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Fall fun in the Colonial Era at Sagtikos Manor

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Guests gathered by the back porch to share their highlights of the day as the rain began.

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Annual 'All Boobs Matter' fundraiser

BY MONICA MUSETTI CARLIN

The fourth annual "All Boobs Matter" Breast Cancer Awareness fundraiser was held at Jackson Hall American Bar and Grill in East Islip on Oct.1 under the direction of organizer and host chef, Michael Landesberg.

Over \$80,000 was raised to benefit The Male Breast Cancer Global Alliance and the West Islip Breast Cancer Coalition for Long Island. The restaurant was packed inside and out with supporters who had the opportunity to bid on lavish donated gift baskets filled with beautiful prizes and gift certificates from local businesses.



Photo credit: Jackson Hall American Bar and Grill

There were also lottery ticket prizes, vacations and an enormous 50/50. The dedicated Jackson Hall staff donated their time to the event.

Countless volunteers helped put the "fun" in fundraiser with fantastic food, cocktails and several thousand generous supporters who attended throughout the evening's event. Ironically, on a sad note, following the event, chef Mike announced that one of his staff collapsed

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Get ready for Applefest

Annual fair returns this weekend

BY CONNOR PATTON

The Town of Islip’s annual Apple Festival returns this Saturday at the Islip Grange in Sayville with a full day of fall fun lined up, including craft and food vendors, amusement rides, apple treats, and more.

The Town of Islip’s 46th annual Apple Festival takes place this Saturday, Oct. 24, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Islip Grange in Sayville, with sold-out vendor spaces across the festival grounds. Free shuttle buses will transport attendees from the Sayville Train Station, where free drawstring backpacks will be handed to the first 2,000 riders.

Classic attractions including carnival rides, craft vendors, live music all day, pony rides and a petting zoo will line the park, with plenty of apple desserts and food in store.

A “Taste of Apple Culinary Contest” will also be taking place, where homemade desserts will be judged in categories including pies and cakes, muffins and bread, jams and jellies, and cookies and candy. All entries are free and must be homemade, feature apples, and be brought to the Apple Festival before 10:30 a.m. on Saturday.

A scarecrow contest is also returning this year, with free entry for scarecrows of any theme. Scarecrows must have a name, and be dropped off at Islip Grange this Friday between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., or Saturday from 8-9:30 a.m. Alternative drop-off dates can be arranged by calling



the town’s cultural affairs office at (631) 224-5430. Ribbons will be awarded for first, second, and third place winners. For more information, visit www.islipny.gov.

The Town of Islip’s Apple Festival returns this year for a day of family fall fun.
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The West Islip Symphony Orchestra wishes to thank Suffolk County Department of Economic Development and Planning and Legislator Steve Flotteron for helping to fund this year's performances.

Under the sea



A sea of handcrafted jellyfish were found inside the gallery's maze.



Local artists were invited to paint their own vision of sea life (Bottom left: Kiya Henry. bottom right: Dennis Dubey. Top right: Tove Hasselriis Abrams. Top left: Angelica Kemp)

Below: Experimental Band Funamungus took the stage at the Islip Arts Council's Under the Sea Festival.

Islip Arts Council's Sea Festival

BY JOSEPH CALIGIURI

Nestled between deep-blue lights and handcrafted jellyfish was the Islip Arts Council's Under the Sea Festival. A celebration of art and undersea life, the night was a treasure trove of activities for all.

Local artists were invited to create their own vision of the sea. Mermaids to waves and all sorts of seashells all painted a wide and unique vision of life in the ocean. Many local artists were on display, including Kiya Henry, Dennis Dubey, Tove Hasselriis Abrams, Angelica Kemp, and more.

The Du-ets added musical art to the gallery, letting their music carry throughout the venue as guests perused the paintings and displays.

An interactive under the sea maze was the centerpiece of the night, featuring multiple locales to explore. A bubble-filled labyrinth, a field of jellyfish beneath dangling lights, a treasure chest mystery and an outer space visit were all housed in the handmade experience.

Families were able to make the most of the night, enjoying arts and crafts that got everyone involved in the artistic process.

Raffle tickets at \$5 a piece helped attendees give back to the IAC and their work putting together artistic events like the festival in the future. A VIP area also had attendees front row to the performances found throughout the night.

Under the Sea musicians Funamungus closed the night out with chill vibes, thanks to their experimental, improvisational style matching the ocean's go with the flow. Glowing mushrooms and neon paints on the stage to the jellyfish umbrellas and bubble blowers showed that every little piece of the gallery from the entrance to the back was thought of.

The audience got involved for the band's encore by using shakers to carve their own style into the music around them. The night had everyone become an artist in their own way. ■



SCHOOL NEWS CONTINUED ON PAGE 9

East Islip volleyball digs deep for breast cancer awareness



East Islip High School's boys volleyball program raised \$500 for The Side-Out Foundation with a special Dig Pink league game.

Photos courtesy of East Islip School District

East Islip High School's boys volleyball program turned the court pink on Oct. 6 as the junior varsity and varsity teams hosted Bayport-Blue Point for a special Dig Pink league game benefiting The Side-Out Foundation.

The gym was decked out in pink decorations and breast cancer awareness ribbons, with pink accents added to the court and both East Islip teams wearing special Dig Pink warm-up jerseys. The Side-Out Foundation uses volleyball to raise awareness and funds for breast cancer research and patient support.

Players and their families organized raffles, bracelet sales and a bake sale throughout the evening. Raffle prizes included a family movie night basket and a lottery scratch-off board, while Dig Pink bracelets were donated by Sara Hegna, owner and operator of Rad Jewelry Co.

Thanks to support from staff, families, friends and spectators, the event raised \$500 for The Side-Out

Foundation.

The evening was also successful on the court, with East Islip's varsity sweeping Bayport-Blue Point, 3-0, and the junior varsity team earning a 2-1 victory.

"This was a wonderful night for our program and our community," boys volleyball head coach Laura O'Donnell said. "It was especially meaningful to see our players, families, coaches and school staff come together to support such an important cause. We are proud that we were able to use our sport to make a difference."

The event was organized in collaboration with the East Islip girls volleyball program, which held its own Dig Pink game on Oct. 7 benefiting the Islip Breast Cancer Coalition. Together, the back-to-back fundraisers highlighted the volleyball program's commitment to using the sport to bring the community together in support of important causes.

CRIME

Man arrested after robbing Bay Shore bank



Suffolk County police arrested a man after he robbed a bank in Bay Shore on Friday, Oct. 16.

A man entered TD Bank, located at 479 Montauk Highway, and handed a teller a note demanding cash.

The suspect fled on foot westbound at 10:24 a.m.

Third Precinct Patrol officers observed a man fitting the description of the suspect at 10:47 a.m. in front of 403 East Main Street in Bay Shore and arrested him.

Suffolk County Police Major Case Unit detectives charged Raymond Peruggi with robbery 3rd degree. He was also arrested for three misdemeanor warrants.

Peruggi, 36, who is undomiciled, will be held overnight at the Third Precinct, and is scheduled to be arraigned at First District Court in Central Islip on Oct. 17.

A criminal charge is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

Woman arrested for DWI after crashing into ambulance

Suffolk County police arrested a woman for driving while intoxicated after she crashed her vehicle into an ambulance on Sunday, Oct. 18 in Bay Shore.

An injured 26-year-old Islip man was being loaded into the back of an Islip Fire Department ambulance with its emergency lights activated on Main Street, just east of 3rd Avenue, when a 2017 Honda Accord crashed into it at approximately 2:15 a.m.

A second ambulance was dispatched to transport the patient to a local hospital for treatment of non-life-threat-

ening injuries. There were no other injuries.

Third Precinct officers determined that the driver of the Accord was intoxicated and arrested her at the scene.

Edith Cairo, 32, of Islip, was charged with driving while intoxicated. She is being held overnight at the Third Precinct and is scheduled to be arraigned at First District Court in Central Islip on Oct. 18.

A criminal charge is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

OBITUARIES

Michael J. Cabales

Michael J. Cabales, 68, of Islip Terrace, died on Oct. 11.

He is survived by his wife, Maureen; his son, Michael Jr.; his daughters, Melissa, Megan and Lindsey; his siblings, Charles and Sheri; and his three grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Overton Funeral Home Inc., Islip. A funeral service was held at St. Peter the Apostle R.C. Church.

Edward F. Kunz

Edward F. Kunz, 75, of Brightwaters, died on Oct. 5. He was a longtime member of the Bay Shore Fire Department.

He is survived by his wife, Brenda Kunz; his sons, Edward and Matthew Kunz; his siblings, Jill and Jay; and his

seven grandchildren. He was predeceased by his son, Brian Kunz.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Overton Funeral Home Inc., Islip.

Harry H. Penny

Harry H. Penny, 88, of Afton, N.Y., formerly of Bay Shore, died on Oct. 9. He was a longtime member of the Bay Shore Fire Department.

He is survived by his daughter, Karen Penny Rivera; his son, John Penny; and his nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife, Betsy Penny, and his son, Harry Penny.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Overton Funeral Home Inc., Islip. Funeral services were held at the Bay Shore Fire Department. Interment was in Oakwood Cemetery, Bay Shore.

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ISLIP BULLETIN SPORTS

West Islip rallies for playoff spot

BY TONY BELLISSIMO

Three straight shutout defeats between Sept. 29 and Oct. 3 left practically no margin for error in terms of West Islip field hockey’s playoff chances with a record of 4-7 in Suffolk Division 2 and five games remaining.

But coach Josephine Hassett never lost confidence in the Lions, and they delivered down the stretch.

A crucial 1-0 victory over Shoreham-Wading River on Oct. 5 sent West Islip on its way to a strong finish, resulting in a .500 mark and a playoff berth. The team won four of five, posting shutouts in each of those wins, and fell only to defending Long Island Class C champion Bayport-Blue Point in the final 10 seconds.

“We’ve come a long way,” Hassett said. “Every single kid has improved and they came together as a team. When we bring that ‘A’ game, we can hang with all the top teams.”

It was win or go home in the finale on Oct. 15: beat Babylon to secure a spot in the Suffolk Class B playoffs, or lose and the season ends.

“We’ve had our backs against the wall for weeks, but the girls did a great job focusing on one game at a time,” Hassett said. “I kept telling them, ‘Don’t think about needing to win, think about wanting to win and love the sport that you’re playing.’”

“The win over Shoreham was huge. Obviously, we don’t make the playoffs without that win. It would’ve forced us to beat Bayport,” she added.

