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## Christmas Saved: “Holiday Spectacular” Back in Downtown Huntington



Wall Street in Huntington (Photo courtesy Northwell Health)

By RUPERT DEEDES

Here is a cause for celebration this Christmas - the Huntington “Holiday Spectacular” will be back to its traditional location on Wall Street.

With the support of Northwell Health - and a timely intervention by Huntington Highway Superintendent Andre Sorrentino - the famous 65-foot Christmas Tree will be returning to Wall Street.

According to a Press Release last week from Huntington Supervisor Ed Smyth and Huntington Village Business

Improvement District (BID) President Dom Catoggio, “the BID did not initially have the resources to support the tree and the other ancillary services needed for conducting a safe and successful event.”

The downtown event was also canceled due to a legal dispute involving the tree and decorations vendor.

But then Sorrentino brought together the BID and several local business leaders, and they were able to cobble together funds from Northwell Health - and make peace with the vendor.

The financial commitment from

Northwell Health made it possible for the BID and the Town of Huntington to fund and continue the event for the third consecutive year at its original location in Huntington Village on Wall Street.

Local law enforcement had originally said the keeping the tree on Wall Street would cause “safety issues” in an emergency, however those concerns were addressed and resolved.

These concerns had led the town to initially decide to move the holiday celebration to the Town Hall and Heckscher

Park area. But with a public outcry and the renewed effort by town officials – the crisis was averted.

“The first responders will all be able to get through, that was a little bit something in our heads we were worried about, making sure the fire trucks, ambulances, police, first responders can get down the road,” said Andre Sorrentino. “When we had the park-lets in the road, it was a little difficult.”

The Christmas parade will be held on Nov. 26th.

## Glen Cove Honors Veterans



The VFW James Donohue Post 347.

By VICTORIA CROSBY

The annual solemn ceremony honoring all veterans took place on Veteran’s Day at the Glen Cove Monument of the Doughboy in front of the Glen Cove Library at the corner of Brewster Street and Glen Cove Avenue. Hosted by the VFW James Donohue Post 347, and The City of Glen Cove.

Attending were the mayor of Glen Cove and members of the city council, Nassau County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitten, Assemblyman Charles Lavine, and Director of Veteran’s Affairs, former councilman Tony Jimenez and many veterans, their families and members of the public.

Mayor Panzenbeck welcomed everyone followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the presentation of the colors. VFW Post Commander Henryk Nowickialso spoke.

The honoree this year was Luke Whiting, who was presented with citations from the City of Glen Cove by the Mayor, and by Nassau County Legislator Delia DeRiggi.

Although the ceremony has been a tradition for many years, choosing an honoree, was an addition to the ceremony starting in 1993, when Don DeRiggi was Mayor.

Sgt. Luke Whitting, who served in Afghanistan in the 82nd Airborne Army and a fourth generation paratrooper.

The ceremony closed with

Taps and the rifle salute. Following the ceremony everyone was invited for lunch at the Glen Cove Senior Center. In the past the lunch has been held at the VFW, but it burned down not too long ago in a fire. Fundraising has been going on to help rebuild. A large donation of \$2,500.00 was given recently by Eva Casale of Glen Cove, who runs marathons to raise money for Veterans.



Sgt. Luke Whitting. (Photos are courtesy of GSM Communications)

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# Zeldin Coattails Sweep-in Local Republicans

By Thomas Nothel

Riding the coattails of Republican Lee Zeldin, who won an impressive 47.5% of the vote for Governor while narrowly losing to incumbent Kathy Hochul, New York Republicans did exceptionally well on Election Day, picking-up five congressional seats, three State Senate seats and a half dozen Assembly seats.

On Long Island's gold coast, Republicans won both congressional seats, the two New York State Senate seats and two seats in the New York State Assembly. They also won many other races in Nassau and Suffolk County.

Nick LaLota defeated Democrat Bridget Fleming - by 56% to 44% - to hold on the seat in the First Congressional District (Huntington, Smithtown, Port Jefferson and the East End) - currently held by Republican congressman Lee Zeldin.

George Santos more narrowly won the Third Congressional district (Oyster Bay, North Hempstead, NE Queens) defeating Democrat Robert Zimmerman. That seat was previously held by Democratic Congressman Tom Suozzi, who is retiring after six years in Congress.

In the New York State Senate races, Republican incumbent Mario Mattera

defeated Democrat Susan Berland; and Republican Jack Martins defeated Democratic Incumbent State Senator Anna Kaplan.

In the New York State Assembly races Keith Brown defeated Democrat Cooper Macco in the 12th Assembly District. In the 12th Assembly District Jake Blumencranz defeated Democrat Amanda Field.

