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LaLota Sworn-In to US Congress



Congressman Nick LaLota and Speaker McCarthy seconds after the vote.

Representatives cannot be sworn in until the election of a House Speaker, and this year's Speaker election made history, after going through 15 rounds of balloting, over five days.

Congressman Kevin McCarthy, a Republican from California was finally elected on the 15th ballot at 1:00 AM on Saturday

By CHRIS O'NEILL

Nick LaLota - US Navy officer; Annapolis Graduate; Suffolk Elections Commissioner; and most recently Chief of Staff to the Suffolk Legislature - was finally sworn into office as US Congressman - at 2AM on Saturday morning - after a week-long marathon of votes to elect a House Speaker.

"It took longer than expected, but it is an incredible honor to continue my service to our great country, our community, and the people of New York's First District as their Congressman," stated LaLota. "Long Islanders elected me to lower prices, secure our border, make our communities safer, help restore integrity and accountability in government, and fight for them in Washington."

Members-elect of the US House of

morning - after a full day session with repeated, close ballots.

"I voted for Kevin McCarthy for Speaker," noted LaLota. "And I will vote for the recently proposed rule changes which include conservative wins such as term limits, balancing the budget, reigning in spending, and cutting the deficit."

"I firmly believe that Speaker McCarthy, our new rules, and the Commitment to America agenda provide the best plan to help move our country and Long Island forward," added LaLota. "It is time to get to work!"

LaLota was sworn-in at a 2AM ceremony in his office. He represents NY-1, a district that includes Huntington, Smithtown, Port Jefferson and the Hamptons.



Nick LaLota's swearing in reception.



Speaker McCarthy seconds after being Elected.

(Photos courtesy US Rep Nick LaLota)

GC Honors Heroes Who Saved a Woman



Nick Aronov, Jim Leonick, Lisa Leonick, and Angel Cepeda at Congressman LaLota's office



Mayor Pam Panzenbeck Honors Heroes Manny Grella and Chris Florio

By NOLAN CLEARY

A Glen Cove resident who saved a woman from drowning was honored last week by Mayor Pam Panzenbeck for his heroism.

Emmanuel Grella and Christian Flora were driving home in 2019, when they witnessed a car crash through their neighbor's backyard and into the neighbor's pool.

The two rushed to the scene, and discovered a 73 year old woman stuck in the driver's seat, as the car sank to the bottom of the pool.

The two jumped in, freed her, and pulled her out, according to Glen Cove Police. The elderly driver suffered just minor injuries - and her life was saved by the quick action of Grella and Flora.

Last week, Glen Cove City Mayor Pamela Panzenbeck granted Grella an award for his heroism.

"Last night we recognized and awarded our very own Emanuel (Manny) Grella for his bravery in saving a woman's life," stated Panzenbeck. "We are so proud of Manny — always coming to the rescue in so many ways."

In addition, Grella also received New York State Liberty Medal from now-former NYS Senator Jim Gaughran.

"The Liberty Medal is awarded in unique circumstances for heroism. Manny jumped in to an unsafe situation without thought of his own safety to save a woman whose car had plunged into a pool," added Glen Cove Councilwoman Marsha Silverman.

Fatal Car Accident in Old Brookville

The Nassau County Police Department reports the details of a Fatal Vehicular Accident that occurred on Sunday, January 8, 2023, at 3:37 am in Old Brookville.

According to Nassau County Detectives, a 2008 Nissan was traveling westbound on Chicken Valley Road when the 16-year-old female, Angelia Dominguez of Seaford, the operator lost control of the vehicle and struck a tree

near the intersection of Brookville Lane. The operator of the vehicle was pronounced at the scene by a Nassau County Police Medic.

The three other male occupants, ages 14, 15 and 16 were transported to local hospitals for treatment. The 16-year-old male occupant is currently in critical condition. The male occupants ages 14 and 15 are both in stable condition. The investigation is ongoing.

EDITORIAL

GEORGE SANTOS MUST RESIGN - OR BE EXPELLED

This newspaper, *The North Shore Leader*, was the first newspaper to break the story, last September, about the depth and breath of fraud by now-Congressman George Santos.



