

## Christmas Trees Needed To Stop Dune Erosion

Residents may be able to help protect the sand dunes at TOBAY Beach this winter. The Town of Oyster Bay is asking residents for their discarded Christmas trees to be used as dune stabilizers.

Those people who have their garbage collected on Tuesday and Friday can put their trees at the curb for pickup Friday, Jan. 6. Those with a Monday and Thursday pickup will have their trees picked up Tuesday, Jan. 13. "The trees will add a layer of protection during winter storms," said Eric Swenson of the town's Department of Environmental Control. "More than 20,000 trees will be thrown out and we need about 5,000 for the dunes."

The town invites residents, youth organizations and other local clubs to help place the trees at TOBAY. To participate call the Department of Public Environmental Control at 921-7347, EXT. 5577.

## William Murphy Dies, Past Kiwanis President

William H. Murphy, a past president of the Hicksville Kiwanis Club and president of the former Seatingtown Sand and Gravel Company in Hicksville, died Dec. 27.

The 88-year-old Woodbury resident passed away at Winthrop University Hospital in Mineola.

Mr. Murphy retired and liquidated the sand and gravel business in 1962. In addition to serving with the Kiwanis Club during the 60s, Mr. Murphy was also a member of the Masonic Temple in Hicksville.

Mr. Murphy is survived by his daughter, Frances Hennig and his grandson David Hennig, both of Woodbury.

A church service was scheduled to be held Tuesday at Plainview Reformed Church and the burial at Pine Lawn Memorial Park.

## Who is Hicksville's 1989 New Year's Baby?

The race is on to see who is Hicksville's first 1989 baby. We are looking for a local baby who was born Jan. 1 or closest to that date. Please note that babies born at the tail end of December and those born through January are eligible.

The parents will receive a year's free subscription to the *Hicksville Illustrated News*. If the parents already have a subscription, we will extend it another year.

Please call our office at 747-8282, ext. 157 or write to us at 132 East Second St., Mineola, New York 11501. Deadline for entries is Jan. 23.

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## Town Golf Course Gets Finishing Touches

The Oyster Bay Town Board has established a schedule of course fees, rules and regulations for the town's new golf course which will open in the spring of 1989. The golf course is located on South Woods Road at Jericho Turnpike in Syosset. "Following an in-depth study of fees charged by similar courses throughout the metropolitan area, and based on the town's desire to maintain a high quality operation that is self-sustaining, the Parks Department has proposed membership and greens fees, gas and hand cart rental fees, as well as course rules," said Town Councilwoman Ann R. Ocker.

Memberships will be open to Town of Oyster Bay residents only. Individual memberships will cost \$125 and a senior membership, for those 62 years of age or older, will cost \$75. Membership will entitle the resident to reduced greens and cart fees, as well as the ability to sign up an entire foursome.

Two schedules of greens fees will be charged, one for weekdays and one for weekends and holidays. During the week, resident members will pay a \$12 greens fee while resident non-members will pay a \$20 fee. Senior resident members will pay \$8 during the week while senior non-members will pay \$15 Monday through Friday.

Cart fees will be \$15 for members. Non-members will pay \$20 at all times. Hand carts will be available to both members and non-members for \$2.50.

Mrs. Ocker also noted that special reduced rates will be available after 4:30 p.m.

Non-residents will be permitted to play Monday to Friday only, excluding holidays. A resident may bring one non-resident.

"Golfers will be particularly pleased with the ability of one member to sign up the entire foursome," said Mrs. Ocker. "I know that golfers who play on public courses find the usual requirement of all members of the four-

some having to be present for signing up particularly annoying."

The Parks Department will begin accepting one year memberships on Monday, Jan. 30 and each business day thereafter. Applications for memberships and photo identifications will be processed at the Parks Department, 977 Hicksville Rd., Massapequa, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Special Saturday registrations will be conducted on Feb. 4, 11, 18 and 25 at the Parks Departments between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Memberships will be valid from opening day, for a period of one year.

Mrs. Ocker noted that a photo identification will be required for all members, but that resident non-members might also consider acquiring one for the \$2.50 fee. "Rather than having to produce proof of residency each time a resident non-member plays, the photo identification card will save time," she said.

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## Hicksville's Top 20 Stories of 1988

### Recycling Group Home, Reuben Rodriguez, Most Memorable

By Rita Langdon

For those living or working in the Hicksville area, 1988 was anything but an uneventful year.

The *Hicksville Illustrated News* is presenting a two-part look back into 1988. This week we will remember the top 20 new stories of the year.

**1.) Gas Main Break Causes Evacuation of 250.** Many merchants and residents will remember the evacuation of about 250 people in the vicinity of Broadway on Jan. 6. A break in a gas main line caused about 60 people from the area to report to an emergency shelter, the Hicksville Fire Department building. The incident also caused a delay of a Long Island Railroad train.

"We were lucky we didn't have an explosion," said Lt. Owen Magee of the Hicksville Fire Department. "A gas main is more susceptible to an explosion."

LILCO maintained that only 40 people were forced to be evacuated from the area.

**2.) East Street Locks Doors as Rumors Circulate.** At the end of January we learned that East Street School locked its doors because residents "heard" that a man was soliciting children to get them into his car. William Granville, principal at East Street, told the *Illustrated* in January that "although no specific incidents occurred at the school" he did receive phone calls from concerned parents who heard that children were being approached by a man in a gray car. No other public elementary schools in Hicksville received reports of that nature.

**3.) Reorganization Committee Recommendations.** In February, the Hicksville School District Reorganization Committee voted to recommend that the school board consider redistricting school boundaries instead of closing a school, as well as eliminating the temporary classrooms at Burns Avenue and Dutch Lane Schools.



HICKSVILLE'S 1988 was christened with a major snow storm on Sunday, Jan. 3 making the start of the new year extremely treacherous for motorists. Here, the only vehicle not buried in the snow is this snow plow making its way down Linden Boulevard.

The committee was formed because of the declining enrollment within the district.

**4.) Residents Protest Car Dealer's Plan for Parking Lot.** Hicksville civic associations were extremely active this year. In February, the Giese Park Civic Association protested Robert Chevrolet's proposal to add 40 parking spaces on a residential lot. The civic association was concerned about protecting the "open green space" in the area and wanted to preserve what was the remaining residential parts of Hicksville. Robert Chevrolet owners wanted the extra spots to eliminate vehicles from "being parked all over the place," according to the dealer's attorney.

The town denied Robert Chevrolet's application for the additional spaces in July because the plan "would be incompatible with the general character of the area."

**5.) Town Begins Mandatory Recycling Program.** Bright, yellow buckets are a

familiar sight now, but back in April they seemed a bit out of place. That's when the Town of Oyster Bay began its mandatory recycling program.

**6.) EPA Prepares Major Cleanup For Hazardous Waste Site.** In April, the Environmental Protection Agency took the initial steps toward the cleanup of the Hooker/RUCO site on New South Road which has contained hazardous wastes for more than a decade. RUCO's former parent company, Occidental, said they were responsible for the contamination. Field work will tentatively begin sometime in February 1989. The overall length of the cleanup is from 18 months to two years.

**7.) Hicksville Not Proposed Site for Resource Recovery Plant.** In May, a study revealed that Hicksville would not be a proposed site for a resource recovery plant.

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## Town Golf Course Gets Finishing Touches (continued from page 1)

Photo identification cards are available at the Parks Department during the same hours as membership registration. Residents who wish to obtain a card must present two satisfactory proofs of residency, one containing a photo such as a driver's license and a car registration form, tax or utility bill.

For additional information or to have your name placed on the golf course mailing list call the Parks Department at 795-1000.

### Golf Pro Selected

Gene Miller was designated recently by the town board as the course's golf professional.

Mr. Miller has played professionally for 30 of his 40 years as a golfer. Mr. Miller's career began as a young boy in the mid-west where he caddied for golfers to earn pocket money. During the ensuing years, he worked his way up the ranks as a professional reaching the highest level, Class A, more than a dozen years ago.

Recognized for his teaching ability, Mr. Miller has operated several successful golf shops. At the Town of Oyster Bay Golf Course he will handle both areas. Presently, Mr. Miller operates the golf schools and pro shops at Cantigue Park and North Woodmere Park Golf Course.

### Caterer Designated

The town also designated M.P.M., Inc., as the official caterer for the golf facility.

The partnership of Donald McCauley, Michael Penta and J. Boone Mahin (M.P.M., Inc.) represents more than 38 years of combined experience in the restaurant business. "Locally, residents may be familiar with Spencer's in Massapequa. In Nassau County, they also own and operate McCauley's and Devin's in Garden City," said Angelo Delligatti, town supervisor.

Penta, before joining the partnership, operated several Long Island restaurants, amassing more than 15 years of managerial experience. The name McCauley will be familiar to football fans who remember him from his years with the Baltimore Colts. During that time he also owned and operated restaurants in Baltimore, Maryland and North Carolina with Mr. Mahin.

Delligatti said, "A first rate golf course deserves the best of everything. With the addition of Gene Miller and M.P.M., Inc., we have insured that every aspect of facility will be top quality."

town Parkway and Blueberry Lane was unveiled. Construction is presently underway.

**9.) Hicksville School Board Candidate's Race.** Two incumbents and three first-time candidates were seeking seats on the Hicksville Board of Education. Patricia Rooney ran against Thomas Nagle while James Martillo and William Collins vied for school board trustee William Bennett's seat.

Pat Rooney captured 72 percent of the vote on May 25 and defeated Mr. Nagle, and William Bennett maintained his seat.

**10.) School Budget Defeated.** The \$44 million proposed 1988-89 Hicksville school

budget was defeated by 17 votes in May. Voters rejected the budget by six tenths of a percent with 1,435 (49.7 percent) voting in favor, and 1,452 (50.3 percent) voting against.

**11.) Residents: Building Plan Conflicts with Fire House.** In July, Northwest residents said volunteer firemen would have a difficult time responding to an alarm from the Strong Street fire house if a developer constructs an office building adjacent to the station.

Presently, no hearing date has been set by the Town of Oyster Bay for the developer, Spiegel Associates, to present its plan.

**12.) Large Drug Shipment Seized in Hicksville.** Unfortunately for the months of July and August Hicksville was referred to as the place of the "big drug bust."

What federal authorities described as the third largest shipment of illegal cocaine ever found in the United States was seized at a Hicksville warehouse on Tec Street.

The drugs were concealed in boxes of unsweetened Ecuadorian chocolate.

**13.) Rotary Club Pitches in for Youth's Operation.** Thanks to local merchant and resident donations, 18-month-old Stephanie Nathanson was able to have a life-saving heart operation back in July. Today she is doing well.

**14.) Concern About Soup Kitchen.** Hicksville merchants raised concern about vagrants loitering near their businesses. Some attributed the caused to the INN, a local soup kitchen at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church which feeds the needy.

**15.) Group Home on Jerusalem Avenue.** In August, residents expressed outrage when a Hicksville counseling agency proposed establishing a group home for 10 mentally disabled adults at 499 Jerusalem Ave.

Under state laws, the agency was able to take the initial steps to establish the home.

**16.) Residents Outraged by Construction of Soccer Field.** Residents of southeast Hicksville expressed their anger at the Town of Oyster Bay for the installation of a soccer field at Triangle Park in September. The residents said that the field "was the best kept

secret in Hicksville." The town, however, maintained that they thought the residents knew about the soccer field. In an effort to obtain better communication, the town established a Hicksville Park District Task Force to address the needs for community parks in the area.

**17.) Group Home Planned on West John St.** In November, Central Nassau Guidance and Counseling Services, Inc. announced its plans to establish another community residence for 10 mentally disabled adults at 302B West John Street.

Presently, plans are still on the drawing board.

**18.) Concern About Loss of Trees.** Also in November, southeast Hicksville residents expressed concern that trees in their area may be subject to damage caused by road improvements, but the Town of Oyster Bay maintained that some tree loss was unavoidable.

**19.) Homeless Hicksville Man Killed.** Hicksville residents remembered with kind words and much sadness the man seen all over town pushing a shopping cart piled high with his treasures. Reuben Rodriguez, who was killed in December after being struck by a pick-up truck, was best known as 'the man with the aluminum cans.'

Some knew him as the friendly man who stacked newspapers at the railroad station and others as the man who waved to passers-by.

But sadly, most remember him as the man who always appeared to be ignoring the traffic laws as he traveled in his own lane.

