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District Begins Anti-Vandalism Incentive Plan

By Victor Caputo

The Hicksville School Board adopted an Anti-Vandalism Student Incentive Program at its Sept. 25 meeting.

The program is designed to make students an active part of the anti-vandalism campaign, especially when it comes to fighting the graffiti that constantly appears on school building walls.

"The district expends \$150,000 a year on vandalism," said Superintendent of Schools Salvatore Mugavero at the board meeting. The district estimated the breakdown of this amount as \$50,000 at the high school, \$30,000 at the middle school, \$70,000 on all elementary schools in the district.

The district will establish an internal process for materials and labor costs in connection with vandalism. The money that is saved will be given back to the schools. The incentive awards must be approved by the Student Council and Anti-Vandalism Committee in the building.

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By Victor Caputo

Alicia Reilly, a teacher at the St. Ignatius Loyola school, was passing through the school's cafeteria during the students' lunch period when eighth grader Danielle Cirillo, a member of the student safety patrol, told her that a young boy, Matthew Castoro, was choking.

Quick to react, Reilly raced to the boy and using the Heimlich maneuver, was able to free the piece of food and save Matthew's life.

"I came down to the cafeteria to pick up some of the children to do some extra reading during the lunch hour. Danielle came and alerted me that a boy in the third grade was choking."

"I dropped everything and ran to him. He was standing up and I checked to see if he was breathing. There was no sound coming from his mouth. That was when I started to administer the Heimlich maneuver," said Reilly.

The piece of food did not immediately dislodge after the first attempt. "It did not work the first or second time. The third time I applied the maneuver he coughed and the food came up," she said.

If it was not for the fast reaction of Danielle, the outcome could have been very different. "If she was not there to notice it, then who knows what could have happened," said Reilly. "I said to Matthew to take a deep breath and then I ran and got Miss Reilly," said Danielle.

Danielle is part of the safety patrol pro-



ALICIA REILLY recently saved third grader Matthew from choking. If it was not for the fast reaction of Danielle, she might not have been alerted to the scene in time.

Photo By Victor Caputo

gram in the school, where she is a lieutenant. It is sponsored by the Auto Club of New York. It gives children in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades a chance to help around

the school and school yard.

Matthew's mother, on behalf of the family, wrote Reilly a letter expressing their grati-

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Student Safety Raises Parents' Concern

By Victor Caputo

The Hicksville School Board entertained a variety of topics at the Sept. 25 board meeting. The topics ranged from the wearing of hats in school buildings to how safe are the schools, and to what should be done with a teacher who allowed a photograph to be taken of a bus driver with a class of kindergarten children.

The meeting started quickly with the board members' committee reports. Trustee James Black asked for student participation in the curriculum meetings because they are affected most and their input is very valuable.

In Superintendent of Schools Salvatore Mugavero's report he talked of his appointment of an Educational Task Force to study the feasibility of the sixth grade moving to the middle school. "The committee will report by Nov. 1 whether the idea would work. Once that report comes to me, we will

hold a meeting with building administrators and parents of fifth grade students," he said.

He also spoke of the establishment of a Budget Lay Committee. "A building principal will chair a budget lay committee in each one of the buildings," he said. The committee will be made up of all different fragments of the Hicksville population including teachers, students, parents, adults with no children in the schools and senior citizens. On Nov. 1, the principal will submit two names to serve on a district-wide budget committee. The school will advertise for an additional nine committee members. "We will review budget options that are open to us. The committee will give the community a feeling that they have contributed to the formulating of the budget," said Mugavero.

He also directed the high school principal to study both the feasibility of Academic Resource Rooms in the high school program.

and the feasibility of a Substitute Enrichment Program.

He spoke of a Dropout Identification Program designed to get people back into school through adult education to receive their diploma.

"We have also asked teachers to stop giving short answer tests and instead give more essay type tests," he said, in an attempt to get students writing more than they are now.

Senior Dawn Mullen was honored by the Superintendent and the board for being named student athlete of the month by the Fox 5 network.

"As Superintendent of Schools, I am doing a total review of the district administrative structure with a view toward consolidation and cost cuts. A full report will be rendered to the public at the January board meeting."

With that the meeting was open to the

general public. "It seems to me that the Superintendent is creating a beast," said Joseph Van Berckelaer about the budget lay committee. He also wanted to know how he would control such a large amount of people. Mugavero and the board explained that the committees will only render advice and will not make any final decisions. "The responsibility of the decision must and will ride with us, the board," said Black.

Van Berckelaer also talked about the possibility of keeping the school open for 12 months and not give the students a two-month continuous break for summer. Mugavero said that that idea was tried and was abandoned by many school districts. He also pointed out that it would not be cost saving.

Another resident said that nobody on the payroll of the school district should be on the

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HOMETOWN PEOPLE

Visiting Their Son

Alice and Alan Roth of Hicksville recently visited their son, Midshipman Jarrel Roth during Parent's Weekend at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.

During the weekend, freshmen showed their parents the skills they learned during six weeks of rigorous military indoctrination.

Roth is a 1990 graduate of Hicksville Senior High School and was selected from more than 11,500 applicants to the Naval Academy. He will graduate with a bachelor degree of science and a commission as a Navy or Marine Corps officer.



Dennis O'Mara at his "Welcome Home" party. He is very happy to be back in the United States.

Veteran Returns Home

Dennis O'Mara returned from the Persian Gulf War in the middle of the summer. He is a marine. He is currently a corporal stationed in New River, Jacksonville, NC. He

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has been in the Marines for almost four years.

When he finishes his enlistment he plans to go to college and will most likely major in business.

He is really glad to be home.

Service News

Navy Ensign Steven Olive, son of Joseph and Mary Olive of Hicksville recently completed the Officer Indoctrination School at the Naval Education and Training Center, Newport, RI.

During the course, students are prepared for duty in the Naval staff field corresponding to their civilian profession.

The first five weeks of studies include naval history and traditions, personnel administration, military law, close-order drill and other general military subjects.

During the final week, studies concentrate on the application of civilian professions within the Navy.

He is a 1991 graduate of Boston University, Boston, and joined the Navy Reserves in Dec. 1990.

Joseph Wilgosz, son of Mickey Wilgosz of Hicksville, recently completed Navy Recruit Training at the Recruit Training Command, San Diego.

During the training cycle, recruits are taught general military subjects designed to prepare them for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 occupational fields.

Studies include seamanship, close-order drill, naval history and first aid.

He is a 1982 graduate of Bethpage High School and joined the Navy in 1991.

Happy Anniversary

Happy Anniversary Mark. Twelve years ago we became one and now we are five. I am looking forward to celebrating our 50th

Love Karen Thomas

Happy Anniversary to Lori and Paul. It's been a great 12 years.

Happy Anniversary to Vito. Eighteen and still going strong. Love Patt

A very Happy Anniversary to Iris and Mort, of 11 years. Here's to many more.

Happy belated Anniversary to Toni and Voley Martin

Another Happy belated Anniversary to Jackie and Tom Kolm from your friends in Hicksville.

A very special Anniversary wish to my "sweetie" of 13 wonderful years on Sept. 17. Thanks for all you do-FLYR

Happy 20th Anniversary on Oct. 9 to a very special couple, Tom and Jan Mullee from your OCR friends.



Matthew Todd Waters

Happy First Birthday

Happy Birthday, Matt! Matthew Todd Waters, son of proud parents Christine and George, celebrated his first birthday on Aug. 14.

A party took place with family and friends at the Oyster Bay Italian American Club. Everyone had a great time with all the food, the clowns and festive atmosphere.

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday Gerry Love
Tony, Michael, Tricia, A.J. and Donna.

Happy Birthday to John Lyons, who turned a big nine-years-old and also to Donna Lyons, who will be 11 years old on Oct. 3.

Love,

Mom and Dad

Special wishes to Dawn Mullee on her 17th birthday

Love,

Heather, Tommy and Kelly

Very special birthday wishes are being sent to John Orr

Love and Kisses,

Your Godmother

Happy Birthday to Grandpa Becker on Oct. 13. We hope it is a good one!

Love,

The Becker Juniors

Also, Daddy Becker is celebrating a birthday. We love you and hope you have a special day

Love,

Bobby Jr., Brian and Mom

Marie and John Richmond would like to wish their daughter, Joann Rosenweig and their grand daughter Tara a Happy Birthday. Joann's birthday was on Sept. 28 and Tara will be five-years-old on Sept. 29.

Happy birthday from the whole family

Love,

Mom and Dad, Nana and Grandpa

Dear Ker, sorry we missed your birthday. We are sure it was great

Love,

The Abbs

Happy birthday to Mary Keyer from all your grandchildren, Kevin, Matt, Kelly, Shannon, Britney, Brian, Jimmy, Tina and from the rest of the gang as well. We love you.

New Arrival In Hicksville

Cory John Hupfer was born on Sept. 8.

The very proud parents are John and Nancy Hupfer of Hicksville. Cory was also welcomed home by big brother Steven and sister Casey.

Grandma and Grandpa Hupfer, along with Grandma Nicolls of Blacksburg, Virginia, are ecstatic over the birth of their new grandson.

Congratulations to the Hupfer family.

Hoop-It-Up

Three 1990 Hicksville High School graduates and one current student recently participated in the Hoop-It-Up Tournament to benefit the USO. The tournament was held on Aug. 24 and 25 in the parking lot of the Mid Island Shopping Center.

Over the two-day period, they challenged many teams and succeeded in placing first in their division. Congratulations.



Chris James, Mike Board, Brian Spinner and Desmond James.



Tom Cassata and Sandy Del Percio

They're Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Del Percio are delighted to announce the engagement of their daughter Sandy to Tom, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Cassata.

