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City Views



October - December
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Mayor's Update

“Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success,”

Henry Ford

For the City of Glen Cove, our summer work session has been a study in collaboration, determination and perseverance. For the Garvies Point project we appreciated the vote of approval from the City, County, School Board and Library Board on the requested tax deviations. With this agreement and our lawsuit wins, we are excited to finally – after 20 years of hard work and property remediation – complete the sale of the Garvies Point property and see the start of the \$1 billion development that will bring new jobs, new revenues and new public amenities and housing opportunities for our community.

I was also pleased with the recent release of **Moody's Investors Service** financial evaluation of the City of Glen Cove. The report assigned a Baa3 rating and upgraded our municipality's outlook from stable to **positive**. The assessment underscores the City's credit strengths which included:

- Improved budgeting practices in 2015 led to a surplus of almost \$1 million in the General fund
- Waterfront development expected to provide increase to tax base and economic activity
- Large and diverse tax base

My administration has worked diligently to improve the City's financial strength through exercising rigorous standards, pinpointing new revenue streams and executing cost savings programs. It is gratifying that Moody's analysts recognized our improvements, best practices and our commitment to stimulate new economic growth. But our job is not done.

As we review and finalize our 2017 adopted budget plans this quarter, we are continuing to tackle long-standing budget issues including the long-term debt that has accumulated on the City's books for more than 20 years and the estimated \$1 million dollars in increased expenses that the city experiences annually to meet contractual obligations and rising medical and pension costs. We are committed to reducing our debt by creating new revenue sources and controlling our expenses while confirming our commitment to delivering the highest quality of City services, programs and “home” improvement projects.

Those projects include the installation of new solar panels on the roof of the Fire Department and Senior Center, a new roof for City Hall and a new children's playground at Prybil Beach donated by Northwell Health at Glen Cove Hospital. I also want to thank Nassau County and their DPW team for repairing and repaving Forest Avenue as that project has been top-of-mind for many of our residents.



Recognizing the 15th Anniversary of 9/11, family members and the community participated in a special ceremony at the city's 9/11 monument to honor and remember Glen Cove's own - Edward J. Lehman, Matthew T. McDermott, John F. Puckett and Joseph J. Zuccala.



The fish were biting at the annual Glen Cove Mayor's Snapper Derby as over 200 fish were caught off the pier at Prybil Beach. Sponsored by the Glen Cove Angler Club, pictured here are the winners of this year's tournament with Mayor Spinello, City Council members and Dr. Tom Mazonio, event chairperson.



Congratulations to the Glen Cove High School Varsity football as they recently celebrated their 100th Anniversary. Mayor Spinello and Councilman Capobianco (also a former GCHS football player) joined football alumni for a special celebration.



Arlene O'Dell, former executive director of the Youth Bureau, was the 2016 honoree of the Glen Cove Police Department's National Night Out.



Parks & Recreation and Beautification team members joined Mayor Spinello for the inauguration of Glen Cove's new Christmas Tree Farm at Dennis Brian Murray Park on Leech Circle South.

Business Briefs



Business Matters

The City of Glen Cove celebrates diversity, youth, seniors and everyone in between. Family-friendly events are the heart of our community and attracts visitors from outside our city that help contribute to our local economy. Be sure to keep abreast of the variety of celebrations in the City Views Calendar pull-out section as well as on the city website with up to the minute news and information.

This summer it was great to see so many people enjoying the Downtown Sounds concert series, the July 4th weekend celebration and Bike Parade, Kid's Play Day and the Car Shows. We look forward to the fall and holiday events line-up and hope to see you there!

Celebrating Glen Cove Businesses

Happy Anniversary to Glen Cove Businesses



Ristorante Da Claudio – 51 Cedar Swamp Road. *Glen Cove is fortunate to count Ristorante Da Claudio among the best fine dining in the area. This establishment is celebrating its two year anniversary and has recently been awarded The American Academy of Hospitality and Sciences – Five Star Diamond Award. Saluti to Ristorante Da Claudio, Claudi and Fabrizio for their continued culinary success!*



All in 1 Graphics – 10 Cedar Swamp Road. *Celebrating its second year at the Glen Cove location, the creative duo of Raul and Marci Portillo continue to invest in their Glen Cove print shop including the purchase of a HP FB500 printing machine which expands their in-house sign printing capabilities. Raul and Marci are dedicated entrepreneurs who have been known to keep their shop open late for loyal customers and the ink has yet to dry on their vision for further expansion at their facility.*



