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#### 'I love Lucy' in Glen Cove

Christine Montick. left, and Fred DiMenna in a scene where Ricky Ricardo has pregnancy cravings similar to those of his wife, Lucy. Photos, Page 10.

## City honors David Christie at its Veterans Day celebration

By ROKSANA AMID

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Snowflakes danced in the air and a cold wind swept through Glen Cove on Tuesday morning as dozens of residents, elected officials and veterans gathered outside the public library for the city's annual Veterans Day ceremony. Braving the chill, they paid tribute to U.S. Navy veteran David Christie, this year's honoree, whose decades of military and civic service have left a lasting mark on his hometown.

Christie, 79, enlisted in the Navy in June 1967, and completed boot camp before attending Class A Signalman School in Newport, Rhode Island. His first deployment was aboard the USS Ben-

nington, out of Long Beach, California, followed by service on the USS Oriskany, from Alameda, California both seven-month tours during the Vietnam War. Christie's military honors include the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Campaign Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal and the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal for Korea. He was honorably discharged on April 30, 1971.

After returning home, Christie began a long career at the U.S. Post Office in Glen Cove, where he became a familiar and friendly presence on local routes. He later joined the Fire Department, serving for 25 years and remaining as a 50-year life member.

"David Christie represents the best of Glen **CONTINUED ON PAGE 11** 

# Bridging gaps to food access across Nassau

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**MARGARET MYHAN** 

Executive director,

Nosh Delivers

for help.

By ROKSANA AMID

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As the federal government shutdown dragged on, and as its effects continue to linger, Long Island food pantries have seen the strain firsthand with rising demand, dwindling

resources and growing anxiety over when Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits will resume.

On Tuesday, the Supreme Court extended a shortterm order allowing the Trump administration to continue withholding full SNAP payments through Thursday, delaying aid for the more than 40 million Americans who

rely on the program. The uncertainty has become one of the most tangible effects of the shutdown. On Long Island, food relief organizations like Nosh Delivers, in Glen Cove, say they have already seen the impact.

There's been heightened concern about the impact of getting food," said Margaret

Mvhan, Nosh Delivers' executive director. "Island Harvest and Long Island Cares have stressed to all of the pantries they provide food to their own concern about having availability of food."

Despite those warnings, Myhan said that Nosh has man-

> aged so far, thanks to successful food drives and an outpouring of community support. "Families and schools have been particularly sensitive to this time," she said. "If anything, the positive side is more potential clients have signed up for help."

> > In recent weeks, Nosh has seen registrations nearly double. "Our norm of people that come in and sign up in a

week is somewhere between three and four," Myhan said. "It's been closer to seven." She added that "more people are coming in to retrieve food," and that the number of walk-ins has climbed by 20 to 25 percent since last year.

The organization currently **CONTINUED ON PAGE 7** 



#### **NEWS BRIEFS**

#### **Drivers needed for senior program**

A volunteer-run transportation program that has been a lifeline for Glen Cove's senior and disabled residents for nearly five decades is now facing a serious shortage of drivers — and its future may depend on new volunteers stepping forward.

Founded in the late 1970s as Glen Cove Rotary Rides, the free service helps those without reliable transportation get to and from medical appointments. It serves residents in Glen Cove, Sea Cliff, Glen Head, Glenwood Landing, Locust Valley, and parts of Old Brookville, providing door-to-door rides Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Riders are picked up from their homes, taken to their appointments, and brought back home or to the Glen Cove Senior Center afterward.

The program is coordinated by Phyllis Burnett, who has managed dispatch and scheduling since 2012. It currently provides transportation for roughly a dozen residents each week, many of whom rely on it regularly. However, a decline in volunteer drivers has made it difficult to meet growing demand.

"We're looking for people who can just give a few hours a week," Burnett said. "Even one more driver would make a difference."

The service, which uses a decommissioned Chevrolet Crown Victoria police vehicle, operates on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday mornings, traveling as far as Northern Boulevard for appointments. Riders are asked to schedule their trips at least a week in advance, but with limited volunteer availability, securing a ride has become increasingly challenging.

Volunteers can choose which day or days they are available, and no special qualifications are required beyond a valid driver's license and the ability to pass a background check. Drivers are asked to transport clients to appointments and provide a phone number where they can be reached for pickup afterward.

"This program has been part of our community for decades," Burnett said. "It's a small commitment, but it makes a huge difference in people's lives."

Those interested in volunteering or seeking more information can call (516) 676-2846 or visit the Glen Cove Senior Center, located at 130 Glen Street, Glen Cove, where applications are available.

Without new volunteers, a service that so many depend on could soon struggle to operate.

-Roksana Amid

#### Christmas tree donation needed

The City of Glen Cove is once again calling on residents to help bring the holiday spirit to life downtown by donating a locally grown tree for the city's Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony. The festive tradition, hosted in Village Square, has long been a symbol of community pride and togetherness, drawing hundreds of families each year to share in the glow of the season.

The celebration will take place on Saturday, Dec. 6, with the tree lighting scheduled for 4:45 p.m. as part of the Downtown Business Improvement District's Holiday Festival, which runs from 1:30 to 5 p.m. The event will transform the heart of downtown Glen Cove into a winter wonderland, complete with free horse and carriage rides, photos with Santa, live music, and a hot cocoa bar.

For many residents, the lighting of the city's tree marks the official start of the holiday season. City officials are now seeking a family or property owner willing to donate a tree that will serve as the centerpiece of the celebration. The chosen tree will stand in the middle of Village Square throughout the holidays, welcoming visitors and spreading cheer to everyone who pass-

"Each year, we look for a beautiful, healthy tree grown right here in our community to represent Glen Cove's spirit during the holidays," said a representative from the Mayor's Office. "It's a wonderful way for local families to take part in a tradition that brings so much joy to our city."

Families interested in donating a tree are encouraged to reach out to the Mayor's Office for more information or to submit their tree for consideration by calling 516-676-2004 or emailing Roni.Jenkins@glencoveny.gov or sgtripp@glencoveny.gov. Submissions may also be mailed or delivered to 100 Village Square, Glen Cove, NY 11542. The selected tree will serve as the shining centerpiece of this year's holiday festivities — a living reminder of Glen Cove's community spirit and the magic of the season. Officials are seeking a wekk rounded tree between 25 to 35 feet tall. The tree should be located on private property within about 15 to 20 feet of driveway or roadway to allow for easy removal and must be free of overhead wires or major obstructions. Property owners must provide written permission for the city to remove the tree. The Department of Public Works will oversee professional removal and transportation at no cost to the donor.

-Roksana Amid





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Performer Peter Tully's mother, Carmella, organized the event at the Regency alongside Friends Academy parent Karen Keats—preformer Pippa's Keat's mother.

## Students strike a chord with Glen Cove seniors

By LUKE FEENEY

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Friends Academy students brought warmth and melody to the Regency at Glen Cove, captivating about 40 seniors with a heartfelt program of piano performances

Performing a range of musical pieces the Nov. 5 program, which began at 3:30 p.m., included "Cossack Dance" by Jacques Aubert, "Whirling Leaves," by Nancy and Randall Faberand "Rodeo" by Aaron Copland, as well as "Waltz in A Minor" by Frédéric Chopin and three renditions of Ludwig van Beethoven's "Für Elise."

The lineup also featured "Green Dragon" by Mason Eckstein, a vocal performance of "Moonlight Over the Lotus Pond" and an original composition titled "Opus No. 1" by Friends Academy Lower School student Skylar Kelly.

Before the performance, several students shared they were nervous, some excited, and a few admitted they were encouraged by their parents to participate.

"I find it (music) really relaxing," said Pippa Keats, a performer and student at Friends Academy Lower School. "It makes me calm." Fellow performer Peter Tully, also a Lower School student, said that while he enjoys playing piano, he sometimes wishes he could be doing "other things."

