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Changes at St John's of Lattingtown



Fr. Mark Fitzhugh

By VICTORIA CROSBY

St John's of Lattingtown Episcopal Church held their first in-person services on Sunday, July 5th since the lockdown began in March. Sunday morning services have been available online during that time.

The 8 am service was held inside the church with social distancing and other safety precautions. The second service, at 9.30 am, was held out in the Memorial Garden. Large circles were set up on the lawn so that families could sit together yet maintain a distance of at least six feet apart. Masks and hand sanitizers were available for those who didn't have them.

Two members of staff at St John's left this year, Rev Stephen Tamke, who was the Curate, is now the Priest-in-Charge at Christ Church in Manhasset. St. John's benefited from Fr. Tamke's talents for three years. A graduate of Virginia Theological Seminary with extraordinary musical talents, he joins Christ Church as a truly gifted teacher, preacher, and pastor.

St. John's Sexton, Kate Scefonas is

leaving to work with her family-owned business at the Locust Valley Florist on Birch Hill Road. Scefonas has been with the church for more than ten years, and has been so much more than sexton, who always went above and beyond her duties. She oversaw many church projects, including the renovation of the memorial garden and relocation of the new children's playground, donated by the Tully Family in memory of Brian K. Tully, which was completed last year.

She was indispensable during the St John's Annual Fall Fair. (As chairman for six years, I couldn't have done it without her.) Also overseeing the renovation of the Gatehouse and Cottage, two church properties where the Curate and Music Director live during their tenure at the St John's, in addition to the updating of the lighting inside the church. The Barn at St John's was Kate's brainchild, as she transformed an old barn into a thrift boutique of antiques, furniture, and treasures. She will stay on as part-time manager of The Barn, which will hopefully open again in August.

The Barn is now accepting drop off donations by appointment. For further information call the office at St John's at 516 671-3226, or visit the website www.stjlat.org.

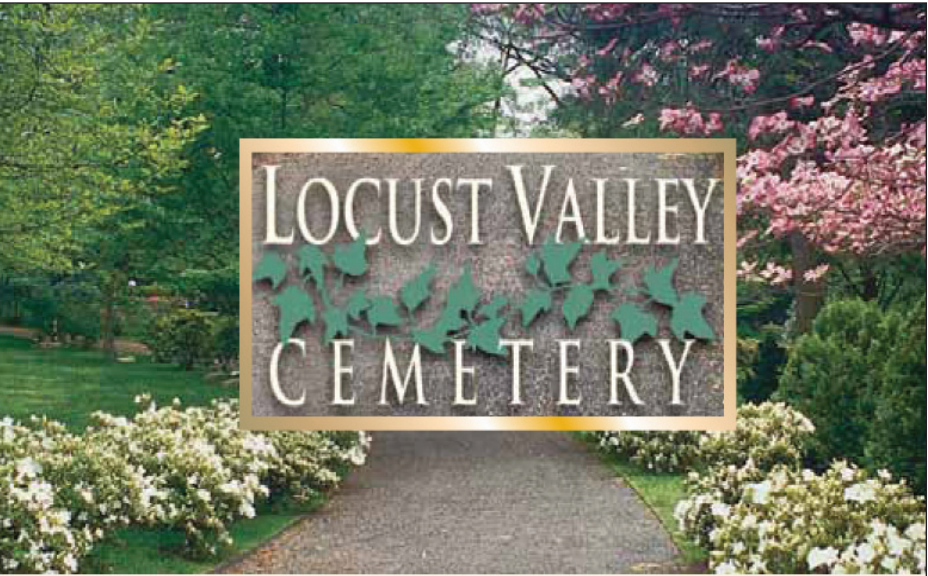


Services held outside in the Memorial Garden.



Kate Scefonas in The Barn, a thrift boutique of antiques, furniture, and treasures.

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"In-Person" Town Board Meetings Return



Supervisor Joe Saladino at First "In-Person" Board meeting since March.

By NOLAN CLEARY

After four months of conducting "virtual" town Board meetings, Oyster Bay has resumed its in-person town halls - but with "social distancing" in Town Hall.

At last week's meeting, bayman Douglas Rodgers appeared personally to address the Board's shellfishing and seeding program. He asked the Board for a delay in regards to finalizing proposals for Oyster Bay harbor.

New restrictions have also been set in place for Town Board meetings: Room capacity has been shrunk to 35 people; social distancing rules remain in place; and masks are also required in compliance with

Governor Cuomo's mandatory mask order.

The town held virtual town halls at the height of the pandemic, as Governor Cuomo suspended the open meetings rule that required New York residents to be allowed to attend in person public meetings. The rule is not slated to go back into effect until at least August 5.

Oyster Bay Town spokesman Brain Nevin praised the re-opening of public meetings, stating that "The supervisor and the town board members felt the time had come with the proper safety protocols in place that we could welcome the public back in a safe manner to Town Hall".

Billy Joel Plays Discarded Piano



Billy Joel

BY NOLAN CLEARY

A viral video, featuring local musical legend Billy Joel playing a discarded piano in downtown Huntington, has been making the rounds. The video, posted to

YouTube by pianoluv2006 on June 26, features Billy Joel playing the discarded piano on the streets.

Joel played “The Darktown Strutters’ Ball” by Shelton Brooks.

In the video, Billy Joel exclaims "It’s a perfectly good piano. It’s a shame to throw it out" as he proceeded to test keys in the piano.

Joel would go on to suggest “We should at least donate it to St. Vincent de Paul or something” before a nearby pedestrian suggested donating it to a thrift store nearby.

Joel did note the piano “needs tuning” but that the pedals worked just fine.

A Huntington resident who recorded the video, posted it on YouTube, under the title “Billy Joel: Impromptu Piano in Huntington, LI 6/26/20.” As of press time, over 950,000 viewers have seen the video on YouTube.

