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## Sam Goldberg's Spirit Lives in Hicksville's Eagle

By Rita Langdon

There's always a story behind a special monument in a community but it often goes untold as residents become so familiar with it that it blends in with the surroundings.

The 5,700 pound granite eagle statue at Rail Road Station Plaza may have gone unnoticed at times during its 25-year life span in Hicksville, but as of May 15, 1990 it has again become the center of attention.

In addition to the eagle being a source of Hicksville's pride, so is the memory of the well-respected Hicksville High School Latin teacher who was the driving force in bringing the sculpture to the community.

Twenty-five years ago, Samuel A. Goldberg, most often described by his friends as a "great humanist and a true professional," convinced the president of the Long Island Rail Road to bring one of the old New York City's Pennsylvania Station eagles to this area. The Roman eagle was obtained by Hicksville High School at the time that the terminal was being demolished to make room for the new Madison Square Garden.

Mr. Goldberg's hope was that the eagle in Hicksville would inspire Hicksville's youngsters to study Latin.

And on Tuesday, May 15, 1990, at 10 a.m. in a special ceremony, Goldberg's students sang songs in Latin and a plaque was dedicated which was inscribed in both Latin and English. The eagle, garbed in a white Roman Toga, was officially unveiled and it has

been guarding the station plaza for the past quarter century.

Now 25 years later, at the exact same day and time of the original dedication, residents, railroad officials, and local dignitaries met at Station Plaza to pay homage to Hicksville's pride.

A member of the 1965 Latin class and the masters of ceremonies at the original dedication, Mark Horowitz, spoke of his admiration for Goldberg. He was "one incredible teacher," Horowitz said. "Those of us who studied with Mr. Goldberg learned not only Latin... but we learned the value of patience, learned to use humor as a tool, and the joy of personal satisfaction." He added, "We will never forget this kind, gentle and gifted soul."

Goldberg's daughter, Dr. Rochelle Ruthchild, said that she remembered how "excited he was about the bringing of the eagle to Hicksville and [how he used] the eagle as a way to teach [his students] how important learning languages were and how important language is."

She added, "I'm sure my father would have been quite moved by this ceremony, and I'd like to think [he would want you to] reach for the sky, to soar like eagles yourself in pursuit of your dreams."

Current high school Latin and baccalaureate students were also guest speakers at the ceremony.

Student Jennifer Diamond said, "There is

much for all of us to learn from Mr. Goldberg." She added, "In the future, whenever we look at the eagle, we will no longer see it as a piece

of granite, but as a symbol of what cooperation, determination and hard work can accomplish."

### Remembering Samuel Goldberg

The late Samuel A. Goldberg, a Hicksville High School Latin teacher was remembered at a re-dedication ceremony last week for his help in getting the eagle statue to the Long Island Rail Road Station Plaza in Hicksville. LIRR representatives said the following about Goldberg:

"Samuel A. Goldberg was the principal person and the "spiritus movens" behind the eagle acquisition. He was able to convince the LIRR President Thomas Goodfellow that one of the Penn Station Eagles should be given to Hicksville.

"He taught in New Jersey for 18 years and after coming to Long Island in 1955, he taught the subject another 20 years before his untimely illness caused him to retire.

Goldberg was an eminent classicist... A great humanist, respected and valued equally by his colleagues and students. He was president of the B'nai B'rith Society both in New Jersey and on Long Island. At Hicksville High School, he was chairman of the Foreign Languages for many years."



Sam Goldberg in 1968

He passed away in 1981. Survivors are his wife, Ruth, son, Steven and daughter, Rochelle.

## Tracking the Life of Hicksville's Famous Eagle



The eagle at Hicksville Rail Road Station Plaza.

Although some of New York City's past was destroyed in the demolition of the original Pennsylvania Station, a small piece of that history is alive and well today in Hicksville.

One of the great monuments of this area—a Penn Station eagle—came to Hicksville as a result of the destruction of the station in the 1960s. And the eagle has been added to the list of the many great landmarks in this community.

Therefore, "The destruction of Penn Station was not entirely in vain," said David D. Morrison, president of the Long Island Rail Road Historical Society.

The Pennsylvania Station officially opened Sept. 8, 1910 with the start of the Long Island Rail Road service out of the facility. It wasn't until two months later that the Pennsylvania Railroad was able to operate its trains from the station. For more than a half century Penn Station stood as an elegant gateway to the largest city in the world. The mighty terminal, along with Grand Central Terminal on 42nd Street, served as New York's two great railroad passenger portals.

With the increased usage of the automobile and later the advent of air travel, the railroad's importance in the region's transportation scheme suffered enormous setbacks. Penn Station was allowed to fall in a state of ill repair. Finally, in the early 1960s, the temptation to sell the building and make a hefty profit was too great for Pennsylvania Station and the structure was sold to make room for a basketball court.

The demolition commenced on Oct. 28, 1963, over the objections of various groups interested in preserving the landmark. The destruction of Penn Station was said by the *New York Times* to be a "monumental act of

vandalism." Fortunately, all of the pink granite eagles were saved as well as some of the statuary groups.

Hicksville's eagle at the Rail Road Station was sculptured out of pink granite which was quarried in Milford Massachusetts, The famous sculptor, A. Weinman, designed the eagles and the other statuary on the terminal. Each of the entrances had a huge clock at center top of the face. On the left of each clock was the figure "Day" and on the right, "Night." The eagles had their place on the sides of the statuary groups.

Hicksville's 5,700 pound eagle was one of 14 of the large eagles—there were 22 eagles in all. Eight smaller eagles, made from Knoxville Marble, abutted the four statuary groups. On the 7th Avenue main entrance face, as well as the 31st and 33rd Street faces, two "Milford Eagles" stood on each side of the statuary groups. The 8th Avenue facade only had two of the large eagles for reasons unknown.

Ironically, the same year that Hicksville dedicated its eagle, the Landmarks Preservation Committee was formed whose purpose was to assure that the great landmarks of the city did not fall into the same dismal fate as Penn Station. Out of the ashes of Penn Station, rose the movement that has been responsible for saving other great structures such as Grand Central Terminal.

The other 14 Milford pink granite eagles are located in the following areas: two eagles outside of Madison Square Garden, two eagles at the Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, four eagles at Market Street Bridge, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, one eagle each at National Zoo, Smithsonian Institi-

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# H O M E T O W N P E O P L E

## Annie Had Visitors

Sara Tyson of Hicksville, her mom Sara, and sister, Helen Zuniga recently visited with former Hicksvillite Ann (Clark) Candella at her home in Middle Island. They had lunch at the Cafe de Espanol in Port Jefferson while reminiscing about the good years she had living in Hicksville. Ann said, "Even though I am happy living in Middle Island, I still miss all my old neighbors."

Ann has been doing a lot of traveling lately and when I saw her on Mother's Day she was leaving for Mt. Snow, Vermont, with the senior citizens of Our Lady of Mercy. She'll be going to visit her two sons and two grandsons at the end of June and will be going to Italy in September. (When are you going to slow down Annie?)

In between all of this Ann visited Resorts in Atlantic City and won a "Ladies Only Black-Jack Tournament and came home with a beautiful gold bracelet . . . and best of all . . . all the money she went with. (Now, that's what I call a winner!)

## Scholastic File

Harold McLaughlin, a senior, majoring in Physics at New York Institute of Technology, has received the Presidential Service Award for his scholastic abilities and achievements as well as outstanding service to the college.

Harold is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore McLaughlin of Hicksville.



Lauren Ingvaldstad  
Ice Show Benefit

Last Saturday night the Cantigue Figure Skating Club held its annual ice extravaganza at Cantigue Park, with the cooperation of the Nassau County Department of Recreation and Parks. The proceeds from this show went to benefit the U.S. Special Olympics.

Many national, olympic and world skating stars performed with local youngsters participating in a variety of solo and group numbers. One of those performing was nine-year-old Lauren Ingvaldstad, who is a student at Our Lady of Mercy School.

## Danielle Is Seven

The following message is going to Danielle Boncic: "Happy seventh birthday, Danielle, from your mom Pat, dad Vlatko, and of course, your favorite little brother, Anthony!"

Pat said Danielle will be celebrating her birthday with all her friends at a roller skating party, May 28.

The Boncics moved to Hicksville three years ago and turned a little bungalow into a beautiful two story home. Vlatko did all the work himself—and he should be very proud. Their home is just lovely.



Hometown People is written by Flo Gries, a lifelong Hicksville resident. She loves receiving all your weddings, engagements and family news. You can write to Flo at 132 East Second Street, Mineola, N.Y. 11501. All photos will be returned if you include your name and address on the back.



Amanda Rubalcaba

## It's A First

Congratulations to Amanda Christing Rubalcaba of Bayville who will celebrate her first birthday on May 31. Amanda will celebrate with her brother, Scott, 2½, her mom, Debi Grotyohann, formerly of Hicksville, Dad, and Jon. Also celebrating are Amanda's grandparents Helen and Art Grotyohann of Hicksville and Tim and Gaeanne Rubalcaba of Westbury, Aunt Diane and Uncle Jim.

## About The Scotto Family

We received a note from Sally Scotto giving us some information on their family. She writes: "Vinny and I are so proud of our daughters, Lucia and Sallyann. Our congratulations to Lucia for being named to the Fall Semester Honors List at the State University of New York College at Old Westbury. Lucia is a sophomore majoring in Elementary Education. And to . . .

Sallyann for receiving a Certificate of Achievement in recognition of Academic Excellence for the Class of 1990 Hicksville High School.

We wish them the best of everything from the whole family."

## Special Wishes

We received the following message: "A very happy birthday to a special aunt and godmother, JoAnne Faderl, who will be celebrating her birthday May 29. Love . . . Charles and Michael Hearon."

## Grandma's On 'Cloud 9'

Joan and John Scarola received the nicest present on April 20. They were given their first grandchild—Kaitlyn Rita, born at Community Hospital in Glen Cove.

Coming into this world 21½" long and 8 lbs. 4 oz., Kaitlyn delighted her parents Diane and Robert Bayne of Williston Park.

Diane graduated from Hicksville High School in 1975 and from Niagara University in 1979. Robert graduated from Carle Place High School, Carle Place, and is in his own interior/exterior painting business.

Rob is the son of Henry Bayne of Westbury and the late Mary Rita Bayne.



Kaitlyn Rita Bayne

## They're Celebrating Everything

Lee Duffy will start celebrating on May 27th—the day of her birthday. On May 31st she'll start off celebrating the day with her darling granddaughter, Lauren Duffy, who will be five years old . . . and then later in the day she and husband Norman will be celebrating their wedding anniversary. Best wishes are going to all of you.

## Good Luck, Jason

Jason Strong is the grandson of Edgar and Evelyn (Garbarino) Strong, former longtime residents of Hicksville, now of North Kingstown, Rhode Island, and Rose Grano, of Dean Street, Hicksville. His grandparents were so happy when they learned that Jason was nominated to the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy of Kings Point by Congressman Ray McGrath.

Equally happy—and proud—were Jason's mom and dad, Roseanne and Jack Strong, and his sister, Lisa Strong of Levittown.

Congratulations and good luck, Jason.



Jason Strong

## Our Service File

Marine Cpl. Jonathan Freeman, a 1981 graduate of Holy Trinity High School recently completed the Marine Air-Ground Task Force Intelligence Specialist Entry-Level Course at Virginia Beach, Va. He received training in combat intelligence tasks to prepare him for duty as an intelligence assistant. He joined the Marine Corps in June 1985.

• Marine Pfc. Michael Murray, son of Helen and Eugene Murray of Hicksville, has completed the School of Infantry.

Michael is a 1989 graduate of Hicksville High School.

• Navy Petty Officer, 3rd Class Peter Marchione, son of Peter Marchione recently reported for duty aboard the aircraft carrier USS America, homeported in Norfolk, Va.

Peter joined the Navy in May, 1986.

## Made All Division

Congratulations to Jennifer Cantalupo, captain of the Hicksville Varsity Basketball team for being selected to the "All Division Team."

Jennifer combined an unselfish offensive game with an aggressive defense which often left her mark on opposing shooters. Her leadership and enthusiasm made it a pleasure to watch her play.

Congratulations, Jennifer.

## Seen Around Town

Recently met some old timers. First I met Helen and Jim Caulfield. Enjoyed the visit immensely. They are two of the happiest people I know. They were telling me that they just bought a home in Orlando, Florida. Jim said, "Helen has retired for the fourth time and now we're going to spend some time during the winter down in Florida—and the summers at our home in New Hampshire." Helen is a workaholic. She was telling me that she loves getting out and meeting people. She enjoys Jim—but she also enjoys the good times she has with the ladies she works with.

That's why she keeps going back to work. She sends her regards to Lee Brown in Florida. (She knows that she receives The Illustrated). Seems like Helen and Jim are going to have the best of both worlds, aren't they? Florida in the winter and New Hampshire in the summer. What a way to live!

• Also met another old friend, Ebba (Johnson) McGunnigle. She was expecting her son, Kevin, and daughter-in-law, Lynn, and their three and five year old children, Kevin and Brian, for a weekend visit. They live in that lovely town of Falls Church, Virginia. He's with the Texas Instrument Co.

If any of you see Ebba walking in her complex in the near future it'll be because I convinced her that walking is the best thing for her arthritis. She's promised to do it. Keep an eye out and let me know if she took my advice.

• Met Jimmy Halcott who is now back in Hicksville after doing extensive traveling. Girls—he's still good looking . . . and . . . he's also still single!

