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Happy Mother's Day



A Mother's Love

You make the sun shine on a cloudy day
When I'm sick you kiss the pain away
Your tender voice took away my fears
Your hand that wiped away my tears
The love you give so honest and pure
Keeping me forever safe and secure
You make flowers bloom in the spring
It was you who fixed my broken wing
Mom, because of you I now know love
My guardian angel from above



Always nice to go to mass with Mom. Jack Dioguardi with mom Patti



John and Dylan Healey think of love when they think of mom Peggy. They are thankful for all of the things that she gives them.



The moms of the greatest generation. Williston Post #144 Ladies Auxiliary



A Heartfelt Good Bye From Angela Williams and Larry Kane

It is very hard to say good bye normally, but after more than 14 years it is nearly impossible. Some of you may already have heard that Larry and I are no longer the owners of The Village Gift and Flower Shoppe. We are both sad and excited at the same time. We will miss being store owners in this Village, but are looking forward to some well-deserved time off. There are so many people to address that we thought this would be the best format to reach as many people as we can.

First and most important we would like to thank our family and friends. The Shoppe gave us all countless hours of fun and just as many hours of hard work. We have missed and been late for too many holiday occasions to count and our family and friends were always understanding. Thank you for being the best.

Next we'd like to thank all of our business neighbors and employees. You can never do anything successfully without help from others. We were blessed to be in a Village where the businesses support one another and are always willing to lend a helping hand. This is just one of the many things that makes Williston Park so special. Over the years we have seen many individuals work in our store. Once again nothing is ever done without the aid of many helpful hands. Our employees have always been extremely dedicated and have always worked so hard. Many times at the expense of seeing their own families they would work through the night to make sure we were always well prepared. For that we will always be grateful and thankful to each and everyone in our extended family.

Last and not the least by any means, we would like to thank all of our customers who kept us going through the years. Without you none of this would have been possible. We always told anyone who would listen, that we had the best customers in the world. It was a pleasure to be part of your lives ... we've gone from doing weddings to baby showers to communions and conformations. We spent time with you celebrating the holidays and we were also with you at many times of sorrow.

We have encouraged everyone to stop by the store and introduce themselves to the new owners, Maria Cruise and Wayne Toolsie. We are confident that they will be successful, and a good fit for the neighborhood.

One again thank you to everyone who has been on this ride with us. It has been a true pleasure. Thank you for letting us be part of your families.

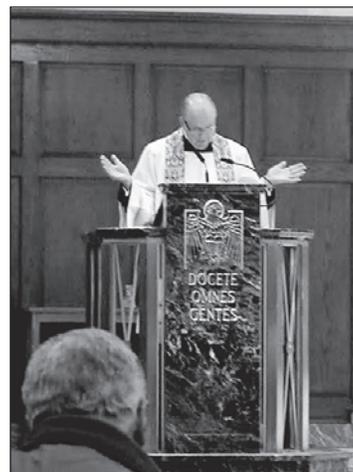
Angela Williams and Larry Kane



WILLISTON PARK'S FATHER KEVIN DILLON NAMED PASTOR OF SAINT BONIFACE, MARTYR PARISH IN SEA CLIFF

At Easter Mass this year, Msgr. McDonald announced the news that Fr. Kevin Dillon of St. Aidan Church would be leaving his home town parish to a well-deserved promotion to Pastor at the Church of St. Boniface, Martyr in Sea Cliff.

We have been so very fortunate to have a native son as a parish priest here, and Fr. Kevin frequently illustrated his homilies with stories about his life as a parishioner here in Williston Park. We expect that St. Aidan will give Fr. Kevin an appropriate sendoff in June, and we look forward to covering it, but for now we will take the opportunity to express our mixed emotions about saying good bye to a man who is not only a wonderful priest but a good neighbor.



Join the Williston Park E-mail List

In an attempt to keep our residents informed of events and meetings that are occurring in the Village throughout the year, we have an e-mail notification system. For all those wanting to participate, send an email to notifications@villageofwillistonpark.org. By doing so, the Village will add that email address to our contact list. If an individual has more than one email address we request that each address be sent separately from the email address that you would like on our Village list.

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AN INTERFAITH SEDER AT THE SOLOMON SCHECHTER SCHOOL

On March 30, 2015, the Solomon Schechter School of Long Island continued its yearly tradition with St. Aidan School coming together to enjoy a festive Interfaith Seder. The students learned about what it means to come together during the holiday season and celebrate in each other's holidays. The partnership between the two schools displays the true values of respect, unity, and friendship.

Mr. Avi Schechter, the Jewish Life Coordinator at the School, expressed the spirit of the Passover Holiday, and the shared Seder, as follows:

“The story of Passover is one that envisions a world where change is spearheaded by the strength of one's character, inspired by sparks of the divine, and heard by all. Finding in the tale the kernel of universal truth is one of the aims of each and every person sitting down at a Seder year after year.

The diverse means in which each individual connects to the story has generated hundreds of different books, songs, rituals, and customs. Whether or not your Seder looks like your neighbors is less important than the message that we all share. We all have a story of struggle and strife that shapes our lives. It is when we recognize that those around us share the same perils that we can honestly look at the stranger and see our self.”

The accompanying photographs illustrate the truth of these words—children from different traditions coming together to celebrate over a meal, and to explore their differences and delight in their similarities.



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Annual Little Make A Difference Day in Williston Park

Saturday, June 13, 2015, has been designated "Little Make a Difference Day" in Williston Park. Under the direction of the Beautification Committee, our Village will undergo a spring clean up. We would like to involve different groups in our community to promote spirit and pride in the Village as we "make a difference" and clean up. We encourage all residents to begin their own "Spring Clean Up" on their individual properties as well.

