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Caitlyn Michiels (on step) created a vision aid for children with sight impairments at Smith Point County Park. She's joined by Legis. Jim Mazzarella (right), parks commissioner John Giannotti, school and parks officials.

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Student creates playground project for the sight impaired

BY LINDA LEUZZI

You can't be too young to start a not-for-profit.

Fourteen-year-old Caitlyn Michiels, who attends William Floyd Middle School in Moriches, began Caitlyn's Vision when she was 9 years old.

That resulted in a visual-aid project she pitched to Legis. James Mazzarella (R,C Moriches) and ultimately its recent installation at Smith Point County Park.

"For the edges that are dangerous to a child, where they would not know there was a drop-off point or any railing, a child could fall," explained Caitlyn's mom, Kim Swicki. "So those areas were painted yellow with a gritty grey addition. Most visually impaired can see the yellow, and having to feel the gritty area helps as well."

Caitlyn, a Mastic resident, was diagnosed with anterior bilateral uveitis, a third leading cause of blindness in children, at age 8.

"One day I saw a medical bill for my medicine and asked my mom, 'What happens if a person didn't have insurance to get medication?' We wanted to help people like that," Caitlyn said.

Swicki said Caitlyn's nonprofit has helped those in places like Arizona, California, Connecticut.

"If they need new eyeglasses, she purchases them, and also assistive devices for the blind," Swicki said.

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Remembering a selfless leader

Fundraiser to be held in honor of Kathleen Johnson

BY NICOLE FUENTES

The Moriches Community Center will be hosting a memorial fundraiser for the late director Kathleen A. Johnson on Sunday, Aug. 25.

The event will take place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the center, located at 313 Frowein Road in Center Moriches. Refreshments will be served.

There will also be an art auction featuring Johnson and other local artists. All the proceeds will go toward The Community Center, direct donations can be made as well.

"A very special person and everyone of us misses her greatly," said Miriam Gillies, a close friend. "She was talented, one in a million."

Organizers are also requesting attendees bring their favorite stories and memories of Johnson. If you have any photographs, please also send them in advance to Emily.ushko@yahoo.com with "Kathleen" in the subject.

"My life was enriched by the warmth Kathleen's friendship brought to me," said friend and fellow board member and treasurer of the Moriches Community Center, Lisa Sanders. "I carry her voice in my thoughts, pushing me to be the best version of myself."

"Kathleen exemplified 'change begins at home' and right here in our community," added friend and neighbor, Mary Fogarty. "Her, 'hand up' way of helping people, including myself and my family, was a walking testimony to the way she lived her life. She will be dearly missed today and always."

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Town partners with schools for recycling

BY NICOLE FUENTES

The Town of Brookhaven holds two recycling events in councilwoman Karen Dunne Kesnig's 6th District each year. Recently, she hosted a recycling event at Eastport-South Manor Junior/Senior High School on June 1.

In the months leading up to the event, she said, the town worked with the recycling educator for the Town of Brookhaven, Zach Sicardi, bringing assemblies to all four elementary schools in the Eastport-South Manor School District to teach the children more about what they can do to help recycle.

"This program is important to the safety of our environment and the security of Brookhaven residents. Old electronics and medications contain harmful chemicals that pollute our groundwater when disposed of improperly," said Sicardi. "This program also is an effective tool to reduce potential identity theft by sensitive document destruction through shredding. Brookhaven's special recycling events make it easy to dispose of these items in a safe, responsible manner. Residents have peace of mind, and their items are recycled to the highest extent possible."

"Zach did an incredible job, and the



Town councilwoman Karen Dunne Kesnig at the ESM recycling event.

Courtesy photo

students were extremely interested to learn all they can do to recycle," Dunne Kesnig added.

During the assemblies, they spoke in detail about all the different types of electronics that can be recycled and how anything that can be plugged in can be recycled.

"One student asked if he could bring

in his dad's Tesla!" she said.

At that point, the Dunne Kesnig and Sicardi decided to make the event into a contest, with each class in each elementary school. The class with the most participation was rewarded with a pizza party sponsored by Dunne Kesnig's office.

"After word spread of this reward, Jerry DiCecco (from Jerry & the Mer-

maid), who has students in the district, offered to donate the drinks and dessert for these parties," she added.

Parties were held for Mr. Robbins's class at Eastport Elementary, Mrs. Singh's class at Tuttle Avenue School, Mrs. Friedman's class at Dayton Avenue, and Mrs. Bobal's class at South Street School.

"The Eastport-South Manor School District was very pleased to host the Town of Brookhaven recycling day organized by Town councilwoman Karen Dunne Kesnig," said ESM assistant superintendent for business Timothy Laube. "It was great to see the large community turnout for the event. It was a successful day!"

A total of 7,820 pounds of paper was brought to be shredded during the event, as well as a total of 8,460 pounds of electronic waste. Also, six large boxes of medications were brought to the event and collected by the Suffolk County Sheriff's Office to be destroyed.

"It was an extremely successful event, and we look forward to October when our next event will take place," Dunne Kesnig said.

The next recycling event will be held on Oct. 10 at the Center Moriches Library. ■

Two more parcels saved for open space

Over 9 acres of Manorville woodland preserved

BY NICOLE FUENTES

Two more parcels located in Manorville were closed on by the Town of Brookhaven in May. Supervisor Dan Panico recently announced the parcels equal to over 9 acres of woodland will be designated as open space, never to be developed.

The parcels (outlined in red) are located in the Histand Trust on Halsey Manor Road and Nicholl on Putter Court, in Manorville. The total cost of the undeveloped land was \$536,620.

Histand Trust – Halsey Manor Road, Manorville, 6.8 acres of woodlands



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forests which are home to numerous rare and endangered species.

Nicholl – Putter Ct., Manorville, 2.7 acres of woodlands

A nearly 3-acre acquisition in the CGA of the Central Pine Barrens, this acquisition abuts existing protected Town of Brookhaven lands and further expands the town's open-space holdings in Manorville. This property provides forest habitat for myriad species, including migratory birds, and helps to protect our drinking-water supplies.

"I am extremely grateful that the TOB was able to recently purchase more properties in Manorville. Our entire town board appreciates the value of having open space preserved," said councilwoman Karen Dunne Kesnig.

The Manorville properties, she



explained, are in the Pine Barrens.

"By purchasing these properties, we can help manage invasive species (such as the southern pine beetle) and also work to protect our groundwater," she added. ■

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Rental apartments for 55 and older proposed for East Moriches

BY GARY HABER

A Hauppauge-based developer is proposing to build 70 luxury apartments in East Moriches for people ages 55 and older.

The \$25 million project, called Preserve at East Moriches, would be built on 22-plus acres on the north side of Montauk Highway. It would consist of 13 buildings totaling 70 units with attached garages and outdoor amenities, including a community center and walking path. An advanced sewage treatment system is also part of the project.

The developer, Preserve at East Moriches LLC, has applied to the Brookhaven Industrial Agency for an exemption from \$561,000 in sales taxes and \$112,050 in mortgage recording tax and reduced real estate taxes in the form of a 15-year Payment in Lieu of Taxes agreement (PILOT). The project is located in the East Moriches School District.

MRB's analysis said that even with the



A developer wants to build 70 apartments in East Moriches for people ages 55 and older.