George Santos

The sheer volume of the lies and frauds committed by Santos strains belief. We just elected a con-man - dubbed a "Fabulist - a Fake" by this newspaper, and "George Scam-tos" by our sources. He is a sociopath - and no one in Congress or New York will work with him.

Now Long Island's political leadership - stung by the betrayals of Santos - are now all calling for Santos' resignation, or removal.

Nassau Republican Chairman Joseph Cairo - leading a press conference of nearly every senior official in Nassau County - demanded this week that Santos resign. He declared Santos "persona non grata," and promised to eject him from any Nassau Republican event, should the uninvited Santos show-up. Cairo was backed by every Republican official in the county.

And the Democrats have been leading protest rallies for weeks, demanding Santos resign.

The current situation is an outrage - Santos needs to resign, or be expelled. But Santos mockingly said he's "NOT resigning."

The US Constitution provides that a 2/3 vote by the House can expel a member. In the current Congress, that means that about 1/3 of the Republicans would need to join the Democrats, to oust Santos. And that's going to be a very attainable number.

After the Nassau GOP press conference - followed quickly by the Suffolk GOP and the NYS State GOP Chairman, Congressman Nick Langworthy endorsing Cairo's calls for Santos to resign - the odds of Santos being expelled just got a lot stronger.

Misguided Santos apologists claim that because some Democrats - like President Joe Biden, and US Senators Richard Blumenthal and Elizabeth Warren - often lie, we should excuse a pathological liar like Santos.

But the answer to Democrats' lies is NOT to welcome more Republican liars. It is to clean house - and demand the Democrats do the same. No Republican congressman can plausibly challenge Biden's lies on the border, or the corruption of the DOJ or FBI, while a grotesque fraudster like Santos sits smirking in Congress.

Expelling a member is not that hard - and hardly unheard of. So far, the US House has expelled 20 members - most recently Rep. James Traficant (D-Ohio) in 2002. Let's get on with it.

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.

TIME TO GET TO WORK!

To the Editor:

In November, after Republicans won a House Majority, 222 Republican Members-Elect of the 118th Congress like me had an open and healthy debate about who would serve as the nation's next Speaker of the House. While House Republicans of the previous Congress unanimously elected Kevin McCarthy to serve as their Republican Leader, it was apparent that about fifteen recently re-elected Republicans and five freshman Republicans had reservations about McCarthy becoming Speaker. The proffered criticism was that he was too much of a Washington insider and not conservative enough.

Yet, on the days leading up to the first vote for Speaker, it became clear to the overwhelming majority of my colleagues and me that only the election of Kevin McCarthy as Speaker and a more conservative rules package that included (1) an ability for just one Member to call to depose the Speaker; (2) a path to balanced budgets; and (3) other conservative priorities could garner the requisite number of votes.

Still, after 13 failed votes and more than 96 hours after the first vote for Speaker, the House convened at 10pm on Friday for a 14th vote. With much of the nation watching, that vote failed too. Republican leadership then called for a motion to adjourn- to take the weekend off and to return to

Washington on Monday.

With a sense of duty, resolve and purpose, I struggled to agree with my party to vote yes. With time ticking, I sought some counsel from fellow New Yorkers and we (Representatives Garbarino, Malliotakis and D'Esposito) agreed we owed it to our constituents and America to vote "no" and to stay in Washington to figure out this mess.

With only 15 hectic minutes to vote on the motion, I am pleased that Republican leaders- including Whip Tom Emmer and then Speaker-Designate McCarthy- heard our reasoning to keep on working. They not only listened, but within minutes they changed the Republican Conference's preferred position to "no" and rushed to advise other Republican Members to join in defeating the motion. Within minutes, about 70 Republicans changed their votes to no- forcing a 15th vote for Speaker.

Shortly thereafter, my colleagues and I in the House voted a final time for Speaker- having elected Kevin McCarthy of Bakersfield, California. Under new rules and this new leadership, House Republicans will deliver on our Commitment to America: an economy that is strong, a nation that is safe, a future that is built on freedom and a government that is accountable.

As an 11-year Navy man, someone who served in local government for about as long, and a lifelong Republican, I campaigned on being a leader of a more conservative and functional government. That is why I was

especially proud to be part of a New York team who rallied others to work through the weekend to elect a Speaker.

With these party politics behind us, it's time to get to work!

