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RETIRING JUDGE RICHARD J. McCord, right front, was joined by his family at a City Council meeting where council members voted to rename the city's courthouse in his name.

McCord, longest-sitting judge in city and county, retires

By ROKSANA AMID

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After 34 years of service to the city, Judge Richard J. McCord will retire at the end of this year.

To honor his decades of service, the Glen Cove City Council unanimously passed a resolution to rename the city's courthouse the Richard J. McCord City Courthouse. The current city court building opened in 1995, and no other elected judge has ever

served there.

Mayor Pamela Panzenbeck reflected on the judge's reputation and spoke about how McCord saved the lives of many of the city's youth through court-ordered counseling programs and constant involvement with the families of defendants who came before him. She added that McCord has stood for justice to the people of Glen Cove and has protected those in danger and taken violent criminals off the street when

necessary

"Our city has been so lucky to have had a judge who has perfected the art of knowing when he needed to be tough, but also knowing when to be compassionate and understanding," Panzenbeck said.

Born and raised in Glen Cove, McCord graduated from Jericho High School in 1970. He attended Columbia University as part of the class of CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

Carol Rubin, 101, is still going strong

By ROKSANA AMID

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Living beyond 100 requires a fair amount of luck, but for Glen Cove resident Carol Rubin, longevity is a result of community

involvement and being physically active.

When the 101-year-old Rubin isn't fulfilling her duties as president of Friends of the Glen Cove Public Library, or as co-vice president of the Retired Council of Teachers, she can be found swimming at the YMCA

Before moving to Glen Cove, Rubin lived through major points in American history while taking care of her family. Some of her earliest memories are from

the Great Depression. While sitting on a bus with her mother in the Bronx as a child, she saw people standing in long lines waiting for bread rations. She didn't understand the significance of the events around her, but her mother, a court stenogra-

pher, explained that some people couldn't afford to eat and were receiving government assistance

"She said they're too poor," Rubin recounted. "They have no jobs, no money."

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BARBARA LAMOTTA

board member, Friends of the Library

family wasn't affected by economic hardship, and she was able to enjoy her childhood. From a young age, she developed a love of swimming. She frequented a beach in New Jersey with her father, where she would sit on his shoulders until it was time for her to iump into the water. Her love of swimming led her to train for six months for the 1936 Olympics, but she decided to continue with her education rather

Luckily, Rubin's

than become an Olympic swimmer.

Rubin grew up in the Bronx, went to public school in Manhattan and graduated from New York University with a degree in social work. She married her

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Courthouse renamed after Judge McCord

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1977, before pursuing his law degree at Bridgeport Law School where he graduated in 1980. McCord was inspired to study law by his maternal great uncle Thomas DeBel-

lis, who served as a judge in the Bronx, "I was always impressed by how articulate he was and how he would simplify the law for us to understand growing up," McCord said.

Upon graduation, he was immediately appointed by the mayor and the City Council to serve as the deputy mayor from 1980 to 1983. He then chaired the Glen Cove housing authority from 1983 to 1988. Later, he was appointed as associate judge of the Glen Cove City Court by the City Council where he served from 1988 through 1994 alongside Judge Joseph Vetrone.

After winning his first election in 1995, he took his seat as a supervising judge of the Glen Cove City Court. He is the longest sitting judges in the history of Nassau County and the city. In addition to overseeing criminal matters, McCord acted as a mediator over the courts and has presided over countless weddings.

Councilman Jack Mancusi said McCord was seen as tough but fair by his colleagues, but he said he prefers to remember McCord's term as just. Mancusi added he was honored to vote on the resolution naming the court-

house after McCord during his first term as a city coun-

Councilman Kevin Maccarone knew McCord since he was 12 years old and frequently chatted with him at the YMCA. They would frequently discuss Maccarone's academics and interest in baseball.

As he got older, Maccarone recognized that McCord's interest in other's lives was not common. Maccarone, an attorney, said that appearing in front of the judge over the years was an honor but he was initially uneasy

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'The most nervous I've ever been in my career was the first time I appeared before you," Maccarone said. "I wasn't sure if you were going to throw me out of the courtroom and say what are you doing in here kid?"

McCord quickly established himself as a justice for the people, serving the community with fairness and integrity. During his time on the bench, he started court approved programs such as the Adolescent Diversion Program, including the very successful Teen Court, which McCord started after seeing minors intimidated by the court system.

McCord's long-time motto is, "Education is the best form of crime prevention." His goals for Teen Court have been to give participants familiarity with the court system, while learning first-hand the repercussions of violating the law. Additionally, he hoped to make the proceedings less frightening and more educational for youthful offenders with penalties that are appropriate to the violation.

These programs were some of the first of their kind in the Nassau County Court sys-

tem, and their impact inspired other courts throughout the county to implement similar programs.

Outside of his judicial duties, McCord was the former chairman of the now shuttered All-Saints Regional Catholic School, a member of the Sons of Italy, Elks Club and the Knights of Columbus and a board member to the



Roksana Amid/Herald

FOR DECADES, JUDGE Richard J. McCord has officiated at weddings, served as court mediator and established the Teen Court program in addition to serving as city judge.

Glen Cove YMCA.

When asked about his experience serving the city, McCord said that Glen Cove is a wonderful place to be part of.

"I'm honored that the people elected me five times to this position," he said, "and that I could make Glen Cove a safer place to live and raise our families in."

Councilman Joseph Capobianco will serve as city judge in Jan. 2023.

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Waldman, former director of the Glen Cove Senior

SENIORS GREETED CAROL

Center, at the ferry terminal. She was instrumental in implementing the initial stages of making Glen Cove an Age-Fiendly city.

City's Age-Friendly initiative celebrated

By ROKSANA AMID

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he City of Glen Cove has become a Nassau County Age-Friendly Center of Excellence and is now one of five Centers of Excellence in New York state. For seniors like 82-year-old Shirlie Pinckney, it's a relief.

She depends on her oxygen tank and travels with it extensively. If she's running errands alone, Pinckney struggles to open non-automatic doors around the city. And since she can't drive, friends and family help her to get around, but she said she wishes there were more resources available to help her go to places that are far from home, like the restaurants and parks at Garvies Point. At her age, she feels that it's important for the youth of Glen Cove to consider making the city more accessible.

"They may have all they need now but think of what's going to happen in the future," Pinckney said.

To recognize those needs, the city unveiled the first of three signs at the ferry terminal on Nov. 17 and a commitment to improving the lives of its aging population. Other signs will be placed at the Locust Valley entrance to Glen Cove, near Skunks Misery Road and at the bifurcation towards arterial highway and Cedar Swamp Road.

The older residents are the people who actually built our communities," said Carol Waldman, former Glen Cove Senior Center Executive Director, and Nassau County Age-Friendly Liaison. "They paved the roads, they taught our children, they built the businesses, and they deserve to have a safe and stimulating environment in which to grow old.'

Funding to create the Nassau County Age-Friendly Center of Excellence came from a New York State Office for the Aging planning grant that was awarded to the Nassau County Department of Human Services Office for the Aging. The program expanded into Glen Cove in 2017 with help



VINCENZA CARUSO, AGE-FRIENDLY administrator, cut the ribbon to celebrate the new signs that will be placed throughout the city promoting its Age-Friendly status.

from the Glen Cove Senior Center. The organization works to improve the quality of life for seniors by helping with access to information, services and community events, transportation and affordable housing opportunities.

Age-Friendly Glen Cove aims to create a community where people can thrive as they grow older and prioritize the inclusion and participation of older adults in all aspects of life and to address things that hinder quality of life and are often overlooked.

Future projects of the organization will look at curb-cuts on sidewalks, ADA compliance in city buildings, implementing more automatic doors and expanding transportation to more parts of the city.

Presently, the organization has established their Center of Excellence based out of the senior center where they have established their timebank and Walk with a Doc

Vincenza Caruso, an administrator of Age-Friendly, said timebanking offers a bartering system for participants to

exchange services like cooking. painting and teaching skills on a time credit basis. Participants can save money for these services where they would otherwise have to pay for. It also allows for networking and socialization for those who can't leave their homes.