Other Republican victories in Nassau and Suffolk races included Republican Andrew Garbarino won reelection in the Second Congressional District, Anthony D'Esposito defeated Democrat Laura Gillen in the Fourth Congressional District, the seat current held by retiring Democrat Kathleen Rice, John Kennedy defeated Democrat Thomas Dolan for Suffolk County Comptroller; and Vincent Puleo defeated Democrat Lisa Jimenez for Suffolk County Clerk.

The strong run for Governor by Zeldin energized Republicans in large numbers to cast ballots - helping down ballot candidates like Santos and D-Esposito.

The election saw an unprecedented number of Asian-American candidates, like Ruka Anzai in Glen Cove, Vibhuti Jha in North Hempstead and Aamir Sultan in Huntington, all of whom lost



Winners Andrew Garbarino (left); Nick LaLota (center) and John Kennedy (back right)

very close Assembly races to Democratic incumbents.

Suffolk County GOP Chair Jesse Garcia deserves praise for an amazing year: winning the March GOP State Convention for Lee Zeldin; winning the June primaries for Zeldin and Suffolk County Clerk-elect Vincent Puleo; winning the August primaries for congressmen-elect Nick LaLota and Andrew Garbarino; and winning Assembly and Senate seats and coming within five

points of winning the November election for Zeldin.

Nassau County GOP Chair Joseph Cairo deserves recognition for winning two new US congressional seats; three new NYS Senate seats; and several new NYS Assembly seats.

The New York Republicans pick-up of five congressional seats flipped control of the House of Representatives from narrowly Democratic to a narrowly Republican majority.

## Family Dog Saved from Cesspool Drowning



Duke after a good shower.

By Rupert Deedes

Quick thinking on the part of members of the Melville and Huntington Manor Fire Departments helped save a 3-year old Labrador Retriever named "Duke" from an unpleasant fate.

The dog ran into the backyard of his family's Eastfield Lane home, where a 12-foot deep cesspool was being pumped. The dog did not see the hole, and fell in.

The frantic family called 911, as Duke swam around in the vile muck.

Firefighters who arrived on the scene realized that it would not be easy to rescue the panicked dog, who was whining and panting deep in the hole.

There were also worries about the quality of the air in the hole, as toxic

gasses may be fatal.

The cesspool opening was only two feet in diameter, so lowering a firefighter into the hole was not going to be easy.

The firefighters came up with another solution: they decided to lower a ladder into the pool - and the dog appeared to have understood what was expected of him: Duke jumped through the ladder and positioned himself on the lower rung, as the firefighters pulled up the ladder, pulling Duke up to safety.

Duke's family, neighbors, and all the first responders cheered as a smelly, but safe and happy Duke emerged from the Cesspool hole.

Then Duke, as all dogs would do, shook of the sludge, spraying everyone near him with the smelly sewage.

## 2022 Election Results

### NY Governor

Kathy Hochul (D) 53%  
Lee Zeldin (R) 47%

### NY Comptroller

Tom DiNapoli (D) 57%  
Paul Rodriguez (R) 43%

### NY Attorney General

Letitia James (D) 54%  
Michael Henry (R) 46%

### US Senator

Chuck Schumer (D) 56%  
Joe Pinion (R) 43%

### US Congress - NY1 (Huntington, Smithtown)

Bridget Fleming (D) 44%  
Nick LaLota (R) 56%

### US Congress - NY2 (Islip, Babylon)

Jackie Gordon (D) 39%  
Andrew Garbarino (R) 61%

### US Congress - NY3 (Oyster Bay, N Hempstead)

Robert Zimmerman (D) 46%  
George Santos (R) 54%

### NYS Senate - SD2 (Huntington, Smithtown)

Susan Berland (D) 42%  
Mario Mattera (R) 58%

### NYS Senate - SD7 (Oyster Bay, Glen Cove, NH)

Anna Kaplan (D) 47%  
Jack Martins (R) 53%

### NYS Assembly - AD8 (Smithtown)

Jeanine Aponte (D) 31%  
Mike Fitzpatrick (R) 68%

### NYS Assembly - AD10 (S Huntington)

Steve Stern (D) 54%  
Aamir Sultan (R) 46%

### NYS Assembly - AD12 (N Huntington)

Cooper Macco (D) 42%  
Keith Brown (R) 58%

### NYS Assembly - AD13 (Glen Cove, Plainview)

Charles Lavine (D) 54%  
Ruka Anzai (R) 46%

### NYS Assembly - AD15 (Brookville, Locust Valley)

Amanda Field (D) 42%  
Jake Blumencranz (R) 58%

### NYS Assembly - AD16 (N Hempstead)

Gina Silitti (D) 52%  
Vibhuti Jha (R) 48%

### Suffolk County Clerk

Lisa Jimenez (D) 41%  
Vincent Puleo (R) 59%

### Suffolk County Comptroller

Thomas Dolan (D) 40%  
John Kennedy (R) 60%

## EDITORIAL

### THE GOLDEN AGE OF THE GRIFTER

Welcome to the new age of fraud. When nonsense or obvious lies - stated with a salesman's panache and a touch of psychological manipulation or gaslighting - will strip even "sophisticated" people of their judgment, dignity and savings.

