



Sayville Yacht Club Welcomes the C420 South Shore Championship

In a summer marked by steamy, stormy weather here on the Eastern Seaboard, the last weekend in July miraculously gave way to clear blue skies, sunshine, and idyllic 75-degree temperatures. It was a welcome sight for over a 100 young sailors, their families, coaches, and boats in tow, as they arrived on the shores of the Great South Bay from across the nation this past Friday for the 2021 C420 South Shore Championship. The three-day junior sailboat racing event, hosted by the Sayville Yacht Club, was organized by Doug Shaw, SYC Regatta Chair and former Commodore, who could hardly believe his good fortune. "Everyone keeps mentioning the perfect conditions here, and how lucky we are. I mean, we really couldn't have asked for more." The Sayville Yacht Club is no stranger to the competitive racing circuit, as the 120-year-old charter is steeped in tradition and has a reputation both nationally and internationally for excellent small boat sailing.

For those unfamiliar with the sport, Club 420 is competitive junior racing aboard a 420 dinghy. Each 420 holds a two-person team comprised of a skipper and a crew under the age of 22. The skipper stays to the back of the boat and is responsible for driving and watching the main. The second sailor, the crew, controls the jib and trims the sails, all while balancing precariously off the side of the boat on a trapeze wire. There's constant communication between teammates, plotting how to best overtake the other boats. It is fast, furious, and exhilarating. "There's nothing else like it," said Terrence Byrnes, 17 of Sayville. "You can't get this feeling from any other sport."

Due to the inherent danger of racing in open water and relative age of the competitors, coaches and racing staff are required to be out on the water should anything go awry. But with the beautiful weather, the odds favored smooth sailing. The success of events like this weekend's Regatta are contingent on a multitude of factors, a majority of which rests squarely with Mother Nature. The daunting task of planning for things outside of your control falls to the Sayville Yacht Club's stellar Race Committee, an all-volunteer group who perform impressive feats of logistical acrobatics to ensure the races go off without a hitch. Nearly everything, including the course, start location, and number of races that will be held, is determined by the direction and force of the wind and as such is subject to a moment's continued page 17



On a warm, sunny Saturday in July, the USA Patriots softball team took on a group of BBP representatives in an exciting fundraiser game at our own little league fields in front of a large crowd. The Patriots, formerly known as the Wounded Warriors, consist of combat veterans that have lost limbs. They travel the country playing against able-bodied teams spreading their message that "life without limbs is limitless". They host camps for kids with amputations and their fundraising efforts go directly to those camps.

Scott June, Bayport resident, baseball instructor, and JWY Middle School baseball coach, organized the event. He has been involved with all 7 Long Island trips that the team has made over the last 11 years. "I got involved because I was impressed with how these guys have dealt with such hardship and still manage to stay so positive," said Scott. "I've seen them actually change kids' lives just because they realize that they are not alone with their struggles."

Scott recruited players to represent local organizations and schools. Among those on the BBP

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K.D. Lang

"Sweet, sweet burn of sun and summer wind, and you, my friend, my new fun thing,



Jenny Han, The Summer I

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The Beatles

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William Carlos Williams

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C. Day Lewis

"Summer has filled her veins with light and her heart is washed with

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Charles Bowden

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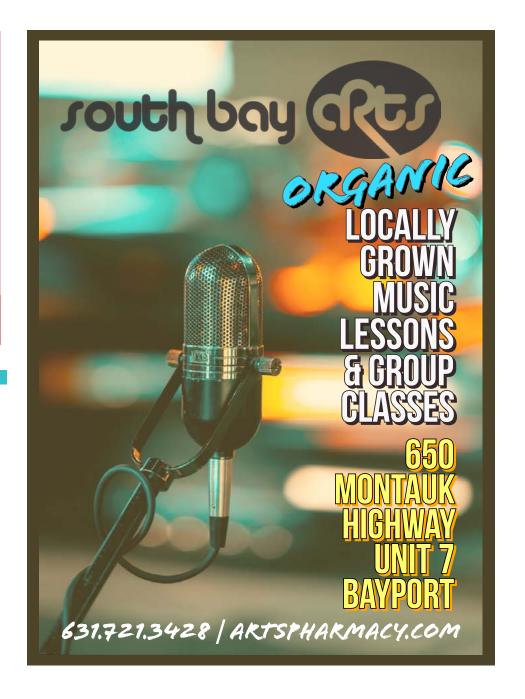
Long Time BBP Friendship