Their Walk with a Doc. program, spearheaded by Dr. Barbara Keber, chair of family medicine at Glen Cove Hospital, offers a more personable approach for seniors who are anxious to speak openly with their doctors during visits. Once a month, Glen Cove seniors meet with Keber to learn about relevant health topics. Afterwards, they walk with other medical professionals from Northwell for a one-on-one conversation about health. Keber emphasizes that better health is more than just speaking with doctors, it's about creating a healthy space for all community members.



MAYOR PAMELA PANZENBECK, left, presented a citation to Christine Rice, executive director of the Glen Cove Senior Center for her role in making the city welcoming for seniors.

Centenarian inspires the people around her

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husband, Morton Rubin, a year after graduation.

During the final years of World War II, they lived on a naval base in Quonset, RI. When Emily, their third child was born in 1957, they moved to Glen Cove from Fresh Meadows. After looking at many homes around Long Island, Rubin and her husband decided on Glen Cove on the advice of a friend who lived in the city. When Rubin and her husband found a home with a living room, fireplace, and dishwasher, they knew they had to buy quickly since mortgage rates were going up from a quarterpercent to a half-percent.

When they moved to Glen Cove, they joined the YMCA as charter members. She has been a member of the YMCA for 65 years and goes swimming at least twice a week.

After her youngest child was in sixth grade, Rubin became a student teacher for the Landing Elementary School while attending Adelphi University pursuing a master's degree in education. Rubin was transferred to the North Shore School district to substitute for a year to cover for a teacher who became sick. She was hired



by the district as a full-time teacher after the principal of the Glen Head elementary school insisted she continue working with the district. She worked for the North Shore School district for 23 years before retiring in 1991.

While on a trip through South America in 2005, Rubin's husband became ill. He was sent to a hospital, but because there

was a language barrier Rubin and her husband returned to their hotel. Around 1 a.m., Rubin saw her husband sitting in a chair and realized something was wrong. By the time help came, he had died from congestive heart failure. "My husband died in my arms," Rubin said.

Rubin has had many losses in her life. She has seen the loss of her parents, other family members and within the past three years, 10 of her close friends died.

"You don't really replace those losses because you can't, but what you can do is you can replenish the spirit and the energy and passion for life," said Carol Waldman, former executive director of the Glen Cove Senior Center. "That's one of Carol's big messages and it's not only what she says, it's how she lives."

Waldman, who grew to know Rubin through the senior center, said that the two would frequently talk about getting older and reflected on what that meant to them both.

"Sometimes as you get older, the world can make you feel like it's closing in on you," Waldman said. "You know that you have less and less connection, but Carol is one of those people who can show us that the longer you live, the more there is to



Photos courtesy Richard Rubin

CAROL RUBIN, ABOVE, has walked through many parks in Glen Cove over the years. Last month she roamed Morgan Park, enjoying the fall weather.

RICHARD, CAROL, EMILY and Musa Rubin gathered at the home the family bought in 1957, above left.

learn."

Waldman said that through the losses, they both experienced growing older and opportunities have been created to grow more as people.

Rubin's son, Richard, said that his mother's exercise regimen, close friendships and love of reading give her strength at 101.

As an avid reader, it's fitting that Rubin has been president of the Friends of the Library for 15 years. She said she believes that a strong public library creates a thriving community.

"I hope to be like her," said Barbara Lamotta, Friends of the Library board member. "She's still voices her opinion. I wish I was as motivated as her."

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MISS LONG ISLAND contestants hit the stage at the Madison Theatre in their glorious gowns, showing their best for judges Matthew James Graziano, Yasmeen Gumbs, Amy Amato of RichnerLive, Peter Andolina and Edson Estime

Lianne Webb, Natalia Suaza take home crowns

Baldwin, Valley Stream contestants win at Miss Long Island pageant

By DANIEL OFFNER

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ianne Webb and Natalia Suaza stood out from among dozens of contestants from across Nassau and Suffolk counties, crowned winners of Miss Long Island and Miss Teen Long Island.

The two young women from Baldwin and Valley Stream were among those who gathered at the Madison Theatre at Molloy College on Nov. 20, selected by a panel of judges based on their talents, drive, beauty and compassion.

Before stepping on stage, Suaza said that she set out to complete the New York City Marathon as a way to take herself out of her comfort zone and face her fears head-on.

Upon her coronation as the new Miss Teen Long Island, Sauza says she plans to work with Long Island communities, spreading her message of cancer awareness.

"With my title, I hope to partner with the Center for Hope at Northwell Hospital and the Calvary Hospital," she said.

Having lost her father when she was just 9, these organizations helped provide Suaza an opportunity to talk about him — just as they helped others with loved ones who have passed, and to try and live the lives that they would've wanted them to live. Suaza also praised their free summer camp that was offered for her and her siblings.

"This really impacted my life and made me as strong as I am today," she said.

Leanne Baum, executive director of the Miss Long Island pageants, said that over the next year, both of the winners will make guest appearances to promote their platform.

Webb's platform aims to promote advocacy for children. She works as a



behavioral therapist with Achieve Beyond, where she works with students with autism. She's also a volunteer with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Long Island.

By promoting these different causes across Long Island, the goal is for the pageant winners to become role models for change in the world. This year, for example, all of the pageant contestants came together before the big night to help collect food for Island Harvest, Baum said. In fact, they ended up with more than 400 pounds of food for Long Island's largest food bank.

Both Webb and Sauza now move on to compete for Miss New York USA and Miss Teen New York USA next August.

Some of the runners-up from this year's Miss Long Island competition include Jenna Hofmann of West Islip, Alexandra Ali of Commack, Alliyah St. Omer of North Baldwin, and Michelle Lent of Glen Cove.

The Miss Teen Long Island competition runners-up include Emily Hall and Valarie Goorahoo of Valley Stream, Rudra Patel of Farmingdale, and Kyra Smith of East Hampton.

MISS LONG ISLAND Teen 2023 Natalia Suaza, from Valley Stream, joined by Miss Long Island Pageants executive director Leanne Baum, and Miss Long Island 2023 Lianne Webb, from Baldwin.

THE 2022 MISS Teen Long Island winner Jessica Fuentes crowns her successor, Natalia Suaza, of Valley Stream.

THE 2022 MISS Long Island winner Nadgeena Jerome crowns fellow Baldwin native and 2023 Miss Long Island winner Lianne Webb.











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KARL VAN ALLEN,

far left. Thomas Underhill, Jeffrey Jackson, Robert Citko and William Basdavanos were honored for their 50 years of service to the City of Glen Cove Volunteer Fire Department.

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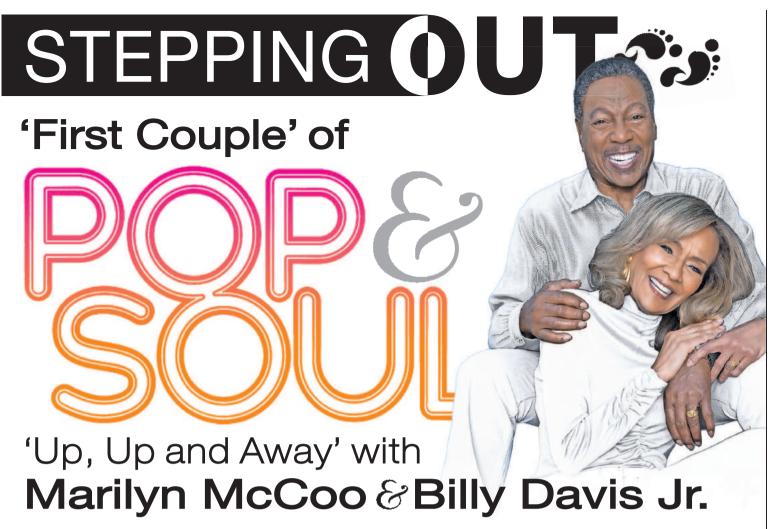
Ex Chief William J. Basdavanos joined the department in 1972 as a member of Engine & Hose Company #4. He's served as captain in 1977 and 1983, chief in 1992 and 1993, president of the 5th Battalion Chiefs Association since 2016, delegate for the 5th Battalion Fire Commission and chairman for the Fire Department's advisory board. He was corresponding secretary from 2000 to 2016. And in 2018 he took on the job again and has been the department's corresponding secretary ever since.

Ex Chief Police Captain Jeffrey Jackson, Sr. joined the department in 1972 as a member of Engine & Hose Company #4. He served as company secretary in 1983 and 1984, as a lieutenant in 1984 and 1985, and fire police captain for 1998 to 2011. He currently serves on the advisory board.