Rendering

PILOT, the project would bring in about \$3.6 million more in property taxes over 15 years than had it not been built. The land is currently vacant wooded land.

The project would result in 158 direct and indirect construction jobs, with wages of \$10.5 million and 28 permanent jobs (direct and indirect) with annual wages

of \$1.5 million, the MRB analysis said.

In return for a tax break, the developer has proposed setting aside seven of the 70 units as affordable housing for people earning up to 80 percent of the average median income on Long Island. An additional seven units would be set aside as workforce housing for people earning up to 120 percent of AMI. The remaining 56 units would be market rate.

"There is a growing need for seniors to remain on Long Island without the expense and maintenance of owning a home," Preserve at East Moriches wrote in its application. "Rental units are necessary to fill the housing market void and maintain a healthy balance of housing stock."

Entities affiliated with Preserve at East Moriches LLC have developed numerous luxury apartment complexes across Suffolk County, including Middle Country Meadows in Selden and Overbay in Port Jefferson, both of which received tax breaks from the Brookhaven IDA. ■

PLAYGROUND PROJECT

FROM PAGE 1

Caitlyn's connection with Mazzarella began when he was campaigning in 2021. Caitlyn was working at a blood drive at the Mastic Fire Department when she first bonded with him.

"I met her in the spring of 2021," Mazzarella recalled. "She already had a relationship with [former Suffolk County legislator] Rudi Sunderland and I was told, 'You have to meet this kid.'"

In 2023, Caitlyn and her mom requested a meeting with Mazzarella about her project.

"We already supported their fundraisers," he said. "So, we sat down and she told us she had this idea for an aid at a playground that wouldn't cost a lot of money, but would help children with sight problems. She asked us to get in touch with the Parks Department, so we brought in the parks commissioner. He thought it was a great idea. It wasn't expensive and crossed off all the boxes. [The] parks [department] looked into it and picked out Smith Point as a pilot."

A communications board was added by the county.

"The communications board was established to assist nonverbal children with pictures, letters, and numbers on it," Mazzarella continued. "So, a child can go over to the board and

point to a related picture or point to an alphabet on the board to form a word. They're becoming fairly popular."

Middle school principal Camille Person and William Floyd school board members Robert Taiani, Kevin Meyer, and Angelo Cassarino were among the officials who attended the park installation to cheer Caitlyn on.

Her quiet maturity has made its mark.

"She's fairly shy," noted Mazzarella. "But she is always filled with ideas to champion children with visual impairments, and her organization and presentation are mature beyond her years."

Caitlyn is now 14. "She's done really well, and we found a wonderful team of doctors who have kept her eyes in remission for four years," said Swicki.

Next up is the Caitlyn's Vision gala. "You would be astounded at the gala they do," said Mazzarella. "It's each August, and about 200 people go."

What they're trying for now is getting money to buy a van for mobile vision screening.

"It's Aug. 14 at Giorgio's Baiting Hollow," Caitlyn added. "People can go on our website for tickets, <https://caitlynsvision.org>."

P.S.: The gala pops right up. ■

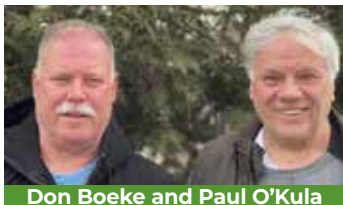
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Serving breakfast with a side of history

Father's Day celebration at the Ketcham Inn

BY C. E. PARRY

"You have to wait until it spits," said Diane Schwindt, as she swabbed the antique waffle iron with melted butter.

Behind her, a wood fire blazed in the open brick fireplace, where a line of long-handled implements rested until hot enough to use. She had all of her irons in that fire as her guests arrived for a special Fathers' Day breakfast at the Ketcham Inn on June 15.

Up and at work to prepare the meal since 5 a.m., she continued to check the temperature of each iron using a method she'd learned from the curator at Mount Vernon, where irons identical to these were used during George Washington's time.

Around her, an array of crockery, sieves, ladles, spoons, linens, and her assistant, Danielle, stood ready to help move preparations forward. Heavy cast-iron pots, made more so by the weight of their contents, hung on extended hooks that were swung into and out of the fire.

A spit on which whole roasts of meat could be turned framed the space above its interior.

Inside the walk-in hearth 16 pounds of bacon—the equivalent produced by one hog, she explained—rested in its long-handled iron skillet, while she ladled batter into each sizzling iron, then set them on the iron grate to cook.

Careful not to allow any accoutrements of modern life to remain in view as she worked, Schwindt explained that breakfast waffles originated from communion wafers.

After acquiring both early communion and breakfast irons, she traveled to Mount Vernon and spent two hours with

its curator to learn more about their place in colonial kitchens. While Washington's kitchen served a family and guests, the Ketcham Inn served travelers in a commercial establishment. Both would have necessitated kitchens in use most of each day.

Open-hearth cooking was not only time consuming, but physically demanding and dangerous as well. The large open fire, and its proximity to wood-frame buildings, meant great care had to be exercised to prevent loss of buildings and life. The Ketcham Inn kitchen is a fully restored space from 1690. Later kitchens were often constructed as separate outside buildings, well away from the main house.

Outside the inn's tavern entrance, an array of men's ties were strung across the porch's perimeter, a follow-up display to the colorful aprons on Mothers' Day. Like the communion wafers that gave rise to the waffle, these bits of fabric played an important part in early domestic life. Each helped define gender roles and the distinct tasks for men and women in their time.

However, necessity could create exceptions. When men were away for long periods fishing, whaling, or fighting in war, women were left in charge. Increasingly, they learned to take up the challenges of maintaining life at home, up to and including setting hot rivets during W.W. II.

Her guests served and sated, Schwindt took up her place before them to explain the multiple demands of a colonial household beyond waffle making: the four hours needed to cook bacon; the necessity of keeping the cook's apron from going on fire; linen weaving; the household chamber pots and more.

From hot irons to hot rivets, history has a home at The Ketcham Inn.

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Gallery 90 celebrates Juneteenth

Rani Carson opening reception

BY C. E. PARRY

Rani Carson knows things about art and painting, but most important to her is what there is to know about the human condition. Her large-scale narrative paintings reveal a cycle of life within the Rastafarian culture in Jamaica, where she resides half the year.

Using casein and gouache to achieve a matte effect on earth-toned prepared boards, she celebrates children and families, often in the natural environment and often reminding one of Mary Cas-

satt's intimate depictions of 19th-century middle-class families, comfortable in their homes and gardens.

She is especially respectful of farmers who till the soil and have a direct connection to the earth and its cycles. Through these intimate relationships, she explores the universal through the personal, offering a glimpse into the full range of human experience, including death, grief and renewal. Her objective is to achieve peace through understanding, a transformation through spiritual enlightenment.

To that end, she explores life within Rastafarian culture—one which may appear foreign at first glance to many viewers but who soon see similarities to

themselves.

Rastafarian culture was brought to Jamaica by Ethiopian natives. Ethiopia was the only African nation never colonized by Europeans or influenced by their culture. It is, then, a pure cultural link to the past, retaining its traditions despite the diaspora which led to their arrival in the New World.