The lone goal in the Shoreham win came off the

stick of Mia Zegarelli in the third quarter, set up by Grae Pesci. Goaltender Emily LaBella stopped both shots the Wildcats sent her way as the Lions won for the first time in 10 days.

“Our two best wins were against East Islip and Shoreham,” Hassett said. “But the best game we played all year was against Bayport. They beat us 1-0 on a corner with nine seconds left. The girls poured their heart into that one. We had it scoreless all the way until the end.”

The playoff clincher wasn’t scoreless for long. The Lions scored early and often, and defeated Babylon, 5-0. Giada Zegarelli scored twice and Mia Zegarelli, Pesci and Samantha Monaco added a goal apiece.

“The girls knew what was at stake,” Hassett said. “I can usually tell during warmups how a game is going to go. They were fired up. It was Senior Day and they played well.”

Hassett praised the starting midfield of the Zegarellis, Cayleigh Calhoun, Riley LaFlare, and defensive anchor Leah Antipas for leading the playoff push.

West Islip will face either Eastport-South Manor or Harborfields in the first round. ■

Riley LaFlare is part of a standout midfield for the Lions, who won four of their last five to earn a playoff berth.

Photo: Tony Bellissimo



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I Will Not Raise the County's General Fund Taxes

BY SUFFOLK COUNTY EXECUTIVE
ED ROMAINE

At a time of tremendous uncertainty, Suffolk County residents deserve just that from their local government: certainty. My 2027 Recommended Operating Budget continues my fiscally conservative message with a 0 percent increase in General Fund taxes.

Holding the line on taxes is not always easy. Rising retirement and healthcare costs, along with unfunded state mandates, continue to put pressure on county finances. That is why the first two years of my administration focused on getting our fiscal house in order, staying within the state tax cap, and making government work more efficiently for the people we serve.

We have put Suffolk County on a stronger financial footing, which means we can hold the line on taxes when our residents need help saving every dollar possible.

We addressed hundreds of millions of dollars in potential liability by resolving lawsuits left over from previous administrations. We also have right-sized county departments so staffing better reflects actual needs.

Through careful and cautious budgeting, the county has protected our reserve funds rather than relying on them to balance the budget. Those decisions have helped produce higher credit ratings and positive outlooks from the major rating agencies. Fitch Ratings and S&P Global have specifically recognized our more conservative approach to budgeting.

Our capital budget is equally focused on Suffolk County's future. We are investing in infrastructure that has been neglected for too long while continuing to protect farmland and open space. The land we preserve today will help ensure that Suffolk County retains the character that makes it special. We do not want Suffolk to become Queens.

We are also making major investments in sewers and wastewater management. These investments are essential not only to protecting our environment and drinking water, but also to supporting economic growth and making housing more affordable.

With this year's wastewater investments, we are on track to fulfill my billion-dollar commitment to addressing Suffolk County's wastewater needs. Voters made it clear that clean water is a priority when they approved the 2024 Suffolk County Water Quality Restoration Act at the polls.

That law will generate approximately \$3 billion for clean water infrastructure through 2060.

At the end of the day, county government is only successful when it works for the people.

At the same time, our operating budget continues to make public safety a priority. That means putting more police officers on our streets and building on the progress of Operation Safe and Lasting Return. We continue to reform the county's Child Protective Services to better protect our most vulnerable children and families. That is why I want residents to know that help is just a phone call away. If you have a non-emergency question or need assistance with a county service, call 311. Our operators will connect you with the right county department or direct you to the appropriate resource.

Our job is simple: provide the services people need, spend their tax dollars responsibly and make Suffolk County safer, stronger and more affordable. ■

OP-ED

Two-thirds of Great River meeting attendees call for sewer revote

BY SAVE THE GREAT SOUTH BAY

As Suffolk County moves forward with plans to sewer neighboring Oakdale, residents of Great River are asking an important question: Why are we being left behind?

At a June 24 community meeting hosted by Save The Great South Bay (SGSB) at the Great River Fire Department, 34 of the 52 residents in attendance—nearly two-thirds—signed a petition calling for a new vote on sewer in Great River.

The message was clear: There is renewed interest in revisiting a decision made seven years ago.

In 2019, Great River's sewer referendum failed by just 74 votes. It was the first sewer referendum held in Suffolk County in decades, at a time when many residents were unfamiliar with the environmental benefits, costs, and implications of sewer infrastructure.

Much has changed since then.

Public awareness of the connection between outdated wastewater systems, nitrogen pollution, and the health of our waterways has grown significantly. Suffolk County voters overwhelmingly approved the 2024 Water Quality Restoration Act, establishing a long-term funding source for wastewater infrastructure and clean water protection.

Most recently, Oakdale residents approved sewer with an extraordinary 89 percent voting in favor.

Yet, across the Connetquot River, Great River remains without a clear path forward.

One River. Two Communities. Different Futures.

The Connetquot River has the poorest water quality of the county's 191 monitoring stations. At our June meeting, experts from The Nature Conservancy and the Suffolk County Department of Health helped residents better understand the serious water quality challenges facing the river and Great South Bay.

The environmental issues do not stop at the river's edge. Nitrogen pollution from outdated cesspools and septic systems affects the entire watershed, regardless of municipal boundaries.

While Oakdale moves toward sewer construction, Great River residents are being encouraged to install Innovative and Alternative Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (I/A systems).

These systems can provide meaningful reductions in nitrogen pollution, and substantial grant funding is available to help homeowners with installation costs. They are an important part of Suffolk County's clean water strategy.

But residents are asking whether individual wastewater systems are the best long-term solution for a community between an area sewered long ago and that is immediately adjacent to a major sewer expansion.

Some residents also expressed concerns about the low-pressure sewer systems being installed in other communities, preferring traditional gravity-based infrastructure. These

systems add similar value?

And beyond wastewater infrastructure, how can the county support a comprehensive stormwater management strategy that incorporates natural solutions, including native plants and green infrastructure, to reduce polluted runoff into the Connetquot River? Save the Great South Bay's Great River leaders are interested in tackling run-off water pollution.

These are reasonable questions that deserve transparent answers.

A Watershed Approach to Clean Water

Save The Great South Bay is also participating in the newly launched Connetquot River Watershed Management Plan, working alongside government agencies, scientists, and community stakeholders to identify strategies for improving the river's health.

This planning process is important and will help guide future restoration investments. However, residents should not have to wait years for a completed watershed plan simply to understand their options for sewer.

We believe the county can advance its watershed planning efforts while engaging Great River residents in a meaningful discussion about wastewater infrastructure today.

The strong support for a revote expressed at our June meeting suggests that the community's perspective may have changed since 2019. While meeting attendees do not represent every voter in Great River, their response provides a compelling reason to reopen the conversation.

It's Time to Revisit the Question

Save The Great South Bay is not asking Suffolk County to disregard the results of the 2019 referendum. We are asking the county to recognize that circumstances have changed, new funding is available, and residents deserve the opportunity to reconsider their future with better information.

The Connetquot River cannot be restored one shoreline at a time. Protecting this vital waterway requires a coordinated approach that addresses pollution on both sides of the river.

Great River residents deserve to be part of that conversation—and part of the solution. ■



concerns deserve thoughtful consideration and clear answers.

Great River Residents Deserve Answers

Since our June meeting, Save The Great South Bay has shared residents' concerns with Suffolk County Legis. Trish Bergin and has been working to meet with deputy county executive Jennifer Juengst to discuss the community's options.

Our Great River Creek Defender, Ron Gibbons, and local residents have raised several important questions.

If Great River residents must endure the disruption of sewer construction in neighboring Oakdale, shouldn't they also have an opportunity to benefit from that investment?

What would it take for Great River to be reconsidered for sewer, and what funding opportunities might be available?

How do the long-term financial and environmental benefits of individual I/A systems compare with connecting homes to a public sewer system? Sewers would add \$100,000 to the value of each Great River home. Do IA

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Thursday, October 22

History of Music Discussion – 7-9 p.m. – The Historical Society of Islip Hamlet presents J.K. Hodge, film composer and historian, as he presents “The History of Music on Long Island”. Mr. Hodge walks us through performances done by native Long Islanders or performed on Long Island. Iconic venues and music festivals will also be discussed. The program will be held at the Islip Public Library, 71 Monell Ave, 7-9 p.m., is free and open to the public. For more information, call 631-559-2915, or visit www.isliphamlethistory.org.

Sunday, October 25

Pin-Up & Paint – 12 - 3 p.m. – COME PAINT! ART MEETS HISTORY! Location: 1230 New Hwy, Farmingdale, at the American Airpower Museum, Farmingdale NY. Be inspired by vintage aircraft and professional models from The Pinup Society: Live pin-up models • Paint on-site. Your artwork may be included in the Veterans Exhibition at the Islip Arts Council Gallery. \$15 registration fee. FREE FOR VETERANS.

Tuesday, October 27

Meeting – 4:30 p.m. – The Fire Island UFSD Board of Education will hold a Work Session Meeting in the lunchroom of the Woodhull Elementary School.

Wednesday, October 28

Halloween Crafts & Costumes – 6-8 p.m. – Let's get crafty this spooky season! From pumpkin painting to DIY crafts, come with your creativity and costume. Best costume wins a prize! Family-friendly. All ages welcome. Registration Fee: \$10 Donation / Snacks will be available. Islip Arts Council Gallery, South Shore Mall, 1701 Sunrise Highway, N1, Bay Shore NY 11706. For more information, visit isliparts.org or call 631-888-3525.

Plastic Pollution and Marine Debris Conference – 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. – Join Citizens Campaign for the Environment, Atlantic Marine Conservation Society, and OperationSPLASH for the first South Shore Estuary Reserve Conference focused on challenges and solutions to plastic pollution and other forms of marine debris. This FREE conference will feature the latest science, policy experts, and community leaders who are working on the front lines addressing this problem. Where is all this marine debris coming from? We have the answers. Learn what we can do to solve the plastic pollution crisis harming our South Shore. FREE. The Mansion at West Sayville 200 Main St, West Sayville, NY.

