguilar, seated second from right, with, from left, his grandparents Barbara and Horace Brown; his parents, Deirdre and Raul Aguilar; his brother, Jaden, and Spider-Man, who made a special visit May 22.

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# Former Rep. Lester Wolff dies at 102



Lester L. Wolff, who was elected to the House of Representatives in 1964 and served in Congress for 16 years, died May 12 at age 102. He had lived for the past 21 years in East Norwich, where he remained active until his death.

Locally, residents remember the Democratic congressman for leading the charge in the 1960s to nix the building of a bridge across the Long Island Sound planned by then Gov. Nelson Rockefeller and developer Robert Moses. They wanted to continue the Seaford-Oyster Bay Expressway, in Syosset, north to connect with Route 106 through Muttontown, Upper Brookville and Oyster Bay. The path to the bridge was to run parallel to West Shore Road

through Mill Neck, by way of a viaduct above Mill Neck Creek, ending in Bayville. The bridge's location was never definite, but it was to connect to the mainland U.S.

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Wolff contacted the Department of the Interior to survey the area, leading the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to declare 3,204 acres of bay bottom, salt marsh and small freshwater wetland the Oyster Bay National Wildlife Refuge, crushing the bridge plan.

Christina Daly/Herald  
Former U.S. Rep. Lester Wolff died on May 12.



# New market takes root in G.C.

Saturday, June 5 marked the first farmers market of the season for the newly named and relocated market, Deep Roots Farmers Market.

Organized by resident Amy Peters, since the end of 2020 the formerly named Sea Cliff Farmers Market has been home to dozens of local businesses and vendors receiving support from their community.

Previously held in Village Square in downtown Glen Cove, the market will now be held under the new name on Saturdays from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. from June until October at the Beacon, 100 Garvies Point Road,

along the newly developed Glen Cove waterfront.

Deep Roots partnered with RXR Realty after operating indoors for the Winter/Spring 2020 market season, only able to feature around 10 vendors in the indoor space.

Deep Roots features over 30 vendors in the new outdoor location, all offering products grown or produced on Long Island, or by Long Islanders.

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Courtesy Tab Hauser  
Sloane Lisa, Dillon Christie and Lisa Teich at the Deep Roots Farmers Market, which opened for the season June 5 at its new location.

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## Glen Cove is hooked on new concessions

With the pandemic winding down, long beach days are ahead. The concession stands at Morgan Memorial Park and Pryibil Beach in Glen Cove are brand new and ready for guests.

John DeJesus has taken over the concession stands and opened Hooked and Battered; here you can find classic concession food like hot dogs and hamburgers, and at the Morgan Park location, some more unique options like fish and chips, clam strips, burritos, and lobster

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Leah Dwyer/Herald  
John DeJesus is now operating the concession stands, Hooked and Battered, at Morgan Memorial Park and Pryibil Beach.

DeJesus said that he really aims to elevate Glen Cove. He would like to see more entertainment in the park, like movie nights, and would also like to see the park, which now closes at dusk, open later to accommodate that entertainment.



## Affordable housing units coming

More development is in the works in Glen Cove, as construction began on the first workforce housing to be built in the city in over a decade. As part of the Garvies Point waterfront development, Georgia Green Ventures, in partnership with RXR Realty, held a groundbreaking ceremony July 1 on a 55-unit development at 100 and 200 Dickson St.

"This is the first affordable housing to be built in Glen Cove in a very long time," Georgia Green President David Gallo said. "We're excited to be delivering it with RXR."

The mixed-income, multi-family,

transit-oriented rental housing complex is part of the 56-acre Garvies Point

Master Development, being overseen by RXR's Glen Isle Partners. The development is intended to revitalize and transform the underutilized waterfront acreage along Glen Cove's shoreline at Hempstead Harbor into a vibrant place to live. The 55 units will be available to residents earning 30 to 100 percent of the area median income.

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Courtesy Georgia Green  
Construction began in July on the first workforce housing to be built in Glen Cove.

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## Glen Cove EMS honored at National Night Out

On Aug. 3, Glen Cove's 14th year of National Night Out Against Crime took place. Children and parents gathered downtown to participate in different activities including karaoke, dunking booths, taser demonstrations, and Operation Safe Child, all while learning about health and public safety.