Ex Captain Karl Van Allen joined the department in 1972 as a member of Engine & Hose Company #4. He served as company captain in 1979 and 1986. He was fire police captain in 2020 and 2021.

Ex Captain Bobby Citko joined the department in 1972 as a member of Engine & Hose Company #4. He served as company captain 1978, 2014 and 2019. He was chairman of the annual fund drive from 2012 until 2022. He was also chairman of GCFVD's 175 Year Anniversary.

Fire Commissioner Thomas Underhill joined the department in 1972 as a member of Chemical Engine Company #1. He was company captain in 1980 and president of the North Shore Fire Council from 2006 to 2007. He was also president of the Executive Council of Nassau County in 2011 and 2012. Currently, he is one of the directors of the Southern New York Volunteer Firemen's Association and a trustee of the Glen Cove Volunteer Fire Department Benevolent Association. Underhill has been one of the department's fire commissioners since 1998.



By Mary Malloy

It's easy to see why seven-time Grammy winners Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis Jr., have been married for 53 years. A dynamic duo on and off the stage, the former members of the 1960-70s group The 5th Dimension have an easy way of sharing the conversation, finishing each other's sentences, and endearingly calling each other "baby." They are in true harmony — and headed to Tilles Center for the Performing Arts for "Up, Up and Away! A Musical Fable," with special guest The Next Dimension, on Saturday.

As two of the lead vocalists with one of the top pop-R&B-soul-jazz groups of the era, their popular classics — among them "Up, Up and Away," "Aquarius/Let the Sun Shine In," "Wedding Bell Blues," "One Less Bell to Answer" and "Stoned Soul Picnic" — live on. Graced with McCoo's three-octave vocal range, the group was inducted into the Vocal Group Hall of Fame in 2002, and have stars on the Hollywood Walk of Fame and the St. Louis Walk of Fame.

After a decade with The 5th Dimension, McCoo and Davis decided to step away in 1975 to establish themselves as a duo. They had immediate success with the single "You Don't Have to Be a Star (To Be In My Show)" which hit No. 1 on the charts and earned them a Grammy for Best R&B Vocal Performance by a Duo or Group. They have since enjoyed enduring success through the years as recording artists, performers and authors. Throughout their career, this showbiz couple has been honored with seven Grammy Awards and earned 15 gold and three platinum records, as well as enjoyed starring roles on television and the Broadway stage.

Their many endeavors go beyond their musical achievements. They also have a movie coming out during the holidays, "The Waltons Thanksgiving," on the CW network. "It's family-oriented, and it's so perfect for this time of year," McCoo says. "It's nice for people to

remember the warmth and love and excitement that comes from family."

From East to West

"We are so looking forward to being in New York," says McCoo, who, with Davis, calls California home. "We've visited, but we haven't done a show there in quite a while. We truly always enjoy coming back ... Long Island is such a pretty area, and we're very excited."





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- Tilles Center for the Performing Arts Concert Hall, LIU Post, 720 Northern Blvd. Brookville
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"We love New York, we have a history with New York," Davis adds.

"Up, Up and Away" is a journey and musical celebration of their iconic music. The concert also includes tributes to fellow music legends including The Beatles (McCoo and Davis' contemporaries) and The 5th Dimension's original lineup.

They will perform some songs from their newest CD, "Blackbird: Lennon-McCartney Icons," a celebration of The Beatles' timeless music. The album covers 10 Beatles classics and solos. "It's so relevant," Davis says about the title track. "It fits in with things that are happening today. The young people are very concerned with what was going on in the world."

And what about their own iconic songs as the "First Couple" of Pop & Soul?

"Of course, we'll enjoy doing many of our hits," says Davis. "They wouldn't let us off the stage if we didn't!"

Courtesy Darren Stone/Jon Carrasco

Photos: Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis Jr., honored with multiple Grammy awards numerous gold and platinum records, return to the concert stage with their iconic hits — and some surprise selections.



Tony Danza

The actor-entertainer croons the classics in his cabaret turn. In 'Standards & Stories.' he performs a selection of his favorite standards from the Great American Songbook, plus selections from Jason Robert Brown's score for 'Honeymoon in Vegas,' while interweaving stories about his life and personal connection to the music. Danza combines timeless music with wit, charm, storytelling, and a dash of soft shoe and ukulele, in this evening of glorious songs and personal storytelling, backed by a four-piece band. Perhaps best known for his starring roles on two of TV's most cherished and long-running series, "Taxi" and "Who's The Boss," Danza has also established himself as a song and dance man, and received rave reviews for his performance in the Broadway musical comedy 'Honeymoon In Vegas.

Friday, Dec. 2, 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. \$62. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post campus, Route 25A, Brookville. (516) 299-3100 or TillesCenter.org.



Judy Collins: Holidays & His

The iconic legend lends her voice to holiday standards along with her classic hit songs as only she can. Collins performs holiday classics, along with songs from her latest album 'Spellbound' — her 55th album and first complete album of originals — and beloved songs culled from her six-decade career. Collins is as creatively vigorous as ever, writing, touring worldwide, and nurturing fresh talent. She is a modern-day Renaissance woman who is also an accomplished painter, filmmaker, record label head, musical mentor, and an in-demand keynote speaker for mental health and suicide prevention. She continues to create music of hope and healing that lights up the world and speaks to

Saturday, Dec. 3, 8 p.m. \$70, \$65, \$60. Jeanne Rimsky Theater at Landmark on Main Street, 232 Main St., Port Washington. (516) 767-6444 or LandmarkOnMainStreet.org. December 1, 2022 — GLEN COVE HERALD

THE SCENE





Legally Blonde: The Musical

The ultimate Broadway tribute to girl power arrives at Tilles Center, Saturday, **Dec.** 10, 4 and 8 p.m. Elle Woods, is ready to prove who's in charge (again) in this ultimate Broadway tribute to girl power, on the LIU Post campus, 720 Northern Boulevard, Brookville. Based on the beloved movie, the musical follows Elle's transformation as she tackles stereotypes, sexism, snobbery and scandal in pursuit of her dreams, and proves

that you can be both 'legally blonde' and the smartest person in the room. Tickets are \$89, \$69, \$59, \$49; available at TillesCenter.org or (516) 299-3100.



On stage

Plaza Theatrical continues its season with "Grumpy Old Men: The Musical," Thursday, Dec. 1, 2 p.m; Friday, Dec. 2, 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, **Dec. 3**, 2:30 and 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, Dec. 4, 2:30 p.m. Based on the beloved 1993 film, which starred Jack Lemmon, Walter Matthau and Ann-Margret, this stage adaptation captures the lovably crotchety characters through twinkling humor, great songs, and the affectionate depiction of a small town that feels like home to everyone. It's performed at Plaza's stage at the Elmont Library Theatre, 700 Hempstead Tpke., Elmont. \$49, \$45 seniors. Elmont. For tickets, call (516) 599-6870 or visit PlazaTheatrical.com.

Deck the halls

Celebrate the season as Planting Fields Arboretum kicks off the holiday season with a cocktail party, Saturday, **Dec. 3**, 6:30 to 9 p.m., 1395 Planting Fields Rd., Oyster Bay. Purchase tickets online at PlantingFields.org. For more information, call (516) 922-9210.



Artist/Craft Fair

Head to St. Luke's Episcopal Church, for a holiday crafts fair on Saturday, **Dec. 3**, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at 253 Glen Ave. in Sea Cliff, There will be a raffle with the grand prize of three days and two nights at the Cobble Mountain Lodge in Lake Placid, as well as a Gingerbread House decorating station for children. All proceeds to benefit children in Ukraine in need of medical assistance. For more information email kkallaur@ gmail.com.

Annual Winter Concert



The Friends of the Gold Coast Library invite any and all to their **Annual Winter**

Concert featuring the Island Winds Ensemble on Sunday, Dec. 4 at 2 p.m. at American Legion Post 336, located at 190 Glen Head Road in Glen Head. The ensemble, comprised of 12 musicians, perform light classics and popular music while refreshments are served. To register and for more information go to GoldCoastLibrary.org or call (516) 759-8300.