Nicole Andriano and Corv Zirkle have been friends for a long time. They are BBP Graduates of the Class of 2013. Shown here as Kindergarteners at Sylvan Ave Elementary and also last week as Doctor Nicole Andriano DDS and Doctor Cory Zirkle DDS, now 26. They Graduated last week

from Stony Brook's Dental School and Buffalo's Dental school respectfully. As you can imagine both







Yoga On My Property Continues On



Joelle Hawkes had been practicing yoga for over 30 years, when COVID hit over in March 2020. While most businesses were still shut down, Hawkes decided to offer a community yoga class on her Blue Point property to celebrate International Day of Yoga on Sunday June 21, 2020. She hired an instructor, and the event was widely attended. The class was a success, and she decided to keep it going. With the addition time on her hands due to the continued lockdown measures, Hawkes realized this would be the perfect opportunity to become a certified Yoga instructor herself. She completed her 200 hour coursework online and became certified in October of 2020.

Hawkes now teaches yoga in the open air on her property twice a week, Sundays at 8:00am and Wednesdays at 9:30am. She is also available for private lessons upon request. The classes are a gentle Vinyasa Flow, making them ideal for all ages and levels. With half an acre of property, there is plenty of room to social distance and the quiet serene atmosphere is a perfect location to practice beneficial self-care. For more information see https://www.gracingitforward.com/services





Come View Meadow Croft in a New Light

The first part on an ambitious lighting restoration has been completed at Meadow Croft. With the help of a county grant secured by District 8 Legis. Anthony Piccirillo, the Bayport-Blue Point Heritage Association researched and purchased historically accurate

lighting fixtures as part of the ongoing effort to painstakingly reconstruct the historical summer home of the storied Roosevelt family located off Middle Road on the boarder of Bayport and Sayville.

The antique lightening fixtures now on display date from the 1890's through 1915 and reflect what would have graced the grand estate in its



The installation includes period appropriate antiques such as this 1900's wall sconce with attached curling iron for convenient heating

heyday. The bulbs used in the replaced pieces are calibrated to mimic the authentic color and brightness that would have filled the rooms, allowing visitors to view the house as the Vanderbilt's and their guests once did. Once purchased the fixtured, many of which were gas powered, had to be converted to modern electric configurations in order to be install at Meadow Croft. Richard Martin, the Director of Historic Services for Suffolk County Parks arranged for county electricians to finish the installation.

This complicated undertaking is the dedicated work of BBPHA member Erich Haesche, whose knowledge and expertise guided the restoration's design and who generously donated many of the fixtures from his own collection. The end result is a stunning combination of history and art, beautifully brought to life. Tours of the estate run every weekend until October. Stop in and witness Meadow Croft in a new light.



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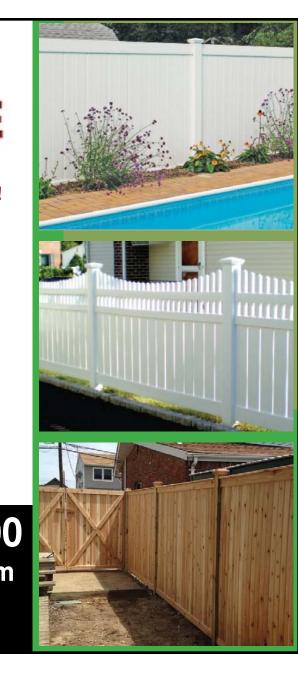
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Small Town Gig at Bohdi's

Date & Time: Wednesday, August 9th, 9:00 P.M.

Address: 1 Corey Ave., Blue Point N.Y.

Target Audience: Adults

Small Town Gig will be performing all your favorite tunes filled with a night of music and drinks along the Great South Bay.

Cornhole for Christian

Date & Time: Thursday August 5th, 5:00 P.M.