We are delighted to have restaurants offering dining and entertainment near our waterfront **with The Lighthouse Café located at 76 Shore Road and near-by Cove Restaurant & Oyster Bar on the water at 74 Shore Road; both have expanded their outdoor seating, adding an outdoor bar and offering live music.**



YouOffice - 50 Glen Street. *The beautiful lounge area on the 2nd floor was a busy place when the Mayor and I joined the Chamber of Commerce in a joint ribbon cutting ceremony for new businesses!*

Perumal & Vaz, PLLC, Blu Sky Bodyworks, INDIE Business Services, Marcomm Group, A Tiffany Bride Makeup Artistry, Doukas Media Inc. and Long Island Shore Media Group, Inc.

If you are a new business or you are celebrating anniversary milestones, please call my office and we can help you celebrate and share the news!

Supporting Local Businesses - Glen Cove Job Central

Announcing Glen Cove Job Central!

The City of Glen Cove "Open for Business" campaign continues to be successful and with new businesses there are new job opportunities. Many businesses and organizations are eager to hire local and we want to help connect businesses and organizations with our job seeking residents!

Beginning in mid-October we will launch Glen Cove Job Central on the city's website – www.glencove-li.us. This is designed as a resource and will be updated monthly to include all the open jobs available in the city sector, business and school. There will also be links to a variety of resources to assist our residents in their job search efforts.

City Priorities and Points of Interest

Code Enforcement Enhances City's Quality of Life

Under the administrative direction of the Glen Cove Police Department, Glen Cove's Code Enforcement division is an important arm of the City's pro-active approach to public safety. From cracking down on illegal housing to making homeowners accountable for the upkeep of their homes, the Code Enforcement team provides a valuable service to the Glen Cove community. "The success of the Code Enforcement team can be attributed to its proactive approach, the vigilance of Glen Cove residents in reporting potential violations and the support of Mayor Reggie Spinello and the Glen Cove City Attorney's office," said Glen Cove Police Deputy Chief Chris Ortiz.

While illegal housing is one-part of the Code Enforcement Department's responsibilities, the other part is home violations that can jeopardize the safety of neighbors and create health hazards. From overgrown hedges, trees and grass that can challenge road and traffic visibility to damaged/missing pool fences, garbage put out days before their scheduled pick-up and unregistered vehicles in driveways, the Department's officers are proactively patrolling neighborhoods and responding to resident's calls. Since January, Code Enforcement inspectors have issued notices of violations to 69 homes with 47 homeowners complying to correct the violation within the allotted time. When an owner does not comply with the recommended home improvement, fines are issued or legal action is pursued.

Glen Cove residents are encouraged to call or email the City of Glen Cove's Code Enforcement at codeenforcement@cityofglencoveny.org or by calling (516) 320-7869. The names of all callers are kept confidential and residents can also contact the department anonymously.



New Mural Completed

The arterial highway corridor to Glen Cove just got brighter with the addition of a beautiful new mural that graphically spells out Glen Cove in vibrant colors. Artist Sean Sullivan and his co-designer Scott Zimmerman, along with staff and volunteers from the Glen Cove Beautification Commission and the Glen Cove Youth Bureau, prepared the surface, painted the new design and sealed the artwork to maintain its integrity for years to come. The project was led by Darcy Belyea, Director of Glen Cove's Parks and Recreation Department and Beautification Commission, along with Damion Stavredes. Special thanks to Jacki Yonick of the Glen Cove Youth Bureau for her support and coordination and Joe LaPadula of Martino Auto Concepts, who introduced the artist and concept to the Beautification Commission and also sponsored the project with a substantial financial donation.

Glen Cove Senior Center and Hofstra University To Host Aging and Creativity Conference

The Glen Cove Senior Center and Hofstra University are partnering to present a unique conference - Shifting the Perspective: Aging and Creativity - dedicated to igniting a dialogue about the relationship between creativity and aging. Bringing together the insights, the science, the research and the policies, this full day conference will spark valuable conversations for leaders, policy makers, practitioners in the field of gerontology, faculty and students from a broad range of disciplines, senior service providers, media, older adults in the community, advocates, and interested public that will hopefully begin to change attitudes about what it means to grow older.

"This conference has the potential to have a huge impact on policy, advocacy, education, funding, and new initiatives for older adults and will help to emphasize the tremendous opportunities for creativity and a better overall lifestyle that come along with aging in today's world," said Carol Waldman, Executive Director, Glen Cove Senior Center. The conference will be held on November 29 at Hofstra University, North Campus. For more information and sponsorship opportunities, please call the Senior Center at (516) 759-9610.