Harbormaster Saves 18-year Old Woman

BY NOLAN CLEARY

In a critical rescue at sea operation last Wednesday, the Huntington Harbormaster Fred Uvena saved a Greenwich, Connecticut woman in distress on a sailboat off the entrance to Oyster Bay and Cold Spring Harbor.

The woman, who is 18 years old, suffered a debilitating seizure while sailing just north of Buoy 15 off Centre Island and Lloyd Neck. Uvena and the Town's rescue team arrived at the scene and rushed the woman back to The Head of Bay Club. She was then taken by ambulance to Huntington Hospital.

According to Huntington Town Officials, Uvena, along with Senior Bay Constable Jeff Kropp, were on board the Town's new response vessel, which allowed them to race to the scene and get to the woman within 15 minutes.

The area around Bouy 15 is a busy area, but known as treacherous waters. Local mariner Wayne TJ recently noted that "Buoy 15 is off Lloyd Neck Point near the entrance to Cold Spring Harbor. It's about 1 1/2 miles off the point, but the currents can be strong and the boat traffic is fairly high... Forget about it at night..."



Huntington Supervisor Chad Lupinacci was proud of the efficient rescue by his harbor team: “We’ve seen more people out on the water than usual this year. This has resulted in more rescue calls, especially for kayakers and small boats, with our Harbormaster's Office averaging one rescue a day even early in the season," stated Lupinacci. "Boaters should immediately call the Harbormaster's Office - on VHS Channel 16 - for any emergencies on the water.”

According to officials, the woman is reported to be recovering.

Bayville Teen Hit By Truck While On Bicycle

A teenage girl has been hospitalized after being hit by a pickup truck in Bayville while bicycling.

The incident is reported to have happened Tuesday evening, July 11 near Dickerson Avenue around 5:30pm. Detectives say the girl, who was 15 years old, was hit by a 2020 Dodge Ram truck.

The driver of the truck, who has been

identified as a 22 year old man, stayed at the crash, as the brake to his vehicle was checked.

The girl is reported to be in stable condition, but suffered head trauma. She was taken to a hospital through a Nassau County police helicopter.

Police have yet to publicly identify the girl, or the driver involved in the accident.

Carvel X-Manager Sues Over Maskless Customers

The former manager of the Glen Cove Carvel ice cream shop, Thomas DeSarle was fired because he refused to serve a customer who was coughing and refused to wear a mask, according to his attorney.

DeSarle had worked as the manager of the Carvel shop in the Glen Cove Shopping Center on Forest Avenue, until last week, when he was fired over a disagreement over serving customers between himself and store owner Annie Chen.

According to DeSarle's attorney, the manager was manning the counter when a man entered the store without a mask, and was sweating and coughing into his hands. DeSarle allegedly then offered the man a mask, but the man refused. The man then placed an order, but then tried to pay with a “wet” paper bill, and DeSarle refused to take the money.

“Its that disgusrting \$10 wet bill he pulled out. What was I supposed to do ?" stated DeSarle, "I said 'Sorry Sir, I cannot take it...You need to pay with a credit card or we cant serve you..."

The owner then came out of the



The Glen Cove Carvel on Forest Avenue.

Photo: Patricia Brexel

back herself, and took the money and finished serving the customer.

A few days later, Chen terminated DeSarle, who retained counsel to sue Chen and the Carvel store.

According to DeSarle, the Glen Cove Carvel does have a "Masks only" policy posted on the door, and offers customers a mask if they come in without one, but that this customer was different because he had no mask and refused the offer to wear one.

FOTB Hosts Nature Kayak Cruise



The new Friends of the Bay boat, a 24-foot Parker.

Photo: Shannon Kelly

BY MAUREEN DALY

This past weekend, the Friends of the Bay hosted a nature kayak cruise of the sights and wildlife in Oyster Bay harbor. Over 85 local residents participated - renting kayaks and paddle boards from the Oyster Bay Waterfront Center and Bridge Marine.

Bill Bleyer, the president of Friends of the Bay was ecstatic over the strong support from our community and the thoroughly enjoyable day. "Everyone seemed to like it so we're planning to make it an annual event and maybe do more than one kayak cruise per year."

The purpose of the Kayak Cruise was to acquaint the participants with the rich wildlife and complex ecosystems of Oyster Bay. Waterfront Center naturalist Molly Gagliano served as a guide for the day's cruise, as did Bleyer, who is himself a noted historian, journalist and author.

The Cruise followed the new Friends of the Bay boat, a 24-foot Parker, as the tour guides pointed out Osprey, terrapins, and other wildlife. The Cruise learned about the rich history of Jakobson's Shipyard, the historic oyster sloop Christeen, and the building of Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Park.

The Cruise also taught participants about the rich oyster beds and historic oyster harvesting heritage of Oyster Bay. They were shown the oyster harvesting operations of Frank M. Flower & Sons shellfishing company, and learned about the long and proud presence of the independent Baymen in Oyster Bay and Cold Spring Harbor. The Cruise ended with a tour of the waterfront in front of Brickyard Point - the location of the Smith Brothers Steam Brickworks dating back to 1680 - and the current home of Billy Joel in Centre Island.

Governor “Death” Cuomo

The polls show Governor Andrew Cuomo riding high - at historic levels of popularity - while 32,000 New Yorkers - more than anywhere else in the world - lie dead; and 300,000 New York small business have closed - probably forever.

The response by Cuomo to the COVID-19 pandemic has been praised by the political media, because he “looks like he is in charge” even though the actual policies followed by him and his administration are rotten - and have directly contributed to over 10,000 of those deaths.

The Cuomo Executive Order of March 23rd - enacted at the request of hospital industry lobbyists - to force elderly infected COVID patients back into senior homes - was a killer. The NYS Department of Health confirms that over 6,000 infected COVID patients were sent into assisted living and nursing homes, where they infected staff - and thousands vulnerable seniors. The lethal stupidity of that Order was brought to Cuomo's attention early, but it took weeks - until May - for him to repeat it, and then he refused to admit it was a lethal error.

