

Briefs

Spotlight Islip

ISLIP TOWN — Supervisor Phil Nolan noted that *Spotlight Islip*, a new cable access show highlighting town residents, will premiere on Thursday, Aug. 6 at 10:30 p.m. on channel 18 on Cablevision.

This show, which will focus on the positive contributions of town residents, particularly students, can be seen on Thursdays and Fridays at 10:30 p.m.; Saturdays at 5 p.m.; Mondays and Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.; and Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m. A new show will air each month at 10 a.m. on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

First-show segments include an event marking the 65th anniversary of D-Day, a valedictorian and salutatorian awards ceremony, a charity triathlon, and recognition night for local student athletes.

Produced by Jeffrey Bessen, the show was made possible by a grant from Cablevision. Anyone with suggestions for an upcoming segment may e-mail spotlightislip@gmail.com.

Pool drowning

BAY SHORE — Police are investigating the drowning death of Elizabeth Rodriguez, 62, of East Forks Road, who was swimming in her backyard pool on Monday at 5:30 p.m., when a neighbor noticed Rodriguez floating and called 911, police said.

Rodriguez's son attempted CPR. She was taken to Southside Hospital in Bay Shore and was pronounced dead. Detectives are asking anyone with information to call 852-6392 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-220-8477.

Poker run

ISLIP TERRACE — Mercy Haven is slated to hold its third annual American Spirit/AMA-Sanctioned Ride for Change Motorcycle Poker Run on Aug. 16.

Register from 9:30 to 11 a.m., or pre-register for a discounted rate.

The cost to ride is \$25 per biker, \$10 per passenger, and pre-registration is \$20. For more information or to pre-register, call 277-8300, or e-mail vmantia@mercyhaven.org.

Photo contest

ISLIP TOWN — The town is accepting submissions for the Winter/Spring Recreation News Photo Contest. Photos must be submitted in .jpg format to photocontest@townofislip-ny.gov or as a 4x6 or 5x7 to Town of Islip Recreation Photo Contest, Brookwood Hall, 50 Irish Lane, East Islip, NY 11730.

All contestants must be Islip Town residents, no professional photographers may apply and photos must be taken in an Islip Town park. The contest begins on Aug. 1 and entries must be received no later than Aug. 30.

Winners and runners-up will be announced at the Sept. 29 town board meeting, slated for 7 p.m. in Central Islip High School. For more information, call 224-5684 or visit www.townofislip-ny.gov. Winners' photos will be printed in *Recreation News* and the *Islip Bulletin*. ■

— Jeffrey Bessen

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Scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 9 at 10:30 a.m. at Ocean Bay Park the Fire Island 5K Run and Festival, "The Run for Rose," held in honor of the late Rose DiGangi, has raised nearly \$100,000 for the American Brain Tumor Association to date.

Photo courtesy of Anthony DiGangi

Running the race for Rose

DiGangis set for third Fire Island 5K

By EMILY PORTOGHESE

OCEAN BAY PARK — For the third consecutive year, the DiGangi family of East Islip has organized the Fire Island 5K and Festival, to benefit the American Brain Tumor Association (ABTA) in honor of their mother, Rose DiGangi.

The DiGangi matriarch lost her 13-month battle against glioblastoma, a brain tumor, in October 2007 shortly after the first annual 5-mile run/walk and benefit in August of that year.

Also known as "The Run for Rose," this

event in Ocean Bay Park was created to raise money for donation towards research programs through the ABTA, and has raised nearly \$100,000 to date.

ABTA provides critical funding to researchers working toward breakthroughs in brain tumor diagnosis, treatment and care. They are also a resource for information and support for the brain tumor patients, families and caregivers who are living with this disease, noted Sheryl Cash, ABTA communications manager.

Elizabeth Wilson, ABTA executive director, noted this event is one of the orga-

nization's largest in raising funds for brain tumor research, education and support.

"The ABTA is extremely grateful to the DiGangi family for choosing to honor and remember their mother Rose by hosting the annual Fire Island 5K Run-Walk," Wilson said. "We wish the DiGangi family and their supporters tremendous success on Sunday."

Rose DiGangi loved Fire Island and had a passion for the outdoors, which made

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Some are here, some are there

Summer means never knowing who is home

By LAURA VOMVOS

Summer has a whole new meaning for me, as the kids grow older. Summer seems to equate to "some are" because some are here, and some are there, in fact with seven, they are everywhere.

Having a big, happy family in a stepfamily situation is something that takes time and effort. Once you reach that comfort zone it truly is family, and when anyone is missing, there's a void.

