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## The loss of a role model

### **PLAIN TALK**

The year 2025 has already begun. New Year's Eve was marked by a terrible act of senseless violence in New Orleans; killing and hurting many innocent people who were celebrating the dawn of a new year.

Despite that horrific act of

BY FR. FRANCIS PIZZARELLI

violence, the country has been blessed with countless acts of kindness and generosity. Even locally our community has been blessed with countless people constantly thinking of others.

On December 29, 2024, one of the greatest humanitarian, world leaders of our time died at the age of 100. Jimmy Carter was the 39th president of the United States. He is known more for what he has done since he left the presidency then when he was president. When I heard he had passed, I stopped to think of where was I when he was elected president in November of 1976. I was finishing my graduate studies for the priesthood at the Catholic University of America in Washington D.C. and was teaching and assistant principal of a small Catholic school. Those were wonderful years for me.

I was the seventh and eighth grade basketball coach and the assistant principal in charge of the junior high division of a struggling Catholic school. I learned so much from those years in the classroom and working with my students, many of whom still reach out and drop me a line to let me know how they're doing and what they're doing.

Carter was such a powerful role model for me. He was so committed to his faith, to social justice, to peace and to the respect for all humanity. He did not just talk the talk; he walked the walk. He was a constant voice for human rights and respect for all humanity. His power of example inspired many of us to work to become the best versions of ourselves and for those of us in leadership, whether big or small, his power of example should inspire us to do more for the sake of others.



Former President Jimmy Carter Photo courtesy of WikiMedia Commons

A new year has just begun; the chaos and polarization continues. As our former president begins a second term as our newly elected president, let's hope he and his team can build bridges and not walls.

Let's work harder at respect and collaboration, truth and honesty, respect and integrity. May 2025 be a year of new beginnings, new relationships, new friendships. May this new year empower us to work hard at unity and respect for the dignity of all people, no matter what their race, color, gender, sexual orientation, social status, or ethnicity.

May our religious leaders have the courage to speak out about injustice, hate, discrimination, and the weaponization of religion, for the sake of political gain. May 2025 be the year where we all make room in our hearts for more love, compassion, forgiveness, and social justice. Blessings for all of us as this new year unfolds.

Father Francis Pizzarelli, SMM, LCSW-R, ACSW, DCSW, is the director of Hope House Ministries in Port Jefferson.

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# **SBU's Kevin Gardner helps** researchers pursue larger, interdisciplinary grants

#### **BY DANIEL DUNAIEF**

Kevin Gardner has ambitious research goals.

The Vice President for Research at Stony Brook University, who **SCIENCE** on Long Island on the same day as interim President Richard McCormick, is encouraging researchers to pursue interdisciplinary grants.

"We have a very robust office of proposal development," said Gardner in an interview from Washington, DC when he was meeting on Capitol Hill with the New York delegation prior to the holidays. "Our strategy is to focus on growing larger grants."

With a team prepared to help faculty across the university, Gardner hopes to drive innovation and discovery while building the university's research budget.

The total funds from the top 1.6 percent of grants at the university account for 23 percent of the university's research expenditures, which means that winning additional awards in this top tier could have a material effect on the funds that enable research.

The team that works with Gardner does considerable administrative work, reducing the burden for scientists focused on directing and overseeing research. Stony Brook also provides project management support.

Faculty members "can't write these giant grants without that kind of support," Gardner said. Stony Brook wants to get to that rarefied air where universities receive large, ambitious funds for comprehensive interdisciplinary work.

Going after these larger grants predates Gardner's arrival.

"This is something that has been in the making for a couple of years," said Gardner. He has seen an uptick in applications for these kinds of projects.

Stony Brook started research town halls this fall, with the first describing and encouraging west campuses.

Gardner has renamed his office the Office for Research and Innovation.

"This was done to more formally combine the offices of the Vice President for Research and Economic Development," explained. "Innovation he speaks to new technologies, new approaches, and we have important roles in helping Long Island businesses innovate and continue to be successful. This is true for startups but equally true for manufacturing companies (through our Manufacturing Extension Program) and through our Small Business Development Center, among others!"

#### Enhancing an entrepreneurial culture

At the same time, the university is building and expanding efforts to encourage entrepreneurial initiatives among students and faculty.

Stony Brook recently hired Hannah Estes to become Director of Student Innovation.

Estes, who previously worked with Gardner at the University of Louisville, officially started at Stony Brook on January 6th.

She is focused on the entire school, as she hopes to help encourage students from a range of disciplines pursue various business ideas.

"Entrepreneurship can be found in any school or department," said Estes, as she has seen new ideas originate in schools of social work, music and education.

She wants students to recognize problems and find ways to solve them.

Estes plans to reach out to students through newsletters and social media and hopes to spend her first semester at Stony Brook listening to students and getting a sense of their interests and ideas.

In her work at the University of Louisville, she partnered with art information computing.

collaborations between the east and school students who were able to get credit and helped coordinate financial aid to get them paid \$20 per hour.

> "It works and students are able to get away from their desks and get into the community," Estes said.

As for local students on Long Island who are not members of the Seawolf community, Estes suggested the doors would be open to supporting with them as well.

Working with area high school students can create momentum that can develop into an interest in their business ideas and in joining Stony Brook.

As with the bigger university projects among faculty, the student efforts will also focus on interdisciplinary teams.

"The whole concept is to get out of your bubble and hear new perspectives," said Estes. "It's important for students to know that there are different ways of thinking."

Gardner hopes the studentdriven ideas can help engage a culture change among faculty as well

"It is my sense that students are effective agents of change on a university campus," Gardner explained. "And beyond that, these types of experiences are incredibly valuable for students during their education. "

In July, Stony Brook hired Dr. Michael Kinch as the inaugural Chief Innovation Officer, who is part of the university's council and reports to Gardner.

At the same time, Andrew Wooten, the Executive Director of Long Island High Tech Incubator, has been taking inventions and ideas through a proof of concept to launch new companies. Wooten reports to the board of LIHTI.

#### Computing initiatives

In addition, Stony Brook has started an initiative to create an enclave for a computing environment that provides controlled unclassified



Kevin Gardner Photo by Elise Sullivan

Such computing power, which is on the road towards classified work, is necessary to apply for funding from the Department of Defense and other agencies.

This effort requires a greater level of security and compliance.

As for high performance computing, the university does not have the level of capacity that the research community needs.

"High performance computing is a challenge at most campuses, particularly now keeping up with needs for AI-related computing," Gardner explained. Stony Brook has a "very significant level of AI expertise," which makes keeping up with their computational needs challenging.

#### Research and Development Park

Stony Brook is looking at how they can make the Research and Development Park an even greater asset to the university and the community.

"Everything we do serves our mission, so we need to make sure our neighbors in [Stony Brook] and our partners across the state share in a vision for how that R&D park can change and serve our mission and our community even better," Gardner said.

He is energized by the opportunity to work at Stony Brook, where he feels that he has the ongoing support of colleagues who are working well together. As for his visit to Capitol Hill, Gardner travels to meet with the delegation and federal agencies around once a month.

"We want to make sure not just that they are advocates for us (which they most certainly are), but also to make sure we know what we can do for them," he said. Stony Brook needs to "make sure that we are good partners for them."

Echoing recent comments from Interim President Richard McCormick, Gardner recognizes the need to add more wastewater treatment to meet the university's goals for expansion.

The university, which has seen state, national and international interest climb among students as Stony Brook rises in the rankings of universities and attracts major funding, is limited by several factors, including available wastewater facilities.

The university can't bring in additional students because they don't have the housing for them and "we can't have the housing without the wastewater capacity, Gardner said. "As an environmental engineer, I get it."

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Age 61

### Reflux/GERD and High Blood Pressure

With this diet my acid reflux is much better, and I am not taking the meds for GERD. I also realized that medication for high blood pressure was causing my joint pain and muscle spasms. Thank you for changing my lifestyle so I could get off these medications.