Cuomo's scientific illiteracy has been compounded by his “on-again, off-again” attitude to school re-opening.

COVID does not kill healthy children. That is scientific fact. According to the CDC, over 35 other causes - including drowning, bicycle accidents, car crashes, poisonings, bus accidents, and house fires - are far more dangerous - much more dangerous - to children.

And tests of downstate New Yorkers now show such high levels of antibodies to COVID that we have reached what all scientists and doctors have told us we should be striving for: "herd immunity."

Yet Cuomo has set-up a politically-manipulable “test” for him to decide whether individual school districts should be allowed to re-open. And how is Cuomo going to prevent the larger dangers to children - car crashes, drownings, bicycle accidents, poisonings, etc..? He has nothing to say. Zero proposals - because the media doesn't care about those things.

Let's hope that New Yorkers are more rational and logical - in the face of a man we should all now call “Governor Death.”

The Publisher

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LOCUST VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEMBERSHIP

To the Editor, and Business Community,

I hope this letter finds you, your families, and your employees safe and healthy. The past several months have been an unprecedented and extremely challenging time for all of us. We have successfully moved into Phase 4, however we still have a long road ahead of us.

During the pandemic, the LVCC continued working to make Locust Valley look as beautiful as ever. The Board felt it was important to continue to do the planting and keep on schedule with the hanging flower baskets, always keeping in mind the importance of our community. We researched and acquired face-masks for our businesses, and kept weekly updates of essential/nonessential business listings through the following resources: the LVCC website, *The North Shore Leader* as well as social media. Always thinking community first.

As the Locust Valley Chamber of Commerce embarks on another year, we will be facing many new challenges because of this pandemic, which has had an effect on all of us. We are here to support the business community in whatever capacity possible now more than ever.

Due to the current economic conditions, the board thought it would be in the best interest of the business community, **NOT TO ASK FOR ANY MEMBERSHIP DUES** this year. We understand that the past few months have been diffi-

cult and many of our community businesses are struggling. Please keep in mind, the dues enable us to sustain and maintain Locust Valley.

We will be doing minimal maintenance of the gardens and will focus on trying to find ways to continue to show promotional support through local advertising, social media and website updates.

This is an uncertain time for all of us in the community. We do not know how to plan for the future (events ie: sidewalk sale, harvest festival) but we want to hear all of your thoughts and concerns. If you

would like to have a social distancing sidewalk walk sale, we need you to reach out to us (ASAP) and let us know that you are interested. In order for this to happen, the LVCC would need your financial support of being a sponsor. Please reach out to Len at 759.1133 to discuss sponsorship opportunities.

We are here for you, the community of Locust Valley. Be well and stay safe.
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Thank you,
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Suozzi Wins Big in Dem Primary

The counting is now complete for the absentee and mail-in ballots from the June 23rd Democratic primary for US Congress, and US Congressman Tom Suozzi swept to a commanding victory with nearly 66.7 % of the vote.

Suozzi's two challengers trailed badly, with Great Neck attorney Michael Weinstock earning 7.5% and Port Washington socialite Melanie D'Arrigo earning 25.7%.

This year's primary saw a record turnout, with a larger vote cast by absentee and mail-in ballots than any north shore race in history. Nearly 70% of the



Congressman Tom Suozzi

ballots in the primary - some 37,000 votes - were cast by mail in ballot, compared to just 17,000 votes cast by voters on election day. The mail-in ballots heavily favored Suozzi, who won 57% of the in-person voters on Election Day, but then won 71% of the mail-in vote.

"I am overwhelmed by the support I received," stated Suozzi, adding "There is so much work to do."

In November, Suozzi faces the first openly-gay Republican congressional nominee, George Anthony Devolder-Santos, a finance executive from Queens.

LV Middle School Teacher Named Teacher of the Year

Locust Valley Middle School teacher Kathleen Reilly has been named Middle/Junior High School Teacher of the Year by the Long Island Council for the Social Studies. The honor is bestowed upon a teacher who has demonstrated knowledge of social studies content and current social studies issues and has demonstrated effective and inspiring social studies teaching, including the ability to convey the importance and vitality of social studies to his or her students.

Ms. Reilly was nominated by Bryan Sarandrea, Coordinator for Social Studies and Business, K-12. Recommendations from her colleagues and statements by her former students were also shared with the Long Island Council for the Social Studies and considered in their decision to name her as Teacher of the Year.

Mr. Sarandrea said that Ms. Reilly is most deserving of this recognition. "This award recognizes an outstanding social studies teacher who inspires others, and



Kathleen Reilly.

Photo: LVCSD

Kathy Reilly epitomizes those characteristics," he said. "Her passion for history has enriched the experiences of countless students, and we are lucky to have her as a part of our school community." Middle School Principal H. Howard Hogan said that Ms. Reilly gets her students excited about social studies, teaching the curriculum with contagious enthusiasm. "This is a teacher who shows us every day that she is meant for this role," he

said. "She is an expert on the subject she teaches and shares her passion for social studies in a manner that embraces discourse and reflection."

The Long Island Council for the Social Studies plans to recognize Ms. Reilly at a ceremony this fall and has invited her to be a presenter at an upcoming conference.

Congratulations to Ms. Reilly on this extraordinary accomplishment! The Locust Valley school community is grateful for the dedication this outstanding teacher has had toward her students and colleagues for the past 20 years.

LVCSD Appoints Executive Director of Special Education

The Locust Valley Central School District is pleased to announce that Michael Saidens has been appointed as the Executive Director of Special Education. Mr. Saidens will begin on August 10, replacing Dr. Patricia Griffin who retired on June 30, 2020.