With your help, we will clean up the Jack T. Zwiebel Little Park at the corner of Willis and Fordham, the gazebo on Hillside Avenue, a few other designated areas along Hillside and Willis, Kelleher Field and the Third Precinct on Hillside Avenue.

We are asking that you bring your group to lend a hand on Saturday, June 13, 2015, for one hour or two. We will meet in the parking lot behind the Village Hall at 9:30 a.m., where you will be given your assignment. A leader or chaperone must accompany each group. We will provide garbage bags, but request that you bring rakes, shovels and brooms.

If you would like to participate, you may leave a message at the Village Hall at 746-2193 or email [Colleen @ccarboine@villageofwillistonpark.org](mailto:ccarboine@villageofwillistonpark.org)



Mineola High School Thespians Presented Annie Get Your Gun

The Mineola High School Drama Club and Thespian Troupe #276 proudly presented the Tony Award-winning musical, *Annie Get Your Gun*. Long considered Irving Berlin's greatest theatrical achievement, *Annie Get Your Gun* is sure to score a bulls-eye with audiences.

Packed with sure-fire Irving Berlin hits such as *There's No Business Like Show Business*, *Doin' What Comes Natur'ly*, *Anything You Can Do, I Can Do Better* and *You Can't Get a Man with a Gun*, *Annie Get Your Gun* is a testament to female ingenuity and plain, old-fashioned fun.



Seniors Missy Dunlop (the great niece of Bill and Diane Vesely of Williston Park) as Annie Oakley, and C.J. Asam as Frank Butler led a cast of 35 in this foot-stomping, feel-good musical perfect for the entire family! The show was performed at the Theater at Mineola High School on March 27 and March 28, and was a complete success—a bulls eye for cast and crew alike. Congratulations to all!

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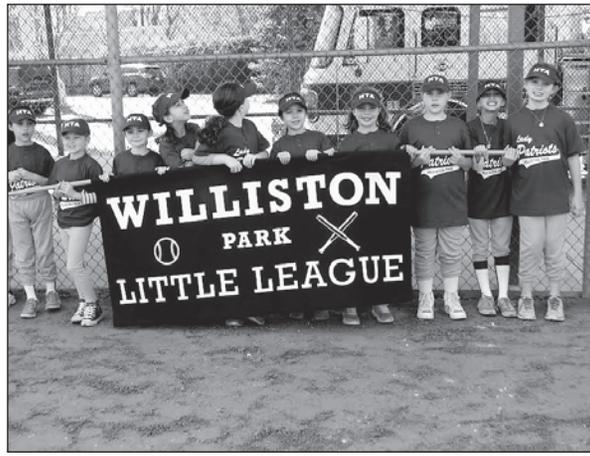


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Williston Park Little League Opening Day

Spring has finally sprung and to the delight of Williston Park Little Leaguers and their parents a beautiful day was in store for opening day. Mayor Ehrbar, Deputy Mayor Rynne, Trustee Uttaro, and Senator Martins opened the festivities with a pitch followed by the Williston Park Rotary Club's 3rd Rotaball Drop. In addition to cash prizes, lucky winners were the recipients of gift cards to many local businesses. John and Gerry Speciale from Gino's Pizza generously donated pizza to the hungry crowd and King Kullen provided burgers and hot dogs.

It is always a pleasure to see this annual tradition attended by so many families. All in attendance were happy to see the new scoreboard, a result of the efforts of Senator Martins who has always been a friend to Little League. We wish all of the players a wonderful season, and thank the members of the Williston Park Fire Department for helping to drop the Rotaballs, and the Williston Park DPW for doing such a splendid job preparing Kelleher Field to be a Field of Dreams for our young players.



Proud Little League players in full uniform



Carrying the banner



Crowd awaits Rotary Ball Drop



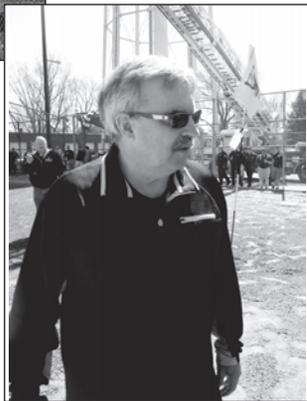
Mayor Ehrbar, Trustee Uttaro and Assemblyman Ra lead the Parade



above - the scoreboard



right - Ken Marissael



Senator Martins and Joe Manopella who were instrumental in procuring the new scoreboard



Rotary members enjoying the day

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DAISY TROOP 1076 VISITS THE EAST WILLISTON FIREHOUSE

On April 16, 2015, the girls of East Williston Daisy Troop 1076, and their Leader, Ms. Karol Gismondi, paid a visit to the East Williston Fire Department. The girls, who are in Kindergarten at the North Side School, were earning their "Respect Authority" petal, and were shown the various pieces of fire apparatus, and the equipment used by the East Williston Fire Department. They also received valuable information about fire safety from Asst. Chief James Clark and other firefighters, who generously gave their time to host the girls.

The Daisy Scouts are pictured here with Asst. Chief Clark, and several members of the Department.



CUB SCOUTS VISIT THE WILLISTON PARK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

On Saturday, March 28, 2015, the Tiger Scouts of St. Aidan's Cub Scout Pack #221 visited the Williston Park Historical Society. Rita Hesse and members of the Historical Society gave an interesting presentation on the history of Williston Park, which the boys greatly enjoyed. The boys were especially appreciative of their presentation, as this field trip helped the boys fulfill a Tiger badge requirement.

