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Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2017 4-7 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Annual Teaching Assistant Conference
Tuesday, Nov. 7, 2017
Middle Country CSD
More information to come.

17TH ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER

Monday, March 19, 2018
Villa Lombardi's
More information to come.

Dear Reader,

The 16th Annual SCOPE Education Services School District Awards dinner was held on March 20 at Villa Lombardi's in Holbrook. Once again, public school districts in Nassau and Suffolk counties selected individuals in five categories of service – School Board Service, Community Service, Support Staff, Teachers and School Administrators – to be honored for providing outstanding contributions to their respective school districts. The dinner was attended by 820 people who were there to help celebrate 147 individuals from 38 school districts.

Honorees were selected for going above and beyond in an effort to provide the children they serve and communities they live and work in with outstanding programs. Each award recipient and a guest were invited to the dinner free of charge. Award recipients were highlighted in the evening's program and presented with a beautiful plaque. I had the pleasure of presenting each honoree the award while families, friends and colleagues cheered, applauded, snapped photos and acknowledged their outstanding achievements.

Assisting with the presentations were Mr. Henry Grishman, President of SCOPE Board of Directors and Superintendent of Jericho School District, Dr. Walter Schartner, Vice President of SCOPE Board of Directors and Superintendent of the Sayville School District, Dr. Charles Russo, Past President of SCOPE Board of Directors and Superintendent of the East Moriches School District, Dr. Robert Feirsen, Treasurer of SCOPE Board of Directors and Superintendent of the Garden City School District and Mr. Michael O'Brien, Associate Director of SCOPE.

A big thank you to our many award dinner sponsors, in particular our Platinum Sponsors – BBS Architects, Guercio and Guercio, LLP, Ingerman Smith, LLP, Lamb & Barnowsky, LLP, Landscape Architects Engineers and St. John's University. Without the support of these businesses and our many other sponsors this event would not be possible. You will find a list of all of our sponsors in this edition of The Forum.

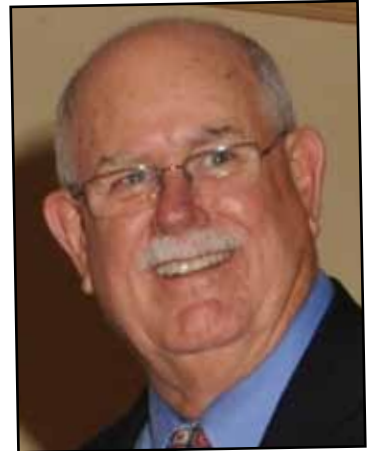
I also was honored to posthumously present the National School Development Council's Cooperative Leadership Award to the late Mr. Cramer Harrington, former Deputy Director of SCOPE. This award recognizes exemplary efforts to establish cooperative relationships with other educational agencies or study councils in the course of creating educational programs for the nation's schools. Prior to serving as Deputy Director of SCOPE, Mr. Harrington retired as the Superintendent of the Harborfields School District. Additionally, he served as an administrator and teacher in the Jericho, Lawrence and Hicksville school districts. Mr. Harrington passed away on February 14, 2017. His wife, Barbara and son Kevin accepted the award, presented by Mr. Grishman.

I would like to thank those individuals at SCOPE, particularly Ann Nuzzo, Christine Cosme, Jennifer Milillo and all of the staff who assisted with this very successful event.

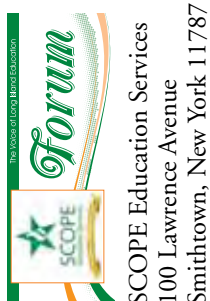
Congratulations to all of those honored and thank you for all you do to make Long Island's school districts the best in our nation. I hope that you enjoy this edition of The Forum, which is dedicated to you and your accomplishments.

Sincerely,

George L. Duffy
Executive Director



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George L. Duffy, Executive Director

Programs of Excellence

Where Imagination and Creativity Inspire Learning



Eastport-South Manor – Eastport Elementary School – After-School Program

This program provides a haven of engaging activities for all children, who end their school day at this site. The staff is innovative and creative in their use of materials and props that encourage the children to participate in opportunities for creative self-expression. The donation of a large dollhouse proved to be the perfect setting for a multitude of imaginary scenarios as the girls in the program played with their American Girl dolls. Other children in the program are intrigued with the endless possibilities Legos provide, as they create and build structures and vehicles they then incorporate into the skits they create in their minds. The tried and true fun that accompanies more motor-driven activities is achieved through the use of hoola hoops and jump ropes. There is always a plethora of activities that are available to ensure that students complete their school day on a positive note. Special thanks is given to supervisor Colleen Franco, assistant supervisor Kelly Cupolo and program aide Patricia Denaro.