Address: Bayport-Bluepoint High School Football Field

Target Audience: Families

Come down and support Henke against their son Christian's fight against cancer. This family night will consist of a cornhole tournament with all proceeds going to the Henke Family.

Buoy 34 at JT's on the Bay

Date & Time: Thursday, August 19th, 6:30 – 9:30 P.M.

Address: JT's on The Bay restaurant, 1 Curtis Rd., Blue Point N.Y.

Target Audience: Adults

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Swap Meet and Chinese Auction

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Address: Outlaw Acres, 819 Sylvan Ave, Bayport, NY

Target Audience: Families

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Outdoor Concert: Gene and Lone Sharks

Date & Time: Sunday August 8th, 3 - 7 P.M.

Address: JT's Farmhouse, 291 Bayport Ave., Bayport NY

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BBP Grad Becomes 2nd Generation Eagle Scout



For recent Bayport-Blue Point high school graduate Tyler Teufel, becoming an Eagle Scout was a family tradition. Teufel's father and uncle before him had both reached the highest rank the Boy Scouts of America offers, with his little brother following his trail. Tyler is accomplished in his own right, a bright varsity baseball player who's starting Auburn University this fall. But more importantly he's

grown to be a capable, conscious, and deeply compassionate young adult, the type of person today's world needs. Tyler credits the Boy Scout Troop 130 with helping him cultivate the confidence and critical skills he uses every day, often pushing him outside his comfort zone. He's proudest of his rock-climbing badge he earned at 14, an activity he claims he never would have attempted outside of scouting but ended up loving. The ultimate experience in his time as a scout came when the troop embarked on an expedition to a frozen lake on the US-Canadian border where they lived in an igloo for a week. Between ice fishing and dog sledding, they hardly had time to register the fact that it was freezing, and left with memories that last a lifetime.

While completing volunteer hours for his Life Scout, Tyler spent time cleaning out the Suffolk County Police Department's K-9 training facility which ultimately helped him realize that he wanted this to be the focus of his Eagle Scout project. One of the officers in the unit towers well over 6 feet, making the former cramped training boxes on the premises unbearable. On the drive home he remarked to his father, a SCPD K-9 officer, that the unit should have new boxes, and that he was going to make them.

"I knew I wanted to help my father's unit, to make a difference for these people who make a lot of sacrifices for our community, but at the start I didn't really have an understanding of just how much these materials would cost." Tyler explained. When he set out to estimate the price of supplies at a local lumber yard, he was met with more than just sticker shock and worried he would be unable to tackle this expensive project.

To his surprise, after hearing his plan, both 84 Lumber and Florence Lumber donated the bulk of the supplies on the spot and set up someone to come and deliver them. "I couldn't believe it. I've been so fortunate to have a ton of support from my family and troop, but here are these people that didn't know me at all and still believed in my project. It meant a lot to me." Tyler added, "These people showed up for me, I didn't want

Tyler more than rose to the occasion. He completed not one, but four well designed reinforced training boxes six free tall that would stand the test of time. "Our previous boxes were in a state of disrepair," stated SGT James Curley of the SCPD K9 Unit. "Tyler took the time to interview the members of the canine unit to determine our needs and then redesigned the boxes based on our goals with the dogs. He also used durable, long lasting materials. The product Tyler produced far exceeded our expectations."

Tyler wasn't done yet. There is a reason that becoming an Eagle Scout is a nationally recognized achievement. To be eligible as a candidate for the rank, scouts must complete 21 merit badges including 13 Eagle-required ones, showing a mastery of a multitude of different skill sets. Causally identifiable by their silver edging, the 13 Eagle-requirement badges are distinguished from others by the length of time they take to earn, and the difficulty level expected. In addition to the badge requirements Eagle candidates must first be Star and Life Scouts, hold leadership positions within their troop, complete community service hours and undertake a complex Eagle Scout Project, entirely devised by the indi-



vidual. For those unfamiliar with the process, an Eagle Scout Project involves steps not unlike a college dissertation, where you write up multiple proposals, budgets, and are then required to defend those ideas in front of a panel of advisors who may or may not send you straight back to the drawing board. The bulk of these responsibilities come during the scout's teen years when high school students are besieged with advanced coursework, jobs, varsity sports, and looming college applications, exacerbating an already arduous task with a strict deadline: all of this must be completed before their continued page 18