In Service,
Congressman Nick LaLota

DOES LYING TO DECEIVE DESERVE RECOGNITION AND ACCEPTANCE?

To the Editor:

George Santos should not be sworn in as a Congressman to represent ANY-ONE as he had made a laughing stock of the Republican Party as well as being an embarrassment. It is unsettling that he refuses to resign and has the audacity to think he can represent his district. I am a Registered Republican but my instincts were correct and I voted for Zimmerman.

He should not be rewarded by earning a salary after showing lack of integrity and pride (I don't mean Gay Pride). He should be swept under a carpet and hope he will disappear permanently. He has made a mockery of rules and regulations that this Country has been founded upon and we cannot stand by and give him any privileges and accept him in any manner. I do hope that Petitions will be forthcoming to remove this evil individual.

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Op-Ed: Top Ten Examples Of Government Waste

By **STEVE LEVY**

Here are our top ten examples of government waste:

1. Eastside access scheduled to open 2009 at \$4 billion Open the 2023 at \$11 billion

2. City of San Francisco proposed construction of a single public toilet at a cost of \$1.7 million

3. The bullet train proposal initiated a 500-mile high-speed system to connect LA to San Francisco. In 2008 the estimated cost was \$33 million. The cost rose to a whopping \$105 billion and never achieved its goal.

4. \$465,339 was put into a high-stakes study that aims to untangle the psychology of gambling addiction – by

building a casino for pigeons. The National Institute of Health has sent nearly 1/2 million dollars to uber-liberal Reed College in Portland.

5. Last year, the National Endowment for the Humanities spent \$4.2 million to conduct a nebulous “National Conversation on Pluralism and Identity.”

6. The Department of Education spent \$34 million supposedly helping Americans become better shoppers and homemakers.

7. The federal government proposed spending \$14 million for a new Army



Steve Levy

Museum, although there already were 47 Army Museums around the country.

8. \$3.6 million on a hastily built modular parking deck at its Ft. Mead, Maryland headquarters. The finished garage, meant for 250 vehicles, held just 87 – costing \$34,000 per spot, NSA then paid \$500,000 to demolish the structure

9. During the pandemic a single loan processing company sent about \$7 million worth of Paycheck Protection

Program checks to imaginary farms

10. Price Difference as of 2019: New York has opened two subway extensions at costs of around \$1.3 billion and \$1.6 billion per kilometer. In contrast, a number of cities around the world have built subways for less than \$100 million per kilometer.

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Op-Ed: Was George Santos Groomed to be a Russian Agent ?

By **BENJAMIN FRANKEL**

The *New York Times*’ Michelle Cottle awarded the “2022’s Top Con Man” award to Congressman-Elect George Santos (R-NY3) — quickly adding: “If that’s even his real name...”

“Pick a campaign claim by the representative-elect from New York’s Third Congressional District, and chances are, it was false,” she wrote.

The controversial freshman lawmaker was sworn into the 118th Congress early Saturday morning amid unsettling admissions he defrauded voters in the run-up to a November victory and that most of the resume he presented to voters was nothing more than a concoction of lies.

The *North Shore Leader* newspaper was the first to report that among the multitude of falsehoods Santos has created, the most intriguing item – and likely the source of Santos’s most serious potential legal trouble – are his campaign finances.

“Given that much of Santos’s biography has apparently been fabricated, it’s possible the most troubling components of that fabrication — from a campaign finance perspective, anyway — have not yet been fully revealed,” stated Saurav Ghosh, the director of federal campaign finance reform for the Campaign Legal Center, told *The Hill*.

And one of the more troubling aspects of Santos’s campaign finances is the money he has received from individuals close to Russia’s president Vladimir Putin.

William Bredderman of the *Daily Beast* reported that the Santos campaigns of 2020 and 2022 have been the beneficiaries of generous contributions by Viktor Vekselberg, one of Putin’s wealthiest and most influential cronies.

Vekselberg’s money was funneled to Santos’s campaigns by Andrew Intrater and his wife. Intrater’s is Vekselberg cousin, and he has operated several US-based corporate entities, whose business is tightly intertwined with that of Vekselberg.