Wantagh – Forest Lake Elementary School – Before-School Morning Program

Upon entering this program, you are immediately drawn into witnessing children actively immersed in activities that are engaging and designed to promote learning. As an early morning program leading into a full day of instruction, it's amazing to see how eager the children are to participate. The organization of the program, attention to administrative details and the variation in activities on a daily basis are supported by verified compliance with SCOPE and the Office of Children and Family Services regulations. Flexibility is a hallmark of this program. Whatever the challenge, the supervisor and staff engage the children in activities and enjoyable productions such as the creation of items for Spy Week, or the completion of monthly newsletters. Congratulations are in order for supervisor Jonathan Orsini, assistant supervisor Rose Ward, and program aides Elizabeth Alamandy, Elizabeth Balawender, Theresa Devlin and Gia Negron.

SCOPE Criteria for Outstanding Staff and Programs

SCOPE regularly evaluates its staff and recognizes those who exemplify the professional characteristics of innovative planning, collaboration, exemplary instruction and supervision, and effective communication that make SCOPE programs truly outstanding. The staff is evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Knowledge and implementation of the SCOPE regulations.
- Overall program planning skills, including community service projects and special events.
- Leadership skills and, when needed, crisis management.
- Successful relationship building with children, parents and staff.
- Timely and efficient management of internal paperwork.
- Maintaining a positive attitude and exemplary attendance.

Valley Stream Thirteen – Howell Road School – After-School Program

This program continually provides the children with projects and activities designed to maintain their interest and inspire creativity. Each season and holiday is celebrated through projects created by the children and proudly displayed in their after-school environment. The dedicated staff in this program make sure to engage students in activities that are focused on learning. Rules and regulations are strictly adhered to in creating a safe and sanitary environment for all. With consistent planning and outstanding performance, this program draws positive accolades from visitors from the SCOPE supervisory staff and the Office of Children and Family Services. The success of this program is attributable to supervisor Annie Rogers, assistant supervisor Jheanell Fraser, and program aides Rose Marie Kelly and Shaiane Beckford.

Commack – Wood Park Primary School – Before-School Morning Program

Catching the youngest elementary children at a time of day when they tend to be most active, this early morning program overflows with creative activities. The staff makes sure to engage the children in stimulating projects designed to set a positive tone for the day ahead. All holidays and celebratory events are the inspiration for the children to let their imaginations drive their creativity. Whether making jewelry or engaged in other creative art projects, they share in the joy that comes from making something of their own. Samples of beadwork designs and colorful creations add to the fun of celebrating festive occasions. With so much to do and explore, time flies by quickly in this program thanks to supervisor Jane Blydenburgh, assistant supervisor Joanne Flood and program aides Carla McMorrow and Gisele Mehra.



Our Enrichment Programs Expand Your Curriculum

SCOPE's Student Enrichment Programs continue to be successful with elementary students across Long Island and more school districts are jumping onboard to take advantage of this unique curriculum enhancement opportunity.

SCOPE is currently serving 17 school districts, offering 23 programs designed to complement each district's curriculum and goals. SCOPE welcomed five new districts this year, now offering programs in Garden City, Kings Park, New Hyde Park-Garden City Park, North Merrick and Sachem.

SCOPE's Student Enrichment Programs are collaboratively designed with each school district to provide a safe, fun, caring and enriching learning environment. These programs offer students exciting ways to expand their

knowledge and self-confidence, while having fun. Examples of comprehensive program offerings include:

- *Arts and Crafts*
- *Computers*
- *Drama/Theater*
- *Foreign Language*
- *Instrumental Music*
- *Science/STEM*
- *Recreation/Fitness*
- *Theme-based enrichment activities And More!*

It is important to note that programs can be designed to meet the specific interests and needs of individual school districts. Programs are offered before/ after school, on Saturdays or during the summer at sites determined by the school district.



2016/17 STUDENT ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

- **Bay Shore:** Saturday Enrichment Program
- **Commack:**
 - After-School World Language
 - Summer Explorations and Music Program
- **Connetquot:** Summer Instrumental Music & Performing Arts Program
- **East Islip:** Saturday Enrichment Program
- **East Moriches:** Summer Explorations Program
- **Garden City:** After-School STEM Enrichment Program
- **Hauppauge:** Saturday Enrichment Programs
- **Huntington:** Summer Creative Arts Learning Program
- **Islip:** Summer Explorations Program
- **Kings Park:** After-School World Language Program
- **Manhasset:** Summer Center Program
- **New Hyde Park- Garden City Park:** After-School Enrichment Program
- **North Merrick:** Summer Program
- **Sachem:** Saturday Enrichment Program
- **Sayville:**
 - Science Explorations Program
 - Summer Explorations Program
- **Smithtown:**
 - School Year:
 - Science Explorations Program
 - Academic Challenge and Enrichment Program (STEM Instruction)
 - Saturday Winter Explorations Program
 - Middle School Robotics
 - Summer Explorations Program
- **West Hempstead:** Summer Program
 - Please check SCOPE'S website at www.scopeonline.us under Summer Programs 2017 for details.

SCOPE RESPONSIBILITIES

SCOPE designs and advertises the program with school district input, collects all fees, conducts a criminal background check of prospective employees, employs and compensates all program staff, provides supplies and equipment, secures insurance coverage and assigns a director to manage and supervise the program.