This year's event required masks and social distancing, and forwent the food and beverages to ensure safety to all that attended. Every year the event awards an honoree; this year, the entire Glen Cove EMS was selected.

"When Covid arrived, we didn't know what we had on our hands. We knew it was bad, we could see what was going on with the rest of the

world, and we were scared, all of us," Glen Cove Police Chief William Whitton said. "EMS bravely entered into houses, doctors' offices, any location where somebody needed help and they can tell that these people were in Covid distress and they gave top notch medical attention."

Leah Dwyer/Herald  
Mayor Tim Tenke with members of the Glen Cove Police and EMS departments.



## Fire destroys headquarters of NOSH

In a blow to families who have been struggling throughout the coronavirus pandemic, a fire broke out at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 347 hall in Glen Cove on Aug. 24, destroying the headquarters of NOSH, a program of the North Shore Soup Kitchen. The food pantry had operated out of the Hill Street building since April, serving about 500 families on the North Shore each week.

No one was inside the building at the time of the fire, and no injuries were reported. As of press time, the cause of the blaze was undetermined.

According to Christine Rice, chairwoman of NOSH/North Shore Soup

Kitchen, 200 deliveries were supposed to go out that day. While the Glen Cove Fire Department saved the building, everything on the second floor was lost, including 23 refrigerators and freezers full of meat and produce and a few thousand pounds of dry goods — enough to feed the families for two months.

Jill Nossa/Herald  
The brick building remains intact, but the fire destroyed the fresh, frozen and dry food stored upstairs, as well as some sentimental memorabilia inside the Veterans of Foreign Wars post.



## Smiles and prizes at the Snapper Derby

The 2021 Mayor's Snapper Derby hosted by the Glen Cove Anglers Club on Saturday, Aug. 21, brought out 52 children to the Pryibil Beach Fishing Pier for an action-packed morning of fishing.

"This was another great year for the Snapper Derby with plenty of fish biting, talented young girls and boys and a great group of volunteers and sponsors whose generosity was appreciated by all families," said Tom Manzione of the Glen Cove Anglers Club and Snapper

Derby chairperson since 1998. "Watching the excitement in the eyes of a child who just caught their first fish of the day is a special moment," added Manzione.

And excitement was on full display as Mikey Grella, age 7, took home the trophy and prize for "Best Angler" with 18 snappers.

Courtesy City of Glen Cove  
Glen Cove Angler's Club Commodore Sal Groe, Councilwoman Danielle Fugazy Scagliola, Councilman Gaitley Stevenson-Mathews, Jackson Papas, Avery Kormuski, Brooks Fox, Councilwoman Marsha Silverman, Mikey Grella, Dominic Preuss, Frank Tomicchio, and Mayor Tenke.



## City remembers Sept. 11 at anniversary ceremony

Edward Lehman was an avid distance runner. Matthew McDermott enjoyed playing golf. John F. Puckett was an accomplished audio engineer and musician. Joseph Zuccala could entertain a crowd. All four Glen Cove men left behind loving families and friends when they died in the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on the World Trade Center. Their stories were shared at Glen Cove's 9/11 remembrance ceremony at Morgan Memorial Park on Sept. 11.

Several elected officials spoke during the ceremony, including U.S. Rep. Tom Suozzi, who was the mayor of Glen Cove in 2001, running for Nassau County executive. He said he often reflects on how people thought differently about the world on Sept. 10, 2001. "Everything changed in an instant," Suozzi said.

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Tina Cammarata, of Glen Cove, spoke about her brother, Joseph Zuccala, who died in the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center.





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**Glen Cove hit hard by Ida**

Low-lying areas of Glen Cove were still recovering from flood damage two weeks after what was left of Hurricane Ida. On Sept. 1, water flooded parking lots and basements, causing extensive damage to Police Department headquarters on Bridge Street and the Public Library on Glen Cove Avenue, as well as other areas of the city, prompting a cleanup effort that took weeks.