Both families reside in Hicksville.

Sandy and Tom are presently busy attaining their degrees in Speech Pathology and Physical Education. They plan to wed after they both graduate.



Janice Menke and John Cocchi

They're Engaged

John Cocchi, a Terrace Heights resident of Hicksville, recently got engaged to Janice Menke, who presently lives in Queens.

They have been going out with each other for five years before the engagement. A winter wedding, sometime next year.

Thanks For Caring

My family and I would like to thank all our neighbors and friends, also the sisters and past students of the Holy Trinity High School for their many cards and messages of Condolence on the passing of our beloved son, Roy Harvey Jr. Please keep us in your prayers.

Roy and Isabelle Harvey and Family

Diamond Anniversary

Arrangements are being completed for a spectacular Long Island celebration of the Irish American Society Diamond Anniversary.

It will take place on Sat., Oct. 5 at the Long Island Marriott Hotel Convention Center, Uniondale.

Further details on the event are available by calling the center at 746-9392 or 742-8080.

Recycling Symposium

The Environmental Control Division of the Department of Public Works will host a Commercial Recycling Symposium at the Crest Hollow Country Club in Woodbury on Oct. 23.

The symposium is designed to introduce the various aspects of commercial recycling to Town of Oyster Bay business.

"The commercial sector is a very important segment to add to our recycling efforts. Town businesses that recycle will reduce company costs while reducing the size of our disposable solid waste stream. That adds up to savings for both the company and the town," said Oyster Bay Town Supervisor Angelo Delligatti.

The symposium is slated to include presentations by business leaders who will outline their existing in-house recycling programs as well as specific pitfalls to avoid. In addition, several recycling vendors will be available to talk with attendees on a one to one basis about their individual needs. A commercial recycling manual has been completed and will be mailed to Town of Oyster Bay businesses along with an invitation to attend the symposium.

Voice Of Democracy Contest

The VFW Post 3211 and the Ladies Auxiliary have announced that the 1991-92 "Voice of Democracy Contest" is underway. The contest will take place in several local schools.

The theme this year is "Meeting America's Challenge." The contest is open to all tenth, eleventh and twelfth grade students at Hicksville Senior High School and Holy Trinity High School.

The students are to prepare a script and transfer it to a cassette tape, making it a minimum of three minutes and a maximum of five minutes, and they will be judged on their interpretation of the theme. The deadline is Friday, Nov. 1. Their classroom teachers will provide them with all the details.

Bill Bennet has been appointed as Chairman of the VFW Voice of Democracy Program and the judges this year are James Black, a member of the Board of Education; Elsie Draycott, an officer of the Hicksville Community Council and Donald Skupinsky, a fifth grade teacher at Lee Avenue School. Awards will be given to all winners and participants.

New Library Director

Kenneth Barnes has retired from his position as library director. Celeste Warman, who was the assistant director of the library, has been appointed by the Hicksville Public Library Board as the new director.

Delligatti Headquarters Opens

The Delligatti campaign headquarters opened on Sept. 28 at 126 Broadway Rd.

Many residents and local politicians were on hand to witness Town Supervisor Angelo Delligatti cut into his birthday cake. The headquarters will be manned in the evenings.

Recycling Program Is Extended

By Victor Caputo

In an effort to advance the recycling effort, the Town of Oyster Bay will soon be asking residents to include magazines, catalogs, white paper and school paper, among recyclables placed outside to be picked up by the town.

The town of Oyster Bay recently entered into a three year contract with Marcal Paper Mills, located in New Jersey, that gives Marcal permission to take town's mixed paper waste and recycle it into Marcal paper products.

"Residents will be provided with instructions for preparing the new recyclables prior to the start of the collection," said Oyster Bay Town Supervisor Angelo Delligatti.

"We will ask residents to separate the magazines and mixed paper from news papers and bundle them separately," he said.

According to town officials, by recycling these mixed paper products, the waste stream could be reduced by 15,000 to 20,000 tons a year. This tonnage is usually hauled out of state for disposal.

"With our current longhauling costs at \$117 per ton, a figure that will increase to \$124 a ton next March," he said, "the addition of mixed paper to our recycling program will offer a potential savings of \$2 million a year to the taxpayer."

Marcal Paper Mills Inc. will pick up the paper every time the town has stockpiled 16 tons or more. They will manufacture the paper into 100 percent recycled kitchen and bathroom paper products. Marcal has been manufacturing their products from recycled paper for almost 40 years.

"We have been actively contacting many towns in the northeast area about the program. We are very happy everything has come about with the Town of Oyster Bay. The program is a cost saving measure to the community," said Peter Marcalus, vice president of corporate communications for Marcal Paper products.

Residents can know if they are buying recycled paper when they see the logo "Paper



MAGAZINES like this will no longer take up space in residents' homes in the Town of Oyster Bay because of the recent contract between the Town and Marcal Paper Mills.

(Photo By Victor Caputo)

from Paper Not From Trees" printed on the Marcal package.

Residents will not pay for this service from Marcal, in return Marcal will not pay the town for the paper. "We will save whatever it normally costs us to dispose of the waste otherwise," Delligatti said.

The contract was found by town officials to be the most responsive to its residents' needs out of the three proposals they had received.

"We will be starting the program in October, but no definite date has been set yet," said Delligatti.

Marcal has received a good response from consumers who buy their recycled paper products. "Many of the shoppers now have the ability to recycle with Marcal and close the

recycling loop," said Marcalus.

By using recycled paper, Marcal is able to keep their prices competitive with other brands currently on the market. "We are able to pass along our savings because of the recycling effort to the customer," said Marcalus.

According to Marcalus, many managers of the retail chains carrying Marcal products have said that shoppers are interested in the product. "Consumers are very interested in recycling. Now, Oyster Bay residents, by purchasing Marcal products, are buying a recycled product that they may have contributed to," said Marcalus.

Does the town have any other plans with companies to recycle waste materials? "We

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Dial Killers To Solve A Crime

By A. Anthony Miller

Frank Manfredi has an unusual telephone number. If you want to talk to him you dial 800-Killers. Frank Manfredi also has an unusual occupation. He's in the "interactive murder" business.

How's that again?

Frank is head of LeisureTime Mysteries, Inc. which he operates from his Valley Stream home. It's a five year old interactive entertainment company, which involves the audience in a murder mystery and challenges viewers to determine who committed the homicide.

Frank calls the art form "one of the most unique experiences available today" and says his mysteries are complete with a murder, a victim, an alibi for the killer, and "anything can and will happen."

Members of the audience have the opportunity to interrogate suspects, and the murder is presented in a variety of formats, ranging from two to three hours to a full weekend.

LeisureTime has had so much success with the entertainment aspect of its product, and Frank says that as far as he knows, his art form is unique on Long Island, that he's branching out and utilizing the medium as an employee training and development tool.

By combining professional actors as victims, suspects and murderers, Frank says, "company employees learn important decision making skills as they are confronted with real-life situations in an entertaining and thought-provoking interactive murder mystery."

The new program is geared for the

business unit that wants to supplement its regular training budget with inexpensive techniques.

On three days in October, the 4th, 18th and 25th, Frank will stage a preview of his LeisureTime Mysteries at the Long Island Smithtown Sheraton. This "hands on learn by doing" approach will be presented in the format of a buffet dinner at \$49.95 per

person, including all taxes and gratuities.

Since its inception, however, LeisureTime Mysteries have been primarily staged for entertainment and that aspect will continue. At a party, "the guests have to solve the crime," Frank says. Each table is supplied with information as to the motive, method and means of the crime.

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TERROR IN TUMBLEWEED: Charlie Addison, Bob Cooper and Darren Lemke as shooter, sheriff and victim or are they more than they seem as they perform for LeisureTime Mysteries run by Frank Manfredi, an art form that is unique on Long Island.

TO YOUR HEALTH

By RICHARD H. BLAU, M.D.

Arthritis Treatment A Comprehensive Approach Part I The Role of the Rheumatologist

This article begins a four part series on the comprehensive approach to the diagnosis and treatment of arthritis and disorders of the muscles and joints. This series will include an overview on the use of medications, the role of exercise, and finally the goals of nutrition. We will begin with the role of the rheumatologist in the diagnosis and management of rheumatic disorders.

Arthritis is a general term meaning joint inflammation. There are over 100 types of arthritis, each one requiring its own diagnosis and special treatment. Rheumatology is a branch of internal medicine dedicated to the scientific study and treatment of inflammatory disorders. An individual is recognized as a rheumatologist (arthritis expert) if the physician has completed several years of specialized training after medical school in the treatment of rheumatic disorders.

The most common reason for a patient to seek help from a rheumatologist is for evaluation of significant muscle or

joint pain. Since most forms of arthritis result in pain, the first goal of the rheumatologist is to find out the cause of the pain.

The guidelines to proper diagnosis of rheumatic disorders include a complete medical history, comprehensive physical examination, specific blood tests, and diagnostic x-rays. Once this information has been evaluated, a specific diagnosis can be made, and an individualized program of treatment commenced. A program of treatment will include the use of anti-inflammatory medications to combat the arthritis, instruction in specific exercises to maintain joint mobility and finally, specific dietary manipulation to reduce joint stress. These treatment programs are the specialty of the rheumatologist.

Next Article Part II Arthritis medications

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Community Against Graffiti

"Visual Pollution" was the term used by one community representative to describe the extensive graffiti damage done to an alarming number of public and privately owned buildings throughout the Hicksville community over the past several years.

A coalition of more than a dozen representatives from the Hicksville community met at the Hicksville Public Library on Sept. 4 to discuss the problem. In attendance were representatives from various Hicksville civic associations, police precincts, commercial property interests, the Town of Oyster Bay and the Hicksville School District.