**20.) School Board Wants Burns Ave. Zone Change.** The Hicksville School Board and a group of northwest citizens want two acres of commercial-zoned property at Burns Avenue School changed to residential zone to conform with the rest of the property and thereby discourage developers from buying the land.

The board reserved its decision.  
Next Week: 1988 Year in Review

## Top 20 Stories

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The preferred site for the incinerator is near the Old Bethpage landfill on Round Swamp Road. The Town of Oyster Bay accepted the final environmental impact statement and presently the vendor for the plant is applying for the required state permits for operation.

**8.) Plans for New Fire Station Unveiled.** In May, plans for a new fire sub-station on Levit-



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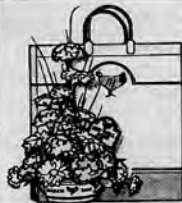
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**AIRMAN EDWARD J. PENDERGRASS**

### His Parents Are Proud

Airman **Edmund J. Pendergrass**, son of **Raymond** and **Toni Pendergrass** of Hicksville, has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas. During the six weeks of training Edmund studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations. In addition, by completing basic training he earned credits toward an associate degree through the community college of the Air Force.

Edmund is a 1985 graduate of Bethpage High School.

### Field Training

Navy Constructionman **Richard F. Drab**, son of **Richard F.** and **Carolyn Drab** Hicksville, NY, recently participated in the command's field training exercise while serving with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion-Five, Port Hueneme, Calif.

The three-day event conducted at Camp Shields on Okinawa, Japan, consisted of lectures and hands-on training concerning field combat and survival.

A 1986 graduate of Hicksville High School, he joined the Navy in July 1986.

### Two Students Feted

**Christine Litchman** and **Gina Cusumano** both of Hicksville, were among 44 students honored at a special recognition ceremony/luncheon held recently at New York Institute of Technology in Old Westbury. The students were cited for their outstanding extracurricular activities the previous semester.



**GINA CUSUMANO**



**CHRISTINE LITCHMAN**



**ANTHONY FRANZESE**

### 40 Years of Service

**Anthony Franzese** recently celebrated 40 years of service in the Electric Lines division at Long Island Lighting Company. Franzese is a foreman and assists in apprentice training at LILCO's Hicksville Operations Center. Anthony and his wife, **Anita**, also celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary this year. The Franzeses have lived in Hicksville 38 years and have two daughters.

### A Switzerland Trip for Michael

**Michael Calleia**, a Hicksville student at Bryant College has an exciting month in store for him. Michael is spending the January winter session in Switzerland with management/psychology professor **Ron Deluga**.

Michel, a sophomore finance major, is one of 16 students participating in this three week study/travel program.

Don't forget to bring us home some Swiss Cheese Mike.

### Guests at Fundraiser

**Mr. and Mrs. Drucker** of Hicksville were among the guests of **Angela Koenig**, president of the board of directors of the Double-day Babcock Senior Center in Oyster Bay. They attended the gala fundraiser Dec. 18, in Oyster Bay Cove.



**JOSEPH BINH**

### A Grand Award

Nassau Community College President **Sean Fanelli** presented a \$1,000 scholarship to **Joseph Binh** of Hicksville. The grant is from the Grumman Corporation. The award is made annually to a deserving minority student. It is predicated on scholastic endeavor and need.

Congratulations Joseph!

### A Special Christmas

**Stella** and **Charles Morris** of Hicksville had a wonderful Christmas. Their daughter **Binty (Morris) Brisebois** and her husband **Ron** and their four children from Quebec, Canada visited them for the holidays. Binty also got to visit her sister, **Kathy (Morris) Dammes** and husband **Ed** and their daughter **Lorraine**. It was the first Christmas the cousins have ever spent together. How wonderful!

### Completes Basic Training

Pvt. **Richard A. Halstead**, son of **Patricia F. Halstead** of Hicksville, has completed basic training at Fort Dix, N.J.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

### Happy B-Day Nicole

Happy Birthday wishes are being sent to **Nicole Hanna** who will celebrate her 17th birthday on January 6 from her **Mom**, **brother Joey** and best friend **Tricia**.

### A New Year's Eve Birthday

Happy Birthday to **Marcy Dwyer**, an employee of the Hicksville Post Office. Her big day was New Year's Eve. Best Wishes.

### Lori Receives Her Diploma

**Lori Rebecca Dobrindt**, daughter of **Lawrence** and **Donna Dobrindt** of Hicksville, was among 45 graduates who received diplomas during winter commencement ceremonies last month at LeFoureau College in Longview, Texas.

Lori received a bachelor of science degree in aviation technology.

### Happy Birthday Howard

We're sending a big birthday wish to our old friend, **Howard Finnegan**. May you have many more happy ones.

### Received Master's Degree

**Christine Morris**, daughter of **Stella** and **Charles Morris**, recently received her master's degree in speech and audiology from SUNY Plattsburg. She also completed a two-week residency at the Mayo Clinic.

### Scene at the Library



Our candid camera found young **Jennifer Bursky** in the adult section of the Hicksville Public Library. (She was accompanied by her dad.) Someday **Jennifer** will be tall enough to reach the upper shelves. In the meantime, she has an early start in learning about the wonders of reading.

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**MR. AND MRS. DRUCKER**

## Hicksville Republican Club

Joseph Jablonsky  
Executive Leader

Robert Kluck  
President

By Marc Herbst

### Installation of Officers

The Hicksville Republican Club will hold its annual installation of officers ceremony at the club's first general membership meeting of 1989. The meeting will be held at the Hicksville V.F.W. Hall, 320 South Broadway, on Friday, January 13, beginning at 8:30 p.m.

### Delligatti Installing Officer

The ceremony's installing officer, as well as the evening's guest speaker, will be Oyster Bay Town Supervisor Angelo A. Delligatti. Supervisor Delligatti will install Bob Kluck for his second term as club president, along with

all club officers and directors.

Following the ceremony, free refreshments will be served.

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### Muscle Weakness and Inflammation

Most of my readers are now aware that arthritis is inflammation of the joints. They also recognize that rheumatologists treat these inflammatory disorders. A group of inflammatory disorders which affect the muscles is called myositis.

This illness is caused by muscle inflammation which results in weakness. The cause of this muscle abnormality, which affects women more than men, is not known.

Usually the hips and shoulders are involved. When left untreated, the weakness is usually progressive. Patients can have trouble combing their hair or raising their arms. When myositis affects the hips, getting out of a chair, a bathtub, or even climbing stairs may be exhausting. When other muscles are involved, problems may develop which

make breathing, swallowing, or even raising the head from a pillow difficult.

Patients can have a rash on their face, elbows or knuckles. Other symptoms of this disorder include fever, muscle pain, joint pain, and weight loss.

A prompt diagnosis is important. Other illnesses can mimic the symptoms of myositis. The rheumatologist will work closely with a neurologist to make certain these other illnesses are not present. Once a diagnosis of myositis is made, treatment should begin. Medications which reduce the inflammation are very successful. Additionally, physical therapy and rest are important.

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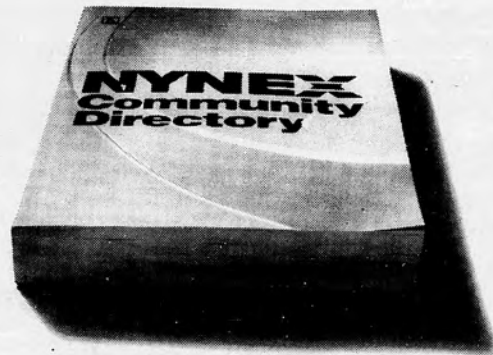


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26 - 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

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## Contract Bridge By Steve Becker

### An Unusual Defensive Play

South dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

#### NORTH

▲ K754  
♥ KJ93  
♦ 63  
♣ Q102

#### EAST

▲ A62  
♥ 1085  
♦ K85  
♣ 9763

#### WEST

▲ J9  
♥ 742  
♦ QJ1074  
♣ K84

#### SOUTH

▲ Q1083  
♥ AQ6  
♦ A92  
♣ AJ5

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	2 ♣	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	4 ♣	

Opening lead — queen of diamonds.

There are plays a defender can make that clearly run against the rank and yet are indubitably correct.

For example, consider this deal where South got to four spades. North's two club bid was Stayman and asked partner to bid a four-card major if he had one.

Declarer won the diamond lead with the ace and played a low spade to the king. West producing the nine on the trick and East the deuce!

Tomorrow: Another Famous Hand.

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When the king won, South naturally concluded that West had the ace. Accordingly, when he played another trump from dummy and East followed low, declarer finessed the ten, hoping to find West with the A-9 doubleton. But West won the trick with the jack and South went down one, losing two trump tricks, a diamond and a club.

East's play of the deuce of spades on the king was of course unusual, but it was a well-conceived move. He realized that West might have the J-9 doubleton and that his best chance of scoring two trump tricks lay in allowing the king of spades to win the trick.

Now let's consider what might have occurred had East taken the king of spades with the ace. He would have cashed the king of diamonds and shifted to a club. Declarer would no doubt finesse, losing to the king, win the probable club return in dummy, and lead a trump, East following low.

There is no way of proving that South would finesse and go down one, or that he would go up with the queen and make the contract. But there is no question that East's duck of the king of spades gave his side a much better chance to defeat the contract.

## Local Gymnasts Perform Live on Television

Gymnasts in grades 7-12 from the Hicksville, Massapequa, Long Beach, Freeport, Garden City and Oyster Bay School Districts showed off some of their best tumbles and flips recently in front of a television crew from Fox Channel 5. The program, *Good Day New York*, airing live on weekday mornings, filmed the December 8 broadcast in Hicksville's Middle School gymnasium.

Olympic star Tim Daggert was on hand to offer professional tips and encouragement to the young athletes. Students and parents filled the stands to also applaud the gymnasts.

Robert G. Kenney, director of Health, physical education and district activities for Hicksville, was instrumental in bringing the program together. As Mr. Kenney explained, *Good Day New York* is not a program intend-

ed to focus primarily on celebrities, but rather on the happenings within our communities.

By bringing together the young athletes who represented several school districts, a feeling of unity, community service and not to mention momentary fame, was achieved.

Hicksville's gymnastics team is coached by Tony Vliosis, a physical education instructor in the Herricks school district. The Winter 1988 roster for Hicksville's gymnastics team grades 7-12 is as follows: Elaine Borja, Anna Dalton, Johanna Degroff, Dale Hofman, Terri Johnson, Kacey Knauer, Marylou Kugler, Melissa Kugler, Tammy Marshall, Wendy Marshall, Narda Mastrogiro, Laurie Peace, Stacey Schroeder, Rachel Tanck and Amy Verbouwen.

## Kiwanis Key Club Brings Holiday Cheer to Kids

Last month, the Hicksville Kiwanis Key Club demonstrated their willingness to be of service to the community when they joined with the Hicksville Kiwanis Club in bringing Christmas cheer to some Hicksville children. The children who were invited to a dinner at the Ground Round, where Santa Claus had promised to make a schedule stop with presents, were from the families who had been provided with Thanksgiving baskets of groceries, donated by Hicksville School students and turkey donated by Kiwanis.

The Key Clubbers welcomed the guests and their parents, made out name tags for all, entertained with music, joined the children in singing Christmas songs and demonstrated a variety of face painting, which expanded

to include hands and arms. After a hearty meal, Santa Claus called the children by name to come and sit on his lap as he listened to their wishes and gave them the gifts he had brought for them. After all the gifts were distributed, Santa Claus departed to continue his rounds.

Many Kiwanians also attended the party with their families. After Santa Claus left, Kiwanians began distributing some surprises in the form of turkeys and hockey tickets. Based upon the happy smiles and "thank you's" from the invited children and their parents, it was evident that Kiwanis had again demonstrated that their organization exists to help those who can use some help.



HICKSVILLE KIWANIS KEY clubbers at the holiday party are, front row, left to right: Ryan Filer, Key Club President Donna Haines, Santa Claus himself and Mary Lou Bertone; standing in the rear, left to right: Rajesh Babani, Karyn Karmann, Kich Engert, Kelly (the red-nosed clown) O'Callaghan and Sylvia Malik.

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The *Hicksville Illustrated News* had the opportunity to interview Mrs. Saul's and Mrs. Callo's first grade classes at Dutch Lane School. The students, who will be graduating high school in the year 2,000, were asked what they think life would be like in that year, what they want to be when they grow up and what they do with their spare time. We received some interesting answers.