DISTRICT RESPONSIBILITIES

The school district offers adequate space for the operation of the program, provides custodial services, telephone access and permits SCOPE to distribute information regarding the program to staff and parents in the school district.

ELIGIBILITY AND TUITION

Programs are open to students in eligible grades as determined by the school district. All programs are fee based, paid for by parents of participating students. Actual program fees are set annually by SCOPE and are dependent upon the number and length of sessions offered.

SCOPE's Student Enrichment Programs are unique and created to fit each district's needs and interests. By partnering with SCOPE, school districts can still offer exciting enrichment programs at no expense. For more information, contact Julianna Carbone, coordinator for student enrichment programs, at 631-360-0800 ext. 148 or jcarbone@scopeonline.us



SCOPE Honors Dedication at 16th Annual Awards Dinner

SCOPE Education Services recognized more than 100 members of the various educational communities across Long Island who contributed greatly to the field of education and to the school districts they are affiliated with at the 16th Annual School District Awards Dinner on March 20.

In his welcoming remarks, SCOPE Executive Director George Duffy praised each of the award recipients for their dedication and noted, "In this room are representatives from 38 school districts and 820 guests; all here to honor 147 individuals

for the service they provide to their school district, their community, and most importantly, the children within those communities."

Following the opening remarks, members of SCOPE's Board of Directors assisted in presenting the evening's honored guests with personalized commemorative plaques. Recipients were presented with awards in one of five categories: School Board Service, Teacher Service, Support Staff Service, Administrator Service and Community Service.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2017 LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS

SCHOOL BOARD SERVICE AWARDS

Louis R. Bettinelli
Bay Shore UFSD
Karen Brohm
West Hempstead UFSD
Dr. Stanton L. Brown
Westbury UFSD
Janine DiGirolamo
Commack UFSD
Carolyn Dodd
Amityville UFSD
Steven Hartman
Commack UFSD
Vernon Henriksen
Fire Island UFSD
Vilma Lancaster
Freeport UFSD
Joann Lapinski
East Moriches UFSD
Michael LaMena
Elwood UFSD
Joanne McEnroy
Smithtown CSD
Elizabeth Mercado
Brentwood UFSD
Frank Muraca
Longwood CSD
Diane Nally
Kings Park CSD
Tara Notine
New Hyde Park-Garden City Park UFSD
Karen Quinones-Smith
Levittown UFSD
Catherine M. Romano
Islip UFSD
Peter Scarlatos
West Babylon UFSD
Robert Summerville
Roosevelt UFSD
Norman A. Wagner
Central Islip UFSD
Ron White
Bridgehampton UFSD

ADMINISTRATOR SERVICE AWARDS

Christine Austen
Port Jefferson UFSD
John Avena
Levittown UFSD
Ellie Becker
Plainview-Old Bethpage CSD
Dr. Mary Bediako
Freeport UFSD
William Bernhard, Ph.D.
Cold Spring Harbor CSD
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Sayville UFSD
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East Moriches UFSD
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Elwood UFSD
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Bay Shore UFSD
Michele VanEyken
Roosevelt UFSD
Reginald Warren
Westbury UFSD

Valena Welch-Woodley
Wyandanch UFSD
Arlene M. Wild
Smithtown CSD
Dr. Barbara Williams
Massapequa UFSD

TEACHER SERVICE AWARDS

Sheila Belcher-Finch
Roosevelt UFSD
Lillian Bilello
William Floyd UFSD
Melissa Boos
Levittown UFSD
Brumsic Brandon
Westbury UFSD
David Brenner
Brentwood UFSD
Maureen Brisotti
Oysterponds UFSD
Kenneth Butler
West Babylon UFSD
Patricia Cassella
Longwood CSD
Denise Dauria
Amityville UFSD
Ralph D'Ambrosio
Garden City UFSD
John Ferritto
Islip UFSD
Thomas Fitzmaurice
Deer Park UFSD
Debra Flynn
William Floyd UFSD
Dr. Patricia Flynn-Trace
Center Moriches UFSD
Robin Gianis
Bridgehampton UFSD
Arlene Gross
William Floyd UFSD
Nancy Gunyan
West Hempstead UFSD
David Heiss
Elwood UFSD
Minnie Holness
Wyandanch UFSD
Andrew Kramer
Lindenhurst UFSD
Samuel Kruse
Kings Park CSD
Dr. Sharyn Lawall
Tuckahoe CSD
Patricia Matarazzo
Westbury UFSD
Karen McNulty
Fire Island UFSD
Sarah Molese
Freeport UFSD
Deborah Olsen
Bay Shore UFSD
Angela Parisi
Tuckahoe CSD
Megan Pavlick
Massapequa UFSD
Jessica Peterson
Port Jefferson UFSD
Diana Riccoboni
Smithtown CSD
Lisa Ringhoff
East Moriches UFSD
Mary Kathryn Ryan
Tuckahoe CSD
Danielle Sirico
Center Moriches UFSD
Timothy M. Southerton
Sayville UFSD
Val Unger
New Hyde Park-Garden City Park UFSD