Peter's mother, Carmella, organized the event at the Regency alongside Friends Academy parent Karen Keats—Pippa's mother. "It's really fun for me to come here," Carmella told the audience, which included her own mother, Millie. "I always have all these friends bring these children here and to share the joy with them and to teach them about seniors and what happiness is all about."

Michael Keats, Pippa's father and a member of the Friends Academy Board



A wide range of musical pieces were performed by the students during the Nov. 5 program, which began at 3:30 p.m.

of Trustees, praised the students for their courage and generosity in sharing their music. "Learning music and studying it is a very solitary effort," he said. "It's not fun until you get to share it with the audience."

The Regency at Glen Cove offers independent living, assisted living and specialized memory care services for seniors. The center also provides a wide range of social, recreational and wellness programs. Residents at the center consistently showered each performer with applause and praise.

Friends Academy Lower and Middle School Principal Alfred (Rik) Dugan expressed his admiration for the students and organizers. "I have the great joy in my life of being with these amazing students every day," he said. "Today, we saw another side of their talent and ability."

Dugan added that he hoped to continue working with the Regency on future events. "We really value our partnership with all of you," he said. Turning to his students, he added, "You're amazing."



About 40 seniors at the Regency at Glen Cove were delighted with a program of piano performances from eleven students from Friends Academy.



Before the performance, several students shared their thoughts with the Herald. Some were nervous, some excited, and a few admitted they were encouraged by their parents to participate.



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#### **Planning For and Executing Inheritances** (Part Two)

Early on, we learned the estate planning phrase "There's nothing so unequal as the equal treatment of unequals." Who has children that are all the same?

Some children have received significant help from parents during their lifetimes while others haven't. Many parents choose the "forgiveness provision" to address this situation at death, to either "equalize" any gifts made to some children during lifetime with those who did not or, in the alternative. to "forgive" any loans made to children and then make a gift in like amount to each of the other children by inheritance, before the estate is divvied up in equal shares. Conversely, lifetime gifts may also be ignored.

Next up is the problem of children who are partially or wholly estranged. Many clients wish to leave them a token amount but there are pitfalls to consider. One who is left considerably less than their siblings will often be angry and upset. They may demand that their siblings disclose what they received and even to pony up an equal share. Not only that, but the burden of telling that estranged child

they are getting less and delivering the paltry amount is left to the children who you wish

In our view, it is sometimes better to leave an estranged child out altogether than to stir up all the issues surrounding an inheritance much smaller than equal.

There are many valid reasons, however, to treat children differently. Some may have alcohol or substance abuse issues, learning disabilities or special needs, they may be immature and irresponsible, poor at handling money or a "soft touch" and, finally, they may have a spouse that dominates them and you do not want to see that controlling spouse get your money.

Sometimes parents leave more to the "needy" child, the old adage being that "the tongue always turns to the aching tooth". so, other children's feelings may need to addressed. A letter to be opened after your death, explaining what you did and why, may go a long way towards soothing hurt feelings and avoiding misunderstandings, what we term the "emotional legacy"

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#### ON THE ROAD WITH A TAKEOUT QUEEN

#### How to Grab Autumn To Go

Cathi Turow

utumn is my favorite season. I'm sad when it's time for the leaves to fall from the trees, so I recreate their colors with takeout. I do it in phases. First, I order dishes with foods that look like the colors we see in autumn in early fall. Next, I grab meals to go that resemble peak season. Finally, I munch on past peakcolored takeout. This month, I found ways to "eat the fall" in three new restaurants and on one fall menu. If you're up for devouring colors of the fall as the season comes to end, follow my autumn takeout road trip:

#### **Taco Express Mexican Grill** (3 Park Plaza, Glen Head)

Begin your road trip in this new taco, quesadilla, salad and burrito bowl café. Since you can create your own meal in five steps, I designed my own "early fall" concoction. Instructions: Step 1: choose the golden orange Mexican rice as the base. Step 2: add

diced tomatoes, corn salsa, red chopped onion. Steps 3, 4 and 5: add some greens with guacamole, jalapeno and cilantro sauce because it's early fall. Many leaves are still green. If you're not obsessed with the fall, build a Mexican/ Tex Mex meal with steak, tofu, cauliflower, shrimp, chicken, corn tacos, toppings galore and much more.



In this creative Mediterranean tappas café, I designed an "autumn peak season" meal by combining some of the new dishes on the menu. I started with sweet potato hash. A portion of diced sweet potatoes and butternut squash join chunks of gala apples and golden beats, ricotta salata and pickled red onions. I paired it with a plate of zucchini linguine wrapped in vibrant,

orange-colored garden vegetable ragu. The zucchini strands resembled angel hair pasta and insisted on twirling around on my fork. For a last sprinkle of yellow, I couldn't resist the pecorino and corn fondue. The corn fondue sauce made a lovely blanket draped across ravioli that melted in my mouth.

#### **Alto Enoteco** (1424 Old Northern Blvd., Roslyn)

For a late fall-colored feast, I had dinner in this new Italian restaurant. The menu includes small and large boards,

stylish bruschette, and cold and warm plates. To bring on the deep red and rust colors, I couldn't wait to try the chilled beet, grilled pear, bleu cheese and pistachio cold plate. Now it's my favorite beet salad of all time. To create the grand finale, order the roasted Brussels sprouts, butternut squash, honey and pumpkin seed dish alongside the beet salad. It will be the

best fall send-off ever. Alternatively, if orange, yellow and red meals aren't your thing, delicious grilled prawns, steak, ribs and meatball dishes are also offered. A lunch menu will be coming

#### **Tropical Smoothie Cafe** (32 B Glen Cove Rd., Greenvale)

Don't worry. You'll never be thirsty during your fall road trip because at any point you can order a red cranberry-berry smoothie in this new cafe. The menu matches the meals in the Tropical Smoothie Café in Glen Cove. Both include sensational smoothies plus breakfasts, sandwiches and salads. The acai bowl with Nutella and the Dragon Fruit Bowl are new and worth a chew.

See you after the holidays!



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# Shutdown fuels spike in demand at Nosh

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serves about 1,800 walk-ins per month, and makes home deliveries to roughly 750 families, a 25 percent increase over last year. About half of those who use it are families with children.

"The school system provides 180 days of breakfast and lunch," Myhan said. "There are 185 other days that families are on their own to supplement what the kids would be getting in school. It's really the children that families are most concerned about — how are they going to feed their kids in a difficult time?"

Nosh reports that roughly 2,500 children receive food through the program each month. While volunteers have stepped up their efforts, the pantry faces challenges replenishing supplies, particularly after the end of the summer growing season. "The food resources we would have, in terms of farms, have dwindled," Myhan explained. "There's a great demand for soups and for vegetables in terms of canned goods, because local produce isn't available."

Canned corn, beans, mixed vegetables, soups, and one- to two-pound bags of rice are in greatest demand, she said, adding, "Donations are always extremely welcome. That gives us the ability to purchase additional food."

Christine Rice, the organization's chair, said that the instability surrounding SNAP has intensified fear among families that are already struggling. "Even with or without this issue with SNAP, people need food," Rice said. "The government shutdown and the discontinuation of SNAP, which now, supposedly, is going to continue, not only makes people afraid — the thought of not being able to feed their children is a terrifying thought to them."

Myhan noted that rising food costs have compounded the pressure. "New York's metro food prices



Courtesy Courtney Callahan

Charles Otto and Wallace Nevin were among a dozen volunteers who helped collect over 3,600 pounds of food at the Nosh Harvest of Hope event last Saturday afternoon at the Glen Cove Stop & Shop.

have surged," she said. "Since 2015, they've gone up 56 percent, whereas the national average is 46 percent. And the projected increase in food prices for 2026 is 2.7 percent."

She added that some first-time visitors are visibly uncomfortable. "It's embarrassing," she said. "They never thought they would see themselves in the position of having to ask for help."

To respond to the growing need, Nassau County Executive Bruce Blakeman declared a state of emergency last week and announced that Island Harvest and Long Island Cares would each receive \$50,000 per week in emergency county funding until SNAP payments resume.