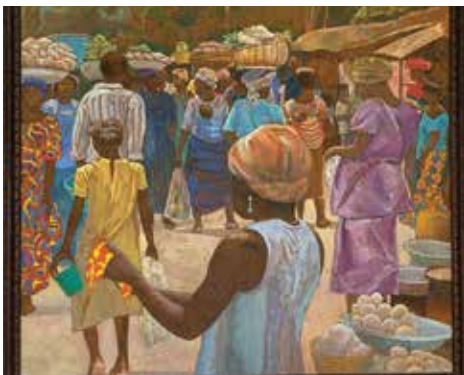
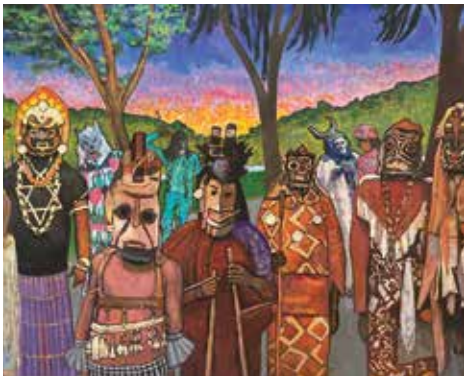
Yet, there are cross-cultural references in their beliefs—for example, in their distinctive treatment of hair. Through its length and braiding, they maintain a link to the Old Testament biblical story of Samson, who was said to derive his strength and power from his hair.

These cross-cultural references are present in her approach to painting

as well. A graduate of both Barnard and Brooklyn Colleges, she has studied painting with Herman Rose and has lived in Paris, traveling widely throughout Europe.

The iconography and composition of her mural are reminiscent of the altarpieces of the great Italian 14th-century Renaissance painter Giotto, while the vibrant hues and color relationships in her portraits and village scenes seem to draw inspiration from Gauguin's glorious tropical paradise. The warmth of her palette underscores the warmth of the relationships among her subjects.

Rani Carson at Gallery 90 through July 7. Gallery open noon- 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. ■ All photos MT/Parry



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Join the summer reading club!

Or visit your local libraries
on a summer tour

BY NICOLE FUENTES

The Center Moriches Free Public Library is currently promoting their summer reading clubs while also giving word about the countywide summer tour available to all patrons.

“Summer is a great time to relax, unwind, and check out what your local library has to offer,” said library director Marcie Litjens. “Your library card unlocks new adventures when you check out books, sign up for programs, learn new skills, and access digital resources.”

The Summer Reading Club, she noted, is a big incentive for many people to come into the library and reacquaint themselves with their services.

After a successful program last year, Litjens said, the 2024 Suffolk Library Tour returned with an added twist. Anyone with a free Suffolk Summer Tour booklet can visit public libraries all around Suffolk County any time from July 1 through Aug. 31.

When they visit, they will be tasked with finding each library’s special artifact and then locate their stamp station to receive a stamp in their booklet.

At five, 15, and 25 library visits, participants will be entered into fun raffles. At their 25th library, they will officially be a Summer Tour Library Explorer and receive a special commemorative patch (while supplies last).

Booklets will be handed out at the children’s, teen and reference departments beginning July 1.



SUMMER CLUBS YOU CAN JOIN

Children’s Club: Let your library card take you on an adventure this summer. Children from birth through entering kindergarten can share books to receive a special prizes after listening to 10, 20 and 30 books. Older children entering Grades 1 through 6 will read independently (or with help) and earn a special prize after reading for four hours, eight hours and 12 hours. Reading records must be recorded no later than Saturday, Aug. 19.

Teen Club: Read for your chance to win a Camping Adventure Gift Basket! When you join the teen reading club and log your summer reading, you will earn the chance to win some great gift cards. If you finish six books by Aug. 17, you will receive a completion prize and be entered into the grand prize raffle! Receive a welcome bag with club-themed prizes just for entering.

Adult Club: Feeling adventurous? Join the Adult Summer Reading Club. For every book you read, you’ll get the chance to win fantastic gift cards. After July 1, you will receive a fun summer prize for reading just one book and showing us your updated Center Moriches Free Public Library card! If you read six books by Aug. 17, you’ll be entered into our grand prize raffle! the grand prize this year will be a Happy Camper Gift Basket—remember, every season is camping season!

“Our Summer Reading Program is a much-anticipated event every year,” said children’s librarian Caitlin Sprague, of why to join a club. “The Summer Reading Club can spark a child’s lifelong habit of reading, helps children keep up their reading skills in the summer months, and draws reluctant readers to love books.”

The more the children read, she added, the more prizes they can earn all summer long.

100 Books Before Graduation

The Center Moriches Library Teen Department recently wrapped up their inaugural year of 100 Books Before Graduation. A total of two teens completed the 100 Books Before Graduation program.

“We are thrilled to have seen so many teens come to the library to sign up for this wonderful literacy initiative,” said head of teen services librarian, Jessica Ceramello. “Two teens have successfully completed the program in just one year!”

100 Books Before Graduation is an initiative that challenges sixth through 12th graders to read 100 books before they graduate high school.

Congratulations to Sophia Healy and Natalie Semiken-Venegas on taking on and completing this challenge!

“Their hard work and dedication are an inspiration to other teens that they, too, can complete the challenge. I am so proud of their accomplishment,” added Ceramello.



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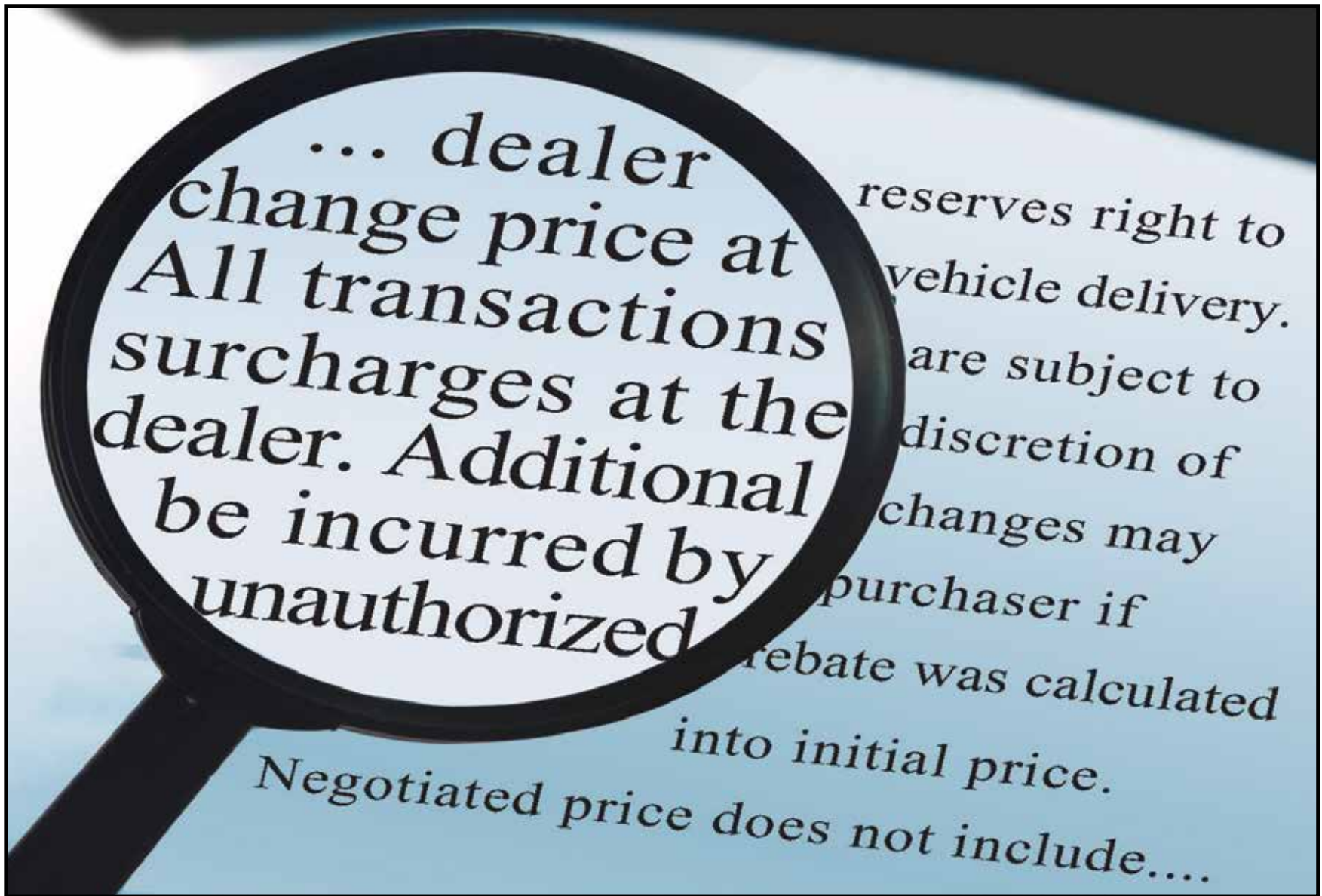
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Empower MMA studio opens in Center Moriches