# Hicksville Kids Say the Darndest Things

**Jeff Mullally:** "I want to be a post office man when I grow up. There won't be any cars anymore and people will only walk around."

**Jayne Colquhoun:** "I don't know what I want to be when I grow up. Maybe a comedienne because I like to make people laugh."

**Howard Sham:** "I want to be a policeman so I can protect people. I want to go to college, too."

**Jenny Zollo:** "I want to be a doctor so I can help sick people. I want to find a cure for disease and also go to college. I think everyone will have jobs and a place to live."

**Jennifer Elefante:** "I want to be a swimming teacher when I grow up 'cause I like to swim. Maybe I'll be a teacher of karate; I'm learning how to defend myself and take lessons now. I think there will be peace in the world even though boys like war and dress up like Indians."

**Timothy Kraemer:** "I'm going to be a football player, on any team, because I really like to play it. I think it will be hard in college, but I like homework. Yes, I think there will be wars."



Timothy Kraemer

**Kristy Parsekian:** "I want to be a hairdresser. I like to fix hair on me and my friends. I think high school will be hard work. I don't like hard work. I hope there are no more wars."

"Mommy drives me to school on rainy days, but I walk on the other days, unless she drives my sister somewhere, then I get a ride. I have an umbrella, though, in case it rains. If I didn't have it, I'd put my hood up. I'm getting sick now. I have a stuffy nose."

**Philip Comly:** "I want to be a famous artist because I like to draw now, like people in the snow making a snowman or people playing. I think doctors will find cures for all the diseases when I grow up."

**Tracy Phillips:** "I like school, but I want to be a famous hair dresser. I want to cut movie stars' hair. Now I play with my sister, Donna. She's 9, and we do each other's hair."



Tracy Phillips

**Shari Robins:** "I like computer day. I have a computer at home and I work on it, play games, spell."

"Maybe I'll be a doctor. I think it's fun. I play doctor at home. I want to help sick people and find a cure for the flu. Things will really change when I grow up, but I don't think we will travel to other planets."



Shari Robins

**Shawn Lyons:** "I want to be a policeman, navy pilot, baseball player, in the coast guard and to play football. I like recreation the best."

**Eleni Miglis:** "I want to be a ballerina. I don't dance now, but I want to take lessons and my mom said next year I can."

"When I am home, I like to color. I have my whole room full of coloring books."

**Jonathan Bowman:** "I want to be a policeman when I grow up because I can get rid of crime."

**Tricia Hundertmark:** "I want to be a movie star. My favorite movie star is Jen and the Holograms."

**Michael Behr:** "I want to be a policeman because they help people."

**Danny Gibson:** "I want to be a school crossing guard and I want to be a crossing guard at this school."

**Jessica Pappas:** "I want to work in a supermarket as a cashier."

"When the whales were trapped in the ice, I think it was good when they got out. We did a project on it. Me and Kristen are best friends, very much. We play together a lot."

**Kristen Cowley:** "I want to be a cartoon drawer. Bugs Bunny is my favorite."

"I think there will be a lot of work in high school when I get there. I think there will be no more wars, too."

**Rosie Zollo:** "I don't know what I want to be when I grow up. Maybe a teacher. I like math."

**Megan Fortunato:** "I don't know what I want to be. I like to play with my friends after school."

**Renee Scodzari:** "I think I want to be a ballet dancer. But after school I like to do my home work and play games like Monopoly."



(Left) Renee Scodzari (Right) Leah Strugatz

**Leah Strugatz:** "I do my home work after school, sometimes, and my favorite subject is reading."

**Jillian Scinocco:** "I think I am 6. I want to be a clown in the circus 'cause it's funny; but I was a vampire for Halloween. I like to draw skeletons and go to the amusement park spook house. Can you write down my phone number? I know it by heart."

**Kimberly Waters:** "I want to be an artist. I color after school. When I'm sick, that's all I do is color and watch T.V. I like to draw trees."

**Chris Mello:** "I want to be a policeman to help other people. I watch cop cartoons and play cops and robbers most of the time. I like to play a lot after school."

**Shaun Glover:** "I want to be a chimney cleaner. I like to go up on the roof. I'll need a little broom to clean with."

"After school I like to go to my friend Aaron's house and play hide and seek."

**Robert Ohnmacht:** "I want to be a policeman. I don't know why. Michael and me live very close -- about 21 houses and across the road."



Robert Ohnmacht

**Michael Benic:** "I turned 7 a couple of days ago. I want to be a football player. I like Ken O'Brien and the Jets a lot. When the big kids pick on my friends, we beat them up."

"I'm going to take science classes in high school. Right now I like G.I. Joe and Starting Line-up figures. I have two baseballs and one football."

**Scott Rothbard:** "I want to be a policeman. Now I like to play and climb trees, rides bikes and do math. I think my favorite subject is gym."

**Gregory Wieber:** "Scott likes doing that stuff. I want to be a fireman 'cause I like to save people even though I did not save anyone yet. I like gym, too."

**Steven Sadowski:** "I want to be a lot of stuff. A wrestler, policeman and a fireman. Mostly I like to go out for recess."



Steven Sadowski

**Paul Cuzzo:** "I want to be a bake man because I like to cook. My favorite thing to cook is roast beef."

"In school, I like work. I like art, reading, to make pictures and recess."

**Jacqueline Russo:** "I want to be a cash register [cashier]. I like to play a lot after school."

**Doug Mirro:** "I want to be a doctor, a foot doctor, because I'd just like to be a foot doctor. After school I usually ride my bike outside or do home work."

"I just went to Florida to visit Goofy and Pluto. I had fun."



Jacqueline Russo, Doug Mirro

**Rebecca Groy:** "I want to be a teacher when I grow up. I want to teach work to first grade, Mrs. Saul's class over there."

"You know girls can't become cops, only some."



Rebecca Groy, Jeremiah Ruggiero

**Jeremiah Ruggiero:** "I want to be a cop. I like them. I want to arrest criminals. I think the world will be weird when I get to high school."

**Nichole Esposito:** "I want to be a doctor, an animal doctor. I have a dog now, a mutt named Lady."

"After school, I ask my mom and brother if I can go out in the backyard to play. They usually come with me."

## High School Homework is 1st Graders Main Worry

Tackling homework in high school is the main concern for the class of the year 2,000, according to the first graders at Dutch Lane School.

Although many of the 6-year old students said they can not imagine what life would be like in the year 2,000, many agreed that they will have a hard time with homework in high school.

"I think there will be a lot of work in high school when I get there," said Kristen Cowley. Kristy Parsekian added, "I think high school will be hard work and I definitely don't like hard work."

"I think the world will be weird when I get into high school," said Jeremiah Ruggiero. He did not elaborate.

Future occupations include a variety of things. The most popular with the boys is to be a police officer. Jonathan Bowman said, "I want to be a policeman when I grow up because I can get rid of crime." Jeremiah Ruggiero wants to be a policeman just because he likes them. But, according to one girl, Rebecca Groy, "Girls can't become cops, only some."

Some of the other children had different ideas for occupations. Jacqueline Russo wants "to be a cash register [cashier]," and Shaun Glover wants to be a chimney sweep. "I'll need a little broom to clean with," he said, adding, "I like to go up on the roof."

Steven Sadowski said, "I want to be a fireman 'cause I like to save people even though I did not save anyone yet." And Shari Robins wants to be a doctor. "I think it's fun," she said. "I want to help sick people and find a cure for the flu."

The end of wars is an important hope for many of the students. "I think there will be peace in the world even though boys like war and dress up like indians," said Jennifer Elefante.

# Local Students Tell Us 'Why They Like School'

The Hicksville Congress of Teachers announces the following winners in the "WHY I LIKE SCHOOL" contest:

## Essay Winners:

First Place: Primary: ADAM SUTKER, Woodland, sixth grade (Ms. Brown & Ms. Kabokoff). Intermediate: TOMMY GOODLET, East, sixth grade (Mr. Hilsky). Middle School: JOAQUIN EZCURRA, seventh grade.  
Second Place: BRENDAN DAILEY-BIGGIN

Lee, sixth grade (Ms. Buffalino). CHRISTINA PERO - Willet, fifth grade (Ms. Salat) LAURIE SIEGEL - Burns, fourth grade (Ms. Lesetz).

Third Place: ANTHONY VERNACE - Burns, fourth grade (Ms. Lesetz), JILLIAN CRAPANZANO - Lee, fourth grade (Ms. Nicolich).

## Poster Winners:

First Place: BETH ANN BAROZIE - Woodland, sixth grade (Ms. Grady).  
Second Place: MICHAEL OCUTO - Woodland, sixth grade (Ms. Grady).  
Third Place: KENNY SMITH - Lee, fourth grade, (Mr. Skupinsky).  
A reception was held for the 11 honorees as well as their families. Their teachers attended, along with the HCT Board of Directors

and representatives from the Teacher Aides, the Board of Education and PTA Council. The occasion was very special and one that will long be remembered by the more than 300 guests who attended. The HCT wishes to thank all the students who entered this contest. Many of them will be receiving "runner-up" certificates in the very near future.

**First Place Winner**  
Primary Level  
**ADAM SUTKER**-Woodland, Second Grade  
(Teachers: Ms. Brown & Ms. Kabokoff)



**ADAM SUTKER** - First place essay winner primary level Woodland Avenue, second grade. Teachers: Beverly Brown and Elayne Kabokoff

**WHY I LIKE SCHOOL**  
I like school for lots of rezins. For one rezin the teachres are very very nice to me.  
And for a nuther rezin thay help me wen I am having trbul with my wurk.  
I like school for the wurk thay give me. Thay, allways give me fun wurk.  
I like school alot.  
I can't waite until tomorrow wen I get to go back to school.  
This story will end in June wen I have to icave the teachrs I like best. And wen I get home I will make a story about the techres thay were loving to me.  
And thay were always ther wen I need tham!!!

THE END

**First Place Essay Winner**  
Intermediate Level  
**TOMMY GOODLET**-East, Sixth Grade  
(Teacher: Mr. Hilsky)

**WHY I LIKE SCHOOL**  
To me school is a challenge of knowledge. From Junior High to High School then to college.  
You study and work and there is time to play. And you learn more and more every single day.  
There are specials you go to some fun some



**TOMMY GOODLET** - First place essay winner intermediate level East Street, sixth grade. Teacher: Bob Hilsky

not, but when you go to them you sure learn a lot. There are friends to party with and social affairs, But the really best friend is the one who cares. You might not like school and really try to show it. But you may like school once you get to know it.



**JOAQUIN EZCURRA** - First place essay winner, Middle School seventh grade  
Bob Zaleski, president of Hicksville Congress of Teachers.

**First Place Essay Winner**  
Middle School Level  
**JOAQUIN EZCURRA**  
(Teacher: Ms. Grady)

**WHY I LIKE SCHOOL**  
School has always been my favorite place to be. To me, school is not just some wasted pastime I must go to every weekday and dream away the time. It is the center of knowledge, the place that prepares children for the realities of life. It provides an education, something very important for a child.

I not only recognize the fine qualities of school, but I have learned to enjoy it. School is a mixture of everything—math, social studies, science, etc., all wrapped up in one day. But I am not agitated because I must get everything in one day—I welcome it. To learn something in school, go home, and try to memorize it can be frustrating (as I have found), but to learn something, enjoy learning it, and memorize it at home can be pleasant. The key to enjoying school is to learn to enjoy the information it provides.

Another thing I like about school is the variety of subjects. Yes, there are people who don't enjoy one subject or another because they do not do well in it. They give up trying in that subject. But that is no way to face it. You must keep on trying and not give up ship. Just because you do not excel in a subject does not mean that you cannot enjoy it.

The point: school time should not be wasted loitering or daydreaming, but to be spent carefully planning, learning, and—most of all—having the time of your life.



**BRENDAN DAILEY-BIGGIN** - Second place essay winner Lee Avenue, sixth grade

**Second Place Essay Winner**  
Lee Avenue, Sixth Grade  
**BRENDAN DAILEY-BIGGIN**  
(Teacher: Ms. Buffalino)

**WHY I LOVE SCHOOL SO MUCH!!!**  
I love school so much because of everything and everyone.

I started kindergarten at Lee Avenue and have continued here ever since and am now in sixth grade. This school is very special to me. I am a little bit different from the other students because I wear hearing aids. The people here at Lee Avenue have always treated me with kindness and are helping me to do my best. These people include not only my friends, but Mr. Mateer, Mr. Elliot, my speech teacher, the school nurse, Mrs. Dalo, because I am often sick, the office staff, Mr. Larsen, my current teacher, Miss Buffalino and my past teachers, Miss Mead, Mrs. Nicolich, Mrs. Simon, Mrs. Massa, Mrs. Radjewski, Mrs. Grayson.