Today - far too many people lie. And lie with brazen gusto. And are indignant if you dare speak the truth. Just keep quiet and go happily along.

Last week, the world was shocked to learn that it's latest king with no clothing was a 30-year old unkempt billionaire savant and fraudster named Samuel Bankman-Fried. He was so weird - growing an unkempt mop of hair, wearing dirty clothes and hoodies, sleeping in a communal penthouse condo in the Bahamas - and spreading around \$40 million in stolen money to the likes of President Biden and his party - that he just had to be "real."

Except he was not. Like Bernie Madoff and countless fraudsters before him, he was trafficking in lies - to grab other people's money.

SBF - as he liked to be called - made and lost billions in the ultimate fantasy nonsense. Fake money called "Cryptocurrency." Money not backed by any commodity or the credit of a real government. Money grounded in a pretend computer equation called "blockchain." In other words...nothing.

At age 27, SBF traveled to China in 2019 - and came back two years later claiming to be worth \$14 billion. (Your alarm bells over foreign intelligence should be ringing).

SBF co-founded a Crypto "exchange" called FTX, and founded his own pretend cryptocurrency. Then - promising huge profits to the greedy - and spouting a lot of silly pop marketing mumbo-jumbo - he gathered tens of billions in real money from retirement pension funds, and other real investors. Until he diverted \$10 billion or so to his "consulting" firm. And then billions more, backed by his own pretend cryptocurrency.

Then it all crashed - with billions missing and losses in potentially the tens of billions.

Readers of this newspaper might recall SBF and his partner Ryan Salame spreading \$5-7 million around Long Island this past summer - trying to grab seats in the US Congress. They spent \$4 million trying to block Republican Nick LaLota in NY1 - and working with Salame's sometime girlfriend Michelle "Bond" (a/k/a Bogonja) in a put-up fake "Pied Piper" primary. Thanks largely to the power of the Suffolk Republicans - and their effective and focused Chair Jesse Garcia - LaLota won.

SBF and Salame spent nearly a million each on Joshua Lafazan (NY3) and Laura Gillen (NY4) - but both also lost. The only one of their candidates who won was Republican George Santos in NY3.

And it wasn't just unprincipled and money-bedazzled Long Island politicians who took their bait. Bill Clinton, former UK Prime Minister Tony Blair, football superstar Tom Brady and his fashion model ex-wife Gisele Bundchen - all shilled for SBF and Salame.

Character matters. Truth matters. And if we as a people don't re-connect with the concept of objective truth - then we will be wide-open for the next iteration of SBF.

*The Publisher*

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

*The Leader* has received several unsigned letters to the editor. We will respect an author's request for anonymity, but must have your name, address, and phone number. We want to hear from you and publish your opinions, so in the future, kindly include the above requested information.

### OYSTERS AT OYSTER FEST NOT FROM OYSTER BAY

Dear Editor:

Last month the Oyster Festival returned after a three-year hiatus. But, as was the case in 2019, none of the 60,000 oysters consumed came from Oyster Bay. That is because very few oysters remain in our harbor.

Not long ago, the Bay produced as much as 90 percent of all the oysters harvested in the state. The vast majority of those oysters were produced at the Frank M. Flower & Sons hatchery and seeded in the bay to grow for later harvest by Flower and local baymen.

But that hatchery has been closed for several years and the company is no longer seeding the vast acres of the bay that it leases from the Town of Oyster Bay. While the company may cease operations in the harbor when its current lease expires in 2024, it retains the right to continue harvesting until that time. This could result in the leased beds being largely devoid of shellfish.

In a natural sustainable state, shellfish filter and clean the water, are a valuable food source, and reproduce to provide seed to other areas of the bay.

Friends of the Bay has been working closely with the town to create a bay management plan to ensure a healthy shellfish population and, in turn, a healthy and productive bay.

To its credit, the Town has been very receptive to our suggestions and has already implemented many.

For the future of the harbor and all who benefit from it, it is imperative that we continue to build upon these early successes in providing for the replacement of shellfish being rapidly depleted. Failing to do so will be catastrophic for our bay.

But if we take the necessary actions, hopefully the tens of thousands of visitors to the Oyster Festival once again will enjoy oysters from Oyster Bay.

Friends of the Bay  
Oyster Bay, NY

### PAY INTO SOCIAL SECURITY NOW FOR LATER

To the Editor:

You won't get rich collecting Social Security, not even close. However, you don't want to mess it up either. The system was never intended to be your total retirement income but to many it's their only source of retirement income. You don't want to make it your only source of income for your senior years but you definitely want it in your income portfolio.