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How to Optimize Your A/C **Equipment**

Summertime sizzle on Long Island is no joke. While the bay breeze often makes life on the south shore pleasant, stifling humidity at times forces the heat index to levels that can make the outdoors nearly unfit for human habitation. A perfect storm of residences being home more this past year, disruptions in the supply chain, and a skilled trade shortage have put a strain on our local HVAC industry resulting in longer wait times for service calls just as residents need their A/C systems the

To get to the bottom of the issues, we recently sat down with Therm-A-Trol's own Carol Seitz-Cusack and John Flaherty, to find out the best ways to avoid costly repairs to your equipment and head off service interruptions before they have a chance to disrupt your much earned vacation.

When is the best time to schedule to have you're A/C equipment serviced?

Once a year, when the temperatures are above 65-70 degrees. Typically from late April to early June.

When is the best time to install or replace old HVAC equipment?

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know that your system is struggling because it's outdated, be proactive. A/C systems can be replaced all year round, so there's no reason to wait for the summer months when teams are busy with service calls. While systems replaced during the colder months would need what we call a "spring start up", to come back when it's warm enough to check refrigerant levels and functionality of the system, it will still be better than attempting to have an entire unit replaced when it gives out under the strain of a July heatwave.

What are 5 things you can do as a homeowner to maximize the life of your equipment?

First and foremost: Change your filter regularly. This can't be understated. You should be changing your filter once a month in the summer and once again during the fall.

If you burn a lot of candles, do so with the system off and no indoor fan running.

Get an annual service checkout, easily fixable issues become larger costly problems when left

Keep all windows and doors closed while operating A/C.

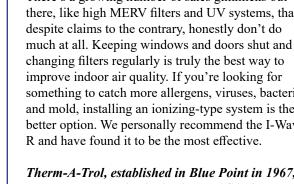
Be realistic with your temperature setting. It's not a refrigeration system, the goal is to adjust conditions in the air so it's not as harsh as the outside. The lower the temperature, the harder your system has to work. It's not only about tempera-

ture but also about controlling humidity within the space. Setting your system so low that you're wearing sweatshirts in July is unrealistic and the fastest way to break your

With the rising number of COVID cases nationally is there anything that can do can done to improve indoor air quality going into

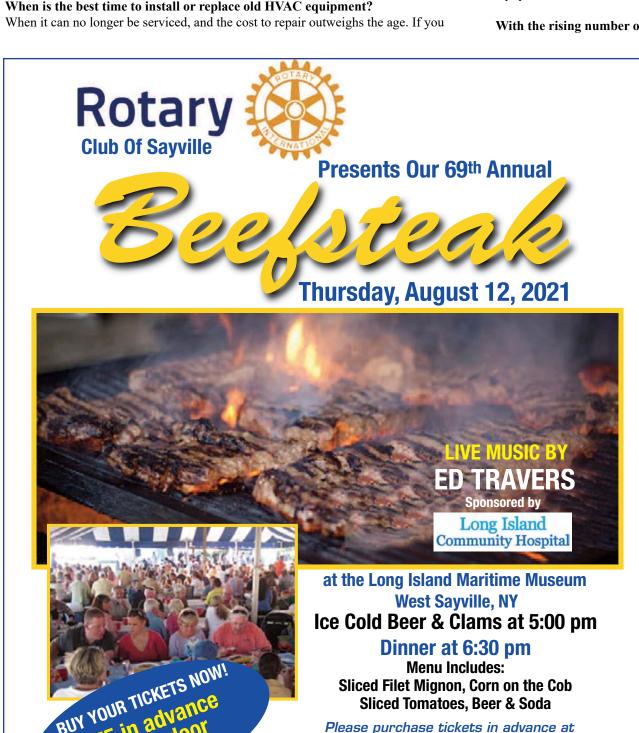
> There's a growing number of sales gimmicks out there, like high MERV filters and UV systems, that despite claims to the contrary, honestly don't do much at all. Keeping windows and doors shut and changing filters regularly is truly the best way to improve indoor air quality. If you're looking for something to catch more allergens, viruses, bacteria and mold, installing an ionizing-type system is the better option. We personally recommend the I-Wave