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Help for Stuttering and/or Cluttering is as Close as Your Library – Thanks to generous donors, the Stuttering Foundation

has donated books and DVDs to public libraries across the country, including Bay Shore-Brightwaters Public Library. Stuttering Foundation books are directed to parents of children who stutter or clutter, adults who stutter or clutter, speech pathologists, pediatricians, family physicians, nurses, health care professionals, hospitals, schools, clinics, day-care centers, and all those concerned with the problem of stuttering or cluttering. Since the original publication, Foundation materials have reached millions of individuals worldwide. “More than three million Americans stutter, yet stuttering and cluttering remain misunderstood by most people,” said Jane Fraser, president of The Stuttering Foundation. “Myths such as believing people who stutter or clutter are less intelligent or suffer from psychological problems still persist despite research refuting these erroneous beliefs.” Since 1947, the nonprofit Stuttering Foundation has provided free materials to public libraries nationwide. A library that will shelve them can e-mail info@stutteringhelp.org, or download a request form at <http://www.stutteringhelp.org/libraries-information>.

Historical Society of Islip Hamlet 2026 House Tour – The Historical Society of Islip Hamlet will be hosting its 2026 Holiday House Tour on Sunday, Dec. 6, 2026 (rain, shine, snow) from 12-5 p.m. Several historically and/or architecturally interesting homes will be decorated for the holidays as tour guides dressed in Victorian outfits greet

you at the door. There will be a reception with entertainment, refreshments, Holiday auction and 50/50 raffle. Tickets will be sold at Caroline's Flower Shoppe and Maple St. Deli starting Nov. 2nd and on our website, Eventbrite starting Oct. 19th. Ticket donations are \$35/person (16 yrs and older) and are non-refundable. Please donate a new, unwrapped toy for the John Theissen Children's Foundation. For more information: 631-559-2915, www.isliphamlethistory.org.

Overeaters Anonymous – OA is a 12-step support group to help people with eating disorders. The group meets online weekly, Tuesdays, 10-11 a.m. To connect via telephone, dial 1-425-436-6326. Or via Free-ConferenceCall.com. Access pin: 151-642#. Participants should announce themselves by first name only. For more meeting information, visit www.oa.org.

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ISLIP BULLETIN YEARS AGO

62 Years Ago

OCTOBER 1964

First assistant chief **Jack Kasin** and fireman **Donald Sullivan** of the Islip Volunteer Fire Department explained firefighting equipment to first graders at Sherwood Elementary School in Islip during Fire Prevention Week.

Thomas Beckett, of Brightwaters, won the regional semifinals of the Herald Tribune Youth World Forum based on his performance in a panel discussion at Commack High School. As a result of his victory, Beckett will appear on television Channel 2 with other semifinalists.

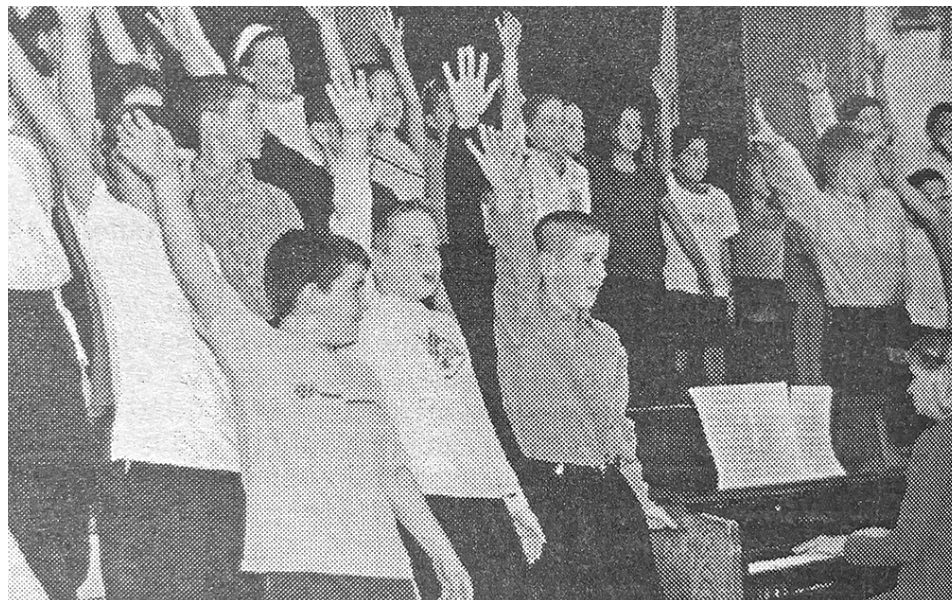
The Babylon Chorale presented its “Autumn Medley of Songs” at the North Babylon High School. Local members who performed included **Nancy Rosenthal**, **Robert Rosenthal** and **Isle Wedderien** of West Islip, and **Louis Thierwechter** of Islip. The women members of the chorale wore new turquoise-blue gowns of shimmering brocade made by chorale members under the direction of **Mrs. Albert Wedderien** of West Islip.

Capt. Henry C. Storch, of West Islip, completed the rigorous U.S. Air Force survival and special training course conducted by the Air Training Command at Stead AFB, Nev., and has been assigned to a unit at Saigon, Vietnam, supporting the Pacific Air Forces.

Charles A. Romer, of East Islip, has begun basic training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

Mr. Philip Alley, teacher of general music at the Islip Terrace Elementary School, presented a musical program to the members of the Islip Terrace Elementary School Parent-Teacher Association. Among those who enjoyed the evening of music were Mr. and **Mrs. James Winding**, **Mrs. Elaine Breen**, **Mrs. Dorothy Wilcox**, and **Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Scott**.

The East Islip High School band took part in a band festival held at Hofstra



October 2001: Sixty fifth graders of Westbrook Elementary School perform “Go Fly a Kite” before an audience of 250 as part of a “Mary Poppins” musical interlude at the West Islip school's rededication ceremony.

College, featuring E.I. drum majorette **Janice Cox**.

Islip Terrace fireman **Ronald Wikse** was warmly welcomed back to the firehouse at the anniversary dance after recuperating from injuries sustained in an accident last summer.

Mrs. Paul Steiner of Hemlock Street, Islip Terrace, returned from Germany after celebrating her mother's 80th birthday.

The Central Islip Rovers won their first football game against Deer Park, 18-6, with **Chuck Kelly** scoring two touchdowns and Tony Antonucci scoring another. Outstanding defensive play was had by **Al Sinram** and **John Shaughnessy**.

Mrs. J. Leonard of the Bay Shore Garden Club displayed “Holiday Accents Throughout the House” as the guest speaker for the Women of St. Mark's at their regular meeting held at the Parish House.

The lovely floral design on view at the East Islip Library is the prizewinning creation of **Mrs. Stanley Carrington** of Islip, who was the first-prize winner in a recent flower show whose theme was “Election.”

Kenneth Bossung of West Bay Drive, West Islip, is at the Marine Corps' base at Parris Island, S.C., where he is undergoing 12 weeks of basic training.

Playing this week at **The Central Islip Theatre**: Sophia Loren and Stephen Boyd in “Fail Safe.”

25 Years Ago

OCTOBER 2001

West Islip Remembers, a nonprofit organized by residents **John Popovitch** and **Elliot Bloom**, will donate funds to at least six West Islip families whose lives were

directly affected by the events of Sept. 11. In addition to helping families, the money will also fund a planned memorial for the victims to be located at the intersection of Montauk Highway and Higbie Lane.

Islip Town councilwoman **Pamela Greene** greeted the newly installed members of the East Islip Historical Society during a special ceremony held at the Joyce Fitzpatrick Senior Center. Among those participating in the events were treasurer **Rita Burke** of Great River; president **Tom Curr** of East Islip; secretary **Ed Galvin** of East Islip; and vice president **Al Chiesa**.

“The Phyllises”—**Phyllis Coniglio**, **Phyllis George** and **Phyllis Fox**—are regular members of the South Shore Artists' Association and among those who showed their work at the association's 52nd annual art show. One of Phyllis Coniglio's paintings won an honorable mention at the show.

Doug Shaw, director of the Long Island Maritime Museum in West Sayville, was the guest speaker at the meeting of the Historical Society of Islip Hamlet.

Islip Town supervisor **Pete McGowan** ensured a happy Thanksgiving for many needy families this year by again hosting the annual Thanksgiving breakfast fundraiser at the Timber Point Country Club in Great River, which welcomed approximately 300 guests from the business, government, school and religious communities. Paradise Shops, which owns the gift shop at Long Island MacArthur Airport, generously presented the town with a check for \$1,000 to buy turkeys.

Ruth Lawrence, an artist and poet, donated one of her works to the Children's Department for the West Islip Public Library.

Among the local lifeguards who participated in the Islip Town lifeguards' annual swimming competition held at Timberline Park pool were **Michelle Wyeth** of Central Islip, **Gina Agolia** of Islip Terrace and **Marie Cimmino** of East Islip. ■

Compiled by Vanessa Graniello

ELECTION COVERAGE

Meet the candidates for State Assembly District Seven

BY CONNOR PATTON

Two candidates are running for N.Y. State Assembly District Seven, which is open as incumbent Jarett Gandolfo seeks a State Senate seat. Republican and Conservative Party candidate DawnMarie Kuhn is running against Democratic and Working Families candidate Trish Kopp. The seventh state assembly district covers South Shore communities from West Bay Shore through parts of East Patchogue.

DawnMarie Kuhn

DawnMarie Kuhn is a lifelong Bohemia resident who won her first election last fall for the Town of Islip Council's Second District. But Kuhn's involvement in local civic and political life extends long before she entered the town council earlier this year.

Starting as a state senate volunteer in high school, Kuhn would later open her right-wing political consulting firm, Right View Strategies LLC, which has worked with political candidates island-wide, including Legis. Anthony Piccirillo, whom she served as chief of staff.

Kuhn has also worked in the Town of Islip's Sanitation Department and Department of Environmental Control, and also worked as chief of staff for for-

Regarding the town's Industrial Development Agency, Kuhn said she "proudly opposed" tax breaks to luxury apartments because the town needs more home ownership opportunities.

"With each vote cast, I seek to represent my community. I am their voice, and I will bring that independent nature to Albany," Kuhn said.

In February, one month into her council term, Kuhn accepted the Suffolk County GOP's nomination for the seventh state assembly district. Kuhn said after incumbent assemblymember Gandolfo announced his State Senate run, that she was approached by the New York State Republican Party's female leadership, as part of their "Women on the Rise" initiative, to elect more conservative-minded women to serve in the state legislature, with only three women of 47 members of the Conservative conference.

Kuhn said the deciding factor to run was her brother moving out-of-state, another "casualty of a state that has become too expensive to start a life."