Intrater and his wife gave the failed 2020 Santos campaign \$11,600 – the maximum contribution amount then allowed. But Federal donation limits would prove a small obstacle:

“Then - Starting in March 2021, Intrater and his wife began pouring tens of thousands of dollars into auxiliary committees backing Devolder-Santos: \$20,000 directly to GADS PAC, a leadership political action committee bearing the candidate’s initials, plus \$12,100 to Devolder Santos Nassau Victory — but that account made just two federal expenditures this cycle, the larger of them by far being the purchase of lawn signs supporting Devolder-Santos,” wrote Bredderman.

All this came on top of \$12,400 Intrater gave the Devolder-Santos for Congress committee.

Bredderman writes that “Devolder-Santos was far and away the largest beneficiary of Intrater’s largesse this year. Further, Devolder-Santos’s committees are the only ones that received gifts from Intrater’s wife this cycle.”

Santos’s lies, his murky finances, and the fact that his two campaigns have received large sums of money from Russian oligarchs close to Putin, is cause of real alarm in the U.S. intelligence community.

“Every congressman has eligibility for access to classified information and that terrifies security professionals, because they haven’t been really reviewed for it,” Dan Meyer, now the managing director of the law firm Tully Rinckey’s Washington, D.C. office, told the *New York Post*. “We don’t know whether they’re a potential espionage threat.”

Brad Schwartz, a doctoral candidate of International Affairs at Johns Hopkins University, writes in *The Island 360* that “Until his background and finances can be fully vetted and cleared, political expediencies should not continue to overlook the fact that his profile now objectively meets intelligence criteria for a suspected foreign agent or colluder. Lesser cases would prompt investigation into potential foreign operations or infiltration.”

Jim Geraghty writing in *National Review* summed it all up: “For all we know, some foreign power may have bought itself a congressman. This isn’t outlandish speculation.”

And it’s not an outlandish speculation because we now know that Russia has covertly given at least \$300 million to

political parties, officials, and politicians in more than two dozen countries since 2014, and plans to transfer hundreds of millions more, with the goal of exerting political influence and swaying elections.

This information is contained in a document which the State Department distributed to U.S. embassies in early fall, and which summarizes a recent U.S. intelligence review.

“The Kremlin and its proxies have transferred these funds in an effort to shape foreign political environments in Moscow’s favor,” the document said.

Russia has almost certainly given even more that has gone undetected, the document said.

That part of that money was likely directed to what *The Leader* called a “sketchy” candidate like Santos is not surprising. The State Department memo notes that, since 2014, Russia has supported populist politicians and movements all around the world.

The common thread is that the political parties and movements funded by Russia have all called for the weakening of western economic and military alliances – like NATO – which were created after WWII to contain the USSR, and for policies which would be more favorable to Russian interests.

Santos parroted the Kremlin propaganda line on Ukraine even before the



Benjamin Frankel

February 2022 invasion, and persisted in questioning the U.S. support for Ukraine for a few weeks after the invasion. He even called the Ukrainian government of Volodymyr Zelensky “fascistic” and “totalitarian” and implicitly supported the Russian invasion.

Santos changed his public statements only after local people blasted him for his pro-Putin line, and polls showed that such a stance would be a loser. And not

only did he change his position, he suddenly declared that he had Jewish grandparents from Ukraine “who had survived the Holocaust.” That claim was a lie, too.

Many members of Congress were clear about what they thought of Santos, including members of the New York delegation.

“Santos represents, I believe, a grave national security risk,” said Rep.-elect Pat Ryan (D), who represents New York’s 19th congressional district. “Every member of Congress gets a top secret security clearance. This is something I held as a combat veteran as an intelligence officer. He should not have access to that classified information.”

Republican Congressman Nick LaLota, from the neighboring First District, has called for the congressional Ethics Committee to examine Santos and his lies. Such an examination – a thorough one – cannot come too soon.

Benjamin Frankel is Editor of the *Homeland Security Newswire*.

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“Three Kings Day” Celebration in Huntington



The Three Kings Celebration (courtesy Town of Huntington)

By **CHRIS O'NEILL**

The Huntington Assembly of God, located at 1700 New York Avenue in Huntington, hosted its third annual “Three Kings Day” celebration last Thursday.

Three Kings Day celebrates the visit of the three kings, also known as the Magi or Wise Men, mentioned in the Bible, who, “came from the East” to pay homage to the newborn baby Jesus.