The purpose of the meeting was to consider the various options available and formulate a plan to rid the community of the graffiti blight that has plagued Hicksville.

The meeting began with an assessment of the impact of graffiti on the entire community. Representatives from various civic associations expressed their outrage over the spray painting of stop signs, mailboxes, school buildings and recreational facilities in local neighborhoods. In addition to the anger stated over the conditions in some neighborhoods, several representatives expressed concern over the long run effects of graffiti on property values.

Commercial property owners concurred with the concern of members of local civic associations and reported that costs of cleaning were extensive and ultimately absorbed by the community in the form of higher prices for goods and services as well as higher rents for apartments and commercial property.

The Second Police Precinct and the Eighth Police Precinct were represented at the meeting, as were the Hicksville Schools, civic associations and business community. Both precincts reported working closely with the representatives of various community groups in their efforts to apprehend those responsible for the graffiti problem.

According to police, two Hicksville young men were arrested and prosecuted for the spray painting of a local shopping center.

during the summer months. However, in spite of successful arrests in both precincts, the police officers expressed frustration in their efforts to deal with the problem. They cited an example of young persons having been apprehended while in the act of defacing buildings and then finding a property owner who was unwilling to press a complaint.

In attempting to understand the nature of the graffiti problem, the group heard testimony from Captain Dooley who described the recent arrest of an eighteen year-old from outside the Hicksville community who blanketed buildings throughout the area with his graffiti tag. According to the police, upon arrest the man's only concern was to inquire when the media would arrive with cameras to take his picture.

A representative from the Hicksville schools, related much of the graffiti to the existence of gangs operating in the Mid-Island area from Levittown to Syosset and from East Meadow to Plainview. The gangs are an example of negative peer group pressure and have membership in schools throughout the area. Gang members are almost exclusively males between 12 and 18 years of age. The members of such gangs are usually from the lowest achievement levels of the school population and in most schools represent less than one half of one percent of the school population.

Members are almost always students who refuse to join with other students in positive school activities. The gangs consider the walls of buildings their "turf" and vie for control of their turf by spray painting their "tags" as a sign of ownership. Such gangs regularly invade each other's turf and are characterized by involvement in substance abuse and, on occasion, acts of violence against fellow students.

At the conclusion of the meeting, a steering committee was organized to consult with communities experiencing similar problems and plan a course of action to deal with the problem.

What Hicksville Residents Are Reading

Every week the Hicksville Public Library takes a count of the most popular books and most requested books by residents of the community.

This week in the fiction category, *The Sun of All Tears* by Tom Clancy, *The Firm* by John Grisham, *Flower in the Rain* by Rosamunde Pilcher, *Russia* by Edward Rutherford and *Outer Banks* by Anne Rivers Siddons were the top requested.

In the non-fiction category, *Iron John* by Robert Bly, *Chutzpah* by Alan M. DeShawitz, *A Question Of Character* by Thomas C. Reeves, *The Mansions Of Farnham* by Dominick Dunne and *Silent Coup* by Robert Getlin won the honors this week.

In the video category we had *Mr. And Mrs. Bridge*, *Avalon*, *Misery*, *Hamlet* and *Sleeping With The Enemy*.

Clue In At The Library

As part of its Computer Literacy Use and Education (CLUE) program, the Hicksville Public Library will be offering free computer classes and programs for adults and children.

Registration for children's events will be Oct. 7 from 10 a.m.-9 p.m. in the Children's Department.

On Oct. 10, registration for the fall session of the library's adult computer classes will take place from 6:30-8 p.m. These evening classes include courses in the popular Word Perfect wordprocessing program and introductory instruction on the library's IBM-compatible and Macintosh computers.

In the Children's Room, Debbie Smiloff, Librarian, will be demonstrating educational software to parents and children from Pre-School age to sixth grade. Since October was designated as national Computer Learning Month by the Computer Learning Foundation, the Children's Department will sponsor contests and special giveaways, aimed at promoting computer usage and educational software.

The Computer Learning Foundation, a group of educational and corporate sponsors such as Del Monte Foods USA and the

American Federation of Teachers, has sponsored Computer Learning Month with schools and non-profit organizations for the past five years. This year, the Hicksville Public Library will be among its participants.

The computers in the Children's Room are very popular. Since the variety of age levels and subject areas of educational software is extensive, Computer Learning Month will help the children explore the diversity of programs. In a society which is becoming increasingly technology-oriented, computer literacy is important for children and will open doors for them in the future.

The Hicksville Library is thankful for contributions by the following companies: Optimum Resource, Sunburst, Wings for Learning, William K. Bradford Company, Scholastic, Inc., and Britannica Software. These companies donated door prizes, promotional materials, and preview programs for demonstrations.

All patrons of the Hicksville Public Library will also receive computer buttons with the CLUE logo to celebrate the library's ongoing efforts toward Computer Literacy Use and Education.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friday, October 4

• "Renewal Weekend" begins at the Church of Christ in Hicksville. At 7:30 p.m., there will be a spiritual renewal. The weekend offers people an opportunity to renew their faith and to receive a spiritual "boost" through singing, praise and worship. The guest speaker on "Spiritual Renewal" will be Dr. David Reagen. The events will continue until Sunday. For further information about events and their times, residents can call Joe Kelly at 935-3855.

Saturday, October 5

• The Hicksville Public Library Children's Room presents "Magic of Origami and More" from 10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. for preschoolers and a parent and for children kindergarten-sixth from 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Registration is underway now and the material fee is \$1. A current bar-coded Hicksville Library Card is required.

Sunday, October 6

• The Hicksville Fire Department is once again hosting its Annual Fire Prevention Poster Contest beginning at 2 p.m. at the headquarters on East Main Street. Light refreshments will be served. The contest is open to children in grades kindergarten to sixth, including special education students.

• The Hicksville Jewish Center will be having a rummage sale from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The center is located at Jerusalem Avenue and Maglie Drive in Hicksville.

• The "Your Beliefs vs. Reality" workshop will take place at the Eyes of Learning, Levittown Hall, Hicksville from 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Registration is \$15. Further information may be obtained by calling 661-2424.

• Hicksville Ford DellaGatta is having a casual reception from 2 p.m.-5 p.m. at the V.I.W. Post 3211 Hall, 320 South Broadway Rd., Hicksville. Tickets are \$3 per person and the reception will include free food, soft drinks, beer and a cash bar. Further information on how to obtain tickets can be obtained by calling Bill Schuckmann at 938-5241.

Tuesday, October 8

• A stress management training program of the Long Island Heart Council, which is co-sponsored by Central General Hospital, will be held at the hospital on four consecutive Tuesday evenings, starting at 8 p.m. The four session course teaches about stress and how it affects one's health. Advance registration is required. To register or find out further information, residents can call the Heart Council office at 932-9360.

Due to great community input and concern shown by Hicksville residents at a meeting on Sept. 12 at the library on the application of Herbil Holding Co. to build a drive-thru facility on the corner of Tobias and Jerusalem Avenues, this meeting will take place at the library again at 8 p.m. to discuss future actions with residents. All are invited to attend. Further information can be obtained by calling Assemblyman Parola's office at 731-4334.

Wednesday, October 9

• The Category Museum is holding a fall workshop that will run every Wednesday until Dec. 11. The workshop will run from 3:45-5 p.m. The subject will be "Paleontology-The Study Of Fossils." The workshop is being taught by Dr. Charles Rockwell, a professor of geology at Nassau Community College and Hofstra University. The fee for the course is \$65. For information on how to register, residents can call the museum at 822-7505.

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SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

Merit Scholarship Semifinalists

Hicksville High School students Kim Soo Young and James Fitzsimmons have been chosen as semifinalists in the 1992 Merit Scholarship Competition. The two students are among 15,000 national semifinalists who now have the opportunity to compete for 6,100 Merit Scholarships to be awarded next spring.

Kim Soo Young came to the United States at age six from Korea and quickly mastered the English language. He has taken the most challenging subjects offered by the high school. In addition, he has met all the requirements for the International Baccalaureate Program and has achieved high honors. Soo Young plans on majoring in either mathematics or science, two areas of study in which he finds the most interest and challenge.

James Fitzsimmons is a National Honor Society student with special talents in drawing, playing the violin and speaking a second language (Italian). He has worked extensively as a hospital volunteer and plans to study medicine in college with the hopes of becoming a pediatrician.

Semifinalists represent about half of one

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MERIT SCHOLARSHIP SEMIFINALISTS Pictured are (from left) Guidance Counselor Christopher Volpe, James Fitzsimmons, Kim Soo Young, Guidance Counselor Sheldon Lieber and H.S. Principal Richard Hogan.

Internship Program For Seniors

The Hicksville High School is in its second year of offering a student internship program for seniors. Under the directorship of the district's business education teacher Susan Calland, the program has grown to include over twenty seniors this year.

Students receive one credit for their service on a pass/fail basis. They are required to fulfill approximately 150 hours total for their entire senior year. Interns are not paid for their work.

"It allows you to get an idea, a sense of whether you want to make this your career or not," said intern Ivia Negron. "Besides, it is fun being on the other side for a change," said intern Kristy Lamone.

Twenty-two aspiring future teachers have been placed within elementary schools in Hicksville, including five placements at two parochial schools. One business student has been placed in the Barclays Bank in Great Neck. "It has given me the opportunity to know how to work with children even if I decide not to go into teaching," said Kristin Saevd on her placement.

The following students are in the 1991-92

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STUDENT INTERNs are learning valuable experience while still in high school about the business world. The program gives them a chance to experience various fields of work to give them an idea if they want to pursue them as a career or not.