• Also met 16-year-old Coleen Agoglia and she told me a very interesting story. Her grandfather, Ray Moffitt of Hicksville received the surprise of his life from his daughter, Deborah Agoglia, the other day. Coleen said, "My grandfather just retired from the Long Island Railroad. He worked nights. The morning after his last night at work I woke him up and told him there was a man at the front door, dressed in a tuxedo, asking to see him. He got up, put his robe on and went to the door. The man said to him, 'Congratulations, you're now the proud owner of a brand new Cadillac. With that the car alarm went off—and my grandfather went out and looked. Sure enough there was a brand new Cadillac. He was in a state of shock. He came back in the house with tears in his eyes saying, 'What a daughter I have. I love her.'"

Isn't that a lovely retirement gift to receive? Enjoy it in good health, Rav.

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# Hicksville Library's Bookmobile Is Shelved

By Rita Langdon

The Hicksville Library's bookmobile was making its way down Miller Road when it started shimmying and the brakes started to go, according to its driver Sal D'Amico.

The mobile was immediately brought back to its familiar resting spot on the south side of the public library. And there it lay until the library board declared the mobile unsafe for the road after 30 years of service. "A lot of our customers are hurt and very, very disappointed," D'Amico said.

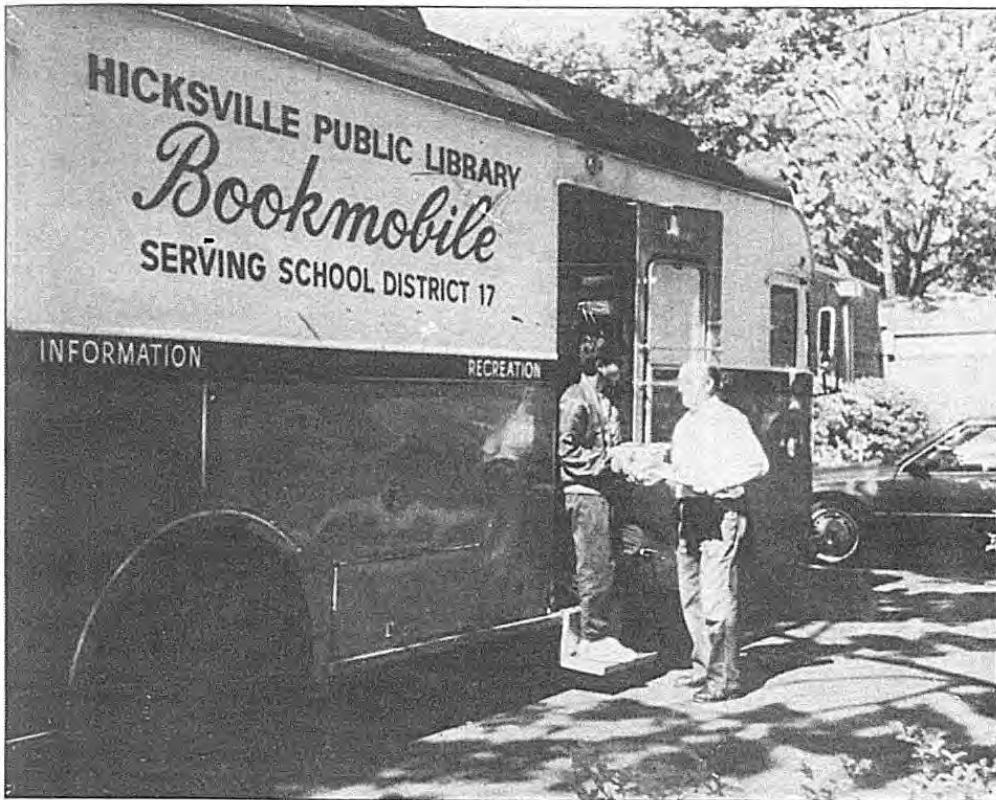
Because the mobile is still widely used by homebound residents, the library will continue delivery service to those people, said Marc Herbst, president of the Hicksville Library Board.

Another reason the mobile was taken out of service was because of declining patron use. "It's a dying breed," Herbst said. "It was used heavily in the 60s and 70s, but Hicksville is no longer a one car family."

Last week, the library board of trustees voted not to expend any additional funds to fix the mobile. Last year's maintenance and repair costs were about \$10,000. The cost of a comparable vehicle for replacement is estimated at \$100,000—more than five times the bookmobile's original \$10,700 purchase price, Herbst said. "We were tired of throwing good money after bad," he said.

The bookmobile has served the Hicksville community since its original purchase in 1960. In the earlier years, the bookmobile provided a valuable service for Hicksville, Herbst said. The "rolling library" brought library services directly to the neighborhoods during the generation when most families had on only one automobile, Herbst said.

He added that while the elementary school



Hicksville Library Bookmobile driver Sal D'Amico and Hicksville High School student Santosh John remove the books from the Bookmobile on Saturday.

(Illustrated Photo By R. Langdon)

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# Fire Officials Say Solicitor Misleads Merchants

By Rita Langdon

A group soliciting funds for the Hempstead Fire Department has Hicksville's fire officials worried.

A group known as the Long Island Volunteer Firefighters Association (LIVFA) is asking for funds over the telephone from local merchants in Hicksville as well in other communities. While the group has solicited for many years now, it was recently hired by Hempstead to gain funds for its annual parade and drill this summer. But Hicksville's fire officials have said that this group is misleading local merchants.

"They are very clever," said Hicksville Fire Department spokesperson Owen Magee. "You think the donation given is for your local fire department."

Nassau County Assistant Fire Marshal Robert Doran said that while LIVFA's phone solicitation is legal, the "canned speech" the solicitors use can be misleading. According to Doran, the caller may say, "Are you in the Hicksville Fire District?" The merchant answers, "Yes." The caller continues, "We are looking for a contribution that will help all fire departments."

Doran said that when the merchant hears "Hicksville" mentioned he or she automatically thinks the funds will go to Hicksville's fire department. "The inference is that you are benefiting Hicksville if Hicksville comes to the parade and drill," Doran said. Several attempts to contact the Long Island Volunteer Firefighters Association have been unsuccessful.

Doran noted that the solicitors and those who physically collect the money from merchants receive a percentage of the funds, with only 30 percent actually going to the fire department. He added that he does not agree with the process and has repeatedly asked fire departments, and in this case Hempstead, to stop using the service. "I feel it's a disservice," Doran said, but he noted that the process "is within in the framework of the law."



Fireman Stephen Smith wears the proper uniform Hicksville firefighters use to canvass the area during a fund drive. Inset, the I.D. tag the firemen must present to the homeowner.

(Illustrated photos by Michael J. Maloney)

In addition, the solicitor asks the business person to place an advertisement in a journal, therefore giving the merchant something in return for his or her contribution. While Magee said he has yet to see the journal, Doran noted that there is a journal, although

few are circulated.

Doran advises merchants that if a solicitor calls to inquire as to whom the funds will specifically benefit.

Hicksville's fire officials are currently taking precautions by planning to run advertisements in newspapers warning merchants. Magee said that residents are not usually affected as the solicitors are looking for businesses that can advertise.

Fundraising for the Hicksville Fire Department is currently in process. The Hicksville department sends out mailings in the spring,

then reminder notices. During the summer, the firefighters canvass the area during the summer months, Magee said.

All members wear white shirts with Hicksville Fire Department patches on the sleeves, and they all carry photo identification cards that contain the member's eye and hair color, weight and height and an expiration date in the lower right hand corner.

"We encourage the residents to ask for an ID card," Magee said. "And we tell the volunteers not to take it personally if the homeowners are suspicious."

## Early Deadlines

Due to the Memorial Day holiday, the deadline for the Thursday, May 31 issue is Thursday, May 24 at 5 p.m. Deadline for the June 7 issue is Friday, June 1 at 4 p.m.

In addition, the *Hicksville Illustrated* has NEW deadlines. Copy must be dropped off at our Mineola office by Friday at 4 p.m. for

that Thursday's paper. Copy for our Hicksville drop-off at 9 California Street must be in the mailbox by Friday at 8:45 a.m. No exceptions. Information can also be FAXED to our office at 742-5897 by 4 p.m. Friday. If you have a problem or need extra time, call Rita Langdon at 747-8282, ext. 164.

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libraries were somewhat inadequate and the hours of the public library children's room were limited, this service provided youngsters—prominent users of the bookmobile—direct access to the educational resources of a library.

Patron use of the bookmobile had gradually declined since it began service. Its highest book circulation—7,300—occurred during 1981, its first full year of service. Circulation figures over the last several years have averaged a nominal 2,300 books.

Herbst said, "Explanations for decline may be attributed to great mobility among our residents, improved school libraries, the public library's children's room now open during all hours of operation, and the inability of the bookmobile to carry the many technological services now offered at libraries."

The aging of the vehicle in recent years forced the bookmobile out of service for extended periods of time. Several weeks ago, it was determined that a damaged axle and worn brakes deemed the vehicle unsafe.

The use of bookmobiles has declined throughout the nation. In Nassau County, only four libraries—Farmingdale, Freeport, Levittown, Peninsula—still run bookmobiles.

The contents of Hicksville's bookmobile is currently being transferred to the library.

Upon completion, a decision regarding the vehicle's disposition will be made by the library board. All clerical staff have been reassigned to the library.

The library will continue to provide delivery service to homebound residents who live within School District No. 17. For more information regarding this service call the library at 931-1477.

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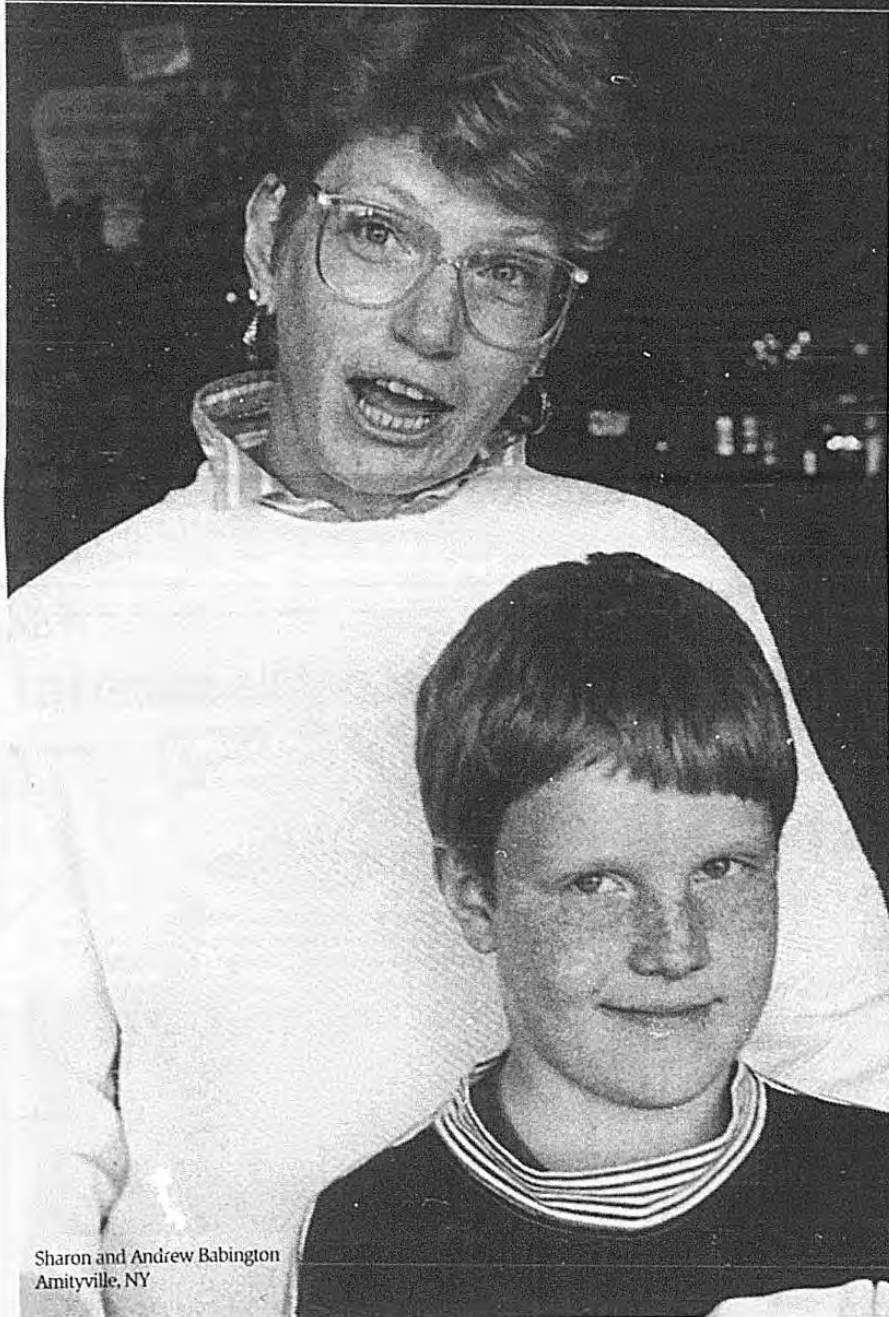
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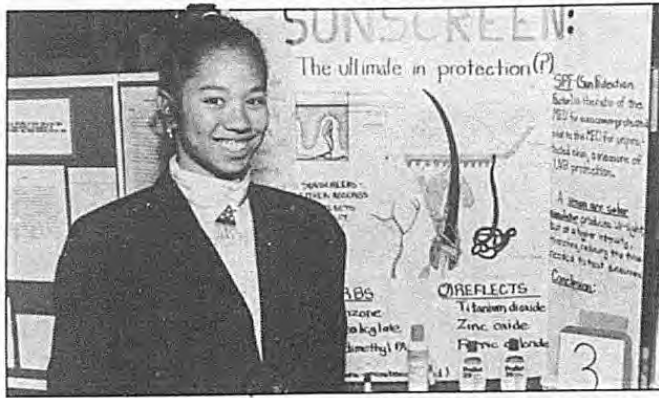
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**ELEVENTH GRADE STUDENT** Cristina Moy of Hicksville proudly displays her entry in LILCO's Energy and the Environment contest. The competition was part of the recent Long Island Science Congress held at the State University of New York at Farmingdale. Cristina's entry explored the potential for internal application of sunscreens as protection from ultra violet radiation. Energy and Environment Award winners will be announced later this month.