Age 56

#### Infection/Virus/Cold

I am feeling happy to be so healthy. My colds that used to linger for weeks now go away in a few days. Thank you for this new path to better health.

Age 66

### Long Covid

I have been suffering from long Covid, but now I am finally improving and happy with the results. I am now able to ease myself back into exercise, which is much better than before, where I could not exercise due to sheer exhaustion and brain fog. I am getting back to running. I no longer seem to have cognitive issues. My heart palpitations have calmed down. I had terrible insomnia that is almost gone, and I am losing the weight I gained. I finally feel like I am working toward exceptionalism again. It is great to see the improvements in my blood work.

Age 64

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## **Building momentum with your health resolutions**

### MEDICAL COMPASS

It's a shiny new year, full of possibilities. To harness the energy that accompanies flipping the calendar page, many of us have started to eat



healthier, to work out more, or to manage our stress differently. Terrific!

To help us along the way, there are oodles of weight loss plans, apps, memberships and other tools on the market to help us achieve our resolutions. Still, January 10 is "Quitters Day" this year. This is the day by which most of us will abandon our plans to develop new habits. Giving up on our resolutions is so ubiquitous, it now has a designated day. Changing habits is always hard. There are some things that you can do to make it easier, though.

#### Set a simple, singular goal

We often overdo it by focusing on an array of habits, like eating, exercising, sleep routines, and stress management. While these are all worthy, their complexity diminishes your chances of success. Instead, pick one outcome to focus on, and limit the number of habits involved, for example: "increase my energy by eating better and moving more."

#### **Consider your environment**

According to David Katz, M.D., Director, Yale-Griffin Prevention Research Center, successfully changing a habit is more about your environment than it is about willpower. Willpower, Dr. Katz notes, is analogous to holding your breath underwater; you can only do it for a short time. Instead, he suggests laying the groundwork by altering your environment to make it conducive to attaining your goals. Recognizing your obstacles and making plans to avoid or overcome them reduces stress and strain on your willpower.

According to a study, people with the most self-control use the least amount of willpower, because they take a proactive role in minimizing temptation (1). If your intention is to eat better, start by changing the environment in your kitchen to one that prompts healthy food choices.

#### **Build a supportive network**

Support is another critical element. People do best when family members,



friends and coworkers help reinforce their new behaviors. In my practice, I find that patients who are most successful with lifestyle changes are those whose household members encourage them or, even better, when they participate, such as eating the same meals.

#### How long does it take to build a new habit?

Conventional wisdom used to tell us that it takes about three weeks of daily practice. However, a University of London study showed that the time to form a habit, such as exercising, ranged from 18 days to 254 days (2). The good news is that, though there was a wide variance, the average time to reach this automaticity was 66 days, or about two months.

#### How do you choose the best diet?

US News and World Report ranks diets annually and sorts them by objective, such as weight loss, healthy eating, diabetes, heart health, etc. (3). Three of the diets highlighted include the Mediterranean diet, the DASH diet, and the Flexitarian diet, in rank order.

What do all the top diets have in common? They focus on nutrient-dense foods, they are sustainable, they are flexible, and they are supported by research. For these reasons, the lifestyle modifications I recommend are based on a combination of the top diets and the evidence-based medicine that supports them.

For instance, in a randomized crossover trial, which means patients, after a prescribed time, can switch to the more effective group, showed that the DASH diet is not just for patients with high

## Don't fall victim to **Quitters Day**

blood pressure. The DASH diet was more beneficial than the control diet for diabetes, decreasing hemoglobin A1C 1.7 percent and 0.2 percent, respectively; weight loss, with patients losing 5 kg/11 lbs. vs. 2 kg/4.4 lbs. It also achieved better results with HDL ("good") cholesterol, LDL ("bad") cholesterol and blood pressure (4).

Interestingly, patients lost weight, although caloric intake and the percentages of fats, protein and carbohydrates were the same between the DASH and control diets. However, the DASH diet used different sources of macronutrients. The DASH diet also contained food with higher amounts of fiber, calcium and potassium and lower sodium than the control diet.

#### Final Tip: Don't try to do too much at once

Here's one more tip: take it day by day and celebrate small wins. In my experience, many patients make better progress by choosing to change one meal at a time - like starting with what they eat for breakfast or for lunch each day. Once this is a habit, they alter another meal or their between-meal snacks.

Here's to your optimal health in 2025! References

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### **NEWS AROUND TOWN Free Health Screenings**

The Catholic Health Mobile Outreach Bus heads to Emma Clark Library's parking lot, 120 Main St., Setauket to administer free health screenings on Thursday, Jan. 16 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Last screening begins at 1:45 p.m.) Registered nurses will provide blood pressure, cholesterol, body mass index, glucose, and cardiac screenings, along with patient education and referrals as needed. Free flu vaccinations will be offered as well. No appointments are necessary, there are no fees, and insurance is not required. Questions? Email askus@emmaclark.org.

#### Stop the Clot Seminar

The Town of Brookhaven's Senior Citizens Division presents a free lecture, Stop the Clot, at the Rose Caracappa Senior Center, 739 Route 25A, Mount Sinai on Friday, Jan. 10 from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Join in on a discussion led by Thrombassador, Barbara Quintana with the National Blood Clot Alliance, hear survivor stories, learn tips to be alert and save lives, and learn to recognize the signs and symptoms of blood clots. Open to Town of Brookhaven residents age 60 or older. To register, call 631-451-5312.

#### **Community Blood Drive**

Temple Beth El, 660 Park Ave., Huntington will host a blood drive by New York Blood Center on Monday, Jan. 13 from 3 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. One donation can help three patients. For more information, call 631-421-5835 or visit nybc.org.

#### Dementia Seminar

The Town of Brookhaven's Senior Citizens Division presents a free seminar, Unraveling the Mystery of Dementia, at the Rose Caracappa Senior Center, 739 Route 25A, Mount Sinai on Tuesday, Jan. 14 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Regina Anderson of the Alzheimer's & Dementia Caregiver Support program will discuss causes, symptoms and treatment options for those with the disease. Open to Town of Brookhaven residents age 60 or older. To register, call 631-451-5312.

#### **Funeral Preplanning Program**

Northport Public Library, 151 Laurel Ave., Northport presents a class on Funeral Preplanning on Wednesday, Jan. 15 at 6:30 p.m. New York State licensed funeral director and New York State Funeral Director Association board member Mark Nolan will discuss how to preplan and prefund a funeral for yourself or a loved one, important documents to gather, types of accounts, and other pertinent details to consider Open to all. To register, call 631-261-6930.



## **Ribbon cutting held for At Home With Gina Ireland Interiors**

Suffolk County Legislator Rob Trotta, New York State Senator Mario Mattera, Town of Smithtown Councilwoman Lynne Nowick and members of the St. James Chamber of Commerce

**BUSINESS** welcomed At Home With Gina Ireland Interiors to St. James with a ribbon cutting ceremony on Dec. 18.

**NEWS** Gina Ireland is an interior designer with more than 20 years of experience specializing in both residential and commercial projects. She is a member of the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID). Locally she worked on Toast in Long Beach, a wedding venue, and the Waters Edge in Centerport, formerly known as The Thatched Cottage.

Ireland has relocated her studio from Port Jefferson to St. James for more space but also to be closer to her home in Nesconset as one of her daughters has leukemia. In addition to the design studio, her shop sells furniture, artwork, clothes and accessories as well as jewelry, perfume and decorative objects for gift giving.

According to Ms. Ireland, "This store is more than a business to me. It's a symbol of hope. It's a place where I can share my passion for design and bring inspiration to others."

"Gina Ireland Interiors is a wonderful addition to the other stores and art endeavors on Lake Avenue in St. James. I welcome her and wish her much success," said Suffolk County Legislator Rob Trotta.