According to Detective Lt. John Nagle, of the Police Department, more

than eight feet of floodwater filled the basement and came up the stairs to the main desk area. Because of the water damage, the phone system was down and the power backup systems failed. The basement gym was ruined, as were some of the records stored on that floor.

Courtesy Glen Cove Police Department

Low-lying areas of the city are still recovering from flood damage two weeks after Ida.



**Golf league raises funds for breast cancer research**

Several dozen women gathered on the outdoor back patio of The View Grill for a fundraising brunch benefiting breast cancer research and support. The Glen Cove Women's Golf Club 9 Hole Golf League raised more than \$5,000 for the Manhasset Women's Coalition Against Breast Cancer, an organization that supports women who develop breast cancer.

"Some of things they do include driving people to the doctor, babysitting and grocery shopping," Corinne Kaufman, a co-chair of the event, said. "Helping the organization is very satis-

fying."

According to Kaufman, the league raised \$5,000 through its fundraiser two years ago, but did not hold the annual event last year due to the pandemic. This year, she said, gift certificates worth \$4,500 were donated by a number of local businesses, and more than \$5,000 worth of raffle tickets were sold to league members and their friends and families.

Jill Nossa/Herald

Event co-chairs Donna Stanza, Carol Cirina, Corinne Kaufman and Sharon Cirlincione.

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**North Shore canines take the runway**

The first annual Kiwanis Dog Show was held on Oct. 17 at the Garvies Point Dog Park. This was a fun filled event bringing all the surrounding communities coming together for a great cause: the Kiwanis "Klothes For Kids" program. This event raised \$4,700 to buy back-to-school clothes for 20 to 25 needy children in the community.

A total of 30 canines strutted down the runway. Judges Lily Kle and Glen Cove Councilman Gaitley Stevenson-Mathews awarded prizes in numerous categories to the participants.

Best In Show was presented to "Madison Merdog," owned by Former Mayor of Sea Cliff Bruce Kennedy and Lora Cusamano, who dressed in matching mermaid outfits.

Kiwanian John Canning took on the job of MC, and the North Shore Key Club helped with the event, which was created by Leslie Kle and her committee Doug Barnaby, Leslie McCarthy and Lauren Zoebelain.

Courtesy Kiwanis Club of North Shore

Dog show judge Gaitley Stevenson-Mathews, Bruce Kennedy, Kiwanian Lauren Zoebelain, Lora Cusamano, and event Judge Lily Kle.

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**Most parents — and their kids — welcome children's vaccine**

Many parents in Glen Cove breathed a sigh of relief when their children were able to receive the Covid-19 vaccine, authorized for children ages 5 to 11 by the Food and Drug administration on Oct. 29, and cleared by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on Nov. 2.

The news had many local parents calling their pediatricians and scheduling appointments for the first dose

of the shot. Glen Cove resident Joanna Zuppardi had her 9-year-old daughter, Ava, vaccinated on Nov. 3. "We had been waiting for so long," Zuppardi said, "and I was following the news very carefully."

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## 100-year-old deli reopens with a new look

A longtime staple of the community is back in business, under new ownership. On Saturday, Jr.'s Modern Market and Delicatessen on East Avenue in Glen Cove opened its doors to the community with a ribbon-cutting celebration.

Formerly the South Ridge Deli, one of Glen Cove's oldest businesses, the deli now has a modern look, but will stay true to its purpose: convenience.

When the deli was put up for sale in 2020, two Glen Cove men saw an opportunity. Sebastian Lopera, 34, and Antonino McInnis, 26, both grew up in Glen Cove and have fond memories of the deli. Lopera grew up just blocks away, and now lives down the street.

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NOVEMBER**

Courtesy Jessica Lopera  
The renovated Jr.'s Modern Market & Delicatessen reopened on Saturday.



## Glen Cove celebrates the holidays downtown

Downtown Glen Cove's Village Square was a hub of activity on Saturday afternoon during the annual Holiday Festival, followed by the city's tree lighting ceremony. Organized by the Downtown Business Improvement District, this year's festival once again made use of the newly opened Village Square, offering free photos with Santa, hot chocolate, a letter writing station, horse and carriage rides and a full slate of live entertainment.