## Hicksville's Famous Eagle (continued from page 1)

tion, Washington; Sydney College, Virginia; Valley Forge Military Academy, Pennsylvania; Vinalhaven, Maine; Cooper Union College, New York City; Hicksville Rail Road Station.

Four of the smaller eagles are located at: two at Ringwood State Park, New Jersey; two at the Boy Scouts of America, Kansas City, Missouri. There were four other eagles left although at this time, their location is not certain.

The Hicksville eagle is located at street level, on the northwest side of the rail road station, near the ticket office.

### The LIRR at Hicksville

Known as the transportation hub of Long Island, Hicksville has always been the center of attention with the Long Island Rail Road.

The LIRR reached Hicksville on March 1, 1837, three years after the railroad was chartered. Hicksville served as the eastern ter-

minus until the railroad reached Farmingdale in 1841. The railroad was double tracked to Hicksville 100 years ago, in 1890.

A most significant event in LIRR history occurred in Hicksville on Oct. 8, 1955, the "End of Steam" ceremony took place marking the transition from steam locomotives to diesel powers.

The entire character of Hicksville changed when the railroad was elevated in the mid 1960s and Broadway was widened.

(The above information was obtained from the Long Island Rail Road.)



Mark Horowitz was one of the original members of the Hicksville High School Latin Class of 1965 who helped dedicate the eagle at the rail road station 25 years ago.

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Many companies in the Duffy Park area are contributing to the efforts of the civic association. In addition to Agway, donations have been received by American Transfer Co., Jodec Plastics, Green's Liquors, Center View Florist, Alan Appliance Parts, Malvese, and Three Star Cleaners.



Artie Uhlich, chairman of the Duffy Park Civic Association's Beautification Committee, accepts a \$200 check from Barry Harris, plant manager of Agway Energy Products.

## Broker Elected Executive VP

Local real estate broker **Joseph N. Jannace, CRB**, president of Century 21 Jannace in Hicksville and Plainview, was recently elected by his peers to the position of executive vice president of the Century 21 Brokers Council.

The Brokers Council consists of 115 members, each owning a Century 21 franchise in Nassau and Suffolk Counties, Queens, the Bronx or Manhattan. The Brokers Council responsibilities are to develop and implement

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Jannace has previously held the positions of county vice president and recruiting chairman for the Brokers Council.

## New Realtor in Hicksville

**Empress Realty** celebrated its move from Flushing to Hicksville at an open house party on May 15.

Empress, which is also celebrating its fifth anniversary, has a staff of 12 people who speak several languages including Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Spanish and English.

In coming to Hicksville, the agency changed its name from Main Flushing Realty to Em-

press Realty. The office is located at 107 Broadway. The phone number is 931-1500.

In addition, a member of Empress' staff—Reiko Hung—recently became a member of the Multiple Listing Serving of Long Island, Inc. Through her connection with the service she will provide the most sophisticated service available to customers in the buying, selling and listing of homes.



The staff at the new Empress Realty in Hicksville. (Back row; from left) Flora Lee, Grace Lin, Shirley Shenker. (Front row) Karen Lee, Elaine Landsman, Betty Lonnannon and Reiko Hung.

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# The School Notebook



Art teacher Henny Shore of the Hicksville Middle School with student Neha Patel who won the "Best in Show" prize at the Young People's Art Show held last month.

## At the Middle School

### "Best in Show" Prize

Henny Shore, Middle School Art Teacher and Hicksville Congress of Teachers member, has announced that Neha Patel, an eighth grade student won "Best in Show" prize, Junior Division, at the Young People's Art Show held April 23, 27, at the Hicksville Public Library.

Neha, who is in Mrs. Shore's Studio in Art Class, competed against students from other districts including Lynbrook and Massapequa. Neha's award winning work, entitled "Country Kitchen" was on view with other art work at the annual Art Show at the Middle School, May 14 and 15.



St. Ignatius Brownies Troop 3023 who won "Ave Maria" Diocesan Awards are (from left) Christine Marby, Mary Bligh and Bridget Donahue. Here they pose with members of their family.

## At St. Ignatius

### Brownies Earn Awards

The St. Ignatius Brownies in Troop No. 3023 recently planned a ceremony for three girls who earned the "Ave Maria" Diocesan Award.

The program is offered to Brownies in Grades 2 and 3. Its purpose is to help each girl become more aware of God's presence in her daily life, especially within her home and community.

The awards which were blessed by Father Tarrant and conferred by Ms. Burdi, the school principal, were received by Bridget Donahue, Christine Marby and Mary Bligh. The girls earned the award in second grade by working on the required activities with their parents. The ceremony was attended by Mrs. MacMelville, the girl's third grade teacher, their mothers and special guests.



## At St. Ignatius

### Dental Health Discussed

Dr. Sharon Essner of Hicksville visited the nursery, Pre-K and kindergarten classes at Saint Ignatius Loyola School recently. Dr. Essner gave a talk on dental health which included an puppet show. Above, she poses with some of the children after the presentation.

## At Fork Lane

### Having a 'Field' Day

Fork Lane School held its annual field day recently. Each grade competed in various events and all the students were treated to free pizza and Italian ices provided by Fork Lane's PTA. A special thank you to Mrs. Weber, the school's physical education teacher and the sixth graders who helped coach the first, second and third grade teams.



Fork Lane third grader Coleen Kiriewsky competes in the cone race during Field Day festivities.

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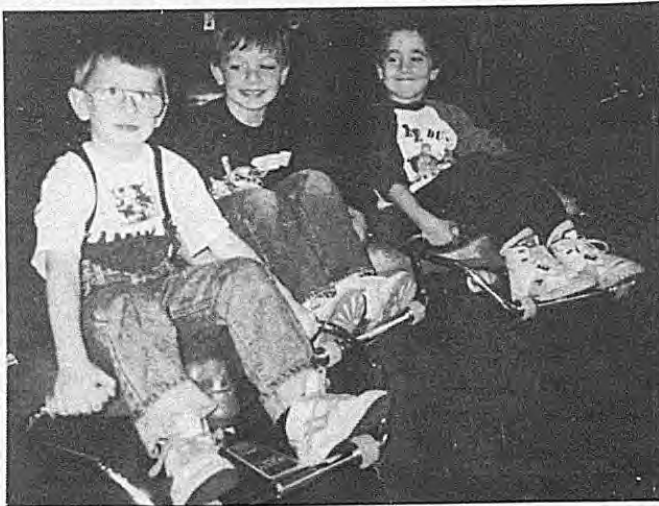
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# The School Notebook



East Street A.M. Kindergarten students Gary McGuinness, Thomas Kleeman and Marco Bruzzi took first, second and third places in the Roller Race contest.  
(Photo by Brad Jaworski)

## At East Street

By Brad Jaworski

The East Street elementary school physical education department, under the direction of teachers Brad Jaworski and Rory Lawlor, recently held its third annual Roller Races for the Kindergarten, first, second and third graders.

The children propel these Roller Racers by moving the "ram horn" handlebars in a side to side motion.

While racing, the children develop coordination, arm strength, and balance along with some friendly competition.

Ribbons were awarded to first, second and third place winners, for boys and girls separately. The ribbons were enjoyed by all the winners and were made possible by the East Street P.T.A.

## Roller Race Winners

### A.M. Kindergarten - Miss Eckhoff

- |                    |                      |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Gary McGuinness | 1. Corinne Lufrano   |
| 2. Thomas Kleeman  | 2. Maureen O'Donnell |
| 3. Marco Bruzzi    | 3. Angela Riscica    |

### First Grade - Mrs. Sparr

- |                    |                        |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Daniel Bennardo | 1. Kristin Cox         |
| 2. Jose Martinez   | 2. Antoinette Rosolino |
| 3. Joseph Caiazzo  | 3. Dana Martillo       |
| 3. Jon Baez        |                        |

### Second Grade - Mrs. Kreditor

- |                      |                      |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Michael Seid      | 1. Morgan Appleby    |
| 2. Vijay Venugopalan | 2. Tiffany Terranova |
| 3. Ryan Walker       | 3. Andrea Mancuso    |

### Third Grade - Mrs. Gagliardo

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|---------------------|----------------|
| 1. Andrew Hackmack  | 1. Yelda Nouri |
| 1. Joseph Marchione |                |

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|---|-----------------------|
| 2. Keith Brigandi                       | 2. Carolyn Mantell    |
| 3. Joshua Bergen                        | 3. Nicole Barba       |
| <b>P.M. Kindergarten - Miss Eckhoff</b> |                       |
| 1. Ryan Boylan                          | 1. Jessica Frago      |
| 2. Philip Machione                      | 2. Kimberly Calichio  |
| 3. Jason Becker                         | 3. Adrianna Dadich    |
| <b>First Grade - Mrs. Simon</b>         |                       |
| 1. Matthew Luyster                      | 1. Bonnie Mure        |
| 2. James Zoitos                         | 2. Danielle Jeremenko |
| 2. Kevin Shortt                         |                       |

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| 3. Costas Katsaros                 | 3. Crystal Tetro    |
| <b>Second Grade - Mrs. LaSorsa</b> |                     |
| 1. Ryan Singer                     | 1. Jamie Kobin      |
| 2. Jessie Vanino                   | 2. Michelle Murphy  |
| 3. Toby Estevez                    | 3. Jolene LeCren    |
| <b>Third Grade - Mrs. Schwartz</b> |                     |
| 1. Joseph Pinto                    | 1. Allison DeSimon  |
| 2. Marc Ferguson                   | 2. Kate Hofer       |
| 3. Evan White                      | 3. Jonelle Scibelli |



Board of Education President Mark J. Cardella, Peg Costigan, Math Teacher of the Year, and Secondary Mathematics Chairperson Less Mann.

## Peg Costigan Named County Math Teacher Of The Year

Peg Costigan has been named Nassau County Middle School Mathematics Teacher of the Year by the Nassau County Mathematics Teachers Association. She was honored at a dinner at the Stewart Manor Country Club on May 10.

Costigan has long been recognized as an exceptional mathematics teacher by her col-

leagues, her students and their parents. With her guidance and preparation, scores of Hicksville youngsters have achieved excellent results on Regents' examinations and in various mathematics competitions.

Costigan was also honored at a recent Board of Education meeting.

## School Shorts

**Middle School International Day**  
International Day at the Hicksville Middle School on May 11, combined a festive spirit with curriculum, as students enjoyed the five-hour event of student exhibits, international music, African drums and folk dance

foreign language displays, and ethnic foods. The students participated in all of the events and were responsible for the unique exhibits and displays set-up in the small gym. The festivities culminated with a Middle School Dance held in the evening.

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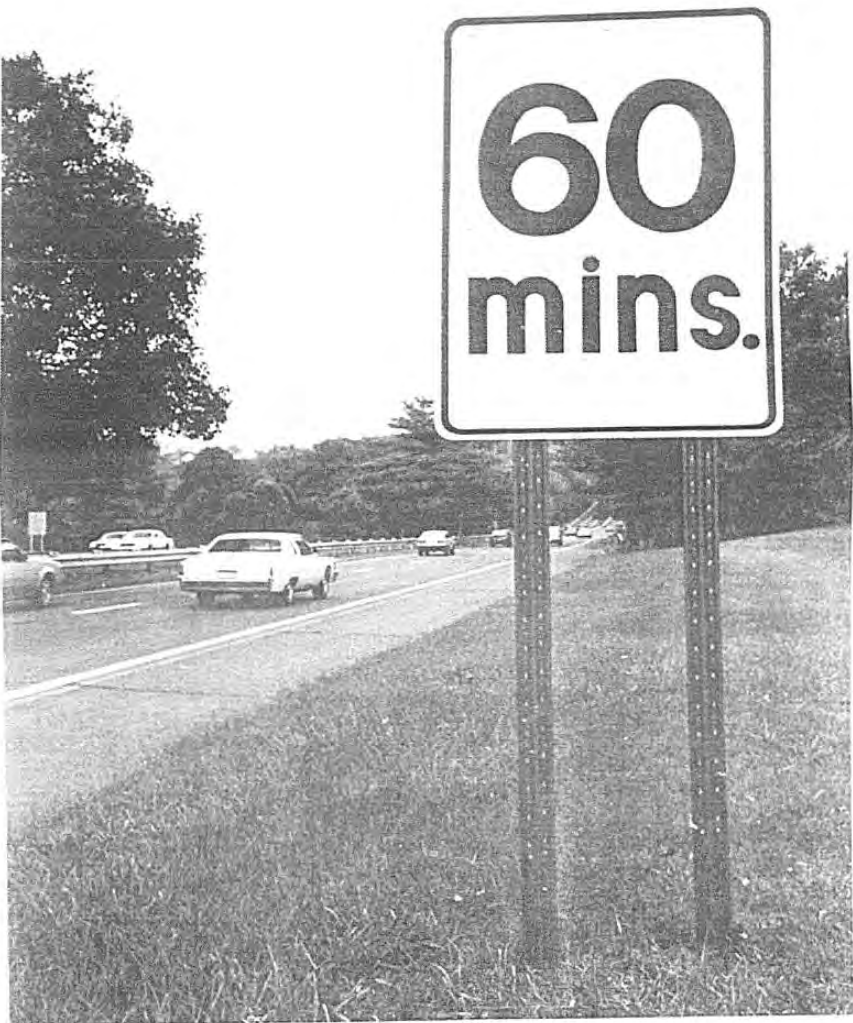
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## Legionnaires' Log

By Greg Bennett

Charles Wagner Post #421, Hicksville



Charles Wagner Post 421 sends its deepest respect and regards to the members of our nations' Armed Forces on May 19 which is Armed Forces Day. We never forget our Armed Forces, keep our nation free as we know freedom isn't free.