At Home With Gina Ireland Interiors is located at 438 Lake Avenue in St. James. Operating hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday; closed on weekends. For more information, call 516-413-9999 or visit ginairelandinteriors.com.



Pictured from left, Suffolk County Legislator Rob Trotta, Gina Ireland, Smithtown Highway Superintendent Bob Murphy, Smithtown Councilwoman Lenne Nowick, New York Senator Mario Mattera, St. James Chamber board members Debby and Scott Posner, and Denise Day. Photo courtesy of Leg. Trotta's office

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#### CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20

Financial matters may require some attention right now, Capricorn. Examine your budget and figure out if the new year requires some changes to how you're managing money.

#### AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, new ideas may lead to some personal projects that inspire you. You might find that you'll be guite busy on these self-imposed tasks for the next couple of weeks.

#### PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20

This is a good time to focus attention inward, Pisces. Make time for reflection and even some meditation if that is something that interests you. The rewards will be worth it.

#### ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20

Focus on collaboration this week, Aries. Teamwork leads to unexpected rewards if you are open to others' ideas, so remain receptive to the input of teammates.

#### TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, when a project presents itself to you, stay grounded and run through all the components carefully. Employ the same strategy when going over financial opportunities.

#### GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21

Gemini, clear up any misunderstandings and express your thoughts openly with others this week. Communication is certainly key at this juncture in time. CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22

It is important that you take time for some self-care this week, Cancer. Your emotional well-being is just as important as your physical fitness. Reflect on some personal goals in this area.

#### LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, you often excel in group settings, and social gatherings this week are a place where you can shine. Use all opportunities to network and connect with others.

#### VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

It is important to focus on your work-life balance right now, Virgo. Prioritize important tasks, but also make time for relaxation. Small changes to your routine can be ideal.

#### LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23

Embrace your artistic side this week, Libra. Consider a new hobby that will keep your mind busy. Social activities that involve creative pursuits also can bring inspiration and joy.

#### SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22

Allow home and family to take center stage, Scorpio. Spend as much time as possible with loved ones and try to get to the root of any persistent, unresolved issues.

#### SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, this week focus on activities that afford a chance to learn and explore. You might want to take a class or try a new hobby. Curiosity can be exciting.

## New exhibit at Gallery North features Kathleen Massi in 'Transcendences'

allery North, 90 North Country Road, G Setauket kicks off the new year with an exciting solo photography exhibit titled Transcendences by artist Kathleen Massi, on view from Jan. 9 to Feb. 16.

The exhibition features a selection of abstract and impressionist photographs

from Massi's various series, ART including her Otherworldly **EXHIBIT** series, her Life Imagined series, as well as her Traces, Land Spirits, Nightfall and Discourse series.

Massi's photographs transport the viewer just beyond our reality into hidden realms. Each series varies from vibrant, bold compositions reminiscent of otherworldly landscapes, to serene, ethereal spaces defined by soft hues and gentle movement. Her use of color and movement, and her shortening of the pictorial space highlight the influences of artists such as Kandinsky and Rothko on her work. Her painterly images are created by applying intentional camera movement, soft focus and multiple exposure to local landscapes and her own found object arrangements.

Based on the north shore of Long Island, Kathleen Massi discovered her interest in photography in 2017 after retiring from a career in management at an aerospace corporation. Massi is self-taught and works with a range of photographic processes and styles. Her work has been exhibited in numerous galleries and museums across Long Island and New York City.

The community is invited to an opening reception on Thursday, Jan. 9, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. As a complement to the exhibition, Gallery North will host an ArTalk with a demonstration on Saturday. Feb. 8 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. The exhibition, reception and ArTalk are free and open to the public. For more information, call 631-751-2676 or visit www.gallerynorth.org.

This exhibition is generously sponsored the Field Family, Jefferson's Ferry, and Suffolk County's Department of Economic Development and Planning.



'Fading Shallows' by Kathleen Massi will be on view at Gallery North through Feb. 16. Image courtesy of Gallery North

## Atelier at Flowerfield to present 'Painterly Still Life' workshop on Jan. 11

Join the Atelier at Flowerfield, 2 Flowerfield Suite 9, St. James for a still life workshop with artist Angelo Mariano on Saturday, January 11 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Mariano has been drawing since his childhood and, after receiving a degree with honors in Philosophy at the University of Bologna, he moved to New York in 2000 to pursue a professional career as a visual artist and as a teacher. Says the artist, "Painting gives me the possibility to suggest without defining; it is a game that involves the author and the viewer with a freedom that goes beyond the rigidity of words."

In this workshop you will learn the basics of Still Life Painting: subjects, arrangements, sketches, color palette, block in color and brushwork techniques. The cost for this one-day class, which includes materials and bagels, is \$95 per person and is open to all skill levels. To register, call 631-250-9009 or visit https://theatelieratflowerfield.org/workshops.

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## Three Village Historical Society's Historic House Marker Reception brings the past to life

he Setauket Neighborhood House was abuzz with excitement on Thursday, December 12th, as over 80 guests gathered for the Historic House Marker Reception, an evening dedicated to celebrating the rich heritage of the Three Village community's historical

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ge community's historical homes. Hosted by the Three Village Historical Society + Museum (TVHS), the event highlighted the culmination of meticulous research and

of months of meticulous research and community collaboration.

Guests enjoyed a warm and inviting atmosphere, complemented by delicious snacks provided by Druthers Coffee and a celebratory champagne toast courtesy of Hamlet Wines & Liquors. This festive gathering marked a momentous occasion for homeowners who had eagerly anticipated this event for months.

Under the expert guidance of Scott Ferrara, the Society's Collections and Exhibits Coordinator, and the tireless efforts of Research Fellow Kayleigh Smith, who was assisted by a dedicated team of volunteers that included Bev and Barbara Tyler and Melissa Murnane-Hendrickson, the evening was the result of five months of dedicated research. Smith created in-depth research packages for 50 homeowners across the Three Village area, uncovering the stories behind their homes and the people who once resided there.

"It was like Christmas morning," said Mari Irizarry, Director of the Three Village Historical Society. "I loved looking around the room and seeing these homeowners with their noses buried in their binders, excitedly learning about the rich history of the house they call home."

The sense of pride and wonder was palpable as homeowners delved into their binders, each meticulously crafted to reveal the unique narrative of their property. For many, it was an emotional journey into the past, offering a deeper connection to the community they cherish.

Several of the 50 newly-minted historical house markers have already been installed on houses and businesses throughout the Three Village area. Approved applications for local historical significance spanned the entire district: Dyers Neck (5), East Setauket (11), Old Field (5), Poquott (2), Setauket (15), South Setauket (1), Stony Brook (9), and Strong's Neck (2).

"At the Three Village Historical Society, we hold a steadfast belief: our community



#### Photos courtesy of TVHS:

1. New York State Assemblywoman Rebecca Kassay, TVHS Director Mari Irizarry and Old Field Village Trustee Rebecca Van Der Bogart

2. Three Village Community Trust President Herb Mones, homeowner Michael Rosengard, TVHS Research Fellow Kayleigh Smith, Collections and TVHS Exhibits Coordinator Scott Ferrara

3. A row of markers and research binders on display for homeowners.

4. New York State Assemblywoman Rebecca Kassay, TVHS Director Mari Irizarry, TVHS Exhibits Coordinator Scott Ferrara, President of Three Village Dads Foundation David Tracy, and President of the TVHS board Greg Philipps

is our museum. The homeowners who preserve and care for these magnificent historical structures are the stewards of our shared history. Events like the Historic House Marker Reception shines a light on the importance of these homes and the stories they tell, fostering a collective appreciation for the legacy of the Three Village area," said Irizarry.

"The evening served as a reminder of the power of history to bring people together, forging connections between past and present. Thanks to the dedication of our staff, board, volunteers, and supporters, the Historic House Marker Reception was not only a success but a testament to the enduring spirit of our community. Here's to celebrating our history—one home at a time!" she said.