"All New Yorkers deserve a government that lives within its means so families can afford to stay here to build their future or retire with dignity in the very place they have called home for their entire lives," Kuhn said. "I want to be that young millennial woman voice in the Assembly for my generation, the voice who will fight so Long Islanders don't have to flee the state, just so they can afford to live."

Regarding her campaign's priorities, Kuhn cited safety and preserving the environment as top issues.

Kuhn supports repealing the state's cashless bail laws, and opposes sanctuary state policies, citing the endorsements of law enforcement agencies statewide.

For the environment, Kuhn said she remains "committed to restoring the Great South Bay, expanding sewer infrastructure to improve water quality, and advancing responsible environmental policies that safe-

guard our natural treasures while supporting our local economy and quality of life." If elected, Kuhn said she hopes to serve on the Environmental Conservation Committee. Kuhn is endorsed by the League of Conservation Voters.

Regarding affordability, Kuhn said she will fight to reduce taxes, eliminate "costly" unfunded state mandates that "drive up local property taxes," lower utility and energy costs, and cut "wasteful government spending."

Kuhn also supports an immediate suspension of the state sales tax and surcharges on gasoline and home heating oil for six months, with possible extensions. Kuhn also supports tax credits for first-time homebuyers, and a state tax dedication for childcare, with additional state funding for pre-K and 3-K programs.

For education, Kuhn said she will "fight to fully fund our public schools" and expand educational opportunities to students while opposing expansion of charter schools.

When asked why voters should choose her, Kuhn said she will be the type of rep-

resentation who fights for her community. "New York is on the wrong track, and I am the only candidate in this race who will speak up and fight to hold Albany accountable to the people and not the special interests," Kuhn said. "This is not the time for on-the-job training, I am ready to serve on day one."

Trish Kopp

Trish Kopp is a public school teacher and mother of four who was born and raised locally on the South Shore, and cites her family, education, community, and public service as having shaped nearly every part of her life.

For over 20 years, Kopp has worked as a teacher in the Half Hollow Hills and

mal, and even though this is a local election, when you speak to people, they're anxious about the bigger issues that are happening," Kopp said. "Democrats, independents, and even Republicans, they're getting squeezed."

Kopp said issues like thousands of Suffolk County residents losing health insurance from federal actions aren't a "red versus blue issue" but an issue against billionaires.

Despite the Democrats holding a majority in the state legislature, Kopp said local residents don't reap as many benefits as their neighbors in districts with Democratic politicians, due to those legislators having a seat at the table.

"It is an advantage to send somebody who can vote with the majorities to bring funding," Kopp said.

Affordability is one of Kopp's top campaign priorities. Kopp supports expanding the state government's universal pre-K program and bringing incentives for young people looking to buy starter homes.

"In Patchogue, Bay Shore, some of those rents are like \$3,500-\$4000 a month, and you never are able to save for a deposit on a house," Kopp said. "I have four kids; they're all in their 20s. They would not be able to buy homes here right now."

Kopp supports taxing billionaires to fund universal childcare and other initiatives to support "hard working taxpaying

families."

For the environment, Kopp said she will work to preserve parks, open spaces, the Great South Bay and the island's aquifer, and promote clean energy. The Sierra Club has endorsed Kopp along with New York State United Teachers, Campaign for New York Health, and trades, communications, and laborers' unions.

Kopp also opposes large-scale developments she believes are more detrimental to the South Shore, including a proposed 4.2-million-square foot Amazon warehouse in Holbrook, and the current proposal for 568 units at South Bay Village in Sayville.

Regarding education, Kopp said she "always advocated for the most possible state aid to school districts," and as a teacher and union member, understands how factors like declining enrollment impact budgets and programming at schools she previously taught in. If elected, Kopp said she'd focus on maintaining funding for special education programs, along with the arts, which she said are often the first areas cut in budgets.

If elected, Kopp said she will work on using taxpayer dollars in ways that help the taxpayers the most.

"It really is my singular focus to however, and whenever possible, use [the] state government to help working families," Kopp said. "There's a sentiment that maybe [people] don't believe that government really can help them anymore. But it's my hope that people can believe in a brighter Suffolk County and understand that if you send a representative who really is interested in their best interest, that government can help." ■



Democratic and Working Families Party candidate Trish Kopp.

Courtesy Photo

Brentwood School Districts, and is "a proud union member." For years, Kopp has served as a Democratic grassroots organizer, canvassing for candidates and causes she felt passionate about.

Earlier this year, Kopp said she found out that the Suffolk County Democratic Committee wasn't going to run a candidate for the state's seventh assembly district. After filling in the paperwork and setting work into motion, Kopp said her campaign began and has grown to heights she never imagined.

"I knew that we had support from local women and committee members on the South Shore. I knew I had at least a starting point," Kopp said. "But what I didn't anticipate is how excited people would be for just a normal candidate, just a normal mom, teacher, somebody that they knew, not a professional politician."

Kopp said her campaign has grown to include volunteers from across the South Shore, and reached her maximum number of state matching funds before most candidates. Fundraising events have reached capacity, and Kopp said the momentum behind her campaign is translating into building infrastructure for South Shore Democrats, in an area that has been dominated by Republican victories in recent years.

"It's a moment where people want to get involved in local politics," Kopp said.

By knocking on doors for three hours daily, Kopp said she's learned that people locally are nervous and scared in the current political climate.

"They know that things are not nor-



Republican and Conservative Party candidate DawnMarie Kuhn.

Courtesy Photo

mer town councilmember Jim O'Connor, before working for Piccirillo.

Reflecting on her first ten months as a town councilmember, Kuhn said it "has been an honor" to represent a community she knows and loves.

"It has been very fulfilling to help solve constituent cases, whether it be repairing a sidewalk, connecting seniors with services or helping a homeowner navigate the planning department," Kuhn said. "I am proud to help my community whenever they contact my office."

Kuhn added that she's proud of leading the effort to set the town's Department of Environmental Control "on a new course, because Islip should lead the region in solving the municipal waste issue." Kuhn also said she worked on enacting the town's latest ban on Battery Energy Storage Systems, one of the toughest statewide, and the town's 18-month moratorium on data centers.

SCHOOL NEWS FROM PAGE 4

16 East Islip High School musicians selected for All-County ensembles



Sixteen East Islip High School students have been selected to perform with the New York State Council of Administrators of Music Education's Suffolk All-County Ensembles.

Photos courtesy of East Islip School District

Sixteen East Islip High School students have been selected to perform with the New York State Council of Administrators of Music Education's Suffolk All-County Ensembles, earning recognition among some of the county's top student musicians.

Students chosen are Olivia Berlin (alto), Alison Coppinger (soprano), Eva Daugherty (soprano), Eliza Irwin (soprano), Mason Latino (bass), Aaron Weiss (bass), Nicholas Wengart (tenor) and Lauren Winiarski (alto) for the All-State Chorus; Liliana Pasha (alto) for the All-State Treble Choir; Francesca Dima (clarinet) and Eric Li (trumpet) for the All-State Band; and Evan Kornely (double bass), Ike Qiaoyi Jin (French horn), Luke Tursi (French horn), Cormac Zusmer (cello) and Peyton Zusmer (double bass) for the All-State Orchestra.

The students were named based on their commitment to their school ensembles, mastery of solo repertoire, strong NYSSMA Solo Festival ratings and teacher recommendations. They will rehearse over three days with talented peers from across Suffolk County before performing in the NYSCAME All-County Concert on Nov. 13 at Half Hollow Hills High School East.

"These students' selection is a testament to the excellent K-12 music program here in East Islip that supports students in reaching a level of musicianship that is among the finest in Suffolk County," Director of Art and Music Dr. Caitlin Hale said. "Congrats to all of our students."

East Islip resident pleads guilty to Riley Fibbers arson

BY JOSEPH CALIGIURI

East Islip resident Paul Lucia pleaded guilty in court on Oct. 13 to arson in the second degree. Lucia also pleaded guilty to arson in the third degree and two counts of criminal possession.

Suffolk County district attorney Raymond A. Tierney shared his conclusions about the trial.

"The defendant admitted to intentionally setting fire to a local business, risking the lives of staff and patrons inside," said Tierney. "Violent crimes such as this will never be tolerated. The prison term he now faces holds the defendant accountable for what could have easily turned into an enormous tragedy."

The arson occurred back on Nov. 20, 2025, when Lucia was asked to leave local East Islip bar, Riley Fibbers. Two hours later, Lucia was caught on video surveillance pouring a liquid from a gas can near the entrance to the still-open bar, which was full of both employees and customers. After the flames ignited, Lucia drove away after disposing of the gas can. Both the gas can and Lucia's lighter were later found and used as evidence.

The reason Lucia had been asked to leave was also clarified back on Nov. 20.

"The evidence at trial established that, on Nov. 20, 2025, at approximately 5:30 p.m., Lucia was a patron at Riley Fibbers Pub & Restaurant in East Islip when he was asked to leave by staff after taking a picture of one of the staff members," the DA Office wrote.

After a witness shared Lucia's license plate to the authorities, an additional discovery was made.



East Islip resident Paul Lucia pleaded guilty in court on Oct. 13 to arson in the second degree.

"A witness at the scene provided a license plate number for the Jeep that Lucia was driving. Those plates were found to have been reported stolen one week prior to the arson," the DA Office wrote.

No injuries occurred due to the fire, but the bar sustained fire damage to the kitchen and an awning.

Lucia was arrested the following day after the Suffolk County Police Department carried out a traffic stop when he was spotted driving his white Jeep.

Lucia will be due for court on Nov. 13 for his sentencing. He is facing up to 10 years in prison, followed by post-release supervision for five years. ■

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FUNDRAISER: Over \$80K raised to benefit male breast cancer

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that night with a seizure only to find out later that she had breast cancer that had metastasized to her ovaries and brain.

The West Islip Cancer Coalition has set up an account for her to assist in offsetting her bills, expenses, and transportation to and from her doctors.

Chef Mike has been heard to say again

and again, “I do my fundraiser to help raise money for people at the moment to help relieve stress and so they can concentrate on getting well rather than worrying about how to pay for the rent or put food on the table.” He expressed, “Little did we know, it would be my manager in need of help.” ■

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Canine Companions celebrates Yappy Hour with their national CEO

BY JOSEPH CALIGIURI

Bay Shore's Kismet Coffee welcomed nonprofit Canine Companions for a "Paws & Pours: Yappy Hour" event last week. CEO of Canine Companions Paige Mazzoni was the honored special guest of the night, where she shed a spotlight on the recent growth the nonprofit has experienced.