I enjoy all subjects, especially Math and Reading. I am trying for the first time to play an instrument, the saxophone, with Mr. Larsen's help. This is hard for me because I can't hear music very well, but it's fun trying. Recreation is great! I play flag football and kickball with my friends. I also look forward to class trips and report cards because I am anxious to see how well I did.

This is my last year here at Lee Avenue and I want to say thank you to all of you for your help. I will surely miss this place but I will never forget it!!!



**CHRISTINA PERO** - Second place essay winner Willet Avenue, fifth grade. Teacher: Mrs. Sandra Salat

**Second Place Winner**  
Willet Avenue, Fifth Grade  
**CHRISTINA PERO**  
(Teacher: Mrs. Salat)

**WHAT SCHOOL DID FOR ME**  
When I was little I barely knew anything. I didn't get to go to school. When I was four I entered Kindergarten. Kindergarten did a lot to prepare me for first grade. They taught me some math, how to write my name and draw. Kindergarten would be a start to an education.

As I went to first grade I began to understand things more and more. In first grade I learned how to read, do math such as adding and subtracting. I also learned the alphabet and a lot more. My teacher in first grade was very good. She really helped us a lot.

In second grade things got harder. We learned more and more. I was in an Eagle class in Brooklyn. That means an advanced, smart class. We had a teacher for Spanish also.

In third grade we learned cursive writing. Everything was changing we learned multiplication and division. Some children, including me were in Great Books. I was changing, getting smarter, learning more. Each day I was getting better.

In fourth grade we improved cursive writing. We learned more different kinds of math. My teacher was encouraging and interesting. Now every day when I came home from school I felt more educated.

Now I am in fifth grade. I have a fun, interesting, understanding and caring teacher. Her name is Mrs. Salat. I am learning a lot and everything has changed me by making me smarter more eager to learn. This education will all come in good use for later years.

**Second Place Essay Winner**  
Burns Avenue, Fourth Grade  
**LAURIE SIEGEL**  
(Teacher: Mrs. Lesetz)  
**WHY I LIKE SCHOOL**

I like school because it is one of the only ways of learning. If there were no schools not many people would get a good job and a good education.

If it wasn't for Math, when people grow up they wouldn't be able to add up their bills. They wouldn't know the basic of money, and they would never learn how to do any kind of calculation.

If it wasn't for Social Studies, people wouldn't know how our country came to be as it is today. People would not know about World History and how the world started.

If it wasn't for Science, the life of animals would be very strange, and unknown about how they live, where they live, and what they eat.

If it wasn't for English, people would not speak properly, they would not know how to spell, read, or even communicate and understand each other.

I feel that if it weren't for our educational system America would not be the great country that it is.





**Laurie Siegel** - Second place essay winner Burns Avenue, fourth grade. Teacher: Renee Lesetz

for me. So, I go to school to learn things that my parents cannot teach me.

I also like school because it is fun. We get special privileges in school that we can't get anywhere else. We can be with friends that we normally can't see or play with. I also like the way teachers teach us and I like the things we get to do. We go on special trips like zoos, theaters and museums. We go to assemblies.

We have special programs for more advanced students like Great Books and G&T. This year we got to vote for president and also studied about the election. We play instruments. School is terrific. I love helping the teacher with bulletin boards.

Without school I would know very little and I am happy about school.

**Third Place Essay Winner  
Lee Avenue, Fourth Grade  
JILLIAN CRAPANZANO  
(Teacher: Mrs. Nicolich)  
WHY I LIKE SCHOOL**

I like school because I love math and recreation. I also like Language Arts a lot. I especially like going home on the bus. School is fun most



**JILLIAN CRAPANZANO** - Third place essay winner Lee Avenue, fourth grade

of the time. I love half days. You can say I like almost every day of school and I always like holidays in school, and I love parties in school especially our Halloween party. That was real-

ly fun. I guess I like math the best out of all my subjects. I think math is really fun. I don't really like reading but sometimes I like it. I guess reading is not bad but sometimes it is really fun and sometimes it is boring. I love all the math tests I like spelling tests too. I love

spelling. It is really fun but sometimes it is hard and sometimes it is very easy. I like writing stories also. I love Dictionary Skills. Those are the best.

I like school a lot.

**Poster Winners**



**Kenny Smith** and his Mom, Lee Avenue, fourth grade.



**Beth Ann Barozie** and Mom, Woodland Avenue, sixth grade.

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**Anthony Vernace** - Third place essay winner Burns Avenue, fourth grade



**Michael Ocuto** - Second Place Poster Winner, Woodland Avenue, sixth grade. Teacher: Ms. Kathy Grady.

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### Friday, January 6

- A trained social work intern from the Adelphi University Senior Connections Program will be available every Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Hicksville Public Library.
- Overeaters Anonymous, a 12 step recovery program for recovery from overeating, will meet at 8 p.m. at Parkway Community Church, Hicksville. For information call 795-6814.
- Co-dependents Anonymous, a 12 step support group, will meet from 8 to 9:30 p.m. downstairs at the Parkway Community Church, Hicksville. For information call 735-1583.

### Saturday, December 7

- Super Sensational Singles Bowling Party, 9:45 p.m. at Woodbury Lanes, Hicksville. Cost: \$15. For information call 921-6450.

### Monday, January 9

- Mid-Island Hospital Diabetes Club meeting, 7:30 p.m. in the Hospital's Lower Level Staff Room. For information call 752-1752.
- Overeaters Anonymous, a 12 step recovery program for recovery from overeating, will meet at 8:30 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays at Parkway Community Church, 95 Stewart Ave., Hicksville. For information call 795-6814.

### Tuesday, January 10

- Hicksville Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners meeting, 7:30 p.m. in the board room at E. Marie St. Firehouse.
- Fund raising activity, 7:45 p.m. at Congregation Shaarei Zedek, Old Country Rd. and New South Rd., Hicksville.
- Recovery Inc., the association of nervous and former mental patients, will meet at 8 p.m. at Parkway Community Church, 95 Stewart Ave., Hicksville.
- Transitions, the person center offers a person-centered alternative to dealing with life changes, 7:30 p.m. at Parkway Community Church, 95 Stewart Ave., Hicksville. Fee: \$10. For information call Dennis R. Wendorf at 796-1080.
- Prenatal Exercise Classes, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Staff

Room of the Mid-Island Hospital. Fee: For information call 520-2212.

### Wednesday, January 11

- Sagamore Life Member Club, Paumanok Chapter, Telephone Pioneers of America Executive meeting, 9:30 a.m. in the American Legion Hall, 115 Southern Pkwy., Plainville. For information call 334-5679.
- Hicksville Kiwanis Club meeting, 12:30 p.m. at the Milleridge Inn, Jericho.
- Emphysema Club meeting, 1:30 p.m. in Mid-Island Hospital's Center for the Well-Being. No fee. For information call 520-2212.
- Heal Your Life at the Healing Circle, 8 to 10 p.m. at the Parkway Community Church, 95 Stewart Ave., Hicksville. Fee: For information call 883-9133.
- Hicksville Republican Committeemen's Council meeting, 8 p.m. at Antun's, 244 Old Country Rd., Hicksville.

### Thursday, January 12

- Hicksville Elks Lodge No. 1091 will meet at 8 p.m. at 80 East Barclay St., Hicksville. For information call 931-9310.
- Hicksville-Jericho Rotary Club will meet at 12:15 p.m. at the Milleridge Inn.
- Fund-raising Activity, 10:45 a.m. at Congregation Shaarei Zedek, Old Country Rd. and New South Rd., Hicksville.
- Cancer Support Group meeting, 7:30 p.m. in the Oncology Room of the Mid-Island Hospital. No fee. For information call 520-2212.
- William M. Gouse Jr. Post No. 3211 Veterans of Foreign Wars, ladies auxiliary, will meet at 8:30 p.m. at the VFW Hall, 320 South Broadway, Hicksville.
- Auxiliary to William M. Gouse Jr. Post No. 3211 Veterans of Foreign Wars will meet at 8 p.m. at the VFW Hall, 320 South Broadway, Hicksville.
- Joseph F. Lamb Columbiettes business meeting, 8:30 p.m. in Our Lady of Mercy School Cafeteria, South Oyster Bay Rd., Hicksville.

### Friday, January 13

- Hicksville-Levittown Chapter of the Catholic Golden Age will meet at 1:15 p.m. at Levittown Hall, Levittown Pkwy., Hicksville.
- Eyes of Learning presents "Learn How To Find Your Best Guide...Your Self," 8 p.m. at Levittown Hall, Levittown Pkwy., Hicksville. Fee: For information call 579-5369.

## How Does it Feel to Be a Senior Citizen Today?

The *Hicksville Illustrated News* interviewed local senior citizens to find out how

they keep themselves busy and what it's like being a senior citizen in today's society. \*



**Marguerite and Albert Schnabel**  
 —Hicksville—

Marguerite and Albert belong to five clubs and find "great pleasure in this." They "keep busy with the clubs five days a week and then rest and catch up on housework on the weekends." Albert's hobby is gardening. He maintains a large variety vegetable garden at the Senior Citizens development where they live while Marguerite has a flower garden around their apartment building. Albert's "home-grown vegetables are shared by the 71 families in this complex." They will be "attending a lot of holiday parties in the weeks to come." Their advice is "to keep your mind going and to be happy—because life goes by very fast."



**Clare Smyth**  
 —Hicksville—

Clare has been a member of the Mid-Island Hicksville Seniors group for eight years. She joined with her husband and remained a member after his death. She feels that the "club gets me out to places I wouldn't have gone by myself." Clare "likes to keep busy and active and make her own happiness." When her family calls and she is out, she says "do you want me to sit by the phone and complain that I'm lonely?" She says, "I want to do everything now while I can, because the day they take my wheels away will be very sad."



**Florence and Vincent DiGioia**  
 —Hicksville—

Florence and Vincent are married 46 years. He is retired from Con Ed and she from the United Presbyterian Nursing Home. After working in the nursing home for many years, Florence "became aware of the needs of seniors." She now belongs to an organization called Senior Power. They "go to Albany and fight for the Seniors' rights." At present she is "hoping to get a bus from the town to take the seniors shopping and for their medicine." Florence feels "as a result of their hard work, seniors are better off these days and happier, more respected and recognized." Florence and Vincent "like to take one day at a time and enjoy it to its fullest, and even that's not enough—they love life!"



**Carmen Russo**  
 —Hicksville—

Carmen was married for 46 years and recently widowed. She had a wonderful marriage and has a family who is just terrific. She is a member of many organizations including the Mid-Island Hicksville Seniors Club. Carmen "likes to keep going and says not to feel sorry for yourself. If you do, you will fall into a trap." Her philosophy is to "enjoy today and tomorrow will take care of itself." Carmen also feels that "it's important to pay back in some way for the good things you've received in life." She believes in trying everything. "You have nothing to lose, and you will meet some great people along the way."



**Marie Borst**  
 —Hicksville—

"I love being a senior." Marie is a retired EKG technician from NCMC and sometimes misses work, especially the people. She "belongs to three senior citizen clubs and likes to play cards and go to luncheons." Her "favorite trip is to Atlantic City." She says, "you don't have to gamble to enjoy yourself in Atlantic City. You can walk on the boardwalk and go to shows... and I love it!" According to Marie "life is great." She has five grandchildren and "loves being with them whenever she can."

# EDITORIAL AND OPINION

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...CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK

## THE JONES BROTHERS

NO WORK TODAY?!  
NOTHING!

BY THE LATE 1820'S, THE COLD SPRING HARBOR WOOLEN INDUSTRY WAS ALL BUT DONE IN BY CHEAPER IMPORTS. SEEING THEIR WEAVING & SPINNING MILLS FAILING, THE JONES BROTHERS SOUGHT A NEW ENTERPRISE.

THEY HIT UPON THE THEN PROFITABLE WHALING INDUSTRY!

WHALING WAS ALREADY SUCCESSFUL OUT OF SAG HARBOR, SO IN 1836, THE JONES BROS. BOUGHT AN OLD BARK—THE MONMOUTH WITH THE FINANCIAL PARTNERSHIP OF NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS. THE HOPE WAS THAT WHALING WOULD NOT ONLY BE PROFITABLE ON ITS OWN, BUT WOULD ALSO SUPPLY A MODEST AMOUNT OF WORK FOR THE WOOLEN MILLS, BARREL FACTORY, GRIST MILLS & SHIPYARDS.