Local officials played roles in the story of the three Kings, with Huntington Councilman Sal Ferro playing Balthazar; Councilman Dr. Dave Bennardo playing Gaspar; and Guillermo Perez, the founder of the organization Hombres de Palabra NY, playing Melchior.

To bring some added cheer to the close of the Christmas season, Huntington Town Clerk Andrew Raia became Santa Claus, and Suffolk County

Legislator Stephanie Bontempi, became Mrs. Santa Claus.

“We distributed toys to the kids,” said Councilman Ferro. “And to see the happiness in their faces - it was so gratifying.”

The Three Kings were guided by a star - the Star of Bethlehem - to find the newborn baby Jesus in a Manger. They brought him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Alerted in a dream not to return via King Herod - who feared competition as king, and would later - in the Massacre of the Innocents, kill all male children under two in the area of Bethlehem - the Three Kings returned home by another route.

The Assembly of God's celebration was also accompanied by a very practical lecture on the “Rights and Responsibilities of Landlords and Tenants.” Helpful information was provided by Suffolk County Sheriff Errol

Crab Meadow Polar Plunge Raises \$22K



The Crab Meadow Northport Polar Plunge (courtesy Special Olympics)

By **THOMAS NOTHEL**

The Town of Huntington hosted its 2nd annual “Polar Bear Plunge” recently at the newly renamed “Frank Petrone Beach” at Crab Meadow Park in Northport.

Town Board members Sal Ferro, Joan Cergol and Dr. Dave Bennardo were the official hosts for the event.

14 Teams totaling over 100 participants braved the frigid waters of Long Island Sound - to meet their pledge to the sponsors. The money raised by the teams goes to support the Special Olympics New York.

“This Plunge helps fund 5,000 Special Olympics Athletes so they can compete cost free,” noted Cergol. “My thanks go out to our generous donors and the many

plungers who braved cold waters to help provide those opportunities.”

The fundraising team that raised the most dollars was “The Chillers” raising \$3,600.

Councilman Sal Ferro was the largest individual donor.

On event day it was announced the 2nd Annual Polar Plunge had raised \$22,000 - beating last year's fundraising total of \$20,000.

Major sponsors included the Huntington Township Chamber of Commerce, John's Crazy Socks, LaRoq Productions, and Yes Men Outfitters.

The next Polar Plunge on the North Shore of Long Island will be on Saturday Feb 4th at North Hempstead Beach Park 175 W Shore Drive, in Port Washington.

LVHS Falcons’ Payton Tini Hits 1,000-Point Mark

Locust Valley High School senior and starting point guard Payton Tini scored her 1,000th point for the Falcons during their game against the visiting Malverne Mules on Jan. 3. She became the fourth member of the undefeated 2020 team to achieve the feat, joining former teammates Lindsay Hogan, Paige O’Brien and Julia Sabatino.

Tini stepped to the free throw line with the team ahead in the third quarter and hit nothing but net for her career milestone. After celebrating with her teammates during a timeout, Tini got back to the court, helping the Falcons secure a 53-39 win with an impressive stat line of 25 points, nine rebounds, six steals and four assists.

Tini is a co-captain, who has played at the varsity level since she was in eighth-grade. She was also a starter in every one of the 54 consecutive games the team won



Payton Tini, (center) with (seated left-right) parents Cookie and Ed, (standing) Athletic Director Danielle Turner, Head Coach Michael Guidone and Assistant Coach Carolyn Morales.

Photos courtesy of the LVCS

from 2020 to 2021, which is a Long Island record. The point guard was an All-County and All-State player last year.

The basketball star also plays soccer and lacrosse for the Falcons and has committed to play lacrosse at Rutgers University in the fall.

CSH Whaling Museum to Host Historic Book Club



A Whaler Slices Blubber off a Whale Carcass

(courtesy CSH Whaling Museum)

By **MITCH BAXTER**

The Cold Spring Harbor Whaling Museum is founding a new Book Club that will arouse the interest of young and old alike, with tales of the sea and the lives of whalers.

The club will run from February to April, and will meet at the museum each month for a guided discussion of three books, plus a tour of related exhibits and artifacts.