"With the issues that are going on in Washington, D.C., right now, there are many people who are in jeopardy of not being able to feed themselves and their families," Blakeman said. "We are trying to help and supplement the things that a lot of our great not-for-profits are doing here on Long Island."

Roughly 31,450 Nassau households depend on SNAP benefits. According to county officials, the emergency funding is intended to support food distribution and pantry operations while federal payments remain stalled.

In a statement to the Herald, Rep. Tom Suozzi said the lapse in federal benefits underscores the human cost of political gridlock. "Children, seniors, the disabled, veterans — really no one — should go hungry because of political fights in Washington," Suozzi said. "SNAP benefits need to reach families now."

This marks the first time in the program's history that SNAP payments have been allowed to lapse, despite the availability of a Department of Agriculture contingency fund containing more than \$5 billion. Across Long Island, the program provides nearly \$40 million in monthly assistance.

The larger story, Myhan, said, is one of community solidarity amid hardship. "We've had people come back to say, 'You helped me when I was in my time of need, and I would like to volunteer now,'" she said. "The appreciation isn't just a short-term meal on the table — it's the longer-term impact on their lives."





# LIPA chief discusses L.I.'s energy future

By MADISON GUSLER

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At the Long Island Association's Energy and Environment Committee meeting on Nov. 5, Carrie Meek Gallagher, the new CEO of the Long Island Power Authority, spoke about the future of energy on Long Island.

"Energy is very significant to our economy, our businesses and just our way of life here on Long Island," Matt Cohen, LIA president and CEO, said. LIA is a nonprofit association that works to ensure Long Island's economic vitality.

Gallagher, who took over at LIPA from John Rhodes in June, spoke with dozens of energy experts and local business owners about her priorities for the public authority, which owns the electric transmission and distribution system serving Long Island and the Rockaway peninsula. She has over 25 years of experience working in energy and sustainability in the public sector, having directed the Long Island office of the state Department of Public Service, and been the acting deputy secretary to the governor for energy and environment, and the regional director of the state Department of Environmental Conservation.

"Everyone here is committed to making sure that Long Island's energy need are met in a clean, efficient and safe way," Pat Guidice, business manger of International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1049, said. "I can't tell you how happy we at IBEW-1049 are that Carrie is now at the helm of LIPA, ensuring we have clean and efficient energy that will be provided to Long Island."

"Carrie's commitment to the people of Long Island is second to none," Guidice added.



Madison Gusler/Heral

Long Island Power Authority's new CEO, Carrie Meek Gallagher, spoke at the Long Island Association's Energy and Environment Committee meeting on Nov. 5.

Gallagher said that her priorities are to ensure that there is a clean, reliable and affordable power supply, and to strengthen LIPA's partnership with PSEG Long Island, which provides electrical service to customers.

"We need power — we need energy to run our economy," she said. "We know affordability is really critical right now, so that's something we're continuing to

focus on "

Entering contract negotiations with local and outof-state energy providers over the next three years, Gallagher said she is focused on cutting costs without impacting performance. She has also continued outreach about LIPA's Time-of-Day program, which allows customers to choose when they use electricity, at varying rates.

Gallagher assured attendees that LIPA is prepared for days of high-energy demand. "We have enough capacity on any given day to meet even our peak demands," she said.

Clean energy — which, she said, Long Island is very committed to — helps relieve the grid in times of high demand. South Fork Wind, she said, has been providing LIPA with power for over a year. She said that Long Island leads the state in solar installations, with nearly 100,000 customers and businesses receiving solar energy. While federal tax incentives for solar power will expire at the end of the year, Gallagher said that LIPA is working with state and local partners to create an alternative option for residents looking to go solar.

"Solar works here," she said. "We know Long Islanders are willing to adopt it, and we want to continue that momentum, as it really does make a difference."

According to the state Department of Public Service's 2024 Electric Reliability Performance Report, Gallagher said, LIPA has outperformed all other overhead electric utilities in New York for five years. This shows that the agency has consistently provided energy to Long Islanders, and, she added, it continues to invest in ensuring that it can provide reliable and affordable service in the future.





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Cast members John Robinson, Peter Budraitis, Steven Frese, Fred DiMenna, Christine Montick, Donna Herman, Tanya Panasyuk, Gail Carlin, Jeanine DiMenna, and Mariana Rosas wowed the crowd with their enthusiastic portrayal of the beloved show 'I Love Lucy.'

# Classic comedy returns with 'I Love Lucy' live

The Slayer Players Theatre Company brought laughter and nostalgia to North Country Reform Temple with their live performance of Classic TV Live! Lucy Is 'With Child'. The first two shows took place on Nov. 8 and 9, with additional performances scheduled for Nov. 15 and 16. Director Fred DiMenna said, "We want to create something fun that brings people together, something that feels familiar but fresh." The event served as a fundraiser for the temple and offered dinnerand-show, brunch-and-show, and show-only options. The production captured the timeless humor of I Love Lucy while celebrating community through local theater.

-Roksana Amid



Christine Montick (Lucy), Fred DiMenna, Ricky) and John Robinson (Doctor) during a scene where Ricky



Lucy and Ricky Ricardo arrive at the hospital when Lucy goes into labor.



John Robinson, (nurse) Mariana Rosas (nurse), Peter Budraitis (cop) are looking for Ricky Ricardo at the hospital.



Donna Herman, Dawn Edison, Christine Montick, Tanya Panasyuk, Gail Carlin, and Mariana Rosas portray a scene where Lucy Ricardo receives gifts from a baby shower.



Donna Herman (Ethel Merts) Fred DiMenna (Ricky Ricardo), Christine Montick (Lucy Ricardo) and Steven Frese (Fred Mertz).

# 'He's devoted his life to so many people'

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Cove — courage, commitment and service to others," Mayor Pamela Panzenbeck said. "We are proud to honor him this Veterans Day for his sacrifice and dedication to our nation.'

In her remarks, Panzenbeck highlighted not only Christie's military achievements, but also his enduring connection to the city he has always called home. "Today we gather as a community in Glen Cove to honor the courage, sacrifice and unbreakable spirit of our veterans," she said. "It is my deep honor to recognize this Veterans Day honoree, a great Glen Cover, a man who exemplifies courage, patriotism and dedica-

Panzenbeck noted Christie's decades of service with the Fire Department and his friendship with fellow veteran Howard Stillwagon, president of VFW Post 347. "Dave, we're grateful and proud to stand with you today," she said. "Your courage and dedication remind us of our debt to all veterans.'

Rep. Tom Suozzi reflected on Christie's decades of public service, calling his life a model of civic duty. 'Dave was my postman at my house on Landing Road," Suozzi recalled with a smile. "Think about this guy's life of service — as a Navy veteran, as a post office worker, as a member of the Fire Department. He's devoted his life to so many people."

Suozzi also reminded attendees of the broader meaning of Veterans Day. "We send people to defend us in wars and battles, risk their lives for freedom and democracy," he said. "When I think of veterans, I think about how we have to do a better job of conducting ourselves in a way that we're worthy of their sacrifice — by lifting up our freedom and democracy to something more noble than it currently is."

Suozzi presented Christie with an American flag



Elected officials and community members gathered to honor Navy veteran David Christie at a heartfelt Veterans Day ceremony celebrating his life of service.

that had flown over the U.S. Capitol, saying, "You really represent the best of us, and a symbol of what we should all aspire to.'

Christie's wife, Victoria, stood proudly beside him during the ceremony. Asked about her husband's character, she replied warmly, "He's wonderful. I wouldn't be there for 50 years if he wasn't."

Assemblyman Charles Lavine also paid tribute, presenting Christie with a state citation and an American flag lapel pin. "You have always been dedicated to community," Lavine said. "You were dedicated when you enlisted in the United States Navy, when you served in the Vietnam conflict, and when you served your family

and our community. You are exemplary of what makes us Americans — we protect our families, and we protect our communities.'