Americanism Officer Dick Evers reminds all Hicksville residents to see the Memorial Day display in the Hicksville Public Library.

All Legionnaires and citizens are reminded that Memorial Day, May 28, draws near. This is a solemn day of respect and tribute to Americans who have given their lives in defense of freedom and protecting our beloved nation.

Friday, May 26 there is a Nassau County American Legion meeting at Williston Park Post starting at 8 p.m. Saturday May 27, is the flagging of the graves at Plainlawn National Cemetery at 8 a.m. The graves of veterans buried at Plainlawn Cemetery will also have flags placed on them thanks to the efforts of local veteran groups.

On Sunday, May 27, Hicksville Veteran Organizations will have a memorial ceremony at Plainlawn Cemetery at 8:30 a.m.

Hicksville Legionnaires will then hold a memorial ceremony at the grave of Charles A. Wagner, who gave his life for our nation during World War I.

At 10 a.m. on Sunday, May 27, there will be a United Veterans Organization Memorial Day Ceremony at the Nassau County Veterans Memorial in Eisenhower Park. At 1 p.m. there will be a Memorial Day Service at Plainlawn National Cemetery.

Legionnaires are reminded that formation for the Annual Memorial Parade and Service will be at 8:30 a.m. in Sears parking lot.

On May 11, Charles Wagner Legionnaires attended the Annual Department Commanders' Dinner and Military Ball held at Salisbury on the Green. This was a great night as the ball was attended by Past National Vice Commander H.F. "Sparky" Gierke. On Sunday, May 6, Greg Bennett assisted serving refreshments at the Special Olympics track meet at Clarke High School.

Charles Wagner Post 421 remembers our war dead on Memorial Day and extends the deepest respect and sympathy to our Gold Star Mothers and all Americans whose loved ones have made the supreme sacrifice. On this day we also remember our Prisoners of War and Missing In Action.

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# THE SCHOOL NOTEBOOK



## Computer Graphics Presentation

Hicksville High School Art Teacher **Cynthia Appold** recently delivered a presentation on "Computer Graphics in the Secondary Art Curriculum." The presentation was part of the Long Island Regional Conference of the New York State Association for Computers and Technologies in Education held at Sayville Junior High School.

The organization is committed to advancing academic instruction by using and evaluating emerging technologies. Appold's presentation gave an overview of a computer graphics program using the Amiga 1000. The program was written for the Fine Arts student. The presentation included a description of the course "Studio in Computer Graphics," the equipment used, the approach to instruction, and examples of specific lessons. A video tape, slides, and prints were shown illustrating the work of students. The presentation was an informative one for anyone interested in the visual arts from kindergarten through the college level.

## French Poetry Contest

Three Hicksville students recently received awards in the French Poetry Contest, held at Hofstra University and co-sponsored by the French Department at Hofstra and the Nassau Chapter of the American Association of Teachers of French. The contest consisted of two parts: original poetry which was judged prior to April 24, and recitation on that day. Receiving awards were: **Jenny Jerome**, First Prize, and **Danielle Knight**, Second Prize, Grade 10; and, **Colleen Bartley**, Second Prize, Grade 11.

In addition, **Dora Santoli**, an 11th grade student, has placed third in the National French Examination sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of French, Nassau Chapter.

Dora will be honored at Hofstra University on Thursday evening May 24.

## Researchers Win Awards

As a result of their participation at the Long Island Science Congress research competitions, held April 3-4, Hicksville's science students earned several prestigious awards.

At the Senior Level (High School), Honorable Mentions were awarded to: **James Fitzsimmons** for his research topic *Quasicrystals and their Lineage*, and **Christina Moy** for *Sunscreen: The Ultimate in Skin Protection? A Merit Award* was presented to **Cynthia Gaylor** for her investigations of *Perception in Relation to Pupil Dilation*. A higher level award was presented to **Tara Hooper** for her research, *The Long Term Effect of Chemical Stimuli on Mealworms*.

At the Junior Level, Merit Awards were presented to: **Erin Bartley** and **April Rodriguez** for their research on *Blood Pressure vs. Age*; and, **Thomas Doherty** and **Robert Rombach** for their work on *The Effects of Oil Spills on Aquatic Life*.

**Mr. Dave Bouton** advised the Senior Level students, while **Mr. Hal Buck** and **Mrs. Litzman** worked at the Junior Level.

## Too Smart For Strangers

The Burns Avenue Kindergarten class and **Mrs. Rosof's** Special Education class presented a brief play entitled *Too Smart For Strangers*, on May 9. The purpose is to help children educate themselves in a fun way to the dangers and abuse of strangers. The children's play included the messages *Say No!*, *Run Away*, and *Tell Someone*.

## PTA Sponsors Nutritious Luncheon

The Lee Avenue PTA and School Nurse **Margaret Dalo** sponsored a Nutritious Luncheon Program for the third grade class recently. Ms. Dalo spoke to the third grade classes in the morning; the PTA then served a well-balanced and delicious lunch for the children. Children were encouraged to try each of the food samples: egg salad, tuna fish, or peanut butter on whole wheat bread; car-

rots and celery strips, plain, or with peanut butter or cream cheese; a variety of bite size cheeses; orange and apple slices; raisins; homemade banana bread and oatmeal raisin cookies; and milk or orange juice.

## Art Work At N.Y. Museum

Almost 250 works by New York State's outstanding student artists are featured in *Imaginative Images* on exhibit at The New York State Museum May 26 through July 5, 1990.

The exhibit is part of Imagination Celebration 1990, a family festival of the Arts. Sponsored locally by The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, the New York Alliance for Arts Education and The New York State Museum, the Imagination Celebration is produced in about a dozen states nationwide.

The juried exhibit includes 249 works selected from almost 2,000 entries submitted by youngsters in approximately 400 schools throughout the state. Participating students are in grades K through 12.

The winner from Hicksville was Woodland Avenue student **Sofia Gasparatos**, grade three. Her artwork included a paper collage of dots and stripes.



Dora Santoli, a Hicksville High School student, is awarded her French Poetry certificate and her check for \$25 from teacher Richard Gentile. Dora placed third in a National French Examination.

## The Results Are In...

The results are in! The Hicksville Middle School Mathematics Department is proud to announce that two of its students have earned Honorable Mention on the Fifth Annual American Junior High School Mathematics Examination sponsored by the Mathematical Association of America. Taken by more than 203,000 students across the United States, **Irene Lee**, who scored a 24 out of a possible 25, was one of the top 500 eighth graders in the nation. **Joaquin Ezcurrea**, who scored a 22, was also in the top 1 percent of the country.

## "Mystery Moms"

**Mr. Brogle's** fourth grade class at Woodland Avenue School is especially proud of its bulletin board dedicated to "Mystery Moms." The students drew pictures of their moms and the mothers had to identify themselves.

Next month, the class promises to give equal time and attention to "Fabulous Fathers!"

## Grandparents' Day

**Fork Lane School** held its annual Grandparents and Special Friend's Day last month. More than 200 people attended and enjoyed shows performed by the students.

## Science Fair Winners

Woodland Avenue students who participated in the Gregory Museum's 1990 science fair are **Patrick Lamberti**, **Victor Valente**, **Tanya Kotowicz**, **Jessica Agosto**, **David Rudin** and **Jody Durkin**. Woodland's PTA treated the students to pizza for their efforts.

## Fork Lane Honor Roll

The following students at **Fork Lane School** have achieved the highest standard of academic excellence and have been placed on the Honor Roll.

### Mrs. Irwin's 4th Grade Class

**Bobby Alexander**, **Christopher DePaoli**, **Justin Fusco**, **Mathew Pinelli**, **Pamela Rodriguez**, **Bryan Sarandrea**, **Tina Spauster**.

### Mrs. Heffernan's 5th Graders

**Ross Finocchio**, **Marissa Toich**, **Danny Carsten**, **David Ng**, **Paul Lee**, **Brian Gallahue**, **Angela Leal**.

### Mr. Pisani's 5th Graders

**Trisha Philpitt**, **Mark Gaylord**, **Robin Goldberg**, **Abbey Toich**, **Alia Akkam**.

### Ms. Bergeron's 6th Graders

**Tara Breen**, **Todd Master**, **Carlos Rodriguez**, **Gus Kosmas**, **Jennifer Traxler**.

### Mrs. Rieger's Transitional Class

**Patrick McGowan**.

## Science Fair Winners

Saint Ignatius Loyola School held its annual science fair for grade three through six last month. The winners were:

### Grade 3

First Place: **Alana Amplo**. Second Place: **Mary Bligh** and **Bridget Donohue**.

### Grade 4

First Place: **Jonathan Sattler**. Second Place: **Richard Mirabella** and **George Palmieri**.

### Grade 5

First Place: **Omar Syed** and **Christopher Fingerhut**. Second Place: **Frank Cruz**.

### Grade 6

First Place: **Kimberly Lap** and **Danielle Cirillo** tied with **Amy Unetich**. Second Place: **Jason Amplo**.

## High School Senior Trip

Many students from the **Hicksville High School Senior Class** enjoyed their trip to Washington, D.C. and to Busch Gardens, Virginia, during the last weekend in April. The trip began on Friday with a visit to the National Zoological Park. The evening included dinner and a show (the upbeat musical production of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*) at the West End Dinner Theatre in Alexandria, VA.

On Saturday, the students visited Busch Gardens, The Old Country, where recreated villages from England, France, Germany and Italy offer entertainment, shopping, rides, food and fun. Especially popular was the Roman Rapids water ride, and the highflying Loch Ness Monster and the Big Bad Wolf Roller Coasters.

On Sunday, the students enjoyed a visit to the U.S. Capitol with special stops at the Lincoln and the Vietnam Memorials. The group then headed for Baltimore's Inner Harbor and a visit to the National Aquarium before heading home to Hicksville.

## Ed Lowe Speaks At Workshop

*Newsday* Columnist **Ed Lowe**, a former Junior High School English Teacher, was the guest speaker at a language arts workshop for the Hicksville Middle School teachers held earlier this spring.

Lowe explained that language can be a delightfully effective tool if children knew how much fun they could have and how powerful they could through the written word. He also stressed that this could be accomplished through immersion in the language. "Through immersion, the students learn to appreciate the language and they learn how to use it to their advantage," he said.

Reading and listening skills also should inspire young people to write. As an example, Mr. Lowe suggests that students listen to their favorite songs, write down the words, dissect the words and understand the meanings.

## Elementary District Concert

The Spring Elementary District Concert of the Hicksville Public School was held on May 1, in the Hicksville Middle School Gymnasium. The concert featured more than 400 student musicians.

In addition to the Elementary District Orchestra, Band and Chorus, the concert featured the newly organized Elementary District Jazz Ensemble. Students for this group were selected by audition from the eight Hicksville elementary schools. Also appearing at the concert was a string ensemble, a girls' chorus and a boys' chorus combining to perform *All Together Now* by Linda Spevacek, a composition which was written to commemorate the national observance of Music in Our Schools Month.

Conducting the orchestra was **Ruth Davidowitz**, **Ricardo Garcia**, **Peter Tarsoly** and **Christopher Wilson**. The band was conducted by **Philip Grusenmeyer**, **Robert Fownall** and **Hilary Sperber**. The Jazz Ensemble is conducted by **John Zalewski**. The choruses were conducted by **Karen Frances**, **Allison Koehler**, **Beth Leshner** and **Darren Lougee** with **Sonya Burakof** as accompaniment. The combined composition was conducted by **William L. Gagnon**, Supervisor of Fine Arts for the Hicksville Schools.

## Time Capsules Are Opened

**Lee Avenue** sixth grade students met with their second grade teachers, **Mrs. Massa** and **Mrs. Bammann** to open time capsules. The capsules had been done as an outgrowth of a second grade interdisciplinary Unit, *Old Is Beautiful*. Some of the items included in the capsules were class pictures, newspaper clippings and stories written by the children.

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## Keep the Noise Down

The following letter is being published upon request:  
To the Hicksville Fire Department Chief:

Yesterday, Sunday morning, Mother's Day (May 13) at 8:15 a.m. the men under your command were practicing putting in and taking out trucks at the new substation on Levittown Parkway. At one point, it was impossible to tell who was making the most noise, the trucks or the men yelling at each other.

Please, the firehouse borders on residential property. I really believe consideration should be given to those who have sick senior citizens or those who would just plain like to sleep late one day of the week.

If some sort of practice has to take place, why not at a later time, not 8:00/8:15 in the morning.

Your effort in stopping this shall be appreciated.

Bill Murray

cc:Hicksville Illustrated News

## Answer to Letter

To The Editor:

The above letter was sent to me, and before I could answer it a copy was sent also to *Hicksville Illustrated News* at the same time. Unfounded actions such as this illustrate a closed mind, but none the less I shall answer it.