The first book - “Whaling Captains of Color: America’s First Meritocracy” - will highlight the lives and experiences of African-American whaling captains and the racially-diverse whaling industry. The museum's new exhibit, “Whalers of the African Diaspora,” will be tied-into the readings.

The whaling industry was the first racially integrated industry in US history, and the whaling industry was the largest employer of African Americans, with

estimates that between one-quarter and one-third of all the American whaling crews were people of color.

The second book - “In the Heart of the Sea” - is about the 1820 loss of the whale ship which inspired New Yorker Herman Melville to write Moby Dick. That book reading will be accompanied by an exploration of the museum's fully equipped historic whaleboat - the only such original vessel on display in New York.

The third book - “Under the Black Flag: The Romance and the Reality of Life Among the Pirates” - will explore the golden age of piracy, with a tie-in to the artifacts of a Huntington shipbuilder who became a privateer during the War of 1812.

Registration is \$15 per event; free for museum members and South Huntington Library patrons. For more information, check out: <https://www.cshwhalingmuseum.org/bookclub.html>



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A Congressman to be Ashamed of: GOP Leaders to Santos: Resign



Blakeman and Cairo calling on Santos to resign.

By CHRIS O'NEILL

The Nassau Republican Party held a press conference on Wednesday, demanding that freshman congressman George Santos resign.

"He has disgraced the House of Representatives, and we do not consider him one of our congresspeople," stated Cairo. "Today, on behalf of the Nassau County Republican Committee, I am calling for his immediate resignation."

Santos has been exposed as a pathological liar - who fabricated nearly everything about himself and his background, and is a

wanted criminal in Brazil. Santos' frauds was a story broken by the North Shore Leader in September, and then amplified by the New York Times in December.

Cairo also stated that Santos was unwelcome at any Nassau Republican event, and would be ejected, if he showed up.

Suffolk GOP Chair Jesse Garcia and NYS GOP Chair, Congressman Nick Langworthy quickly joined Cairo in calling for Santos' resignation.

Santos tweeted in reply that he "will NOT resign."

Town to Upgrade Ballfield at Marino Park in Oyster Bay

Oyster Bay Town Supervisor Joseph Saladino and Town Clerk Richard LaMarca announce that the Town is upgrading the baseball field at Marino Park in Oyster Bay with a complete inner-field replacement. The ballfield, currently natural turf, will undergo construction this winter to remove and replace the entire infield with synthetic turf.

"Marino Park serves as home to so many young athletes, and that's why the Town Board and I are making these field upgrades a top priority," said Supervisor Saladino. "To enhance the playing experience for our little leaguers and athletes, we are replacing the natural grass infield with synthetic turf. These improvements are being made in a cost-conscious manner while ensuring the fields are ready for the spring season."

Replacing the infields with artificial turf will provide for extended play opportunities for athletes using Marino Park. Additionally, turf fields are less expen-



Marino Park on Berry Hill Road.

sive than the long-term cost of maintaining a natural grass and dirt surface.

Turf fields also provide the potential for fewer cancellations as the field is able to absorb rain storms in a manner that is not possible on a dirt infield.

"So many young athletes utilize Marino Park and this facility has gotten great use by the community," said Town Clerk LaMarca. "With such significant use, it can become more challenging to keep fields in top condition and difficult to manage schedules when weather makes the infield unplayable. These improvements will beautify this park while improving safety for the players."

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Obituaries



COHEN, Jerry Edward of Glen Cove, NY, age 85, died on Saturday, January 7, 2023.

Jerry was born on June 18, 1937, the middle son of Dorothy (nee Surasky) and Si Cohen of Morganton, NC.

He attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, graduating with a degree in Political Science in 1959.

Jerry married Lubah (nee Freedman) in 1960. Jerry served in the US Army and received an Honorable Discharge. He rose to Executive Sales Director at Drexel Heritage, where he worked until his retirement in 1985 after 33 years. Jerry was a 32° Mason, an active member of Congregation Tifereth Israel of Glen Cove, and, after retirement, a film and TV extra. He will be remembered for his dry wit (his film CV included: "Authentic Southern Accent"). Jerry Cohen is survived by his wife of 62 years, Lubah, his daughter Dena Prybutok (son-in-law Mark, and grandchildren Elan, Nate and Maya, of Port Washington), and son Micah Cohen (daughter-in-law Melissa nee Goodman) of Charlotte, NC. Arrangements entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home, Glen Cove, NY. Graveside Service is Private. www.dodgethomas.com