Nassau County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton described the ceremony as a heartwarming reminder of Glen Cove's strong sense of community. "You really see the good side of human nature," she said of Christie. "Every event I see you at, I just look for you you're warm, happy and kind. You've done a great job with everything and continue to do so."

DeRiggi-Whitton also mentioned veteran Tony Jimenez, who could not attend, and said that her own father, a veteran as well, was turning 89 this week.



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# Lupenko honored by Nassau Chamber

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Dr. Eve Lupenko, a board-certified dermatologist and longtime Glen Cove community leader, was honored by the Nassau Council of Chambers of Commerce as the 2025 Businessperson of the Year. The recognition was presented during the organization's 40th annual awards ceremony on Oct. 31 at the Crest Hollow Country Club in Woodbury.

Each year, the Nassau Council of Chambers recognizes outstanding business professionals from across the county who demonstrate excellence in their fields while contributing to the vitality of their communities. Lupenko, who serves on the Glen Cove Chamber of Commerce's board of directors, was chosen for her nearly three decades in dermatology and her deep record of public service and volunteerism on Long Island's North Shore.

In a statement to the Herald, Lupenko expressed gratitude for the recognition and reflected on her years of service with the Chamber. "I so appreciate being selected this year," she said. "When I first joined the Glen Cove Chamber in 2014, it was after a delay of a couple of years since I first really learned about it. I had no idea how

much the Chamber could support me even though my business was not actually located in Glen Cove. I've been on the Board of Directors since 2016, and nearly every day I've been thinking about, planning for, and advocating for all our members and especially focusing on the Glen Cove community to help this city thrive. The better our businesses do, the more we can draw and retain our residents."

A board-certified dermatologist with almost 30 years of experience, Lupenko specializes in medical, surgical, and cosmetic dermatology for both adults and children. She currently serves as director of dermatology at Greenberg Cosmetic Surgery and Dermatology in Woodbury and Smithtown, where she is known for her compassionate approach and meticulous patient care. Her professional excellence has been recognized repeatedly. For many consecutive years, including 2025, she has been voted a Castle Connolly Top Doctor and featured in Newsday's Exceptional Women in Medicine listing. This year she was also named Best Cosmetic Dermatologist on Long Island by the Long Island Beauty Awards and Best Dermatologist on Long Island by the Herald Choice Awards.

Beyond her thriving medical prac-

tice, Lupenko has built a strong reputation as a civic leader. A former Glen Cove City Councilwoman, she continues to dedicate her time to multiple community boards, including the Glen Cove Chamber of Commerce, Community Scholarship Fund, Arts Council, Beautification Commission, North Shore Historical Museum, Diabetes Research Institute, and Downtown Sounds. She also founded the "Do Good to Feel Good" initiative and is active in community theater as part of the managing team of the Slayer Players Theatre Company.

A Syosset native who has called Glen Cove home for more than 30 years. Lupenko said her time on the City Council from 2020 to 2022 gave her a deeper understanding of how local government and business intersect. Her passion for service, she said, stems from her parents, who taught her the importance of generosity and community involvement — values she now shares with her two sons. "We're all put on this planet for a purpose, and I believe that mine is to serve and to be generous," Lupenko said in a previous interview. "It's a wonderful thing to make people happy and feel secure. That's what my parents taught me, and I hope I lead by example for my own children.'



Courtesy Dr. Eve Lupenko

Dr. Eve Lupenko, a board-certified dermatologist and longtime Glen Cove community leader, was honored by the Nassau Council of Chambers.





#### **OBITUARIES**

#### Giuseppe Mostaccluolo

Giuseppe Mostaccluolo, 70, of Glen Cove, died on Nov. 8. Loving husband of Filomena; beloved father of the late RJ.: proud brother of Carmela, Maria and Dino; dear son-in-law of Francesca

(the late Raffaele); devoted brother-inlaw of Michela (the late Michael) & Lina (Kevin). Also survived by nieces & nephews. Visitation servoces entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home.

#### Olimpia Cappuccio

Olimpia Cappuccio, 91, of Glen Cove, died on Nov. 7. Beloved wife of the late Ciriaco; loving mother of Marino; dear sister of Elizabeth. Also survived by

loving nieces, nephews and cousins. Services entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home.

#### Oltwe "OT" Williams

Oltwe "OT" Williams, 85, of Glen Cove, died on Oct. 17. Beloved husband of Alice; loving father of Quanetta Williams, Tad Williams and Robert Woodberry; dear brother and proud grandfa-

ther. Dedicated employee of Nassau Country Club for many years and member of St. Paul's AME Church of Rockville Centre. Services entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home.

#### **Moe Bordwin**

Moe Bordwin, 89, longtime resident of Glen Cove, died on Oct. 30. Much beloved husband of Rochelle; dear father, brother, grandfather and greatgrandfather. Donations may be made to

the Bordwin Memorial Fund at office@ ctionline.org or info@supriselake.org. Arrangements entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home.

#### David M. Tuthill

David M. Tuthill, 65, of Glen Cove, died on Oct. 28. Beloved son of the late Chester and the late Henrietta; loving brother of Paul (Cathy), the late Linda

Carroll (Tommy) and Lori Yastrub (Steve); cherished uncle of Joseph, Stephanie and T.J. Services entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home.

#### Salvatore R. Travatello

Salvatore R. Travatello, 91, of Glen as "Mr. Trav," he was a respected teach-Cove, died peacefully on Oct. 25 after a brief illness. Loving husband of the late Marcia for over 65 years; cherished father of Lisa Travatello Curran (Brandon) and Bob Travatello (Patricia); adoring grandfather of Briana, Christian, Connor and Patrick; treasured godfather of Laura Maciag. Known affectionately

er, coach, and mentor in the Glen Cove School District, recognized as "Coach of the Year" in 1975 and a Glen Cove Hall of Fame inductee. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to GENYOUth-Now.org or the Glen Cove Community Scholarship Fund. Services entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home.

#### Michael Domaradzki

Michael Domaradzki, 54, of Locust Valley, died on Oct. 25. Former husband of Lauren; loving father of Mason, Ryan Leigh and Jax; dear brother of

Lorraine and Janet Cooper. Also survived by loving extended family. Services entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral

#### **Richard George Hinton**

Richard George Hinton, 94, of Glen Cove, died on Oct. 24. Beloved husband of the late Elaine "Sandy"; loving father of Patricia Robb and Kelly Hinton; proud grandfather of Dylan Robb. Mr.

Hinton served as a police officer with the Old Brookville Police Force for 20 years and loved golf and tennis. Arrangements entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home.

#### Donald H. Blumhagen

Donald H. Blumhagen, 89, of Glen Cove, died on Oct. 19. Loving father of Donald S., Tracy, Michael and Kevin; proud grandfather of 11; beloved great-

grandfather of 5. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Services entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home.



#### CONTEST RULES:

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Friday, November 14, 2025

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## "Isles awarded 2027 NHL All-Star Weekend

By TONY BELLISSIMO

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The next National Hockey League All-Star Game will be played at UBS Arena in Elmont.

For only the second time in franchise history, the New York Islanders will host the NHL's All-Star game. The league announced Oct. 24 UBS Arena will be the site of the 2027 Honda NHL All-Star Weekend. The event is scheduled for Feb. 5, 6 and 7, and the weekend's festivities will be broadcast by ESPN and ABC. Additional information on the midseason showcase, including ticketing and broadcast information, will be announced when available.

Islanders season ticket members will receive priority access to the event.

"We have been looking forward to UBS Arena playing host to one of our major League events since before construction of this wonderful arena began," NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman said in a statement. "We have every confidence that the Islanders organization, led by Scott Malkin and Jon Ledecky, will deliver a celebration that will make the greater New York region and the NHL proud."