The accompanying photos show the boys eagerly learning about their home town, and show as well how much the members of the Committee enjoy bringing that history to life. Our thanks go to the leaders of Pack 221, and to the members of the Committee for doing so much to make life better in Williston Park.



Growing Up In Williston Park, One Mother's Day At A Time.

By: Raymond Haller

Since this issue of *The Williston Post* is our Mother's Day issue, I must tell you about someone who is near and dear to my heart. That being said, guess who? That's right, my mother!

St. Aidan School recently celebrated its 65th anniversary and I am proud to say that I was part of the graduating class of 1970. I have many, many fond memories of going to school at St. Aidan's. I still have many friends from St. Aidan's and still keep in contact with them. These friendships will last my lifetime.

While most of my teachers were Sisters of Charity of Halifax and Franciscan Brothers, one lay teacher instilled many values in my life. This woman was a devout Catholic and a dedicated educator. She was a teacher who took time with the slower individuals and for that I am very thankful.

I was quite saddened when I heard that my favorite St. Aidan's teacher, Mrs. Yolanda Cardone, had died. Mrs. Cardone was my teacher in the fifth grade. She taught at St. Aidan's for 32 years and she truly was a loving inspiration to her family and her students. She gave of herself unselfishly to everyone in my class. I only learned of her passing weeks after her death and I'm sorry that I did not get to pay my last respects to this wonderful individual.

One of the things she taught me and will be forever etched in my heart was that she taught us the MOTHER Song written by Howard E. Johnson around 1915. The song is titled: MOTHER: A Word That Means the World to Me. This is how it goes:

***And should you see my mom
around town, you can ask her,
Raymond never missed a
Mother's Day of not singing
to her the MOTHER Song.***

M is for the million things she gave me;
O means only that she's growing old.
T is for the tears she shared to save me;
H is for her heart of purest gold.
E is for her eyes with love-light shining;
R means right and right she'll always be..
Put them all together they spell MOTHER, a word that means the world to me.

I call my mother on Mother's Day no matter where I am or no matter where she is and to this day, I sing her the MOTHER song. It truly brings back memories of the very first time I went home and sang this to my mother on Mother's Day. After I sang her the song, I presented her with a card which I made in Mrs. Cardone's class out of yellow construction paper which contained the lyrics.

This Mother's Day, I am dedicating the MOTHER song to three individuals. To my mom, for her never-ending love for me and I hope that I can continue to sing the MOTHER Song, for many, many years to come. To Mrs. Yolanda Cardone, a parochial school educator who captured the hearts, mind and spirit of every one of her students and may she rest in peace knowing that someone in her class remembered the MOTHER Song. And lastly, to Mother Mary, Mother of us all and of the Universal Church.

If you see any of my classmates from fifth grade, we were students together in 1966 and 1967. I hope they will remember this wonderful song. And should you see my mom around town, you can ask her, Raymond never missed a Mother's Day of not singing to her the MOTHER Song.

I wish all our mothers, deceased, fulfilling their dreams of motherhood and those about to become mothers, a truly happy and blessed Mother's Day!



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In a prior edition of The Williston Post we highlighted a number of new businesses which have recently opened up on our community. This month we are pleased to introduce you to some more business people who have invested in new businesses, expanded existing businesses or took over established businesses here in the Willistons, or nearby.

Siena Marble and Tile

East Williston residents Pablo and Nancy Comuzzi recently opened Siena Marble and Tile at 855 Willis Avenue in Albertson. Their Grand Opening on April 24 was a brilliant introduction to a showroom filled with marble, stone and tile work of the finest quality. Pablo Comuzzi has been in the business all his life, first in his native Argentina and now here on Long Island. Nancy Comuzzi looks forward to introducing customers



to the fine details of marble and stone work and promises that Siena Marble and Tile does high end work, regardless of price. Siena's Manager, Joe Lannitelli, will see to it that your design is efficiently transformed into a beautiful reality.

On Saturdays the Comuzzis welcome customers with sangria and cappuccino, to



make the design and selection process even more enjoyable. If

you are thinking about an upgrade to your house that involves stone or tile, we think that you couldn't come to a better place than Siena. Stop by and see for yourself.

Ceriello's 541 Club

If you enjoy fine Italian groceries, delicacies and meats you probably already are quite familiar with Ceriello's on Willis Avenue. Owner Andrea Ceriello recently opened up the Ceriello 541 Club, a restaurant specializing in hamburgers and paninis, next to the Ceriello market at 541 Willis Avenue.



Ceriello's has been in the same location for over 35 years, starting with a salumeria and expanding to the full spectrum market that we all know so well. The prime meat that is Ceriello's hallmark is the key to the spectacular hamburger that will be yours to enjoy when you go there. There is a full range of toppings for you to try with your hamburger, as well as a wide selection of paninis.

In the interest of research, our reporter bought a hamburger which was everything that a hamburger should be. The quality of the meat was obvious from the first bite. (I ordered my hamburger with the caramelized onions and some bacon which added to the flavor, but the hamburger was good enough to eat on its own.)

Ceriello's 541 Club would be worth traveling to from anywhere on Long Island and beyond. It will not be one of those "well kept secrets" of the restaurant business—given the quality it is certain to develop a following from all over. Lucky for us, it's right here in our neighborhood to be enjoyed whenever we want to. If you like a really great hamburger (and who doesn't) Ceriello's 541 Club should be at the top of your list of places to try soon if you haven't already gone there.



Hair Junkie

A new hair salon, Hair Junkie, opened up at 621 Willis Avenue in November of 2014. Hair Junkie recently won a Best Salon on Long Island Award for 2014 in the Bethpage Best of Long Island Program, and they have brought that expertise to the Willistons. Hair Junkie's team can be counted on for the finest service, resulting in clients who look and feel their best after every visit.