DIRENZO, Marilyn M., on January 10th, age 84 of Muttontown. Beloved wife of August. Loving mother of Cheryl Stratigos, James (Therese) DiRenzo and Leeann Forni. Cherished grandmother of

Danielle Gervino (Joseph), Kevin Stratigos, Dominique DiRenzo, Alex Forni, Anthony DiRenzo and Hannah Jordyn Forni. Dear sister of Dorothy Muratore (Nicholas), and the late Walter, Robert and Eileen. Dear sister-in-law of Donald (Isabelle) DiRenzo. Also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. Visiting Oyster Bay Funeral Home, 261 South St., Oyster Bay, NY Friday 3-5 & 7-9 p.m. Funeral Mass St. Paul The Apostle Church, Brookville, NY on Saturday, January 14, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. www.oysterbayfuneralhome.com



ERMARINO, Euphemia of Glen Cove, NY on January 7th, 2023 age 87. Wife of the late Gabriel. Mother of Gabriel (Denise), Mark and Stephen (Andrea). Sister of Margaret Neen (the late Dennis). Grandmother of Christina, Gabriel, Daniel, Mark, Gabriella, Chloe, Stephen and Olivia. Great grandmother of Ly'Anna. Aun of Tracy and Jennifer. Interment East Hillside Cemetery. www.dodgethomas.com

GANGI, Sr., Michael J., on Jan. 10, 2023, age 64, of Bayville. Beloved father of Cristina Russo (Anthony) and Michael Jr. Cherished best friend of Clarie Gangi. Dear brother of Debbie, Billy (Lillian), and Richie. Loving son in law of Claire Ruggiero. Also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Funeral Mass St. Dominic RC Chapel, Oyster Bay, NY on Friday, 10:30 a.m. Interment Locust Valley Cemetery. www.oysterbayfuneralhome.com



GRELLA, Maria S. of Glen Cove, NY on January 7, 2023 age 88. Wife of Angelo. Mother of Teresa (Nicola Moccia) & Nicola (Pina). Sister of Romilda Anzalone. Grandmother of Lydia, Tommasi & Maria. Great grandmother of 5. Also survived by many nieces & nephews. Interment Holy Rood Cemetery. dodgethomas.com

SOBELMAN, Walter W. formerly of Glen Cove, NY on December 22, 2022 at age 95. Beloved husband of the late

Hilda. Loving father of Ret (Sophia) and Bryn (Stephen). Dear brother of Joyanna. Proud grandfather of Kaitlin and Justin. Arrangements entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home of Glen Cove. Interment at Beth Moses Cemetery. www.dodgethomas.com

WALAS, Dorothy H., of Glen Head, passed away on Jan. 8, 2023, at the age of 91. Beloved wife of the late Stanley and lifelong companion of Bart Pesa. Loving mother of Gail Walas-Misuraca & Rich. Cherished grandmother of Rachael and Christina, and treasured great grandmother of Tyler and Dotty. Dear sister of Joan Munz. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral Mass on Friday, Jan. 13, 10:00 AM at St. Hyacinth's Church, Glen Head, NY.

Interment to follow at Holy Rood Cemetery, Westbury. www.Whitting.com

St. John's Remembers Lel Gimbel

By VICTORIA CROSBY

The late Lesley Bush-Brown Gimbel, known by everyone as Lel, was a fixture at St John's of Lattingtown. Lel passed away in 2020, but for many years she co-chaired the Jewelry Booth at the Annual Fall Fair, where a portion of funds raised at St. John's Fall Fair every year is donated to a variety of nonprofit organizations. Last year those charities included, The North Shore Sheltering Program, Living Water for Women, Youth and Family Counseling Center of Oyster Bay, Glen Cove Baseball Association, Volunteers for Wildlife Inc. Waterfront Center, North Shore Soup Kitchen, Guardian Angels and others. Lel was also co-chair of the Altar Guild at St John's, head of the Grounds Committee at Matinecock Farms where she lived, a trustee at the Portledge School and a member of the North Country Garden club since 1985.