SCHOOL SHORTS

Budget Lay Committee

The Hicksville Public School District has announced that it is accepting applications from area residents, parents, teachers, students and administrators to serve on the 1992-93 Proposed Budget Lay Committee. Interested persons must submit a biographical sketch and background information to an area building principal by Oct. 10.

The building principal will select nine persons to serve on a building level committee. Each committee will be balanced equally. There will be no more than 10 members with the building principal serving as chairperson.

The names of two members will be submitted from each Building Budget Lay Committee to the superintendent in order that he may select one person to serve on a District-wide Budget Lay Committee.

The district committee will consist of one person from each building. Nine members will be chosen by the superintendent after

submission of a resume and biographical sketch.

The committee will be headed by the business office and all aspects of the budget will be reviewed. Meetings are expected to be held on a weekly basis after regular business hours.

The final meeting of the committee will be chaired by the superintendent and the proposed budget is expected to be finalized. The proposed annual budget meeting will be held on April 29 at 8 p.m. The regular board meeting will be on April 30 with a recommendation to adopt the 1992-93 proposed budget on the agenda.

Free Immunizations

The Hicksville Public School District is offering free flu immunizations for area residents age 60 and over, or a spouse of an area resident age 60 and over in Hicksville on Nov. 14.

Interested seniors must obtain a registration form at the Hicksville Public School

District Administration Building, the Hicksville Public Library or the Hicksville Veterans Museum during regular business hours. These forms must be completed and returned to these locations by Oct. 18. Additional information will appear on the registration form.

Vaccinations will be administered from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. A consent form will be given to each participant when they come for their shots. Forms must be completed by each participant before receiving their shot.

Shots will be administered by a licensed professional with a physician on location.

The district hopes it will be able to accommodate all participating senior citizens. Persons interested in serving as volunteers for this program are needed. Any resident interested can contact the Community Relations Office at 933-6589.

Band Competition A Success

The second annual band show was a huge

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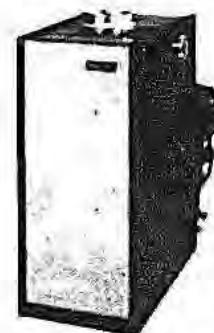
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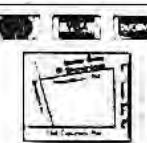


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Q: Would you support the introduction of monthly evening meetings of the town board?

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Barbara Amster (D)

Of course I would. Most town residents work during the day. The purpose of a town government is to formulate local solutions to local problems in direct response to the citizens. How can citizens voice their views if they can't attend meetings? Day meetings make us suspect that leaders want to keep their actions hidden.

Robert Aliano (D)

I fully support having Town Board meetings in the evening. In order for government to be responsive to the needs and wishes of those it serves, it must provide open access. Government cannot be permitted to operate behind closed doors and in secrecy. Having meetings limited to the daytime severely restricts our citizens from participating in the democratic process.

Thomas Clark (R)

Monthly night hearings is not a concept I would support. The Oyster Bay Town Board has always given the people the opportunity to decide when a night hearing should be held, which I feel is the most democratic way. The Town Board does take the initiative for setting night hearings on matters it believes to be of great interest, like the budget, but other than that, I think that it should be the people who decide.

Frank Goban (D)

Yes!! Unequivocally Yes. One major problem has always been the lack of People Input, and this obviously was to prevent unfavorable findings. The people should be and should have an opportunity to be represented - not ignored. I would introduce the motion!

Leonard Kunzig (R)

I believe the Oyster Bay Town Board's current policy regarding night hearings is the most responsive handling of the question of when to hold night hearings. Other than the night hearings the Town Board schedules on matters it considers to have Town-wide impact, such as the budget, night hearings are scheduled, for any matter, at the request of residents.

Ann Ocker (R)

I would oppose the Oyster Bay Town Board setting monthly night hearings because, under the Board's existing system, night hearings are scheduled at the request of residents. In other words, the people choose when a night hearing will be held. The Town Board does, on its own, set night hearings for matters it considers to be of concern to all residents, such as the budget, but for the Town Board to establish monthly night hearings would waste tax dollars staffing night meetings that residents won't attend.

Q: With viable candidates on both sides of the aisle, there is a possibility you may be sharing the town board with representatives of your opposing party. If you are faced with a mixed board, how will you ensure that goals are accomplished and programs do not become stalemated? How would you prevent "politics" from entering into the daily management of the township? Do you believe you can fulfill your campaign pledges with a mixed board?

SUPERVISOR — TOWN OF OYSTER BAY

Lewis Yevoli



There is ample history at all levels of government that two parties can have different long-range views yet provide their constituents with efficient, responsive government. If I become supervisor with a mixed board I will make every effort to allow many points of view to be aired on the key issues before the Town.

I have always believed that government requires statesmanship and compromise to be truly representative for all our residents. Despite the inevitable political pressures, respect for office of Supervisor and Town Council must always be the key ingredient to successful efforts at the local level.

While I am aware that there are basic differences between myself and the other party on environmental and financial issues, dedicated office holders can overcome what may seem like "political" differences by keeping an open mind and remembering that all efforts should be aimed at improving living conditions for town residents. I personally feel I would be able to fulfill my campaign pledges despite a "mixed" town council.

In my opinion conscientious elected officials must put aside political and personal differences to insure and improve the health, safety and well being of the people they serve. Oyster Bay's residents will be far better served with a true two party government where issues, ideas and programs can be discussed publicly, as opposed to the existing political make-up of the Town Board which provides no open exchange of opinions, no dissent, and no broad-based representation.

Angelo Delligatti



Since the inception of our country, we have had bi partisan government with representatives of all parties working together to address issues, set policy and establish programs. Likewise, the administration of local government is not, and should not be, a partisan issue.

The responsibility of elected officials is to support policies to benefit all of the people. By addressing the issues and difficulties that a local government faces, determining all the available alternatives and then deciding which of the alternatives best serves the interests of more than 100,000 residents of the Town of Oyster Bay is how the business of government is operated in the Town of Oyster Bay.

Personalities must not be allowed to intrude into the day-to-day operation of government. Petty partisan issues must be set aside where questions about the needs and welfare of the citizens are concerned.

In my own experience as an Assistant District Attorney and Deputy Bureau Chief in a Democratic District Attorney's office, presenting cases before both Republican and Democrat judges, I saw, time and time again, that politics took a back seat to the case at hand. Since I became Oyster Bay Town Supervisor in 1988, I have worked with other elected officials, civic leaders and residents of all political persuasions and I can best describe their approach to the issues at hand as professional. Also, as a member of the Nassau County Board of Supervisors, I have worked side by-side with Democrats. While we have disagreed on occasion about how to accomplish something, we have always tried to keep clear sight of our common goal, which is serving the needs of Nassau County residents.

The Town of Oyster Bay has previously had "mixed" boards. The record shows that, for the most part, the members of those boards were able to work together to maintain the level and quality of services as well as the decision making methodology required to keep town government responsive and responsible.

While I would prefer members of my own party, whom I know to be dedicated, hard working and of a similar mindset when it comes to tackling the issues facing the Town of Oyster Bay today, I am certain that should Oyster Bay end up with a mixed board, I would do all in my power to have everyone work together for the common good of the people. I am also certain that as Town Supervisor, I would be able to offer the kind of leadership and direction to see to it that the objectives I and my fellow Republicans stand for are accomplished.

Biographical Information:

Lewis Yevoli is a Democratic Assemblyman representing the 13th District and residing in Plainview. He was first elected to the State Assembly in 1974. In November of 1969, Mr. Yevoli was elected to the Oyster Bay Town Board as a councilman - a post he served in for a four-year term.

Biographical Information:

Republican Angelo Delligatti was first elected Oyster Bay Town Supervisor in 1987 and was reelected in 1989. A resident of Massapequa, Mr. Delligatti served on the Oyster Bay Town Board for two years prior to his election to supervisor. He has also served as an assistant Nassau County District Attorney.

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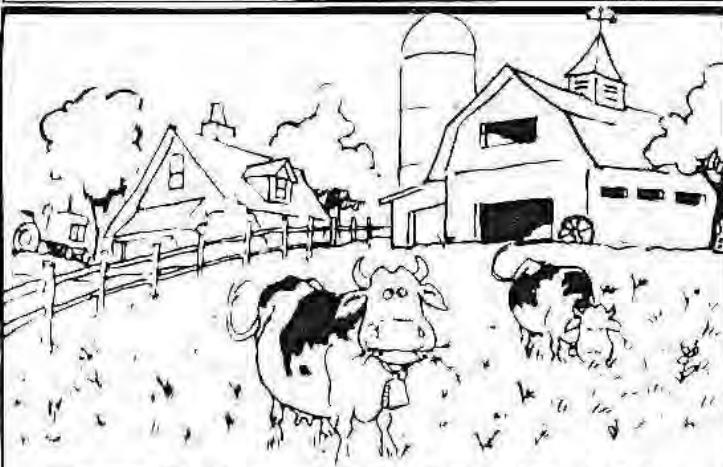
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School Board Meeting

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budget committees.

It was questioned why the Superintendent would go over the feasibility of moving the sixth grade if it was not discussed by the board and before the general public.

"Before I make a recommendation to the board, I like to have all the information gathered. Come January, our findings will be brought out to the community," said the superintendent.

Many students came to voice their anger over a rule in the schools that hats are not to be worn in school buildings. Two students claimed that it was against their rights granted them by the first amendment. Mugavero let them know that the decision to outlaw hats in the schools did not come from the superintendent's office but from the principal, but he agreed with the idea.

"The wearing of hats is not safe in our school. We feel hats are not to be worn in the halls or the school classrooms. Things that are fashionable might not be in good taste in the school building," he said.