If you're interested in placing a historic house marker on your home, please stay tuned. The application will open for 2025 in February at www.tvhs.org.







## **NEWS AROUND TOWN**



#### Preschool Fair heads to Emma Clark Library

Overwhelmed by the thought of having to pick the best preschool for your child? Emma Clark Library, 120 Main St., Setauket will hold a Preschool Fair on Saturday, Jan. 11 from 2 to 4 p.m. This is a great opportunity to speak informally with many local preschools all in one room, ask questions, and help narrow down your search and choose which schools you'd like to tour.

Representatives from preschools in Three Village and the surrounding area will be at the event, including Children's Community Head Start; Faith Preschool; Harbor Country Day School; Kiddie Academy; Laurel Hill School; North Shore Montessori; Our Savior New American School; Play Groups School; Setauket Presbyterian Preschool; and Smithtown Nursery School. No registration required. Questions? Email kids@emmaclark.org or call 631-941-4080 ext. 123.

#### MLK Luncheon

Town of Brookhaven will hold its annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Remembrance Luncheon at the Bellport Golf Club, 20 South Country Road, Bellport on Monday, Jan. 20 from noon to 3 p.m. with guest speakers, scholarship award presentations, and an onsite community service project. Lunch will be provided. Suggested donation is \$20 adults, \$5 kids and youth. For more information, call 631-451-6963.

#### **Education volunteers needed**

The Huntington Historical Society is looking for retired teachers and librarians to assist with their education program for grades 1 to 5. These twohours programs feature a guided tour of the authentically restored c.1750 David Conklin Farmhouse at 2 High Street in Huntington. Educators will discuss the process of transforming flax into linen, assist students with stencil designs, and facilitate hands-on exploration time with historical artifacts. Visit www. huntingtonhistoricalsociety.org to fill out a Volunteer Interest Form.

## Criminal law update: Key legislative changes in New York

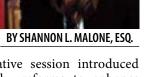
TRAFFIC **COURT FORUM** As we enter

the new year, essential to understand the significant changes in New York's criminal

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2023-2024 legislative session introduced several noteworthy reforms to enhance public safety, address emerging crimes, and improve judicial processes. This column outlines three major areas of legislative focus: judicial and juror security, organized retail theft, and deed theft criminalization.

#### Strengthening protections for judges and jurors

In response to increasing threats against the judiciary, the New York State Legislature enacted the Judicial Security Act. This law empowers judges and former judges to request the removal of personal information—such as home addresses, phone numbers, and the identities of minor children-from public platforms. The impetus for this law was a tragic 2020 incident in New Jersey, where a federal judge's family members were attacked in their home.1

Additionally, new criminal statutes were introduced to address threats and violence against judges. The existing felony of assault on a judge has been revised, eliminating the need to prove intent to cause "serious physical injury." Prosecutors must now establish only that the assault aimed to prevent the judge from fulfilling judicial duties. Further, two new crimesaggravated assault on a judge (a Class B felony) and aggravated harassment of a judge (a Class E felony)-were created to penalize acts of violence or harassment against judges or their immediate families.<sup>2</sup>

Jurors also gained new protections. Courts can now issue protective orders to withhold juror identities when concerns arise regarding tampering, harassment, or pretrial publicity. Such measures aim to preserve impartiality while ensuring jurors' safety.3

#### Combating organized retail theft

Retail theft has evolved into an organized and costly phenomenon, prompting legislative action. Previously, a thief could



Repeat shoplifters will face harsher penalties in the new year. Stock photo

only face petit larceny charges for individual thefts under \$1,000, even if part of a larger scheme. Under the new law, if the aggregate value of property stolen from multiple locations exceeds \$1,000, the offender can now be charged with grand larceny in the fourth degree, a Class E felony. Higher aggregate values can lead to more severe felony charges.<sup>4</sup>

Further protections were added for retail workers. A new Class E felony, assault on a retail worker, criminalizes acts of violence committed to hinder retail employees from performing their duties.<sup>5</sup>

#### Criminalizing deed theft

Deed theft, a predatory crime targeting vulnerable homeowners-often in minority communities-has now been explicitly criminalized under the larcenv statute. Fraudulently obtaining a deed through forged signatures or deceptive practices can result in felony charges. Moreover, the attorney general is now authorized to prosecute these cases, adding significant enforcement power to this initiative.<sup>6</sup>

#### Additional reforms

The legislative session also addressed hate crimes, identity theft, and outdated laws. Twenty-two new offenses were added to the list of hate crimes, including crimes targeting individuals' religious attire, such as the desecration of religious symbols or the disruption of religious services.<sup>7</sup> In another modernizing move, the longdormant crime of adultery was repealed, reflecting evolving societal norms.8

Finally, the legalization of jaywalking in New York City marks a shift in enforcement priorities. Motivated by concerns over racial disparities in summonses, this decision allows pedestrians to cross streets outside crosswalks without penalty.9

#### Conclusion

These legislative changes reflect New York's commitment to addressing modern challenges while safeguarding fairness and justice. Whether enhancing protections for the judiciary or targeting organized theft, the state is adapting its legal framework to meet the needs of its citizens. Consulting the full legislative texts or speaking with an attorney can provide additional insights for readers seeking more information on these laws.

#### References:

1. 2024 N.Y. Laws, Ch. 56, Part F (adding Judiciary Law article 22-c), eff July 19, 2024; 2. 2024 N.Y. Laws, Ch. 55, Part FF (amending P.L. §§ 120.09-a, 240.33), eff July 19, 2024; 3. A. 7495, awaiting the signature of the governor; 4. 2024 N.Y. Laws, Ch. 55, Part FF (amending P.L. §§ 155.36, 155.40, and 155.42), eff July 19, 2024; 5. 2024 N.Y. Laws, Ch. 55, Part A (adding P.L. § 120.19), eff July 19, 2024; 6. 2024 N.Y. Laws, Ch. 56, Part O (amending P.L. § 155.00), eff July 19, 2024; 7. 2024 N.Y. Laws, Ch. 55, Part C (amending P.L. § 485.05), eff June 19, 2024; 8 A. 4714, awaiting the signature of the governor; 9. Int. No. 346-A, eff February 23, 2025.

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## Baby it's cold outside! Warm up with a bowl of soup

#### BY HEIDI SUTTON

As the temperature drops and the snow falls,

**ET'S EAT** warm up with a creamy butternut squash soup or a comforting bowl of roasted vegetable soup, courtesy of McCormick Spices.

#### **Coconut Butternut Squash Soup**

YIELD: Makes 6 one cup servings INGREDIENTS:

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 3/4 cup chopped onion
- 4 cups peeled butternut squash chunks, (1inch pieces)
- 1 medium green apple, cored and cut into 1-inch chunks
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans, toasted
- 1/3 cup orange juice
- 1 teaspoon ground turmeric
- 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1 cup chicken stock
- 1 can (13.66 ounces) lite coconut milk DIRECTIONS:

Heat oil in large saucepan on mediumlow heat. Add onion; cook and stir 3 minutes or until slightly softened. Add squash, apple and pecans. Cook on medium heat 1 minute, stirring occasionally. Stir in orange juice, turmeric, nutmeg and stock. Bring to boil. Reduce heat to low; cover



and simmer 25 minutes or until squash is tender, stirring occasionally. Cool slightly.

With center part of cover removed to let steam escape, puree soup in batches in blender on high speed until smooth. Return pureed mixture to saucepan. Stir in coconut milk. Simmer for 5 minutes.

Ladle into soup bowls. Garnish with additional turmeric and finely chopped apples, if desired.