"THE COLD SPRING WHALING CO." GREW DURING THE 1840S UNTIL IT HAD 9 VESSELS—NONE OF WHICH WERE BUILT AT COLD SPRING HARBOR. THERE WAS SOME WORK RE-FITTING THE SHIPS, BUT THE COMPANY WASN'T BIG ENOUGH TO SUSTAIN SETBACKS & BY 1860, WHALING OUT OF COLD SPRING WAS NO MORE!

## What the Politicians are Saying...

With the 1989 Legislative Session scheduled to open, SENATOR NORMAN J. LEVY (R-C, Merrick) has noted that he is again looking forward to many of his constituents visiting him in Albany or contacting him to express their views on important issues. To make a visit to the State Capitol more successful and enjoyable, Senator Levy suggests calling or writing his district office at 546-4100 or his Albany office, (518) 455-3347, to make appropriate arrangements. All other local legislators also welcome visits and suggest advance planning.

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From CONGRESSMAN NORMAN LENT: A number of elderly residents are concerned about the future of the Social Security Trust Fund. I'd like to put these rumors to rest. One story is that the Social Security Administration has made it more difficult for recipients to appeal decisions. This is absolutely untrue. The confusion started over a draft proposal by the SSA staff to streamline the appeals process. It was rejected when it was determined that it might adversely affect beneficiaries. Many seniors have also written to express their fears that Congress will raid the Social Security Trust Fund to help balance the budget. I co-sponsored and voted for the legislation to protect the Social Security trust funds by taking them out of the unified federal budget. Congress is prohibited from using the trust fund surplus for anything except payments to beneficiaries. It should be noted that the Social Security Trust Fund is expected to have a surplus for the next 40 years. By one estimate, the reserve will peak at \$12 trillion in the year 2031. After that, however, the surplus will begin to decline as the "baby boom" generation reaches retirement age. Seniors should rest assured that the hard-earned money they have contributed during their years in the work force and counted on for retirement will be there when they need it.

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ASSEMBLYMAN GREGORY R. BECKER (R-C, Lynbrook) has announced that legislation that he sponsored to establish service awards for volunteer firefighters has passed both houses of the Legislature and is awaiting the governor's approval. The legislation would permit localities to establish service awards for active volunteer firefighters who are 55 years old or more and who have completed a required period of active service. Local governments would have the option of adopting or rejecting this measure, which provides a minimum service award benefit of \$5 per month for each 12-month period, which an active volunteer firefighter participates in the fire service and satisfies the minimum requirements of participation established by the fire district. The maximum award would be a monthly payment, payable for life, that does not exceed an amount equal to \$20 per month for each year of firefighting service credited under the terms of the program. There is a growing shortage of volunteer firefighters and if nothing is done to resolve the problem, a paid firefighting force may be the only alternative. He urges letters to the governor to approve this bill.

## A Letter from Lulabelle...

...Were you a little girl who adored her dolls and treated them very carefully...I'm sure you can remember so many that you loved....Did you have that Bye-Lo baby doll, with the lovely china face and the nearly closed eyes that looked so real?...And how about those gorgeous German dolls, with the porcelain heads and the long hair, with one perfect ringlet hanging down in front and usually satin clothes and high kid shoes?...And none of the dolls had grown-up figures—no Barbies!—and we sometimes used those celluloid dolls from the 5 and 10 and tried to make them into grown up dolls by putting clothes on them that we thought looked adult—do you remember that you could fasten clothes on those dolls by sticking pins into their celluloid bodies?...Oh, so many doll memories—the two-headed doll, whose long skirts could be turned one way or the other to show either a white or black doll...and many dolls had cloth bodies stuffed with cotton or straw and only the head, arms and legs were china—and how we cried when one broke!...And now that we are all grown up, we say that we "collect" dolls because we still love them...My collection started with buying dolls from other countries while travelling and now has grown into a real hobby—Princesses Diana and Fergie flaunt their wedding finery and I did have Prince Charles, but one granddaughter looked sad and he is now out on "permanent loan"...And I have Dolly Madison, Pavlova, Catherine the Great, a flapper, Marie Antoinette...and assorted dolls that I bought because they "spoke" to me and I had to have them...and now I am collecting doll furniture, too...I have chairs, high chairs, school benches and a table, complete with a set of doll china, which a very dear friend had when she was a tiny girl and which is one of my most special treasures...It's in beautiful condition because her Mother would never let her play with it....And what I am really searching for is a real old—in perfect condition—wicker carriage—Remember them? They had a little space underneath for dolly needs and they were always natural wicker and they were usually lined with a cream-colored velvet or corduroy...How I wish I had mine and all those dolls I cherished, but, of course, my Mother gave them away to younger girls when I was considered "too old for dolls" and she didn't know I'm not "too old" even now!!

Yours, Lulabelle

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## 'Youth on Parade' Honors Dr. Martin Luther King

The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Celebration Committee of Nassau County, Inc., in consortium with the Nassau County Commission on Human Rights and the Federal Holiday Commission, has announced that the fourth annual "Youth on Parade" will be held January 12 at the John Adams Playhouse, Hofstra University from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

"Youth on Parade", produced by the Birthday Committee's Youth and Education Committee, is an evening of music, art and awards that honors the life of Dr. King by highlighting the talent of Nassau County's youth. Students in grades kindergarten through high school were invited to enter performing arts, fine arts and language arts contests. Participants drew pictures, wrote poems and essays, performed dance routines, sang, created music and/or presented dramatic readings. Each activity was required, in some way, to reflect Dr. King's philosophy of equality and peace. Many of the winners will perform on stage, while others will have their art work and poetry displayed in the lobby of the John Adams Playhouse.

Tickets for "Youth on Parade" are \$2.00 for youth and \$5.00 for adults and can be purchased at the door. In addition to enabling high school senior essay winners to receive college scholarships, the proceeds also promote a system of ticket distribution that allows the families and friends of contest winners to celebrate with them as audience members. If you are unable to attend, but would like to make a donation to "Youth on Parade", make your checks out to The Dr. Martin

Luther King Birthday Celebration Committee of Nassau County, Inc. - Youth on Parade and mail them to James D. Rice, Executive Director, Nassau County Commission on Human Rights, 320 Old Country Road, Garden City, N.Y. 11530.

The 1989 contestants represent the following public school districts: Baldwin, Bellmore-Merrick, Bethpage, East Meadow, Elmont, Floral Park-Bellerose, Freeport, Garden City, Glen Cove, Hempstead, Island Trees, Lawrence, Levittown, Long Beach, Lynbrook, Malverne, Mineola, North Bellmore, North Merrick, North Shore, Plainedge, Port Washington, Oyster Bay-East Norwich, Rockville Centre, Roosevelt, Roslyn, Sewanhaka, Syosset, Uniondale, Valley Stream #13 and Westbury.

The private and parochial schools that entered the contests are: St. Pius X (Plainville), Solomon Schecter Day School (Jericho), St. Joseph School (Garden City), St. Mary's Elementary School (Manhasset), Queen of the Most Holy Rosary (Roosevelt), Cathedral School of St. Mary and St. Paul (Glen Cove), St. Christopher (Baldwin) and Woodmere Academy.

First, second and third place winners will be presented with engraved plaques at "Youth on Parade". Since it is important that the talent of all participating children and youth be recognized and encouraged, Certificates of Merit are sent to everyone who entered the contests.

For more ticket information, contact: George A. Jones at 535-4978.



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ROBERT R. McMILLAN'S

# Direct Line

All of us have loosely used the word "media." The media does this and the media said that. Negative political campaigning is even reported by the media. "Media" is a collective word intended to cover radio, television and print organizations responsible for presenting public information or entertainment. Those organizations obviously act through people — the editors, writers, readers, commentators, and performers are what we see as the final product.



Today, I want to examine whether the media is fair? First of all, the Constitution of the United States provides for free speech, and so long as the media is not libeling or slandering someone, it really does not have to be

straight arrow fair. In fact, the stories can, and often are, treated from the reporter's point of view. What troubles me is when reporters start to present philosophy and half truths in stories, and editors let them get away with it.

Editors are another story! They control what reporters go out and cover and how much of any story appears. They control the type of photo to be used, and will sometimes even edit stories to provide a point of view. The editor ends up in the ultimate media seat of power.

There are times that the "final product" really upsets me. Opinion is presented as fact. News reporters want to make the news rather

than report it. Even if President Reagan should have held more press conferences, yelling and screaming questions at him is demeaning to the Presidency and shows some reporters to be pretty rude at the same time — all in the interest of a thirty second blight on the evening news. I am delighted to see that President-Elect Bush has vetoed any screaming of questions at him.

Then, there are photos designed to make someone look bad. Now, everyone knows you don't go around frowning all day. There are smiles. There are serious points in a day, and wrinkles do not show all the time. If the picture is a reflection of the facts in a story, let it roll. But, when the photo is used only to make someone look bad along side a story slanted to give a bad impression, then that is down right unfair.

Have you noticed lately how many people are shifting to cable news? One reason is that I believe the public generally feels the issues are presented more fairly. Some of the network news is so distorted that I have often whisked myself off to another channel in silent protest.

There is a place for analysis and comment in the media, but such items should clearly be labeled as such. Those reporting facts should do just that and keep away from providing personal interpretations at the same time.

With First Amendment rights of free speech should come an obligation of responsibility. From explicitly sexual movies on television during a Saturday afternoon to individuals wearing foul language T-shirts, some of our society has been more interested in free speech than responsibility. It is about time the media and the public get back to a focus on what is right for the community good — not a distorted view of the "right" to say and visualize whatever moves us. The next time you are offended by the exercise of "free speech" — take a minute to express yourself in writing to the owners of the media involved. That also is the right and a responsibility of "free speech!"

Questions and opinions may be addressed to Mr. McMILLAN, Anton Community Newspapers, 132 East Second Street, Mineola, NY 11501.

## An Anniversary Less Remembered

One event that recently passed here in Washington without much notice was the 47th anniversary of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. This prompted a flurry of angry letters to the Washington Post.

Historians could argue that when compared to the Battles of Stalingrad, Midway, or the dropping of the two atomic bombs, the attack on Pearl Harbor is not that historically significant. However, if you lived through that day in December which now seems so long ago, your opinion is more than a little different.

That sleepy Sunday in December changed America forever. America was now a player on the stage of international politics. If you were a young child at the movies when they announced that all military personnel should report for duty, or when they interrupted a Giants game to announce the news of the Japanese strike, and your father went across the street to have a drink with a neighbor, more than anything else, you remember the worried look on your father's face.

You remember the effect that the war had on your life. Young men marching off to war are what you recall, not the complexities of international politics.

World War II changed Washington beyond all recognition. Prior to the war, Washington was the sleepy Southern town that it had always been. Now it was the capital of a nation engaged in a global conflict.

You remember President Franklin Roosevelt asking the Congress for a declaration of war against the "Empire of Japan." As Roosevelt spoke: "Yesterday, December 7, 1941, is a day which will live in infamy"

— his words echoed from radios in homes across the nation. Roosevelt seemed so strong and confident as he spoke to a stunned nation. I often wonder how many Americans knew at the time that this man who carried the weight of an entire nation on his shoulders was confined to a wheelchair.

Although in retrospect, it may appear that victory over Imperial Japan and Nazi Germany was only a matter of time, that was not the way it looked back in December of 1941. Then, German armies were deep inside the Soviet Union and the Japanese had inflicted a costly blow on the United States.

Although the anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor was not remembered here in Washington, it was remembered in the hearts of people across the country as they reflected on those who in Lincoln's words, "have laid such a costly sacrifice on the altar of freedom."

MARTIN BURNS

## Our Man IN Washington

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## Letters From Our Readers

Letters to the editor are welcomed by the editors and publishers of the Anton Community Newspapers. However, they must follow certain guidelines in order for us to print them: they should be as short as possible; we reserve the right to edit in the interest of space; they MUST be signed (a typed name at the bottom will not suffice); they must include an address and telephone number so that we can verify their authenticity.

We receive many fine letters which we would like to share with our readers, but we are unable to use them because they are unsigned or have a typewritten name only.

We cannot publish every letter we receive because of space limitations, but we try to present both sides of all issues. Personal attacks and letters considered to be in poor taste will not be printed.