SUPPORT STAFF SERVICE AWARDS

Nancy Barkocy
Elwood UFSD
Judy Comerchero
Massapequa UFSD
Kathleen Daly
Massapequa UFSD
Thomas Duffy
West Babylon UFSD
Marlene Francis
Wyandanch UFSD
Katelyn Fretto
Tuckahoe CSD
John Giffone
Deer Park UFSD
Retha M. Hines
Roosevelt UFSD
Carl Johnson
Bridgehampton UFSD
Robert Knapp
Bay Shore UFSD
Maria Kreuscher
Center Moriches UFSD

Nadine Leonard
Brentwood UFSD
Arthur "Lou" Lewandowski
New Hyde Park-Garden City Park UFSD
Dawn Lippert
Fire Island UFSD
Lisa Miller
North Babylon UFSD
Donna Milone
Lindenhurst UFSD
Leslie Morgan
Wyandanch UFSD
John O'Brien
Hicksville UFSD
Stephen Orlando
West Hempstead UFSD
Kathryn Palazzo
Smithtown CSD
Melissa Palermo
Oysterponds UFSD
Luis Romero
Westbury UFSD
Tim Schoelle
Garden City UFSD
William Seus
Sayville UFSD
Jean Surlin
Amityville UFSD
Catherine Vereline
Central Islip UFSD
Ryan Walker
Port Jefferson UFSD
Rosemarie Weitmeyer
Kings Park CSD
JoAnn Williams
Levittown UFSD
Gale Winsper
Longwood CSD

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

Robert Ainbinder
West Hempstead UFSD
Vanessa Baird-Streeter
Wyandanch UFSD
Kimberly Bethea
Amityville UFSD
Paige Bravin
Plainview-Old Bethpage CSD
Cassy Caputo
Center Moriches UFSD
Katy Cardinale
Kings Park CSD
Abby Chinitz
New Hyde Park-Garden City Park UFSD
Jennifer Cobb
Port Jefferson UFSD
Chestene Coverdale
Sayville UFSD
Joe Davis
Massapequa UFSD
Trisha Ewald
Longwood CSD
EJ Gilbride
East Moriches UFSD
Leslie Knapp
Bay Shore UFSD
John Mangiapani
North Babylon UFSD
Tara McBride-Heslin
Fire Island UFSD
Bob McIntyre
East Moriches UFSD
Jennifer Murray
Smithtown CSD
Margaret Meyveci
Freeport UFSD
Sheldon Parrish
Roosevelt UFSD
Stacey Ringel
Deer Park UFSD
Kendra Rodriguez
West Hempstead UFSD
Edwin Salas
West Babylon UFSD
Barbi Schwartzberg
Plainview-Old Bethpage CSD
Beth Spirakis
Garden City UFSD
Karina Gutierrez Udave
Bridgehampton UFSD
Beth Wahl
William Floyd UFSD
Frank Ward
Levittown UFSD
Nancy Ward
Center Moriches UFSD
Bob Williams
Commack UFSD
Rhonda Young
Brentwood UFSD
Terri Zenobio
Elwood UFSD



School Board Service Award Recipients.



Administrator Service Award Recipients.



Teacher Service Award Recipients.



Support Staff Service Award Recipients.



Community Service Award Recipients.

National School Development Council Award

SCOPE is a study council representing Nassau and Suffolk Counties and as such, participates as a member of the National School Development Council, an organization comprised of study councils located throughout the nation. Each year the NSDC presents a leadership award to recognize outstanding leadership within the Council's membership. Previously, this award has been presented to individuals including Lorraine Deller, Nassau Suffolk School Boards Association Executive Director; Dr. Charles T. Russo, Center Moriches Superintendent of Schools and past president of SCOPE; and Susan Schnebel, Islip Superintendent of Schools and past president of SCOPE. The award recognizes exemplary efforts to establish cooperative relationships with other educational agencies or study councils in the course of

creating educational programs for the nation's schools.

This year, this prestigious award was posthumously awarded to Cramer Harrington, a member of the SCOPE Board of Directors and past president of the NSDC. With more than 40 years in public education, he perfected his skills as a human resources administrator ultimately becoming the New York State guru in the field of school personnel. His time in public education was capped by his position as Superintendent of the Harborfields School District. In 2006, Harrington was appointed Deputy Director for Management Services for SCOPE. During his ten years of service at SCOPE, he was instrumental in restructuring its operation as he continued to provide assistance to school districts throughout the state as a



consultant and mentor, particularly in the area of human resources. His impact on the improvement of public education in New York has been and continues to be tremendous. Mr. Harrington retired from SCOPE in January 2016 and passed away on February 14, 2017. The award was accepted by his wife Barbara and son Kevin Harrington.