The District received 43 applications for the position of Executive Director of Special Education, choosing twelve applicants to interview with Superintendent of Schools Kenneth Graham, Ed.D, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, Anthony Davidson and Assistant Superintendent for Business Affairs & Human Resources, Toni Meliambro. Those meetings narrowed the pool to seven candidates.

A hiring committee comprised of teachers, parents and administrators held thorough interviews with the seven candidates, recommending three finalists to the central office administrators. Those three candidates were tasked with giving a presentation on the CSE (Committee on Special Education) process to Dr. Graham, Mr. Davidson and Ms. Meliambro, who evaluated the presentations and interviewed each of the three finalists again, delving deeper into their abilities to perform the job. Based on the results of this in depth interview process, Mr. Saidens was the standout candidate



Michael Saidens

Photo: LVCSD

and moved forward for an interview with the Board of Education, which unanimously appointed him.

Mr. Saidens has held the position of elementary school principal in the Sachem and East Islip School Districts prior to being named Executive Director of Student Services in the Sachem School District. As a principal, Mr. Saidens chaired and facilitated 504 meet-

ings and served as the CSE and CPSE Chairperson. Earlier in his career he was an elementary school teacher in the Smithtown Central School District and South Huntington Union Free School District. He taught inclusion classes, provided academic intervention support and wrote special education grant applications. During the 23 years that Mr. Saidens has been in education, he also served as an assistant principal in the Harborfields Central School District.

As Executive Director of Student Services, Mr. Saidens supervised 500 employees, ensured that the district implemented and streamlined procedures for special education services, addressing students' academic deficits, scheduling conflicts and parent concerns. He ensured that students continued to receive their services virtually while schools were closed due to COVID-19, including weekly check ins with each family.

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Young Sailors Cut Their Teeth in Doublehanded Offshore Race



Race winners Erica Lush and Ariel Nechemia

On July 15, Oakcliff’s second annual Melges 24 Doublehanded Distance Race was won by Ariel Nachemia and Erica Lush. Last year’s event was the first test of the mixed-gender, shorthanded offshore sailing event scheduled to debut in the 2024 Paris Olympics. With innovations such as continuous onboard live streaming, real-time protests and flexible course options, this race was designed to aid World Sailing in decision making for Paris and beyond. In part due to COVID it has become one of the only data points. Oakcliff will run a second event on August 25-26 in conjunction with Leandro Spina and the Olympic Development Program.

Oakcliff’s Acorn and Sapling programs train athletes of all ages but the shorthanded is especially effective for younger sailors who want to explore short handed offshore sailing, which typically has a high barrier to entry.

Two 17 year-old trainees, Jack Mackenzie and Sam Rifkind-Brown, co-skippered the youngest team with resilience. Jack had never sailed overnight and Sam’s first offshore experience was delivering a Farr 40 back from Bermuda to Newport with Oakcliff in 2018. Despite this, they tackled a squall with composure, raced through the dark and faced all challenges with humour and entertaining language which was picked up on the live streaming.

“Unless you own the boat, it is extremely difficult to get quality offshore

experience when you're young, even more so when you're trying to sail shorthanded,” said Executive Director Dawn Riley. “With this event, we’re able to let young sailors push themselves, find their limits but always having an almost invisible safety net in place such as home base monitoring the live feeds and a mother ship with a high speed rhib following the fleet.”

Oakcliff graduate and original Winter Sapling Cullen Zelanka drove the support rhib during the race. © Lexi Pline / Oakcliff Sailing

Four of the 12 competitors were under 21 and six were under 30. Last year’s winners, Cat Chimney and Ethan Johnson, who are now Oakcliff staff, partnered with an under 21 sailor, neither of whom had raced offshore before. Still competitive, the new parings finished in 3rd and 4th. Though this July’s race was focused on training and learning, the top two teams have professional aspirations.

For second place co-skipper Tucker Atterbury, this event marked a key step towards his doublehanded campaign for the 2024 Olympics. Co-skipper Abby Preston is a top level match and team racer, looking to make a leap into short-handed offshore sailing. Both are living in Newport and exploring options.

In second place were Abby Preston and Tucker Atterbury, the latter of whom is considering an offshore Olympic campaign for 2024. © Francis George / Oakcliff Sailing

First place co-skipper Erica Lush, also a Newport resident, has spent most of her sailing career sailing 12 meters and as part of the Maiden Factor project, creating awareness of the nearly 130 million girls worldwide who currently are not afforded an education.

Winning this event gives her a springboard for her shorthanded sailing career. Showing the breadth of goals, first place co-skipper Ariel Nechemia’s Mens Sansa Project has the goal of being the youngest Chinese-American to sail singlehanded around the world and is raising money for the Ronald McDonald House charity, which helped his sister fight brain cancer. The win in this event brings him one step closer to his goal.

Memories of Mr. Z.

By VICTORIA CROSBY

Dale Allen Zurbrick, a retired, and beloved drama teacher, who taught for many years at Glen Cove High School, passed away recently at the age of 72. Zurbrick grew up in Buffalo and studied music education, vocal performance and musical theater at Crane School of Music at New York State University at Potsdam.

A pianist and singer, he counted many famous Broadway performers among his friends, and sang at Riverside Church for twenty-nine years. He produced numerous musicals during his many years at the Glen Cove High School. Former student, Jason Crosby now a musician living in California, said, “The world lost an extremely talented, supportive person in Mr. Z. I started working with him before I entered High School when he recruited me to play in the orchestra pit for his productions. He always treated me with kindness, respect and trust. I will always remember working with and learning from him, and cherish those memories. Mr. Z. continued his support in my adult life as well, by staying in touch and showing up to concerts I would play in New York City. He had this impact on so many people, and his spirit will remain in all of us.”