Chamber celebrates with a ribbon cutting

BY NICOLE FUENTES

The Center Moriches Chamber of Commerce recently hosted a ribbon cutting for Empower Marital Arts, located on Frowein Road.

This is owner David Schnopp's first studio. He grew up joining a local studio himself and eventually training others as an instructor by age 12. He continued working at a studio through high school until he went to Plattsburg for business, graduating in 2020.

"I started when I was a kid looking for the confidence. I didn't consider myself an athlete," he said. That is, until he started martial arts.

Schnopp is local, having grown up in Manorville and graduating from Eastport-South Manor in 2016. He now lives close by in Mastic.

The name of the business, Empower, he said, came from a brainstorm with his girlfriend.

"I think nowadays, people are more anxious and insecure as ever, and this might not be a good fit for everyone, but it is life-changing and has changed the

course of my life," he said of why to join. "If you feel insecure, try it!"

Client Jennifer Dodd said she has been taking private sessions a few times per week.

"With my 40th birthday approaching, I had decided it was time to make health and fitness a priority," she said.

Though she was nervous, she said those feelings quickly vanished after walking through the door.

"Sensei David and his studio are incredibly welcoming, motivating and encouraging, regardless of your martial arts experience."

She also noted that the space is immaculate, and the sessions are fun and exciting.

He rents the space located at 15 Frowein Road and opened his doors officially in May of 2023.

He offers martial arts classes as well as private training for men, women, kids and teens. He also offers training specifically for people with special needs and plans on expanding to holistic fitness classes.

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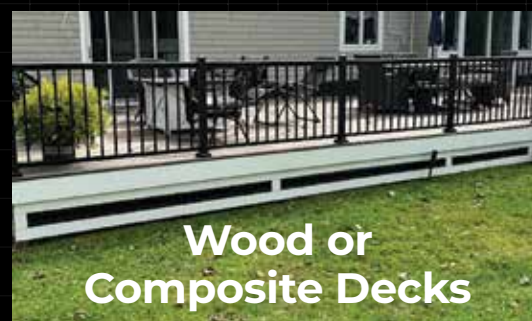
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Pace lacrosse makes history

Two seniors from Moriches and Manorville are on the team

BY JORDAN STANKOVICH

Last season, Pace University Women's Lacrosse made history when they won the national championship for the first time in the history of the program.

This year, it was another very successful season for the Pace Setters. The Setters went 21-1 and reached the second round of the NCAA postseason, falling to Adelphi.

Two seniors that just graduated are from the Moriches and Manorville area: goaltender Ashley Belfiore from Manorville and defenseman Alexandra Quinn from Eastport.

Both were members of the national championship team last spring. Belfiore played in 10 games this season and tallied 10 saves. On March 2, she played 25:53 in field time in an 18-10 win vs. Georgian Court. She made two saves in a win on Feb. 20 over Roberts Wesleyan and two saves in a victory over American International on March 13, playing 30 minutes in the contest.

Belfiore earned the win and made a season high four saves in an 18-3 win vs. Saint Rose, playing all 60 minutes for the Setters on April 20. Contributing between the pipes, Belfiore had a 4.96 goals against average and a .385 save percentage, totaling 195:44 of game time in her senior season.

In the championship season, her junior year Belfiore played 13 games, with a .391 save percentage, earned two victories between the pipes, had a 9.92 goals against average, and played a total of 235:57 her

junior season. In the historic postseason, Belfiore spent 9 minutes and 41 seconds tending the goal-keeping duties and made a save in the semi-finals. Two days later, she protected the net for one minute and 57 seconds of game time during the NCAA Championship and made a save. On defense, Belfiore played and started 21 games for Pace scoring three goals, notching four assists, and summat- ing 7 points in the 2024 spring campaign.

Quinn had a 100 percent shot percentage as she took three shots and converted all three for goals, had 40 ground balls, 86 draw controls, and created 43 turnovers on defense. Quinn's season high in draw controls was seven, which happened on two occasions: in a 23-8 win vs. Franklin Pierce on March 16 and in a 17-6 win at New Haven on March 27.

Quinn also had three games with six draw controls and one with five, in which all four games Pace ended up victorious. A couple more season highs came in a 12-11 double overtime win at Mercy on April 3, playing 67 minutes (season high) in the win over Mercy and causing five defensive turnovers (season high). In her junior year when the team made history, Quinn scored one goal and made three assists, and tallied 35 ground balls, summated 29 defensive turnovers, and quantified 118 draw controls.

Quinn added numerous awards her senior year to her trophy case. Quinn was named Defender of the Year, Senior All Star, First Team All-Region, First Team All-American, *USA Lacrosse Magazine* First Team All-American, Northeast 10 Defender of the Year, First Team All-Northeast 10, was a two-time Northeast 10 Defensive Player of the Week, and was named to the Northeast 10 Honor Roll. ■

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USA Patriots host amputee softball team at Moriches Athletic Complex

BY KRAIG KLEIN

The USA Patriots hosted its annual softball team event at the Moriches Athletic Complex on June 15. The event started with opening ceremonies, including a procession of vehicles such as motorcycles, at 11:30 a.m., and was open to the general public.

The USA Patriots' team of amputees and veterans played two games of softball against two teams, the All-Stars and the Seniors, winning the game against the All-Stars. The event was created as a way to highlight and show support for veterans who have lost limbs.

"After being injured in Afghanistan in January of 2011, I began rehabilitating at Walter Reed and seeing some of the guys while training, it was brought to me that they were starting up an all-veteran/amputee team to play softball, and all I could think about was how I missed the camaraderie and team aspect in my life,"

player Matias Ferreira said. "I haven't missed a game since the team has been coming to Long Island."