All aboard for **Grand Central**

LIRR arrives at Grand Central later this year

- 8 new tracks for LIRR
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Holiday fun

Visit the streets of 19th century London during the darkest days of the year, in this adaption of the classic "A Christmas Carol," with the Experiential Theater Company, Thursday and Friday, **Dec. 1,-2** 10:15 a.m and noon; Saturday, Dec. 3, 2 p.m.; Sunday, **Dec. 4**, 2 p.m.; Wednesday, **Dec. 7,** 10:15 a.m. and noon, on the Long Island Children's Museum stage. Meet the Cratchit family, Mr. Scrooge, and the ghosts of past, present and future in this interactive show that weaves together music, humor, puppetry and collaboration. Celebrate the change of seasons through this beloved literary tale. Long Island Children's Museum, Museum Row, Garden City. (516) 224-5800 or LICM.org.

Having an event?

40 School Street, Glen Cove

Items on The Scene page are listed free of charge. The Herald welcomes listings of upcoming events, community meetings

and items of public interest. All submissions should include date,

number. Submissions can be emailed to the scene@liherald.com.

time and location of the event, cost, and a contact name and phone

Take and Make Gingerbread Memory

Families can make a holiday memory book, Monday, **Dec. 5**, 9:30 a.m., at Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 East Main St., Oyster Bay. Kids ages 3-5 can make a gingerbread memory box to store holiday memories. Registration required. For more information, contact Stacey Kaloudis at (516) 922-1212 or skaloudis@oysterbaylibrary.org.



Holiday Artisans Marketplace

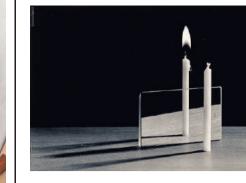


Deep Roots Farmers Market and Glen Cove Downtown BID have

present a Holiday Artisans' Marketplace, Saturday, **Dec. 3**, 12:30-5 p.m., at 100 Village Square in Glen Cove .More than 15 local artists will offer hand-made items including jewelry, pottery, textiles and more. For more information visit glencovetown.org or call (516) 318-5487



Get ready for Hanukkah by learning all about dreidels, at Long Island Children's Museum, Saturday, **Dec. 3**, 1-3 p.m. Discover the game's history and rules, and decorate your own dreidel to take home, at the drop-in program. Visit the museum on Museum Row, Garden City. (516) 224-5800 or LICM.org.



On exhibit

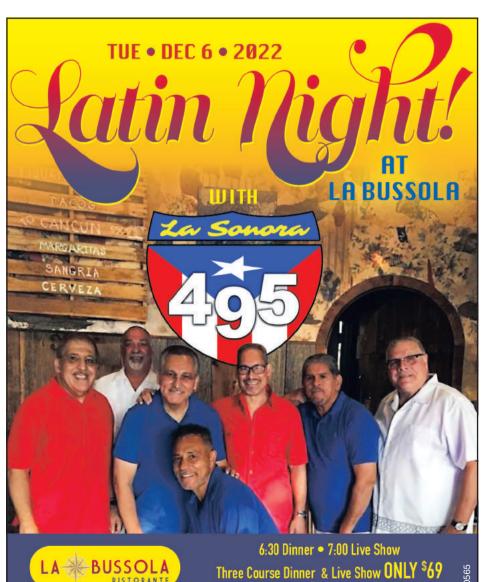
Photography's ascent in the art world is an international phenomenon. Nassau County Museum of Art's star-studded exhibition spans the historical roots of the medium. View works by Ansel Adams and his generation and the thrilling, large-format

color works of such contemporary masters as Cindy Sherman, Thomas Struth, James Casebere and Gregory Crewdson, among others. From the documentary to the painterly, images bear witness to the times. On view through March 5. Nassau County Museum of Art, 1 Museum Drive, Roslyn Harbor. (516) 484-9337 or NassauMuseum.org.



Matinee time

Join crafty Jack Frost on a magical, musical winter adventure, in Plaza Theatrical's production of "Jack Frost," Saturday, **Dec. 3**, 11 a.m. Also Dec. 17. The story, narrated by a groundhog name Pardon-Me-Pete, tells us about the immortal winter sprite, who falls in love with a human girl named Elisa after rescuing her. Tickets are \$15. Bring the kids to the Plaza stage at the Elmont Library Theatre, 700 Hempstead Tpke., Elmont. For tickets, call (516) 599-6870 or visit PlazaTheatrical.com.



Limited Seating Call For Reservations 516.671.2100



OBITUARIES

Joseph J. Rizzo

Joseph J. Rizzo, 92, of Glen Cove, died on Nov. 28. He was a retired detective of Nassau County Police Department. Beloved father of Philip Wayne (Rosa),



Joseph J. Rizzo

Debbie Galante (Vinny), Chery 1 Heffernan (Patrick), Glenn (Marion), Karen Gaudio (Louie) and the late Joseph. Loving brother of Carol Monahan. Proud grandfather of 14 and special greatgrandfather of 11.

Visiting at Dodge-

Thomas Funeral Home in Glen Cove on Friday from 2:30-4:30 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Mass at the Church of St. Rocco on Saturday at 10 a.m. Interment East Hillside Cemetery.

Jose Israel Mejia

Jose Israel Mejia, 58, of Glen Cove, died on Nov. 27, 2022. Beloved father to Jaime, Claudia, Jakelyn, and Josue. Also survived by many loving relatives and

Visiting Oyster Bay Funeral Home, 261 South St., Oyster Bay, Friday 4-8 p.m. Funeral Mass St. Patrick RC Church, Glen Cove, on Saturday, 9 a.m. Interment East Hillside Cemetery.

Joan Lupinski

Joan Lupinski, 86, of Glen Cove, died on Nov. 14, 2022. Beloved wife of Lt. Stanlev Lupinski of the GCPD. Loving mother of Kim Sinder and Steven (Buffy). Dear sister of Joseph Young. Proud grandmother of Hailey Kennedy, Mia Lupinski and Abby Lupinski. Arrangements entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home of Glen Cove

Maria Abbondandolo

Maria Abbondandolo, 75, of Glen Cove, died on Nov. 19, 2022. Beloved wife of Tony. Loving mother of Joe and Lorella Halquest (Eric). Dear sister of Nina, Rocco Cangero (Palmira) and Michelle (Tony). Proud grandmother of Jake, Gavin and Juliana Halquest. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Marie A. McCarrol

Marie A. McCarrol, 100, of Glen Cove, died on Nov. 20, 2022. Beloved wife of the late James. Loving mother of Joanne, Ralph, Kathleen (Robert), Patricia (Carl) and Linda (Robert) Proud grandmother of 10. Great-grandmother of 10. Marie worked in the Glen Cove School system for over 30 years.

Ella S. Dyer

Ella S. Dyer, 100, of Glen Cove, died on Nov. 22, 2022. Mother of Willoughby Lee Sharp, Kevin Dyer & the late Edward Sharp. Grandmother of Andrea Johnson, Teri Parham, Sharon Johnson, Derrick Dyer, Edward J., Kelly Penson & Kimmy. Great Grandmother of 8.

Paul Brown

Paul Brown, 78, of Glen Cove, died on Nov. 22. Beloved life partner of Dolores Waller. Loving father of Sancho, Carlos, Paul Jr., Mikie and Iregna. Dear brother of Ora, Mary, the late Willie T., Robert Ray and Sherman. A host of loving grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Paul was an R&B and Jazz musician. He played the piano, drums, and bass guitar. He also enjoyed fishing and going to the casino. Paul was mechanically inclined and was a jack of all trades.

Patricia Giunta

Patricia Giunta, 79, of Glen Cove, died on Nov. 25, 2022. Beloved sister of Joan Napoli, Joseph and Dorothy Campbell (William). Also survived by 4 loving nieces.