Zurbrick retired from teaching at the High School in 2002, but never stopped teaching, as he shared his talent and love of performing for many years at the Glen Cove Senior Center. Carol Waldman, former Executive Director at the Senior Center recalled some of his numerous musical masterclasses, saying “It’s so sad to have lost such an extraordinary man. Dale graced the educational halls of the Glen Cove Senior Center for over fifteen years. He was instrumental in helping me start our award-winning Life Long Learning Program and then went on to be the Musical Director of our long-running radio show Senior Moments. His passion for teaching, no matter what age his students were, for music and for life was an inspiration to us all and his spirited classes will be remembered and cherished forever. They left you clapping, dancing, singing, crying, and joyous. What a legacy he has left us!”

Zurbrick didn’t allow his health issues, diabetes, and leg amputation in 2013, to slow him down. Sally Zweibach, retired Theater Director at Glen Cove High School



Dale Allen Zurbrick

said "Dale was my friend for over thirty years. He was Musical Director on three shows I directed for Glen Cove High School, as well as Follies for Theater II. His superb musicianship could be seen in every musical he directed over the years. Harmonies were distinct and his conducting magnificent. He always made students and actors believe in their best selves. In Ain’t Misbehaving, he played stride piano on a small upright placed on a moving platform. If you think it’s easy to play that murderous score while being pushed around, it ain’t! And he conducted an on-stage Jazz ensemble at the same time. Dale was a wizard. His outsized personality hid a deep respect for and knowledge of the arts and American History. He never walked into a room, he made an “entrance,” and was beloved by all who knew him. Generous to a fault, his friends have posters paintings and books he gave, often for no specific reason. But mostly he gave of himself, and we shall not see his like again.”

Memories of Mr. Z as everybody called him, filled social media, with posts from his former students sharing their stories. Too many to share all but this one from Michelle Mistretta Clark, seems to say it for everybody. “The size of our drama club (the Glen Cove Masquers) tells it all. Z was able to bring together all the different students from every social group making us a family. Z would take our talents, enhance them, and place them into parts of plays that may not have even been in the original script. Z would often joke around during rehearsals, but we all knew when the stress was on to make everything perfect for opening night. He’d remind us how close we were to NYC, how when the curtain opens the spirits of those thespians will be upon us. Told us to take pride in the fact that we were troop 41, one of the “originals”. I can still hear his booming laugh that would erupt from behind the piano. He made us laugh, cry, shine, and most of all made us love every moment spent on that stage and in his presence. I’m so very grateful and honored to have had Z in my life and will forever remember all the great times. I know he is having a huge reunion with all those that have passed before us. Keep the piano playing Z, till we meet again.”

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This summer, Grenville Baker Boys & Girls Club has been celebrating our 2020 graduating class from our College Prep Program. Although we were not able to celebrate our annual College Signing Day with an “in person” gathering at the Club back in May or to attend the High School Awards Ceremony or Graduation in June, we were able to congratulate our graduating seniors remotely via Zoom and Facebook Live with a group of well-wishers including members of our Club, staff, board and community.

This year’s senior class has been exceptional and has left their mark as positive role models at the Club. Most joined the Club as small children and over their elementary and middle school years benefitted from Homework Help and having a safe place to learn and to have fun. As they entered high school, they participated in our community service clubs, physical fitness and cultural arts programs. They developed as individuals, strengthening their character, their bodies and their academic performance. They were fully immersed in Grenville Baker’s teen programming including our nationally recognized College Prep program which included SAT classes, college visits and fairs as well as assistance with applications, financial aid forms and interviews. With many of the Club’s students being the first one in their families to consider attending a university, many looked to the Club to guide them through the entire admissions process and beyond.

Executive Director Ramon Reyes began the Signing Day Celebration by congratulating our graduates. He was echoed by our Teen Director Stephanie Urio who has worked tirelessly with each senior helping them to

expand their horizons and to realize the dream of a college degree.

Past Keystone President and Youth of the Year Andres Cisneros spoke to the graduates about his experience in college and how the Club helped him to get there. He also praised Teen Director Urio for providing helpful advice when he needed it while at Loyola where he just finished his junior year as a communications major. Urio was only a phone call away and always ready to help. Andres has made the Club proud. A natural leader and a tireless volunteer, it is no surprise that Andres has been elected President of three different volunteer clubs at Loyola while working as an RA and at a part-time job.

The graduates shared their choice of major and future career plans including entrepreneurship, film, physician’s assistant, technology and the ever popular “un-decided.” The college choices of this year’s graduation class included Hofstra University, Ithaca College, Nassau Community College, SUNY Buffalo, and SUNY Cortland. Board member and past President Nassau County District Court Judge Colin O’Donnell congratulated the group and announced the award of \$23,000 in scholarships. The event ended with a virtual round of applause acknowledging the hard work and dedication that brought these teens to this happy occasion.

Grenville Baker is grateful for the grants received from Long Island Community Foundation, Nassau County Bar Association WE CARE Fund, and Charles Schwab Foundation to support our College Prep program in addition to the generous gifts from individual donors in our community. Their generosity made all this possible, ensuring a brighter future and helping to make the dream of college come true.

Ray Reyes

Pascucci Makes the Deans List

SUNY New Paltz student Carly Pascucci (daughter of Dominic & Eileen Pascucci, grand daughter of Roger & Sharon Bales) earns spring 2020 Dean’s List honors July 14, 2020

SUNY New Paltz is proud to congratulate Carly Pascucci of Glen Cove, New York, for being named to the Dean’s List for the spring 2020 semester. Dean’s List designation is reserved for students who excel academically and earn at least a 3.3 grade-point average in a semester with a full-time course load.



Carly Pascucci

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Raynham Hall Museum is offering several virtual public programs this summer. Sign up for presentations via Zoom hosted by Raynham Hall Museum Historian, Claire Bellerjeau. A link will be provided after registration.