St John's recently honored Lel Gimbel's memory by dedicating the cloister garden to Lel. The ceremony was held following a Sunday morning service. The plan to redesign the Cloister was



Lesley Bush-Brown Gimbel

the brainchild of several women who are members of both the North Country Garden Club and parishioners of St. John's, Suzi Chase, Joannie Choremi and Ellen McMillen. The money was raised by the garden club and the garden redesign was donated by Cece Haydock, a landscape architect and also parishioner of St John's and NCGC member.

Lel's husband Tom Gimbel, who served on the Vestry and was church Warden for many years, spoke at the dedication of her devotion to St. John's and how proud she would have been to have the serene garden named in her honor. Church Wardens Harold Bolloci and Ian Gumprecht, who coordinated the redesign work on behalf of St. John's, praised Ms. Haydock's design and its execution.

When the warm weather returns in the spring, parishioner will be able to enjoy the new cloister garden as they fondly remember the beautiful spirit of Lel Gimbel.

Glen Cove's Carol Rubin Celebrates 101 Years

By VICTORIA CROSBY

Several parties were held for Carol Rubin late last year when she celebrated her 101st birthday, including at the Glen Cove Senior Center and the Glen Cove Library, where she has been president of the Friends of the Glen Cove Library for fifteen years.

Carol, who was a social worker and a teacher, is now co-vice president of the Retired Council of Teachers. She taught at the North Shore School District for twenty-three years.

Her husband Morton Rubin died in 2005. They raised three children and



Carol Rubin

were charter member of the Glen Cove YMCA. Carol still loves to swim there as often as possible. Although she uses a cane she loves walking, and is remarkably agile for a woman of 101, both in body and mind.

The former Glen Cove City Councilman Gaitley Stevenson-Mathews, who attending some of the celebrations, posted photos of himself with Carol on his Facebook page and wrote;

"Carol thank you for all you bring to our community. May your caring, intellect, insight and style, continue to make an impact for years to come."

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Restoration Celebration at North Shore Historical Museum



President Emeritus, Brian Mercadante, with the blueprints.
Photos by GSM Communications

By VICTORIA CROSBY

A Restoration Celebration fundraiser was held recently at The North Shore Historical Museum in Glen Cove to celebrate Phase One of the restoration of the museum's façade. The Gala event was attended by members of the museum, the museum trustees and elected officials. As guests enjoyed wine and delicious hors d'oeuvres they were able to tour the building, view the exhibits and purchase raffle tickets for the wonderful prizes in the raffle baskets. The fundraiser was also for the opportunity to thank those individuals who had donated to phase one, and who had helped to secure funding for restoring the façade. Founding Trustee of

NSHM and President Emeritus, Brian Mercadante, demonstrated on the blueprints of the building the work that needs yet to be completed. Phase two will be raising of funds to complete the restoration process.

The 1907 Justice Court Building is now the home of the North Shore Historical Museum. It was restored by funds raised by museum trustees and grants built in 1907 and is listed on the State and National Registry of Historic Places. The building opened to the public as a museum in 2012 with a mission to "Preserve history of the North Shore of Long Island through the stewardship of its collections and historic structure, to engage the public and to interpret the history of the North Shore, in particular the area once known as the Gold Coast, through exhibitions, lectures and programs."

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Raynham Hall Museum Celebrates 12TH Night



Joanna Badami with some of her collection.

By PATRICIA MAVROS BREXEL

Thursday, January 5th, Raynham Hall Museum celebrated 12TH Night. Twelfth Night marks the twelfth and final night of the Christmas season and the coming of Epiphany.

Members enjoyed cocktails, appetizers, deserts, and caroling! The Locust Valley Garden Club attended, to see their President Dean Yodler's talents on display. Dean is a very talented interior decorator, who reupholstered some of the museum's chairs. He also made new curtains too. All his work reflected the style of the period.

The party also showcased the new exhibit, "Toy Stories". Toy Stories explores toys and games from the past



Watercolor painting kit.



A doll in a toy sled.

and how they contribute to and reflect the personal and collective histories of those who played with them. The exhibition includes toys from the collection of Joanna Badami, from Lloyd Harbor, a longtime Board member at Raynham Hall Museum, alongside toys and games from the museum's own collection.

These antique toys are a must see for children and adults. The exhibit runs thru April 2, 2023.

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