U.S. ARMY LEADERSHIP AWARD

The U.S. Army Leadership Award is presented to educators who have inspired their school districts through innovation and character. How a school district promotes and integrates character education, technology, athletics, and maximizes the utilization of external resources to provide the highest quality, well-rounded education based on the whole-person concept, are important

factors considered when selecting the recipient of this prestigious award.

Lt. Gen. Matthew S. Balint presented the award to Kevin Coster, William Floyd School District Superintendent of Schools. Dr. Stacey Scalise, the district's Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Instruction, Administration and Pupil Personnel accepted the award on his behalf.

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APPOINTMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

AMITYVILLE

Technology Teacher a 'Bright Light' in Amityville

Steve Carbo shines as a teacher in the Amityville Union Free School District, which is why he was recognized at the annual Bright Lights luncheon hosted by the Association of Suffolk Supervisors for Educational Technologies. Mr. Carbo has been a technology and media communications teacher at Amityville Memorial High School for 11 years. He was nominated for the award by Carole Polney, Amityville's assistant superintendent for technology and administrative services, and the president of ASSET. She noted his dedication to students inside the classroom and after-school hours, and said his school counts on him as the "go-to-guy" for technology needs.



BAYPORT-BLUE POINT

Bayport-Blue Point School District Announces New Superintendent

The Bayport-Blue Point School District is pleased to announce that Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Dr. Timothy Hearney has been appointed Superintendent of the Bayport-Blue Point School District, effective July 10, 2017. Dr. Hearney is no stranger to the Bayport-Blue Point School District, as he has served as both principal of Bayport-Blue Point High School

and a central office administrator prior to his current role. During the past nine years, Dr. Hearney cultivated a team that improved the district's advanced Regents diploma rate 14 percent, doubled Advanced Placement offerings for students and implemented a first-class leadership curriculum. Under his direction, the district has introduced the Teacher College writing initiative in the elementary schools, built a community-based school-to-business partnership and received a Blue Ribbon nomination from the New York State Department of Education.



CONNETQUOT

Connetquot Teachers Association Honored at Suffolk County Bar Association Dinner

On March 2, the Connetquot Teachers Association was honored at the Cohalan Cares for Kids dinner, hosted by the Suffolk County Bar Association in Hauppauge. For the past 10 years, Connetquot teachers have supplied children's books, clothing, toys, healthy snacks, bottled water, fruit juices, tissues and paper towels to be used by the youngsters at the Children's Center. When the youngsters leave the Children's Center they take with them coats, hats, gloves and books to share at home with their siblings.



EAST MEADOW

East Meadow Board of Education Appoints New Superintendent of Schools

During its communications meeting on April 20, the East Meadow Board of Education appointed Dr. Kenneth Card Jr. as the district's new superintendent of schools, effective July 1, 2017. Dr. Card joins the district with more than 14 years of experience as a district and school-based leader, most recently serving as assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction in the Huntington School District for the past seven years. His experience also includes serving as principal at Woodhull Intermediate School in Huntington and as an assistant principal and social studies teacher in the Harborfields Central School District.

Dr. Card serves as an adjunct assistant professor at the School of Education at LIU Post and as an adjunct instructor at the School of Education at SUNY Old Westbury. He is a visionary leader in a K-12 setting and has extensive experience in strategic planning and resource development, a deep dedication to academic excellence and a passion for preparing students for productive and successful lives.



ELWOOD

Teachers Receive Grants to Expand Educational Opportunities

Several Elwood teachers were the recipients of this year's Elwood Education Endowment grants. These grants were awarded to benefit students by bringing Google Expeditions into the classrooms

and by expanding the James H. Boyd Intermediate School STEM program through the use of iPads, Makey Makey kits and Dash and Dot robots. In addition, grants were awarded for a redesign of the Elwood Middle School common area, a band composer workshop and new interactive games and books to teach students in Elwood-John H. Glenn High School's Living Environment class about diseases and the immune system. Recipients included Director of Humanities Pamela Fine, Director of Math, Science and Technology Eileen Kelly-Gorman, James H. Boyd Intermediate School teachers Renee Spanos, Liz Held and Krista Albrecht, Elwood Middle School media specialist Donna Fife, Elwood-John H. Glenn High School science teacher Ricky Greening and music teacher Vickie Henson.



FIRE ISLAND

Celebrating Dedication

Four members of the Fire Island School District learning community, Karen McNulty, Vernon Henriksen, Tara Heslin and Dawn Lippert, were honored by SCOPE Education Services for their dedication to making Fire Island the vibrant district that it is.



Congratulations Are in Order

APPOINTMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

NASSAU BOCES Nassau BOCES Education Partner Awards

The 2017 Nassau BOCES Education Partner Awards were presented to (back row from left) Judith Hynes, Robert Lombardi, Dr. James Hunderfund, Lynette Batts, Mark Schlobohm, Elizabeth Biscotti-Sacco, John Cameron Jr., P.E., Francis Ferrara and Annamaria Zisimatos. Front row from left: Faiz Kapadwala, Jackie Herschander and Dr. Linda Jacobs-Geller; Amy Bass, Evol Sweeney and Shannon Boyle and Steven Vasquez.