Throughout the afternoon, performances were held by the Glen

Cove High School's Select Chorale, jazz band and orchestra, followed by the Our Lady of Mercy Select Choir, Mercy Dance Company, Jazz Hands Children Theatre, soloists Michael Renga, Gracie Donaldson, Steven Dahlke, and Christopher Moll, and a scene from A Christmas Carol performed by the Slayer Players.

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## HERALD EDITORIALS

# Reflecting on the Sept. 11 attacks 20 years later

The Sept. 11 attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon and in Shanksville, Pa., set off a cascade of worldwide catastrophes over the subsequent two decades — the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq and many other terrorist attacks, in multiple countries. September 2001 seems like a lifetime ago, but for those old enough to remember that terrible year, it remains a haunting memory, a fever dream that we try to lock in the backs of our brains but is ever-present.

For those of us in Nassau County that day, we could only watch in horror as gray-black smoke plumes spiraled out of the twisted, crumbled remains of the twin towers upward into an otherwise perfect azure sky. The plumes were visible from points across the county.

Shortly after the attacks, people started to gather on the beach in Lido and at the Norman J. Levy Park and Preserve in Merrick. The best point on the South Shore — to watch the billowing smoke, staring silently in stunned disbelief.

The United States homeland was under attack for the first time since World War II, and at that moment, we had no idea who the invader was, or the future suffering in distant lands that the attacks would bring. It was all incomprehensibly terrifying.

In a front-page story in the Herald's Sept. 13-19 issue, "Terror at the Towers," reported by Scott Brinton, Carrie James, Laura Lane, Jeff Lipton, Larry Maier and Cindy Roth, this is how we described the scene:

"A wave of fear and despair raced across [Nassau County] Tuesday morning

I'm really scared. It's so scary if we have something of a World War III. I'm really, really scared.

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after terrorists slammed two hijacked jetliners into the World Trade Center, sending the Twin Towers crumbling into Lower Manhattan.

"In the afternoon, surviving victims of the attack filtered into Nassau by Long Island Rail Road, like refugees from a war zone. Many, who were still shaking dusty, white debris from their clothes, were not from the area but had taken the first train they could out of the city and gotten off at the first possible stop."

We sent our reporters to the train stations to meet the survivors of the attacks.

Sylvia Melendez, who worked in Lower Manhattan, described the chaos after the towers crashed to the ground. "The rush of clouds of debris forced everyone out into the streets," she said. "Everyone was running away."

Here in Nassau, people were glued to their TVs and radios, watching and listening, hoping for the best but fearing the worst. "I've been listening all morning," Luisa DeGirolamo, who worked at La Margherita Pastry Shop in Bellmore Village, said. "I'm devastated. I can't get over it."

Rollen Cagoles, of East Meadow, said, "I'm really scared. It's so scary if we have something of a World War III. I'm really,

really scared."

Many parents rushed to their children's schools to pick them up and take them home, fearful of further attacks. "A lot of people came and pulled their kids out because they didn't want them to be in a place with a large group of people," said Pat Brace, PTA president of Bowling Green Elementary School in East Meadow. "They thought they would be a target."

Nassau police doubled patrols around municipal buildings, schools, houses of worship and transportation lines. Police also diverted westbound traffic away from New York City. Motorists who had to travel major throughfares were advised to stay home.

The military closed down the airspace over Long Island, with unlighted F-16 fighter jets streaking overhead above John F. Kennedy International Airport into the night of Sept. 11 to 12.

Nearly 500 Long Islanders died in the attacks at the World Trade Center or later succumbed to 9/11-related illnesses. Each one was a life extinguished too soon. We must remember all of them — their essential goodness, their essential humanity.

In the coming days, there will be solemn ceremonies in remembrance of the dead. Consider attending one to show your support for the victims, or stop and pause for a moment at 8:46 and 9:04 a.m. on Saturday and reflect on or say a prayer for the victims. In this way, you will help to keep their memories alive for generations to come. "Never forget" should never become a trite slogan. It should be a motto by which we live.