The student wanted to know how the superintendent could tell him what to wear, yet he could not tell him how to get his hair cut or not to get a tattoo if he wanted to. "You could cut your hair any way your parents will let you," said Mugavero.

"If I wear a hat in math, does that mean I will learn less?" asked another student. "I teach. I make sure I look at everyone because that's how I can tell if a student is learning," said School Board President Carole Woll in response to that student.

Several parents made accusations that the schools are dangerous and the children are not safe. "Weapons are being sold. There are children going into the city from our schools and buying weapons and drugs," said a resident. "My son had a knife held to his throat in the bathroom," said another resident.

"I will immediately meet with the high school administration to see what is happening. I would not call the Hicksville school unsafe," said Mugavero.

"This is my senior year. I see no school spirit. I see faculty unhappy. I do not see the dramatic change that you are talking about," said another student to Mugavero.

The issue of the student's safety was taken one step further when residents claimed that the school does not care about safety.

A kindergarten teacher at the Old Country Road School had her class photographed with a bus driver for the district. This had gone against the policy of the school.

Residents were upset, fearing that what had happened two years before with Robert Izzo would come back to haunt the district again. He was convicted of the sexual abuse of 16 kindergartners, three Boy Scouts and another youth and is currently serving a 20 to 60 years sentence.

"The teacher violated board policy and actions have been taken in terms of that teacher," said Mugavero.

"There was an error in judgement," said a speaker in defense of the teacher.

"If we generalize all bus drivers to be perverts, what are we telling the kids? If we tell them to fear bus drivers, what happens if a bus breaks down or a child needs the bus drivers assistance, will the child let the bus driver help?" said another resident in defense of the teacher.

Residents still questioned the security system in the schools and feel it should be addressed.

The next board meeting is scheduled for Oct. 23. The annual budget hearing will be on April 29, 1992 at 8 p.m. and the regular board meeting to approve the budget will be on April 30 at 9 p.m.

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Local Teens Needed To Become Tutors

The Hicksville Youth Council is gearing up for its 1991-92 Peer Tutoring Program. The philosophy of the tutoring program is that teens feel more comfortable with other teens and therefore, may be more motivated to learn from their peers.

The Youth Council is currently recruiting teens to volunteer to tutor in a variety of subjects. All of the tutoring takes place after school at the Youth Council. Tutors are asked to volunteer at least one hour per week and tutoring is scheduled at mutually convenient times.

Tutors will receive a letter from the Youth Council stating that they performed community service work. This letter is important

as colleges and prospective employers look for this type of reference from applicants. Also, some high school courses require students to get involved in a community service project. Involvement in the Peer Tutoring Program can also provide personal satisfaction as volunteers will be helping others in their own community.

To volunteer to become a tutor or for more information about the Peer Tutoring Program, call Pat Schussler, A.C.S.W. at 822 KIDS. The Youth Council is a non-profit organization dedicated to working with teens in all aspects of their lives. The Youth Council is located at 175 W. Old Country Road.

Hicksville Fire Department Honored



HICKSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT Chief Anthony Wigdzinski received a citation from Oyster Bay Town Supervisor Angelo D'Elia in recognition of his department's efforts in coordinating their annual Labor Day Parade. Also on hand for the event (from left) was Ex-Captain Joe Pollio, Town Councilwoman Ann Deker, Robert McAvoy, Town Councilman Leonard Symons and Town Councilman Thomas Clark.

POLICE REPORT

A 45 year old homeless man has been arrested and charged with two counts of robbery and one count each of First Degree Rape, First Degree Sexual Abuse, First Degree Kidnapping, Third Degree Possession of a Weapon, and two felonies Driving While Intoxicated charges (outstanding warrants), said police.

A 19 year old female was sitting in a car with a male friend at 4:30 a.m. on Sept. 18 on Parkside in Levittown when Robert Scott, who frequently visited the area, approached the vehicle, displayed a knife and forced the male out of the car.

He then entered the car and drove off with the female still in the car. He parked on Cherry Street, Hicksville, and proceeded to rape and sexually abuse her, said police. He

then left the car and was seen walking on Newbridge Road.

An Eight Precinct police officer found Scott sleeping in a different car which was parked in the rear of Chancery Bar, Newbridge Road, East Meadow, at 5:45 a.m. He was arrested after being identified by the victim, according to police.

The victim was treated and released from a local hospital. There were no reported injuries. Scott was arraigned at the First District Court.

An auto accident on Duffy Avenue claim the life of Antero Santos, who was struck while walking home at 11 p.m.

The driver, Victoria Cervi, was arrested and charged with driving while impaired. She was arraigned at the First District Court.

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"In fourteen hundred ninety two Columbus sailed the ocean blue." There's surely not a person who went to American schools who can't remember that date even if all others from history class have long since fled from his mind. And how incredible it seems to think that we will soon be celebrating the five hundredth anniversary of that amazing achievement!! Columbus always had a fascination for us as we talked of his being Italian, being supported by Queen Isabella who, it is said, sold some of her jewels to finance his voyage, and most of us, in elementary school pictured him striding ashore on our own beach—we never did accept that he apparently did not reach the mainland. And what kid cannot name his three vessels? Nina, Pinta, and Santa Maria. It's amazing how they remain in our memories—who can remember the name of the ship Magellan was in when he circumnavigated the globe? And do you remember as Columbus Day approached how our class in elementary school read about Columbus, told his story, and made all sorts of sailboats, sailors and Indians from those sheets of craft paper that, in my memory, were the material for every project we worked on. Many of the kids made people who had moveable arms and legs attached to the body of the paper person by those brass fasteners that went through a hole and then the two parts spread to hold the fastener but left the arms and legs—able to move. We loved these fasteners and sometimes used as many as four or six on one person or animal. And occasionally one of the upper grades fifth or sixth would put on an assembly program all about Columbus landing in the New World—not historically accurate but great fun. Not many parts for girls so the natives always had to have a few females among them. Columbus always had long hair made from yarn and close fitting tights—his mother must have been busy at home working up this costume! And so, I am glad that we will make a big thing of the five hundredth anniversary because I believe that Columbus is nowhere nearly as important to today's school kids as he was to us—get your salute underway!"

"Yours, Lulubelle"

Anti-Vandalism

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The Anti Vandalism Committee will be made up of student council members, students and building teachers and administrators.

Reports will come from the Director of Facilities on a quarterly and yearly basis.

When vandalism occurs in a school, 90 percent of the cost for materials and labor will come from district funds and 10 percent will come from the individual building.

At the end of the year a report will be released which will allow the Anti Vandalism Committee to expend 75 percent of what is left in the student body's account to improve the particular school.

People caught in the act of vandalism at a school will be prosecuted by the school district. "Restitution from the perpetrator will be asked (in) by the district," said Mugavero.

Students in the schools will now become part of the surveillance team against acts of vandalism.

The program will be tried in the Senior High School and Middle School first. If there is success in those facilities, then it will be moved to the elementary schools and as the program becomes more successful, the amount of money the schools get back will increase until it is at 100 percent.

Teacher Saves Student

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lude and thanks.

She feels that all teachers should be aware of how to use the Heimlich maneuver. "Teachers should be familiar with the technique and hopefully they will never have to use it," said Reilly.

When asked how she felt during the crucial moment, she had trouble with the answer. "You just go. You don't even think, you just go with your first reaction. Everything just happened so fast. I am so relieved that everything turned out well," said Reilly.

There is a chart posted in the school cafeteria which details how to administer the Heimlich Maneuver so that not only teachers but students can learn how to administer it if a teacher is not close by.

Reilly is a resident of Hicksville and has been a teacher for 21 years. She said she loves working with kids and watching them experience things and learn.

She hopes she will never have to use the Heimlich again, but she will be ready just in case. Learning life saving techniques like that is important to Alicia Reilly, who knows that when kids are involved, people have to be fast and always alert.

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Killers

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Others are recruited, as needed, to help the "partners in crime."

One of the mysteries was staged last February in a hotel in the Catskills, where 260 guests spent the weekend solving the "crime."

A typical "crime" works this way: on arrival, the members in your party are put at a table with other guests who will match wits with you. A captain is selected and pencils are made available for taking notes.

Sharing of information with others at the table is necessary to piece together the mystery.

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Recycling Effort

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already have a company that takes our plastics. We already have companies that take our glass and newspapers.

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School Shorts

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success. The Hicksville High School award-winning marching band is one of the shining stars of Hicksville and will continue with a show on Oct. 3 at Hofstra University, Oct. 6 at Copaque High School, Oct. 14 with the Hicksville Columbus Day Parade, Oct. 20 at Arlington High School and Oct. 27 at the Levittown-Division Avenue High School.

The band can also be heard at halftime during all Hicksville High School's home football games.

Further information on the marching band, including times of the events, can be obtained by calling Band Director James McRoy at the high school music office, 933-6646.

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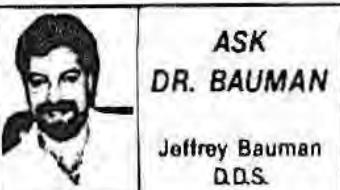
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Scholarship Semifinalist

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In order to qualify as a finalist, a semifinalist must have an outstanding academic record, must be endorsed and recommended by the school principal, must submit SAT scores that confirm his or her

PSAT/NMSQT performance, and must complete a detailed scholarship application that includes a self-description and information about scholastic attainments, school and community activities, and educational plans and goals.

Four Hicksville High School students Daniel Bianco, John Butt, Melissa Master and Courtney Reynolds have been named Commended Students in the 1992 National Merit Scholarship Program.