BAY SHORE Overlooking locations across the country, Mazzoni has spearheaded the way forward for Canine Companions. Currently, she is focused on meeting the rising demands for service dogs.

"The service dog industry is growing, and the recognition of the work these dogs do is growing. So the demand for our service dogs is greater than ever. So we are doing everything we can to keep our waitlist in check, which means we're producing more dogs, we're training more dogs here on Long Island," Mazzoni explained. A major factor in this growth has been the expansion of the Northeast Training Center in Medford. By adding more kennels and dormitories, the greater capacity will enable Canine Companions to train more dogs.

Local volunteers and their pups were invited to celebrate as well during the "Yappy Hour".

These volunteers are a cornerstone of the entire nonprofit to Mazzoni, raising these pups so they can help others in need. Growing this volunteer pool is another goal for the group, and one way they're working on it is through spreading awareness.

"What we're really working on is explaining to people that helping us raise a puppy or transporter dog are



Paws & Pours: Yappy Hour gave nonprofit Canine Companions' volunteers and leaders a spotlight for their work.



Kismet Coffee owner Jackson Davis next to Canine Companions' CEO Paige Mazzoni.

all steps into changing someone's life," Mazzoni shared.

The most rewarding part of leading Canine Companions to Mazzoni is all about helping others.

"I think the most rewarding thing about being able to grow and get more dogs to more people is, every day, we change more lives. And we serve children and veterans, and people with hearing loss, and people with type 1 diabetes, and so many different categories of people. And being able to grow and help more people is just, it's an amazing ripple effect. It's more goodness in the world," Mazzoni said.

Kismet Coffee's owner Jackson Davis has kept a close connection to Canine Companions due to how their service dog, Feathers, helped his late brother, Nick, at just 5 years old.

"I was 2 years old when my brother got his service dog, so for me, my entire life, it was just what I was used to. So I kind of grew up with Canine Companions. And they've always just been a part of my life and I've tried to take any opportunity I can to involve them with the work that I'm doing," Davis shared. Holding Coffee and Canines events to raise awareness about the organization led him to the idea for the Yappy Hour.

With customers pouring in to meet the friendly pups—as well as the people that raise and train them—the night was a hit for Kismet Coffee and Canine Companions. ■

Left: Davis holding one of Canine Companions' younger pup trainees, Aura.

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Emily Finn ‘lights the way’ through West Sayville

Walk/run event raises awareness after late teen’s birthday

BY CONNOR PATTON

On a cool and sunny Sunday morning, hundreds of friends, family members, and neighbors of the late Emily Finn ran and walked around West Sayville to raise money for domestic violence awareness, just days after the local teen would have turned 19.

The Emily Finn Foundation, a nonprofit formed by the late West Sayville teen’s family to raise awareness for domestic violence awareness and education, hosted the 5K run and walk at Cherry Avenue Elementary School, where Emily Finn, who aspired to be a teacher, attended and later taught while in high school.

Finn’s life was cut short last November when Suffolk County police said her ex-boyfriend shot her dead at his home.

The run/walk took place alongside a month-long virtual walk campaign that launched at SUNY Oneonta, where Finn attended as a freshman, led by students and members of the Terpsichorean Dance Co. Before attending college, Finn danced with the American Ballet Studio in Bayport, and is remembered by friends and instructors as a strong leader.



Emily Finn’s parents Cliantha Miller-Finn (center) and Ryan Finn (left) thank attendees for attending The Emily Finn Foundation’s first run/walk. IB/Patton

The in-person run/walk also took place three days after Finn’s birthday, and during Domestic Violence Awareness Month, two occasions that inspired the Emily Finn Foundation to launch its “Love, Emily” campaign to raise youth domestic violence awareness at age-appropriate levels.

“It’s been tremendous,” said Cliantha Miller-Finn, Emily Finn’s mother, about the foundation’s campaign. Throughout the month, Miller-Finn and her foundation have attended local civic meetings and schools to educate the community and preserve Finn’s memory and impact.

To mark Finn’s birthday, the foundation encouraged community members to wear pink, the young West Sayville

dancer’s favorite color, and hosted a schoolwide assembly at Cherry Avenue Elementary, which featured student dancers from the American Ballet Studio, and over 400 students singing a song dedicated to Finn.

“It was unbelievably touching... it was a whole sea of pink,” Miller-Finn said. “It was just such an amazing tribute to her.”

Before sunset, close family and friends gathered at Common Ground Park, where the Town of Islip donated a bench with a bronze plaque dedicated to Finn. To cap the day off, community members gathered at Sayville Congregational United Church of Christ for a vigil to reflect, remember, and advocate for better youth mental health resources and domestic violence awareness.

The Emily Finn Foundation also created a slideshow for young people to learn the facts about healthy relationships, which has been promoted by Sayville High School, and was sent to every superintendent across Long Island on Finn’s birthday.

At the run/walk, raffles for over a dozen baskets, along with Emily Finn Foundation merchandise were sold to raise money for their cause, with the top runners receiving awards for their age brackets. Some runners and walkers included community members who never met Finn, but learned her story after her death, and are committed to preventing similar acts of violence from happening again.

“I think about Emily all the time,” said walker Barbara Gozaloff. “I have a 16 year old, so to leave a pamphlet around the house, it sparks conversation.”

Gozaloff said she didn’t know the Finn family before the young dancer’s death, but that positive-minded community events allow conversations to start.

“It’s important to raise awareness about The Emily Finn Foundation and make sure that these girls know how to speak up when they need to seek help,” said runner and Sayville School District teacher Emma Acevedo, who brought around 10 members of the girl’s field hockey team to the run/walk.

Acevedo, despite not teaching Finn, said her colleagues who did know the teenager said she was always great and helpful.

“It’s hard that it happened, but the one good thing about this community is that everyone has each other’s backs, and then they’re gonna do everything that they need to raise awareness, which is why Sayville’s such a special place,” Acevedo said.

To further achieve Finn’s dream of teaching young people, the Emily Finn Foundation also launched its arts enrichment program, “After School With Miss Emily,” which includes dance, cooking, band, and ceramics classes for elementary school students through December.

“It all came together very organically with a lot of hard work,” said Miller-Finn. “She just keeps getting all the right people in the right places, and the most amazing things are happening.”

The Emily Finn Foundation will host its inaugural gala in Finn’s memory on Nov. 29 at the Bourne Mansion.

Miller-Finn said the foundation is open to all feedback, and is already seeing young people embrace their message and take their initiatives seriously, which is doing exactly what her daughter wanted to achieve in life.

“I keep saying she wanted to teach children, and she is,” Miller-Finn said. “She’s speaking to a whole generation of kids.”

For more information visit www.emilyfinnfoundation.org. ■

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MANOR: Living history at the fall festival

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IB/Caligiuri



Friendly sheep were happy to see guests and receive affection.

Pumpkins were in full supply at the Sagtikos Manor's Fall Festival.



BY JOSEPH CALIGIURI

The Sagtikos Manor's Fall Festival was living history in Bay Shore as the mansion travelled back to colonial days. Guests were welcomed, rain or shine, to visit the mansion and see a glimpse of the past.

Sheep and other friendly farm animals greeted anyone that came to visit them, receiving pets and affection from colonial and modern visitors alike.

Diane Schwindt set up her kitchen at the festival, cooking all sorts of colonial recipes. Curious attendees could come up and watch her prepare dishes while learning about their place during historical meals in colonial times. Folks got to try a piece of history once each recipe was finished, enjoying generous portions of her dishes.

Viewing of the family cemetery came with an educational experience. Each tombstone came with its own backstory, as the Gardiner family's roots on the island stretch far back. The threads of each family member's story intertwined

and were shared with guests. A funeral ceremony capped off the experience and sent the family spirits to rest once more.

Other crafts and activities geared towards little ones allowed families to get involved in the fun of learning about colonial history. As the rain began to pour, guests moved indoors for more fun. Touring the mansion for a historical lesson about the Victorian Age was another way for guests to immerse themselves in a bygone era. The topic of discussion was Victorian mourning and how their customs differ greatly from the modern age.

Mourning periods varied greatly depending on who died, from months to years. Proper etiquette and procedures were essential to upper-class families, from the clothing worn to the jewelry that decorated outfits. Photos began to also be incorporated into the grieving process as they became popularized, from preserving photos of those that died to taking a mourning photo to document the period of loss.

Complimentary pumpkins and apples

were given to guests that stayed and weathered the rain, with guests sitting on the back porch sharing their highlights of the day.

The Sagtikos Manor's next autumnal event, "Spirits of Sagtikos at Dusk," will

be just in time for Halloween, taking place on Oct. 24 from 5 to 8 p.m. Centered around the family members of the mansion, stories of the past will be told by candlelight. Guests are asked to bring a flashlight with them. ■

Spinning wheels were a common practice during colonial times.



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LEGAL NOTICE	
The Annual Financial Report is hereby made by the West Islip Union Free School District, Town of Islip, New York for fiscal year ended June 30, 2026. Pursuant to Section 1721 of the Education Law.	
GENERAL FUND	
BALANCE 7/1/25	29,042,132
REVENUES	
Real property taxes	\$ 91,460,925
Other tax items	5,053,725
Charges for services	1,444,708
Use of money and property	2,043,521
Sale of property & comp for loss	123,096
Miscellaneous	1,101,113
State sources	36,021,748
Federal sources	0
TOTAL REVENUES	137,248,836
EXPENDITURES	
General support	17,123,469
Instruction	74,487,571
Pupil transportation	6,984,175
Employee benefits	34,326,232
Debt service - principal	4,242,955
Debt service - Interest	1,676,511
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	138,840,913
Premiums on obligations	74,800
Operating transfers in	608,229
Operating transfers (out)	(2,168,971)
BALANCE 6/30/26	25,964,113
SPECIAL AID FUND	
BALANCE 7/1/25	0
REVENUES	
State sources	1,619,593
Federal sources	1,603,356
TOTAL REVENUES	3,222,949
EXPENDITURES	
Instruction	3,491,920
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,491,920
Operating transfers in	268,971
BALANCE 6/30/26	0
SCHOOL LUNCH FUND	
BALANCE 7/1/25	1,582,684
REVENUES	
Use of money and property	41,387
Miscellaneous	900
State sources	1,423,921
Federal sources	480,465
Surplus food	161,956
Sales	610,841
TOTAL REVENUES	2,719,470
EXPENDITURES: Cost of Sales	2,975,298
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,975,298
Operating transfers out	(2,427)
BALANCE 6/30/26	1,324,429
MISCELLANEOUS SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	
BALANCE 7/1/25	159,760
REVENUES	
Charges for services	310,546
Use of money and property	502
Miscellaneous	32,489
TOTAL REVENUES	343,537
EXPENDITURES: Instruction	321,393
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	321,393
BALANCE 6/30/26	181,904
DEBT SERVICE FUND	
BALANCE 7/1/25	3,452,311
REVENUES	
Use of money and property	31,617
TOTAL REVENUES	31,617
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	0
Operating transfers out	(1,059,699)
BALANCE 6/30/26	2,424,229
CAPITAL FUND	
BALANCE 7/1/25	390,402
REVENUES	
Miscellaneous	948,017
TOTAL REVENUES	948,017
EXPENDITURES: Capital outlay	8,404,553
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	8,404,553
Proceeds from obligations	12,710,000
Premiums on obligations	1,184,267
Operating transfers in	2,959,699
Operating transfers (out)	(605,802)
Leases	1,302,027
BALANCE 6/30/26	10,484,057
The full text of the Annual Report as filed with the State Education Department is available for public inspection at the Office of the District Clerk, 100 Sherman Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795, during normal business hours. By order of the Board of Education	
West Islip Union Free School District	
Elisa Pellati, CPA	
Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations	
IB, 20264416, 10/22 I	