The Islanders had originally been awarded the 2026 All-Star Weekend, but that was cancelled this past spring when the league decided not to hold the game



Tim Baker/Herald

UBS Arena in Elmont will host the NHL All-Star Weekend Feb. 5-7, 2027, the league announced Oct. 24.

in the same year as the Winter Olympic Games taking place in Milan, Italy. The idea then became to turn the weekend into a pre-Olympics event, but the NHL decided to nix that as well to allow players to focus on travel and preparation for the Olympics.

It is now expected each NHL Club will organize an Olympic Winter Games send-off for its respective players traveling to Italy, with more details to be announced in the near future.

Islanders forward Mathew Barzal, who has appeared in the NHL All-Star

Game three times (2019, 2020 and 2024) and in 2020 won the fastest skater competition, is excited about the event coming to Elmont.

"It's exciting that the All-Star Game is coming to Long Island," Barzal said. "UBS Arena is one of the best buildings in the league so it will be great to show off the dressing room and the amenities we have as players. It's going to be great for our fans to see the best of the best take the ice on the island."

Fans can sign up to receive news and updates on the 2027 Honda NHL All-Star Weekend by going to nhl.com/events/all-star/nhl-all-star-weekend.

The NHL experienced a new wave of interest last winter when the traditional All-Star Game was replaced by the 4 Nations Face-Off, a four-team tournament contested by winners Canada, the United States, Sweden and Finland.

The 2027 Honda NHL All-Star Weekend will mark just the second time the Islanders will host NHL All-Star activities, with the first being the 1983 edition, featuring the Campbell Conference All-Stars defeating the Wales Conference All-Stars 9-3, and Wayne Gretzky claiming NHL All-Star MVP honors at Nassau Coliseum with a then-record four goals.

It'll also mark the first All-Star Game in the state of New York since 1994, when the New York Rangers hosted it at Madison Square Garden.





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Photos courtesy Feld Entertainment

Anxiety joins everyone's favorite emotions as they embark on a new journey.

Mickey and his pals welcome all to "Jump In."

# EPIC MOMENIS ON ICE

#### 'Jump' right in with Mickey and his pals

efore we get ready for the big feast, take some time with your family to feast on some Disney magic. The holiday season lights up, once again, as the latest Disney On Ice tour skates into UBS Arena with "Jump In!," now through Nov. 16.

As always, Mickey and the gang start audiences off on some wild adventures from the moment everyone settles in their seats. It's a jumpin' and jivin' ride that begins with a touch of Mickey's Magical Mouse Pad. Yeah, that's right, even Mickey has embraced technology with his special version of an iPad!

Truly an outsized spectacle, over 50 characters gather in this —all-new — extravagant showcase of some of Disney's most beloved tales. Disneyphiles will jump for joy when new characters from "Moana 2" and Anxiety, the newly-introduced emotion in the "Inside Out 2" sequel, appear on ice. Anxiety is, of course, joined by the other characters we all know so well: Joy, Sadness, Disgust, Anger, and Fear.

Everyone can navigate those thrilling high seas with Moana and feel all the feels in the vibrant world of "Inside Out 2" when these beloved films come to life on ice for the first time. And, naturally, there's so

Help Stitch fix a glitch as mayhem ensues across the ice, stroll the bustling metropolis of "Zootopia," glide through the icy realms of "Frozen," marvel at the playful "Toy Story" universe and travel to the vibrant world of Colombia with the Madrigal family in "Encanto." Plus, everyone is always in awe when Ariel, Jasmine, Rapunzel, and Tiana arrive in a dazzling parade of Disney princesses.

These unforgettable characters and their adventures are fully alive as families are transported to world where imaginations soar — and in true Disney spirit 'anything can happen if you just believe.'

And that's how it is for Andrew Austin. The Chicago, Ill.-based skater, who joined the Disney On Ice ensemble in 2022, after concluding his competitive skating career — is certainly living his dream.

He, naturally, has been a Disney fan since childhood (a prerequisite of sorts for skaters in the show). His first experience with Disney on Ice came around age 6,

"I've always loved Disney, especially 'The Lion King' and 'The Little Mermaid.' A truly poignant memory for me is when my godmother took me [to the show]. I



- Now through Sunday. Nov. 16: times vary
- Tickets start at \$40; available at ticketmaster.com or disneyonice.com
- UBS Arena, 2400 Hempstead Tpke., Elmont

have such a fond memory of being there with her."

That memory has since become reality for Austin, who first laced up skates as 6-year-old.

"I soon realized I had a talent for skating and wanted to see how far I could push myself," he says.

At 23, Austin decided it was time, as he put it, "to make a new start and begin a new chapter."

Disney beckoned and he never looked back.

"It's all magical," Austin says enthusiastically.

That word again. The Mouse House goes big on the magic — and the magic brings everyone together.

"It's really about family togetherness and learning the magic of family so it's a great time for all ages," Austin says.

Like always, the skating brings a new dimension to the stories we know so well. You'll see exciting visuals, thrilling stunts and mesmerizing choreography that fully immerse those both on ice and in their seats. The solos, pairs and fast-paced ensemble skating, along with acrobatic routines, keep everyone transfixed to the action unfolding.

"We've worked so hard to get to this point, the skating is truly top notch," Austin adds

Expect to see acrobatic stunts throughout the show. High-flying performers elevate skating to the next level, with gravity-defying aerial stunts. Princess Ariel soars above the ice to "Kiss the Girl," and Rapunzel's golden hair is brought to life by flowing aerial silks in a dazzling aerial routine with Flynn Rider.

Throughout it all, you'll be singing along — no matter your age. Disney's timeless catalog, including "Let It Go" (Frozen), "Try Everything" (Zootopia), "We Don't Talk About Bruno" (Encanto), "Get Lost" (Moana 2), and many more favorites, are all part of the exciting soundtrack

Excitement is certainly a descriptive of the entire

"It's really special and exciting for the cast to see all those smiling faces. We're so happy to see the how the kids connect with the characters ... I'm so grateful for this opportunity," he continues.

A final word from Austin: "This really is about family togetherness and learning the magic of family, so it's a great time for all ages. You'll see how the magic comes from





#### **Gaelic Storm**

It's hard to imagine a band just coming into their own after 20 years of success, but that's exactly what makes Gaelic Storm a true anomaly. The multi-national, Celtic juggernaut grows stronger with each live performance and after two decades and over 2000 shows, they are a true force to be reckoned with. fans of every genre are attracted to their rich storytelling, energetic instrumentals, devotion to Celtic traditions and passion for their stagecraft. This dedication to their live show dates all the way back to the mid-1990s, when the band kicked off their career as a pub band in Santa Monica, Calif. Those performances ultimately led to their discovery that found the band appearing in the blockbuster film (where they performed "Irish Party in Third Class"), laying the groundwork for what would come, all while gaining a reputation as a genre-bending Irish rock band whose songs mix Celtic traditions with something uniquely creative.

Friday, Nov. 14, 8 p.m. \$68, \$58, \$48. Jeanne Rimsky Theater at Landmark on Main Street, 232 Main St., Port Washington. Tickets available at (516) 767-6444.



#### **Matt Friend**

Matt Friend has been described as "a gift to comedy." If you're not familiar with him yet, now's the time to find out what he's all about. Truly an old soul in the body of a 26-year-old, the comedian-actor-impressionist — a 2020 graduate of NYU's Gallatin School — discovered a love for comedy at the tender age of four after watching Austin Powers and mimicking the characters' voices. His passion has since propelled him to great heights, amassing over 1 million followers on social platforms. Known for his impressive repertoire of over 250 impressions, from Rami Malek to Timothee Chalamet, he's a beloved comedic figure on social media, stages and red carpets worldwide. Mattcontinues to captivate audiences with his stand-up shows across the U.S. and abroad. Impressions aside, Matt is a true intellect — wise beyond his years a student of show business, comedy, politics, and culture.

Friday, Nov. 14, 8 p.m. Tilles Center, LIU Post campus, 720 Northern Blvd., Brookville. Tickets available at tick:etmaster.com or tillescenter.org or (516) 299-3100.