#### **Roasted Vegetable Soup**

YIELD: Makes 6 one cup servings INGREDIENTS:

- 1 pound (about 5 large) plum tomatoes, quartered
- 1 pound (about 6 cups) fresh oyster or portobello mushrooms, trimmed
- 1 medium sweet onion, quartered
- 4 teaspoons olive oil, divided
- 2 teaspoons sea salt, divided

- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1/2 teaspoon dried sage
- 1/2 teaspoon black pepper, divided
- 2 medium avocado, peeled, pitted and cut into 3/4-inch chunks
- 1 1/2 cups unsalted vegetable stock
- 1 cup water
- DIRECTIONS:

Preheat oven to 450°F. Place tomatoes, mushrooms and onion in large bowl. Add 3 teaspoons of the olive oil, 1 1/2 teaspoons of the sea salt, thyme, sage and 1/4 teaspoon of the pepper; toss to coat well. In separate small bowl, gently toss avocado with remaining 1 teaspoon olive oil, 1/2 teaspoon sea salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Place tomato and mushroom mixture on one side of foil-lined shallow baking pan. Place avocado on other side of pan. Roast 35 to 40 minutes or until vegetables are tender and golden brown.

Meanwhile, bring stock and water to boil in small saucepan on medium heat. Cover. Reduce heat to low and keep warm until ready to use. Add the warm stock mixture and roasted tomatoes, mushrooms and onion into blender container, while keeping the roasted avocados on the baking pan. With center part of blender cover removed to let steam escape, puree on high speed until smooth. Pour soup into serving bowls or mugs and top with roasted avocado. Drizzle with additional olive oil before serving.



### Thursday 9 Crafts & Cocktails

The Whaling Museum, 301 Main St., Cold Spring Harbor continues its Crafts & Cocktails series with Tranquili-TEA at 6:30 p.m. Cozy up with us this winter to explore the thrilling history and surprising uses of tea! Discover how this drink changed the world and learn how drinking — or bathing — in tea may offer surprising benefits. Enjoy a Hot Toddy as you create your own tea-infused bath salts and body scrub to take home with you. \$35 per person, \$25 member. To register, visit www. cshwhalingmuseum.org.

#### **Inside the CIA**

Comsewogue Public Library, 170 Terryville Road, Port Jefferson Station presents Inside the CIA from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. It's not like the movies! Join former CIA officer Lester Paldy to learn about the Central Intelligence Agency's mission, organization, and more. Open to all. To register, call 631-928-1212 or visit www.cplib.org.

#### **Michael Serraino in concert**

Northport Arts Coalition presents Michael Serraino in concert at the Northport Public Library, 151 Laurel Ave., Northport at 7 p.m. The pianist and vocalist trained in jazz, pop, and blues stylings will present his musical interpretations of the Great American Songbook as well as pop artists and singer-songwriter greats like Billy Joel, Elton John, and Barry Manilow. To register, call 631-261-6930.

### Friday 10 HAC Art Reception

Huntington Arts Council invites the community to its Master's Showcase artist reception at the Main Street Gallery, 213 Main St., Huntington from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. For more information, call 631-271-8423.

#### Adult Game Night

Celebrate St. James hosts a game night for adults at the St. James Community Cultural Arts Center, 176 Second St., St. James from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Enjoy a fun night out with board games, card games, pizza, light refreshments and a hot chocolate bar. \$15 donation. For tickets and more information, visit www.celebratestjames.org. 631-984-0201

#### **Grounds and Sounds Concert**

Grounds and Sounds Cafe at Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 380 Nicolls Road, East Setauket welcomes singer-songwriter Sam Robbins in concert at 8:15 p.m. Sam Robbins is often described as an "old soul singer-songwriter," adding a modern, upbeat edge to the troubadour persona. Doors open at 7 p.m. with an open mic at 7:30 p.m. Open mic starts at 7:30 p.m.



Jan. 9 to Jan. 16, 2025



Tickets are \$20 per person in advance at www.groundsandsounds.org, by calling 631-751-0297. Tickets are also available at the door on the evening of the event. Snacks and soft drinks available for purchase; please bring your own wine for uncorking at the snack bar.

#### An Evening of Opera

St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 270 Main St., Northport hosts a concert by Opera Night Long Island at 7:30 p.m. followed by a reception in the Fireside Lounge. \$10 donation, students free. 631-261-8808

### Saturday 11 Winter Wonderland Walks

It doesn't have to be summer to enjoy the beach! The Town of Brookhaven will hold a Winter Wonderland Walk at the West Meadow Beach Pavilion in Stony Brook at 10 a.m. and at the Cedar Beach Nature Center in Mount Sinai at 2 p.m. Participants will discuss and observe the stark beauty of the beach and salt marsh in the cold season, discuss wildlife adaptations, identify plants and observe active winter wetlands. Free but registration is required by emailing npocchiare@brookhavenny.gov.

#### Second Saturdays Poetry Reading

The Second Saturdays poetry series returns to historic All Souls Church in Stony Brook via Zoom from 11 a.m. to noon. Jay Jii will be the featured poet followed by an open reading; all are welcome to read one of their own poems. For more information, please call 631-655-7798. Participants can access the program through the All Souls website https://www.allsouls-stonybrook.org/

#### Wilderness Survival Workshop

The Vanderbilt Museum 180 Little Neck Road, Centerport kicks off a 7-part Wilderness Survival Series with Ranger Eric Powers and Mike Evans today at 2 p.m. and runs once a month through July 12. Each workshop focuses on specific skills such as making cordage, shelter building, purifying water, and toolmaking. Perfect for those starting their survival skills journey or looking to deepen existing skills, these workshops offer a platform to learn, share experiences, and connect with a community of like-minded individuals. \$50 per person, \$45 members. To reserve your spot, visit www.vanderbiltmuseum.org.

#### **Saturdays at Six Concert**

All Souls Church, 61 Main Street, Stony Brook continues its Saturdays at Six concert series with Stony Brook University doctorate alumnus Kathryn Vetter (clarinet/bass clarinet) at 6 p.m. The concert will feature works by living composers with a variety of musical styles, ranging from traditional classical music to contemporary classical works. Free. Please bring a can of food to donate if you want to help feed the hungry in our community. Call 631-655-7798 for more information.

## Sunday 12

#### **Homegrown String Band Concert**

The Homegrown String Band will be celebrating their 28th anniversary performing as a family with a concert on Sunday, Jan. 12 at Emma S. Clark Memorial Library, 120 Main Street, Setauket at 2 p.m. Enjoy songs by the likes of the Carter Family, the Delmore Brothers, and Jimmie Rodgers, along with a tasty sprinkling of original material inspired by the rural American string band and folk traditions of the nineteenth, twentieth, and twentyfirst centuries. Registration is preferred, but walk-ins are welcome. To register, please call 631-941-4080.

#### **Hokis Pokis in concert**

The magic's in the music! Long Island recording artists Hokis Pokis hit the stage with their incredible live performances of doo-wop, disco, Motown, and soul at Comsewogue Public Library, 170 Terryville Road, Port Jefferson Station from 1:30 p.m to 3 p.m. Seating is limited. To register, call 631-928-1212 or visit www.cplib.org.

#### Take 2 in concert

The Long Island Music and Entertainment Hall of Fame, 97 Main St., Stony Brook presents a concert by Take 2 from 3 to 4 p.m. Candice Baranello and James O'Malley present contemporary acoustic, originals and folk music. The event is free with general admission ticket purchase. 631-689-5888, www.limusichalloffame.org

## Monday 13

No events listed for this day.

Tuesday 14

No events listed for this day.

### Wednesday 15 Lonesome Traveler Musical

Lonesome Traveler, a narrative musical about legendary folk groups The Weavers and The Almanac Singers and featuring the songs of iconic folk singers Lee Hays, Woody Guthrie and Pete Seeger will be performed by Ira Perlman and Denise Romas during the monthly Hard Luck Café concert series co-presented by the Folk Music Society of Huntington and the Cinema Arts Centre, 423 Park Avenue, Huntington in the Cinema's Sky Room from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Singer and guitarist Bill Lauter will open for the show. An open mic, for which sign-up begins at 6:30 p.m., precedes the 8 p.m. show. Tickets are \$20, \$15 for Cinema Arts Centre/FMSH members and may be purchased online at cinemaartscentre.org or at the box office.