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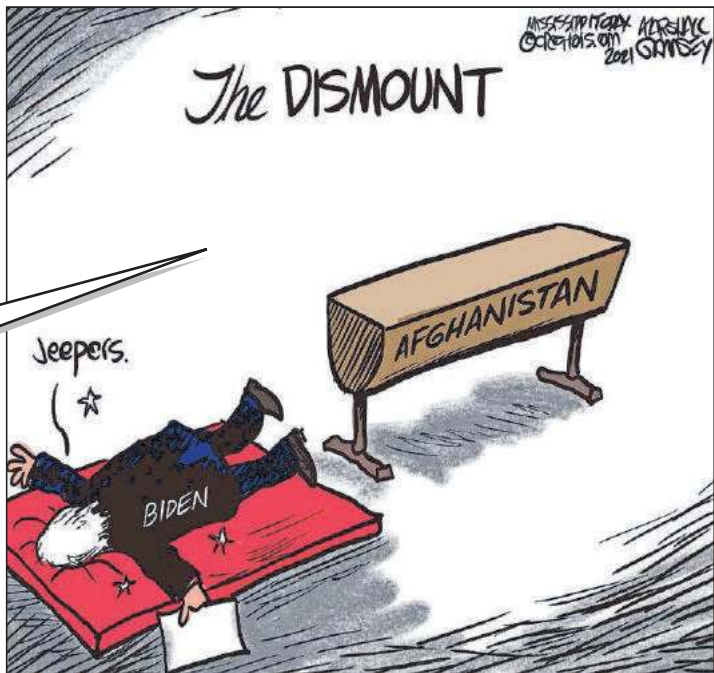
To the Editor:

Congratulations and good luck to Gov. Kathy Hochul. She has been thrust into a role that is critical to the 19.45 million people who live, work and play in the Empire State. Here on Long Island, we are especially hopeful for her good work.

The challenges on Long Island are many. Our aging infrastructure needs serious attention. As the nation's first suburb, we are living on an antiquated system that needs to be replaced. Our increasingly congested roads, highways, bridges and

environmental infrastructure is failing. Our water has challenges, including the quality and quantity. Surface water contamination is rampant from nitrogen and other pollutants entering our creeks, bays, harbors and the Long Island Sound. Our air is polluted with toxins too small to see with the naked eye. We are vulnerable to sea level rise, climate change and the inevitable next big storm. The fact is, we aren't ready.

Our environment is too important for the no-action tendencies of the past to continue. Our





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## Opinion pages

### OPINIONS

# In celebration of teachers

**W**hen talking with my grandkids about returning to school this fall — to the building, with other kids, not the dining room table — I was reminded of a school day of my own years ago.

"Bobby," I heard my name called on the second-floor landing of A. B. Davis High School in Mount Vernon, N.Y. The caller was Mr. Leone, Joseph Leone, my biology teacher and college adviser. "Why haven't you signed up for the SATs?" he asked.



**ALAN SINGER**

Neither of my parents had attended college, my mother had died eight years earlier, and my father, a vacuum cleaner salesman, had his hands full with two active kids. When I think about the controversies surrounding school openings this fall, I think, too, of the critical role of teachers in the lives of their students. That certainly was the case for me.

Mr. Leone wasn't alone in affecting my life for the better. I was going to drop out of college after my first year not only because of the cost, but also because I

questioned why I was there. I entered to be a minister, but had become disillusioned with organized religion. My college adviser, Mildred Martin, helped me sort through the financial and philosophical questions and urged me to appeal my financial aid award, and I continued as her student.

Other teachers stand out as well. Miss Calabrese and Miss King, in elementary school, "Pop" Phillips in high school, Mark Ebersole in college, and Kay Moore and Robin Williams in graduate school.

The past year of living and learning with Covid in our path and in our shadows revealed the inequalities of access to teachers like the ones I've known. When teachers are diverted from their main responsibilities, teaching and advising, they can't fulfill their roles to the fullest. It is especially difficult for them to be effective when students lack access to broadband and Wi-Fi, a quiet place to study, and supportive adults to help them with difficult assignments.

A distinguished psychologist once said that we human beings are the "teaching species." All species must learn enough to leave the nest, but humans turned teaching into a "calling," a vocation dedicated to preparing the next generation

with knowledge, skills and values. As a result, teachers have a moral, social, civic and historical responsibility for not only educating each new generation but also, in this way, creating the future.