Legal Notices

VILLAGE OF MILL NECK
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

PUBLIC NOTICE

A public hearing and meeting will be held before and by the Board of Zoning Appeals of the Incorporated Village of Mill Neck, Nassau County, New York on August 11, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Due to the current COVID-19 restrictions, and in accordance with Executive Order 202.1, this meeting will be conducted via Zoom Videoconference. The link to participate in the videoconference is <https://zoom.us/j/95186954856>; Meeting ID: 951 8695 4856. The dial-in phone number for audio participation, or for computers without audio capability is 1-929-205-6099.

The hearing will be on the application of Benjamin Schwartz & Jenya Semenkov, owners of a parcel of land located at 996 West Shore Road in the Village, designated as Section 29 Block L Lot 1049 on the Nassau County Land and Tax Map, being located in the Village=s E-1 (5-acre) Zoning District.

The Appellants seek a variance to permit the construction of an accessory swimming pool cabana which will be located closer to the front lot line than the rear line of the main dwelling to which it is accessory.

The above application is on file at the office of the Village Clerk located at 32 Frost Mill Road between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, until the time of the hearing. All interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard at said time and place.

Donna Harris
Village Clerk/Treasurer

July 29, 2020
BZA-04-20

VILLAGE OF LATTINGTOWN
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
PUBLIC NOTICE

A public hearing will be held by and before the

Board of Zoning Appeals of the Incorporated Village of Lattintown, Nassau County, New York, on August 4, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.. Due to the current COVID-19 restrictions, and in accordance with Executive Order 202.1, this meeting will be conducted via Zoom Videoconference. The link to participate in the videoconference is <https://zoom.us/j/91691650930> meeting ID: 916 9165 0930. The dial-in phone number for audio participation, or for computers without audio capability is 1-929-205-6099.

The hearing will be on the appeal of Eliza and Bjorn Franson, owners of a 1.14 acre parcel of land located at 189 Skunks Misery Road in the Village, and designated as Section 30, Block E, Lots 248 & 252 on the Nassau County Land and Tax Map, and located within the Village’s R-4A (4-acre) Zoning District.

The Appellants seek to permit the construction of a two-story elevator addition to the pre-existing, non-conforming dwelling, which will require the following variances:

1. Front yard setback of 36.30 feet rather than the required 100 feet;
2. Front height-setback ratio of 0.467 rather than the maximum permitted 0.24. The encroachment above the plane of the height-setback ratio is 10 feet.

This above appeal and supporting documents are available for review at the Office of the Village Attorneys, Humes & Wagner, LLP 147 Forest Avenue, Locust Valley, New York by appointment only by calling 516-676-4600. All persons interested maybe on the videoconference of this meeting. Any person wishing to be heard on the videoconference must request permission from the Chairman to be heard, which permission shall be given at the Chairman’s sole discretion. The transcript/minutes of the meeting will be available at a later date.

If any individual requires special assistance to attend, please notify the Village Clerk at least 48 hours in advance of the hearing.

Michael McClellan
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Obituaries

BONASERA-COLLINS, Alexis Marie “Lexi” – on July 14, age 28, of Centerport, NY, formerly of Oyster Bay. Loving fiancé of Patrick Collins. Devoted mother of Patrick Liam Collins. Beloved daughter of Jacquelyn Bonasera and Michael Bonasera. Dear sister of Nicholas Bonasera and Isabella Bonasera. Cherished granddaughter of Elaine & Carl DeRosa and Jo Ann & Michael Bonasera. Obsessive and loving dog mom of Angel. Also survived by many loving relatives and friends. Memorial V In lieu of flowers donations in her memory can be made to <https://www.nybullycrew.org/how-you-can-help/donate/>. www.oysterbayfuneralhome.com

DOMARADZKI, Joan of Locust Valley, NY on July 10, age 79. Wife of Michael. Mother of Lorraine, Janet & Michael. Grandmother of Justin, Mason, Ryan & Jax. Sister of John Conway. Also survived by several nieces & nephews. Visitation held at Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home. Mass St. Hyacinth Church. Interment Locust Valley Cemetery. DodgeThomas.com

HENNESSY-LYNCH, Ann Marie– on July 11, age 61, of Bayville, formerly of Flushing, NY. Beloved mother of Casey Lynch and Molly Lynch. Cherished daughter of the late Daniel and Rose Hennessy. Dear sister of the late Kevin. Loving dog mom of Teddy. Also survived by many loving friends. Interment Mt. St. Mary's Cemetery. www.oysterbayfuneralhome.com

LIVOLSI, Clementine “Lil”, On July 8. Lifelong resident of Oyster Bay. Beloved wife of the late Mike. Loving mother of Lenore (Jimmy) Galasso, Salvatore (Candy) Livolsi, Robert (Leigh) Livolsi, Laine (Ronnie) Rinaldo. Cherished grandmother of many Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren. Dear sister of Mud Sarro, and the late Rocco, Sal, Louie, Catherine, and Nonnie. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Lil was a dedicated employee of the Oyster Bay East Norwich School District for over 50 years. Interment to follow Holy Rood Cemetery.



MORGAN, Matthew , Jan. 5, 1927 - May 4, 2020. It is with sadness that I announce the passing of Matthew Morgan on Monday, May

4.. He was 93. He is survived by his wife, Linda Morgan and their two sons, Matthew R. Morgan and Alexander R. Morgan and a daughter by his first marriage, Marianna Paolini and three grandchildren, Nina Paolini, Beth Paolini and Claire Paolini.

Matt was born in New York City to Robert W. Morgan and Carol Kobbé Morgan, daughter of Gustave Kobbé, an opera critic for the New York Herald Tribune and author of Kobbé Opera Book. He was named after his great uncle, Matthew Morgan, first minister to Russia. He grew up on the Long Island South Shore, in Islip, NY. After he married the second time, he moved to the Long Island North Shore, in Oyster Bay.