City of Glen Cove Shifts Commuter Ferry Service Timeline

A commuter ferry service between Glen Cove and New York City continues to be a priority for the City, but due to the upcoming sale and future construction of Garvies Point, the timeline has now been adjusted. With feedback from potential ferry operators and RXR Glen Isle Partners, the redevelopment partner who will provide a subsidy for the project, the City believes it is important to amend the RFP and extend the response by another 12 months to accommodate for the accelerated construction schedule.



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Glen Cove Residents Making A Difference

JESSICA BELLOMO:



Glen Cove High School senior Jessica Bellomo recently received the Girls Scouts highest honor, the Gold Award. Jessica, a longtime member of Girl Scout Troop 1243, partnered with a local animal shelter and worked over 245 hours on her Gold Award project titled "Operation Pet Safety and Animal Cruelty Awareness" (OPSACA). Jessica raised over \$1,000 to fund the project and worked tirelessly to provide informative presentations to the public regarding pet safety and animal cruelty awareness. She distributed "Emergency Pet Kits" to ensure that domestic pets and their owners are prepared for emergency situations. Jessica's motto is "Be a pet's voice: If you see animal abuse or animal cruelty...speak up!" and she continues to work hard to spread the message of animal awareness throughout Nassau County.

Girl Scouts of Nassau County (GSNC) is the pre-eminent leadership development organization for girls, with almost 20,000 girls and 7,000 adult members across Nassau County. GSNC is preparing for its "Back to Troop" season by recruiting new adult volunteers and forming new Troops for the fall. GSNC prides itself on providing events and programs that develop essential life skills and leadership qualities for girls 5 to 17 years old.

ANTONELLA COSCARELLI:



The Glen Cove Police Department has been proactive in warning residents and educating retailers about increased incidents of telephone scams targeting senior citizens. With gratitude to an astute individual, our community has one less victim. Antonella Coscarelli is a Glen Cove resident, college student and Operational Manager of the CVS store on Forest Avenue. An elderly woman came into the Forest Avenue CVS during Antonella's shift and attempted

to purchase a large amount of prepaid credit cards. When Antonella asked her customer why she was purchasing such a large amount of cards, the woman said that an attorney called and told her that her grandson was in jail and that he needed immediate payment to get him out. Antonella, a John Jay College of Criminal Justice student, quickly recognized the scam and alerted the elderly woman to the hoax. The woman was relieved and thankful to discover that her grandson had not been arrested and Antonella stopped her from sending the scammer the \$1,500 in pre-paid cards. Mayor Spinello, the Glen Cove Police Department and community salutes Antonella Coscarelli.



Did you Know?

With volunteer committee planning underway for Glen Cove's 350th/100th Anniversary in 2018, each quarter we will be testing your memory about Glen Cove history. If you are interested in joining one of five committees (e.g., fundraising, special events, public relations and marketing, logistics/technology and history), please email Ltravatello@cityofglencoveny.org.

- Joseph Carpenter made the first purchase of land at Musquito Cove on May 24, 1668 (Musquito Cove was later named Glen Cove)
- The first district school house – Glen Cove Academy - was built in 1783. It was a one-room school that was located in the present day area of School Street – opposite the former Methodist Church.
- Glen Cove was the first Long Island community to have phone service.

Thank you to the Glen Cove Public Library for helping to curate this issue's fun facts.



Who to Call

Emergencies: 911

Glen Cove Police Department: (516) 676-1000

Glen Cove Fire Department: (516) 676-0366

Emergency Medical Services (EMS): (516) 676-0366

Electric Outage or Downed Wire: Call PSEG LI at 1-800-490-0075

•Call 911 or Glen Cove Fire Department at 516-676-0366 to report a downed electric wire

Downed Trees and Street Flooding:

•Call the Department of Public Works at 516-676-4402 to report a downed tree, flooded road or other obstructions on your street

Smell of Gas:

•Call National Grid at 1-800-490-0045

•Call the Glen Cove Fire Department at 911 or (516) 676-0366

No Telephone Service: Make arrangement for a friend to call your local telephone provider for more information.

-AT&T: 1-800-288-2020

-Verizon: 1-800-922-0204

-Sprint: 1-844-665-6327

-T-Mobile: 1-877-746-0909

No Cable Service:

•Optimum: 631-393-0636

•Verizon Fios: 1-800-837-4966

Train and Bus Schedules:

•Call the MTA at 511 or 1-877-690-5116

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