PORT JEFFERSON Port Jefferson Appoints Dr. Paul Casciano as Superintendent

The Port Jefferson School District Board of Education is pleased to announce that Dr. Paul Casciano has been appointed the district's superintendent of schools during its Dec. 13 business meeting. Dr. Casciano has been serving as the district's interim superintendent since July 1. Effective Jan. 2, 2017, Dr. Casciano's term as superintendent will run through Jan. 1, 2020.

Prior to his position in Port Jefferson, Dr. Casciano was employed by the William Floyd School District for 41 years, including nine years as superintendent.

The Stony Brook resident holds degrees from Central Connecticut State University (BS), Southampton College (MS) and C.W. Post (PhD in Educational Leadership). He earned his doctoral degree in educational administration from New York University. He is also a community leader, serving as co-chair of Congressman Lee Zeldin's Education Advisory Committee, past president of the



Rotary Club of Shirley and the Mastics, on the board of directors of the William Floyd Alumni Association and on the board of directors of OCEAN Arts.



SHOREHAM WADING RIVER Shoreham-Wading River CSD Appoints New Superintendent

The Shoreham-Wading River Central School District Board of Education officially appointed veteran educator Mr. Gerard Poole as superintendent of schools, effective July 1, during its April 18 meeting.

An educator for 20 years, Mr. Poole currently serves as the assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction in the Freeport School District. During his four years of service in Freeport, his primary focus has been to provide world-class opportunities for all students through a challenging curriculum including elementary level introduction to technology, advance science research, expanded college credit opportunities and a heightened awareness of the importance of character education and social and emotional learning.

Prior to serving in Freeport, Mr. Poole was the assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction in Valley Stream Union Free School District 30. Earlier in his career, he worked as an elementary classroom teacher and literacy coach in the Riverhead Central School District. Mr. Poole received a bachelor's degree in political science from the State University of New York at New Paltz, a master's degree in elementary education from Long Island University and an Advanced Certificate in educational leadership from the State University of New York at Stony Brook.

SOUTHAMPTON Southampton Appoints Dr. Nicholas Dyno Superintendent of Schools

The Southampton School District is pleased to announce the



appointment of Dr. Nicholas Dyno as Superintendent of Schools, effective immediately. Dr. Dyno was appointed during the March 7 regular Board of Education meeting.

Dr. Dyno, who has served as the district's interim superintendent since the fall, is a well-versed educator with more than 20 years of administration experience. Over the past 11 years, he has diligently served Southampton as he advanced from principal of Southampton High School to the district's assistant superintendent for instruction and most recently, as interim superintendent.

Dr. Dyno began his career in education in 1985 as a secondary school guidance counselor in the Poughkeepsie City School District. He holds a bachelor's degree in music education from Berklee College of Music, a master's degree in counselor education from Marywood University and a doctorate in educational administration from Dowling College. Additionally, he has been an active participant in Harvard Graduate School of Education programs, is a member of many professional organizations and has presented research on best practices at professional workshops.



Southampton Appoints Assistant Superintendent for Instruction

After serving for eight months in an interim capacity, Julio

Delgado has been appointed by the Southampton School District Board of Education as assistant superintendent for instruction, effective immediately.

Prior to taking on his current role, Mr. Delgado was the district's coordinator of student achievement. Before arriving in Southampton, he served as an administrator in several school districts across New York State, most recently as director of student services in the Greenburgh Central School District. He began his career in education as a school psychologist in the City School District of New Rochelle. He is also an adjunct professor at LIU Riverhead.

Mr. Delgado holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from St. John's University and both a master's degree and a school administration and supervision certificate from Queens College. He is also a member of several professional organizations, including the New York State Association of Management Advocates for School Labor Affairs, the American Association of School Administrators, the School Superintendents Association and the Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents.

VALLEY STREAM UFSD THIRTY District Bids Farewell to Three Shining Teachers

During Valley Stream UFSD Thirty's Board of Education meeting on March 20, the Board approved the upcoming retirement of three beloved teachers. Forest Road Elementary School teachers Grace Guttman, Bruce Lesser and Patricia Serio were praised by the board and principal Erin Malone for their dedication to education throughout the years.



AMITYVILLE

Anti-Bullying Message Resonates in Amityville

A powerful story about the tragic consequences of bullying that has been told at schools across the nation made a lasting impression on students at Edmund W. Miles Middle School on April 18. In an effort to raise awareness about bullying and cyber bullying, the school hosted “Ryan’s Story,” in which John Halligan chronicled the life of his son, the bullying he endured and his eventual suicide.



BAYPORT-BLUE POINT

BBP MS Students Get a Jump Start on Their Future

Seventh-grade students at James Wilson Young Middle School gained valuable career advice and firsthand experience from various graduates of the Bayport-Blue Point community as part of the school’s “Career Day.”