Daniele Filippone

Daniele Filippone, 75, of Glen Cove, died on Nov. 27. Beloved husband of Nicolina. Loving father of Carmela (Vincent DiMaggio) and Joanna (Roland Cabo). Dear brother of Angelina (John Cicchetti) and Aida (Enrico DeAngelis). Fond brother-in-law of the late Pasquale Malzone (Giacomina), Raffaella Del Vecchio (Gianni) and Giuseppe Malzone (Maria). Proud grandfather of Victoria, Nicole and Roland. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

In memorandum

Maryann Palmirotto, of Glen Cove, died on Nov. 16, 2021. Devoted mother of Sharon (Eric) Semke, Diane (Craig) Boyajian and Lori Palmirotto. Predeceased by her parents James and Mary Saraceni and her brother Frank. Beloved grandmother of Justin (Stacev). Rvan (Emma), Paige (Dean) and Spencer (Lisette); great-grandmother of Hayley and Devyn. Dear aunt of James and Robin. Maryann is survived by many adoring cousins and friends. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

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14 HERALD PUBLIC NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE TO BIDDERS Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for the following projects will be received by the Purchasing Agent of the City of Glen Cove, located at City Hall, rear entrance, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, New York no later than 10:00 a.m. prevailing Wednesday, time December 21, 2022 at which time they will be opened and read aloud at 11:00 a.m.: Extermination Pest

Services Bid No. 2022-018 Specifications are available for download at https://www.bidnetdirect. com/new-

york/cityofglencove. Registration is free and instructions are available

https://glencoveny.gov/bi

d-rfps/ d-rfps/ A walkthrough will take place on December 6, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. A second walkthrough date will be held on December 13, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. The second walkthrough date will be serve as an alternate date for those unable to make the first date. All interested parties MUST RSVP to parties MUSI RSVP to purchasing@glencoveny.g ov by DECEMBER 2, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. Please include your company name, name(s) of people attending, and the walkthrough date that you will be attending.
The opening of both bids

will take place on Microsoft Teams via the following link: https://teams.microsoft.co

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If you cannot join online, you can call into this meeting by calling 1 (929) 229-5717 and entering the conference ID No. 868 418 122#.

Each proposal must be submitted on the forms the provided package, in a sealed envelope with the name of the bidder, the bid and number name, marked clearly on the outside of the envelope.

Yelena Quiles Purchasing Agent City of Glen Cove November 28, 2022 135734

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF SI DISTRICT MEETING SPECIAL OF THE CITY SCHOOL
DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF GLEN COVE, IN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, NEW YORK,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Education of the City School District of the City of Glen Cove, in the County of Nassau, New

York, adopted on October 12, 2022, a Special District Meeting of the qualified voters of said District will be held on Tuesday, December 6, 2022 from 6:00 o'clock A.M. to 9:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) at the following places: School Election Districts Location of Polling Place

High School, Dosoris Lane - Back Gym (door #13)

Connolly School, Ridge Drive - Back Gym, for the purpose of voting upon the following Bond Proposition BOND PROPOSITION SHALL THE BOND RESOLUTION OF THE CITY BOND SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE
CITY OF GLEN COVE
ADOPTED BY THE BOARD
OF EDUCATION ON 12, 2022, "BOND OCTOBER ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE CITY
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF GLEN COVE, NEW YORK, ADOPTED OCTOBER 12, 2022, AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION ALTERATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO DISTRICT BUILDINGS AND SITES AT THE ESTIMATED
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shall appear on the ballots to be used for voting at said Special District Meeting to be held on Tues December 6, 2022 substantially Tuesday, 2022 in foregoing form. The voting at said Special District Meeting to be held on Tuesday, December 6, 2022 will be conducted by ballot as provided in the Education Law and the polls will remain open from 6:00 o'clock A.M. to 9:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing

Time) and as much longer

as may be necessary to enable the voters then

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to cast their present hallots FURTHER NOTICE HEREBY GIVEN that the qualified voters of the District may register for the Special District the Special District Meeting to be held on Tuesday, December 6, 2022 on any school day between the hours of 9:00 o'clock A.M. and o'clock (Prevailing Time) in the main office of each of the school buildings of the District and in the office of the District Clerk in the Administration Building during the school year. The final date to register for the Special District Meeting to be held on

December

November 22, 2022 from 9:00 o'clock A.M. and

Tuesday,

Tuesday,

(Prevailing (personal day). registration If a voter has heretofore registered pursuant to the resolution the Board of the Board of Education, and has voted at any Annual School District Election and Budget Vote or special district meetings within the last four (4) years or if he or she is eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law, he or she is also eligible to vote at this Special District Meeting. All other persons who wish to vote must register. Any person will be entitled to have his or her name placed on such register, provided that he or she is known or proven to the satisfaction of the District Clerk, and the Board of Registration to be then or thereafter entitled to vote at such Special Distract Meeting for which the register is prepared and that the register prepared pursuant to Education Law and the registration list prepared by the Board of Elections of Nassau County will be filed in the Office of the District Clerk of the Glen Cove School District, in the Administration Building Office, 154 Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove, New York, and will be open for be open by voter of inspection voter of strict between hours of 9.00 qualified hours of 9:00 o'clock A.M. and 3:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time), on after and Tuesday, November 22, 2022, and each of the days prior to the date set for the Special District Meeting, except Saturday and Sunday, including the day set for the Special District Meeting. otherwise Any person qualified to vote who is not currently registered permanent nersonal registration in the District by the last date found on the original or duplicate registers, or records, or list furnished by the Nassau County Boards of Elections, and has not voted at an intervening election, must, in order to be entitled to vote present himself or herself personally for registration or otherwise register with

the Nassau County Board of Elections. AND FURTHER NOTICE IS GIVEN that applications for absentee ballots for the Special District Meeting may be applied for at the Office of the District Clerk at the Administration Building, 154 Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove, New York, between the hours of 9:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) on any school day. Applications for absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk no earlier than thirty (30) days before the election. However, application must

received by the District

days before the Special District Meeting if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the Special District Meeting if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Upon receiving a timely request for a mailed absentee hallot the District Clerk will mail the ballot to the address set forth in the application by no later than six (6) days before the vote. No absentee voter's ballot shall be canvassed unless it is received in the office of the District Clerk of the the District Clerk of the said School District no later than 5:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) on the date of the Special District Meeting. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been irrude will be have been issued will be available during regular office hours in the Office of the District Clerk on each of the five (5) days prior to the day of the Special District Meeting. AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that military voters who are not currently registered may apply to register as a qualified voter of the District. Military voters who are qualified voters of the District may submit an application for a military ballot. Military voters may designate a preference to receive a military voter registration, military ballot application or military ballot by mail, facsimile transmission or electronic mail request for in their such registration, ballot or hallot. application Military voter registration forms and military ballot application forms must be received in the Office of the District Clerk no later than 5:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) on November 21, 2022. No military ballot canvassed unless it is (1) received in the Office of the District Clerk before the close of the polls on day of the Special District Meeting and showing a cancellation mark of the postal foreign States service or a country's postal service, or showing a dated endorsement of receipt by another agency of government: received by the Office of the District Clerk by no later than 5:00 o'clock

P.M. (Prevailing Time) on day of the Special District Meeting and signed and dated by the military voter and one witness thereto, with a date which is associated to be no later than the day before the day of the Special District Meeting. Information regarding the election districts are set forth on the District's

www.glencoveschools.or

Ă person shall be entitled to vote at said Special District Meeting only if such person is a qualified

CRIME WATCH

Car thefts on the rise in city and county

A 33-year-old man was arrested for allegedly stealing a motor vehicle on Brewster Street in Glen Cove on Nov. 26. During the investigation, detectives Brian Glennon and Christopher Paolillo determined the vehicle was stolen from the Subaru used car lot on Town Path Extension on Nov 25

Kyle Simpson was charged with grand larceny fourth degree, criminal possession of stolen property fourth degree, criminal possession of a controlled substance seventh degree and aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle second degree. He was also charged with a Nassau County arrest warrant for petit larceny.

Det. Lt. John Nagle stated that throughout 2022 the rate of car thefts has increased across New York state and that suburbs and counties like Nassau and Suffolk are not immune to the surge. In Glen Cove, the rate of stolen vehicles quadrupled from 2021 to 2022.

"Many of these car thefts have occurred when the car was left unlocked with the key fob inside the vehicle,' Nagle said. "Residents are strongly urged to lock their vehicles and to always remove the key fob when parking the vehicle."

Simpson was arraigned on Nov. 27 in first District Court in Hempstead and released without bail.

Arrests

- A 45-year-old undomiciled male was arrested on Nov. 23 for criminal mischief and criminal trespass third degree on Glen Street
- A 68-year-old Glen Cove male was arrested on Nov. 25 for criminal possession of stolen property third degree and grand larceny third degree on Brewster
- A 26-year-old Glen Cove male was arrested on Nov. 26 for criminal contempt first degree and harassment second degree on Carney Street.