Of the more than one million students

who took the 1990 PSAT/NMSQT, 50,000 were chosen as the highest scorers. From these, 15,000 are designated as semifinalists and approximately 35,000 (or five percent of all program entrants) are named as Commended Students. A Letter of Commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, has been awarded to each student.

Todd Catanzano, Jennifer Eng, Hedy Elbedewi, Taylor Ferranti, Tim Glover, Patricia Horvath, Lillian Keller, Jerry Lipper, Charisse Maisonet, Jennifer Manna, Wendy Marshall, Julie Murphy, Kerry Murray, Dawn Myron, Ivia Negron, Karina Perez, Kelly Regan, Kristin Sacyd and Amy Verbowens.

The district is hoping that additional local businesses would be willing to take on intern students. Businesses interested in accepting interns for afternoon hours on a non-paying basis should contact Ms. Galland at 913-6500, or the high school guidance office at 911-6666.

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Friday, October 4 Through Sunday, October 6

La Cage Aux Folles will be performed at Bayway Arts Center, East Islip. For curtain times and ticket prices, call 581-2700.

The Seven Year Itch will be performed at Broadhollow Theater, Farmingdale. For curtain times and ticket prices, call 752-1400.

Saturday, October 5

"Workshops - In Modern Psychoanalysis" will be presented at St. Patrick's Church, Huntington. For more information, call 367-9089.

Sunday, October 6 Through November 2

Plandome Gallery, Manhasset will present an exhibit of Pastel Land and Seascapes by Eleanor Berger. For more information, call 627-6560.

Sunday, October 6

A Polo Match will be held at 3 at Bethpage State Park. For more information, call 681-5305.

Monday, October 7 Through Sunday, November 3

An open juried Art Exhibition will be held at Chelsea Center, Muttontown.

Monday, October 7

Hospice Care of Long Island will hold an Informational Meeting from 4:30 at 900 Ellison Ave., Westbury. RSVP 832-7100.

Through October 27

I End Me A Tenor will be performed at Arena's Main Stage Theatre, East Farmingdale. For information, call 293-0674.

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A lecture series "India And Her Neighbors" will be held at Hofstra Cultural Center from 11:30-12:45. For more information, call 463-5669.

L.I. Philharmonic Opens Season At Tilles

Performance Features Beethoven's Fifth

By William Gravert

It's been rocked-out by the Electric Light Orchestra's "Roll Over Beethoven," disco-fied by "A Fifth of Beethoven," and rearranged for commercials selling everything from cars to breakfast cereal. As music's most famous three short notes and a long, Beethoven's "Fifth Symphony" — no matter how much it's bent, folded, or spindled — is still the cornerstone of the modern symphonic catalogue. It's Top 40 Classical with a bullet.

The famous-fifth anchored the L.I. Philharmonic's opening weekend program Sept. 21 & 22 at Stony Brook's Staller Center and C.W. Post's Tilles Center in Brookville. Also featured was soloist Joshua Bell on Prokofiev's "Violin Concerto No. 2," and "Passacaglia for Orchestra" by Great Neck's Benjamin Lees.

Founded in 1979 by the late folksinger Harry Chapin, LIP has acquainted many L.I.ers with the classics. Under the baton of Music Director Marin Alsop since last fall, it's championed the work of American composers as well as Mozart and the "V.B.C." — Bach, Beethoven, & Brahms.

A native New Yorker and Juilliard graduate, Alsop is one of a handful of women leading major regional orchestras. In addition, she directs the Eugene (Ore.) Symphony and Concordia, a 50-piece Manhattan-based chamber orchestra she founded. An accomplished violinist, she also leads a 14-piece swing band, String Fever. LIP's diverse programs reflect Alsop's varied background.

The 1991-92 season spans 7 weekends through next May, with Saturday evenings at the new 1,100-seat Staller Center and Sundays at Tilles. Each weekend features a different program and guest soloist.

Last Sunday at Tilles, Alsop displayed a confident, youthful exuberance in support of an even more youthful Bell on the Prokofiev. Full of richly expressive melodies, the "Concerto" contrasts clusters of terse, spiky, musical snippets against sweeping, almost languorous, phrases.

Agile and animated, Bell plays with verve and drama, though sometimes skimping on



MARIN ALSOP leads the L.I. Philharmonic into its new season at C.W. Post's Tilles Center in Brookville.

the passion. Here, technical prowess at the expense of feeling should be chalked up to youth (age 24), not inexperience. With age comes emotion.

In the opening "Allegro," Alsop kept a rhythmic support bubbling under Bell's active, accentual passages. Too mechanized in the "Andante," second movement's busy sections, Bell displayed flashes of brilliance on the longer, loping melodies. In the "Allegro" final movement he demonstrated impressive interplay between "arco" (bowed) and furious pizzicato (plucked) sections. Ever in control, Alsop always seemed to be

in the corner of Bell's eye at critical thematic junctures.

With the composer in the audience, Lees' "Passacaglia" consisted of a theme and 19 increasingly exotic variations and a coda.

Classical orchestral seating — cellos center stage flanking the first violins, winds and brass behind them, and a row of basses along the back — is returning to vogue. Kurt Masur utilized it for opening night of the N.Y. Philharmonic and Alsop used it for the Beethoven, resulting in crisper texture bordering on brassy. The basses were not loud enough.

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Sea Cliff Chamber's 22nd season concerts in Northport (Northport H.S. Oct. 18, 8 p.m.) and Sea Cliff (Sea Cliff Theatre Oct. 19, 8 p.m.) (671-6263). Donald Axinn reads from his works Oct. 9, 8 p.m. at Port Washington Library. Long Island Opera Company presents Verdi's *La Traviata* Oct. 13, 3 p.m. Lincoln P. Orms School, Island Park and Oct. 19, 8 p.m. West Hempstead High School (489-0738). Tools of the Trade: Cold Spring Harbor Whaling Museum now through March (367-3418). Fall Flower and Landscape Show, Planting Fields Oct. 5-14, 10-5 p.m. daily (922-9206).

Cat On A Hot Tin Roof, Studio Theater, Lindenhurst Oct. 4, Nov. 2 (226-1833). NYIT presents Zarzuela music Oct. 6, 3:30 p.m. Salton Hall (686-7647). Children's Concert, Rosenthal, Bob McGrath, Hofstra Playhouse Oct. 6, 12 and 3 p.m. (785-7741). Rockville Centre's Bob Kindred Jazz Quartet, Southside Middle School Oct. 6, 2 p.m. (678-5638). Pickle Festival, Greenlawn Harborfields Library Oct. 6, 1-4 p.m. (754-1100). *Really Rosy* by Maurice Sendak and Carole King, Oct. 4-13, Nassau Community's Little Theatre (222-7676). Gala XI, Tilles Oct. 5, 8 p.m. celebrating Cole Porter (299-2600).



Master of the classic guitar Eliot Fisk will be coming to the Long Island Philharmonic at its October subscription series performance. Classical guitar performances of Rodrigo's *Concierto de Aranjuez* and more will be heard by concertgoers on Oct. 19, 8:30 p.m. and Oct. 20, 7:30 p.m. at the Tilles Center. Tickets are \$17, \$23, \$40 and \$35. For tickets or info on the benefits of subscribing, call 293-2222.

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Columbus and the Age of Discovery, Zvi

Dor-Ner and William Scheller, William

Morrow and Co., 370 pp., \$40.

On Sunday, Oct. 6 at 8 p.m. the Public Broadcasting System will begin presenting a new series, "Columbus and the Age of Discovery". The book of the same name, published by Morrow, is the companion volume to the seven part series. It both whets the appetite for the television show and stands alone as an entertaining and informative book about Christopher Columbus. It is illustrated with more than 244 full color and 96 black and white illustrations, photos, charts and maps.

The editors steer a careful course between the rocks of unequivocal hero worship of Columbus and the recently "politically correct" position that he was an exploiter of native people and brought slavery and pestilence to the continent he stumbled upon while looking for a new route to the Indies.

The book begins by asking why it was a European like Columbus who first sailed from the Old World to the New, when the Chinese and the Arabs were more sophisticated both in astronomical calculations and in ship building. The answers appear to be psychological. The Chinese were contented being the "sons of Heaven" and did not think there was a great deal to learn from other civilizations. The Moslem religion did not encourage its adherents to range far afield.

Turning to Columbus himself, the authors say that "it was Columbus' genius to marry all of his knowledge and past experience, and use it to forge the Enterprise of the Indies. The notion that ideas could be transformed into actions was what set him apart."

The section called "The Crossing" relies heavily on Columbus' own log. In it he kept track not only of distances covered and essential navigation information, but his estimate of his companions and the impressions of the lands and people he encountered. "I decided to write down everything that I might do and see and experience on this voyage from day to day, and very carefully."

Columbus' first action upon reaching land was to claim the land for Spain and then to erect a cross, as he was taking possession of the land "in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord." Christian Europeans had no doubt that a Christian state had the absolute right to proclaim sovereignty over heathen and infidel domains. While at first he looked upon the native people and new possibilities for conversion before long he was speculating about their possible value as "good and skilled servants."

Another quest soon filled the minds of the explorers as they began to see gold or ornaments worn by some of the natives. The editors try to keep the reactions of the native tribes to Columbus in balance with his reaction to them.

The book takes the reader through the changing concepts of the Europeans as the idea of colonization took root. Columbus' later voyages were undertaken in a different spirit from the earlier voyage of discovery. As early as 1510, one Dominican friar launched into an indictment of the colonizers. He preached: "Your greed for gold is blind; you are in mortal sin for you are destroying an innocent people."

The volume ends with "The World Made Whole," perhaps not yet "Spaceship Earth" but never again to be separate worlds as they were before the voyages of Christopher Columbus.