Social Security recipients will receive an 8.7% increase in their monthly income starting in January. The average increase will fall between \$150 to \$250 per month. This will buy you a tank of gasoline or a sack of groceries. The increase will help about 70 million retired Americans.

Inflation has devoured Americans' paychecks as groceries, fuel, rent and now interest rates have skyrocketed. By the time the January increase comes around you probably will have lost most of your increase to these and medical costs associated with Social Security.

Pay all you can into Social Security. Too many young adults buy into the rationale that Social Security doesn't pay much or won't be around when they retire. On some level it will be around and you'll need it when you retire.

Business persons, farmers, hospital-ity people, clergy and others make a big mistake in finding ways to only show a small income when they file their taxes. This reduces the amount of taxes owed and lowers how much paid into Social Security. When retirement

comes these people become very sad when they find out they will only receive a minimal amount of Social Security income.

One minister friend opted out of paying into Social Security *because of religious objections*.

When he was 70, he had almost zero retirement and worked up until his death. Another ministerial friend claimed very little salary and received very little in Social Security payments when he retired. He spent his last couple of years cleaning hotel rooms and working at Kentucky Fried Chicken trying to survive. A farmer acquaintance worked hard for many years but doesn't collect a penny in Social Security benefits. You have to pay into it to collect it so don't short-change yourself.

The average Social Security payment in 2022 is \$1,614. Many people who worked less years and paid less collect less than this amount. Some Americans who worked longer, earned more income and paid more into the system are collecting \$3,345 per month. Again, these numbers will increase in 2023 by 8.7%.

Sometimes people retire too early. A friend retired at 62 and received \$1100 per month in Social Security income. At that time, he would have collected several hundred more if he could have worked just three more years.

Pay into an Individual Retirement Account, 401k and anything else you can. You can't live big just on a Social Security check, but pay as much as possible into the system now because it will be helpful later.

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## Op-Ed: 2022 Election Analysis

BY STEVE LEVY

There is both good and bad news for both parties in the midterm election's red ripple - and the anticipated red wave in this midterm election did morph into a red ripple.

It is a disappointment for fierce Republican partisans who wanted a huge run up in the House, and a clear takeover of the Senate, along with an astounding mandate. However, it shouldn't be lost on voters that a win in the House, and that has major ramifications.

Likewise, the Democrats cannot be happy that they lost the House, but they held on to numerous vulnerable governor seats, and may have kept control of the Senate. In the final analysis, there's good and bad for both parties from these results.

### For Republicans

#### Here's the good:

Whether the GOP ends up with a margin of 30 seats or three in the House, they



Steve Levy

will still control the Speaker position and every committee. That means they can block any progressive proposals coming from the White House.

It also means that they have the ability to conduct investigations with subpoena power. The tables have now been turned on the Democrats, and especially President Biden, who has to fear investigations over his potential involvement with his son Hunter's business dealings, as well as having to defend his botched withdrawal in Afghanistan, his policies on the border and COVID, all of which will be scrutinized by the GOP majority.

#### Here's the bad:

The thin majority that the Republicans will hold will mean that the more fringe elements of the party, including the Marjorie Taylor Greene types,

will have greater sway over the likely Speaker, Kevin McCarthy.

Remember, Democrat Speaker Nancy Pelosi was able to herd her caucus together, but only by conceding to the far left on almost every issue.

The Republicans didn't have to get control of the Senate to stop the Biden agenda, but the Senate still matters, especially when it comes to the confirmation of judges. Another Supreme Court vacancy in the next two years, though unlikely, would be to the advantage of President Biden, if the Democrats hold the Senate.

Finally, Republicans are finding that their decades-long pursuit of overturning Roe v. Wade may now become the biggest albatross around their neck, as it is apparently of deep concern to independent swing voters.

### For Democrats

#### Here's the good:

Almost every Democrat incumbent governor who was deemed to be vulnerable due to the Democrats' Covid lockdowns in blue states has withstood off-year jeopardy.

It's also becoming clear that gains made by Democrats in formerly red

states of Georgia, Colorado, and Arizona were no flukes. Colorado is essentially blue at this point and Arizona may be controlled by a Democrat governor and two Democrat senators, something unheard of just 10 years ago.

This is the result of huge waves of immigration, and Californians moving to Arizona to get away from the Golden State's high costs, but keeping their liberal voting proclivities.

#### Here's the bad:

The Democrats lost control of passing legislation on the federal level. If they lose control of the Senate, their ability to get far-left judges will be hampered. President Biden is likely to be dogged by numerous investigations, placing him on the defensive in the last two years of his term.

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## Two New Police Officers For Glen Cove



The two recruits Owen Valance and Liudmila Delarosa being sworn in.