Summer brings so many activities, outings, and planning with friends. As our tribe grows older there is no such thing as fun for the whole family. What is fun at age 21 is not the same if you're three.

Each child at their different stages and ages have their own set of friends and their own set of plans they wish to make. Oddly enough, their parents aren't part of those plans.

I'm sure many large families experience this, but I find it even more a challenge in a stepfamily. For those of us that share our children, we are already scrambling to fill the gap in time spent together.

After all, joint custody means there is another parent looking to share that time as well. We miss a few days a week as it is. So, as the invitations roll in and the plans are being made, we realize this is the age of letting go just a little of all we have grown accustomed to.

Some are heading to the beach with friends, some are still attending the never-ending graduation parties, some are going to the late night movies, others are



The Vomvos family of East Islip is everywhere during the summer season including, every once in a while, at home.

attending wrestling camp or summer theater, spending time with boyfriends and girlfriends, or participating in the never-ending pattern of baseball practices and games that exist with our gang.

There are nights when I cook for the invisible group of nine, and there are nights when I prepare nothing for the same tribe and they all show up. While I fully enjoy summer, it wouldn't be truthful if I said that the control I usually feel in our daily routine isn't missed.

While I embrace this time and season of the year, I want to send out the re-

minder that family comes first. We need to continue to make the home the priority. So gang, here's the deal: I will not skip family dinner every night of the week.

And on the night that I get your full attention we will talk about your friends, we will talk about your plans, we will discuss our "highs and our lows" of the day ... not because I'm a pest, or a Facebook stalker of your privacy, or an invader of your space ... or a nosey overbearing parent, but simply because I'm your're mom (or step mom in some cases) and I love you. ■



Volunteer recognition

Islip Town honored Islip Terrace residents Joseph Sargent and Lou Raffone, now new trustees of the East Islip School Board, for their years of dedicated volunteer service to the town's youth. From left are: Supervisor Phil Nolan, Sargent, Raffone and Councilman Steve Flotteron.

Movie review with Susan Sessa

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minded how good it is to be alive. Such is the film, *Funny People*. Hats off to all comedians.

Note: Films reviewed will be graded on a scale of 1 to 5, with 5 being the best and awarded a similar number of my favorite movie candy, Raisinets. *Funny People* receives 5 Raisinets.

DVDs

I want to thank everyone who suggests movies for me to see. I have a nice long list of recommendations and saw two on DVD this week. Chuck and Ashley recommended *Black Snake Moan* with Samuel L. Jackson, Christina Ricci and Justin Timberlake.

Even though Timberlake plays a small

role in the movie, I have to say he has come a long way. He's a multi-talented young man who I must applaud. In fact, the only time I laugh when I watch SNL these days is when he's on.

This 2006 film was great. It is about two unlikely people finding and helping each other. The acting is brilliant and the film, though a bit shocking, is extremely moving. It feels as if a blues song has come to life on screen. It will certainly hold your interest.

Darrell, I need to apologize. I know you loved the 2007 movie *Next* in which Nicholas Cage plays a clairvoyant who sees events before they happen. Julianne Moore, a brilliant actress, wastes her talent in this film as does Jessica Biel. I found the film disjointed, dragged-out and extremely boring. ■

Obituary

By Brenda Biedenkapp

Judith Buck

Judith Ellen Walker Buck, 60, of Homosassa, Florida, formerly of Sayville, died on July 22. She was born in Bay Shore.

Mrs. Buck is survived by her husband, Rex; father, Richard Walker of Florida; children, Douglas Purifis Jr. of South Carolina, Tara Grippe and her husband, Mike of Port Jefferson Station, and Sabrina Ray and her husband, Mark of South Carolina; stepchildren, Kevin of Arkansas, Michele Herron and her husband, Ron of Arkansas, Laurence of Texas, and Jonathan and his wife, Barbara of Connecticut; sister, Geraldine McGovern and her husband, Douglas of Florida; and 10 grandchildren. She was predeceased by her mother, Virginia Walker.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society and would be appreciated by the family. ■

SUFFOLK COUNTY NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

The County Treasurer has received the Tax Rolls from the town tax receiver, indicating unpaid taxes therein. Unless such unpaid taxes with interest and accrued penalties are paid on or before August 31, 2009, the property against which said taxes are levied will be advertised for tax sale that is to be held on December 11, 2009.

The tax rolls will remain open for examination in the Suffolk County Treasurer's office in Riverhead. Any taxpayer interested may send a brief description of his property to the County Treasurer and the amount of the unpaid tax, if any, will be forwarded to him.

(Note: Tax Sale advertising for the 2009 sale will be at the rate of \$20.00 per item, collectible after August 31, 2009.)