"My connection to the USA Patriots started after I was injured... while deployed to the Helmand province in Afghanistan," USA Patriots Athletics board president and player Josh Wege added. "My vehicle struck a [200-pound] improvised explosive device that rendered me a bilateral below-the-knees amputee. My love for softball and competition made the USA Patriots an easy fit for me."

The USA Patriots also runs a program for children. Their Kids' Camp aims to support children in the same way as the athletics program supports adults. The camp accepts children between the ages of 8 and 12 with amputations, lost limbs, and "limb differences." This year's camp will be hosted in Fond du Lac, Wisc., from July 7 through July 14.

"Our veterans serve as coaches and

mentors, teaching our campers adaptive techniques, life lessons, and that life without limbs is limitless," USA Patriots executive director Rich Cress said.

Cress explained that the USA Patriots' games use basic slow-pitch softball rules, with a couple of exceptions. Each team can score up to five runs per inning except in the last inning, which has no limit on runs. Each team is also allowed one home run per inning, and the USA Patriots team gets unlimited courtesy runners.

"Over 12 years, we've done 10 weekend events," event organizer Joe Bartumioli said. "We only play able-bodied teams; we don't play handicapped teams. There's always one game in Brookhaven... we've done Brooklyn, we've done Queens, we've done Sag Harbor..."

Attendees at the event were given the opportunity to participate in some raffles, including a raffle hosted by Wreaths Across America, a raffle for various gift

baskets, and a raffle for a Mets-themed prize donated by Ron Darling. The latter included tickets to four seats at a Mets home game, batting practice, dinner at the Mets' stadium, and joining Darling and Keith Hernandez in a broadcasting booth before the game.

"Any donations go 100 percent to the team," Bartumioli said.

The amputee softball team event will return next year, but Bartumioli will no longer be the event's coordinator.

"Something under new leadership will come next year," he said.

The USA Patriots will be participating in the 49th annual McQuade Softball Tournament in Bismarck, N.D., from June 27 through June 30. In addition to the Kids' Camp, the USA Patriots will also be hosting an Alumni Camp for past Kids' Camp participants from Aug. 7 through Aug. 11. The USA Patriots team will finish the season in Huntsville, Ala., from Sept. 13 through Sept. 15. ■



A procession of vehicles adorned in veteran and patriot iconography entered the Moriches Athletic Complex before the USA Patriots amputee softball team event on June 15.

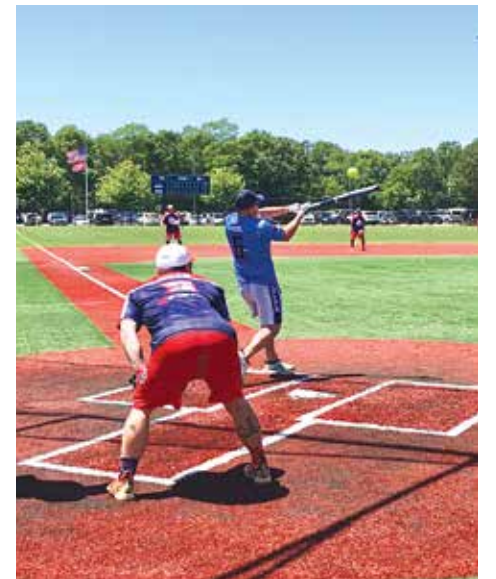


A procession of vehicles with American, veteran and patriotic flags, including some motorcycles, enter the Moriches Athletic Complex before the USA Patriots amputee softball team event on June 15.



The USA Patriots amputee softball team event at the Moriches Athletic Complex on June 15.

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A member of the All-Stars hits a softball at the USA Patriots amputee softball team event on June 15 in the Moriches Athletic Complex.

Moriches Community Center hosts Anthony Parlato Memorial 5K Run/Walk

BY KRAIG KLEIN

The Moriches Community Center hosted the 2024 iteration of the Anthony Parlato Memorial 5K Run/Walk marathon on June 1.

The marathon began at 9 a.m., in Neville Park, alongside Canal Street in Center Moriches, and proceeded through a series of local roads to arrive at the southern end of Senix Avenue, and then returned to the starting line at Canal Street. The event raised money for the funding of various programs hosted by the Moriches Community Center.

The marathon was named to honor former Moriches Community Center director Anthony Parlato, who died in 2013. According to Moriches Community Center member Sonny Saguto, Moriches Community Center founder Kathleen Johnson had suggested that a fundraising event should be named after him.

"He was a beaming personality," Saguto said. "The whole town knew who he



was, what he stood for, and how much he wanted to help the youth and those in need. Some people believe in their ideas; he lived and breathed them. 'Help Someone Today' was truly what he did. He wouldn't rest [at] night until he had made someone's day better. He devoted his whole life to the community, so the least we could do is carry on his legacy as best we can."

"[Parlato] was Sonny's and [my] mentor," Moriches Community Center

member Michael Valentine added.

After the conclusion of the marathon, the first- and second-place male and female winners of each age bracket were honored, alongside the man and woman who had the fastest times. The fastest man and woman each received a trophy, while the other winners received medals. The fastest overall male runner was Dan Shaw-Town, who had a time of 19 minutes and 38 seconds. Amanda Irish won the award

for fastest overall female runner, with a time of 23 minutes and 18 seconds. According to Saguto, 53 people ran in this year's marathon.

"The 5K is a race a lot of people can run," marathon participant Maury Dean said. "It's a nice cause... [and] a great community."

The marathon has been held annually since 2018 except in 2020, when it did not take place due to the COVID-19 pandemic. According to Saguto, a variety of organizations, from the Town of Brookhaven to East End Sign Design and the Center Moriches Fire Department, all helped organize the event. The Moriches Community Center currently plans to host the marathon again next year.

"We want to continue to expand, make it bigger each year, get more runners, get more sponsors, start doing raffles and prizes," Saguto said.

"We want to spread what Anthony Parlato stood for and [how] he helped the community," Valentine added. ■

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Is it safe to assume almost every native Suffolk County Long Islander knows of, or has been to, Magic Fountain in Mattituck? Though we all know the place with the painted-face ice cream cones and crazy good seasonal flavors, what you might not know is it originally opened at a Dairy Queen in 1966.

Since then, the original owners at the time weren't willing to compromise taste and made the switch to Magic Fountain. Over the years, it became one of only five surviving independently owned Magic Fountains in the country, including shops in Bay Ridge, New Jersey, and Florida.

Back in 2007, the current owner, Choudry Ali, known as simply "Ali," purchased the ice cream shop and brought it back to its roots of selling 100 percent homemade ice cream.

"My wife grew up in Mattituck and we saw the opportunity and bought it," he said, noting that they currently live nearby in Jamesport. "I always wanted to own my own business and create something unique."

After working hard for a couple of years, the Magic Fountain was transformed into what everyone currently loves and knows, with over 30 homemade flavors and dozens of seasonal ones, including Beet Ginger, Fig and Honey, Sweet Corn, Coffee Oreo and Caramel Latte. But everyone's favorite is seemingly the Blue Cookie Monster.

Ali not only creates the recipes himself, but also handmakes them all on his own. His wife, Journey, who has another career, helps manage the office, and Ali has another employee who is his cake decorator, in addition to several servers.