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#### **Tunes with** George Maselli

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#### **Glen Cove Public Library Board of Trustees meet**

Glen Cove Public Library Board of Trustees holds its

regular meeting in the History Room. All are welcome to attend



#### **BeauSoleil avec Michael Doucet**

For 50 years, two-time Grammy winner BeauSoleil avec Michael Doucet has been hailed as the best Cajun band in the world. The band has been making some of the most potent and popular Cajun music on the planet. Born out of the rich Acadian ancestry of its members, and created and driven by bandleader Michael Doucets spellbinding fiddle playing and soulful vocals, BeauSoleil is notorious for bringing even the most staid audience to its feet. Their distinctive sound derives from the distilled spirits of New Orleans jazz, blues rock, folk, swamp pop,

Zydeco, country and bluegrass, captivating listeners from the Jazz and Heritage Festival in New Orleans, to Carnegie Hall, then all the way across the pond to Richard Thompsons Meltdown Festival in England. They are joined on this special tour by their good friend Richard Thompson. An iconic figure in British folk-rock, Thompson is arguably the genre's greatest triple threat: a dazzling quitarist, an outstanding songwriter, and a strong and evocative vocalist. As one of the founding members of the group Fairport Convention, Thompson would have a seismic impact on both U.K. folk and rock, incorporating elements of traditional music (most effectively on 1969's Liege and Lief) in a way that sparked a new interest in authentic British folk. He left the group by age 21, which was followed by a decade long musical partnership with his then-wife Linda, to over 30 years as a highly

including Robert Plant, Elvis Costello, R.E.M., Sleater-Kinney, Del McCoury, Bonnie Raitt, • Where: Jeanne Rimsky Theater at Tom Jones, David Byrne, Don Henley, Los Lobos, and many more. Thompson wavered between acoustic projects (2005's Front Parlour Ballads) and more robust full-band efforts (2013's Electric), but despite his status as an elder statesman of the singer/ songwriter community, he remained active and engaged as a writer and musician, releasing the powerful 13 Rivers in 2018, when he was 69-years-old. \$75, \$65, \$55.

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Join instructor Kathleen Gunning at Glen Cove Public Library. She guides participants through Reiki, a gentle energy-healing practice that uses light touch to promote relaxation, stress relief, and overall physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual well-being. The session is open to adults and welcomes newcomers interested in exploring this restorative practice.

- Where: 4 Glen Cove Ave.
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**Genealogy and** NOV **Local History** Roundtable ' Explore your family history and connect

with Glen Cove's

past at Glen Cove Public . Library's monthly Genealogy and Local History Roundtable. This welcoming group is the perfect place to share research tips, discover new resources, and hear others' stories. Whether you're an experienced genealogist or just beginning your search, all are invited to join the discussion and learn more about local heritage.

- Where: 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove
- Time: 7-8:45 p.m.
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successful solo artist. A wide range of musicians have recorded Thompson's songs

"100 Years" and "Superman (It's Not Easy)." Other honorees include

Samuel Nahmias, Mayor of the

Village of Lawrence, and Jolanta

Zamecka, HMTC Vice Chair, receiving

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- Time: 6:45-8:45 p.m.

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• Contact: glencovelibrary.org or (516) 676-2130

**Glen Cove BOE** NOV meets The Board of Education

holds itsregular meeting at Glen Cove High School. An executive session, if anticipated, will begin at 6 p.m., followed by the public session. All are encouraged to attend and stay informed about district matters.

• Where: Glen Cove High School, 150 Dosoris Lane

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dinner honoring outstanding leaders and advocates. This year's Pillar

of Courage Recipient is Grammy-

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# NUMC expands women's health services

By JORDAN VALLONE

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Nassau University Medical Center has received a \$1 million anonymous donation to expand women's health services, funding advanced 3D mammography and bone density technology that will improve early detection and preventive care for patients across Long Island.

The gift, secured by NuHealth Board Chairman Stuart Rabinowitz, will allow the hospital to acquire new 3D mammography systems with biopsy capability and an updated bone density scanner. Both are expected to transform care for two of the most significant health issues affecting women — breast cancer and osteoporosis.

"This extraordinary act of generosity will help us detect breast cancer and osteoporosis earlier, treat them more effectively, and save countless lives,' said Dr. Richard Becker, interim chief executive officer at NUMC. "This is an investment in every woman who entrusts her care to NUMC."

Rabinowitz said the new equipment will modernize critical services at the East Meadow hospital.

"We are deeply committed to ensuring accessible care for every member of our community," he said. "This investment will help us deliver on that promise for generations to come."

The donation comes as NUMC's exist-



Nassau University Medical Center received a \$1 million anonymous donation, which will allow the hospital to expand women's health services.

ing mammography equipment, first installed in 2010, reaches the end of its serviceable life. The hospital serves as a key healthcare provider for underserved communities on Long Island, offering equitable, high-quality care to women who may otherwise face barriers to preventive screenings.

According to global data, more than 2.3 million women are diagnosed with breast cancer each year, and nearly 700,000 die from the disease. On Long Island, approximately one in eight women will face a breast cancer diagnosis in their lifetime — with higher rates reported among low-income populations.

Early detection is critical. The new Hologic 3D mammography systems will generate high-resolution images that improve accuracy, reduce unnecessary biopsies, and lower callback rates by nearly 50 percent. The systems also feature self-controlled compression for improved comfort and allow both

screening and biopsy on the same plat-

NUMC's Mobile Mammography Unit, which already brings 3D technology into the community, will continue to provide outreach and screening services, while the new in-hospital systems will expand capacity and streamline diagnostic care.

The donation will also fund a Hologic Horizon DXA system, replacing an outdated bone density scanner. The new dated bone density scanner. The new device uses low-dose X-rays to measure bone mineral density, assess fracture risk, and evaluate body composition with greater precision. Early detection of bone loss, particularly in postmenopausal women, can play a major role in preventing osteoporosis and related health complications.

Together, the new systems will provide a full spectrum of advanced imaging for women, combining faster, more accurate, and more comfortable screening experiences with NUMC's ongoing mission of health equity.

Nassau University Medical Center, operated by the Nassau Health Care Corporation, is a public teaching hospital in East Meadow. As a leading safetynet institution, it provides compassionate, high-quality care to all, regardless of ability to pay, and serves as a regional leader in emergency medicine, women's health, and preventive care.

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# Village museum showcases Hollywood

**By LUKE FEENEY** 

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Sea Cliff residents can take a stroll through Hollywood history—without leaving the village.

"Lights, Camera, Sea Cliff!" a new exhibit at the Sea Cliff Village Museum, showcases more than a century of film, television, and commercial shoots that have used the village as their backdrop. The exhibit debuted Sept. 26 and will remain open through March 2026.

Productions range from the 1960 gangster film "Pretty Boy Floyd," which transformed Sea Cliff Avenue into Bowling Green, Ohio, to the 1970 Carl Reiner comedy "Where's Papa?," filmed at the old Sea Cliff Pinnacle Hotel.

The 1981 shoot for "Endless Love" was a local sensation, and the village has since appeared in "Infinity" (1996), Matthew Broderick's only directorial work; "The Door on the Floor" (2004), starring Kim Basinger and Jeff Bridges; Martin Scorsese's "The Irishman" (2019), which featured a damaged boat owned by Janusas's; and "She Said" (2022), the Harvey Weinstein exposé that filmed at the Sunset Club.

TV shows such as "Mozart in the Jungle," "The Loudest Voice" and "Kaleidoscope" have used Sea Cliff's streets and storefronts. One of the most high-profile recent projects: a Levi's commercial starring Beyoncé, filmed at a local café.

The exhibit features movie posters, memorabilia, and behind-the-scenes photos. A highlight is a 20-minute video compilation edited by Sea Cliff resident Dan DiPietro, showing every known scene filmed in the village.

There's also a section dedicated to



Luke Feeney/Herald photos

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films created by local residents. The Sea Cliff Village Museum is dedicated to preserving the history of the village. Formed in 1976 after the American bicentennial, it is chartered by the state and housed in a historic complex that also includes the Village Hall and Library.