On Wednesday November 9th the Glen Cove Mayor Pam Panzenbeck and the City Council approved the hiring of two new Glen Cove Police Officers. The two new Glen Cove Officers will be attending the Nassau Police Academy for 7 months of intensive training before they begin protecting the Glen Cove community. The two Officers were welcomed to the Department by Police Chief William Whitton who expects the recruits to be great additions to the police department who will serve the citizens of

Glen Cove with honor and integrity.

The two recruits are, Liudmila Delarosa, who was born in Russia and became a US citizen in 2014. Liudmila has called Glen Cove her home for the last 6 years and has a background as a Para Legal.

Owen Valance grew up in Glen Cove, and after serving in the US Navy for six years, Owen returned home to Glen Cove and decided to become a police officer to serve the community he grew up in.

## OBEN B&GC Celebrates the Children's Event

BY VICTORIA CROSBY

The Oyster Bay East Norwich Boys and Girls Club recently held their annual fundraising online auction and in person cocktail party reception at the Boys & Girls Club in person for the first time in several years. Michele Bahnik Mercier said "After two years of hosting the event virtually, it was back and better than ever."

The goal of the event is to raise funds for the youth of the community.

The evening featured delicious cocktails and hors d'oeuvres with a display of fabulous auction items, which included everything from stays at luxurious hotels, sports memorabilia and many other wonderful items. People could bid online for several days prior to the event. There was also a raffle of great prizes.

A presentation was made to The Youth of the Year and Junior Youth of the Year winners. The children entertained with songs, and a 2023 calendar, featuring photos of club members, and highlighting the many generous sponsors and contributors, was distributed to every guest.

Michele Bahnik Mercier also recognized these sponsors, in addition to the committee, board and staff members and supporters in the community. These included All Star Party LI., Andrew Pascoe Flowers LTD, Bluebird Chocolates, Elijah Porter Photographer, N.T. Designs, Oyster Bay Brewing Co.,



Michèle Bahnik Mercier, Co-President of the Board and event Chairperson, with Junior Youth of the Year and Youth of the Year

Thomas Egan Window Cleaning, T.S. Elektrik, LLC, Wild Honey and Wonderland Tree Care and Landscapes.

Executive Director of the OBEN Boys & Girls Club, Jean Marie Weiner, said, "For six decades the Boys & Girls Club has served as the community's best resource for children and teens. For every generation passing through its doors, the Club provides access to opportunities, supports academic success and helps kids to develop the confidence and skills needed to succeed and flourish." She added "The Club is a source of stability and a community jewel."

Michele Bahnik Mercier then asked all guests to consider doing something extra special for the children and their families served by the Club. She suggested sending a kid to camp or to simply make a donation, and closed with "Thank you all for believing and caring."

Oyster Bay East Norwich Boys & Girls Club is located at One Pine Hollow Road in Oyster Bay. For further information visit [bgcoben.org](http://bgcoben.org).

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## Trois Jours Boutique Celebrates 50 Years



(l-r) Ever Padillo, Marian Lippiello, and Gaitley Stevenson Mathews

By VICTORIA CROSBY

Trois Jours Boutique, owned by Marian Lippiello, recently celebrated fifty years in business. The boutique was in Locust Valley on Birch Hill Road for many years and has been located at 318 Sea Cliff Avenue in Sea Cliff since 2018.

The fashions at Trois Jours include casual and evening dresses, sweaters, pants, tops, jackets, scarves and costume jewelry. I have purchased many items there over the years. Everything is of top quality and timeless, not a one season fad. Marian also has wonderful sales several times a year. She said “I specialize in working one on one with my customers to fit their specific needs.” This I have found to be correct.

The public was invited to attend a reception, with small bites and bubbly, catered by Marian herself, which was held at the boutique to celebrate.

Nassau County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton presented Marian with a citation as did Ever Padilla, President of the North Shore Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

## A Very Special Night at Autentico

By VICTORIA CROSBY

Autentico Restaurant in Oyster Bay is a very special place. Small in size, with seating for around fifty, and unassuming from the outside, but with authentic Italian food prepared by Sicilian born Chef Francesco Pecoraro. All the food is freshly prepared with locally sourced ingredients, with a stylishly handwritten menu that changes regularly.

Recently a very special event took place at Autentico, when Chef Pecoraro collaborated with Chef Franca Bernarni from Ravenna, Italy, (shown making pasta in the photos on the opposite page.) Together they created a unique menu, which was enjoyed by everyone attending.

The dinner menu started with Shrimps Bomboniera che sposano L’orto, followed by Curzul (fresh pasta) with Orata fish ragu sand Friggione di Romagna, Soasa Fillet with Cannellini

Beans and crispy Guanciale, and for dessert Zuppa Inglese and Scioglievolezza of Mascarpone cheese.

Autentico opened in 2016 at the site which was once a bakery and café. Owned by Zack Nudo and Constance Cincotta. Autentico, which means authentic, was a first time American experience for Chef Pecoraro who has previously only worked in Italy. He was born in Filiga, in Sicily, near Palermo, and graduated from culinary school, before working in restaurants all over Northern Italy. Chef Franca Bernarni was the first woman enrolled in the Romagna Chefs Association.