THIS SUMMER'S FLAVORS

According to Ali, the flavors will include all-time favorites like Cookie Monster for the kids and the North Forker for the adults, but he also plans to create a Lemon Cheesecake, Chocolate Chili, Goat Cheese and Beet, and, of course, the summertime Blackberry and Ginger flavor.

"We make flavors off the beaten path; people see them on the board outside, stop and turn the car right in the parking lot to try," he said of his popularity. "We have had customers for years. We put in more effort and offer different flavors, researching and caring."

Magic Fountain offers 50 flavors daily, including five that rotate every couple of weeks.

"People come in to try the different flavors," he said. "We don't stay the same every day."

His secret, other than making all the ice cream by hand himself with some help from his general manger, is getting as many local ingredients as possible, including items from his own backyard as well as local farms.

Summer hours are from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Thursday to Monday. The storefront is closed Tuesday and Wednesday.

"Come on in—give it a try. We have the best ice cream around!" he added.

Adv/Fuentes



THE REVIEWS

Nina Quartuccio

Quartuccio has been visiting Magic Fountain for at least 10 years, she said, noting that the owner is not only kind, but he has, over the years, listened to the people that have special dietary needs as well.

"I love the unique flavors the Magic Fountain has to offer," she said. "You can't find these flavors anywhere else."

Her favorites, though there are so many, include the Kulfi, pistachio and cardamon. Also, once sampled, she said, she couldn't resist the honey flavor.

"I will admit, I have gone back for a second flavor after finishing the first, more than once," she said. "There is something for everyone!"



perfect keeps him standing out above the rest in my book."

She enjoys the Funky Monkey, Coffee Almond and the Fudge and Oreo. Next, she plans on trying the vegan vanilla with cherry jam topping, which she said is so good she can eat it all by itself.

"I have purchased the jam separately to take home so I can have it during the week," she added.

Eric Abbott

Eric Abbott has been going for about 10 years as he passed it on his way to work.

"I live in Patchogue and love the variety of flavors they have to offer," he said. "I look for the seasonal flavors that pop up throughout the year, very different flavors."

His favorite flavor is coconut, which he said, actually has coconut in it!

"Magic Fountain offers the entire family a choice. My sister-in-law has a gluten allergy, and everything is spelled out for you as far as allergens so you can void what you can't have," he added. "Great people, great place, consistently always great!"

MT/Quartuccio



Kelly Abbott

Kelly Abbott has been going to Magic Fountain since vegan ice cream was offered.

"I live in Patchogue and drive to Mattituck for quality vegan ice cream that actually tastes good," she said.

"Knowing the process the owner goes through to make his vegan ice cream and the time it takes to get all of his flavors



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KATHLEEN JOHNSON

FROM PAGE 1

Johnson, known as a selfless community leader, died surrounded by loved ones on April 18, 2024 at 68 years old. Born in 1956, in Andover, Mass., she was the oldest of three children.

She eventually moved to New Hampshire, where she attended Phillips Exeter Academy in one of the first years women were admitted. As a teen, she played field hockey and volunteered at local hospital as a candy stripper.

After graduating high school, she attended the University of New Hampshire, graduating with a degree in business administration in 1978.

During her time in college, she would spend her summers working in Montauk, N.Y., which is where she met her husband Michael Mark Ushko in her junior year. Together they moved to Queens. Johnson worked in advertising at McNamara, Clapp & Klein in New York City. They were married in 1986 and celebrated their honeymoon in France.

They then had a daughter, Emily Paige Ushko, in 1990. A few years later, after leaving her job, the family moved to Center Moriches in 1993. In Center Moriches, Johnson opened Emily's Treasures, a custom children's clothing and party costumes company.

During her time in the Moriches, she went on to become a member of the Our Lady Queen of the Apostles school board member and the co-coordinator of the Environment and Arts at St. Peter and Paul Church.

Then, in 2000, she and Anthony Parlato III become the co-executive directors of the Moriches Community Center, helping shape the small center into a thriving not-for-profit. Together they organized Thanksgiving and Christmas donations

for the center as well as the annual 5K Walk and Run, which is still held to this day in name of Parlato.

By 2019, the center settled into their home at Frowein Road, giving children a permanent, safe and creative space. Johnson then retired in 2022 after more than 20 years in services to the center. At that time, her mentees, Sonny Saguto and Michael Valentine, took up the reins as co-executive directors.

"She was a selfless, hardworking, dedicated women who worked behind the scenes of the community to make it a better place," Saguto said of his mentor Kathleen. "She never wanted recognition or accolades, just to see the youth enjoy all we have to offer, those in need enjoy the benefits of this town, and to build bigger and better each year. She worked up until the final hours on making this town better than she found it. For two decades, she was a beacon for helping others, and we want to continue to honor her legacy." In her later years, she enjoyed gardening and home decorating. She was also an avid fisherwoman and clammer, and her handmade pies were a favorite gift for her friends and family. ■



JANET KNIGHT LEMMEN

Janet Louise Knight Lemmen died peacefully and comfortably in her sleep on June 3, 2024 at home in Hampstead, North Carolina. Janet was born in Sharon, CT on March 27, 1935 and moved with her father Robert Edmund Newell Hines Knight, and mother Caroline Kane Knight to East Moriches, NY in the 1940's. She graduated from Eastport High School where she admired her English teacher, Julia Tunell. After spending a year enrolled as an English Major at Albany State Teachers College she worked at the advertising agency BBD&O in NYC until her marriage in 1954 to Josef Lemmen, a farmer, nurseryman and singer from East Moriches. Shortly after, the US Army sent Joe to Alaska where Janet and their one year old son joined Joe for a year at Fort Greely. They returned to East Moriches where Janet and Joe raised their family of four children; Greg, Jane, Greta and Robert.

We cherish the many thoughts of Janet for her selfless love of family, her service to others, her service within the Methodist Church leading the United Methodist Women of East Moriches and of Long Island, her involvement with several charitable organizations and for her bright spirit and wit as she and Joe cultivated a circle of friends stretching from coast to coast and even to other continents. She traveled with her husband to many world-wide locations including England, Scotland, Iceland, Norway, Germany, Switzerland, Poland,



Russia, Finland, Israel, Egypt, China and Hawaii. She and Joe also enjoyed vacationing during the winter at their Florida Keys vacation home. They moved for a time to Fort Myers FL from the Keys and in 2020 moved to North Carolina to be closer to family. Janet is survived by her husband of 70 years and her four children, eight grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. A memorial service will be held at the East Moriches United Methodist Church at 11:00 am on Wednesday, the 26th of June. Gifts in lieu of flowers may be sent to the "East Moriches Methodist Church Memorial Fund" at P.O. Box 546, East Moriches, New York, 11940, the Alzheimer's Association at alz.org or your local hospice organization.



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KEITH’S CORNER

We are in full helping mode!

During the month of July, Helping Makes U Happy is in full helping mode! Not only are we packing and delivering food to the families referred to us, but we are also putting together “Comfort Cases” for children struggling with bullying issues, homelessness, domestic disturbances, etc.

Keith (pictured) is preparing the items that go into making a comfort case. We provide them to children in elementary and high school grades, and when necessary, to their parent(s) as well.

In an average season, we usually put together a couple hundred of these cases. If anyone is interested in donating items or new backpacks for this project, please call or text Cassy at 631-848-9008.