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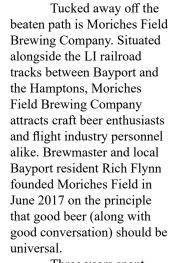
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MORICHES FIELD

Flight of Fancy: Moriches Field Brewing **Company Takes Off**



Three years spent abroad in London for work exposed Flynn to classic English and German style beers, particularly ESB or Extra Special Bitters, which ironically aren't bitter at all and instead strive to be balanced and drinkable. ESB's are botanical infused brews that characteristically carry subtle undertones of fruit, spices, or herbs and typically pack a higher alcohol content per pint. Upon his return to the States,

Flynn would soon find the brews that were easy to come by in Europe were surprisingly difficult to acquire here and set out to make his own.

His brewing techniques evolved into a fusion of European and American influences, often blending styles and ingredients to bring beer lovers a truly unique experience. Among the most popular offerings on tap is their Festive Trickster, a traditional German Festbier brewed with the LOKI strain of Norwegian Kviek and Tail Gunner, a British Style Bitter combining carmel and toffee flavors with

Moriches Field is a nod to Long Island's storied aviation history where air fields were found all over the Island and local aviation innovation tested the boundaries of what human flight could become. Though grass field air strips are mostly a fixture of the past, you can still catch a glimpse of that bygone era at the Bayport Aerodrome where antique bi-

> planes regularly take to the skies above Flynn's south shore home. The interior of Moriches Field is made to resemble an airplane hangar and is filled with local aeronautics memorabilia, a great deal of which is gifted by the brewery's loyal regulars. The tasting room opened in October of last year and at its start faced significate challenges from the pandemic. As the weather turned warm and people began to gather again, Moriches Field is finally taking flight.

> While patrons might initially be drawn by the diverse craft beer selection, they come back for the laidback atmosphere, the kind of local watering hole where your canine campion tags along to play a round of cornhole with your friends after work. This is on full display when each time the eastbound train barrels down the tracks, the crowd here at the brewery pauses to raise their glass to the conductor who blows the whistle in unison with a toast to good beer, good friends, and good times.





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Capturing Davis Words by Kate Berube

Images by Belinda Randolph Mills



It was my first time living away from home when I found myself having to explain Davis Park to another person, a college friend from the Midwest who had never been to the East Coast. It's a barrier island A temporary town? A pedestrian only zone? I fell silent and chewed over the question.

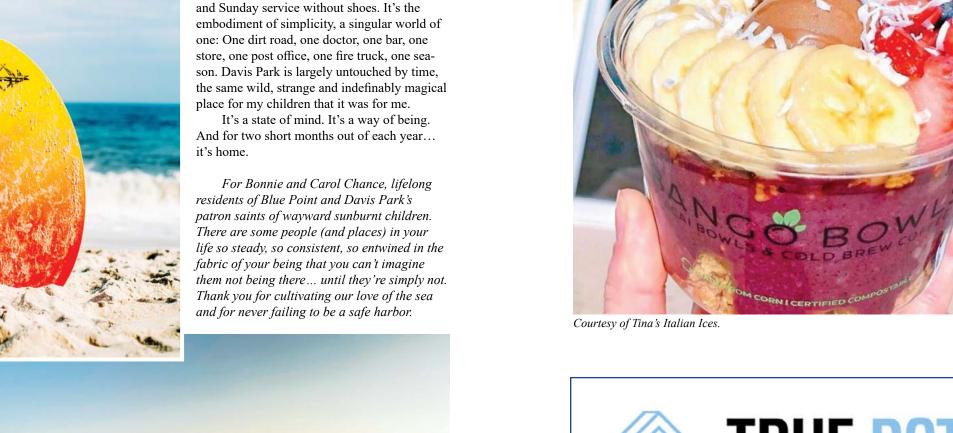
What's Davis Park? "You just have to see it for yourself," I ended up saying. Years later, an answer still eludes me.

To me, Davis is salt baked skin and sun dried hair. It's clamming with your feet in the setting sun, then gleefully prying the bounty open cross-legged on the dock to slurp them down. A place where you transport your goods in red wagons, and your bare feet can take you anywhere you're willing to go, while everyone seems to know your name along the way.