You can learn more about this salon and, hopefully, schedule a visit, by going to their website at www.thehairjunkiesalon.com, by email at info@thehairjunkiesalon.com or by calling them at (516) 747-1112.

THE WILLISTONS WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES

The Village Gift and Flower Shop

Elsewhere in this edition of The Williston Post we published a message from Larry Kane and Angela Williams announcing that they had sold their business, The Village Gift and Flower Shoppe on Hillside Avenue. Here we have the opportunity to introduce you to Maria Cruz and Wayne Toolsie who recently took over the business and will continue the tradition of warm quality service and beautiful flowers that the Village Gift and Flower Shoppe is famous for.



Maria has been in the flower business for over 20 years, and currently operates a store in Amityville, which will remain in business. Wayne is in the entertainment business but will be fully involved in the operation of the Gift and Flower Shoppe as well.

Maria became aware of the Gift and Flower Shoppe as she passed by to meet friends at a restaurant here in Williston Park and, being in the flower business, imagined herself operating the Williston Park business. When she and Wayne learned that the Village Gift and Flower Shoppe was for sale they moved quickly and now they are a part of our community.

Wayne and Maria have already been warmly received by their neighbors and look forward to serving them for years to come. In addition to keeping up the standard of the finest in floral arrangements they assured our reporter that they intend to keep up a very important Gift and Flower Shoppe Tradition—the famous Quote of the Day. If you haven't already done so, stop by the Village Gift and Flower Shoppe, buy flowers or one of the gift items that are for sale there, and say hello to Maria and Wayne.



EAST WILLISTON ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

The Village of East Williston held its Annual Organization Meeting and Budget Hearing on April 6, 2015. After passing the budget, the Village took a moment to honor Caroline DeBenedittis at the conclusion of her term. Ms. DeBenedittis remains actively involved in the Recreation Committee and delivered her report from the audience without missing a beat.

Mayor David Tanner was then sworn in by Nassau County Clerk Maureen O'Connell, and Bonnie Parente, who serves as Deputy Mayor, was sworn in as a Trustee by Williston Park Trustee Michael Uttaro.

The Mayor swore in Marie Hausner as Village Clerk, Emil Samuels as Associate Village Justice, Robert Campagna as Building Inspector, Richard Rabb as a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals and Anne Mageau and Elise Campagna as members of the Village Historic Commission.

Congratulations are in order to the re-elected officials, to the re-appointed officials, and particularly to the first time appointees, who stepped up to play a role in Village Government.



Robert Campagna being sworn in



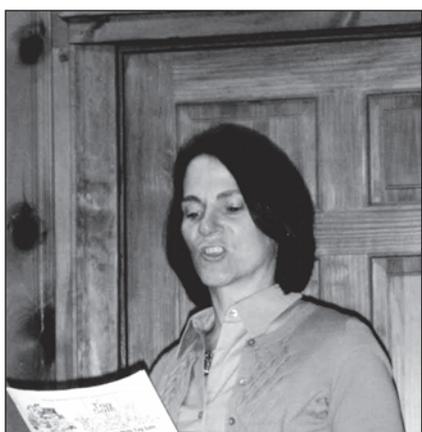
Deputy Mayor Parente being sworn in



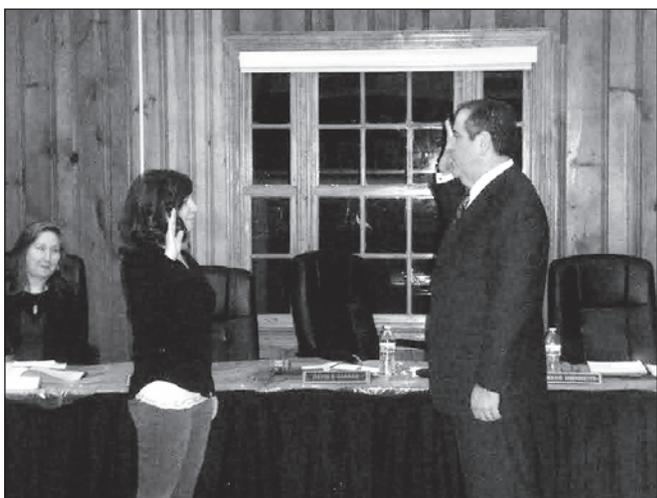
Mayor Tanner being sworn in



Associate Justice Emil Samuels being sworn in



Caroline DiBenedittis gives her report



Elise Campagna being sworn in as her proud parents look on



Village Clerk Marie Hausner being sworn in

Williston Park Chamber Networking Social at La Marmite Restaurant

by Raymond Haller

It was an evening of anticipation for members of the Chamber of Commerce of the Willistons as they arrived at the La Marmite Restaurant for a spring networking social. Chamber President John Gordon, Esq. made arrangements with Chamber members Richard and Maureen Kearns, owners of La Marmite Restaurant for an evening filled with fine wine, delicious food and friendly camaraderie.

More than 50 members of the Chamber were treated with the most gracious hospitality of Richard and Maureen Kearns as members met with each other, some for the first time and others to get acquainted with upcoming Chamber events.