If you’d like to volunteer to assemble, which will most likely happen in mid-July, email us at helpingmakesu-happy@gmail.com.

We will also be looking for volunteers who would like to tie-dye some sweatshirts for HMUH, as our supply is running low.

If any students are looking for a head start on their community service hours, this is a fun and easy way to get them. We provide the shirts and the tie-dye.

On July 14, we will be supporting a fundraiser at Sunsets at Senix for Mikki Chiorando (stepdaughter of Lou

Bengel), a local young lady who is battling breast cancer.

The event runs from 12 to 3 p.m. that day; tickets are \$30 per person and are available at the door or in advance by texting 631-487-7608.

There will be a live band and a silent auction. Please come down and show your support!

Wishing a Happy Fourth of July to all—stay safe!



MORICHES BAY GARDEN CLUB

Learning about irises and future plans

BY PATTI CHIEFFO

On Friday, May 17, our garden club enjoyed not only an interesting presentation on irises by Debbie Cannarelli, but a delicious progressive lunch.

First, we met at Bay Gardens, in East Moriches, for our appetizers, and learned that irises are perennial plants. They grow from bulbs or rhizomes, which are horizontal stems with creeping roots.

Iris is a Greek word for rainbow, and the goddess of the rainbow is named Iris. There are different species found in the temperate Northern Hemisphere, from Europe to Asia and across North America. The iris has been painted by artists, especially Vincent van Gogh, because of its shape, color and beauty.

The purple iris is the state flower of Tennessee, and the iris is the universal symbol for scouting.

After the iris presentation and delicious appetizers brought to Bay Gardens by some of our members, we headed to Debbie’s home in Center Moriches. We enjoyed our lunch and Debbie’s beautiful yard.

After lunch, we headed to Patriots’ Preserve on William Floyd Parkway, in Shirley. It was the first time many of our members had been there.

We were treated to a variety of desserts brought by many of our members. Some members sat at the covered picnic tables while they ate dessert; others took

a walk on one of the paved paths. It was a lovely afternoon and a great meeting.

On Memorial Day, the Moriches Bay Garden Club was represented by several members in the Memorial Day parade in Center Moriches. Many organizations gathered and marched in the parade in memory of our deceased veterans.

Our next meeting was on Thursday, June 20 at the Southampton Library. We enjoyed the beautiful rose garden that is maintained by the Southampton Rose Society on the grounds of the library.

Recently, several new members have joined our club. All are welcome. Why not come to a meeting and check it out?

In July, we are going to the Peconic Herb Farm; August is our Flower Show; and September is our 50th anniversary tea/Chinese auction at Camp Pa-Qua-Tuck.

Watch for more information in future articles.

Happy gardening!



MORICHES CHAMBER UPDATE

The Chamber of Commerce of the Moriches is proud to be able to offer scholarships to the local school districts. Students were asked to submit an essay on what good citizenship meant to them. They needed to provide examples of how they exemplify being a good citizen. Congratulations to all the recipients. The following students were awarded scholarships:

- Clayton Huey – fifth grade - Keira Degan
- Center Moriches MS - Kayla Kelly
- Center Moriches HS - Andrew Foster
- East Moriches MS - Simona Volpe
- OLQA MS - Madison Koch
- Center Moriches HS Business Student of the Year - Nick Gentile

CHAMBER FUNDRAISER

The chamber has an exciting summer raffle! For just \$5 you can enter to win some great prizes! First prize, Big Cat 2024 Long Beach Cruiser E-Bike; second prize, NexGrill 4-burner gas grill; and third prize, Piedmont steel fire pit in black with poker.

You can purchase your raffle tickets at a few places: Visit local shops and businesses such as Moriches Bay Deli, Moriches Bay Realty, Jimmy Osborne Music, AJ Sunflower, the Summer Concert Series and/or visit the chamber table. Lastly, you can go to the website and buy online or visit the chamber table at the Spring Fair on June 9.

The winning raffle ticket will be drawn at the last summer concert on Aug. 31 at Center Moriches Elementary.

CONCERT SERIES

The Chamber of Moriches is proud to once again host their Summer Concert Series. This year they have added more concerts in Center Moriches and have added two concerts at the Sailors and Soldiers Park in East Moriches.

“Many people enjoyed our concerts so much last year and asked us to add a few more dates,” said Jackie Osborne.

With the generous donation from Jim Mazzarella, Suffolk County Legislature and Center Moriches Library, they were able to add three more concerts.

“Thank you for your support,” she added. “These concerts are a great way to enjoy our beautiful summer nights listening to music and being with family. Bring a lawn chair and enjoy!”

Center Moriches Elementary - Main Street - Concert on the Lawn Concert Schedule

- July 6 - Hot Water Street
- July 20 - Chain Reaction Band
- Aug. 3 - Milagro
- Aug.17 - Sitting Ducks
- Aug. 31 - Souled Out

East Moriches - Soldiers & Sailors Park

- July 27 - Band to be announced
- Aug. 10 - Easy Street

WELCOME NEW BUSINESS

The chamber would like to welcome to the chamber family the following businesses: Luna Mesa Day Spa, Marigold Re & Notary Services LLC., KCollections Photography, and The Southeastern Brookhaven Republican Club.

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AROUND TOWN

Thursday, July 4

Independence Day – This year’s federal holiday commemorating the adoption of the Declaration of Independence celebrates America’s 248th birthday. Happy 4th of July!

Saturday, July 6

Outdoor Summer Concert – As part of the Chamber of Commerce of the Moriches Concert Series, “Hot Water Street” will play on the front lawn of the Clayton Hey Elementary School, Center Moriches, 7-9 p.m. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and snacks. No alcohol.

Car Show – The Impressive Aggressive Motor Club will hold a judged fundraiser car event benefitting Strong Island Animal Rescue League, at The Maples, 10 Ryerson Ave., Manorville, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: Spectators, \$5; Vehicles, \$20. Music, food, raffles. Rain date: July 14. Call Tom at 631-902-1522.

Saturday, July 13

Free Community Fun Day – Help celebrate Camp Pa-Qua-Tuck’s new pool with swimming, games, food, and snacks with friends, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call or text RSVP to Tom Chieffo at 631-294-5365 by July 10.

Home Improvements Workshop – Join the Moriches Branch of the Community

Library for a Q&A with Brian from KL Home Inspections, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Discussion topics include planning home projects, repairs, purchasing a new home, and selling your current home. Bring your questions and photos. Register online or call 631-399-1511.

Tuesday, July 16

Tail Waggin’ Reading Fun – Children in grades K-6 can drop in at Moriches branch of the Community Library to read their favorite book to a certified therapy dog, 4:30-5:30 p.m. No registration needed.

Keystone Plants – Program at Moriches Branch of the Community Library welcomes Rewild Long Island who will discuss why keystone plants are critical to building a robust ecosystem that provides habitat and food for wildlife and people, 7 p.m. Register online or call 631-399-1511.

Thursday, July 18

Alzheimer’s Caregiver Support – Support group for caregivers of someone with dementia or memory loss at Mastics Beach branch of the Community Library, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Receive emotional and social support as well as educational materials. Register online or call 631-399-1511.

Saturday, July 20

Outdoor Summer Concert – As part of the Chamber of Commerce of the Moriches Concert Series, “Chain Reaction Band” will play on the front lawn of the Clayton Hey Elementary School, Center Moriches, 7-9 p.m. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and snacks. No alcohol.