Notice of Sale

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR RMTP TRUST, SERIES 2021 COTTAGE -TV, Plaintiff, vs. HECTOR J. ALVAREZ, ET AL., Defendant(s). Pursuant to an Order Confirming Referee Report and Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on July 23, 2026, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Islip Town Hall, 655 Main Street, Islip, NY 11751 on November 4, 2026 at 1:00 p.m., premises known as 29 West Oakdale Street, Bay Shore, NY 11706. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of Islip, County of Suffolk and State

of New York, District 0500, Section 286.00, Block 02.00 and Lot 071.000. Approximate amount of judgment is \$401,587.52 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #604830/2025. Francesco P. Tini, Esq., Referee Friedman Vartolo LLP, 85 Broad Street, Suite 501, New York, New York 10004, Attorneys for Plaintiff. Firm File No.: 234143-2
IB, 20264379, 10/1, 8, 15, 22 I

Notice of Sale

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF SUFFOLK
JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Plaintiff
AGAINST
Cheryl Crawford a/k/a Cheryl E. Crawford; Steven Crawford a/k/a Steven E. Crawford; et al., Defen-

dant(s)
Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered June 24, 2025, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Islip Town Hall, 655 Main St., Islip, NY 11751 on November 5, 2026, at 2:00PM, premises known as 194 Gainsborough Road, Holbrook, NY 11741. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of Islip, County of Suffolk, State of New York, District 0500 Section 089.00 Block 03.00 Lot 022.000. Approximate amount of judgment \$404,250.14 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 630319/2023. Joseph M. Puzo, Esq., Referee LOGS Legal Group LLP Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 430-4792 Dated: September 21, 2026
IB, 20264385, 10/1, 8, 15, 22 I

Notice of Sale

Notice of Sale by Auction of Horse
Notice of Sale by Auction of a 2008 Chestnut Mare, named FANCY POINT, currently in foal to IDOL, to satisfy an agister's lien in accordance with KRS 376.400. Auction will take place on October 23, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. (EST) at Jackson Kelly PLLC, City Center, 100 West Main Street, Suite 700, Lexington, KY 40507. You may attend in person or call in by phone at (859) 255-9500. HORSE SOLD "AS IS" - NO WARRANTIES OF ANY KIND, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED. Horse must be removed from its current location within 48 hours unless other arrangements are made.
IB, 20264386, 10/1, 8, 15, 22 I

Notice of Sale

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF SUFFOLK NAVY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff AGAINST RAMDAT HERPERSHAD A/K/A RAMDAT D. HERPERSHAD; JASODRA RAMKISHUN A/K/A JASODRA HERPERSHAD, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered August 31, 2026, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Islip Town Hall, 655 Main Street, Islip NY 11751 on November 4, 2026 at 9:30 AM, premises known as 1085 Martinstein Avenue, Bay Shore, NY 11706. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of Islip, County of Suffolk and State of New York, District: 0500 Section: 264.00 Block: 02.00 Lot: 111.000. Approximate amount of judgment \$316,312.38 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #612209/2025. Only Bank or Certified check payable to the Referee will be accepted for the downpayment. No third party check or cash will be accepted. Sabita Hajaree-Ramsaran, Esq., Referee Fein, Such & Crane, LLP 28 East Main Street Rochester, NY 14614 YNCNF001 91581
IB, 20264389, 10/1, 8, 15, 22 I

Notice of Sale

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT- COUNTY OF SUFFOLK
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF CSMC MORTGAGE-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-5, Plaintiff, AGAINST JOSE ENRIQUE CABRERA, et al. Defendant(s)
Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale duly entered on October 4, 2024. I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Islip Town Hall, 655 Main Street, Islip, NY 11751 on November 5, 2026 at 1:00 PM premises known as 19 Harrison Avenue, Hauppauge, NY 11788. Please take notice that this foreclosure auction shall be conducted in compliance with the Foreclosure Auction Rules for Suffolk County, and the COVID 19

Health Emergency Rules, including proper use of masks and social distancing.
All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being at Hauppauge, Town of Islip, County of Suffolk and State of New York. District 0500 Section 013.00, Block 01.00 and Lot 006.000.
Approximate amount of judgment \$1,084,308.47 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment. Index #018282/2008. Anthony Palumbo, Esq., Referee, Aldridge Pite, LLP - Attorneys for Plaintiff - 40 Marcus Drive, Suite 200, Melville, NY 11747
IB, 20264390, 10/8, 15, 22, 29 I

Notice of Sale

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF SUFFOLK
YAKTE PROPERTIES, LLC
Plaintiff,
Against
JOSEFINA VARONA A/K/A JOSEFINA C. VARONA, et al
Defendant(s)
Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, duly entered 08/13/2026, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction, at Islip Town Hall, 655 Main St., Islip, NY 11751, on 11/12/2026 at 2:00PM, premises known as 55 Van Cedar Street, Brentwood, NY 11717, and described as follows:
ALL that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the at Brentwood, Town of Islip, Suffolk County and State of New York. District 0500 Section 116.00 Block 01.00 Lot 016.000
The approximate amount of the current Judgment lien is \$162,202.93 plus interest and costs. The Premises will be sold subject to provisions of the aforesaid Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale; Index # 623633/2021
Billie Jean Miller, Esq., Referee. MCCABE, WEISBERG & CONWAY, LLC, 10 Midland Avenue, Suite 205, Port Chester, NY 10573
Dated: 9/23/2026 File Number: 20-303231 CA
IB, 20264391, 10/8, 15, 22, 29 I

Notice of Sale

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT SUFFOLK COUNTY THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, Plaintiff against
TERENCE DALY A/K/A TERENCE M. DALY A/K/A TERENCE MICHAEL DALY, et al Defendant(s) Attorney for Plaintiff(s) Margolin, Weinreb & Nierer, LLP, 575 Underhill Boulevard, Suite 224, Syosset, NY 11791.
Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered December 19, 2025, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at Islip Town Hall, 655 Main St., Islip, NY 11751 on November 10, 2026 at 1:30PM. Premises known as 802 Higbie Lane, West Islip, New York 11795. District 0500 Sec 361.00 Block 01.00 Lot 006.000. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings thereon erected, situate, lying and being at West Islip, Town of Islip, County of Suffolk and State of New York. Approximate Amount of Judgment is \$332,983.83 plus interest, fees, and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index No 605896/2024. Deposit by certified funds only, made payable to the referee. The foreclosure sale will be conducted in accordance with 10th Judicial District's Covid-19 Policies and foreclosure auction rules. The Referee shall enforce any rules in place regarding facial coverings and social distancing.
Jonathan A Baum, Esq., Referee File # 19-0609
IB, 20264394, 10/8, 15, 22, 29 I

Notice of Sale

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF SUFFOLK
The Bank of New York Mellon, successor to The Bank of New York, not in its individual capacity but solely as Trustee on behalf of the holders

of the CIT Mortgage Loan Trust, 2007-1 Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-1, Plaintiff
AGAINST
Robert M. George a/k/a Robert George; Jodi Casares-George; et al., Defendant(s)
Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered December 4, 2025, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Islip Town Hall, 655 Main St., Islip, NY 11751 on November 6, 2026, at 1:30PM, premises known as 574 Smithtown Avenue, Bohemia, NY 11716. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being North of Oakdale and in Bohemia, in the Town of Islip, County of Suffolk and State of New York, District 0500 Section 279.00 Block 02.00 Lot 044.000. Approximate amount of judgment \$582,321.48 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 611061/2022. Arthur J. Burdette, Esq., Referee LOGS Legal Group LLP Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 430-4792 Dated: September 16, 2026 For sale information, please visit www.Auction.com or call (800) 280-2831
IB, 20264395, 10/8, 15, 22, 29 I

Notice of Sale

REFeree's NOTICE OF SALE IN FORECLOSURE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF SUFFOLK
LNV CORPORATION, Plaintiff - against - ANGELA CRUZ, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on March 12, 2025. I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Islip Town Hall, 655 Main Street, Islip, NY 11751 on the 16th day of November, 2026 at 1:30 PM. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being at Brentwood, in the Town of Islip, County of Suffolk and State of New York. Premises known as 21 Pennsylvania Ave., Brentwood, NY 11717. (Section: 116.00, Block: 04.00, Lot: 091.000) Approximate amount of lien \$541,023.63 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index No. 208245/2022. Steven P. Bertolino, Esq., Referee. Stein, Wiener & Roth LLP Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 1400 Old Country Road, Suite 315 Westbury, NY 11590 Tel. 516/742-1212 Dated: September 23, 2026 During the COVID-19 health emergency, bidders are required to comply with all governmental health requirements in effect at the time of sale including but not limited to, wearing face coverings and maintaining social distancing (at least 6-feet apart) during the auction, while tendering deposit and at any subsequent closing. Bidders are also required to comply with the Foreclosure Auction Rules and COVID-19 Health Emergency Rules issued by the Supreme Court of this County in addition to the conditions set forth in the Terms of Sale. Auction Locations are subject to change.
IB, 20264402, 10/15, 22, 29 - 11/5 I