Ray Haller and Lois Hanson



Host Dick Kearns welcomes Chamber Members

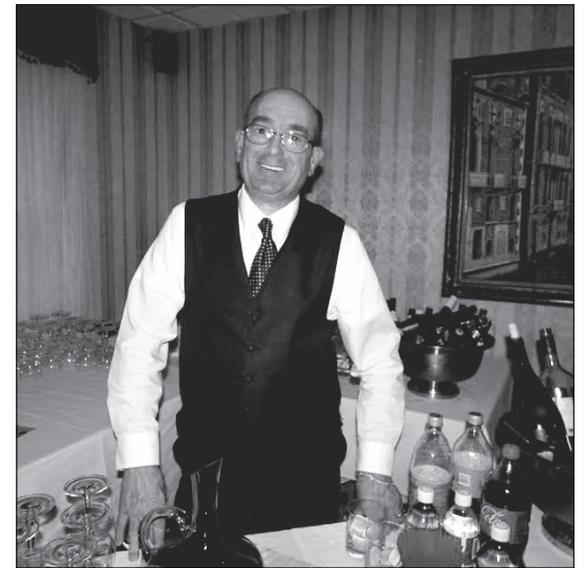


Louise Bosnack, Grace Sirigusa, Hostess Mo Kearns, and Mary Reardon

As the evening progressed, magnificent hors d'oeuvres left the kitchen and were passed about by the professional staff at La Marmite. Chef Gregory Kearns personally made sure that all members present experienced the fine food and gracious hospitality that La Marmite has to offer.



Eileen Devaney, John and Grace Sirigusa with Paul Walters

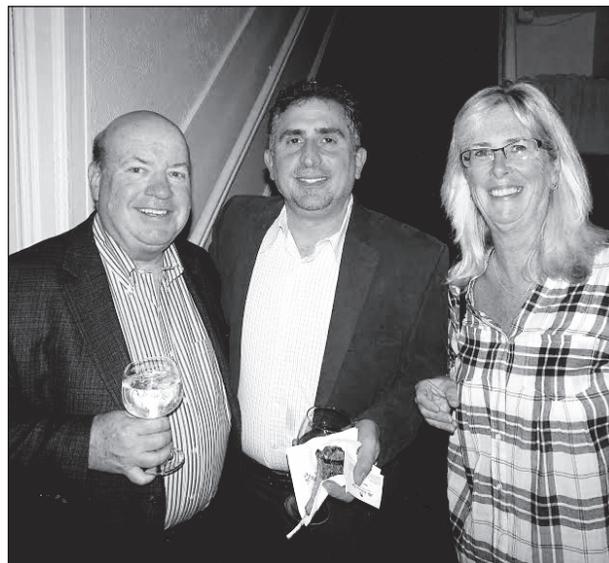


Smiling George

Dick Kearns gave a brief presentation about the history of the building and the families that have owned it over the years. Chamber President John Gordon thanked the Kearns family for their gracious hospitality and reminded members of the upcoming events. The evening concluded with a round of well-deserved applause from the assembled members of the Chamber in appreciation for the most gracious hospitality of the Kearns family. The Chamber at La Marmite, an evening not soon to be forgotten!!!



Louise Schwarzschild and Jerry Baldasaro



Dick Kearns, New Member, Siena Marble and Tile Manager Joe Iannitelli Crop me out



Bob Shannon, Loretta Helmich and ?



50/50 winner Sue Costible with Peggy and Krista Thomann



Frank Oliveri and Karen Wiley announce the lucky winners



Pat Hayes and Ken Marissael



Kathy Voskerijian and Adele Valenzuela

Ole, Ole!..... The Perfect Paella Party!!!

What better way to raise money for the community than a night at Sangria 71 with good friends and neighbors. Jose and his staff hosted almost 100 Rotarians and their guests by bringing out the BIG PAELLA POTS and serving delicious Sangria. A sure cure for the winter doldrums, this event was just what was needed to welcome back spring. Fabulous raffle prizes, a hearty 50/50 and the overwhelming support of a spirited crowd helped The Williston Park Rotary Club raise money for their many community projects. The gracious generosity of Jose and Sangria 71 guaranteed a successful evening.



Nancy, Karen and Rocco



The lovely Jo Ann Rudolph



Tim and Tina Farrell



The Corrigan Crew



Gracious Host Jose with John Marsala and Rotary President Karen Wiley



Sharon Piscopia and friends

Winthrop-University Hospital's Ms. Laura Grau, Named Women of Influence Honoree for 2015

by Frank Oliveri

Ms. Laura Grau, a manager in the Department of Volunteer Services at Winthrop University Hospital, was honored by Winthrop University Hospital as a Woman of Influence for 2015. Ms. Grau is a member of the National Association of Professional Women (NAPW) for which she is the current President of the Nassau County Chapter. She is also a Member of the New York State Association of Volunteer Service Administrators (NYSAVSA) for which she is the assistant treasurer and the President of the Long Island Chapter.



Garden Snippets

by Margo Bores

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These easy-to-grow tender perennials are some of the most popular bedding plants grown. They have a shrubby habit with showy, often heavily zoned leaves and clusters of vividly colored flowers from spring to frost. Geraniums will bloom their first year when grown from seeds. Their reliable and long lasting flowers are useful in beds and borders and are especially suited to container growing, providing nonstop color for hanging baskets and window boxes.

As a bonus, it is easy to make new plants from geranium cuttings. Simply place cuttings in water. Once roots develop, plant each cutting in a pot filled with potting soil.

Whether you're planting in pots, beds or baskets, there's a geranium that just right.

WILLISTON PARK: A FINE DINING DESTINATION

A recent edition of the FiOS 1 program "Restaurant Hunter" featured Hillside Avenue as a "go-to" fine dining destination. It comes as no surprise to those of us who have eaten there that of the three establishments which were featured two of them—La Marmite and Sangria 71—are located here in Williston Park. The host of the program noted the wonderful food and attentive professional service that are the features of these two great restaurants and also noted the fact that local food lovers keep on coming back.