BETHPAGE

Bethpage High School Senior Designated Coca-Cola Scholar

Daniel Midgette is one of 150 students nationwide chosen to receive a \$20,000 college scholarship. The Coca-Cola Scholars Program Scholarship is an achievement-based award that honors students for their commitment to making a



significant impact on their schools and communities.

COPIAGUE

Recycling Initiative Helps Spark Change

The student council members at Deauville Gardens West Elementary School did their share during Earth Day by launching a project to bring clean drinking water to villages in the Western Province of South Africa.



DEER PARK

Deer Park Tofu Team Takes Junior Iron Chef by Storm

Deer Park High School’s “Team Falcons” quartet of Jenna Fisk, Tamara Robinson, Neurlie Surin and Trinity Wade took Whole Foods in Lake Grove by storm as they chopped, sautéed and cooked their morning away for a chance at the top spot at the fifth annual Junior Iron Chef competition. The purpose of the competition is to help students make connections to healthy eating.



EAST MEADOW

East Meadow Students Take Top Honors in West Islip ASL Idol

Students in the East Meadow School District earned top honors in West Islip High School’s seventh annual American Sign Language Idol on March 23. Months of preparation and practice paid off for W.T. Clarke High School senior Alyssa Pancho, who won first place and a \$100 cash prize for signing



the comedic song “I’m So Humble” by Lonely Island. Taking home third place were Woodland Middle School eighth-graders Isabella Conti, Saliha Deir, Valerie German and Daniel Scheir, who signed Lin-Manuel Miranda’s “Satisfied.” More than 450 people were in attendance to watch 20 performances from students representing 10 different school districts on Long Island.

EASTERN SUFFOLK BOCES

Students Exhibit Work at Local Gallery and Vintage Shop

The computer graphic art students in Cora Weule-Sparwasser’s class at Islip Career Center proudly exhibited their work at the Catbird Seat on Main Street in Sayville. Islip Career Center is an Eastern Suffolk BOCES school that provides special career education services to students with special needs who range in age from approximately 16-21.



ISLIP

Wing Readers Get Connected to Their Community

On Community Reader Day, an annual event at Islip’s Wing Elementary School designed to coincide with the school’s celebration of the Parents as Reading Partners program, Wing students were read to by visitors including legislators, town officials, board of education trustees and districtwide Islip staff. Suffolk County Legislator Tom Cilmi participated by reading “Wacky



Wednesday” by Dr. Seuss to the students.

LINDENHURST

Rall Students Use Technology in a Revolutionary Way

Fifth-grade students in Dawn Masterson’s class at William Rall Elementary School used modern technology to explore history. While studying the Revolutionary War, the students separated into groups and researched aspects of the war such as spying on the British, the passing of new taxes, the British are coming, women disguised as soldiers and declaring independence. Their research culminated in student groups creating and presenting their own news reports in which they served as reporters or eyewitnesses to the historical events.



LONGWOOD

Operation Safe Stop Launched at Longwood Central School District

On April 27, state and local officials, Suffolk County Police and the Sheriff’s Department joined Longwood district officials to launch Operation Safe Stop, an annual statewide initiative to educate motorists about the dangers of passing a stopped school bus with lights flashing. “In the month of March alone, there have been more than 54,000 passes,” said Longwood School District Transportation Coordinator Gale Winsper. “The illegal passing of

stopped school buses presents a significant risk to the 2.3 million children who ride buses to school each day.”

Operation Safe Stop seeks to promote school bus safety through education and strict enforcement efforts. The statewide initiative is a cooperative project supported by the New York State Governor’s Traffic Safety Committee, the New York State Education Department, the New York Association for Pupil Transportation, the New York State School Bus Contractors Association, the student transportation industry and state, county, city and local law enforcement agencies.

The Suffolk County Legislature recently passed a unanimous resolution designating April 27 as “Operation Safe Stop Day” in Suffolk County.



MASSAPEQUA Reading, Writing and Drawing at East Lake

Sixth-graders at East Lake Elementary School used imagery to analyze books. Teacher Kari Szabo designed the lesson after taking Project Zero classes at the Harvard Graduate School of Education. More than 60 teachers and administrators in Massapequa were trained in the initiative, which is supported through a partnership between the district and the Massapequa Community Fund to create more engaging lessons that foster student discourse.



NASSAU BOCES Long Island High School for the Arts Launches Music Honor Society, Inducts Five New Members

This year, Nassau BOCES Long Island High School for the Arts established its own chapter of the national Tri-M Music Honor Society, which recognizes student musicians for their academic and musical achievements. To connote its inaugural year, the LIHSA chapter of Tri-M inducted its first officers and five new members.

The newly selected officers are: President Jeremy Kaplan, Bellmore-Merrick CHSD; Vice-President Jillian Rossi, Bellmore-Merrick CHSD; Secretary Barbara Kurtin, Lynbrook UFSD; Treasurer Bailey Rosen, Bellmore-Merrick CHSD; and Historian Amari Dechinea, Uniondale UFSD. The newest members inducted into the LIHSA Tri-M Music Honor Society are: Mokutima Ekong, Hempstead UFSD; Abbigail Flicker, Locust Valley CSD; Sean Heyward, Half Hollow Hills CSD; Olivia Lev, Plainview-Old Bethpage UFSD; and Monica Spinelli, Long Beach City SD.