If this book is any indication, the PBS series should be one of its major successes. Looking toward the holidays, this would also be an excellent gift for a student or scholar of any age.

Eileen Brennan

The Arts Start... At Tilles

By Barbara Kaplan Lane

"The Arts Start Here!" The Tilles Center's special series designed to introduce the younger set to the performing arts, is off to a roaring start (no pun intended) with *Les Ballets Africains*. The group appeared at Tilles on Saturday, Sept. 28 at 2 p.m. and again that evening at 8 p.m. (It will also be appearing at the Beacon Theater in Manhattan this weekend, on Oct. 5 and 6).

Despite its name, *Les Ballets Africains* performs not classical ballet, but the indigenous music and tribal dances of the Republic of Guinea, serving as that country's national ensemble. The group seizes the stage from the moment the curtain rises on its evocative "jungle" set and maintains a mesmerizing hold on the audience throughout. What child—or adult, for that matter—could fail to be captivated by such attractions as an exotically costumed dancer gyrating on 12-foot tall stilts—a musician who sings and plays the flute simultaneously—female dancers dancing atop the shoulders of the men—and an awesome



LES BALLET AFRICAINS

technical display of flips, backflips and leaps?

The program opens with "The Rhythms of Africa," an apt vehicle for the brilliant capabilities of the percussion section. The faint echoes of Hollywood's "jungle drums" are but a distant memory as tribal instruments recreate the complex and extreme IV sophisticated rhythms of authentic

African music.

Last on the program is "The Bell of Hamma," based upon a legend in which a woodcutter's simple act of kindness to a wise old tortoise is rewarded beyond any expectation. There is also a larger, analogous message to this story, that of the need for all peoples to live in harmony with nature.

Throughout the program reverberating to our own cultural experience abound, yet with fascinating differences. One number, for example, features dignified male dancers serenely tapping canes in expert synchrony to a Hmmm... have Astaire and Kelly seen this? In another, young women raise their voices in song, but with a uniquely penetrating tonal quality a Western choir would find difficult, if not impossible, to duplicate. Yet another finds a group of daredevil male dancers competing with one another in great athletic choreographed stunts, uncannily contemporaneous in feeling.

These cross-cultural references do not confuse, however, if anything, they help bridge the gap between that which is familiar (to us, our children) and that which is new and different.

"The Arts Start Here" continues at the Tilles Center on Saturday, Nov. 16 at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. with *The Shoestring Players* in "Dragons and Honeybees: Tales from Around The World." Call (516) 626-3108 for more information.

Post Theatre Company Announces '91-'92 Season

The Post Theatre Company of Long Island University's C.W. Post Campus presents its 1991-92 season. In addition to a flexible subscription plan in which patrons can choose any combination of plays and dance concerts, the Post Theatre Company is initiating substantial discounts for senior citizens for all performances.

The season begins on Oct. 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19, with the hilariously zany comedy *House of Blue Leaves* by John Guare. The production will be directed by David Zarko. Performances begin at 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and 3 p.m. on Sunday at the Little Theatre Mainstage. General admission is \$37 Sunday, Thursday, \$30 Friday and Saturday, and \$4 for seniors and students.

Next up is a staged version of one of Rod Sterling's classic *Twilight Zone* episodes, *Nothing in the Dark* by George Clayton Johnson. The production is a senior thesis directed by Jason A. Cima. Performances at the Little Theatre Extension are on Oct. 31 and November 1 and 2 at 8 p.m. General admission is \$3, students free with valid ID.

Shakespeare's characters stage a battle of the sexes in *Shakespeare's Women*, by Libby Appel and Michael Lachman. Their cutting modern view of 16 of Shakespeare's plays will be directed by Joseph Daubenbach. Performances on the Little Theatre Mainstage are on Nov. 21, 22, 23, Dec. 4, 5, 6, 7 at 8 p.m. and on Sunday, Nov. 24 at 3 p.m. General admission is \$37 on Sunday through Thursday, \$38 Friday and Saturday and \$4 for seniors and students.

The fall semester ends with the *Winter Dance Concert* under the direction of Cara Gargano. Performances on the Little Theatre Mainstage will be on Dec. 14 at 3 p.m. and Dec. 16 at 8 p.m. General admission is \$3, students and seniors \$3.

The spring semester opens with an evening of Noel Coward's songs and wit, a graduate thesis written and performed by Mike Philip Canestraro. Performance dates are Feb. 20, 21 and 22 at 8 p.m. in the Great Hall on the C.W. Post campus. General admission is \$3, students and seniors \$3.

A full production of one of Shakespeare's most loved comedies, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, highlights the 1992 American Theatre Festival. The production is being directed by Marc Horwitz. Performance dates are Mar. 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Mar. 8 at 3 p.m. General admission is \$37 Sunday, Thursday,

\$38 on Friday and Saturday and \$4 for students and seniors.

The American Theatre Festival for 1992 celebrates Shakespeare and his influence on American theatre. Performances, workshops, films, speakers and other events will take place Mar. 6-14 and throughout the season. Call or write for the full Festival calendar.

In the spring, four graduate thesis productions will be performed in the Little Theatre Extension. On Apr. 3 and 4 at 8 p.m. and April 5 at 3 p.m., *The Tivoli*, a brilliantly ironic play by Murray Schisgal, will be directed by Susan Prager. On the same dates, *Les Liaisons Dangereuses*, a timeless play about sexual manners and manipulation, written by Christopher Hampton, will be directed by Rachel Preuss. General admission is \$3, students and seniors \$3.

The second set of thesis productions includes *Lee Blessing's A Memory*, a sen-

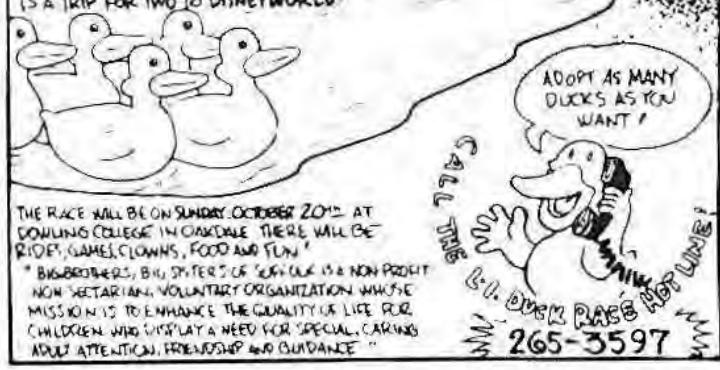
sitive and probing drama directed by Jason Cole, followed by Edward Albee's play of irony, humor and suspense, *The Zoo Story*, directed by Lori Brown. Performances are Apr. 10 and 11 at 8 p.m. and Apr. 12 at 3 p.m. General admission is \$3, students and seniors \$3.

The final production of the 1991-92 season will be a *Spring Dance Concert* directed by Cara Gargano. Performances are on April 26 at 1 p.m. and April 27 at 8 p.m. on the Little Theatre Mainstage. General admission is \$3, students \$1.

Subscription discounts and group rates are available for all Post Theatre Company productions. For further information or ticket reservations, call the Post Theatre Company Box Office at (516) 299-2756. Messages can be left at any time at the Box Office, which will officially be open after Sept. 16 from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday.