### Thursday 16 Lunch & Learn

Huntington Historical Society continues its Lunch & Learn series with A 1920's "Evening at the Theatre" with Marsha Collock, curator at the Village of Babylon Historical Society at Red Restaurant, 417 New York Ave., Huntington from noon to 2 p.m. Attention all flappers and sheiks! Travel back in time to 1923 for a night out at the theatre in Huntington. Gentlemen, grab your fedora and ladies, straighten your seams for a little history, a little vaudeville, a few films and a grand afternoon out. It will be the cat's meow! Tickets are \$55, \$45 members and includes a gourmet two-course meal and dessert. Cash bar available. To register, visit www. huntingtonhistoricalsociety.org.

#### **James Cagney Lecture**

Northport Public Library, 151 Laurel Ave., Northport presents The Versatile James Cagney at 2 p.m. James Cagney is best remembered as a tough guy and gangster in films such as The Public Enemy and Angels with Dirty Faces. Critics and audiences alike have considered his Academy Awardwinning performance as George M. Cohan in Yankee Doodle Dandy to be his best film. His career spanned from vaudeville, musicals, and revues on Broadway in the 1920s, to a forty-year career in films. Join lecturer Marc Courtade for a special remembrance of this unique and versatile performer. To register, call 631-261-6930.

#### **Atelier Art Reception**

The Atelier at Flowerfield, 2 Flowerfield, Suite 6 & 9, St. James invites the community to an opening reception for its limited Artist Studio Clean-Out Exhibition from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. This show will include accessible artworks by the Atelier & students and instructors. All pieces on display will be priced under \$500 and sized 18x24 or smaller. Coffee, cupcakes and cookies will be served. The show runs through Feb. 6. For more information, call 631-250-9009.

#### **Audubon Society Lecture**

Join the Four Harbors Audubon Society for its winter presentation, Birding to Change the World, via Zoom at 7 p.m. Guest speaker Trish O'Kane, author of Birding to Change the World: A Memoir, will share what birds can teach us about life, social change, and protecting the environment. To register, visit www.4has.org.

## Film

#### **All Night Horror Marathon**

The CAC Screen Society presents a new allnight horror movie marathon at the Cinema Arts Centre, 423 Park Ave., Huntington on Jan. 11 starting at 9:30 p.m. The marathon will feature screenings of 5 horror classics: The Toxic Avenger (1984), Nosferatu the Vampyre (1979), Society (1989), Phantasm (1979) & a bonus mystery film. Tickets are \$50, \$40 members. To order in advance, visit www.cinemaartscentre.org.

#### 'Dead Poet's Society'

Walt Whitman Birthplace, 246 Old Walt Whitman Road, Huntington Station kicks off 2025 with a Movie Night featuring a screening of Dead Poet's Society on Jan. 16 at 6:30 p.m. Bring your own blankets. Popcorn and hot cocoa will be served. Free admission, \$10 suggested donation. To RSVP, visit www.waltwhitman.org.

#### 'The Sixth Sense'

"I see dead people!" Join the Cinema Arts Centre, 423 Park Ave., Huntington for a screening of The Sixth Sense on Jan. 17 at 9:30 p.m. When Dr. Malcolm Crowe, a distinguished child psychologist, meets Cole Sear, a frightened, confused, eight-year-old, Dr. Crowe is completely unprepared to face the truth of what haunts Cole. Dr. Crowe soon discovers that Cole has incredible sixth, he is visited by ghosts. The breakout film from director M. Night Shyamalan earned him Academy Award nominations for Best Director and Best Original Screenplay. Tickets are \$16, \$10 members. To purchase in advance, visit www.cinemaartscentre.org.

## Theater

#### 'Forbidden Broadway'

Productions Over the Rainbow presents a mainstage production of Forbidden Broadway's Greatest Hits at Seneca Middle School, 850 Main At., Holbrook on Jan. 11 at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per person and includes coffee, tea and dessert during intermission. To order, visit https://potr.ludus.com.

#### 'Crossing Delancey'

Theatre Three, 412 Main St., Port Jefferson continues its 54th season with Susan Sandler's Crossing Delancey from Jan. 18 to Feb. 9. Isabel is an independent young woman living alone and working in a book shop. When not pining after a handsome author, she visits her grandmother in Manhattan's Lower East Side. This spunky granny and her friend the matchmaker have found a "good catch" for Izzy, whose initial reluctance gives way to a blossoming romance when she finally meets Sam, the pickle vendor. A sincere, delightful, and loving comedy - fresh, timeless, and heart-warming. Tickets are \$40 adults, \$32 seniors and students, and \$25 for children ages 5 to 12. To order, call 631-928-9100 or visit www.theatrethree.com.

#### 'Heartbreak Hotel'

The John W. Engeman Theater, 250 Main St., Northport presents Heartbreak Hotel from Jan. 16 to March 2. The tribute to Elvis takes a closer look at the musical icon whose impact shaped the history of rock and roll as well as popular culture following him from his early days to his rise to become "The King of Rock and Roll." Featuring over 40 Elvis hits and iconic songs including "That's All Right," "All Shook Up," "Heartbreak Hotel," "Burning Love," "Good Rockin" Tonight," "Hound Dog," "Love Me Tender," "Don't Be Cruel," "Jail- house Rock," "Are You Lonesome," and "Blue Suede Shoes." Tickets start at \$80. To order, call 631-261-2900 or visit www.engemantheater.com.

#### **Festival of One Act Plays**

Theatre Three, 412 Main St., Port Jefferson presents the 26th annual Festival of One-Act Plays at The Ronald F. Peierls Theatre on the Second Stage from March 8 to April 5. Featuring the world premieres of 7 one act plays. Tickets are \$25. To order, call 631-928-9100 or visit www.theatrethree.com.

#### '(Mostly) True Things'

(Mostly) True Things Storytelling show kicks off Valentine's Day month with an all-comedy line-up of storytellers sharing true tales on the theme Bad Romance at The Performing Arts Studio, 224 E. Main St., Port Jefferson on Feb. 1 at 7 p.m. Featuring Ivy Eisenberg, Bryan Berlin, Brian Grossi, Sean Brown, and host Jude Treder-Wolff. Tickets are \$20 online at www.mostlytruethings.com, \$25 at the door (cash only).

### **Farmers Markets Huntington Farmers Market**

Spirit of Huntington Art Center, 2 Melville Road North, Huntington Station hosts the Long Island Winter Farmers Market every Sunday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. from Jan. 5 through April 27. 631-470-9620

#### **Port Jefferson Farmers Market**

The Port Jefferson Winter Farmers Market returns to the Port Jefferson Village Center, 101 E. Broadway, Port Jefferson on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. from Jan. 12 to the end of April. 631-802-2160

**CALENDAR DEADLINE** is Wednesday at noon, one week before publication. Items may be mailed to: Times Beacon Record News Media, P.O. Box 707, Setauket, NY 11733. Email your information about community events to leisure@ tbrnewspapers.com. Calendar listings are for not-for-profit organizations (nonsectarian, nonpartisan events) only, on a space-available basis. Please include a phone number that can be printed.



#### **CARPE DIEM**

Seize the day and catch a screening of 'Dead Poets Society' on the big screen at the Cinema Arts Centre in Huntington on Jan. 16.



#### Catholic

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#### **Catholic Traditional Latin Mass**

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL SOCIETY OF SAINT PIUS X 900 Horseblock Road, Farmingville 631-736-6515 sspxlongisland.com Sunday Masses at 7am and 9am Please consult sspxlongisland.com for updates and current mass times.