### Economic Survival

To The Editor:

The very economic survival of Long Island is dependent on the development of a "partnership" encompassing local government, the public and business. Instead of beating their breasts and accusing civic groups and local government of "business bashing", business should end its case of myopia and act more responsibly.

It would be well to remember that the many incentives given to local business and industry by local government were an investment by the local taxpayers who not only carried their own tax burden but then also agreed to help underwrite all sorts of tax incentives for the benefit of business.

Instead of accusing local government, at the behest of civic activists, on imposing building moratorium and watercaps on newly proposed business developments, our business leaders should recognize the fact that the reforms are designed to assure the survival of both the Long Island public and business.

It is imperative that new and viable alternatives to declining aerospace and defense business be found if the economic strength

of the bi-county area is to be sustained.

One of the ways to stabilize and even enhance the Island's economy would be for the "partnership" to enlist the cooperation of our institutions of higher learning and facilities such as Brookhaven Laboratories and for them to work on projects such as the development of renewable energy sources, i.e. solar cells. Cooperation rather than confrontation will be a more meaningful way of addressing an economic shortfall.

It is foolhardy and irresponsible for Long Island business groups to attribute the erosion of the Island's economic base to local building moratoriums and water caps. The reduction of aerospace and defense business should mean that their water usage will be reduced and their use of this very limited resource should be prudently used for new businesses capable of maintaining the economic strength of Nassau-Suffolk.

The lack of proper planning and control by local municipalities during the past three decades is well documented and may well be attributed to the "sweetheart" relationship between certain members of the town boards, well connected attorneys and favored business firms.

Instead of threats of intimidation and political clout, our Long Island business community might try to assume a more responsible stance. I appeal to the business leadership to use its expertise rather than the black-jack. Creation of the proposed partnership will prove of benefit to all concerned.

Let's work together for the common good of the Long Island community . . . . . while there is still time!

Edward A. Grause  
Vice Chairman  
Town of Hempstead  
Democratic Committee

### Walk-Jog

To The Editor:

We at the American Cancer Society, Long Island Division, wish to thank all Long Islanders who participated in our tenth annual Walk-Jog on Sunday, October 16.

Hundreds of enthusiastic bicyclists, walkers and joggers, committed to the cause of cancer control, happily took to the trail at seven Long Island parks that cool, sunny October day. They participated individually, or as members of groups and organizations, by obtaining sponsors in advance of the event and then walking, jogging or bicycling in a collective effort to raise funds to conquer cancer. Many completed the course more than once, and all qualified for individual prizes, including bicycles and cameras. All agreed that the day had a special significance for them because of the contribution they were making to American Cancer Society research, programs and services.

## White House Report

By Martin Burns

This was probably a very sentimental Christmas for the president and Mrs. Reagan. The Reagans have spent most of their Christmases in the White House and left for the ranch in California on the 26th. The two previous occupants of the White House, the Carters and Fords, spent their Christmases out of Washington. The Carters returned to Plains and the Fords usually traveled to Aspen for a skiing vacation.

The Reagans have spent so many Christmases in Washington because they enjoy the White House and because it allows those who must travel with the president, such as staff members, secret service personnel and, of course, the White House press corps, to spend the holiday with their families.

As Ronald Reagan prepares to exit off the political stage, he has no qualms about life after the presidency. Many expect that after a few months of chopping wood on the ranch, the president will be back, as he puts it, "on the mashed potato circuit." I would not be surprised if he continues to make regular radio broadcasts.

One of the more interesting rituals at the White House is that of the "photo op." At its name implies, this was originally designed for photographers to come into the Oval Office, or other presidential setting, and take a picture of the president. In recent years, the press has taken to shouting questions at the president; thus, turning the event into a disorganized and unruly press conference.

President-elect George Bush has promised to end this practice by not permitting any questions at photo ops. In return, Bush has pledged to make himself more available to the press. He has held regular press conferences during the transition and the members of the White House press corps believe that he will keep his promise.

## 'Hearts and Flowers' to Benefit Heart Assoc.

On January 25, the Annual American Heart Association "Hearts and Flowers" day will bring happiness to New Yorkers across the state. In an effort to warm up the chilly month of January and to help speed up the recovery from the post-holiday "blues", the American Heart Association will be delivering thousands of heart-warming and beautiful bouquets of carnations throughout the state. These bouquets will sell for \$5.00 and will include five multicolored carnations with ferns wrapped in florist paper.

All proceeds from the sale are used to support research, education and community programs in Nassau County. Contact Eric Glickstein for posters and order forms at 747-5522.

On behalf of the Society and the community, we wish to express our thanks for the dedication and commitment of all Walk-Jog participants. Thank you, also, to the New York Islanders, MOT Advertising, Jericho Cider Mill, Silverlake Cookie Company and Great Bear Spring Water Company for your generous donations and support for this event. Your support helps to bring us closer to our goal of a cancer free society.

Edward J. Lynch

Walk-Jog Committee Chairman

## Complicated World

To The Editor:

While figuring out our complicated world, whether we speak or not to the Palestinians, whether the Israelis will join in or not, whether we will pay more for gasoline and cigarettes (which we are not supposed to smoke) to try to keep the budget balanced, there is one definite plus this year between now and the latter part of January.

Wherever we look, we can not find a lame duck or comments that important matters will have to await the new president. President Reagan seems to be doing what he feels should be done with silent, whispering or louder approval by the president-elect. Now, at long last, we have a third term. Happy Christmas to all, believers or not.

Franz Schager  
Locust Valley

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TO PEERLESS INSURANCE COMPANY, Walter Rammo, Attorney General of the State of New York, and Douglas A. Parker, Esq. of Wolf, Popper, Ross, Wolf and Jones, as Attorney-in-Fact for LUISE JULIANE KASEMMA (nee RAMMO) and ELLA RAMMUL (nee RAMMO), and any and all unknown persons whose names or parts of whose names and whose names and whose place or places of residence are unknown and cannot be ascertained, distributees, heirs-at-law and next-of-kin of said ARNOLD RAMMO, deceased, and if any of the said above distributees named specifically or as a class be dead, their legal representatives, their husbands or wives, if any, distributees and successors in interest whose names and/or places of residence and post office addresses are unknown and cannot after diligent inquiry be ascertained.

SEND GREETINGS:  
Upon the petition of Public Administrator of Nassau County with offices at 222 Willis Avenue, Mineola, New York as Administrator of the estate of ARNOLD RAMMO late of 36 Genesee Street, Hicksville, New York Deceased,

You and each of you are hereby cited to show cause before our Surrogate of the County of Nassau, at the Surrogate's Court of said County, held at the Nassau County Court House, at Mineola, in the County of Nassau, on the First day of February, 1989 at 9:30 a.m. of that day, why his Account should not be judicially settled, and why the fees of the attorneys representing the Public Administrator should not be approved in the

amount set forth in the account as filed, why the kinship of WALTER RAMMO, LUISE JULIANE KASEMMA (nee RAMMO), and ELLA RAMMUL (nee RAMMO), should not be established or rejected, and if rejected why anyone else claiming to be a distributee of the decedent should not establish proof of their kinship, and why the balance remaining on hand (if any) should not be paid to the Comptroller of the State of New York for the benefit of the person or persons who may be entitled thereto pursuant to SCPA 2222. And for such other further relief as the Court deems just and proper.  
(L.S.)

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused the seal of the Surrogate's Court of our said County of Nassau to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS, HON. C. RAYMOND RADIGAN, Judge of the Surrogate's Court of our said County of Nassau, at the Surrogate's Office, at Mineola, in the said County, the 6th day of DECEMBER, 1988.

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This citation is served upon you as required by law. You are not obliged to appear in person. If you fail to appear, it will be assumed that you consent to the proceedings, unless you file written verified objections thereto. You have a right to have an attorney-at-law appear for you.  
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Church of Christ Performs "Arch the Angel"



The Children's Choir ("Crittter County Club") of the Church of Christ perform a portion of "Arch The Angel" on December 18. On Dec. 19, portions of the musical were performed for a crowd of shoppers at Broadway Mall. Pictured from left to right: Courtney Ernest, Bonnie Pinkham, Tracy Sabeno, Tommy Goodlet, Kate Hofer, Brian McKee, and Victor Matthews.

Counseling For Teens

Adolescence can be a time of tremendous growth and change. This stage of development can cause stress and uncertainty in the family. Adolescence is a time when the teenager begins to exert his independence and also struggles with his identity. At the same time, parents are often at a point in which they are reassessing their accomplishments and personal choices. In essence, adolescence can be a tenuous time for the entire family. It is often a time of ongoing struggles between parents and teens.

The Hicksville Youth Council, located at 181 W. Old Country Road, offers a wide variety of services to teenagers and their families

in the Hicksville community. The Youth Council's Counseling Program is available to both individuals and families who live in the Hicksville Community. Teenagers should be between the ages 12 and 21. Counseling is provided free of charge, is confidential, and there is no waiting list. For more information about the Counseling Program, please call Pat Schussler or Toni Testa at the Youth Council, at 822-KIDS.

The Youth Council is a non-profit organization. It is open Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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# Inside Hicksville Elementary Schools

## From Fork Lane...



### Students Decorate Christmas Tree a Bit Differently

This holiday season, Fork Lane School students set up a beautiful Christmas tree. The tree was decorated with the usual ornaments and the not so usual ornaments. This year the students added socks and gloves which will go to the homeless and needy people. A special thanks to the Fork Lane people who contributed.

## From St. Ignatius...

### Learning About Safety

The students in grades kindergarten through fifth at Saint Ignatius Loyola School attended an assembly on school bus safety. The assembly was conducted by Officer Ed Dunne of the Traffic Safety Division of the Nassau County Police Department. Officer Dunne spoke to the children about the proper safety procedures and showed a film on

bus safety.

The students in grades three through six also attended an assembly on railroad safety. The program was conducted by Detective Groteke of the Long Island Railroad Police Department. Detective Groteke explained rules for safety near railroad tracks. He showed slides of different aspects of railroad safety.

## From Holy Family...

### Breakfast With Santa

Last month Holy Family cafeteria was transformed into a winter wonderland. Toy soldiers and candy canes on the walls, Christmas trees on the tables and sparkling eyes of children-old and young alike. This was the scene of the Annual Pancake Breakfast with Santa. Jolly Old St. Nick arrived with his elves, giving out balloons and gift bags to all his little friends.

When asked about the breakfast, Andrew Ahr and Andrew Davis said they loved their dad's pancakes; Anthony Martino and Joey Janisch liked the presents Santa gave them; Kelly Arstein liked her balloon and her mom liked the gifts she won. Katie Carriero just liked being there.

Thanks to hard working parents, pre-kindergarten and kindergarten children and teachers, and the seventh and eighth grade helpers, the day was a huge success.



JOEY JANISCH AND JASON PACCIONE with Santa at Holy Family.

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HICKSVILLE RESIDENTS ATTENDING the annual holiday celebration of the Nassau County Sheriff's Department were William Stanley, Civil Service Employee Association representative, Sheriff's Department C.S.E.A., and Joseph Jablonsky, who is the Nassau County Sheriff.

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## Police Report

The Second Precinct has reported the following:

• **December 22:** Electric appliances were stolen during the burglary of a business on Duffy Avenue.

• **December 26:** A house on Texas Street was burglarized. A television was included in the loss.

## Junior Honor Society Enjoy Holiday Party

Sixteen members of the National Junior Honor Society, representing the Hicksville Middle School Chapter, met with youngsters at St. Mary's School in Syosset for a holiday party. Everyone enjoyed the event, which was organized by Kristin Scalfani, vice president, and Mrs. Jane Wichmann, advisor.

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## Father and Son Honored For Saving Girl's Life

Oyster Bay Town Supervisor Angelo A. Delligatti presented a citation to James Hegmann of Hicksville in recognition of his role in rescuing a woman from a burning car. Hegmann and his son, Chris, who also received a citation, pulled the woman from her car, which wound up on the Hegmann's front lawn after hitting another vehicle in the early hours of Nov. 24. The car had already started to burn when they came to her aid, and they extracted her just seconds before it became engulfed in flames.

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**First Baptist Church** List St. and Pollock Pl., Hicksville. Tel: 938-7134. Kevin J. Ravello, Pastor. Services: Sunday morning worship at 11:00. Sunday night gospel hour at 7:00. Sunday school for ages cradle through adult at 9:45 a.m. Wednesday evening prayer at 7:30.