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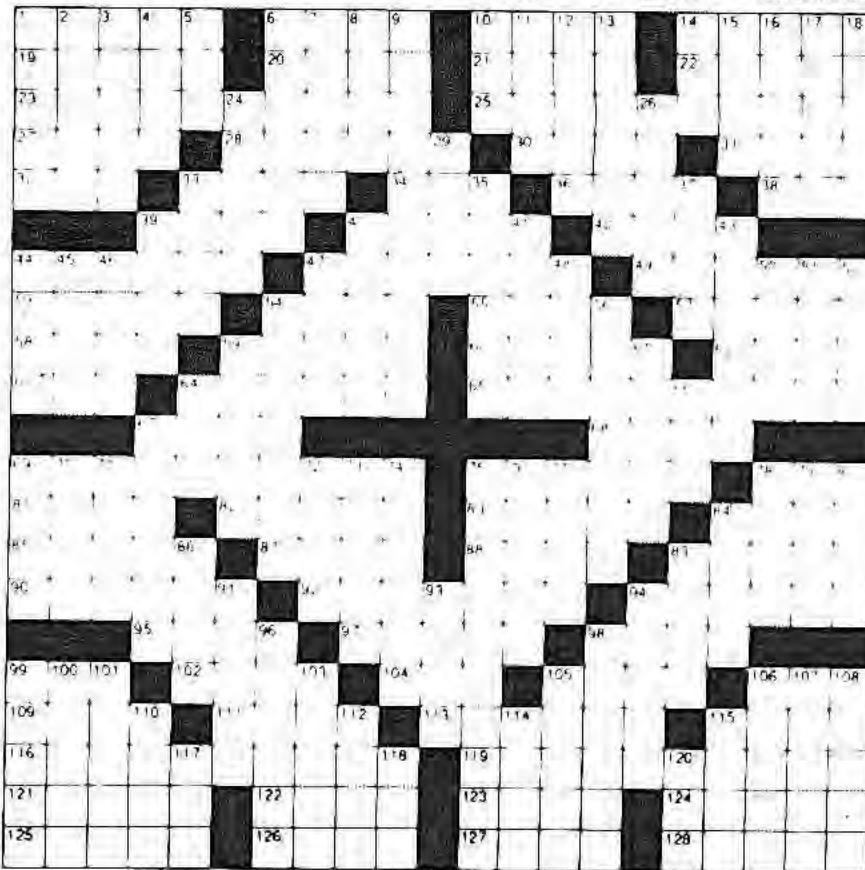
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6 Expanded	54 Zoo favorite	92 Dissolved substances	3 They're found in whodunits	79 Brainchild
10 Ancient Syria	55 'The Bridge of San Ray'	94 Australian marsupial	41 Delivery course	80 Chic and jaunty
14 Resin used in varnishes	57 Entertain	95 Kittenish ones	43 Spanish arbor	84 Rich fabric
19 Book of maps	58 Blushing or flushed	97 Cap or club lead in	44 "And what is so - as a day in June?"	86 Seattle — (racecourse)
20 Learning	59 Actress Belafonte	98 Destiny	6 Foreboding	89 Camayall
21 Ibsen heroine	60 Playful swimmer	99 New Guinea town	7 Columnist Carl	91 Pledge on oath
22 Old saying	62 Feed the kitty	102 Shoot tears	46 Very great in extent	93 Like Andersen's duckling
23 Range of hills in England	63 Winter time in N Y	104 Santa's helper	47 Black and Yellow	94 'A Fish Called —' (movie)
25 It separates New York and New Jersey	64 Daisy or volcano	105 First rate	48 Mental faculties	96 Small twigs
27 Golf gadgets	65 Caribbean island group	106 Question	50 Character actor Paul	98 Baby to be alt spelling
28 Dean Martin parties	67 "A little pot and — hot"	109 Bat or phobia	51 Host in Rome Roger	99 Jousting weapon
30 Tiny speck	68 Scarlett's home	111 La Scala treat	54 Irish airport	100 Oak nut
31 Pianist Peter	69 South African seaport	113 Barked shrilly	56 Colonizes	101 Made a mistake
32 Dangerous curve	75 Lily plant	115 Leather wine flask	58 They — Horses Don't They? (movie)	103 Word before wave
33 Portray in words	78 Top or top lead in	116 Los Angeles suburb	61 Coins of Iran	105 Church parts
34 Great Expectations lad	81 Apple-growing	119 Ancient Anglo Saxon kingdom	64 Musical syllable	106 Steve or Woody
36 — begun in half done	82 President of Guinea	121 Greek island	66 Rifle org	107 Part of a bound book
38 The Concorde	83 Singing duo Hall and —	122 Clothing	67 Steady flow	108 'To Autumn' poem
39 Guinea pig	84 Important ore vein	123 Cymric ditty	69 Antony's loan request?	110 Mr. Prrominger
40 Seal of authority	85 Splits	125 Home of Saul's switch	70 Dismounted	112 Taj Mahal site
42 Dress designer	87 Short textile fibers	126 Thick slice	71 Part of SOS	114 Alt. Calif.
44 Restored consciousness	88 "Exodus" author	127 Bed or bunk in Britain	72 Couples	115 Eye boldly
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Answer to Cryptoquip:

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HICKSVILLE ILLUSTRATED NEWS SPORTS

Couple Join Ninth Bluefish Tournament

By D.F. Karppi

They were having a tailgate picnic while sitting on the wall between the Getty Station on Pine Hollow Rd. and the future McDonald's. The Walkers were making the best of a bad situation.

They had been towing their boat, the Mary Ellen to the water when their car conked out. The Walkers, Dick and Mary Hudson of Hicksville and their granddaughter Kristi decided to have their lunch as they waited for the car to be repaired.

Dick Hudson sported a Bluefish Journeymen T-shirt. He, his wife Mary, and their granddaughter Jennifer were out in the Mary Ellen, a SportsCraft, looking for a big blue on Sept. 8.

"We've been in it ever since it started," said Mary. This year was the ninth Annual Town of Oyster Bay Bluefish Tournament. "Everything we do, we do together."

"All we caught this time was a cold," said Dick. "It was the first time we didn't get a fish."

Their granddaughter Jennifer, 14, caught a cold and they were heading back to shore.



Dick Walker sports a Bluefish Tournament T-shirt, as he, his wife Mary and granddaughter Kristi enjoy an impromptu lunch on the side wall at the Getty Station on Pine Hollow Rd.

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when they finally saw some blues. "Poppi, go ahead and stop," said Jenny. "But, we went out early, about 6:30 to 6:45 a.m., it was a real hot day, and we didn't mind going in."

"We used to get there at 4:30 a.m., but, I don't want any of that any more," said Dick.

"Poppi went to sleep early," said Kristi. "Oh, just being out on the water is worth it," said Mary.

"And the tail gate party is fun and the prizes are always good," said Dick.

The Walkers have six grand children, two in Connecticut and four here. Coincidentally, their son John Walker is the Town of Oyster Bay Deputy Commissioner of Parks. The Parks Department sponsors the bluefish tournament with Oyster Bay Marine Supply on West Main Street and several other companies including Canterbury Ales of Audrey Ave.

Kristi Walker, 9, goes to the Old County Rd. School. She is a fourth grader this term. Her sister Jenny, who took part in this year's Bluefish Tournament, is 14 and attends the Hicksville Middle School.

Locals Top TOB Bluefish Tournament

By D.F. Karppi

This year was the 6th Annual Town of Oyster Bay Blue Fish Tournament. Many area residents participated in the fun and competition.

On the Big Board where the winning fish are hung, were those caught by: Chris Weik, Lake Ronkonkoma, who won \$2,000 for his 16.54 pound bluefish; Walter Melnick, East Norwich, who won \$1,000 for his 14.90 pound bluefish; Bob Jacobson, New Hyde Park, who won \$600 for his 14.89 pound bluefish; Eric Gehm, Centereach, who won \$400 for his 14.82 pound bluefish; Regina Wozniak, Syosset, won \$300 for her 14.74 pound bluefish; George Walter, Oyster Bay, who won \$200 for his 14.30 pound bluefish; Robert DiGiovanni, Bayville who won \$200 for his 14.28 pound bluefish; Ray DeAngelos, Hicksville, who won \$200 for his 14.28 pound bluefish; William Niebling, Hauppauge, who won \$100 for his 14.27 pound bluefish; Jeffrey Barwick who won \$100 for his 14.26 bluefish.

All the prizes are for fishing equipment from the major co-sponsor of the tournament, Oyster Bay Marine Supply on West Main St. in Oyster Bay.

Every fish has a story. Walter Melnick's fish story is that once again, Don Jarvis' boat the Par-Tee, has brought a winner for the fifth year of its five years of competition in the tournament. The first year of the tournament, Don Jarvis Sr. made the board.

This year, the Par Tee planned to go to Greenwich. Last year that was where Don caught his winner. On board this year were Don Jarvis, his dad, Don Jarvis, Sr. and Walter Melnick.

The tournament started at 4:30 a.m. Mr. Jarvis and Walter Melnick checked in at the Theodore Roosevelt Park as Don got his boat ready for the ride to Greenwich. It is docked at the Oyster Dock in Bayville. "I got the engine going and the poles ready," said Don. "I went under the Bayville Bridge at

4:10. By five we were in Greenwich. The bunker were flipping out of the water. The boats were arriving about 1:45. Everyone was anticipating a blitz but it never happened.

"There was no rampage of blues tearing up bait."

When there is a one day tournament, you have to keep on the move, said Don. "You have ten hours to get a fish in the boat. It was pretty intense that day. It's like being in the bottom of the ninth inning with two outs."

"Walter is a dock fisherman. He never owned a boat," said Don. "He's my father's best friend. Walter goes to Cold Spring Harbor and Hunting Harbor regularly, to fish from the dock."

"I suggested we could leave him at the dock in Greenwich. I'll pick you up later," said Don.

Walter said "Young feller I've had enough of dock fishing. What do you think of that?"

It was good Mr. Melnick didn't stay, although the men caught fish that day, it was Walter's that was competition size.

After not finding a blitz in Greenwich, the boat headed out into the middle of the Sound and then on to Northport.

Walter Melnick said when they got to Northport they were using bait fish, diced up bunkers. For about 20 minutes they tried. They were catching some fish, but none big enough for the board.

"Then we tried eight and nine inch plugs. They are lures of different shapes. They look like bait fish. The swimming plug goes underwater. It has a metal cap that causes a disturbance in the water."

"We were a couple hundred feet from shore when we started to troll. Don Jarvis, Sr. tried to help win. He got a blue and then mine was on board and it turned out to be the second biggest on the board."

"We've had a history since the contest started, we've always had a fish on the board. A winning streak of six years."



OYSTER BAY: Town Councilmen Leonard B. Symons (second from left) and Leonard Kunzig (second from right) and Town Councilwoman Ann R. Ocker (third from left) had the pleasure of presenting the awards to the winners of the Town's Sixth Annual Bluefish Tournament, which was held recently at Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Park in Oyster Bay. The winners were: (from left to right) second place, Walter Melnyk of East Norwich, first place, Christopher Weik of Lake Ronkonkoma; and third place went to Bob Jacobson of New Hyde Park.

"We're not bragging, but maybe we've been lucky."

"We keep ice on board. Those we keep are iced down. When they hang it on the board in the hot sun, it's not good for eating."

Mr. Melnick said the smaller fish taste better. "They haven't eaten bunkers and other oily fish." But, he added, a lot of people like them, and eat them.

"It was Walter's day," said Donny. "His name was the first one called in the raffle. He won a pole. Winning prizes, winning poles, having a winning fish, he was having a good

day. He was tickled pink."

For the last two or three years of the contest, Walter Melnick had been snagging bunkers for the rest of the Par-Tee party to use catching bluefish. "He was overdue," said Donny.

Fishing has been very lean recently, he said. There has been too much bait and not enough blues. "No more days of filling up garbage pails with blues. The new limit of ten fish for blues will be a good thing. Limits brought back the striped bass again."