Congratulations to the owners, chefs and staffs of these two fine restaurants. FiOS 1 has discovered what we have known for a long time—when it comes to quality, come to the Willistons!

HOME IMPROVEMENT

SPRING IS HERE

By Ron Doughty, Williston Plumbing & Heating

Now that Old Man Winter has come and gone, it is finally time to start getting ready for "Spring."

One of the first items on the list will be the yard clean up. After picking up and raking the front and rear yard take time to thoroughly clean out your leaders and gutters. Check the condition of the leaders and gutters on the house and the supports that keep them in place. Don't be surprised if you find them hanging and/or bent out of shape. The snow and ice that built up in them during the cold weather, and the added weight on them, might have caused many to deform and break away from their support hangers. A broken or leaking gutter will cause damage to the house itself

Next it's time to turn on the outside hose valves from inside the basement and reconnect the hose. When you first turn on the hose valve from the inside of the house shut-off valve, make sure that the piping to the outside is not leaking and also that the shut-off valve is not leaking. If the inside shut-off valve starts leaking by the handle, just try tightening the nut that is directly behind the handle. This is a compression nut that seals the shaft stem of the valve itself. This is common and no need to replace unless it's corroded.

If you thought you were safe from a freeze-up on the outside hose due to the installation of a frost free valve, be careful. If you did not disconnect the hose or the "Y" splitter from the outside hose valve itself before the winter, you may still have a problem. When turning the frost free hose valve on, immediately check the inside of the basement at the location of the outside valve. A frost free valve can still burst from the cold weather but will only leak when turned on. If this is the case call a professional to replace it.

It may be a little early now to check out your air conditioning system but due have it done before the warm weather sets in. Don't wait for the first hot day to arrive. As you can imagine, at that time all of the service technicians are extremely busy

Now is the best time of year to think about updating your old inefficient heating system. Don't wait for another cold winter to go by. Call a licensed professional for any and all upgrades. Remember it's a REQUIREMENT.



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**HOW DO I KNOW
IF I HAVE TOE NAIL FUNGUS?**

by Dr. Mary Carlson



As the weather begins to get warmer, more and more people will be choosing to wear open toed shoes and sandals. If you're afraid to make the switch because of your embarrassing toenails – there could be a reason, and a solution.

Toenail fungus is actually quite common and comes in many forms with varying symptoms. Usually a fungal nail infection isn't painful but left untreated can become painful, make it painful to wear shoes, walk, or even stand. So how do you know if you have fungal nails.

Your symptoms will really depend on the type of infection that you actually have. The two most common infections are caused by dermatophytes, fungi that require keratin for growth. Keratin are what your toenails are made of. These fungi can cause superficial infections of the skin, hair, and nails. Symptoms of one type of toenail fungus are: Yellow streaks in the nail bed and the underside of the nail, buildup of bits and pieces of skin and nail fragments under the nail, discolored and thickened nails that may separate from the skin, and brittle, broken and thickened nails. Other symptoms may include: White spots or streaks on the nail surface, soft and powdery nails, damaged or crumbly nails, and brown or gray nails.

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**Take Your Daughter
to Work Day**

Katherine Marschner, the grandniece of Frank Oliveri, a member of the Williston Park Rotary Club, observed Take Your Daughter to Work Day at the desk of Congresswoman Barbra Comstock of the 10th Congressional District in Virginia. It looks like she's preparing for the day when she can sit behind a desk like this one of her own! She is certainly receiving encouragement from the Congresswoman, who is shown with her in this photograph.





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ACTIVE SUMMER/ACTIVE MINDS:

Prevent Learning Loss

By Eileen M. Devaney, M.S., CCC-SLP, Director, S.E.E.D.S. of the Willistons

Summer is fast approaching and soon the kids will be out of school. Academic researchers say that the average child loses 1-2 months of grade level equivalency during this time. However, this does not have to be norm for your child.

What can you do to promote summer learning and family time with your children?

There are plenty of options in our local community. Learn to love your local library and librarian—it's a great way to promote the love of reading. Encourage your child to read for fun this summer; choosing high interest books will keep those neurons clicking! Check out our local children's museum (www.licm.org), the Aquarium in Riverhead (www.longislandaquarium.com) or the Cradle of Aviation, right in Garden City (www.cradleofaviation.org), just to name a few. Of course New York City has numerous museums as well as the Bronx Zoo. There are lots of ways to sneak in learning!

Let the kids go online to sites such as Mapquest or one of the travel sites to 'research' your trip. Sneak in a bit of math by having your child calculate how long it will take to get to your destination travelling at "X" miles per hour. Have your child keep a journal (writing and spelling skills!) of your activities and send a postcard to a friend or relative (hey, now that's a novel idea!). You can use those rainy days to create some at home science experiments.

Now is the time to begin to think about keeping your child's brain stimulated, and the body moving, over the summer months. We offer innovative, fun-filled programs to improve your child's ability to speak, listen, read, write and connect with their peers. At S.E.E.D.S. we will tailor a summer program specific to your child's needs. The trick is to balance fun with learning!

If your child has struggled at all this past academic year, the summer months are an excellent time to fill in communication and learning gaps so your child will begin the new school year more confident! We are offering a variety of summer services and programs. Some programs are new, like our "Study Skills Class", which teaches children how to study. We will be offering our usual Academic Refresher, which reviews the reading and math skills from the previous year. We will also be offering the Fast ForWord Family of Programs. These programs are based on 25 years of research and most children gain 1-2 years of language and listening skills in just 8-10 weeks (www.ScientificLearning.com). For a complete list of our programs, please give us a call or visit our website at www.seedsofthewillistons.com.