Notice of Sale

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS OWNER TRUSTEE OF THE RESIDENTIAL CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES TRUST IX-A, Plaintiff, vs. THOMAS POWELL A/K/A THOMAS JOHN POWELL, SR., ET AL., Defendant(s). Pursuant to an Order Confirming Referee Report and Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on February 5, 2026 and an Order Extending the Sale Deadline duly entered on September 10, 2026, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Islip Town Hall, 655 Main Street, Islip, NY 11751 on November 17, 2026 at 11:30 a.m.,

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premises known as 15 Ferraro Drive, Holbrook, NY 11741. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Village of Holbrook, Town of Islip, County of Suffolk and State of New York, District 0500, Section 195.00, Block 01.00 and Lot 006.000. Approximate amount of judgment is \$324,891.93 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 612993/2024.
Pamela Greene, Esq., Referee
Friedman Vartolo LLP, 85 Broad Street, Suite 501, New York, New York 10004, Attorneys for Plaintiff.
Firm File No.: 252774-1
IB, 20264403, 10/15, 22, 29 - 11/5 |

Notice of Self Storage Sale
Please take notice Prime Storage - Bay Shore Pine Aire Dr located at 99 Pine Aire Dr Bay Shore NY 11706 intends to hold a sale of the property stored in the below listed Storage Spaces. The public sale shall occur as an online auction via www.storage-treasures.com on 11/4/2026 at 12:00 PM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods, furnishings and garage essentials. Ralph Ciarletti unit #133; Daniel Cepeda unit #30; Morning Yancey unit #373B; Claudio Hidalgo unit #533. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. See manager for details.
IB, 20264406, 10/15, 22 |

Notice of Self Storage Sale
Please take notice Prime Storage - Central Islip located at 625 Eastview Dr Central Islip NY 11722 intends to hold a sale of the property stored in the below listed Storage Spaces. The public sale shall occur as an online auction via www.storage-treasures.com on 11/4/2026 at 12:00 PM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods, furnishings and garage essentials. Joyce Jahnke unit #1015; Imran Naqui unit #1288; Richard Dia unit #2085; Jaime Fuentes unit #3035. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. See manager for details.
IB, 20264407, 10/15, 22 |

Notice of Sale

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT SUFFOLK COUNTY BETH-PAGE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff against
DIANNAN MITHU, et al Defendant(s)
Attorney for Plaintiff(s) Stern & Eisenberg, P.C., 20 Commerce Drive, Suite 230, Cranford, NJ 07016 and 1131 Route 55, Suite 1, Lagrangeville, NY 12540.
Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered December 27, 2023, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at Islip Town Hall, 655 Main St., Islip, NY 11751 on November 16, 2026 at 2:00PM. Premises known as 23 Juniper Avenue, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779. Dis-

trict 0500 Sec 061.00 Block 03.00 Lot 009.000. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being at Ronkonkoma, in the Town of Islip, County of Suffolk and State of New York. Approximate Amount of Judgment is \$470,699.61 plus interest, fees, and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index No 202283/2022. For sale information, please visit www.Auction.com or call (800) 280-2832.
During the COVID-19 health emergency, Bidders are required to comply with all governmental health requirements in effect at the time of the sale including but not limited to wearing face coverings and maintaining social distancing (at least 6-feet apart) during the auction, while tendering deposit and at any subsequent closing. Should a bidder fail to comply, the Referee may refuse to accept any bid, cancel the closing and hold the bidder in default. Bidders are also required to comply with the Foreclosure Auction Rules and COVID-19 Health Emergency Rules issued by the Supreme Court of this County in addition to the conditions set forth in the Terms of Sale.
Steven P. Bertolino, Esq., Referee
File # NY202200000502-1
IB, 20264408, 10/15, 22, 29 - 11/5 |

Notice of Sale

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF SUFFOLK - ISLIP.
NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING, Plaintiff -against- ALAIN CALIXTE, SANTIA SANDERS, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale dated May 5, 2026 and entered on May 8, 2026, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Islip Town Hall, located at 655 Main Street, Islip, NY on November 17, 2026 at 1:30 p.m. premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Islip, County of Suffolk and State of New York, known and designated as District 0500 Section 074.00 Block 04.00 Lot 030.000. Said premises known as 245 JEFFERSON AVENUE, BRENTWOOD, NY 11717
Approximate amount of lien \$345,603.83 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale.
Index Number 621493/2025.
ARTHUR J. BURDETTE, ESQ., Referee
Pincus & Tarab
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff
425 RXR Plaza, Uniondale, NY 11556
[* Islip Bulletin*]
IB, 20264410, 10/15, 22, 29 - 11/5 |

Notice of Sale

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE OF CIM TRUST 2022-R2, Plaintiff, vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTIBLES OF THE ESTATE OF VINICIO D. HERNANDEZ, ET AL., Defendant(s). Pursuant to an Order Confirming Referee Report and Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on August 27, 2026, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Islip Town Hall, 655 Main Street, Islip, NY 11751 on November 13, 2026 at 3:00 p.m., premises known as 65 Hiliard Avenue, Central Islip, NY 11722. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being at Central Islip, Town of Islip, County of Suffolk and State of New York, District 0500, Section 079.00, Block 01.00 and Lot 043.000. Approximate amount of judgment is \$314,307.55 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #611392/2025. Cash will not be accepted. Bank or certified check(s) only.
Robert T. Fuchs, Esq., Referee
Friedman Vartolo LLP, 85 Broad Street, Suite 501, New York, New York 10004, Attorneys for Plaintiff.
Firm File No.: 241177-3
IB, 20264411, 10/15, 22, 29 - 11/5 |

Notice of Sale

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT: COUNTY OF SUFFOLK
BOARD OF MANAGERS OF BOARD OF MANAGERS OF NOB HILL CONDOMINIUM II, Plaintiff, against THE ESTATE OF JOHN CALENZO; JOHN N. CALENZO, as Heir at Law, Next of Kin and Devisee of the Estate of John Calenzo; COMMISSIONER OF TAXATION & FINANCE; Any unknown heirs, devisees, distributees or successors in interest of the late John Calenzo, if they be living or, if they be dead, their spouses, heirs, devisees, distributees and successors in interest, all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to the Plaintiff; and "JOHN DOE", and "JANE DOE", Defendants. Pursuant to a Judgment of foreclosure and sale entered herein and dated August 17, 2026, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction on the front steps of the Islip Town Hall, 655 Main Street, Islip, New York, on November 17, 2026 at 12:30 p.m. premises being known as Unit No. 1B-60 in the Declaration establishing a plan for condominium ownership of said Building and the land on which it is erected (hereinafter called "the Property"), made by the Grantor under the Condominium Act of the State of New York (Article 9-B of the Real Property Law of the State of New York), dated December 21, 1973, recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Suffolk County, on the 28th day of December, 1973, in Liber 7559, at Page 265 (hereinafter called the "Declaration"), and designated

as Tax Lot No. 1B-60 on the Tax Map of the Assessor of the Town of Islip, and or the Floor Plans of the Unit, certified by John A. Jacobsen Associates, Architects, on the 24th day of December, 1973, and filed in the Office of the Clerk of Suffolk County on December 26, 1973 as Condominium Plan No. 29. Said premises being known as 60 Richmond Boulevard, Unit 1B, Ronkonkoma, Town of Islip, County of Suffolk, State of New York (District 0500, Section 019.02, Block 02.00 and Lot No. 137.000). Said premises will be sold subject to zoning restrictions, covenants, easements, conditions, reservations and agreements, if any; subject to any state of facts as may appear from an accurate survey; subject to facts as to possession and occupancy and subject to whatever physical condition of the premises may be; subject to any violations of the zoning and other municipal ordinances and regulations, if any, and if the United States of America should file a tax lien, or other lien, subject to the equity of redemption of the United States of America; subject to the rights of any lienors of record whose liens have not been foreclosed herein, if any; subject to the rights of holders of security in fixtures as defined by the Uniform Commercial Code; subject to taxes, assessments and water rates which are liens on the premises at the time of sale, with accrued interest or penalties thereon. NO CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED ONLY BANK OR CERTIFIED CHECKS PAYABLE TO JOHN J. BREEN, ESQ., AS REF-EREE.
Index No. 619936/2025
Dated: October 8, 2026

John J. Breen, Esq., Referee
Cohen, Warren, Meyer & Gitter, P.C., Attorneys for Plaintiff, 98 Maple Avenue, Smithtown, NY 11787.
IB, 20264412, 10/15, 22, 29 - 11/5 |

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF MEETING
SEAVIEW/OCEAN BAY PARK GARBAGE DISTRICT
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the Board of Commissioners of the Seaview/Ocean Bay Park Garbage District will hold a regular meeting on October 30, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. at the Ocean Bay Park Fire House, Ocean Bay Park, New York. The meeting is open to the public, and all interested persons are invited to attend. Dated: October 15, 2026
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SEAVIEW/OCEAN BAY PARK GARBAGE DISTRICT

Lissa Curreri, Secretary
IB, 20264417, 10/22 |

Notice of Sale

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF SUFFOLK - ISLIP.
U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY

AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCF 2 ACQUISITION TRUST, Plaintiff -against- KELLY SCOTT, GLEN SCOTT, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale dated September 8, 2026 and entered on September 14, 2026, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Islip Town Hall, located at 655 Main Street, Islip, NY on November 24, 2026 at 12:00 p.m. premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Islip, County of Suffolk, State of New York, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the westerly side of Deer Path Road, 405.50 feet distant northerly from the intersection of the westerly side of Deer Path Road and the northerly side of Sportsmen Street; being a plot 150.00 feet by 161.00 feet by 150.00 feet by 161.00 feet.
District: 0500 Section: 144.00 Block: 01.00 Lot: 018.000.
Said premises known as 68 DEER PATH ROAD, CENTRAL ISLIP, NY 11722
Approximate amount of lien \$401,357.80 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale.
Index Number 203362/2022.
DENISE MERRIFIELD, ESQ., Referee
Kosterich & Skeete, LLC
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff
707 Westchester Ave, Suite 302, White Plains, NY 10604
[* Islip Bulletin*]
IB, 20264418, 10/22, 29 - 11/5, 12 |

Notice of Sale

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF SUFFOLK - ISLIP.
BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT SERIES I TRUST, Plaintiff -against- EUGENIA MORALES, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale dated September 8, 2026 and entered on September 14, 2026, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Islip Town Hall, located at 655 Main Street, Islip, NY on November 20, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Islip, County of Suffolk and State of New York, known and designated as District 0500 Section 114.00 Block 03.00 Lot 024.000.
Said premises known as 5 SOMERVILLE STREET, BRENTWOOD, NY 11717
Approximate amount of lien \$425,964.31 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale.
Index Number 616810/2024.
ROBERT SAMSON, ESQ., Referee
Pincus & Tarab
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff
425 RXR Plaza, Uniondale, NY 11556
[* Islip Bulletin*]
IB, 20264419, 10/22, 29 - 11/5, 12 |

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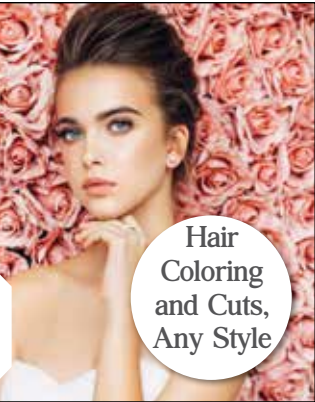
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ELECTION COVERAGE

Meet the candidates for NY's Second Congressional District

Pat Halpin challenges Andrew Garbarino

BY CONNOR PATTON

Incumbent U.S. Rep Andrew Garbarino is facing a challenge from former Suffolk County executive and Democrat Pat Halpin in this November's election. The second congressional district covers South Shore communities from Massapequa to Mastic.