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.

PUBLIC NOTICES

BY THE ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION Dated: October 12, 2022 Teresa Scaturro Interim District Clerk 134844

Search for notices online at: www.newyorkpublicnotices.com

LEGAL NOTICE CITY OF GLEN COVE CITY OF GLEN COVE PLANNING BOARD PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a PUBLIC HEARING will be held by the City of Glen Cove Planning Board on Tuesday, December 6, 2022, at 7:30 p.m., at the Council Chambers, City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, New York, when all interested persons will be given an opportunity to express their views.

The hearing will be on the Application of Tocolo Cantina Glen Cove, LLC,

seeking a Special Permit and Site Use Plan Approval to operate a restaurant with proposed outdoor seating currently vacant approximate 4,500 square foot space located within the existing mixeduse development located at 100 Village Square, Suite 120 Unit B, Glen

Cove, NY, designated on the Nassau County Land & Tax Map as Sections 31, Block 85 Lot 40 and located in the city's B-1 Central Commercial District and CBD Overlay

The above application is on file at the city offices located at 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, NY where it may be seen during regular business hours of the usual business days until the time of the hearing.

Dated: October 26, 2022

ANDREW KAUFMAN Chairman

GLEN COVE PLANNING BOARD 135735

To Place A Notice Call 516-569-4000 x232

LEGAL NOTICE CITY OF GLEN COVE PLANNING BOARD PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a PUBLIC HEARING will be held by the City of Glen Cove Planning Board on Tuesday, December 6, 2022, at 7:30 p.m., at the Council Chambers, City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, New York, when all interested persons will be given an opportunity to express their views. The hearing will be on the Application of Café - NY

044, Inc. seeking a Special Use Permit and Site Plan Approval to operate Tropical Smoothie Café take-out restaurant in a currently space mixed vacant within located development located at 100 Village Square, Suite 140, Glen Cove, NY, designated on the Nassau County Land & Tax Map as Sections 31. Block 85

Lot 40 and located in the city's B-1 Central Commercial District and Overlay Business District

The above application is on file at the city offices located at 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, NY where it may be seen during regular business hours of the usual business days until the time of the

hearing. Dated: October 26, 2022 ANDREW KAUFMAN Chairman GLEN COVE PLANNING

ROARD 135726

LEGAL NOTICE DISH Wireless L.L.C. is proposing to install new wireless

telecommunications antennas on a water tank located at E Leech and N Leech Circle, Glen Cove, Nassau County, NY. The new facility will consist of collocating antennas at a centerline height of 157ft 2in above ground level on the 168ft water tank. Any interested party wishing submit comments regarding the potential effects the proposed facility may have on any historic property may do so by sending such comments to: Project 6122005197- MAB EBI Consulting, 21 B Street, Burlington, MA 01803, or at (617) 909-9035

NOTICE OF FILING OF THE REGISTERS FOR THE

SPECIAL DISTRICT
MEETING TO BE HELD ON DECEMBER 6, 2022, IN THE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF GLEN COVE, NASSAU COUNTY, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Registers prepared as provided in Section 2606 of the Education Law will be completed on Tuesday, November 22, 2022 and thereafter filed in the Office of the District Clerk and notice is hereby given that said Registers will continue to be on file at the Office of the District Clerk. Administration Building, 154 Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove, New York, and will be open for inspection between the hours of 9:00 o'clock A.M. and 3:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) on day prior y, December each Tuesday, December 6, 2022, the date of the Special District Meeting, except Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, including the day set for the Special District Meeting.
BY ORDER OF T
BOARD OF EDUCATION Dated: October 12, 2022

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HERALD EDITORIAL

Vote 'yes' on Glen Cove's school bond

oters find themselves with the opportunity to decide the future of school facilities on their Dec. 6 ballots.

That future, however, comes at a cost — one of \$30.6 million, paid through a bond. That might seem like a lot of money for a community like Glen Cove, but consider how such a bond would end the district's long-time practice of making "patch" repairs, all while ensuring all six schools are brought up to 21st century standards.

These are buildings — ranging in age between 70 and 110 — in desperate need of repair, filled with students who could use additional resources for development and safety.

Conditions at Glen Cove High School observed by a Herald reporter in recent months are appalling. Ceiling tiles and bathroom mirrors had fallen. Lab tables haven't been upgraded since the Kennedy administration.

The needs of the school go beyond simple maintenance and repairs. There are some places that need attention right now, like science rooms, the cafeteria and kitchen, corridors, and exterior doors. Bathrooms still need to be updated to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. A court-

yard curtain wall needs to be replaced. Heating and cooling systems must be rebuilt. And let's not get started with tennis and basketball courts — and the ways to get to them — which should always be a point of pride for students.

Some windows don't shut, and the cafeteria can't serve students in wheelchairs — or, really, even students on crutches.

Approving this bond means elevators can be installed at Deasy Elementary School, along with a solid investment in athletic fields and facilities used by everyone in the entire community when not used by students.

Voting "yes" to the bond would fund the most extensive infrastructure improvements in decades for the 3,800 students learning from kindergarten through 12th grade. The projects will be financed over a 15-year period to align with state aid reimbursement.

Yes, \$30.6 million may seem daunting. But taxpayers can expect miniscule impact to what they'll have to pay in, as such increases will be phased in over a two- to three-year period. Based on the finance plan, the monthly tax rate impact will be approximately a little more than 2 cents for every \$1,000 of a home's assessed value. Own a

\$600,000 home? Your tax bill will go up a mere \$12.50 per month.

The bond also pays for safety in the classroom — allowing you to have peace of mind. Expect new interior classroom doors with auto-locking hardware, and the same technology on exterior doors, where needed. It's a first line of defense against mass shootings which have become far too frequent in recent years.

In fact, school districts nationwide have upgraded buildings to eliminate blind spots and design failings.

Unsafe school conditions present a very real health threat to students and faculty alike. Every student deserves a safe environment to develop their love for learning.

Voters would do right by these students with a thumbs up to the bond referendum next Tuesday. It will create schools we all want our kids to attend, and give them a true place where they can graduate with pride.

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Voters hold the power to help district leaders bring sweeping changes to Glen Cove schools. And on Tuesday, Dec. 6, they should cast their vote and show how that power can be used for good.

LETTERS

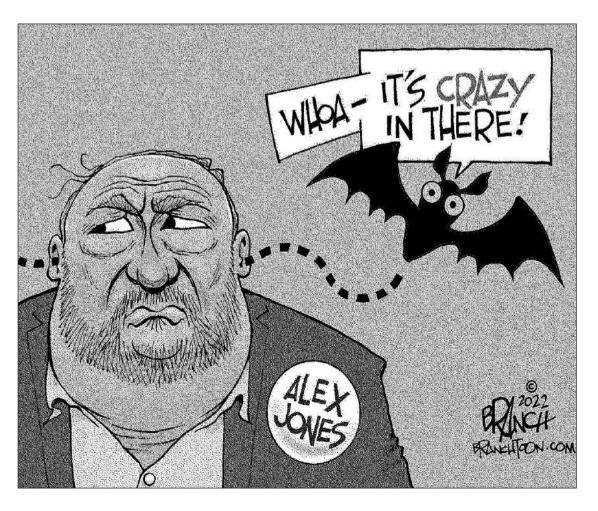
Give students what they deserve

To the Editor:

Passage of the bond on Dec. 6 will put state-of-the-art doors and remote-automatic locking mechanisms on all classroom and office doors in all of our school buildings. We must do whatever we can to protect our students and those we entrust our children with every school day against the unthinkable, as the unthinkable is happening all too often today.

Passage of this bond will also replace our high school's old science labs with state-of-the-art labs that our high school students need to conduct advanced science research and compete on a level playing field with students across Long Island and the country.

Voting 'yes' on this bond will bring our high school into compliance with ADA requirements. This is not only an obligation for our school district. It's the right thing to do so that all of our students have equal access to school facilities.



OPINIONS

'Energy efficient' may become a contradiction in terms

n Albany, a

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plan to gut the

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our electricity.

earings are getting under way on a proposal to socialize energy on Long Island. It would make the Long Island Power Authority the region's sole entity responsible for keeping our lights on. Its structure would replicate virtually every government agency, bureau or department that you have cursed as inept, incompetent or indifferent.