It's manhunt in the marina with flashlights, and sandcastle construction crews in the wake of the surf. It's monster mash ice cream dripping down your hands in the July heat. It's hastily made bracelets and painted seashells on sale for a quarter. It's the quiet that accompanies a cup of coffee at the store before the rush of the first ferry arrives, a ripple in the stillness as the whole town slowly stretches awake and contemplates going back to sleep. It's crowded, sundrenched days that give way to calm, windy nights and the brightest stars you'll see all year. It's burning boardwalks and boat showers.



It's never knowing the time and always running for the Kiki. It's ageless, winding trees that have learned to grow into the wind instead of breaking with it. It's weak cell phone reception and strong rocket fuels. It's the pu-pu-pu of boat engines idling back into their weekend spot but the conspicuous absence of car horns in the distance. It's the smell of sunscreen and the sound of laughter carried on ocean air. It's rocking to sleep. It's a Casino without cards and Sunday service without shoes. It's the son. Davis Park is largely untouched by time,





Bango Bowl Comes Home for the Summer

By Kate Berube

A summer classic gets a new twist as Bango Bowl CEO Ryan Thorman, a 2003 Bayport-Blue Point graduate, has been operating out of Tina's Ices, a south shore summertime staple. Thorman is thrilled to be introducing his successful brand, which has 6 locations throughout New York, to his hometown. While Tina's has continued to provide its famous soft serve in over 30 variations, it now offers select Bango Bowl options, including their fresh and delicious Açai bowls for anyone looking for a healthier alternative.

Bango Bowl is the creative collaboration of Thorman and fellow BBP alums James Bonanno and Dave Johnson, grounded in the belief that you don't need to substitute speed for healthy eating. Bango Bowl thrives on providing quality, fresh ingredients easily customizable in a convenient and affordable way. All of their salad dressings are made in house every day and their signature Acai bowls have proved a crowd favorite. "It's the perfect pick me up on my way to work," says Blue Point resident Alyssa Gonzales. "Try the signature Bango bowl. It's so good." Whether it's a morning snack or after dinner dessert, we all hope Bango Bowl is here to stay.



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roster was School Superintendent Dr. Tim Hearney; Middle School Principal John Andruskiewicz; Scott June himself; BBP alumni Amelia Fuller representing our softball program and Chris Costa representing the little league; Bayport Fire Chief Jerry Dietz; BBP resident Geoff Fig, former Duck's manager and MLP player Kevin Baez, former player for the Padres and Rays organizations Max Tissenbaum; and Pat-Med resident and Navy veteran Adam Adbat.

Tyler and Zach Teufel announced the game, J.K. Hodge was the organist to get the crowd energized and Blue Point Principal Tara Falasco sang the national anthem. It was a back-and-forth game with the BBP team taking an early lead, but in the end, the Patriots were able to gain back the lead and win the game.

It was a truly inspirational day and after the game a fundraising even was held at the Blue Point Fire House. With all of the events, the 50/50 raffle, and auctions, over \$40,000 was raised for the Patriots.

It was an inspirational day and BBP was honored to host such a meaningful event. If you missed the game but still would like to donate to the cause, please go to usapatriotsathletics.org for more information





Photos Kate Berube





SEED Scholarship Winner

BBP SEED Foundation Chairman Bob Draffin congratulates Hunter Kramer as this year's winner of the 2021 SEED Scholarship. In his winning essay, Hunter credited SEED with encouraging his studies by funding a Broadway trip to see 'To Kill a Mockingbird' in 10th grade, and their annual sponsorship of the Celebration of Science Nights throughout his school years.

SEED wishes Hunter success in the Fall as he continues his education at Hofstra University.