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Running the race for Rose

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choosing the location for the event easy, as Ocean Bay Park was one of her favorite destinations. Although all five DiGangi children, Anthony, Joe, Sal, John and Samantha, organized the run with their father, Sal, Anthony and John took the lead.

Fire Island Hotel is the head sponsor of the event, as they have donated their space for the benefit following the run. The race starts and ends at the hotel and participants will run or walk through the Ocean Bay Park and Seaview communities.

Patty Loesch, Fire Island Hotel manager, noted she has known the DiGangis for years. "When they asked us if we could help them out in supplying a venue for the event, we were more than happy to do so," she said.

The run is scheduled to begin at 10:30

a.m., with the benefit following the run scheduled for noon. Glaceau Smartwater and Heineken have donated their products to sell at the event for fundraising, and local restaurants donated gift certificates for the raffle. Fire Island Ferries is also a sponsor of the event, they donated ferry tickets and made a cash contribution as well, DiGangi noted.

Anthony DiGangi noted those who donate their time and effort make the event possible. "We would like to thank all of our sponsors, runners, family and friends for helping to raise awareness and funds for brain tumor research," DiGangi said.

Registration for running is now closed but there is no up-front cost to attend the benefit, where there will be food and drinks for sale as well as raffles, auction items and live music. There will also be hermit crab races and face painting for the kids. ■

Not your mother's softball

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cant improvement this past season in not just Meygan's hitting, but also her "mental approach to hitting" in specific situations.

For John and Chris Treanor of Holtsville, watching daughters Lindsey and Sydney is a treat, as John noted "Ken makes great coffee" and the only thing missing from relaxing at the tables is "waitress service."

"We have the best of both worlds, sitting in lounge chairs watching our kids," John said.

But both parents noted a marked im-

provement in both daughters' athletic performances, whether it's on the softball field or the volleyball court for the girls who both attend Sachem East High School.

Lindsey, the older sister, "blossomed," Chris said. So, Sydney had to follow and her arm strength has taken a great leap forward. "They take the time to talk to everybody. Ken and Dave are great with the parents, working with everybody and it's all about the kids," John said.

For more information on Fastpitch World and its programs, visit www.fastpitchworld.net. ■

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FREMONT INVESTMENT AND LOAN,

Plaintiff,
Against
CLIFFORD SPELL, ET AL,

Defendant(s)
Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale duly entered 4/10/2009, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at Islip Town Hall, 655 Main St., Islip, NY on 8/14/2009 at 9:00am premises known as 48 Belford Ave., Bay Shore, NY 11706

ALL that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Village of Bay Shore, Town of Islip, County of Suffolk and State of New York
District 0500 Section 342.00

Block 01.00 Lot 025.000
Approximate amount of lien \$279,916.62 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment Index # 07-25180
PAUL SABATINO II, Esq., Referee,
JORDAN S. KATZ, P.C., Attorneys at Law, 395 NORTH SERVICE ROAD, SUITE 401, MELVILLE, NY 11747
Dated: 7/6/2009
File Number: JSK 10072 MAC
IB, 24511, 7/16, 23, 30 - 8/6

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT: COUNTY OF SUFFOLK - US BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE OF SECURITIES 2007-AMC2 C/O GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC, Plaintiff, AGAINST MELVIN R. REYES, ET AL., Defendant(s). Pur-

suant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale duly dated 1/12/2009, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Front Steps of Islip Town Hall, 655 Main Street, Islip, NY 11751, New York, on 8/13/2009 at 2:45 PM, premises known as 75 CRANBERRY STREET, CENTRAL ISLIP, NY 11722. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of ISLIP, County of Suffolk and State of New York, Section, Block and Lot: 188.00-02.00-015.000. Approximate amount of judgment \$276,573.35 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #23674/07. Michael J. Brown, Referee, Steven J. Baum PC, Attor-

neys for Plaintiff, P.O. Box 1291, Buffalo, NY 14240-1291
Dated: 7/8/2009
IB, 24514, 7/16, 23, 30 - 8/6

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on erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of ISLIP, County of Suffolk and State of New York, Section, Block and Lot: 422.00-02.00-038.000. Approximate amount of judgment \$593,321.02 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #38430/07. Nicholas V. Campasano, Referee, Steven J. Baum PC, Attorneys for Plaintiff, P.O. Box 1291, Buffalo, NY 14240-1291
Dated: 7/9/2009
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NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT: COUNTY OF SUFFOLK - WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff, AGAINST FRANCISCO HERRERA, ET AL., Defendant(s). Pursuant to a judgment of

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