I made a personal inspection of Station No. 4 on Levittown Parkway at 8 a.m. Sunday as I normally do. There was no one present at the station and I left to visit the other three stations. Included in the construction of this NEW STATION is a computer activated lock system on every door in the building. Our computer log prints out the name and key number of anyone entering and logs the time.

One firefighter, returning from work, stopped in at 8:02 a.m. and left a message for an officer to call him, and left at 8:05 a.m. The next person entered at 9:38 a.m. The next at 9:45 a.m. No apparatus was touched until an alarm at 10:19 a.m. for people trapped in a vehicle that struck a tree on West John Street. One unit responded from Station No. 4. Forty experienced firefighters responded from that station at one time or another and do not find it necessary to practice backing in and out. Sunday morning drills start at 10 a.m. and are attended many times by taxpayer citizens who would also like to sleep late, but give a little extra of their own accord.

To file a complaint through a newspaper without giving me a chance to address it is most unfair. A copy of the print out is available for inspection.

Now, the fire station DID OPEN for business on SATURDAY, MAY 12 at 8:30 a.m. when paid district employees delivered necessary equipment for its operation in addition to the three trucks. It was there at that time and there was no noise.

I ask anyone who has a complaint to contact me through the dispatcher but NO COMPLAINTS will be heard unless there is a name, address and phone number to refer to. There is a small element of unhappy people who

do not want the firehouse here at Station No. 4. We have been accused of planning to run a catering hall—No outsiders are permitted to use any fire station. We were accused of putting a siren on the roof. All 5 sirens are off and the electricity is disconnected. The silver objects on the roof are VENTILATOR FANS!

And last but not least, I was awakened by a complaint call Sunday evening about a loud party going on at Station No. 4. (A surprise to me as nothing takes place unless I approve it.) Upon arrival I found that the party was a PRIVATE ONE ON BAMBOOLANE behind the Fire House—NOT AT the fire house.

In closing, all reasonable complaints will be dealt with as soon as possible and I wish to point out that when you cry wolf too many times when there is no wolf, sooner or later nobody will pay attention. We operate two additional fire stations in residential neighborhoods and get along fine. Hicksville is an almost urban area with noise from planes, trains, truck traffic, factories and the asphalt plant. To single out the fire department for noise is most unfair. Please be sure of what you complain about and be reasonable. Thank you.

Anthony Wigdzinski, Chief  
Hicksville Fire Department

## Response to Letter

To The Editor:

Mr. Visconti, I am not blind nor are you too short for me to see exactly who you are and one of those things I see is a very careless person. Did you ever hear the saying, give him enough rope and he will hang himself? Well, Mr. Visconti, you hung yourself. What am I talking about? I will quote directly from your previous letter, "I am not the one who questioned giving information to parents about the McDonald bus incident." I find this very interesting Mr. Visconti that you knew I made mention of this. Most people don't know what this incident was all about and I won't go into it now, but I would like to expand on the sentence I quoted from your letter.

Mr. Visconti, my questioning pertaining to the bus incident, which you made reference to in your letter, took place during executive session and nowhere else. To those who are unfamiliar with the term executive session, it's when the Board meets in private to discuss confidential matters. These meetings are not open to the public. I ask you this Mr. Visconti, how do you know what I said? I know you weren't there, so the only other way you could have known is if someone in that room told you. There is no other explanation. I know I didn't tell you or anyone else. Mr. Visconti, what other things have you been told?

I would like to thank you for not only confirming a long time suspicion of mine, but for doing it in writing.

In closing my letter I would like to give you some words of advice. The next time you get the urge to take pen in hand, think very carefully as to what you are going to write. Yes, the real Joe Visconti did stand up.

James Martillo

**Editor's Note:** Mr. Martillo is a member of the Hicksville School Board.

## April Fool—Every May

To The Editor:

"April Fool" Every May! or the Joke of the Year played on the harried Hicksville homeowner, courtesy of the POOR Hicksville School Board, if that is what a \$51 million dollar austerity budget is considered.

Just imagine, a \$53 million dollar budget being voted down to a \$51 million dollar austerity budget, which is five million above last year's (1989) budget. Will the Hicksville Schools be able to manage on this paltry sum? You bet they will.

Wake up Hicksville taxpayers, you are being asked to vote for a \$2 million dollar budget—not \$53 million. The \$51 million is locked in!

This is an example of that age-old American "Free Enterprise" system, that is, ask for more than you really need and be satisfied with the lesser amount.

But not to worry, next May will come soon enough and the School Board will be back, asking us poor gullible homeowners to vote again for possibly a \$60, \$75 or maybe a \$100 million dollar budget, and be willing to settle for a \$58, \$70 or \$95 million dollar austerity budget. Get the picture???

When will it end? When there is no one left to pay but the homeless on welfare and the rich politicians and bureaucrats.

I, for one, will be long gone from Long Island by then, because I am now at the end of my rope. I can no longer afford to pay for the whims of all levels of bureaucracy in this state, county, town and community.

Hicksville taxpayers, when you get your next School Tax Joke, just imagine yourself on an austerity budget of your own and let your conscience and good sense be your guide. After all, most school districts would sell their souls for a \$51 million dollar budget or, for some of them, for half of that amount. P.S. The definition of *austerity* is—severely simple conditions, especially as an economic policy, i.e., No budget increase at all!! A freeze!!

Is \$51 million dollars considered *Simple*? I do not have any children in this school system and do not benefit from it at all, yet I am forced to pay these outrageous taxes every year since the Sixties. Enough said, Charles Burke

## Thank You

To The Editor:

How can I begin to thank everyone who worked on my campaign for School Board Trustee!

So many people gave of their time for JoAnn, Jay, and myself, because we represented the fiscal responsibility, accountability, and leadership that was lacking with the current Board officers.

The Concerned Citizens of Hicksville has been strengthened by people like Joe, Richard, Lois, Ed, Bill, Cher, Sue and so many others who worked all day at garage sales, sold chances, and walked door to door with flyers because they wanted dependable, reliable Board Members.

The ad and flyer committee consisting of Jay, Bob, Larry, Joe, Richard and Ed developed our train and our other ads and to them I am extremely grateful.

And our backbones—Tom, Bill, Bob, Jim, Larry, Tony, Gail, Billy and Joe who were there, offering guidance and support.

A special thanks to Tom McGovern, our coordinator, who was always there—our rock, and negotiator, our strength in trying times.

It has been a difficult campaign, with my opponent following me around when I was delivering flyers, with questions and questions about my motivation for running for the Board. He could not understand the meaning of the words "community involvement."

But my biggest thanks is to you. You took the time out on the 23rd to vote for me. You trusted me and believed that I could work just as hard in reducing the budget as I did in my campaign. You knew I would never lie to you.

Carole Wolf

## Correct Untruths

To The Editor:

I have to correct the distortions that Mrs. Rudin would like us to believe in.

First, Mrs. Rudin accuses Mr. Bennett of using smoke screens. It is Mrs. Rudin herself who uses fantasy instead of fact. For example, she has advertised and offered to save taxpayers two million dollars. However, like a politician, she has never stated how she would save the money. It's just another empty promise.

Second, Mrs. Rudin refers to her previous term on the Board. She was a studious trustee. She forgot to mention she walked away rather than face defeat in 1986. Does this sound like a person with convictions?

Third, Mrs. Rudin says she puts children ahead of special interests. Again, a fantasy! I am very concerned that she is a puppet for various union groups and votes for their needs. Ask why she is being supported by the county civil service union. Did you know they sent letters out supporting her team? Is it because they are into bargaining sessions and need to load the Board? You know the answer!

Fourth, it is true that Mr. Bennett introduced us to Mr. MacBride. But it is also true that Mrs. Rudin supported Mr. MacBride when he made promises to her in 1987.

Did you know that Mrs. Rudin worked for and supported Mr. Collins and Mr. Martillo last year? This however, she forgot to tell you in her letter! How regrettable!

Mrs. Rudin claims that Mr. Bennett had a Board majority from 1984 to 1989. She must be kidding! From 1987 to 1990, the majority was not with Mr. Bennett. The problem is that she really believes that you accept what she says as the truth. We have to show her otherwise!

Mrs. Rudin says that she has worked on the campaigns of many people. True, but what she does not say is that they would not ask for her support any more! Why? Because they are independent and don't want to be tied to her special interests.

More importantly—how do you feel about a person who runs a friend's campaign one year, and then the following year runs against her? It shows that friendship and integrity don't matter much with her.

I don't agree with Mr. Bennett all the time—but I'll not run against anyone who is independent and hardworking.

Mrs. Rudin claims that if Mrs. Miltenberg was effective she would not be running someone against her. What makes her the judge of a Trustee's effectiveness? I thought it was all the voters who did that!

Turning to the Moment of Silence issue shows Mrs. Rudin's skill at turning the facts inside out. The truth is that she did not listen to the community. She wanted to eliminate what was important to the people. How different the truth really is!

Finally, Mrs. Rudin claims she is "probably part of a very small group of trustees that the teachers' union has not supported." The comment is ridiculous in view of the fact that the teacher aides requested support for Mrs. Rudin from their union in Nassau County. You knew that the teacher aides unit is a part of the teacher's union. Do you think the aides made the request without Mr. Zaleski's O.K.?

Mrs. Rudin claims she is against the union machine. What she is really against is the independent mind, the self-determined thinker and conscientious worker who does not want or need to be told how to vote the issues.

Do you really believe we are better led at this time, by an inexperienced newcomer like Mr. Pendergast, or the experienced and insightful Mrs. Miltenberg?

Do you really believe Mr. Ayres has a record of excellence? (He has not been seen at Willet Avenue activities in years!)

You need to know the facts—not the fantasies. Please consider them carefully before you cast your votes.

Jay Schwartz

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# Business Calendar Of Events

On May 24, the Women Economic Developers of Long Island will host a training seminar entitled **Conquering the Old Bay Network** at the Suffolk Community College Technicenter in Hauppauge. For more information on the event, which will be led by Sally Slacke, president of Slacke Test Boring, and Phyllis Hill-Slater, president of Hill-Slater Inc, contact the Suffolk Technicenter at 434-1080.

On May 25, the future of realty on Long Island will be discussed at the Garden City Hotel, at a luncheon meeting of the Garden City Chamber of Commerce. Entitled **"What Does The Future Hold For Long Island?**, the current state of the real estate market, plus predictable trends will be addressed by Philip J. Giocondi, MAI, Manager, Long Island Appraisal Division of Cushman and Wakefield. The event takes place at 12:00 pm; reservations are due Friday, May 25.

**Sales Lead Networking** will be the regular agenda item at the American Business Associates of Long Island's regular monthly meetings in Syosset and in Garden City. Located at EA Bentleys, North Shore Atrium, on Jericho Turnpike; and at Edmund's Showcase Restaurant on Franklin Avenue, the networking group will meet from 8:00-10:00 am, on May 29th in Syosset, and May 31, in Garden City.

The Greater Long Island Postal Customer Council is holding its Spring Luncheon and Seminar at the Carlin Hotel in Melville on May 31, from 7:45 am until 3:00 pm. **Automation For All** and numerous other topics will be discussed at this seminar, which is being held by the council. The postal Customer Council is a joint organization of business mailers and postal managers working together to share information and ideas that will benefit the mailing industry.

## Nassau Bars & Restaurants Raise \$25K For Jerry's Kids

By James O'Donnell

This year the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) found a real four leaf clover in Nassau County's restaurants and bars - their patrons supported the 1990 Anheuser Busch Shamrock program to the tune of over \$24 thousand.

In a total of 184 establishments participating in the \$1 Shamrock sales program, MDA increased their sales from \$17 thousand last year by over \$7 thousand.

"MDA would like to thank all participating establishments, and Anheuser Busch of Nassau County for turning the luck of the Irish into real hope for all of Jerry's Kids," said Suzanne Cohen, District Director for MDA. "The 184 establishments, an increase from last year's total of 69 participants, greatly effected monies raised."

Among the most successful fundraising efforts, said MDA officials, the most prominent included: the Rainbow Diner in

Oceanside, which raised \$1594; the Shamrock, in Syosset, at \$1000; the Harborview Athletic Club, Port Washington, which raised over \$750; Murphy's of Franklin Square, over \$500; and Shipwreck's in Hicksville, which raised over \$500.

MDA officials were elated by the results. "I'm told the shamrocks were all over" said Marion Monge, a spokesperson for MDA. "It was obviously a big success."

The annual Shamrock program has been going on for at least four years. Money raised goes both to comprehensive patient services program (therapy, wheelchairs, braces, summer camps for Jerry's Kids), and to research efforts.

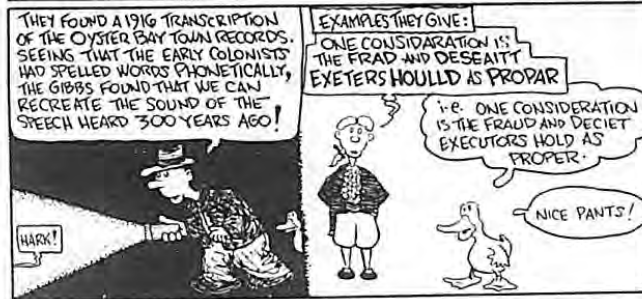
On Long Island, research into Muscular Dystrophy is currently going on at Long Island Jewish, Nassau County Medical Center, Cold Spring Harbor Research Laboratory, and at SUNY Stony Brook and North Shore Community Hospital.