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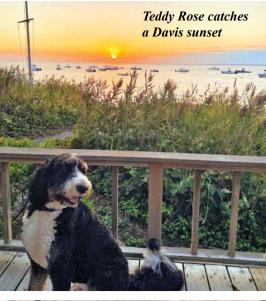
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The Dog Days of Summer

When you think of the Dog Days of Summer, you most typically envision stifling weeks so punishingly hot that even the dogs cry mercy... but as it would happen, that's not what the phrase refers to at all. Both the ancient Greeks and Romans once believed that the sudden appearance of Sirius, a binary star in the Canis Majoris constellation, alongside the Sun in the daytime sky during late July, was behind the long scorching days. It was thought the additional heat from the heliacal rising of the Dog Star (Sirius) resulted in the endless daylight and oppressive weather of summer. They called this time of year dies caniculares, or "dog days" and it was considered a forbearing of ominous fortunes and disaster. Though we now know it's the tilt of the earth that accounts for our temporary beach bum lifestyle, the wording has stuck in our collective conscience. The dog days of summer stretch 20 days before and after the alignment of Sirius with the Sun and end with the mid-August return of the Dog Star to the night sky, but in the meantime, we say... let the Dog Days reign!

Thank you to all our readers who shared pictures of their pups living their best Dog Days of Summer!



Clancy Young of Bayport knows how to party





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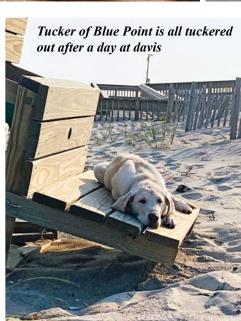














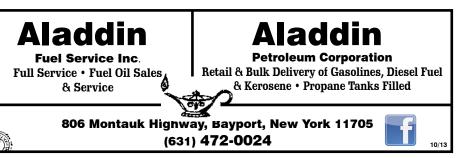
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change throughout the day. All this occurred under the eagle-eyed stewardship of Principal Race Officer George Becza, who stayed on the water throughout the event. Marked by orange inflatables, this weekend's race course was set up as a trapezoid, where half the fleet sail on the outside of the trapezoid while the other will sail on the inside. They all end up at the same finish line. "The upwind leg is really all about tactics, your experience, and being able to maximize the conditions," explained Shaw. "The finish line gets hairy. You have to call off those racing team numbers, and they're coming in heavy!"

The aggregated scoring in C420 racing is cumulative throughout the season, racking up with each regatta. The points from each team's best three regattas are added, and the team with the lowest overall score is awarded the Triple Crown. As the South Shore Championship is the last regatta of the 2021 season, the winner of

the Triple Crown would be determined at the close of racing on Sunday evening. Byrnes and partner Finn Capozzi, 14 of Bayport, flying the SYC racing team flag, readied their boat on the shore outside the clubhouse early Sunday morning as more sailors arrived. Capozzi squinted into the rising sun, looking out over the competition. When asked about the stakes of this weekend's race, Capozzi replied, "Am I worried about the race?" He laughed, "It's fun." Both teens pushed their boat through the sand to the water's edge and took off, joining dozens of white sails growing smaller by the second as they headed toward the starting line. In the end, Nick Buddington and Liam Gronda of Annapolis took first place here at the SSC but the Triple Crown went to Cordelia Burn and Sarah Moeder of Bay Head Yacht Club.

Be on the lookout for the upcoming profile on members of the SYC's youth racing team as they battle for the Sears Cup.







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Walter Found Another Cool Bird



's said that a rainy day is good weather for ducks. So it was this past Memorial Day weekend when the sun didn't break out until Monday. However, this pair of Mallards were strolling down the street in front of my house seemingly oblivious to the holiday plans laid by many. Mallards are one of the most common ducks on Long Island and can be found in Europe, Central and South America. They have also been introduced into New Zealand and Australia. With the male's iridescent green head and the blue wing feathers on both the male and the female, they are also easily identified. Mallards feed by dabbling, up-ending themselves in order to reach plants and, to an extent, small animals, on the bottoms of ponds and creeks, though they don't mind feeding on floating food, such as bread crumbs. And by the way, while feeding bread to ducks is a rite of passage that many parents like to share with their children, the practice is generally discouraged. Our bread does not not have much nutritional value for ducks and uneaten bread in the water can breed unhealthy bacteria. The internet suggests many healthy alternative foods, other than bread, for ducks. Let's teach our children the proper way to interact with

Photo Walter Petrule

Eagle Scout from page 9

At the end of the day, success often boils down to simple perseverance. Achieving Eagle Scout rank takes close to a decade of dedication, half a lifetime when you



are only 17. That commitment. nowever, is not limited to the actual scouts themselves. Behind every Eagle Scout is a community of support. Troop leaders, neighbors, parents, siblings, and fellow scouts aid the journey every step of the way. This isn't just a byproduct, but a stipulation. By having to solicit help from the village around him, the experience taught Tyler how to envision and articulate his ideas, delegate tasks to both adults and peers alike, and then relinquish control and trust the people around him to see his vision through.