### CATHOLIC

**Holy Family Church** 5 Fordham Ave., Hicksville, 11801. Tel: 935-1345. The Rev. Peter L. Duvetisford, Pastor. The Rev. Domenick Graziadio, Asst. Pastor. Masses: Sundays in the Church 7:30, 9:00, 10:15 and 11:30 a.m. 12:45 and 7:00 p.m. Saturdays at 8:00 and 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 and 7:30 p.m.

**Our Lady of Mercy R.C. Church** 500 South Oyster Bay Road, Hicksville, 11801. Tel: 931-4351. The Rev. Magr. James E. Boesel, Pastor. The Rev. Charles A. Gartner, The Rev. William Donnelly, The Rev. John Fencik. Masses: Sundays in the Church-Saturday evening at 5:00 and 7:30 and Sundays at 7:30, 9:15, 10:30 and 11:45 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Family Mass on the third Sunday of every month at 11:00 a.m. in the lower church. Weekdays at 7:00, 8:00 and 9:00 a.m.

**St. Ignace Loyola R.C. Church** 129 Broadway, Hicksville. Tel: 931-0056. The Rev. Frederick Harter, Pastor. The Rev. Edward Tarrant, Administrator. The Rev. Peter Liu and The Rev. Robert J. Giuntini, Assoc. Pastors. Services: Weekend masses, Saturdays at 5 and 7:30 p.m. Sundays at 7:30, 8:45, 10 and 11:15 a.m. 12:30 and 6:00 p.m. Weekday masses at 7. Also 9 a.m. and Saturdays at 9 a.m. during August.

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### COMMUNITY

**The Parkway Community Church** Stewart Ave. at Levittown Parkway, Hicksville, 11801. Tel: 938-1233/931-9055. The Rev. Douglas R. MacDonald, Services: Sundays at 9:00 and 11 a.m. Church School and Infant Care at 9:30 and 11 a.m. Midweek Bible Study on Wednesdays at 8:15 p.m.

### EPISCOPAL

**Holy Trinity Episcopal Church** 130 Jerusalem Ave., Hicksville, 11801. Tel: 931-1920. The Rev. Dominic K. Cianella, Rector. The Rev. Anne E. Lyndall, Deacon. Services: Holy Communion on Wednesdays at 8:30 a.m. Sunday School and Nursery Care at 8:30 a.m. Healing service on the first Monday of each month at 8 p.m.

### GREEK ORTHODOX

**Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church** 20 Field Ave., Hicksville. Tel: 433-4522. Fr. George Stavropoulos. Services: Sunday Orthos at 9 a.m. Sunday School at 10 a.m. Divine Liturgy at 10:15 a.m.

### JEWISH

**Congregation Shaarei Zedek** New South Rd. and Old Country Rd., Hicksville, 11801. Tel: 938-0420, 938-0422. Rabbi Melvin Sachs. Services: Saturdays at 9 a.m.

**Hicksville Jewish Center** Jerusalem Ave. and Maglie Dr., Hicksville, 11801. Tel: 931-9323. Rabbi Joseph Grossman.

Services: Friday evenings at 8:30. Saturday morning at 9:30. Hebrew School Monday and Wednesday at 4:15 p.m. Primer School meets on Mondays at 4:15 p.m. The Men's Club meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 8:30 p.m. Sisterhood meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 8 p.m.

**Jaricho Jewish Center (Conservative)** North Broadway, Routes 106/107, Jericho, 11753. Tel: 928-2540. Rabbi Stanley Steinhart, Cantor Israel Goldstein. Sabbath services at 9:30 a.m. Junior Congregation meets at 10:45 a.m. Morning services Mon-Fri at 7:30 a.m. Sundays at 9:00 a.m. Evening services Sun-Thurs at 8:00 p.m. Friday candlelighting time, Sat sundown. Special Family service on the first Friday of each month at 7:45 p.m. Affiliated with the United Synagogue of America.

### LUTHERAN

**The Lutheran Church of St. Stephen** 270 South Broadway, Hicksville, 11801. Tel: 931-0710. The Rev. Frank L. Nelson, Pastor. Services: Holy Communion on Sundays at 8 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday Church School at 9:15 a.m.

**Redeemer Lutheran Church** 17 New South Road, Hicksville, 11801. Tel: 938-9603. The Rev. Dr. Theodore S. Grant. Services: Sundays at 8 and 11 a.m. Sunday School at 9:15 a.m. Bible Study on Thursdays at 8 p.m. Friday, January 6 Epiphany Service at 8 p.m.

**Trinity Lutheran Church** 40 W. Nicholas St., Hicksville, 11801. Tel: 931-2225. The Rev. Wayne Puls, Pastor. Services: Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. Sundays at 8:15, 9:45 and 11:15 a.m. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Nursery Care at 9:30 a.m. for the 9:45 a.m. service. Ladies Bible Study on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Men's Bible Fellowship on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 7:45 a.m., Weekly Scripture Study on Mondays at 11:30 a.m.

### METHODIST

**United Methodist Church** Old Country Rd. and Nelson Ave., Hicksville, 11801. Tel: 831-2626. The Rev. Richard Smeltzer, The Student Pastor Laura Benson. Services: Sundays at 8:00, 9:15 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday school from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. The Bus Ministry of the Church operates every Sunday to bring people to Sunday School or the 9:15 a.m. worship service.

### NON-DENOMINATIONAL

**The Church of Hicksville** 17 Herzog Place, Hicksville, 11801. Tel: 822-6330. Harold Butler, Pastor. Walter Munch, Asso. Pastor. Services: Sundays at 10:45 a.m. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Prayer meeting on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. Home Bible Study Groups.

**Church of Christ** 105 Broadway, Hicksville, 11801. Tel: 935-3855. The Rev. Tom Goodie, Minister. Services: Sundays worship at 11:00 a.m. Bible School at 10:00 a.m. Bible Study on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. and Wednesdays at 7 p.m. "Critic County Club" meets on Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

### PRESBYTERIAN

**First Presbyterian Church** 474 Wantagh Ave., Levittown, 11756. Tel: 731-3808. The Rev. Robert A. Wieman. Services: Sunday Worship and Sunday School at 10 a.m. Child care for pre-school children.

## Obituaries

### Emma Trudil

Emma Trudil, a resident of Hicksville, passed away on Dec. 21.

Pre-deceased by her husband, Albert R., Mrs. Trudil is survived by her daughters, Patricia and Ann, her sons, David and Albert, and five grandchildren.

A memorial service was said at St. James R.C. Chapel on Jan. 3. Interment followed at Long Island National Cemetery under the direction of Thomas F. Dalton Funeral Home, Hicksville Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, donations to M.A.D.D. would be appreciated.

### Mary A. Potente

Mary A. Potente, a resident of Hicksville, passed away on Dec. 23.

Pre-deceased by her husband, John E., Mrs. Potente is survived by her daughters, Concetta Gulli and Esther DiPietra, her sons, Saverio and Ralph, 18 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial was said at Our Lady of Mercy R.C. Church on Dec. 27. Interment followed at St. John's Cemetery under the direction of Thomas F. Dalton Funeral Home, Hicksville Chapel.

### Phillip H. Schaaf

Phillip H. Schaaf, a lifetime resident of Hicksville, passed away on Dec. 23 at the age of 69.

Mr. Schaaf is survived by his wife, Evelyn, his daughters, Linda Hubmeier and Phyllis Forsberg, his sons, Philip and Joseph, his sister, Katherine Giese, a brother, Roy, and seven grandchildren.

Religious services were held at Vernon C. Wagner Funeral Home. Interment followed at Pinelawn Cemetery.

### Jane Fucito

Jane Fucito, a resident of Hicksville, passed away on Dec. 25.

Mrs. Fucito is survived by her husband, Louis, her sons, Robert, James, Joseph and Louis Jr., and four grandchildren. Her son, William, pre-deceased her.

A Mass of Christian Burial was said at Holy Family R.C. Church on Dec. 29. Interment followed at Holy Rood Cemetery under the direction of Thomas F. Dalton Funeral Home, Levittown Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the American Heart Association, would be appreciated.

## Workshops at Library

To beat the Mid-Winter Blahs...

The Hicksville Public Library is offering two workshops. Registration began Jan. 4 at the library, Hicksville residents only.

Wednesday, Jan. 25 - 8 p.m.

Elegant Sweat Shirt

Maria Maisonnet will introduce an unusual method of decorating a sweat shirt. The finished product will be classy enough to

wear to any occasion. There is a materials fee of \$4 to be paid at registration. Ask for a "supplies needed list."

Tuesday, Feb. 28 - 8 p.m.

Victorian Album

At this workshop, Maria Maisonnet will demonstrate how to make a beautiful, fabric covered album. Ask for a "supplies needed list" at registration.

## Legion Auxiliary Meets

The next regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary of the Charles Wagner unit No. 421, Hicksville, will be held Friday, Jan. 6 at 7:30 p.m. at the new meeting rooms located at the West Village Green, Newbridge Road. Joan Rizos will preside.

Child welfare chairperson Mary Sheppard visited St. Christopher's Home and the

Children's Shelter and distributed gifts and goodies to about 150 children.

Some members attended the annual Christmas gift shop at the Northport V.A. Hospital. This program enables the hospitalized veterans at Northport to send gifts to family members at Christmas.

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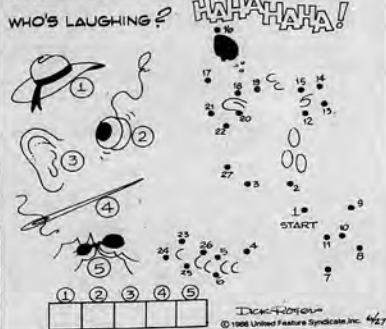
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**KidSpot**

UNDIRTY 1

2 DOWN

UNDIRTY U

6 ACROSS

9 ACROSS: OPPOSITE OF DRY

4 DOWN

8 ACROSS

5+2=

7 DOWN

5 DOWN

ANSWERS: Across—1. RACCOON, 2. GUP, 4. DOOR, 5. PIPE, 7. NET, 8. WET.

**KidSpot** THERE ARE EIGHT THINGS IN DRAWING "A" THAT ARE MISSING FROM DRAWING "B." HOW MANY CAN YOU FIND?

"HE HAS HAY FEVER."

ANSWERS: GIRAFFE'S SPOTS, TREE, HAY PILE, CAP, THERMOMETER, VETS, KIT, ELEPHANT'S TEARS, TUSKS.

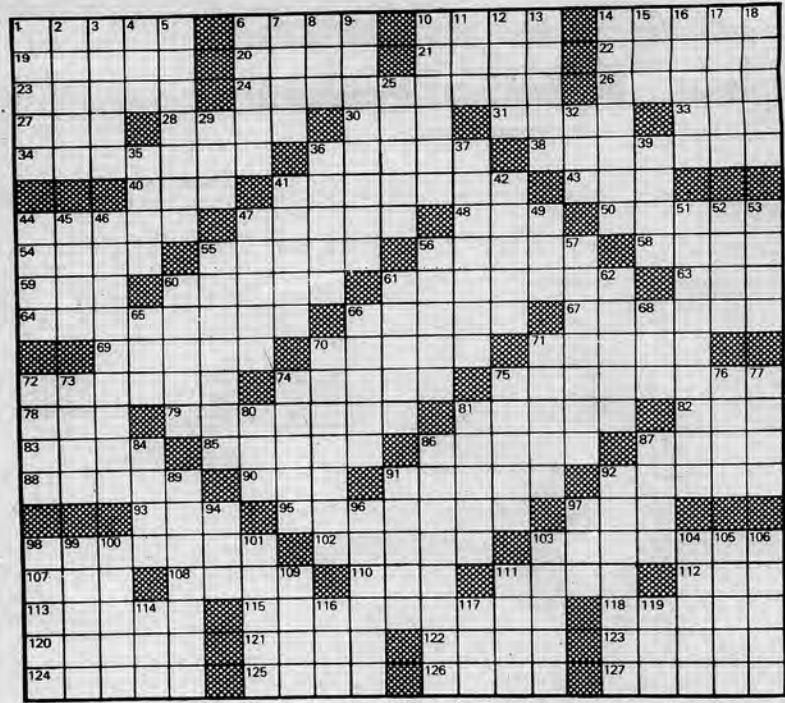
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ARCA ALOST PARSE ANOA  
GLORY TO THE NEWBORN KING  
LION AONE ENNA ASTER  
ELIA SANDY MAR ERE  
NAPLES METES DINER  
LISEE TACO OUST OSLO  
THE CHRISTMAS TREE VIAL  
ENTAILS LITER LINGER  
GLEE AFTER LINGER  
MANGER FLOUR BIGGER  
MOGULS LIONS BATH  
ANILE PALOS ORATION  
NELL HOME FOR CHRISTMAS  
ITEA ALBS ALEE ARGO  
HALLS LAMIA BELIAL  
RAN AES RADIO BALO  
ORIEL NINA OATS ODD  
BECAUSE OF CHRISTMAS DAY  
ONER ANELE OCALA HOLE  
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Answer to Cryptoquip:  
DEBT-RIDDEN APARTMENT OWNER HAD NO MONEY TO PAY HIS FISCAL BILLS SO HE FLEW THE CO-OP.