The museum features collections of documents, photographs, artifacts, and art related to the village's unique past. To learn more or support it's work, visit SeaCliffMuseum.org.



The Sea Cliff Village Museum is giving residents the opportunity to explore Hollywood



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The hearing will be on the application of New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) for a special use permit and site plan approval for the installation and collocation of a stealth rooftop wireless telecommunications

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#### **OPINIONS**

# Local triumphs on a night Republicans didn't expect

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assau County Republicans scored outstanding victories in last week's elections, which, with the other exception of our neighbors in Suffolk County, were a political disaster for Republicans across the country. And those Nassau victories didn't come easily, or without tension.

Anyone who has ever jumped into



PETER KING

ver jumped into the political caldron and run for elective office knows the surreal experience and anxiety of election night. Everything that could have been done has been done. It's all over but the waiting — for either the joy of victory or the agony of defeat.

As is the tradi-

tion under county party Chairman Joe Cairo, Republicans held their electionnight gathering at the Coral House in Baldwin. The crowd began gathering about 8:30 p.m., a half-hour before the polls closed. Within an hour, the ball-room was filled to capacity. In a private room at the rear of the building, candidates and party leaders waited to receive and analyze vote tallies from the hamlets, villages, towns and cities that

comprise the nation's oldest suburbs.

In the lead-up to election night, Nassau Republicans were as upbeat as they could be. The ticket was led by Bruce Blakeman, who was seeking re-election as county executive after a very success-

ful first term. Blakeman had held the line on taxes and, most important, the county was judged the safest in America. Amid growing concern that the anti-police proposals of the favorite to become New York City mayor, Zohran Mamdani, would increase the crossover crime from Queens into Nassau, Blakeman's proven propolice, anti-crime policies had strongly resonated

with the Nassau electorate. To buttress his strong law-and-order stand, there were District Attorney Anne Donnelly, a career prosecutor, and Police Commissioner Pat Ryder, who stood 24/7 with his men and women in blue.

But all did not go smoothly on election night. The Nassau results came in slowly, so our attention was focused on the governors' races in New Jersey and Virginia as possible indicators of what Nassau's results might be. While the Virginia race had been expected to lean Democratic, Republican Lt. Gov. Winsome Earle-Sears was thought to have

more than an outside chance. Instead, barely an hour after the polls closed, Democrat Abigail Spanberger was declared the winner in what appeared to be a landslide. Not a good omen.

But New Jersey would be different.

we thought. Polls had shown Republican Jack Ciattarelli closing the gap on Democrat Mikie Sherrill (whom I'd served with in Congress). The final pre-election polls showed Sherrill with just a 2-point lead, and Ciattarelli having all the momentum. Instead, as soon as the state's polls closed, Sherrill jumped to an immediate lead, which steadily grew.

Then, just after 9 p.m., there was more bad news. Mamdani was headed to a clear victory over former Gov. Andrew Cuomo, as Curtis Sliwa siphoned off votes that might have made the difference. In Nassau the votes were still barely trickling in, and all we could see was a blue wave everywhere. There was a feeling of foreboding about what might await us amid reports that the turnout in some Republican areas had been less than expected. This night wasn't proving to be the quick knockout victory that had been anticipated.

Adding to the concern, Cairo, who

was always a commanding presence at these moments, had not yet appeared. Shortly after 10 p.m., he entered the room, explaining that he was "under the weather" and been feeling rotten all day. He did, however, have numbers showing that with about 60 percent of the votes counted, Republicans were holding all our current offices, and might possibly pick up one or two more. There was a huge sigh of relief.

Cairo cautioned, though, that the night wasn't over until all the votes were counted, saying, "There's nothing more meaningless than the score at halftime." About a half-hour later, he returned to announce that the Republican trend had continued. In fact, we had swept every contested seat on the City Council in Long Beach, where Democratic voters have a 7-1 majority, for the first time since 1971.

About 11:30, led by Blakeman and Cairo, Republicans made their way through the Coral House ballroom onto the stage to claim victory, to acknowledge the roaring crowd and to thank them for their efforts and support. Another election night was in the books. It wasn't easy, but the blue wave had been stopped at the Nassau border!

Peter King is a former congressman, and a former chair of the House Committee on Homeland Security. Comments? pking@liherald.com.

## Getting elected looks easy. Governing is the hard part.

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he die is cast. New York City will have a new mayor, Zohran Mamdani. But it's one thing to campaign for public office, and another thing altogether to run one of the biggest cities in the world, with a demanding populace and innumerable challenges. It reminds me of the Robert



JERRY KREMER

Redford movie
"The Candidate."
On the morning
after he succeeds
in winning his
senatorial election, Redford's
character, Bill
McKay, asks,
"What do we do
now?"

Having observed a number of mayoral contests, I feel qualified to opine

on what first steps a new mayor must take that will make or break his years in office. While there are many positions that Mamdani must fill starting Jan. 1, the most important one is budget director. New York City has a somewhat shaky financial picture, and having someone who can crunch the numbers and package the spending plan will be life or death for him.

The next-most-visible job is that of police commissioner. The New York City Police Department currently has an intelligent and respected leader in Jessica Tisch, who has served with distinc-

tion since November 2024. Prior to that she was commissioner of the city Department of Sanitation, where she won the respect of union leaders, who admired her smarts and her approach to the job.

At this stage, Tisch has nothing new to prove. She works well with the police rank-and-file, and has never run afoul of law enforcement unions. She could easily take a job in

the private sector and get a big pat on the back for a job well done. On the other hand, she may be willing to continue in the police commissioner's job until such time as the mayor asks her to take some action that she finds objectionable.

Mamdani hasn't offered many opinions on how the Police Department should operate, other than suggesting that mental health professionals should accompany officers on patrol on calls involving people with mental health issues. He hasn't offered any opinions on such programs as Stop and Frisk, or

on departmental staffing levels. During the mayoral campaign, both former Gov. Andrew Cuomo and Mamdani pledged to hire 5,000 new patrolmen, a pledge easier made than accomplished.

The city needs thousands of new police officers to replace the large number who have opted to retire in recent years, but building up the department isn't an easy job. Because of the city's low starting salaries, the pay is unattractive. Many current members of the department have decided to take jobs in the suburbs, where entry-level pay is typically much higher. A new mayor

can make all kinds of promises, but the key to getting new cops is higher pay, and as few policy challenges as possible. An overbearing mayor with too many liberal policies will chill the force's future

One of the city's current weaknesses is its Law Department. The corporation counsel's office is badly in need of staff to handle the thousands of challenges it faces annually. There are about a thousand people in the department, but because it's understaffed, taxpayers wind up paying a price in lost cases.

I've heard a variety of views about Mayor Eric Adams's record in office, and there's no question that he has had a number of ethical issues. Key commissioners and their assistants have been forced to resign due to conflicts and questionable actions. His most ardent supporters claim that the ethics issues have been overstated, but the record is there for everyone to examine, and it doesn't look good.

The path forward for the new mayor will be most challenging. He is a neophyte, and knows nothing about the city's true challenges. If he chooses qualified people for his administration, their successes will speak for themselves. If he makes serious mistakes, the Republican establishment will broadcast to the entire world that "we told you so."

Even though Nassau is a borderline county and Suffolk is even more distant, we need a New York City that has low crime rates and is fiscally sound. An old political sage once told me that "when New York City sneezes, Long Island catches a cold." Let's hope the adage doesn't hold true.

Jerry Kremer was a state assemblyman for 23 years, and chaired the Assembly's Ways and Means Committee for 12 years. Comments about this column? jkremer@ liherald.com.

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### **HERALD EDITORIAL**

# Hochul must sign police radio access bill

t a time when we are grappling with an erosion of public trust, a new threat to transparency is emerging. Across New York, police departments are encrypting their radio systems — cutting off journalists, and, by extension, the public, from critical, real-time information.