#### Christian

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY Northport, NY 55 Laurel Ave, Northport, NY 11768 Phone: 631-261-6405 Website: www.christiansciencenorthport.com Services: in-person & online Sunday Lesson Sermons 10:30 AM Wednesday Testimonial Meetings 7:15 PM **Online Service Attendance (ALL services)** Zoom Phone: 929-205-6099 Zoom Meeting ID: 962 2495 9131 Passcode: 12345 The science of Christianity as Jesus taught and demonstrated reveals that God is Love. Our church seeks to promote a deeper understanding of divine Truth and Love, reinforcing that God

created man in his image and likeness. The study of Christian Science reveals an inspired sense of Life, where man truly reflects God, and is capable of overcoming any discordant condition. All are warmly welcomed to attend our services.

FULL GOSPEL **CHRISTIAN CENTER** 415 Old Town Road Port Jefferson Station, NY 11776 631-928-6100 fgccmail@gmail.com Fgccpj.com Office hours Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00am-2:00pm Services Sunday 10:00am Wednesday-Bible Study 7:00-8:00pm Friday Night Prayer 8:00pm Getting you from where you are to where God wants you to be.

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Pastor William Kovacsik

We are a congregation committed to justice. **All are welcome** into our full life and ministry regardless of age, race, abilities, economic or marital status, gender, sexual orientation, or gender identification. We are a church that is open and affirming of all people, as we are each

made in the image of God Sunday Worship at 10am Livestreaming on YouTube: @MtSinaiCongregationalChurchUCC Sunday School at 10am "No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here." Through our worship and by our actions we strive to live out Christ's message to love one another The Island Heart Food Pantry 643 Middle Country Road, Middle Island NY Wednesdays 1:00-4:00pm **MSCC Food Cupboard** 233 N. Country Rd, Mt Sinai Every other Tuesday 9:15-11:45

#### **Episcopal**

ALL SOULS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

On the hill across from the Stony Brook Duck Pond 61 Main Street, Stony Brook FATHER IAN WETMORE www.allsoulsstonybrook.org or call 631-584-5560 Stjameschurchrector@gmail.com Services Sunday: 8:00am Virtual Morning Prayer 11:15am Holy Eucharist with Organ music Tuesday: 8:00am Interdenominational Morning Prayer Wednesday: 12 noon Interdenominational Rosary We are a friendly welcoming community for all people.

#### CAROLINE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF SETAUKET

1 Dyke Road on the Village Green, Setauket Web site: www.carolinechurch.net e mail: office@carolinechurch.net 631-941-4245 Office Hours: Tues-Fri 9:00am-5:00pm

#### PLEASE CALL OR VISIT YOUR PLACE OF WORSHIP'S WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE.



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127 Barnum Ave., Port Jefferson 631-473-0273 email: ccoffice@christchurchportjeff.org www.christchurchportjeff.org Church office hours: Tues. - Fri. 9am - 12pm REV. NICKOLAS C. GRIFFITH -Vicar Services:

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#### ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Tot Shabbat-Torah Study-Adult Education-Adult Bar and Bat Mitzvah-Brotherhood-Sisterhood Book Club-Social Action and much more!

#### Lutheran-ELCA

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#### **Methodist**

#### **BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH** 33 Christian Ave/ PO 2117, E. Setauket

631-751-4140 REV. LISA WILLIAMS PASTOR Sunday Worship: 10:30 Am Adult Sunday School 9:30 Am Lectionary Reading And Prayer: Wed. 12 Noon Gospel Choir: Tues. 8 Pm Praise Choir And Youth Choir 3rd And 4th Fri. 6:30 PM.

#### SETAUKET UNITED METHODIST **CHURCH**

160 Main Street, Corner of 25A and Main Street East Setauket 631-941-4167, or email us at sumcny@aol.com Rev. Steven Kim, PASTOR Sunday Worship Service and Sunday School at 10am Services are streamed online @ www.setauketumc.org and livestreamed on Facebook Holy Communion 1st Sunday of Month Mary Martha Circle (Women's Ministry) meets every 2nd Tuesday each month at 1pm

#### Presbyterian

#### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH **OF PORT JEFFERSON** 107 South/Main Streets 631-473-0147

We are an accepting and caring people who invite you to share in the journey of faith with us. Email: office@pjpres.org Website: www.pjpres.org REV. EMILY FOWLER, PASTOR The First Presbyterian Church of Port Jefferson is a place that is open hearted and open minded; we welcome diversity. Come and explore how your spirituality can effect your life. Worship is every Sunday at 10am. Live streaming available on Facebook page. We also have a **Bible study series** on Tuesdays at 2pm.

Holy Communion 1st Sunday of the Month Hot meals, groceries & clothing provided on a

take out basis by Welcome Friends on Wednesday 5:00-6:00pm and Fridays 3:30-5:00 pm Call the church office or visit our website for current activities and events. **NYS Certified Non Denominational Preschool and Daycare** 

The purpose of First Presbyterian Church of Port Jefferson is, with God's help, to share the joy & good news of Jesus Christ with the congregation, visitors and the community at large; to provide comfort to those in need and hope to those in despair; and to seek justice for all God's people.

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Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m. Or visit uufsb.org to join us via live stream on Sunday mornings.

## **MEET GOLDIE AND KATE!**

This week's featured shelter pets are a bonded mother/daughter duo, Goldie Hawn and Kate Hudson, available for adoption at the Smithtown Animal Shelter. These sweet and stunning ladies both have FIV and Goldie is diabetic. Goldie is beyond affectionate with everyone she meets while Kate takes a little time to warm up to new people, but follows mom's lead in all things.

If you are interested in meeting these two dolls, please call ahead to schedule an hour to properly interact with them in the shelter's Meet and Greet room.

The Town of Smithtown Animal & Adoption Shelter is located at 410 Middle Country Road, Smithtown. Visitor hours are Monday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Sundays and Wednesday evenings by appointment only).



Photo courtesy of Smithtown Animal Shelter

For more information, call 631-360-7575 or visit www. townofsmithtownanimalshelter.com.





## PROGRAMS

#### Adaptations, Hibernation, and Migration

Children ages 7 to 12 are invited to join The Foundation for Wildlife Sustainability for Adaptations, Hibernations and Migration, at the Long Island Game Farm, 489 Chapman Blvd., Manorville on Jan. 11 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Participants will learn about the incredible adaptations animals use to find food, protect themselves, and endure seasonal changes while observing a variety of species like lemurs, zebras, capybaras, and playful goats. \$40 per child. To register, visit www.longislandgamefarm.com. 631-878-6644

#### My Grown Up and Me

Temple Beth El, 660 Park Ave., Huntington & PJ Library present My Grown Up & Me, a program for ages 18 months to 4 years, on Jan. 12 from 9:45 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Children and a parent or caregiver will enjoy a craft, snacks and storytime. \$20 per child. For more info or to RSVP, email: Jentbesisterhood@gmail.com. 631-425-5835

#### Storytime Under the Stars

Suffolk County Vanderbilt Planetarium, 180 Little Neck Road, Centerport continues its Storytime Under the Stars series on Jan. 12 at 6 p.m. A live narrator at the front of the theater will bring selected picture books to life, with pages projected onto the Planetarium dome so families can enjoy the illustrations and follow along. Between stories, an astronomy educator will explore seasonal constellations visible from here on Long Island. All children are invited to wear their comfiest pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal. Admission is \$8 per person, \$6 members. Register at www.vanderbiltmuseum.org.

#### **Amazing Amphibians**

As part of its Pollywog Adventures series, Cold Spring Harbor Fish Hatchery, 1660 Route 25A, Cold Spring Harbor presents Amazing Amphibians on Jan. 15 at 11 a.m. Children ages 2 to 5 will enjoy an indoor activity, craft, story and then head outside (weather permitting) to feed trout. \$20 fee includes admission for the day for one child and one adult. Pre-registration required at www.cshfishhatchery.org. 516-692-6768

#### Moon Myths

Sunken Meadow State Park, Sunken Meadow Parkway, Kings Park presents a Tiny Tots program, Moon Myths, on Jan. 16 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Children ages 3 to 5 will enjoy short walks, story time, animal visitors, and crafts with a parent/caregiver. \$4 per child. Reservations taken on eventbrite.com.