RONALD J. ROSENBERG

The hearings, by a special commission, are the result of legislation signed into law by Gov. Kathy Hochul. It directs the review of a plan to convert the existing public-private partnership that manages our electrical grid to one that would, in essence, make the

governor ultimately responsible for its operation and maintenance.

To set the stage for these hearings, you need to understand that LIPA currently owns most of the Long Island electrical grid, including the bulk of our power plants. It has an incentive contract with PSEG Long Island, which actually runs the system. If PSEG does well and hits certain performance criteria, it is financially compensated. If it fails, it will take a financial bath. This is the essence of why capitalism

is always better, and why it provides for more-efficient creation and distribution of goods and services than any governmentcontrolled or socialized economy.

What is instructive about this forced march to complete government control is

that these hearings were mandated by law to be held by the end of September, but are just beginning now. The government commission couldn't even get its act together to hold them on time. Good thing it isn't responsible for directing our electrical future.

Oh. wait. It is.

James Hanley, a fellow with the Empire Center for Public Policy, is a seasoned observer of Albany's politi-

cal stinkpot, "It's hard to predict what will come of this proposal," Hanley has written. "Public power (left wing) advocates clearly want to eliminate any role for a private utility in operating LIPA's grid. They don't have any evidence that LIPA could improve upon PSEG's management; they seem to think the word 'public' is a magical incantation that will make everything better."

In truth, it makes everything worse. An example? Which delivery service is more reliable, the government controlled U.S. mail, or the privately owned Federal Express? The answer is obvious.

Hanley has identified the ideological underpinnings of this power grab. It has little to do with the efficiency, innovation and accountability demanded of PSEG Long Island under a strict don't-screw-up contract with LIPA. Rather, it is about a

progressive agenda of growing government whenever it can, assuming authority over infrastructure that it has no competence running and operating costs it has no interest in cutting.

What makes this power play particularly toxic is that LIPA had been tasked with running the grid before. It failed, miserably, when Superstorm Sandy came ashore a decade ago. As a result, then Gov. Andrew

Cuomo required LIPA to engage private industry in running the grid, and to use financial incentives and penalties that are employed in the real world. Having had such a raving success with cashless bail, today's progressive powerbrokers seem quite content to ignore those lessons, and now seek the keys to the power grid.

How would that work? For starters, the people currently working for PSEG would probably be asked to transfer their skills and expertise to LIPA, a government entity. As LIPA employees, they would be given salaries, benefits and pensions that you and I would pay for. The LIPA management structure would balloon with executives making six-figure salaries. There would be no financial incentives for any of them to work smarter, better, more efficiently.

Compare that with a recent J.D. Power survey that found dissatisfaction with PSEG Long Island among businesses on the Island. That could mean a financial hit for the utility management company, because its compensation is directly tied to customer opinions of its performance. Were LIPA in charge, and faced with such a report, its response would undoubtedly be "Feh." for there would be no accountability under a socialized structure. That would be good news for those who feast on political patronage, because one suspects someone's brother-in-law would be in charge of consumer complaints.

We can assume that it will be Hochul's decision as to whether Long Island's power goes progressive. She needs to, but probably doesn't, appreciate, or care, that if that's the future of LIPA, her office number will be on speed dial for 2.7 million Long Islanders the next time a hurricane takes down the grid. And if last month's elections proved anything, it's that those LIPA customers vote.

Ronald J. Rosenberg has been an attorney for 42 years, concentrating in commercial litigation and transactions, and real estate, municipal, zoning and land use law. He founded the Garden City law firm Rosenberg Calica & Birney in 1999.

Approval of this bond will give our high school — the centerpiece of our school district — an athletic playing field, tennis and handball courts that speak to the quality of our programs and the athletic excellence of our sports teams, and put us on par with surrounding school districts and districts across the island. Our students and our community deserve nothing less!

I implore you not to listen to those who are spreading misinformation about the bond or any of its components. They don't care about the education or the safety of our children, or the quality of our community. Make your voice heard and vote for our children's safety, for their education and for the Glen Cove community.

> SHANNON VULIN Glen Cove

Stop the naysayers from hurting our kids

We were amazed by the letter from

Richard Smith in last week's Herald. He is horrified by the proposal to install artificial turf? Strange, because every neighboring district — in fact, almost all public and private schools in Nassau County — have artificial turf on their fields. Some have had it for years. Furthermore, there is no medical evidence whatsoever linking these fields to cancer. In fact, there is no difference in the cancer incidences of athletes who play on turf and those who play on grass.

We are the grandmothers of six children in our public schools. We suggest that every voter look at the bond proposals. Every one is designed to either ensure the safety and security of our children or to update our facilities to bring us into the 21st century.

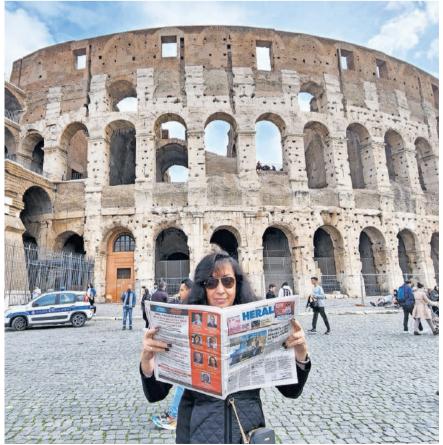
Don't allow the naysayers in our community to hijack our children's education and put their health and safety at

> BARBARA DUBIN RONNIE LAVINE Glen Cove

risk with their hateful rhetoric.

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In a season of crowded stadiums, a moment to appreciate where it all began - Rome

OPINIONS

The challenges for the Long Island Four

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nce upon a time, there was a group known as the Long Island Nine. They were the nine Republican state senators who wielded enormous power in Albany. We now have a new group of seven Republican senators, but the spotlight is shifting to a new Long Island Four: the newly elected Republi-



JERRY KREMER

can members of Congress, who will have enormous influence due to the fact that the Republicans in the House of Representatives will be governing with such a small margin.

The Long Island Four are Representatives Andrew Garbari-

no, Anthony D'Esposito, George Santos and Nick LaLota. On almost any issue where a critical vote is needed, those four must support the needs of the leadership, and that's where the headaches begin. Sometimes what your leadership wants could be a vote that would do enormous damage back at home. I know from personal experience as a state legislator that bucking the leaders isn't

easy, but you aren't elected just to do what the bosses want.

Santos was the first of the four to make a public statement about the House's mission in 2023. He made it clear that he was "not interested in a

Congress that spent all of its time investigating the enemy," and wanted to be a part of productive actions. Santos and his colleagues will be tested very early in the new session, when the far-right wing proposes the impeachment of President Biden and investigations into the business activities of his son Hunter.

The next test will be whether to shut down the federal government to

appease a group that would like to cut back on entitlements such as Medicare and Social Security. That will be followed by resolutions to strip certain Democrats of their committee assignments to get even for last year's actions against Congresswoman Mariorie Taylor Greene of Georgia. I could go on, but that's just a taste of what is likely to happen early on in their tenure.

Most Long Island voters are just like any other rational voters. They want government to work, and are generally

tired of partisan bickering. Inflation is an issue that hurts voters of all parties, and Congress must be prepared to take action that will heal our economy. Last month's election taught Washington politicians that there is overwhelming sup-

> port for a woman's right, in consultation with her doctor to decide whether she should have an abortion. Women in the four local congressional districts expect their voices to be heard, and that promises to be another dilemma for the Long Island Four.

> To add to these new members' potential political challenges is the fact that most of them received substantial funding from

the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee. Without that money, a couple of them might never have made it to Washington. How do you vote on an issue that hurts your district but is a priority of the party leadership? That headache reminds me of the old Tip O'Neill reminder that "all politics is local."

Of course, there's a positive side to being a member of the majority. With the backing of your party leaders, you can get grants for programs and projects that will make the voters happy. You also get sufficient staff to be able to handle the thousands of requests for help from your constituents. One of the crucial things that help candidates get reelected is good constituent service. There are numerous cases of members of Congress losing their seats because they ignored the day-to-day demands of their voters.