At Autentico Chef Pecoraro’s goal is to create a unique dining experience, far different from other Italian restaurants. I can say, from having eaten there numerous times, that he does not disappoint.

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## Rock History at NSHM



By VICTORIA CROSBY

The history of Rock ‘n Roll was presented at the North Shore Historical Museum recently, generously sponsored by the Pistilli Metro Center, to a sold out crowd who enjoyed refreshments prepared by members of the board of NSHM as they enjoyed the musical presentation.

The group, Quartet de Rock & Roll, who are all from the North Shore of Long Island, featured Elysa Sunshine on bass guitar and vocals, Shawn Murray, who grew up in Glen Cove, on drums, Paul Errico, keyboards and vocals, and Guy (Guetano) Valic, guitar and vocals.

Each musician took turns in telling a history of the songs, which included music of the 50s and 60s, and choosing to play the one of their favorites.

The music included songs by Bobby Darin, Elvis Presley, Chuck Berry, The Ronettes, The Drifters and other well-known music of the era.

Former Glen Cove City Councilman Gaitely Stevenson-Mathews said “Thank you to the NSHM Director Amy Driscoll, NSHM president Georgie Connett and the entire board for making the event such a great success. A giant thank you to the Pistilli Metro Center for sponsoring this event. It is thanks to the support of the community that the museum is able to bring programs and exhibits to the residents of the North Shore and beyond.”

“They were phenomenal!” was the review from NSHM board member Dr. Eve Lupenko- Ferrante.

“The show was the history of rock and Roll Part One, said Elysa Sunshine, “we covered the 50s and a bit of the early 60s. We hope to do the history of Rock and Roll part two in the future.”



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## Obituaries

**ABATE**, Carmine L. April 16, 1949 - November 3, 2022. Survived by children: Vicki Abate, Shelley Weeks (Dan), Joanna Earlywine (Danny), and Jim Abate; grandchildren: Mia Dolan, Kylie Weeks, Caleb Weeks, Marissa Earlywine, and Brooklyn Earlywine; siblings: Frank Abate (Helen), and Nicholas Abate; nieces; nephews; other relatives, and friends. Preceded by parents: Frank and Nicolina Abate; wife, Jean Abate; and brother, Victor Abate. Interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Omaha, NE.



**DOERGE**, Penelope Griggs, 16, daughter of Chad and Kate Doerge, sister of Henry and Frankie, died at home in Glen Cove, NY surrounded by

family and friends on November 10th, 2022.

Penny lived a life full of purpose, passion and joy. She was a talented artist, fashionista, world traveler, social media influencer and the founder of "Glam Camp", a summer program for young girls. She loved TikToking with friends, paddle boarding with her mom, dancing with her dad, pranking her brothers, and snuggling with her dogs.

Penny was a model of grace, positivity and courage. Diagnosed with neurofibromatosis (NF1) as an infant, Penny never let this define her or hold her back. She lived her life "Walking on Sunshine", in the words of her favorite song. From her lifelong friendships at home to Fishers Island, NY and Boca Grande, FL, Penny made an impact everywhere she went by shining her bright light. She was an inspiration and a teacher to people of all ages.

Born in New York City, Penny attended Beginnings Nursery School until moving to Long Island in 2011. She attended The Green Vale School, Pomfret School and, most recently, Portledge School. Penny was honored with the Buckley Award for Effort and Achievement by The Green Vale School upon her graduation in 2021.

Penny is the granddaughter of Carl and Meredith Doerge of Locust Valley, NY and of Frank and Cassie Kernan (deceased) of Bedford, NY, and the niece of Josh and Elizabeth Kernan, Michael and Amanda Kernan, Duke and Lindsey Barnett, and Graham and Chloe Doerge. She was beloved by her 11 cousins.

The family will hold a Celebration of Penny's Life at St. John's of Lattingtown in Locust Valley, NY on Friday,

November 18, 2022 at 10:30 am.

Arrangements entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home of Glen Cove.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Hospital for Special Surgery - Lerner Children's Pavilion ([www.HSS.edu/pediatric-giving.asp](http://www.HSS.edu/pediatric-giving.asp)) and Advanced Neurofibromatosis Research - Children's Tumor Foundation ([www.ctf.org](http://www.ctf.org)). [www.DodgeThomas.com](http://www.DodgeThomas.com)



**LUPINSKI**, Joan of Glen Cove, NY on November 14, 2022 age 86. Beloved wife of the late Lt. Stanley 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. Interment Sutter Cemetery in Sutter, CA. [www.DodgeThomas.com](http://www.DodgeThomas.com)