#### **First Steps in Nature**

Sweetbriar Nature Center, 62 Eckernkamp Drive, Smithtown continues its First Steps in Nature series for ages 2 to 4 on Jan. 10 at 9:30 a.m. with hands-on exciting activities, crafts, stories and much more. Children will gain a greater appreciation of nature and wildlife while having fun. \$20 per child. To register, visit www.sweetbriarnc.org. 631-979-6344

### THEATER 'Frozen Jr'

Smithtown Performing Arts Center, 2 East Main St., Smithtown presents *Frozen Jr.* 

Main St., Smithtown presents *Frozen Jr.* from Jan. 18 to Feb. 23. A story of true love and acceptance between sisters, *Frozen Jr.* expands upon the emotional relationship and journey between Princesses Anna and Elsa. When faced with danger, the two discover their hidden potential and the powerful bond of sisterhood. Tickets are \$25 per person. To order, call 1-800-595-4849 or visit www.smithtownpac.org.

#### 'Hansel and Gretel'

Theatre Three, 423 Main St., Port Jefferson kicks off the new year with *Hansel and Gretel* from Jan. 25 to Feb. 8 with a sensory friendly performance on Jan. 26. Go into the woods for an outrageous adventure with the world's most famous brother-and-sister team, Hansel and Gretel. A feeble father, a wicked stepmother, and a well-meaning if misguided witch add up to hilarious hijinx. All seats are \$12. To order, call 631-928-9100 or visit www.theatrethree.com.

#### 'Frozen Jr'

The John W. Engeman Theater, 250 Main St., Northport kicks off the new year with a production of *Frozen Jr.* from Jan. 25 to March 2. When faced with danger, princesses Anna and Elsa discover their hidden potential and the powerful bond of sisterhood. This enchanting musical features all of the memorable songs from the hit Disney film and will thaw even the coldest heart! All seats are \$20. To order, call 631-261-2900 or visit www.engemantheater.com.

## FILM

#### 'Jumanji'

Cinema Arts Centre, 423 Park Ave., Huntington continues its Cinema for Kids series with a screening of *Jumanji* on Jan. 12 at noon. When young Alan Parrish discovers a mysterious board game, he doesn't realize its unimaginable powers, until he is magically transported before the startled eyes of his friend, Sarah, into the untamed jungles of Jumanji! Rated PG. Tickets are \$13 adults, \$5 children. www. cinemaartscentre.org.

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#### **TOMORROW IS FRIDAY - WEAR RED ON CAMPUS!**

## Men's basketball falls to William & Mary in CAA home opener



fell in its CAA home opener to William & Mary, 83-76, on Jan. 4 at Stony Brook Arena. CJ Luster II scored a game-high 22 points to lead a trio of double-digit scorers for the Seawolves in the loss.

Stony Brook and William & Mary traded blows early, with each side holding a lead during the opening three minutes of action. The Seawolves used an early 9-0 run to take a 19-11 lead, the largest gap between the two teams in the first half. The Tribe responded with an 11-2 run of their own, whittling the deficit to one point.

William & Mary battled back to tie the game on two occasions, before regaining the lead on an

#6 Jared Frey makes his way to the

Photo courtesy of Stony Brook Athletics

basket during Saturday's game.

Stony Brook men's basketball Isaiah Mbeng triple with 5:30 to three-pointer with 67 seconds play in the first stanza. A Nick Woodard steal and score in transition put the Seawolves ahead again, 33-32, but the Tribe closed the half on a 10-4 run to take a 42-37 lead into the locker room.

> Andre Snoddy and Jared Frey opened the second-half scoring with back-to-back baskets, giving the Seawolves an advantage in the scoring column again. The Seawolves maintained a lead until the 12-minute mark when the Tribe used a 7-2 run to even the score at 58 apiece.

> William & Mary fell behind again, but took control of the lead with 9:23 to play and never trailed from that point on. Stony Brook leveled the contest once more, but could not overcome the deficit. The Tribe's Isaiah Mbeng buried an end-of-shot-clock

remaining in the contest to ice the game.

"Give William & Mary credit, they were able to score in crunch time with some big shots. We had the ball four straight times in the last three minutes and had plenty of chances to take the lead and weren't able to score," head coach Geno Ford said. "We are getting better, which is encouraging, but we haven't found anyone who can deliver big baskets for us in crunch time. Once we can get that, we will start to win these types of games."

Up next, the team continues its three-game homestand, hosting Drexel on Jan. 9. The Seawolves and Dragons tip-off at 7 p.m. from Stony Brook Arena, with the contest airing live on SNY and streaming on FloCollege.

## Women's basketball bows to Monmouth in first CAA loss

The Stony Brook women's basketball team fell to Monmouth, 75-61, on Jan. 5 at the OceanFirst Bank Center in West Long Branch, N.J. Despite Janay Brantley's first career double-double and Breauna Ware dropping 19 points, the Seawolves were defeated by the Hawks for their first CAA loss of the season.

The Seawolves had three players score in double figures, led by Brantley and Ware who each scored 19 points. Brantley added a team-high 10 rebounds as Shamarla King chipped in with 15 points, seven rebounds and four steals.

Stony Brook struggled out of the gate, scoring only 12 points with King accounting for seven herself. Monmouth pieced together a team-effort first quarter with six players scoring through the opening frame to take a 23-12 lead.

Stony Brook then started off the second quarter by going on a 7-0 run, highlighted by buckets from Brantley and Ware, to narrow its deficit to 23-19. The Hawks responded and expanded their lead, leaving the Seawolves trailing 38-25 heading into halftime.

After intermission, Stony Brook cut its deficit to 40-28 before going on a 6-0 run, punctuated by a basket from King, to trim its deficit to 40-34 with 6:21 to go in the third. Monmouth countered and stretched its lead once again heading into the fourth with a score of 58-42. Stony Brook played well near the basket, scoring 14 of its 17 points in the paint.

The Seawolves continued to shrink their deficit at 65-55 with 4:44 to go in the contest. The Hawks responded and outscored the Seawolves the rest of the way, ending the game with a final score of 75-61. Stony Brook took advantage of five Monmouth turnovers in the quarter, but it wasn't enough to help the Seawolves emerge victorious.

Up next, the team welcomes William & Mary to Long Island for the conference home opener on Jan. 10. The Seawolves and Tribe tip-off at 7 p.m. from Stony Brook Arena, with the contest airing live on SNY and streaming on FloCollege.



Janav Brantlev notched her first career double-double for the Seawolves with a team-high 19 points and 10 rebounds. Photo courtesy of Stony Brook Athletics

## Seawolves **Home Games**

#### MEN'S BASKETBALL

Jan. 9 vs. Drexel7 p.m.
Jan. 11 vs. Northeastern7 p.m.
Jan. 23 vs. Campbell7 p.m.
Jan. 25 vs. North Carolina A&T12 p.m.
Feb. 6 vs. Towson 6:31 p.m.
Feb. 13 vs. Monmouth 5 p.m.
Feb. 27 vs. Hofstra7 p.m .
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#### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Jan. 10 vs. Williiam & Mary 7 p.m.
Jan. 12 vs. Charleston 12 p.m.
Jan. 24 vs. Northeastern6:31 p.m
Jan. 26 vs. Campbell1 p.m.
Feb. 7 vs. Hofstra 7 p.m
Feb. 14 vs. Hampton 12 p.m
Feb. 28 vs. Delaware 7 p.m.
March 2 vs. Monmouth 1 p.m.
March 8 vs. Drexel 12 p.m.
Visit www.stonybrookathletics.com for tickets and any last minute cancellations.

MORE AT TBRNEWSMEDIA.COM: — Stony Brook football team releases 2025 schedule

- Billy Cosh earns 2024 Walter Camp FCS Coach of the Year honors

- Stony Brook football season tickets on sale now for 2025 seasor

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