## A Letter from Lulabelle...

...I've been thinking about the insurance man...He came to our house every week with his big fat book—in my memory it was a very tall and rather narrow book with dozens of pages...And on every page was the record of some family's insurance premium payments...And—I can hardly believe it, but I know that it is true—those payments were sometimes as small as five cents for a policy on a small child!...Usually, the weekly premiums were 10¢, 25¢, maybe even \$1.00 for the policy on the father of the family, and the face value of the insurance, what would be paid if the insured died, could be \$250 or even less—and there was what was called an endowment policy, which was paid for maybe eighteen years and then the face value was paid out—people usually took these for their kids' education... (Don't imagine that it isn't possible, you who have kids in college now!!)...As I thought about this insurance man, I began to wonder what had ever happened to him, since I haven't heard about anyone collecting weekly—or even monthly—door to door through his district...I called Mother Met (in my day, at least every other person worked for Metropolitan Life for at least a short time)...to find out how premiums are collected today—and, of course, most are paid by mail—"going to houses would seldom find anyone home," said the spokesperson...but I happened to call at an expeditious time...as it happens, this is Family Reunion Program time at Met Life... "a program to locate holders of more than five million paid-up life insurance policies bought when premiums cost as little as a nickel a week...Originally issued with face amounts of less than \$1,000, these small "industrial" life insurance policies may offer policyholders up to four times the amount indicated by the face value of the policy...These policies were issued before 1965"...So how about it, have you done your spring cleaning in the attic?...And even if you can't find the old policy, but you have a feeling that your Mother or Grandmother had one, write to your insurance company and they will happily try to trace it for you...Wouldn't it be fun to find that someone's old nickel premium is bringing you a little nest egg today??

Yours, Lulabelle

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is to try and figure out how much wealth we are going to need when we get our golden handshake and the watch (maybe).

Some are fortunate. They were



Dr. Joseph P. Frey

senior executives. The board of directors took care of them with gold. Just look how Smith, of General Motors, was rewarded. His regular pension of \$500,000 per year was more than doubled. They rewarded him for mediocre results during his chairmanship of the company. Most of us do not get huge pensions.

We can hope that someone dies and leaves us a considerable amount of money. For some, this is one of the legs of their financial plan. It is a precarious approach. You have to hope that the person who is leaving the money to you does not get sick and use up "your" money in a nursing home. I remember years and years ago a young couple were very angry at her father because he was using up "their" money in a home. We never saw them again (by choice).

Another problem with this approach is that we rarely know how the will is drawn up. Even if the person intends to leave you money, it may be done incorrectly. There are many cases where a parent left all of the money to one family member to distribute to the brothers and sisters. This not only causes very bitter feelings, but you may never get a dime.

Even with a properly drawn will there can be problems. A case in point is the man who told his daughter on his deathbed that she had nothing to worry about for the rest of her life. She was to inherit everything when he died. It was in the will. It was properly drawn and totally legal. However, the man's second wife had suggested a year earlier that it was easier, etc., etc., to put all of the property and money into joint accounts. End of the story.

## The Investor's Corner

By Dr. Joseph P. Frey

### Retirement and Inflation

We all hope to work long enough to retire well. Some may not want to go, but we may have to do so. The problem some of us have



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Everything went to the wife. Joint ownership takes preference. The daughter did not get so much as a picture of her father.

The moral of these stories is that we have to rely on ourselves. It is the prudent thing. The problem is to decide how much are we going to need. How do we know what is going to happen in the future? How much inflation? Will we get sick? How to protect against that? At what cost? There are so many variables that it is impossible to plan. Right? No, wrong! It is because there are so many potential problems that we MUST plan.

It is not likely that everything we try to foresee will happen. But because a plan exists, we will be able to cope later. It is better than not having a plan. As time passes, the plan can be modified to changing conditions. Just having the plan gives us direction and control.

The plan does not have to be elaborate. It can be quite simple. What is important is we have set aside the time to think through our options.

Our first decision is how much are you going to need? We have to stay even with inflation. Then we adjust for our expected lifestyle and spending (travel, housing). Spending drops about 30%, but travel expense increases.

Finally, we make an estimate of how long we will continue to work and save. Estimate the years. This will give us a target for our retirement needs.

The social security payments that we will receive are the result of very complicated calculations. They will give you an estimate closer to retirement. If you have a decent income, figure the maximum and adjust for inflation. Your personnel department can figure an estimated pension payment for you. The balance has to be made up by you.

To help in the figuring for how much will be needed, you can use a convention called the rule of 72. It tells you when something will double. As an example, pick an inflation rate (say 4.5% as a reasonable average rate) and divide it into 72. The answer says that prices will double in 16 years at that rate. 5% is equal to 14 years. Your investment should double also.

Decide if your investments, pension, social security, 401K, Keogh and IRA's are equal to the task of staying even and meeting your target as a minimum. If not, NOW is the time to do something about it.

Dr. Frey is a professor of investments and finance at LIU/CW. Post campus and a personal financial planner with offices in Garden City and New York.

# Letters

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## Response To Letter

To The Editor:

The president of your union, Mr. Robert Zaleski, has called me a NAZI propagandist as well as a demagogue. Many of you have known me over the years and you know that I do not fit that description.

Those remarks made by Mr. Zaleski have deeply hurt me and my family.

Bill Bennett, Trustee  
Board of Education

## Community Calendar

Please address all notices of local events to Calendar Editor, 132 E. Second Street (P.O. Box 1578) Mineola, N.Y. 11501 or phone 747-8282. Calendar items must be submitted two weeks prior to the event.

### Friday, May 25

- Co-dependents Anonymous, a 12 step

support group, will meet from 8-9:30 p.m. downstairs at the Parkway Community Church, Hicksville. For information call 735-1583.

- 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.

- Families in Recovery, a communication skills and support group for those concerned with unacceptable behavior of a child or other family member due to alcohol, chemical substance, or gambling, meets at 7:30 p.m. at Redeemer Lutheran Church, Old Country Rd. Free. For information call 423-5963.

- St. Bernards of Levittown will hold a widow and widowers Sociables Dance, Galileo Loc. 2, Levittown Parkway, Hicksville. \$8 per person. For information call 483-3707.

- Eyes of Learning will present Meet the Psychics: "How does one become psychic?" "How do I know when I'm right?" and "Where can I learn more?" 8 p.m. at Levittown Hall, Levittown Parkway, Hicksville. For information call 799-3259.

### Sunday, May 27

- The Eyes of Learning presents Tapping Into Your Psychic Gifts from 1 to 4 p.m. at Levittown Hall, Levittown Parkway, Hicksville. For information call 799-3259.

### Monday, May 28

- Memorial Day.

### Tuesday, May 29

- Heal Your Life at the Healing Circle, 8-10 p.m. at the Parkway Community Church, Stewart Ave., Hicksville. Fee. For information call 883-9133.

- Recovery Inc., the association of nervous and former mental patients, will meet at 8 p.m. at Parkway Community Church, 95 Stewart Ave., Hicksville.

### Wednesday, May 30

- Hicksville Kiwanis Club will meet at 12:30 p.m. at the Milleridge Inn, Jericho.

### Thursday, May 31

- Hicksville Elks Lodge No. 1931 will meet at 8 p.m. at 90 East Barclay St., Hicksville. For information call 931-9310.

- Hicksville-Jericho Rotary Club meet at 12:15 p.m. at the Milleridge Inn.

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- For "Victorious Living in the 90s" join a "spirit-filled" bible study at 8 p.m. in Hicksville. For information call 681-1671.

### Friday, June 1

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## New Deadlines

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# Hometown People

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## Happy Birthday Ro, Ro

Happy Birthday to a very lovely young lady—**Rose Famiglietti**—from all her family and friends. Rose will be celebrating this big day on Saturday, May 26, with one of her favorite friends.

## Amy Sue Took First

Congratulations to **AmySue Gallian** for taking First Place in the Promotional Bulletin Board Competition. Amy represented Nassau Tech at the New York VICA (Vocational Industrial Clubs of America) Art Contest at the Concord Hotel on April 27. Next stop for Amy is Tulsa, Oklahoma for the national competition on June 25.

AmySue, a junior at Hicksville High School and Nassau Tech, competed against many other talented students. She was able to combine ability with effort and determination. The results of that combination speak for themselves.

AmySue, your family, your teachers, and your friends are very proud of you and sincerely wish you continued success.



Amy Sue Gallian



Bernie Winters and youngest grandchild Maria Benedetta

## Happy Birthday Bernie

**Bernie Winters** is a lucky man. He has a loving family who is sending happy birthday wishes to **Dad** and **Poppy** from the **Winters** children and grandchildren. Bernie will be celebrating his big day on May 31. Happy Birthday, Bernie.

## Maria's A Winner

**Maria Rosolino**, assistant manager at Burger King on Old Country Road, was one of the winners chosen in the "Sometimes You've Gotta Break the Rules" contest. Maria's entry was one chosen from thousands of entries submitted. When asked how she would break the rules in order to delight her customers, she responded by saying that she would "provide more individual attention to her customers." Her answer won her a new discman. Maria, a Hicksville resident, has worked at the restaurant for the past seven years.

## West Point Graduate

On May 31, **Michael Tretola**, son of **Barbara** and **Philip Tretola**, of Hicksville will graduate with the rank of second lieutenant from the West Point Military Academy.

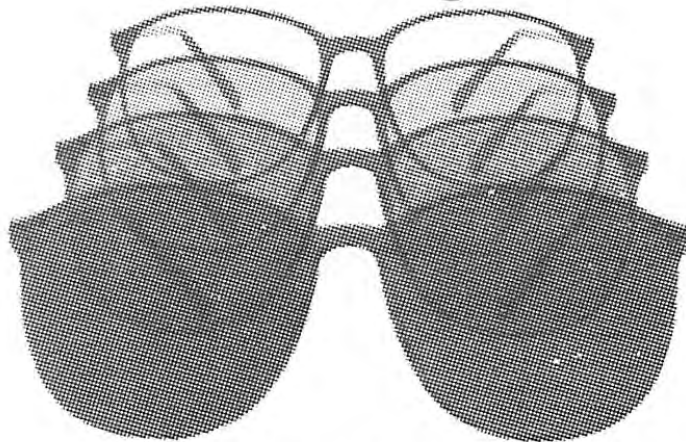


Michael Tretola

After a two month leave he will be stationed at Fort Knox, Kentucky, where he will receive training in the armored division. From there he will go to Frankfurt, Germany. Michael graduated from Bethpage High School in 1986 . . . and, as always, Barbara and Philip are just as proud as can be of their son. The best to you, Lt. Tretola.

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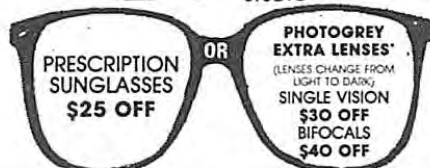
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## Hicksville PAL Holds Late Registration in June

Hicksville Police Athletic League is holding late registration for boys and girls sports in June.

Registration dates for **Boys Baseball and Girls Softball (July-August 1990)**: (For ages eight through those born in 1974.)

Monday, June 4, 7 to 9 p.m., Hicksville Middle School Cafeteria, rear of school on Second St.

Tuesday, June 5, 7 to 9 p.m., Woodland Avenue School, rear entrance, Ketcham Road.

Wednesday, June 6, 7 to 9 p.m., Lee Avenue School, Seventh Street, Hicksville.

Participation stressed \* trophies for all participants \* instruction through Senior Division \* All boys and girls full uniformed by PAL \* League begins after regular spring programs end and before most fall programs begin.

### Basketball—Fall through Winter 1990-1991

Boys: Ages 7 - 14. Same registration dates as those above.

Girls: Ages 8 - 14. Same registration dates as those above.

### Lacrosse—April-June 1991

Boys: Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth Grades (during 1990-91 Year) Same registration dates as those above.

### Judo Club

Register for fall 1990 classes on above dates. Oct. 1990 through May 1991. For boys and girls ages 7 through 18.

### Karate

Register for Fall 1990 classes on above dates. Oct. 1990 through March 1991. Boys and girls ages 10 through 18.

### Bowling

Summer League begins Saturday, June 2, 1990 at 9:30 a.m. at Woodbury Lanes. Winter League begins Saturday, Sept. 15 from 9:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m. Leagues. Other days available. Register at Woodbury Lanes. Boys and girls ages 8 through 18.

## Hicksville Soccer Holds General Meeting And Elections

On Friday, June 1, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., at Fork Lane School, Hicksville Soccer will hold its General Meeting. This will be the **last registration date** for the upcoming Fall 1990-Spring 1991 Season so, if your youngster hasn't registered, now is the time.

At the same time, the Club will hold elections for board positions as follows: Squirt Commissioner, PeeWee/Bantam Commis-

sioner, Girls Program Commissioner, Equipment Procurement Director, Registrar and Newsletter. Refreshments will be served. If you've wondered how our Club functions, have a suggestion, haven't registered your soccer star yet, or just want to come out and mingle with your friends, please join us on June 1.

## CUISINE CONNECTION

# A Westbury Wonder Found At Venere

By Andrea Martone

Located in the corner of a small shopping center off Old Country Road in Westbury, Venere Restaurant has no fancy storefront to entice their customers, or any glitz and glamour within it to warrant wearing a tie or silk dress. What it does have, however, is good food... a priority in today's times where diners want the most out of their money. Venere delivers that.

The decor displays cloth tablecloths, candlelit tables with soft overhead lighting. A few paintings grace the walls, but otherwise Venere is casual and relaxed. Having developed a reputation in the past 11 years since they opened for business, the owners have since expanded the small restaurant to include another dining room, which is L-shaped and includes a full bar and take-out pizzeria.