"You put so much effort into every part of the planning stage, and when it comes time to build you need to let other people help. It takes a lot to step back from some-

thing you feel so strongly about and let that happen. That was hard," Tyler reflected a year after the construction. "But it's also really important. And it's saying to the younger scouts who showed up, I believe in you like these people believed in me." The ability to realize the impact that your faith in someone else's abilities can have on them and recognize the value may be the greatest legacy scouting provides. "An Eagle project is a final test of leadership," remarked Troop 130 Scout Master James McAward, "and Tyler's project would not have been a success without those leadership skills."

Troop 130 produced four Eagle Scouts from the 2021 graduating class including Tyler, with an additional three Eagle candidates in the final stages of their project and two more who have begun the initial process. An impressive number considering only 8% of all scouts nationally continue on to reach that milestone. According to Boy Scouts of America 2.5 million young adults have been awarded the Eagle Scout rank since 1912 and count among them former presidents, astronauts, Pulitzer Prize recipients, and fortune 500 CEOs. Recently members of the troop, including newly minted Eagle Scout Tyler Teufel, rallied together once again to begin the building process of Riley Clare's Eagle Scout project. They built over 30 wooden bird houses designed to help bolster the Blue Jay population in Connetquot State Park where their numbers are declining, continuing to leave behind a tangible legacy of leadership and service for future generations of scouts to follow.

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The Summer's **Coolest Cocktails**

By Gazette Editorial Staff

The Gazette lifestyle team went in search of this summer's coolest outdoor cocktails. We feel these bespoke booze pair best with copious amounts of sunshine and a healthy dose of laughter.

You can find our full gallery on our website: bayportbluepointgazette.com

Southshore Dive | West Sayville

South Shore Dive's ITEM 9 features Better Man's award winning lavender gin, so right off the bat you know it's going to be the bee's knees! Add fresh lemon, local honey atop a rich matcha-honeycream for easy sippin' day or

Bodhi's Beach Shack | Blue Point

Sit beachside at Corey Beach's most recent addition, and enjoy a pineapple based Painkiller. Made with orange juice, coconut and rum, it tastes like paradise. We recommend showing up in time for the sunset, where you can enjoy a front row seat over the Great South Bay.



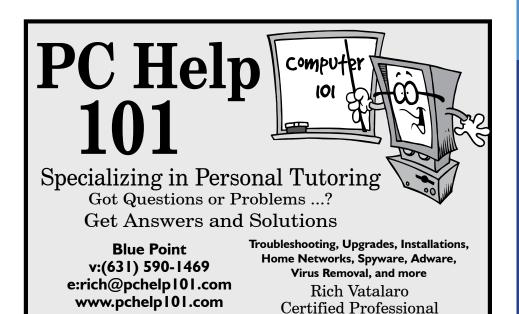


Sayville Inn | Sayville

Sayville Inn's refreshing Farmers Market is served in a mason jar with fresh pressed watermelon juice and Crop Cucumber Vodka. Topped with ice cold club soda, it's the perfect way to end a hot day. You can sit outside on the enclosed patio and watch all the pastel colored beach cruisers sail down Middle Rd.

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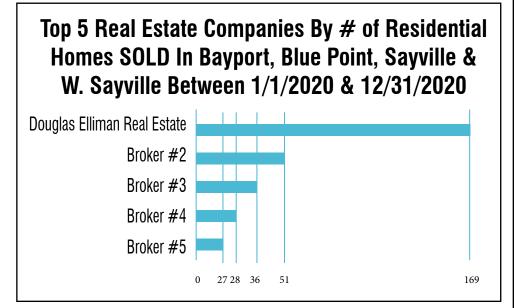


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