It's not just a press freedom issue. It's a public safety issue.

From Atlantic Beach to Babylon, Long Islanders deserve to know what's happening in their communities, especially during moments of crisis — a school lockdown, a shooting or a natural disaster. Instead, we are increasingly forced to rely on rumor, fragmented updates or, worse, no information at all. In the age of social media misinformation, that's not just frustrating. It's dangerous.

Fortunately, state lawmakers have passed a bill that seeks to reverse this perilous trend. The legislation, S.416/A.3516, sponsored by two Democrats in the Legislature, Sen. Mike Gianaris and Assemblywoman Karines Reyes, would guarantee credentialed journalists secure, real-time access to encrypted police radio communications.

It is now on Gov. Kathy Hochul's desk, awaiting her signature. She must sign it.

For nearly a century, journalists have monitored police radio frequencies and alerted the public to developing emergencies. That's how people on Long Island and beyond have learned about major accidents, crimes in progress and natural disasters. In some cases, lives have been saved thanks to timely, verified information reported by local media.

Now that lifeline is being cut off.

Proponents of encryption argue that it protects sensitive information and personal privacy. That's a valid concern — but this legislation addresses it.

Under the bill, access would be password-protected, monitored and limited to credentialed journalists. Reporters would not be able to transmit on the channels or interfere in any way. If anyone were to abuse the privilege, his or her access would be revoked. Critically sensitive communications would remain encrypted.

This is not about giving journalists a backstage pass to law enforcement. It's about making sure the public isn't left in the dark when seconds count.

We've already seen the consequences of delayed information. In Chicago, a delay in releasing police communications during a courthouse shooting in July prevented timely warnings to the public.

Police departments that initially embraced full encryption are rethinking the policy. In 2022, the Palo Alto Police Department, in California, reversed its policy of encrypting police radio communications and restored real-time access for the public and the press. The reversal came after the department had encrypted its radio feeds in January 2021, citing a state memo that required the protection of personal identifying information.

New York should learn from that example. At a time when trust in institutions is fragile, blocking information — especially during emergencies — only fuels suspicion and confusion. It invites misinformation to fill the vacuum, and puts lives at risk.

Journalists are not adversaries of public safety. In many cases, they are its allies, helping to get accurate information to people who need it. Whether it's a car crash that shuts down the Southern State Parkway or a threat that necessitates a school lockdown, the public has a right to know — and know quickly.

Hochul has long described herself as a defender of open government and transparency. Now she has a chance to prove it.

#### **LETTERS**

# Let's hear about the other sides of Trump, Peter King

To the Editor:

I have always respected Peter King's political opinions, although I may not have agreed with some of them. I especially appreciate his efforts in bringing about the Good Friday Agreement and peace in Northern Ireland in the late 1990s.

In his op-ed in the Oct. 30-Nov. 5 issue, "Trump has written the first chapter of a new Mideast history," King praises President Trump, and rightly so, for his excellent work in bringing together a number of countries and leaders to bring an end to the horrific war in Gaza. Let's hope it holds.

Now, I hope King devotes a column to Trump's actions (or lack thereof) and behavior as our "domestic" president. We are currently more than 40 days into a government shutdown in which military personal and federal workers are not being paid (but Congress is!), 42 million people have lost most of their SNAP benefits and health insurance prices will double in January. Surely our president could use his power — and he loves doing that — to bring solutions to these important issues. He could order his puppet, Mike Johnson, the speaker of the



House, to reconvene Congress, negotiate and end this disgrace.

Also, I hope King will address the president's manner and words in dealing with people. Shouldn't a president try to unite people, and not mock and insult them, as he

has done on many, many occasions and probably will continue to do?

I look forward to those columns.

JIM HAWKINS Baldwin

#### **OPINIONS**

# There are no kings here

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merica settled the question of kings a long, long time ago. In fact, 2026 will mark our "America 250" celebration, the anniversary of our nation's founding, when our forefathers collectively decided to replace the rule of one man with the will of the people.

This form of government is all most



JACK MARTINS

of us have ever known, and perhaps today it's taken for granted. In reality, the birth of this nation was a transformative moment in history. It was not only a physical revolution, in terms of a war, but a revolution of ideas, too.

The rest of the world believed in

the divine right of kings, and considered it impossible for everyday people to govern themselves. So our founding fathers spent years debating and carefully crafting a delicately balanced system that established individual rights, states' rights and the limited role of a centralized, federal government as well. It was a tremendous balancing act, and a monumental achievement that

changed mankind for the better, inspiring democracies around the world to this day.

So forgive me if I'm more than a little skeptical of the crowds gathered under the "No Kings" banner, who are so vehe-

mently protesting kings that simply don't exist — in many instances conflating civic engagement with partisan attack.

Let's set the record straight. We have a democratically and duly elected president who won the popular vote as well as the Electoral College, and carried every swing state. The peaceful transfer of power, no matter who wins, is the cornerstone of our democ-

racy. The No Kings protests ignore that by challenging the legitimacy of the person in office, regardless of the election results.

It is this false narrative that is so corrosive — not just protesting policy, but the person. And while people are certainly within their rights to protest policies they dislike, it's not acceptable to cloak that dissatisfaction in a lie.

So what are the No Kings protesters really upset about? Not a nonexistent king, but rather democracy itself. They are dissatisfied with the results of the 2024 presidential election and unhappy with any actions taken by the current administration. By portraying a freely elected government as oppressive, organizers are trying to stir fear and suspicion — not with specific policy differ-

ences, but through a vague, emotional narrative.

This isn't real civic participation; it's political theater. Protesting imaginary kings chips away at the trust we need in the very systems that protect our rights. And it's a distraction from the real issues, like affordability, energy policy and public safety, that impact us New Yorkers and our families. Rather than fostering open dis-

cussion and debate, it's far easier and politically expedient for these protest organizers to cast the opposition as authoritarian and hateful — in which case, anything the administration offers is immediately dismissed.

Make no mistake: The No Kings rallies did not spontaneously appear in our neighborhoods. They were "astroturfed" — carefully orchestrated to appear as grassroots efforts. While well-meaning people did indeed show up, deep-pocketed special interests professionally managed the message behind the pro-

tests.

It was especially disappointing to see the League of Women Voters, an organization with a longstanding tradition of nonpartisanship, partner with such a clearly partisan effort. Their mission statement is "Empowering voters. Defending democracy," yet in this case, they did neither. By lending their name and reputation to an event that was more about name-calling than dialogue, more about finger-pointing than civic engagement, the league made a conscious choice to step away from impartiality.

But that's indicative of a larger problem. Increasingly, our schools of higher learning have replaced civic education with ideology. Classrooms that once taught how government works now blur that line with partisan activism that paints any opposition as hateful and authoritarian. That isn't civic education; that's political bullying. Rather than helping students participate in democracy and the free exchange of ideas, they teach them to throw rocks. And that's a shame.

There are no kings here. There are only voters, laws and the reality that leadership changes not by inheritance, but by ballots. Those are ideas worth defending.

Jack Martins represents the 7th State Senate District.

#### **LETTERS**

## We need journalists now more than ever

To the Editor:

Your editorial in the Oct. 16-22 issue, "Real journalists, reporting real stories," on the vital importance of journalism, resonated with me. I subscribe to three newspapers: the Herald, Newsday and the Daily News. I am a strong believer in the First Amendment, and the power and freedom of the press. We need you now more than ever.

The skepticism for the media lies in the current regime's constantly labeling it "fake news." It's only "fake" when it doesn't conform to the regime's edicts. The man in the White House is unilaterally imposing his will, bullying universities, corporations, law firms and the press, and sending troops into states to suppress crime that doesn't exist.

Our democracy is fragile. We must continue to use our voices and peacefully protest the eroding of our rights and freedoms, the inhumane treatment of non-criminal immigrants, and so much more, lest we become an autocracy. I will continue to support the press, and I thank you for your truth, integrity, honesty and hard work.

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