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East Williston Book Club Members Walk Through History

After reading George Washington's Secret Six: The Spy Ring That Saved the American Revolution by Brian Kilmeade and Don Yaeger several members of the East Williston evening book group explored the Grist Mill, Patriot's Rock and historic grave sites in Setauket with farmer and Revolutionary War spy, Abraham Woodhull.



On Sunday, April 19th, Peggy Abad, Ann Masters, Ann Malavet and Dorothy Roper met "Abraham" at the Caroline Episcopal Church and explored what was once the Woodhull farm where he shared family secrets, and explained how the Culper Spy Ring, which operated on Long Island between 1778 and 1783, provided the intelligence sent to George Washington during the war that was instrumental to the success of the Patriots.



WILLISTON PARK ROTARY AND POLIO PLUS

Polio Plus is a campaign funded by Rotary International which began with the stated intention of wiping out Polio throughout the world, and doing the same for other infectious diseases at the same time. The members of the Williston Park Rotary Club have been particularly devoted to this project and have focused much of their fundraising over the years to contributing to the fight.

On April 15, 2015, David Ardam, the Rotary District Foundation Chair of the Polio Plus Program gave the Rotarians a very informative and encouraging talk about the program. After three decades of fundraising and donations Polio has been almost eradicated throughout the world, and Rotary, and its partners, have played a major role in achieving this goal. Rotarians have helped to immunize more than 2 billion children throughout the world and have helped to reduce the number of new cases of Polio by 99%. As of last week, there were only 22 reported cases of new infections. There are only three countries—Pakistan, Afghanistan and Nigeria—where polio still poses a threat of direct infection with the virus. It is hoped that, within three years, the disease will have been eradicated in these countries as well, and eliminated worldwide. We encourage our readers to learn more about the program at www.endpolio.org, and to contribute to Polio Plus whatever you can.

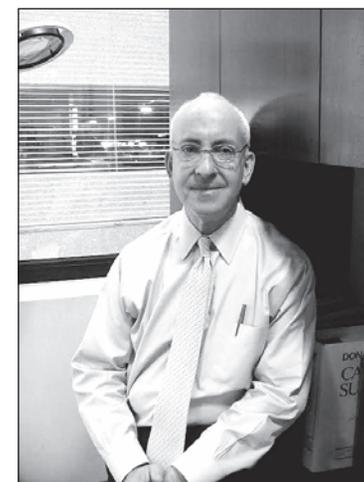


AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION HONORS DR. SCHUBACH

Doctor Scott L. Schubach the Chairman of the Department of Thoracic & Cardiovascular Surgery at Winthrop University Hospital will be honored by the American Heart Association at their 52nd Annual Ball on May 8th at the Museum of American Armor at Old Bethpage Village Restoration.

In addition to a wealth of professional skill and experience, Doctor Schubach's patients have always benefitted from those intangible qualities that are the hallmark of a good doctor and a good man. Dr. Schubach has the warm personality and bedside manner of a person who patients trust with their lives. In addition, he is the sort of man who you meet once and you know he will be your friend for the rest of your life.

The staff of The Williston Post are pleased to be able to congratulate Doctor Schubach on his receipt of this great and richly deserved honor.



St. Aidan's Rosary Altar Society News

On Monday, April 13, 2015 the members of the Rosary Society gathered for our monthly meeting. It was a long winter and on this evening spring was in the air. After saying the Rosary we had a short business meeting followed by our program.



Dr. Anthony Belo charmed the ladies of the Rosary Altar Society. Some are already patients of Dr. Belo. He spoke about different types of arthritis. He answered many questions that the members had. Dr. Belo then had some volunteers come up on stage. He and his assistant demonstrated different techniques to improve our Balance. Balance Training is important as we get older. Falls, often can be avoided by using some of the exercises Dr. Belo shared with us. Thank You, Dr. Belo for sharing your expertise in such a Great Program.

Next month on May 3, 2015 our Corporate Mass will be at 9:00am in St. Aidan's Church. What a wonderful way to start Our Lady's' month. If you can come early (8:45am) we say a decade of the Rosary before processing in. This Mass will be followed by our Annual Communion Breakfast at the American Legion Hall.

On May 11, 2015 we will have a Baby Shower which all \$\$\$, baby clothes and items collected will be given to the Regina Residence. We will also be collecting slightly worn and new shoes for adults and children at this meeting. Peggy Foehr in conjunction with her workplace has organized, "Soles for Souls". At this meeting, we will have the induction of new members to the St. Aidan's Rosary Altar Society. The re-induction of all members will also take place.



LOCAL WOMEN NAMED TO NORTH HEMPSTEAD'S WOMENS' ROLL OF HONOR

On March 26, 2015, Former East Williston Trustee Caroline DeBenedittis, Ms. Dorothy Perry of Williston Park, Former Williston Park Mayor Doreen Ehrbar, and Frances Pareti of Albertson were added to the Women's Roll of Honor 2015 at this year's Town of North Hempstead breakfast. This was the 22nd annual May Newberger Women's Roll of Honor breakfast.



Dot Perry is shown here with her daughters, Christine Kowalski, Joan Krust, Carol Locurto, Barbara Schmidt and her grandson James Schmidt.

This is another year when the Women of the Willistons, who do so much for our communities in so many ways have received this much-deserved honor. Congratulations to all!



Shown above are the Town Supervisor with Aileen Vella, Bonnie Parente, Supervisor Judy Bosworth, Caroline DeBenedittis, Lenore Igoe, Agnes Kirschner, Patricia Santosus, and Patrick Theodore.



Shown here are Frances Pareti being inducted by Town Clerk Wayne Wink.