The evening we experienced Venere was the all-you-can-eat buffet that is offered on Monday and Tuesday evenings for \$9.95 per person (\$4.95 for kids). This is a true bargain, indeed, when you consider the six main courses that are offered. Although they vary each week, the choices were all appealing: muscles marinara, eggplant rollatone, chicken cacciatore, stuffed shells, chicken marsala, beef, and make-your own salad. Included at the table was "just out of the oven" homemade bread that only a true Italian can appreciate. An extensive wine list offers predominantly Italian wines.

Specialties of the evening are offered in addition to an ambitious menu that includes homemade pastas (20 varieties) in red sauces, cream sauces or clam sauce. My selection was the house specialty of the evening: a "Zuppa di Pesce" consisting of angel hair cappellini with shrimp, baby scallops, mussels and clams. The hearty portion was cooked to perfection and tasty in the pomodoro sauce. The chicken

cardinale dish (a cutlet topped with eggplant, mozzarella and tomato) was superb, moist and accompanied by a choice of spaghetti or ziti in a marinara sauce. All the buffet samplings were equally impressive, with the mussels marinara rated highly for their spicy sauce.

Venere's owner, Tony Cervasio has always considered it a dream to own his own restaurant since emigrating from Avalino, Italy 17 years ago. "I worked for years in Glen Cove in a catering business, learning how to cook. I found a partner who wanted to open a restaurant, and Venere was started. His partner is Angelo Graziosi, who also worked with Tony in the catering business. When asked why he considers his business a success, Tony was quick to point out that most of his customers walk out of his restaurant with a "doggy bag." He also sees the same faces coming through the door, "and that's a good sign," says Tony.

Venere's menu included 15 selections of fish,

including calamari, scungilli, lobster tails, Zuppa di Pesce and shrimp, and entrees are served with side orders of pasta or salad. There are 19 selections of familiar veal, chicken, steak and sausage dishes to choose from, all ranging in price from \$7.95-\$13.95. Pastas are reasonably priced at \$5.75 - \$7.50. There are also many appetizers to choose from, four selections of homemade soups and many varieties of pizzas as well. Desserts are a must at Venere, as Tony's wife is the restaurant's baker, deserving credit for making heavenly cream puffs (light and not too sweet) and scrumptious Italian cheesecake.

Venere is open seven days a week and they accept reservations, as lines are frequent at this popular local establishment. I'd stand on line, too... but it would be for more than just cream puffs.

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VENERE OWNER, TONY CERVASIO (left) WITH CHEF CARL VITALE

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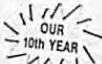
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# News Briefs

## Memorial Day Parade Kicks Off May 28

Hicksville's annual Memorial Day parade kicks off this Monday, May 28 at 10 a.m. sharp. It will be hosted by the William M. Gouse, Jr. Post 3211 Veterans of Foreign Wars.

All marchers assemble at Sears' parking lot at 8 a.m.; kick-off time at 9 a.m. sharp. Parade route: east on Nevada Street to Bethpage Road, south on Bethpage Road to Woodbury Road, west on Woodbury Road to East Barclay Street to Broadway, south on Broadway to Old Country Road, west on Old Country Road to Jerusalem Avenue, south on Jerusalem Avenue to the Hicksville Middle School. Ceremonies will immediately follow.

## Auxiliary Police Volunteer 382 Hours

For the month of April, 15 members of the Hicksville Auxiliary Police Unit 312 volunteered a total of 382.28 patrol hours. This included the following incidents:

April 6 - Two officers received a criminal mischief report at the North parking lot at the Hicksville Rail Road station. The owner of a 1984 Pontiac Grand Am reported front driver's side damage, a passenger side window broken and a dent on the passenger door. A Nassau County Police officer filed a report. Also, on April 6, while on patrol, three officers observed hazard lights blinking on a parked truck at Chroma Paint on Route 107. Further investigation revealed that a homeless man struck inside the driver's compartment between the seat and the dashboard. The subject was unable to remove himself due to a previous injury. Subsequently, the Second Precinct was notified and the subject was removed.

On April 13, an officer was informed by witnesses that a large dog has been struck by two autos at the intersection of Newbridge Road and Route 107. The officers found the dog with massive internal injuries and close to death. Two patrol cars diverted traffic and the Second Precinct was notified.

On April 20, Unit 312 along with other Nassau County Units assisted the NCPD with traffic control at the L.I. Walkathon.

Nine auxiliary officers from Unit 312 maintained various traffic posts along the route for five hours.

## Robbery at LIRR

A 42-year-old Bethpage man was robbed in the rear of the East Marie Street fire house on Sunday at 7:15 a.m.

According to Second Precinct Police, the man was walking to his car after getting off train when a black male grabbed him from behind while a black woman pulled out a revolver. After taking the victim's wallet and a ring, the two fled on foot. The wallet contained \$100 cash and the ring was worth \$250. There were no injuries.

After the robbery, the victim walked home and had a friend drive him to the Eighth Precinct Station House to report the incident.

## H.S. Music Department Sponsors Cabaret Night

On May 31, at 7:30 p.m. the Hicksville High School Music Department is sponsoring a "Cabaret Night" at Antun's, 244 Old Country Rd., Hicksville.

The entertainment will feature the Hicksville High School's Madrigal Singers, Jazz Band, String and Percussion ensembles. Tickets available for \$5 at the Hicksville H.S. music office. Tables for 10 can be reserved for \$50. Light refreshments and cash bar will be available.

## History of Wine June 3 in Hicksville

Long Island Wine & Food Society and Youngs Liquors invites residents to attend a tasting of "The Wines of Tuscany," featuring the wines of Ruffino.

Guest speaker Robert Meloni of Ruffino will take an in-depth look at one of the oldest and most traditional wine producing regions in the world. Guests will be tasting through an array of Ruffino's high quality Tuscan wines, highlighted by a vertical tasting of six different vintages of Chianti Classico Riserva Ducale "Gold Label" dating back to 1955.

Tasting will be held Sunday, June 3, from 2-5 p.m. Member: \$40/person. Non member: \$45/person at La Caravella, 204 N. Broadway, Hicksville, NY 11801.

To accompany this event, La Caravella will prepare and serve a variety of hors d'oeuvres and appetizers inherent to the Tuscan region.

Seating is limited. Your check confirms your phone reservation (483-0633) on a first come, first served basis. Make checks payable and send to: Long Island Wine & Food Society, P.O. Box 107, Merrick, NY 11566.

## VFW Elects Officers

New officers for the 1990-91 year were elected recently for the William M. Gouse, Jr. Post No. 3211 VFW. They are: Vincent Ferrara, commander; Vincent W. Edwards, senior vice commander; Al Vitello, junior vice commander; William Frohnhoefer, quartermaster; George Walden, judge advocate; Connie Steen, chaplain; Frank Bove, post surgeon; Al Wangerheim, trustee 1 year; Pat Mercurio, trustee 2 years; Arthur Rettberg, trustee 3 years.

Delegates to the Nassau County Council are Edward Kondracke, Henry Gogolewski, Mike Tisdell, Mike Montelione, Ed Klemewski, Sheldon Okin, Al Vitello and Vincent Edwards. The alternate delegates to the Nassau County Council are Roger Giansante, Joseph Adesso, Joseph Messina, Mike Cialdella, Arthur Rettberg, Carmine Somma, Martin Stallone and Vincent Nunzitto.

## Postal Examinations

The United States Post Office is holding entrance examinations for electronic technician 6, Engineman 6, and Building Equipment Mechanic 7 in the Long Island Division Associate Offices whose ZIP Codes are prefixed by 115, 117, 118 and 119.

Applications will be accepted for an indefinite period at the following post offices only: Hicksville, Rockville Centre, Garden City, Bay Shore, Huntington Station, Port Jefferson Station and Riverhead. Applications will not be made by individuals or groups. They must be obtained in person and returned to the above offices.

For more information, see announcements on bulletin boards in lobbies of post offices where applications are being issued.

## Hicksville Post Office Open Memorial Day

Hicksville Post Office, 485 West John Street, will be open on Memorial Day, Monday, May 28. The retail window on the outer lobby will provide Express Mail and postage sales from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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## What Hicksville Is Reading

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

### Non-Fiction


1. *Hollywood's Unsolved Mysteries* — John Austin
2. *Head First* — Norman Cousins
3. *In the Arena* — Richard Nixon
4. *All I Really Needed to Know I Learned in Kindergarten* — Robert Fulghum
5. *Megatrends 2000* — John Naisbitt

### Fiction

1. *Daddy* — Danielle Steel
2. *September* — Rosamunde Pilcher
3. *Gold Coast* — Nelson DeMille
4. *Always and Forever* — Cynthia Freeman
5. *Bourne Ultimatum* — Robert Ludlum

### Videos

1. Dead Poet's Society
2. Field of Dreams
3. Parenthood
4. Turner and Hooh
5. Uncle Buck



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Identifying the stress situation is the first step. Work, marriage, financial and child-rearing difficulties are common culprits. You don't have to have a serious psychological problem to experience chronic tension.

Learning how to cope more effectively and not "overreacting" may be the simplest and perhaps the most direct solution.

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By Gary Ryder

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White wine is probably the most popular picnic go-along today. It tastes good chilled or even mixed with soda in a spritzer, and it's the wine of choice for many salads and fish dishes. Ah, clambakes!

But if you're **barbecuing** a big, thick steak or butterflied leg of lamb, you don't want a "little" wine, but one with enough character to accompany the meat. Beaujolais, at least, or a new pinot noir.

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## Obituaries

### Ruth J. Hawkins

Ruth J. Hawkins, a resident of Hicksville, died on April 24 at the age of 87.

She is survived by her daughter, R. Merle Campbell, and son-in-law John Campbell.

She is also survived by her great-grandchildren, Eric and Russell, and grandchildren Karen, Christopher and Rosemary.

Interment was held at Pinelawn Memorial Park. She was reposed at Thomas F. Dalton Funeral Home.

### Anna O'Rourke

Anna O'Rourke, formerly of Hicksville, died on May 4 in Colorado at the age of 90.

She is survived by her daughter, Marlon Zurawel, grandchild Barbara Wallner and great-grandchildren Mary, Catherine and Richard.

Religious services were held on May 8 at St. Ignatius Church. Interment was at Holy

Rood Cemetery. She was reposed at Thomas F. Dalton Funeral Home.

### Kurt A. Maler

On May 19, Kurt A. Maler of Port Richey, Florida, a former 31 year resident of Hicksville, died at his home.

Mr. Maler served in the Hicksville Volunteer Fire Department for 30 years, as a member of Co. 3, and a charter member of Co. 6. He was also a Life Member of Manetto Lodge #1025, Masons. Mr. Maler, who was 68, is survived by his wife, Florence, of Port Richey; two sons, Kurt Jr. of Port Jefferson Station and Jerald of Bayport, and a daughter, Joyce, of Mesquite, Texas.

The *Hicksville Illustrated* publishes obituaries free of charge as a service to the community. Please instruct your funeral director to contact us at 132 East Second St., Mineola, New York 11501. Obituaries may also be faxed to (516) 742-5867 or called in to 747-8282, ext. 164.

## At the Library

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### Theatre Bus Trip

On Wednesday, Aug. 1, The Hicksville Public Library is having a theater bus trip to Westport, Connecticut.

The Westport Country Playhouse presents the very successful hit *Steel Magnolias*.

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## Saturday, May 26

- The Irish American Society will hold a "Ceili" at 9:30 p.m. at the Irish American Center, 297 Willis Ave., Mineola. For information call 746-9392.

## Monday, May 28

- Memorial Day.

## Tuesday, May 29

- The American Red Cross will hold a CPR Basic Life Support Course for the Professional Rescuer at 7 p.m. Also on May 30 and 31. For information call 747-3500.

- Women who love to sing! Third place women's barbershop chorus rehearses at 7:45 p.m. at the Wesley United Methodist Church, 619 Fenworth Blvd., Franklin Square. For information call 365-6643.

- The Nassau Chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America will meet at 8 p.m. at Winthrop Hall, Church of the Advent, 555 Advent Ave., Westbury. For information call 489-2644.

- Themis Society, group therapy for adult survivors of childhood sexual abuse, will meet in Port Washington. For information call 718-0916.

## Wednesday, May 30

- A free program for persons with cancer and their families will be held at Long Island Jewish Medical Center. "I Can Cope" will run on Wednesdays through June 27, 6 to 7:30 p.m. For information call 718-470-7188.

- SPAN (Single Parent Action Network) will meet at 8 p.m. at the North Shore Child and Family Guidance Center, 480 Old Westbury Rd., Roslyn Heights. Topic: "Relationship Alternatives for the Single Parent--

Remarriage? Commitment? Dating? Friendship? Options..." For information call 626-2716.

- The Long Island Association for AIDS Care (LIAAC) offers a workshop for HIV-positive people and their families. Topic: Safer sex issues; maintaining relationships. 7 to 9 p.m.. For information call the LIAAC Hotline at 385-AIDS.

## Thursday, May 31

- Smoker's Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. at Trinity Episcopal Church, 1010 Northern Blvd., Roslyn, 2nd floor, room 7. For information call 746-4909.

- Gam-Anon meeting for the adult children of compulsive gamblers, 8 to 10 p.m. at the Congregational Church of Manhasset, 1845 Northern Blvd. For information call 482-0164.

- ACBL (American Contract Bridge League) plays duplicate bridge at 8 p.m. at the North Country Reform Temple, Crescent Beach Rd., Glen Cove. Admission is \$5. Seals are guaranteed a partner. For information call 676-2686.

- Obsessive-Compulsive Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. at the Congregational Church of Manhasset, 1845 Northern Blvd. For information call 741-4901.

- Stepmother/second wife support group meeting in the Port Washington-Roslyn area. For information call 944-7785.