At age 8, he went to boarding school at Malcolm Gordon School in Garrison, NY and then to prep school at Storm King School in Cornwall on Hudson, NY. Upon high school graduation, he enlisted with the U.S. Navy and served on U.S.S. Fiske for three years. After the war, he went to Harvard University, Class of 1950 and then to New York University where he obtained his MBA in Finance.

He worked on the floor of the American Stock Exchange, and then the New York Stock Exchange as a floor broker. After 25 years on Wall Street, he got tired commuting and went on to become a tax accountant.

He loved the water and his family always had a boat when he was growing up. He loved cruising on his boat on the Great South Bay. His last boat was Alice V, a 45-ft clam boat, now on exhibit at the Long Island Maritime Museum in West Sayville, NY. He was well-traveled and loved to read. He was the only person Linda knows that read the whole series of The Story of Civilization by Will Durant, all 11 volumes. A book a year project!

Matt was not a rich man but possessed great wisdom, rich in character and integrity. He was a great disciplinarian to his sons, very strict with their upbringing and their school activities and taught the boys excellent work ethics. I remember the time when in elementary school, he told the boys’ teacher that if they misbehaved in school, they were authorized to punish them. In high school, all their tests had to be

countersigned by the parents and so Matt would read them and signed off with comments to take points off if their spelling and grammar were wrong. You could hear the boys said, “Dad!” “They had to follow grammar rules, not just in English class! It’s the only way, they’ll learn how to speak correctly.” At home, table manners were important at family meals. Linda could see him telling the boys to sit up straight, no elbows on the table and chew your food with your mouth shut. Matt was that kind

of parent and it paid off in later years.

He was kind and enjoyed helping others, always volunteering and very supportive of his wife in all her volunteer work especially the rose societies, both in New York and in Charleston. Matt took pride in their rose garden of about 200 roses which was the venue of fundraising events at the Annual Ice Cream Social for 20 years in Oyster Bay. He did his part in the garden, digging the hole and Linda took over from there. He enjoyed sitting in the garden and loved the beautiful roses.

He was a member of the Sons of the Revolution (descendants of those who were in service during the American Revolution) and an active officer of the East Norwich-Oyster Bay Kiwanis Club for years. He served at various school boards, from his boarding school and prep school to his children’s school boards. He was involved at their son’s sports teams, having coached his son’s winning sports teams. He was a tough coach, but they always won, and the team loved him. In Oyster Bay, he was the treasurer of the Oyster Bay Historical Society, and also the treasurer of the interreligious group where they had toy drives and food drives during the holidays. When they left for the south, some of their friends said, “What will Oyster Bay do without the Morgans?” of which he replied, “They’ll survive!” At Whitney Lake, after they moved south, he was the chair of the Finance Committee of Whitney Lake during the early years. He would be more active had it not been for the fact that he was diagnosed with Acute Kidney Disease five years ago.

He was easy-going, had a great wit, had loads of hilarious verses which he recited in unexpected moments. He possessed a quick and dry sense of humor. He was at ease in the company of both the poor and the rich and made it easy for them to talk to him. He had that infectious laugh that everyone loved. Some people will remember him as “Lou Holtz” which he had an uncanny resemblance. He even got a picture from Lou Holtz himself last year after Lou found out about Matt being mistaken for him.

Never in his life did Matt thought he’d make it to his 90s, but Matt made it to 93 and had a great run. He died a few days before their 50th wedding anniversary on May 29.

Due to coronavirus social distancing, there was no wake. A funeral arrangement will be at a later date in New York. He will be buried at the Historic Greenwood Cemetery in Brooklyn, NY.



He will be greatly missed!

SANTORA, Joseph J., on July 8, age 81, of Manhattan, NY, formerly of Oyster Bay. Beloved husband of Doris. Loving father of Jacqueline Zimmerman (Richard). Cherished grandfather of Joseph and Colette. Also survived by many loving relatives and friends. Interment Memorial Cemetery Of St. John’s Church. www.oysterbayfuneralhome.com

CASTLE-WALSH, Richard of Falmouth, MA. peacefully on July 17. Born February 14, 1932 in New York City to Thomas and Eva (Sire) Walsh. He spent his teenage years in Oyster Bay, and was a graduate of Oyster Bay High School and Virginia Military Institute, Class of 1954, Civil Engineering. He served as a Lieutenant in the U.S. Army stationed in Germany 1955-1956.

Richard’s career spanned 32 years at Bethlehem Steel Corp. in New York City and Boston selling fabricated steel for the construction market. Upon retiring from Bethlehem he worked for Barker Steel Co. headquartered in Watertown, MA., retiring after 20 years as V.P. of Sales.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 38 years Babetta Castle-Walsh and children Margaret Heller, William Walsh, Janet Walsh, Anne Bleistein, Katherine Schlicht and step-children Guy Sliker and Peter Sliker. Also, survived by 11 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild. Services are private. Donations may be made to a charity of one’s choice or the Virginia Military Institute Foundation, Lexington, VA.



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VILLAGE OF UPPER BROOKVILLE PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC NOTICE

A public hearing and meeting will be held before and by the Planning Board of the Incorporated Village of Upper Brookville, Nassau County, New York, at the Planting Fields Arboretum – Carriage House located on Planting Fields Road, on August 5, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.

The hearing will be on the application of Concert Muttontown, LLC, owner of a 120.07 acre parcel of land located at 5933 Northern Boulevard, wholly within the Incorporated Village of Muttontown, but within 300 feet of the Incorporated Village of Upper Brookville, designated as Section 24, Block F, Lots 5B, 5F, 84 & 320 (and Lot 319 as Leasehold).

Pursuant to Chapter 1610 of the Nassau County Charter, the Applicant seeks approval from the Village of Upper Brookville to partition the proper-

ty, which is located wholly within the Village of Muttontown, into 3 lots as shown on the plat entitled “*Preliminary Partitioning Map of Property of Concert Muttontown, LLC...*” prepared by Bladykas & Panetta, L.S. & P.E., and last dated September 6, 2019.