**McCAUL**, Elizabeth M. - peacefully surrounded by her family on Nov. 1, 2022, age 84, of Bellmore, NY. Beloved wife of the late Philip. Loving mother of Elizabeth McCaul (Frank Ingrassia), Coleen Kanavos (Christos), MaryK Kiger (Eric), and the late Philip Jr. Cherished grandmother of Carole Bates (Andrew, MD), Peter Ingrassia (Rochelle), Dr. Katie Kiger, Jake Ingrassia, Timothy Ingrassia, Theodore Ingrassia, Sarah Kanavos, Owen Ingrassia, Lizzie Ingrassia, and Gabrielle Kanavos. Proud great grandmother of Liam Bates, Henry Bates, and Annaleigh Bates. Devoted companion of the late Thomas J. Clarke and survived by his children Thomas, Timothy and their families. Also survived by many loving cousins, nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends. Interment Holy Rood Cemetery. [www.oysterbayfuneralhome.com](http://www.oysterbayfuneralhome.com)

**PARRA**, Carol L. - on Nov. 5, 2022, age 79, of Bayville, NY, formerly of New York, NY. Beloved wife of the late Cornelius. Loving mother of Constance Olson (Thomas Hornosky), and Cynthia Parra Catacosinos (William). Cherished grandmother of Kara Ayars (Christopher). Proud great grandmother of Mason, Dylan and Hayden Ayars. Dear sister of Peter Pawelko (Flor). Dear aunt of Bradley Pawelko (Laura), and Lisa Furrow (Peter). Devoted great aunt of Gabrielle Pawelko, Alex Pawelko, and Macie Furrow. Also survived by many loving relatives and friends. Donations in

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**RICHEY**, Johnny III formerly of Glen Cove, NY on November 8, 2022 at Age 73. Beloved husband of the late Valerie. Loving father of Johnny IV, Talina,

Samuel and Marcus. Dear brother of Cathy Mikens, Frances Williams, Christopher, the late Alexander and Walter. Cherished grandfather of 9. Adored nephew of Lewis Dacus. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Mr. Richey was a Lance Corporal in the U.S. Marines. He was a recipient of 2 Purple Hearts during the Vietnam War. Johnny loved to walk, play guitar and was a member of the Uniondale VFW. Arrangements entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home, Glen Cove, NY. Visitation at the First Baptist Church on Thursday from 5:00 - 7:00pm with a Service at 7:00 pm. Interment at Calverton National Cemetery on Friday. [www.dodgethomas.com](http://www.dodgethomas.com)



**WAY**, Jennifer, on November 8, Jennifer Way's life was claimed by a disease that she first encountered 30 years prior. But to conclude that she lost her battle would be a colossal misstatement. Indeed, through many ups and downs,

she achieved victory by maintaining her quality of life both professionally and personally.

Jennifer (nee Faustino) was born in Manila, the Philippines, in 1950. She attended high school in Manila and achieved her Bachelor's degree in Accounting from St. Theresa's College in Quezon City. After working as a secretary for a year, Jennifer came to New York to visit her sister and decided to call it home. Not long after discovering the place she was destined to live, she found the profession she was destined to excel at - travel manager for Malaysian Airlines, a job she enjoyed for 35 years. Her specialty was hosting trips to Manila for travel agents to encourage them to sell such excursions to their clientele. These sojourns also gave her an opportunity to schmooze with airline personnel and often have her seat upgraded. She was even granted access to the cockpit a number of times. Malaysian closed their New York office in 2010 and, not yet ready to retire, Jennifer transitioned to governmental employment working as a clerk for the Nassau County Health Department before retiring in 2020.

Two years after arriving in the U.S., Jennifer met Keith Way. Keith was struck by her beauty and to say theirs was a match made in heaven is an understatement. Two years later, they married, found their way to Glen Cove and have lived there ever since. But that doesn't mean they never left town. On the contrary! "I was working at the Park Lane Hotel and Jennifer visited me one day," Keith recalls. "Next thing you know, she's chatting with the chef who invited her to lunch with he and the hotel's Vice

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## Obituary

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President and General Manager. That's how she was, she had an infectious personality and people were drawn to her. Anyway, more meetings followed and talk of food during those get-togethers led to her becoming a full-fledged foodie." After that, whenever she and Keith traveled, meals were the focal point and he has great memories of the famous restaurants they visited and renowned chefs they met. "She'd contact them in advance and they'd roll out the red carpet," he recalls.

Jennifer was predeceased by her mother Valentina Luchino and her father Benjamin. She is survived by brothers Bert and Rene, sister Rowenna Corona, stepson Charles Wayand many loving nieces and nephews. And, of course, Keith. "My existence was altered so favorably by her presence," he explains. "She was the motivating force in my professional life and I would have never experienced all of those wonderful travels and cuisines had it not been for her. So, while an insidious disease took her from me, it can't take the influence she had or the memories of the good times we shared. And for that, I am forever grateful."