We must remember the vocation, the calling, of teaching. As the historian Jacques Barzun said, "Teaching is not a lost art, but the regard for it is a lost tradition."

**I** was going to drop out of college after my first year. I questioned why I was there.

At the beginning of our nation, John Adams and Thomas Jefferson stated that public education was at the heart of democracy. "The whole people must take upon themselves the education of the whole people and be willing to bear the expenses of it," Adams wrote. "There should not be a district of one mile square without a school in it, not founded by a charitable individual, but maintained at the public expense of the people themselves."

Jefferson expressed similar sentiments. It is unfortunate, therefore, that some local school boards see teachers simply as employees, instead of as those who inspire discovery and awaken students' imaginations, as Mark Van Doren and Robert Frost said.

But while the Founders argued that schooling was a local responsibility, they were adamant about the public benefits

to the nation. They believed that education should be public; is critical to democracy because it prepares an informed citizenry; able to ask questions; is important because it prevents aristocracy and promotes meritocracy; should be free from religion and ideology; should be equal and equally available to all citizens; and is a public investment that is worth the cost.

While the ideals of the Founders founded on the compromises made to create a republic, they nevertheless created within the Constitution the mechanisms for correcting early mistakes and providing the means for continuing the pursuit of a "more perfect union," which we have shown the ability to do.

As we help our kids and grandkids, or relatives or neighbors' kids, prepare for a new school year, let us acknowledge the noble profession of teaching, perhaps by remembering our own teachers, and do what we can to fulfill the Founders' aspirations for true equality of education in America.

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## LETTERS

looming issues need real solutions, not lip service. We need to address the Island's solid-waste crisis, illegal dumping and the associated increases in disposal costs.

Hochul hasn't been handed the reins of the state at our finest hour. New Yorkers suffer with an unsustainable tax burden that's accelerating the exodus of high-net-worth people, employers and job creators. The growing disparity in income and wealth, an increasing immigrant population and the associated educational and health care challenges are monumental. And our young workforce and empty-nesters are leaving because of a lack of affordable housing.

Leaders in the past have forsaken us in favor of book deals, their own selfish agendas and their next election. Indeed, some are in prison for their bad behavior, but the reality is, the good people of New York have been sold out, and that's why we require Hochul's earnest leadership.

We have hope in her vision, fortitude and ability to make the really tough decisions. We're counting on her. Most important, please know that we are here for you, governor. Long Island and the state of New York have immense resources, none greater than their residents.

There will be vocal naysayers who attempt to stop Hochul from addressing these vexing challenges. There are people who talk a lot, and there are people who get stuff done. To Hochul, I say this:

Please be the latter. Be bold. We heard you say you'd "fight like hell for New York," and that's exactly what Long Island needs.

WILL FLOWER  
Bayville

## Cuomo should be impeached

To the Editor:

Re Robert Rosenberg's column "History repeats itself in Albany — again and again" (Aug. 26-Sept. 1): I agree with Rosenberg's opinions, and would add that former Gov. Andrew Cuomo would indeed get the last hurrah and make "the State Legislature and state government look like a ship of fools" if it gave him a free pass on the nursing home deaths scandal and his subsequent cooking of the books to make it appear less egregious than he would have had us believe. Interestingly, Gov. Kathy Hochul revealed immediately that these deaths were undercounted by some 12,000.

By ordering nursing homes to accept Covid-19 patients, Cuomo, threatening owners with penalty if they did not comply, exposed many more confined elderly to the virus, potentially causing their deaths. With all due respect, I consider manslaughter to be an even more serious

## FRAMEWORK by Christina P.



The Never Forget Concert — Jones Beach

crime than the sexual harassment charges that forced Cuomo's resignation.

Given the present state of affairs, it is now the State Legislature (and, ultimately, the State Senate) that is on trial, and it remains to be seen whether playing politics will take precedence over what *must* be done in the name of justice. How can

anyone trust Cuomo now? He contends that he will not seek future political office, but only impeachment would close the book on that possibility, definitively and conclusively.

ROBERT RUBALSKY  
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