Representing our suburban congressional districts shapes up as an enormous challenge. Long Island is a very informed and progressive region. There are no secrets about how our representatives vote on contentious issues, and bad votes will be part of the debate when they seek re-election. Local voters have many issues they care about at the federal level, and they won't be bashful about demanding action. As one who served almost a lifetime in public office, I wish the Long Island Four the best of luck as they embark on their new challenge. They will need a lot more than luck to stay in office.

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Being vulnerable, a new holiday ritual

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an we settle in and be real? No. not everyone is having a better time than you. No, you aren't the only one who wishes you'd passed on the second slice of coconut custard pie. Yes, we've said it before, but that doesn't make it any less true: Families coming together for holidays are a movable feast of food and



RANDI **KREISS**

family history, old gripes and edgy new connections. And, yes, the coronavirus pandemic and political fractiousness will take seats at our tables this vear.

So give yourself a break. With Thanksgiving just behind us and this month's

Hanukkah/Christmas/New Year's Eve trifecta ahead, we need to treat ourselves with care. We've all been through a meat grinder. It's OK if the fruitcake isn't homemade. It's fine if the gift-giving isn't a whirlwind of gimme-gimme-

To strike a vulnerable note myself, these ideas didn't come to me just like that. Lately I have been watching and reading Brené Brown, the MSW and

Ph.D. researcher-scientist who's a professor at the Universities of Texas and Houston. She says she has studied courage, vulnerability, shame and empathy for the past few decades. She says she is a storyteller. She has a Netflix docu-

mentary out, several books that hit bestseller lists and podcasts galore. She has a unique style propelled by wit and infused with intelligence. She tells us we need to be vulnerable. She tells us that when we're willing to be vulnerable, we connect with people in more genuine ways.

"I believe that you must family gathering. walk through vulnerability to get to courage, therefore ... embrace the suck." Brown says. "I try to be grateful every day, and my motto right now is 'courage over comfort."

Vulnerability might look like sharing something about yourself you might tend to hold back, or telling somebody they have hurt you in some way, or stepping out of your comfort zone to try some new adventure or job or social group. Brown talks a lot about vulnerability, and how it makes us so much more approachable.

She's an influencer who has the creds to influence, unlike so many wan-

nabes. So smart, so funny and so authentic. I identified with her immediately when she told a story of her daughter going to a prom. Her date picks her up in his pickup truck. The girl is dazzled; the guy is strutting. All

> Brown can think is, "They're going to crash." I get that. She was willing to share that tendency to catastrophize, which as a mother, I own.

I know it all sounds like stuff we know, but try her podcast or her Netflix documentary and see for your-

I brought all my newfound wisdom (not that much) to the Thanksgiving table, and now call on myself to be vulnerable

and tell you most of the truth of my own holiday experience with the whole family.

The mélange included kids, grandkids (all teens), ex-wives, new partners. airplane travel, car trips, weather, secrets, trying to squeeze 75 years of life lessons into words of wisdom for the grandkids, not because I should or because they want to hear it but because that is who I am. I need to teach, to hope that my words land in fertile ground and set roots, so my family can learn from my experience.

So. to be more vulnerable, I shared some truths with my daughter I haven't thought to mention in 45 years. I initiated a few risky talks with my son. I told stories on myself to the teenage grandkids, not the usual morality tales I proffer but the real stuff, the dumb stuff, the mistakes that I was lucky to survive. I told them I pretty much stayed within my own no-risk zone all my life, and I know I should have stepped out, and I hope I still may.

This isn't a recipe, but I noticed that when I opened up a bit with an honest personal story, so did others. Not everyone, but the teenagers did let a crack of light into the mysterious interior of their adolescent lives.

It feels like a challenge with a big payoff. I'm going to keep reading Brené Brown. I'm pushing myself, and it feels

Try it for Hanukkah and Christmas and New Year's. Talk to strangers at the party. Invite someone for dinner. Actually go to the shelter to deliver food. Find a way to find warmth after this long winter apart.

The best of times and the most challenging times lie in the holiday weeks ahead.

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Vote 'yes' on Dec. 6

To the Editor:

Do not listen to the misinformation and fake news being promulgated by a few uncaring, dishonest individuals. Vote 'yes' on Dec. 6 for the Glen Cove City School District's bond referendum.

Passage of this bond will equip all classroom, office and other corridor doors in all our school buildings with state-of-the-art doors and remote-automatic locking mechanisms. This is critically important. In 2019, there were 24 school shootings that resulted in injuries or deaths. In 2022, that number has almost doubled to 46, and the year is not over yet. Across the country in 2022, there have been over 600 mass shootings. How can we not do everything we can to protect our children?

This bond will also upgrade our 50-plusyear-old high school science labs, bring our high school into compliance with ADA regulations, install a new HVAC system in the high school to ensure the health of our students, and provide our high school campus with sports facilities that will put us on par with surrounding communities and increase community use of those facilities, all this done for \$12.50 per month for the average homeowner in Glen Cove. How do we not pass this bond overwhelmingly?

I have a special affection for the Glen Cove School District and community. I was a principal for 13 years and an assistant superintendent for 10 years in the district, and I graduated from it as well. I raised my

family in Glen Cove, and my children all graduated from Glen Cove High School.

There are those in our community who are saying none of this is necessary, or that we can do everything that is proposed in this bond without the bond. They are either misinformed, or know the facts and are intentionally spreading misinformation. They say our district is financially mismanaged. Moody's does not give a school district that is financially mismanaged an AA rating. Glen Cove Schools are rated AA by Moody's.

These same unscrupulous individuals claim that this bond is about creating "palaces." New science labs, ADA-compliant bathrooms and cafeteria, and doors and locks recommended by the Department of Homeland Security are not creating palaces.

One of these individuals submitted a letter to the editor last week claiming that synthetic-turf fields are dangerous and that districts across Long Island are removing them. All of this is false, and this individual knows it, which is why he offered no credible evidence to support his claims. In fact, districts and towns across Long Island, such as Valley Stream Central, Massapequa, Hicksville, Farmingdale, William Floyd, and the towns of Oyster Bay and North Hempstead, all have turf fields. Almost all proposed athletic field renovations in school districts across Long Island are for turf fields. Fourteen of the NFL's 30 stadiums have turf fields. But these people don't want vou to know any of that, and don't want you to know exactly what is in the bond, which is why they

say nothing about the specific projects that are proposed. They just feed you misinformation and distort the truth

This bond is about essentials for the district. Nothing more. Keeping our children safe is essential. Providing all students with equal access to school building facilities is essential. Providing upgraded athletic facilities that will reduce annual maintenance costs and provide increased opportunities for community usage is essential. Vote 'yes' on Dec. 6.

> MICHAEL ISRAEL Glen Cove

The bond is for our children's future

To the Editor:

My life is kids — my own and the children of the Glen Cove community. Those of you who know me know that I have devoted my life to the well-being and care of our community's vouth through my work at the Glen Cove Youth Bureau and Recreation for 14 years. I have seen what caring and a solid education can mean for a voungster. I have seen amazing things happening every day in our schools.

But just as we parents do whatever it takes to ensure the safety, happiness and growth of our children, it is now our responsibility, as residents of this great community, to step up and do what is necessary to ensure that our children are safe, healthy, and provided with a stellar education in our public schools.

The bond we will vote for on Dec. 6 is all about our children and helping to further about our children and helping to further create a school district we all feel proud about. It is about adding advanced security measures — code-compliant doors with automatic and remote locking mechanisms for all classrooms, offices and other rooms that students or staff occupy. It is about providing our budding student-scientists with labs commensurate with the demands of today's advanced science research curriculums, and installing new HVAC in our high school to ensure the health of students and staff. If we learned anything from the pandemic, it is that clean, constantly circulating air is critical.

Approval of the bond will also ensure that our high school is ADA-compliant, and finally, this bond will provide our students and community with a new high school athletic field, track and tennis courts to replace those that have deteriorated beyond the point of repair.

We get all of this for, on average, \$12.50 per month. And that doesn't even happen. in full until 2024. For the life of me, I don't understand why anyone wouldn't support this bond. But I am also a realist, and I do know there are those in our community who are out there once again spreading misinformation. Please, for our children today and for those who will be our students in years to come, vote 'ves' on Dec. 6. Our kids deserve nothing less from us.

SPIRO TSIRKAS Director, Glen Cove City Youth Bureau and Recreation



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