SAG HARBOR A Passion for Science

Sag Harbor Elementary School third-graders in Mr. Christopher Martin’s class have been busy exploring a variety of scientific topics as part of their curriculum. In recent weeks, they learned about states of matter in the school’s science lab by researching plasma and the elements necessary to



create it. Students’ curiosity was peaked by forming hypotheses and watching simple experiments in electromagnetism and fluid viscosity.

SEAFORD Holocaust Survivor to Seaford High School Students: ‘Tell Your Sons and Daughters the Story of My Life’

Seaford High School sophomores heard a firsthand account of the atrocities that took place in Nazi concentration camps during World War II, when 87-year-old Holocaust survivor Irving Roth shared his horrific experiences as a teenager in Auschwitz and Buchenwald.

Mr. Roth, who is currently the Director of the Holocaust Resource Center-Temple Judea of Manhasset and an adjunct professor at Long Island University, made a lifelong commitment to educate others about the atrocities he endured and the evils of prejudice and anti-Semitism. He closed with two requests of his teenage audience: First, he said, “If you see evil, don’t turn away.” And second, in an effort to ensure that these horrors are never forgotten, he said, “Tell



your sons, your daughters, your grandchildren about this eye-witness who came to your school; tell them the story of my life.”

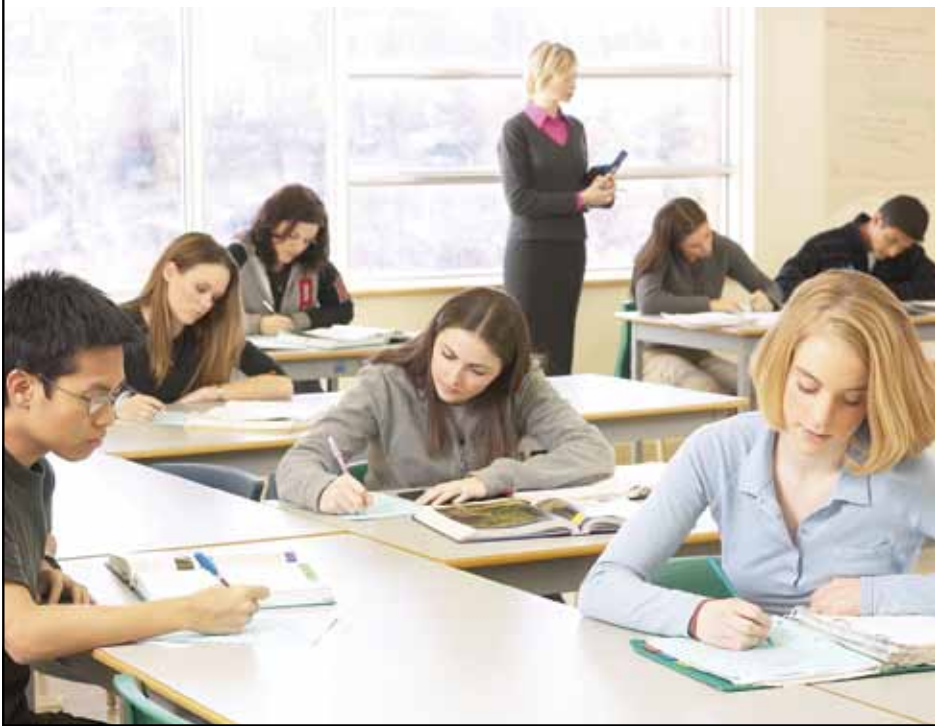
SHOREHAM WADING RIVER Wading River School’s March Madness Food Drive

Wading River School’s Character Counts Committee (Patti Aretakis, Tracy O’Lear, Kelly Toole and Marc Vallina) has been organizing holiday food drives to benefit local churches, veteran groups and food pantries for many years. The Committee decided to add a fun twist for students to motivate them by tying it in with the NCAA March Madness basketball season.

After three weeks, the tournament came down to the championship round. There was intense competition that could be felt throughout the building. Students could be heard in the hallways and on the playground discussing their favorite teams, strategizing for victory, and predicting who would bring home the win. The madness of the tournament produced the most successful food drive in Wading River School’s history. By the final buzzer on April 1st, there was a total of 245 boxes containing 8,159 food items. It was quite a scene. Middle School students volunteered their time each day after school to collect the food and prepare them for delivery. The food pantries were overjoyed by the students’ generosity.

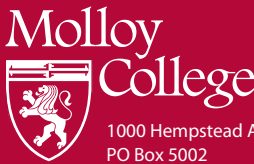


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Dr. Monica DeSchryver will present an overview of the key themes and components of the model. Additional information can be found at www.livesinthebalance.org.

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