- New York State Parks Games for the Physically Challenged will be held at Mitchel Athletic Complex, Uniondale, through June 3. For information call 669-1000, ext. 294.

- The Nassau Board of Officials for Girls' and Women's Sports will celebrate their 40th anniversary at a dinner/meeting at Salisbury on the Green, Eisenhower Park, 7:30 p.m. For information call 431-3571.

- A Grandparents course will be held at Mercy Hospital, Rockville Centre from 7 to 10 p.m. Pre-registration necessary by calling 255-2244.

# Letters From Our Readers

## Let's Set The Record Straight

To The Editor:

Forty-five years is a long time to carry misperceptions about an event or action. Longer still when the story is wrong. I refer to recent letters carried in Ann Landers' column referencing the American Red Cross' provisions of services to American military during World War II. That's why I'm writing you. We believe our community, your readers, deserve to know what today's Red Cross is all about.

Consider the fact that even as I write, the Red Cross is helping Hurricane Hugo and northern California earthquake victims recover from the effects of these devastating events. There are nearly 144,000 victim stories of survival, recovery and hope the Red Cross made possible through hurricane and earthquake disaster relief. And recently, the American Red Cross Board of Governors, our volunteer leadership, confirmed that every dollar designated to a disaster, including the northern California earthquake will be spent on that disaster.

Consider the fact that as I write, Red Cross disaster workers are meeting the emergency needs of Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Alabama, Georgia, and Florida flood and tornado victims.

As I write, a serviceman or woman is receiving a Red Cross emergency message from home about a birth, a death, an illness. Perhaps that message is being sent from someone in this community.

In a hospital, right now, someone's life hangs in the balance as a blood bag from a Red Cross volunteer donor is suspended from a IV pole. That blood donor, that patient may live here in our town.

Somewhere, right now, we are teaching people how to save lives through Red Cross CPR, first aid, and water safety classes.

Who are the newsmakers in all of these stories? The true newsmakers are the volunteers who give their time, money and blood. The fact is most of what the Red Cross does is through volunteers and donations. The real story is the fact that people give their money to the Red Cross, trusting and knowing that trained Red Cross volunteers and paid staff will put those dollars to the best possible use in disasters, for safety training, to help our military. That is called good stewardship.

We believe people have a right to choose the organizations they want to support. But people also have a right to accurate information to help them make an informed choice about which causes they want to support through their time and financial contributions. We welcome the opportunity to talk about our services and programs with anyone who is caring and interested to call us at your Nassau County Chapter of the American Red Cross, 747-3500.

One final thought... American Red Cross volunteers have been helping people for 109 years. That's a lot of history. And yes, we've made mistakes. I'm sure everyone looks back and wishes they had done something differently. The American Red Cross is no different. But rather than spending our time looking backward, the Nassau County Chapter of the American Red Cross is looking forward by preparing for disasters, teaching health and safety courses, driving residents to medical appointments, visiting shut ins, staffing the Family Court Nursery, advising veterans on benefits, and helping military families. To do otherwise would be a disservice to our community and the people we serve.

Eve Gillespie, Chairman  
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 ♠ AK4  
 ♥ KQ10  
 ♦ 1064  
 ♣ A1082

The bidding:  
**East South West North**  
 Pass 1 NT Pass 3 NT  
 Opening lead — five of hearts.  
 Most of the hands that appear in this column were actually dealt and played in a real game or tournament. Some were played either by me or in my presence, but a great majority of the deals come from a variety of other sources.  
 Sometimes it is necessary to change a card or two in order to emphasize a particular point. If I didn't do that, the hand would be pointless and not worth writing about.

Take this deal, for example. As it is printed, there's really nothing to it. West leads a heart, and East wins the trick with the ace and returns a heart. Declarer then reels off five diamond tricks, two spades, two hearts and a club. He makes four notrump in what seems to be a routine hand.  
 I can't report such a dull hand in this column, so I spice it up a bit to make the deal more interesting and instructive. An extremely important principle is involved and demands discussion. In order to get the point across and convince the reader that South misplayed the hand, I change two cards. I take West's three of diamonds and give it to East in exchange for the three of spades.  
 If declarer now plays the hand as described above, he goes down one. He gets punished for his ineptitude. His proper play at trick three is a low diamond to the ace, followed by a low diamond back! That is how he protects against a 4-1 division and insures the contract.  
 I wouldn't dare publish the deal as it appears in the diagram, because I'd have a very difficult time convincing my readers that a declarer who makes three notrump is a better player than a declarer who makes four notrump!

## Hicksville Kickboxer Gets a Kick Out of Life

By Michael J. Maloney

Some may say that Graham Lewis is two different people.

One is the Hicksville resident who holds the New York State middleweight kickboxing title. The other is the Hicksville businessman who teaches people to defend themselves through the use of martial arts.

But for Graham Lewis, his two personalities are what keeps him going.

"I had a fight with my best friend when I was nine," recalls Lewis on his days growing up in North Wales, England. "I got beat up for the simple reason that I wouldn't fight back."

The young Lewis, who was small for his age, went home that evening where his father and two brothers, who were either boxers or into martial arts, taught him how to defend himself.

"My father gave the kid a pound note and said, 'The next time you see my son, beat the life out of him.' At the same time, he said to me, 'The next time you see that boy, you better fight back.' Sure enough, the next time we saw each other we had a fight and I beat him."

From that point on, Lewis fell in love with boxing and the martial arts. He fought on the amateur boxing circuit in London and Wales until he joined the army at the age of 19. He left the Army in 1982 at the age of 22 to come to the United States in order to train horses. Lewis worked as a groomer at Roosevelt Raceway and at the same time met up with a fellow kickboxer who got him his first fight in the U.S.

Lewis then took some time out from kickboxing to get married. However, after moving to Monticello and Washington, DC., his marriage ended and he moved to Hicksville four years ago. He earned his horse trainer's and driver's license and began racing at Roosevelt, Yonkers, and Pocono Downs.



After Roosevelt Raceway closed down he became a bricklayer, a trade he had learned back home, in order to save enough money to open his own martial arts studio.

At the same time, he began training again in kickboxing. Since that time, Lewis has become the New York State middleweight

kickboxing champion, a title he still holds. He has also opened up his own studio - the Martial Science Jiu Jitsu and Kickboxing Academy on West Carl Street in Hicksville.

"Kickboxing started to get very big," said Lewis, citing the growing popularity and exposure of the sport which features elements

of both boxing and the martial arts. "It is the sport of the nineties."

Lewis plans to turn professional after a few more amateur tournaments and maybe even after competing for Team U.S.A. He feels that he has one or two more years left in the sport and then he would like to concentrate on teaching the martial arts at his studio.

Jiu Jitsu, the form of martial arts Lewis bases his program on, incorporates all of the martial arts. "It is the gentleman's art of self defense," said Lewis. "I have gentlemen and ladies who are doctors and lawyers—people who have an everyday job. They come to my studio because they don't want to get beat up." He added, "I train the everyday person for what his everyday needs could be to help him defend himself, as well as giving him a little street smarts."

According to Lewis, martial arts is much more than just learning how to defend one's self, it is about learning who you are.

"Martial arts allows you to have that get-up-and-go and that confidence in yourself, because you are accomplishing something with your body that helps you get over that hump of self-doubt," said Lewis. "Martial arts will make you open your eyes and face your problems, make you face the world and develop a strong attitude about yourself."

Whether you are five or 95 years old, Lewis believes that any age is a good age to take up martial arts.

"Martial arts is something you can start at any age and stay with until the day you die," said Lewis. "With the sport aspect of martial arts, karate and kickboxing, you have to stop at a certain age. That is why I have the two—jiu jitsu and kickboxing. Kickboxing is something I can do now. Jiu Jitsu is something I can turn to when kickboxing is gone."

But for now, Graham Lewis is just as happy doing both.

## St. Ignatius Loyola CYO Game Scores

### Baseball Highlights

K-2 Cardinals 35 Eagles 15

The hitting stars for the Cardinals, who went 5 for 5, were Danny Rogers, Brian Hebron and Tommy Riccio. Brian Quinn collected 3 hits and Matt Thomas added a clutch hit. For the Eagles, Sean Gleason and David Gleason made 3 hits each.

### 3rd Grade League

Yankees 11 Red Sox 1

Two hits each for the Yankees by Danny Ciaccio, Michael Green and Sean Cain. Yankees 11 Red Sox 7

Grand slam homeruns for the Yankees by Bobby Schmidt and Jerrod Stanton. Great pitching by David Barnard.

5-12 Mets 15 Yankees 1

A grand slam homerun by Joe Panarelli for the Mets. Good hitting and outstanding pitching by Matt Connolly. A spectacular outfield catch by Kris Binick. All round playing by Jimmy Madden, Ryan O'Toole and Paolo Fumagalli.

5-10 Mets 15 Dodgers 8

Having 3 hits each for the Mets were Paolo Fumagalli and Craig Brink. Vinny Carranza continued his outstanding catching. And good all round playing by Jesse Lancaster and Joe Gandolfi. For the Dodgers, Omar Agha went 4 for 5, Danny Dunleavy 3 for 3 and Joey Basso 3 for 5.

### 6th and 7th Grade League

Indians 4 A's 3

The Indians defeated the A's in a game that was either tied for one run apart for seven full

innings. With defensive plays from Mike Del Bagno, who played a very heads up catching position by calling an appeal play at the plate which cost the A's a run. . . Jim Walker and Kevin Sullivan turning over a double play, scoring a couple of runs from scoring, and Chris Fedorcuak and Joe McHugh, who played 3rd and 1st, making sure nothing got by them. Chris Matuk, Steven Sattler and Anthony Anzalone made sure the outfield was well protected. With hits from Sean Dorney, Jim Walker and Chris Fedorcuak, who went 2 for 3, and the tie breaking game winning run hit in by Tony Charalanmbous. The Indians were able to defeat a terrific team like the A's.

### Pirate Update

The Pirates kept their undefeated streak alive by beating the A's and the Braves on Saturday. Good pitching by Mike Foran, Jeff Reinhardt, Brian Patwell, Steve Locke and Paul Mackin. Leading in hitting for the week: Paul Mackin, Mike Foran, Matt Patwell, Steve Locke and Mike Silvestro. Great defensive plays by Paul Gomez, Craig Mueller, Brian Patwell, Jeff Reinhardt, John Luyster and Nick Hart.

### Travel Team News

The St. Ignatius 7th grade travel team defeated St. Mary's 9 to 8. Tied at the bottom of the 7th inning, Beatrice Clark 1st batter up hit a homerun which won the game. Great pitching by Carolyn Galdo; excellent fielding by Meegan Wood, Lauren Sandecky, Meredith Hennessey, Fontayne Mitas. Great

hitting by Erin Mitchell with a homerun and Mindy LeCren.

### 8th Grade Girls

St. Ignatius 5 St. Hyacinth 1

Katie Kelly hit 3 RBIs and drove in the winning run for St. Ignatius, making it their 4th straight victory. Kathleen Kelly gave up only 4 hits while striking out 13.

### Boys' Travel Teams

The St. Ignatius 5th grade travel team defeated St. Barnabus with a score of 8 to 7. Great pitching by Kenny Binick kept St. Barnabus in check. Great defensive plays by short stop's Craig Finn and Robert Bungert to 3rd baseman Tommy Geramita, who kept the plays from advancing. A put-out at home by Andy Fumagalli. Mike Gandolfi and Keith Mason helped turn the game around to win. A triple for Robert Haddad and a double by Craig Finn also helped bring St. Ignatius to an 8-7 victory.

### 7th Grade

The thrilling 7-6 victory which cost Mr. Andy Murray three more hairs on the top of his head. St. Ignatius defeated St. Williams of Seaford. Excellent outfield play by Rod Carolan and John Haley preserved the victory. An excellent 13 strike-out performance by Chris Kelly and some "Dave Righetti" type relief from Joe Croce, with additional back-up by Danny Meegan. The 7th grade travel team continued its winning way.

### 8th Grade

On Saturday, May 19, St. Ignatius 8th grade travel team earned their first victory of the year in a thrilling 3-1 win over St. Aloysius of

Great Neck. Leading the way in this triumph was Billy Harvey and Steve Talento. Bryan Higgins scored twice and Shennen Maceo registered all the runs in this necessary victory. Glen Turano and Dennis Kelly were flawless in the field. On Sunday, May 20, despite 3 RBIs by Scott Galdo and a valiant pitching effort by Mark Micalizzi, St. Ignatius lost a tough 5-4 cliff hanger to St. Joseph's of Kings Park in the bottom of the 7th. Jason Andrews made many sparkling defensive plays. The entire team is showing improvement and we look for better days ahead.

### 9th & 10th Grade Tyro Team

St. Ignatius travel team continued its unblemished record by defeating St. Frances 10-6 on Sunday, May 20. With a great 10 strike-out, 5 inning pitching performance and giving up 1 run by Adam Grecco. Dennis Cantalupo ignited the winning rally by stroking a long homerun.

### More K-2 News

Cardinals 24 Dolphins 15

Hitting stars for the Cardinals, John Kieran went 5 for 5, Andy Visconti, Brian Mensching, Chris Barbino, Tommy Riccio and Stevie Alvarez all went 4 for 5. Hitting for the Dolphins, Chris Carsten 4 hits, Ryan Cocchi 3 hits and Jesse Shaul 2 hits.

### Reminder

Reminder to all coaches and teams. . . St. Ignatius will be marching in the Memorial Day Parade, on May 28 starting at Sears. St. Ignatius will be marching behind the Joseph Barry Council, in the 4th division. Assemble time is at 8:30 a.m.