Caroline DeBenedittis with former honorees (and the women who nominated her) Patricia Santosus and Bonnie Parente.

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The Story of the Memorial Poppy

by Frank J. Oliveri P.C., Williston American Legion Post 144

The Poppy was first chosen as The American Legion's memorial flower at the 1921 National Convention and was worn in memory of the men who lost their lives in World War I. Picture vast armies on two sides in a long four year battle, along a double line of trenches. This was Europe from 1914 to November 1918. In this area of death and destruction, hundreds of thousands of American boys advanced in 1917 and 1918 determined to put an end to the horrible war.

The one bright color on this shell torn fields and hills of these, war torn area was the little, red poppy. On the edges of the trenches, in the ragged shell holes, brave little poppies grew and bloomed on the graves of those men buried in the scared plots of French soil, which was Flanders Field. Remembrances of the cheery bright red flowers returned to America with our men and so, the poppy became the symbol of the dead, their memorial flower. It became the sign that the high ideals for which brave young men gave their lives, still live, and are honored.

The poppy became a symbol of the sacrifice of lives in war, and represented the hope that none had died in vain. The American Legion Auxiliary Poppy has continued to bloom for the casualties of four wars, its pedals of paper bound together for veterans by veterans, reminding America each year that the men and women who have served and died for their country deserve to be remembered.

The poppy as a memorial flower to the war dead can be traced to a single individual, Miss Moira Michael. She was so moved by Col. McCrae's poem In Flanders Fields that on impulse she bought a bouquet of poppies at Wanamaker's Department Store in New York City. She handed them out to men meeting at the YMCA where she worked, at the end of World War I in November 1918. Later she would spearhead a campaign that would result in the adoption of the poppy as the national symbol of sacrifice.

The American Legion Auxiliary recognizes "May as Poppy Month" the time to wear a poppy in support of all veterans. Poppies can be purchased at your local merchants throughout the village in support of the Williston Post American Legion Auxiliary Unit 144.



The Williston Park Rotary Kicks Off Spring With The Gift of Life

On Thursday March 26th the Williston Park Rotary and the Long Island Blood Services held their annual blood drive at the East Williston Fire House.



Ms. Caroline De Benedittis, Trustee of East Williston enjoyed reading The Williston Post while giving the Gift of Life.



Ms. Deirdre Corrigan of was this year's first volunteer assisted by Ms. Lisa Vandestouwe, our volunteer registered nurse both are residences of Williston Park.

May is Poppy Month



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Elaine Oliveri
Poppy Chairlady

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

The Williston Community has always prided itself on coming together in times of need. The following letter from a Vincent Napolitano, a Williston Park Little League Coach, will introduce you to a local family who can use all that we can give, and a young boy who never gives up.

Ty Patrick Flood

“Two years ago I coached a brave young boy in the Williston Park Little League named Ty Patrick Flood. Ty is now 10 years old and has Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD), a fatal genetic disorder. DMD is a muscle disease, which is progressively debilitating. By 10-12 years old most children with DMD require the assistance of a wheelchair. Later complications include respiratory and heart failure as well as debilitating orthopedic complications. Unfortunately there is no cure.

“When I coached Ty two years ago he had difficulty walking but would hit a grounder and the throw would get to first base way before him but he would run every ball out even though it probably took him 30 seconds to go 60 feet. He ALWAYS ran it out! Ty loves the game of baseball. He is an avid Yankee fan and loves Derek Jeter. As a Met fan I would tease him every practice and every game and tell him the Mets are #1 and Jeter stinks. He would read off Jeter's stats and the Yankees record and tell me the Mets stink! Ty maybe physically challenged but he has the heart of a lion!



“Ty's disease has progressed to the point where it has become much harder for him and his family - both physically and financially. This deserving family needs help. Ty's parents, Timothy and Beth, are two wonderful people. Tim is a veteran Special Agent at Homeland Security Investigations, with more than 26 years of service to his country. Of necessity, Beth left her employment to attend to Ty's needs, as well as to care for his younger sisters, Tara and Emma. With the loss of Beth's income, the Flood family has endured protracted financial hardship. The family is now faced with additional hurdles as their home will require substantial modifications to make it wheelchair accessible. A suitable vehicle that can safely transport a motorized wheelchair is also needed. Without assistance, the Floods will have to leave their home and their tight-knit community of friends, at a time when, more than ever, they really need the support of friends and neighbors. A move at this point would be devastating for the family and a great loss to the community. Help the Family to remain at home.”

We are happy to report that several fundraisers have been held recently in the neighborhood. A man who can always be counted on, Memories owner Al Olivera, opened his heart and his doors on April 1st to a standing room only crowd and the Williston Park Little League offered a 50/50 raffle at opening day on April 11th. If you would like to support the Flood Family please go to tyfloodfund.org or www.gofundme.com/TyFlood. At times like this, the Willistons can always be counted on. Let's do everything we can to help!

East Williston Public Library Friends Children's Book Sale



Memorial Day

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Wednesday, May 27th from 11am to 7:30pm

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Friday, May 29th from 11am to 7:30 pm

Saturday, May 30th from 10:30 am to 3:00 pm

HARRY'S HILL TOP DELICATESSEN HITS AHOME RUN

This past month Mr. Harry Hadjicharalambous, owner of Harry's Hill Top Delicatessen scored a great success by securing the services of Roger as the restaurants Executive Chef. Many of our readers remember Roger as a chef at the Ivy Cottage Restaurant when it was a Hillside Avenue fixture.

Roger is now creating his wonderful dishes at Harry's Hill Top Delicatessen. If you haven't been there recently, stop in and give Harry's a try! If you're a regular we know you'll be coming back for more great food.



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