This above appeal and supporting documents are available for review at the Office of the Village Attorneys, Humes & Wagner, LLP 147 Forest Avenue, Locust Valley, New York by appointment only by calling 516-676-4600.

All interested persons will be given an opportunity to be heard at said time and place. If any individual requires special assistance to attend, please notify the Village Attorney at least 48 hours in advance of the hearing.

This hearing will be conducted following all required social distancing protocols. Face masks are required to be worn for entry into Village Hall and must be worn continuously while inside the Village Hall.

William Quinn
Chairman

July 22, 2020
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Very Good Neighbors

By VICTORIA CROSBY

Several months ago Alex Kern, who lives on East Island in Glen Cove posted on the Glen Cove neighbors Facebook page that he was offering his vacation home in the Catskills as a free trip for a family that was in need of a break. The first family to use it stayed for three weeks with their child who had completed chemotherapy treatment for cancer. Kern also offered to donate the use of his kayak to people celebrating anniversaries and birthdays, so they can enjoy relaxing on Dosoris Pond,

Kern's wife Beatrice (Bia) Cassara, would provide them with picnic refreshments, which included wine, snacks and also toys when families with children used the property.

Thirty people responded to his Facebook offer. The majority were terrific, said Kern, but there were a few who tried to take advantage and wanted to include larger numbers of people. This offer is no longer available as parks and beaches are now open again.

More recently Kern posted on the neighbors' page "How can I make your day better? If I can help in any way call

me." He also included his phone number. One of the requests posted was from someone who asked for help with her yard work, as her husband moved out. She didn't seem to be serious about him coming over to help, as she said, what can I do for you? He responded that he would send his landscapers the next day, to give her a couple of hours cleaning up at no charge. She was shocked and surprised, but very happy.

Someone else had requested a vacation somewhere, also seeming to be tongue in cheek, he responded that he would pay for her airfare, the rest was up to her, but she never got back to him. Since then Kern has offered his vacation home for a three-day stay, at no charge, to people who were voted on a Facebook neighbors page, as the most helpful to the community during the pandemic, by their service to others. The winners, the ones with the most votes, include Jeanine DiMenna, who donated food from her restaurant The View Grill on the Glen Cove Golf Course. However Jeanine, who has a history of generosity to the community, felt she couldn't take the time off from her business, so she donated

her stay to Roni Raucsh Jenkins, who had organized car parades for birthday celebrations and graduations.

Kimberley Conte Valentzas has been involved in the running of the "porch pantry" which has helped to feed hundreds of local families. Glen Cove City Councilwoman Dr. Eve Lupenko said "Kim has been involved with so many aspects of our school district and it's children and has really gone beyond organizing a full pantry for the Middle School literally on her porch. I reached out to her regarding a family in need who had younger children and an infant. Kim went above and beyond to get food, special infant formula, and a crib for the new baby."

Susan Nocito McCormack reported that with the help of her friends and her children, over 1,800 masks were sewn and donated to local healthcare workers, essential workers, and financially unstable families, who would otherwise not be able to afford masks, saying "I was so honored and humbled to be nominated."

Runner up in the number of votes was Allen Hudson, Assistant Principal at Glen Cove High School, who organized a food pantry and food drives from the Glen Cove School, and was offered a two-night stay at Kern's vacation home.

Lia DiAngelo of Westbury Flowers offered to send flowers for a year, to the person with the second most number of votes, a bouquet every month, which is a prize worth over a thousand dollars. (Lia was featured for her generosity to the



Beatrice Cassara and Alex Kern

community in an article in The Leader on May 27, 2020.)

The vacation home has five bedrooms, three full bathrooms and a fireplace on fourteen acres, and is available on Airbnb for \$468 per night, so this is a most generous offer Kern, who owns the Brookville Roofing Company, said that he wanted to give a back to the community, as he is grateful for the good life he has in Glen Cove. "Doing good for others is contagious," said Kern, and he wants to be a positive role model for his three children, Alexa, Patrick, and Max. The Leader salutes these generous community-minded individuals.

Pop Up Videos at NSHM



(L to R) Museum Director Amy Driscoll, NSHM board member Victoria Crosby.
Photo: Olivia Everett

By OLIVIA EVERETT

North Shore Historical Museum, like all other museums, is suffering from a lack of funds due to being closed during the Coronavirus pandemic, and although they hope to open again soon, with limited visitors at a time, the board has come up with several pop up videos to keep the museum at the forefront of people's minds and also to try to raise much-needed funds.

Glen Cove City Councilman, Gaitley Stevenson-Mathews, who is a board member of NSHM, and an experienced entertainer in his own right, has produced these videos which are posted on social media and on the museum's website each week. Stevenson-Mathews introduces, records and edits each episode, which features a member of the board talking about their area of expertise, interviewed by the museum director Amy Driscoll, then the segment ends with a plea for support from the museum president, Georgie Connatt.

Leader reporter Victoria Crosby, long-time board member and former VP of NSHM, in video #5, spoke about her

introduction to the board, by then Glen Cove Mayor Tom Suozzi, and how she chaired many fundraising events at the Woolworth mansion and other Glen Cove mansions, including cocktail parties and antique roadshow style events, to help match the grants to restore the building, which opened as a museum in 2012.

The old Court House and Police Station was originally built in 1907 as the Oyster Bay City Hall but was used as the courthouse when Glen Cove split from the Town of Oyster Bay and became a city in 1917, and was used for a courtroom scene in the movie North By Northwest, with Cary Grant in 1959. When a new City Hall and Courthouse was dedicated, a little further down Glen Street, the building was left to deteriorate. The board members undertook the daunting task of restoring the building to its original condition.

The museum is located at 140 Glen Street in Glen Cove. To link to the interview <https://youtu.be/Eoxk1e-2zQY> or for further information visit www.nsh-mgc.org.



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