Saturday, July 27

Double Dutch Jump Rope – Fitness class with Erica Dantzler for kids entering grades 1-5 at the Moriches Branch of the Community Library, 11 a.m. to noon OR 1-2 p.m. Register online or call 631-399-1511.

Of Note ...

Puppy Raisers Needed – Canine Companions for Independence trains assistance dogs for people with disabilities. Volunteers are needed to mold pups into responsive adult dogs. For more information, call 631-561-0217 or visit www.cci.org.

Parent Leadership Initiative – PLI is a community network empowering parent advocates for children. Evening weekly meetings held in Brookhaven Township. For more information, call 462-0303 or visit www.childcaresuffolk.org/parentleadership.

Volunteers Needed – Assist with general office duties at Parents for Megan’s Law and

the Crime Victims Center. Fax your resume with three references to 751-1695. For more information call 631-689-2672.

Teen Counseling – The Sanctuary Program of Brookhaven Youth Bureau offers free individual or family counseling for town residents ages 12-21. Call 451-8011 to speak with a licensed clinical worker.

Abuse & Abduction Prevention – Parents for Megan’s Law and The Crime Victims Center will hold educational workshops for children, teens, staff and adult community members. Call the helpline at 689-2672 for information or to schedule a workshop.

Conservation – Citizens Campaign for the Environment (CCE) along with the Sierra Club, RELI and National Wildlife Federation urge residents to support renewable energy goals for Long Island. To find out more, contact: David Alicea (Sierra Club) at 223-6330, Adrienne Esposito (Citizens Campaign) at (516) 390-7150 or Gordian Raacke (Renewable Energy Long Island) at (516) 313-6611.

Historic House Tours – Tour the John Scudder Haven Homestead (circa, 1755) located at 15 Main St., Center Moriches. Call Loren at 631-457-9763 to make an appointment. Visit the museum shop on the premises, Saturdays and Sundays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Antiques and collectibles. Follow them on Facebook.

YEARS AGO

75 Years Ago

JULY 1949

A successful exhibition of water paintings by **Jacob Troost** was held at the Women’s Club on Lake Avenue, Center Moriches. Among those who viewed Mr. Troost’s work was **Mrs. J.J. Noltenius**, who sought the prints from Amsterdam done by **Cornelius Troost**, an ancestor. The exhibition was held at the suggestion of **Mrs. Roger Criado**, of East Moriches.

John Keane, one of the top-ranking students in Center Moriches High School’s graduating class, was accepted as a freshman at Harvard University.

Mrs. Marian Nosely, of Manorville, attended the New York State Postmaster’s Association convention, held in Buffalo.

Mrs. Sidney Hawkins of Crosby Street, Center Moriches, became \$50 richer as a result of being awarded that amount by the Merchant’s Division of the Chamber of Commerce of the Moriches in the eighth week of the Lucky Saturdays promotion.

At the annual father and son meeting held by the Rotary Club of the Moriches, held at Camp Paquatuck, **Delbert W. Wesche** was installed as the new president and outgoing president, **William Dranitzke**, was presented with a plaque honoring his achievements as the top officer during the past year.

The first girl to be born into the Herrmann family in two generations arrived on Independence Day at Mather Memorial Hospital when **Mrs. George Herrmann**, of Center Moriches, gave birth to a 6-and-1/2-pound baby, **Eileen Beatrice**.

The award for proficiency in science made at graduation ceremonies for Center Moriches Grammar School students was awarded to **Edward Slavin**.

Five young men from East Moriches helped to successfully quench a brush fire in East Moriches south of Montauk Highway after a three-hour struggle. They are **Reginald Ellington**, **Malcolm Watson**,

Carl Lucas, and **Richard and Carl Herbert. Thomas D. Sinnickson**, son of **Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Sinnickson**, of Center Moriches, received his New York State license to practice funeral directing and embalming. He is employed by a New York City funeral directing firm.

Foster Robert, operator of the Swiftstream Duck Farm, in Moriches, lent some of his ducklings to **Ernest Rauschenberge**, field man for the Long Island Duck Packing Corporation, in Everett, Mass., to brighten the lives of disabled children in a school in that area.

Jean Ellington, of East Moriches is taking a six-week course at the Traphagen School of Fashion Design and Illustration, in New York City.

Playing in July at **The Center Moriches Theatre**: “Edward, My Son”; “Tulsa”; “Big Jack”; and “Neptune’s Daughter.”

50 Years Ago

JULY 1974

Eighty-six Center Moriches High School seniors graduated at the annual commencement ceremonies, with valedictorian **Frances Cuomo** leading the class in academic honors, followed by the two salutatorians, **Erica Neuhoff** and **Pamela Richter**. Other students who received honors included class president **Kathy Bergman**, who won the Columbia Scholastic Press Four-Year Pin Award, the Keyhole Literary Contest for a short story, and the Balfour Honor Key Award for the outstanding senior girl.

Six William Floyd High School students were judged eligible to participate in a college-level science program offered by the State University of New York at Stony Brook. They are **Brian Jipp**, **Giovanni Rodriguez**, **Anna Tafliavia**, **Vanessa Reid**, **Laurie Anderson** and **Gerard Taggart**.

Among the 360 alumnae who attended the Reunion Weekend activities at Wheaton College was **Mrs. Louise Austin Mockridge**, of Center Moriches.

James W. Dean, of Eastport, graduated



July 1974: Long Island Live Steamers treated the children of Camp Paquatuck, Center Moriches, to locomotive rides at the Steamers’ track in Brookhaven. Pictured is conductor **Richard Lane**, of Blue Point, with members of the camp staff and children enjoying the ride.

from the State University College of New York at Potsdam.

Mrs. Helen Floyd Bullwinkle, of Mastic, a direct descendent of Revolutionary War Gen. William Floyd, received a bronze plaque from the children of Little Flower Children’s Service “in recognition of a great American patriot.”

Moriches Rotarians **Hack Warner**, of Eastport, and his father, **Paul Warner**, of East Moriches, were among those who helped prepare Camp Paquatuck for its opening this summer. It is expected that over 200 campers, age 5 through 20, will attend the camp.

Children attending Camp Paquatuck, in Center Moriches, had the opportunity to see “Wooly” the sheep have his winter jacket removed by **Pat Striplin**, of Manorville, a camp employee.

Dave Rogers, director of Camp Paquatuck, received a check on behalf of the camp from **Carl Koroleski** and **Phil Karden**, members of the Acres Anglers, which comprised the proceeds of a fund-

raising event.

Craig Bruce Sinclair of North Ocean Avenue, Center Moriches, was named a member of the Dean’s List at Missouri Valley College, where he is majoring in psychology.

The board of trustees of the Center Moriches Free Public Library elected the following officers for this year: **Mrs. John Newhouse**, president; **Gerald S. Levine**, vice president; **Ron Leonard**, treasurer; and **Umberto N. Carlone**, trustee.

Mary Quinn made local history as the first female driver for the Center Moriches Ambulance Company.

Playing in July at local United Artists Theatre: Clint Eastwood in “Thunderbolt”; Steve McQueen and Dustin Hoffman in “Papillon”; Gene Hackman in “The Conversation”; Paul Newman in “The Sting”; and Robert Redford and Paul Newman in “Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid.”

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