Visitation at the Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home on Wednesday 2-4pm & 7-9pm. Funeral Mass at St. Patrick RC Church on Thursday at 10:00 am. Interment at Pine Grove Cemetery, Newport, Vermont on Sunday. [www.dodgethomas.com](http://www.dodgethomas.com)



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It is a perfect venue for such an event. A mansion originally built for the Dodge Family in a Tudor Revival style on 86 acres overlooking the Long Island Sound. The manor was purchased in 1949 by the Lutheran Friends of the Deaf and has been helping the hearing impaired since then.

The invitation to Mill Neck Manor’s party read; Join us for cocktails, food, raffles, casino games, silent auction and live entertainment. Guests attended in fabulous outfits to celebrate. Ladies in their long and sparkly dresses and men in black tie or suits of the era, enjoyed a wonderful evening of good food and music, while raising funds for the Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf.

The North Shore Hispanic Chamber of Commerce held their Gatsby event at The Metropolitan in Glen Cove, which has more of an art deco style interior than the mansion. However, the guests were all decked out in the style of the Roaring Twenties, with the ladies wearing flapper style dresses, fascinators and other head-dresses and long strings of pearls, and the men appropriately attired in their best outfits. The North Shore Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of New York was formed in 2019 to help bridge the Hispanic community to all parts of the community. Their mission is to help all businesses grow by providing education and recourses that allow them to thrive in the community. Ever Padilla is the president, and it was also his birthday on the night of the party.

These are two great organizations that deserve the support of the community.

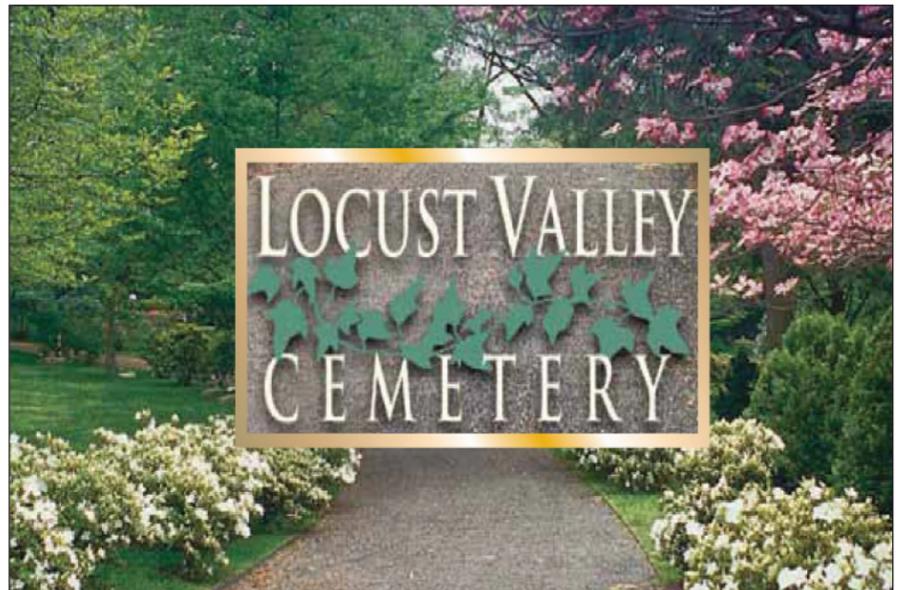
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**Italian Cheesecake:** This was one of many of my Barese Grandmother's, Gaetanelle Piccini, family recipes. Nanelle was a phenomenal baker; there was always something amazing in the oven, whenever she stayed with us. This recipe is on our table for Thanksgiving and Easter and I cherish it greatly because it's also in her handwriting - very unusual in the digital age we live in! This year her Great, Great Grandson will be the first of the next generation to enjoy this traditional dessert.

### Kim Reardon

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Come Thanksgiving, we always host a large dinner at my house, the more the merrier! For seating this big crew, we clear the living room and rent round tables and chairs. Dinner is served buffet style from the kitchen and seconds are encouraged. We call it our pop-up Thanksgiving and my family absolutely loves it!

### Madeleine R. Ganis

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Since my husband and I have children who live all over the US, we generally have a traditional Thanksgiving dinner with my sister, who lives in Vermont, at Old Inn on the Green, a circa 1760, former stagecoach inn in the Berkshires. The food is exceptional, and the atmosphere is reminiscent of Colonial times, as the chandeliers are lighted by candles, the walls are painted with Colonial era murals, and it's easy to imagine the boots that have trod the wide-plank pine floors.

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This year, we created a new tradition as an office with a "Gratitude Friendsgiving". We focused on our recent successes and all the friendships built as a result of being a trusted real estate advisor. This was an extraordinary evening, we look forward to continuing this a tradition! Our gratitude is #BecauseOfYou. Please reach out to our office so we can connect you with a real estate advisor that best suites your real estate needs.

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