## PREMIER CROSSWORD / By Jo Paquin Happy New Year!

- ACROSS**
- 1 New Year heralds
  - 6 "My — Lady"
  - 10 Very, in Versailles
  - 14 Impairs by use
  - 19 "Fur —" (Beethoven work)
  - 20 Taj Mahal's home
  - 21 Evict
  - 22 Monk's garb
  - 23 Sand hog's Waterloo?
  - 24 Beverage of 10 Down
  - 26 Sultan's decree
  - 27 "My — and Only"
  - 28 Home of the Mets
  - 30 Egyptian pleasure god
  - 31 Slippery ones
  - 33 Stitch
  - 34 Holiday events
  - 36 Winged
  - 38 ABC's
  - 40 Ending for champ or mill
  - 41 Prepare for 34 Across
  - 43 Labor org.
  - 44 Star of "Bar-naby Jones"
  - 47 French river
  - 48 Storied bird of prey
  - 50 It's before handed or headed
  - 54 Some are cast
  - 55 British pris- oner
  - 56 Former Turkish officer
  - 58 Diminish gradually, with "down"
  - 59 Feature of 34 Across?
  - 60 Decorates
  - 61 Mistletoe invites it
  - 63 Play on words
  - 64 Art studios
  - 66 Legendary being
  - 67 Homes of the braves?
  - 69 Got ready to shoot
  - 70 Film-dom's Carbo
  - 71 Island of the Malay Archipelago
  - 72 Moist
  - 74 Descendants: var.
  - 75 How couples attend 34
  - 78 Wrath
  - 79 Make a New Year's promise
  - 81 Wooden peg
  - 82 One of Mick- ey's exes
  - 83 Farmer's field
  - 85 English author
  - 86 Compare
  - 87 Syllable with light or over
  - 88 Use a lariat
  - 90 Peer Gynt's mother
  - 91 He can't play duets
  - 92 Blends
  - 93 Cunning
  - 95 Arborists
  - 97 — Man (video game)
  - 98 Ebbs
  - 102 Thick slices
  - 103 Drug derived from hemp
  - 107 High note
  - 108 Common street name
  - 110 Eggs
  - 111 Spanish mur- alist
  - 112 Sgt., for one
  - 113 Italian sea- port
  - 115 What it's best to be at 34 Across
  - 118 Home of Saul's witch
  - 120 Ancient British people
  - 121 New York canal
  - 122 Legal docu- ment
  - 123 Violinist Isaac
  - 124 Valuable violin: short.
  - 125 Realtor's sign
  - 126 Table scraps
  - 127 IRS concern
- DOWN**
- 1 Style of jazz
  - 2 Turgenev heroine
  - 3 Ocean vessel
  - 4 "Acid"
  - 5 Council meeting
  - 6 Confronts
  - 7 Turkish officer
  - 8 Illegal Irish org.
  - 9 Climbing roses
  - 10 They're offered at 34 Across
  - 11 Lap robe, in London
  - 12 Feudal flunky
  - 13 Great strength
  - 14 Favor at 34 Across
  - 15 It's some- times bent?
  - 16 Degrade
  - 17 Legislative tack-on
  - 18 Frets
  - 25 "— porridge hot..."
  - 29 Layer
  - 32 Mainlander's souvenir
  - 35 Bonds
  - 36 Seed covers
  - 37 Large land mass
  - 39 Ram down
  - 41 Condemns
  - 42 Sheriff's band
  - 44 Isle of exile
  - 45 Canoe or kayak
  - 46 They're thrown at 34 Across
  - 47 Scottish lord
  - 49 Greek letter
  - 51 Headgear worn at 34 Across
  - 52 Loyal
  - 53 Strong urges
  - 55 More verdant
  - 56 Pub orders
  - 57 Certain enzyme
  - 60 Kitchen gadget
  - 61 New Hamp- shire city
  - 62 Coupled
  - 65 Backtalk: slang
  - 66 Orchard
  - 68 Dutch oven, for one
  - 70 Embellishers
  - 71 London tourist sight
  - 72 Clock face
  - 73 Alms box
  - 75 Symbol
  - 76 Old revelers' cry
  - 77 Chats: slang
  - 80 Vast amount
  - 81 Wines and
  - 84 Being
  - 86 New Year's Guy
  - 87 Whatever
  - 89 Card game
  - 91 "— It to Beaver"
  - 92 Most rapid
  - 94 Verily
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# Tracking Rail Road Expansion from Hicksville to Cold Spring Harbor

From Sophie Gay Griscom, "Syosset, One Time Farming Center, Nears Century Mark," 1935

The mid-island area proved to be a fat and prosperous farming country 130 years ago. The thousands of acres which now comprise Plainview, Hicksville, Jericho, Woodbury and Syosset were covered by thriving farms owned by the Van Sises, Willets, Underhills, Jacksons and Hewletts, to mention a few of the fine old families who settled the fertile fields of the area then called Eastwood.

The Long Island Rail Road ended in Hicksville in the mid 1800s. Travelers who wished to venture further east had to arrange for horse and buggy to carry them over the rough and wild country terrain. Later, people relied on automobiles to bring them eastward past Hicksville, and as a result, roadways heading toward Montauk expanded as highly traveled thoroughfares.

But back in 1854, the Jones family of Cold Spring Harbor, after whom Jones Beach was named, embarked on expanding the rail road northward. The family arranged with the Long Island Rail Road to run tracks northeast of Hicksville, through Syosset to Cold Spring Harbor. Cold Spring Harbor at that time was a whaling center, and the DeForest land west of the harbor and fronting the water was edged with docks for the picturesque schooners. This was delightfully called "Bungtown." Cold Spring Harbor, by this intervention of the powerful Jones family, was enabled to send its whale oil and other products directly to New York City instead of having to make a long journey by horse and wagon to Hicksville.

After the rail road construction began, the contour of the land over which the tracks were laid proved unsuitable. Still persisting, the workmen, placed the rails up hill and down dale, ending in the valley of Cold Spring Harbor, behind the white spired Episcopal Church. Unfortunately, the locomotives of those days were not powerful enough to cope with the steep grading, and it was not long

before the enterprise was abandoned. The tracks were taken up, but the old roadbed was still traceable, running through the northeastern section of Syosset. Today, the area is covered by houses, a development sponsored by the late Henry W. Warner. This business tycoon turned the farmlands he purchased into a lucrative real estate venture, planting trees and dividing it into lots. One example of his work rests on Split Rock Road running to East Norwich. Many writers of the late 1930s wrote of tracing the primitive roadbed in the woods to Cold Spring Harbor.

The spur of the rail road from Hicksville to Syosset persisted, however, and that is how Syosset sprang over night into a flourishing town with its own rail road station. Peter Bell established a thriving hostelry beside the tracks, and coaches came from Oyster Bay, Huntington and Cold Spring Harbor. The inn was a combination station and hotel. Tickets were sold there and weary travelers spent a comfortable night, well warmed by the substantial food and amber cider of that bygone era. In the 1860s, Bell bought the East Norwich Inn, which was later run by the Rothmanns.

Later in the history of the rail road, tracks were run to Oyster Bay, diverting the stream of freight and passengers from Syosset. Although Syosset still attracted a large number of people, nonetheless, the hotel of Peter Bell fell into disuse. The coming of the automobile probably had much to do with this.

Fred Duggan, of Locust Valley, brought the first horseless carriage to Syosset at an undetermined date, perhaps in the late 1880s. In any event, he bought a chugging motor, hitched it to his buggy, and somehow negotiated the perilous miles from Locust Valley to Syosset. There was a near riot in the village at the time. Horses snorted and reared in dismay, and small boys shrieked the cry of the day, "Git a horse, Mister, git a horse!"

-Compiled by Catherine Tokar



THE UNDERHILL property was a vital part of the mid island area when the family settled it a few hundred years ago. Some of the big landowners of the late 1800s sold their land to make way for the Long Island Rail Road expansion from Hicksville to Syosset to Cold Spring Harbor. In 1970, these barns were moved to the Old Bethpage Village Restoration. (Photo courtesy Syosset Public Library.)

## Kiwanis Membership Drive is a Success

As a result of the Membership Drive conducted recently at the suggestion of Hicksville Kiwanis Club President Tony Citrola, a New Member Induction ceremony was held at the Dec. 14 luncheon meeting of the club.

After the Membership Drive got started, numerous Kiwanis invited prospects to come to the meetings to be introduced to the Kiwanis Club membership. The Hicksville Kiwanis Club Membership Committee reviews applications for membership and makes recommendations for approval to the Board of Directors and the general membership after a prospect has attended three Kiwanis Club meetings.

At the Dec. 14 meeting, five prospects had met the requirements and were voted into membership as Kiwanians. President Tony Citrola gave the privilege of conducting the New Member Induction ceremony to Past President Siegfried Widder. Mr. Widder formally welcomed the inductees and congratulated them on applying for membership in Kiwanis. He then reviewed "The Objects of Kiwanis International", namely: 1 - to Give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life; 2 - to Encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships; 3 - to Promote the adoption and the application of higher social, business, and professional standards; 4 - to Develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive, and servicable citizenship; 5 - to Provide, through Kiwanis Clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service, and to build better communities; 6 - to Cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism, and good will. Mr. Widder then asked them if they were in agreement with

these "Objects of Kiwanis International". Upon giving their consent, President Tony "K" pinned the new members, and Mr. Widder presented them with their Certificates of Membership and their New Member Kits.

The five new members are: Nora Richards of the Hicksville Public Schools; Mary Ann Esposito of Security Mutual of New York, Inc.

Karen Menechino, Assistant Treasurer of The Bank of New York and Manager of the Center Shops Branch of the bank; Steve Ocuto of Droylin Corporation; and Ed Draycott, retired from the business world, but very active in the community as first vice president of the Hicksville Community Council.



NEW KIWANIS MEMBERS ARE (seated left to right) Nora Richards sponsored by Past President Dr. Keith Pastuch; Mary Ann Esposito sponsored by Donna Jean Schroeder; Karen Menechino sponsored by Donna Jean Schroeder; standing, left to right: Past Pres. Siegfried Widder; Steve Ocuto sponsored by Pres. Tony Citrola; Ed Draycott sponsored by Past Pres. and Secretary Dr. Bernie Paul; and Kiwanis President Tony Citrola.

(photo by Roger Siragusa)

## What Hicksville Is Reading

The following books were highly requested last week at the Hicksville Public Library:

### FICTION

1. THE PRESIDENT WOMEN — June Singer
2. PEARL — Tabitha King
3. FIRE ARROW — Franklin A. Leib
4. UNION SQUARE — Meredith Tax
5. THE ICEMAN — M.E. Morris

### NONFICTION

1. CITY FOR SALE — Jack Neufield & Wayne Barrett
2. FAMILY: THE TIES THAT BIND AND GAG — Erma Bombeck
3. UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL — Jim Speerice
4. THE GI'S WAR — Edwin Hoyt
5. PRIME TIME — Joan Collins

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1. MOONSTRUCK
2. WALL STREET
3. THE SEVENTH SIGN
4. DEAD HEAT
5. E.T.

## Senior Adult Club Trip to Atlantic City

The Senior Adult Club of St. Ignatius is planning a trip to Atlantic City at Trump Castle Casino on Tuesday, Jan. 24. The bus leaves at 9 a.m. from St. Ignatius School. The cost is \$19, \$22.50 coin return and \$5 deferred coupon. Doughnuts and candy will be served on the bus. Bring your own coffee. If interested call Marge at 931-1266 or Catherine at 931-0400.

The club meets every other Wednesday in the old school cafeteria at St. Ignatius. New members are welcome.