Incumbent Republican Andrew Garbarino

Andrew Garbarino is seeking a fourth term as the South Shore's representative in the U.S. House of Representatives, and describes himself as a "results-oriented" legislator who focuses on working with different sides to compromise on bills.

Before entering Congress, Garbarino worked as an attorney at his father's law office in downtown Sayville, and won his first election as state assembly member in 2012. In late 2019, former U.S. Rep. Peter King announced he wouldn't seek re-election in 2020, and Garbarino said he never thought he'd run for the seat, until people across the district encouraged him to run. He won that election, and defeated primary challengers two years later, before winning a third term in 2024.

Garbarino said he often works behind the scenes and talks with relevant parties to get legislation done rather than showing off for the media and online, like other colleagues do. "I'm more results-oriented than how many Twitter likes and followers I have," Garbarino said. "If I have to do a press conference, it's announcing the result, the thing that we got done. That's what I want to do."

Garbarino said he's proud of his work in helping secure an increase in the State and Local Tax (SALT) deduction from \$10,000 to \$40,000 along with preserving the Pass-Through Entity Tax (PTET) deduction, which Long Islanders and local businesses can utilize.

"That increased SALT benefit didn't just affect my district; it affected people all over the country, and it put dollars, their hard-earned dollars, back in their pockets because getting rid of the SALT deduction pretty much meant people were paying taxes on their taxes," Garbarino said.

The raised SALT deduction was part of the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, which Garbarino said he stands by one year after its passage, but would have liked to see extended energy credits he tried to negotiate for. Garbarino also said there was a shortfall in the New York State essential health plan that was not realized, and that he's working with a team to find a solution.

Garbarino also supports the bill's 20-hour work or volunteer requirements for Medicaid, and said there are exemptions for seniors, disabled, pregnant women and single people with dependent children.

"For the people that Medicaid was originally meant to help, they're exempt from those work requirements," Garbarino said.

Another accomplishment Garbarino said he's proud of is securing full funding for the WTC Health Program earlier this year alongside U.S. Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand and a bipartisan coalition of congresspeople. If re-elected, Garbarino



U.S. Rep Andrew Garbarino.

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no said he will continue working with Gillibrand on fixing a pensions system that was heavily impacted by the deaths of hundreds of first responders on 9/11, and never fixed.

Garbarino said it's important to have local representation that understands and will hear from constituents about the issues for community project funding.

"You don't want some pencil pusher in some department in D.C. deciding where money should go," Garbarino said. "The locals know what they need to do."

For over a year, Garbarino has served as the chair of the House Committee on Homeland Security, and said if re-elected, he will work with the agency as they look to reform TSA and FEMA, and wants to be part of those discussions so "They don't hurt emergency response and management."

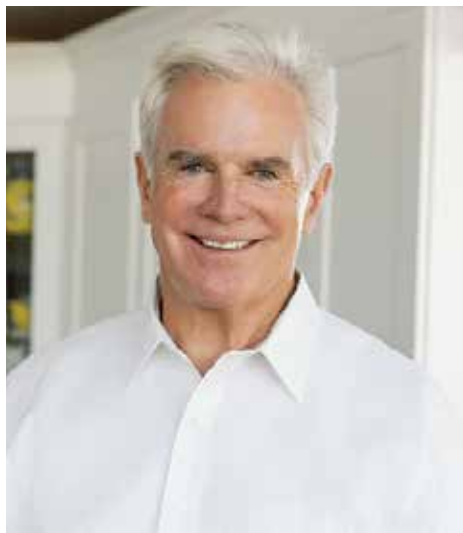
As the house leader on Homeland Security, Garbarino said the committee has hosted hearings and bipartisan, closed-door roundtables with Immigration and Customs Enforcement leadership as immigration raids nationwide increased under the second Trump administration. Garbarino also disavowed the ICE-involved shootings this past year in Minneapolis and New York City, and said ICE and DHS have changed protocols since those incidents.

"Former secretary [Kristi] Noem was a disaster," Garbarino said. "The way she handled [everything], that's why she's 'former' secretary... We are now [with] the new secretary, and we are all trying to fix a lot of the damage she did."

Garbarino said reforms include not conducting pullovers without lights and sirens, using car stops only if necessary, and new officer training that involves newer officers to be assigned to older ones that serve as mentors. Garbarino added he wished Democratic governors would allow their local police to assist in some operations and should be going "after the worst of the worst."

"That was what the president campaigned on—the criminals, all the bad guys that came over through the four years of the Biden administration," Garbarino said. "I don't think we should be focusing on the business owner who's been here for 30 years."

Regarding President Trump's tariff policies, Garbarino identified himself as a free-trader, and said he didn't mind the president saying he'd enact tariffs if he felt it gave the U.S. a better deal, but added he would go back to Trump's wide-sweeping "Liberation Day" tariffs for a second look. With Trump facing judicial challenges over his personal-



Democratic challenger Pat Halpin.

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ly enforced tariffs, Garbarino said he doesn't believe Trump would get Congress' approval to enact any more tariffs and that he'd be hesitant to increase anything.

Along with increasing tax benefits, Garbarino said he's addressed the affordability crisis through legislation that supports home ownership costs and the speed of construction, and is working on energy transmission and permitting reform, which, if passed, would increase energy production and investment into transmission lines that would, according to Garbarino, make the cost of transmitting energy cheaper.

When asked why voters should give him a fourth term, Garbarino said he's not afraid to work with different sides to accomplish legislation, like President Biden's Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill, that's in Long Islander's best interest.

"I've shown over the last six years when it comes to what I do in D.C., I'm a Long Islander first, so every vote I take is based on if it's going to be beneficial to Long Island," Garbarino said. "If it's not, I vote against it... I do what I think is right for my constituents, and I'm going to continue to do that."

Democrat Pat Halpin

Nearly 35 years after serving as Suffolk County's youngest executive, Pat Halpin is returning to electoral politics in an attempt to unseat Republican Andrew Garbarino this November.

Since 1991, Halpin has continued public service as a member of the Suffolk County Water Authority, where after 12 years on the board he was appointed chair in 2018. Under his leadership, Halpin said the authority strengthened transparency, cut waste, and took "aggressive action to safeguard Long Island's sole-source aquifer."

Halpin also chaired the Town of Babylon Industrial Development Agency, and currently chairs the Town of Babylon's Planning Board, where he said he helped ensure "responsible" re-development of neglected areas along Montauk Highway.

When asked why he's returning to electoral politics after 35 years, Halpin said he became "very concerned about the future of our country" after President Trump's second term began last year.

"Congress is not doing its job," Halpin said. "The power rests within Congress: the power to declare war, the power to pay taxes, the power to impose tariffs... this Congress has just been a rubber stamp for the MAGA president."

"And frankly, the Republican Party that I always worked with throughout

my years as an elected official and serving on these boards, that party doesn't exist anymore," Halpin added.

Halpin said if elected, he wants to end the ongoing war with Iran "that's driving up all our energy prices" and would work to fix social security, which he said is at risk of running out in the coming years.

For development, Halpin said individual projects are decided at local municipal levels, but that he'd work to bring the "right federal tax incentives" to find opportunities to redevelop underutilized spaces, citing what he saw as a missed opportunity at the former Sunrise Mall in Massapequa, which is now planned for an Amazon warehouse.

"There's enormous potential beyond an Amazon warehouse," Halpin said. Large tax breaks to these corporations to build locally is another issue Halpin opposes.

Halpin said the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, which he terms the "Big, Ugly, Nasty Bill," includes tax breaks for the construction of data centers and warehouses, both of which he opposes. Halpin also said he opposes the bill's tax cuts for billionaires, and would ban congresspeople from purchasing individual stocks while in office.

Regarding health care, Halpin said he wants to tackle the growing consolidation of health care companies that drive up costs.

"We don't have a system," Halpin said. "It's so chaotic that we end up spending more per person on health care than any other comparable nation in the world."

Halpin added that he opposes cuts to Medicaid and Medicare and that more cuts will be coming next year if Congress doesn't act. Halpin also wants to expand Medicare for people younger than 65, with an option to keep one's own insurance, so that more people can have health insurance "without reinventing the wheel."

Regarding immigration enforcement, Halpin said he opposes the actions of ICE this past year, and that DHS should be doing more thorough background checks for potential officers, including psychological tests and more extensive training.

"As a county executive... we made sure from day one the police in Suffolk County, and to this day they still do it, are very well trained," Halpin said. "In this case, they get no training."

Halpin also said he opposes Trump's revocation of temporary protection status for immigrants who came to the U.S. under specific circumstances, including many members of the Salvadoran community on Long Island.

Despite his disagreements with ICE operations and wanting the agency to be held more accountable by Congress, Halpin does not support abolishing the agency as a whole.

The Cook Political Report rates the second congressional district as "solid Republican," but Halpin said he's won against tough odds before, with his victory in the state assembly in the 1980s being one of the first Democratic victories in his district in a century, and that he was only the second Democrat to become the county executive.

"So how did I win? By being a normal South Shore guy and a normal person. I'm not one of these zealots that it's their way or the highway," Halpin said. "I'm one of these people that wants to actually get the work done... I've always been for people, not politics." ■