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**The CPCA General Meeting on
January 15th @ 8pm, in the CPHS
North Cafeteria, will feature a guest
speaker from the Westbury Library**



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- *CPCA General Meeting*
11/15/2014
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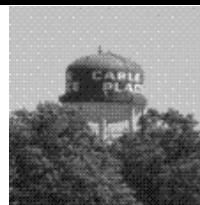
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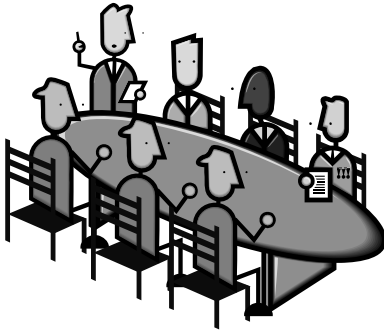
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**Next
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By John Hommel



January 2014 President's Message

As we move into a New Year we can look back at the past year that was, but should remain focused on moving forward. As a community we were able to generate energy and commitment towards enhancing Carle Place. The strength of the community came out during the election season with one of the highest voter turnouts for our area in many years. The issues brought to the forefront over the past year are of great importance and the community rallied behind the cause.

Strides have been made to address some of these issues but much work is left to be done. As noted in the December message, we have had a number of residents sign up to volunteer to help the board of the Civic Association with the various tasks at hand. We welcome your help and appreciate the commitment to helping make Carle Place better for us all.

Working together in the New Year we can help ensure that the ball fields are maintained as they should be, that the seniors are able to stay dry and comfortable during their meetings, that the sidewalks are maintained and repaired where necessary and that illegal rental apartments are done away with. These are but a few of the issues and concerns that have been raised and will be addressed.

It is sometimes easier to look at what is broken than to reflect on what we have before us that we should be grateful for. The community of Carle Place is a great place to live and raise a family. The relationship between the schools, local merchants, houses of worship and the community are strong. It takes a commitment from all to make this happen. Remember to support our scholastic organizations, athletic teams and organizations, local merchants, seniors, veterans and all others that make Carle Place great!

With your help this will be a great year! Come out to the Civic Association monthly general meetings and learn what's going on!!!

This is our community! Let's work together!

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2013—2014
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GENERAL MEETING SCHEDULE

September.....18th (CPHS)
October.....16th (CPHS)
November.....20th (CPHS)
December.....No Meeting
January.....15th (CPHS)
February.....26th (CPHS)
March.....19th (CPHS)
April.....23rd (CPHS)
May.....21st (CPHS)

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EYE OF THE HURRICANE

By Bob Greco



Some one hundred years ago, though there was no official truce, roughly 100,000 British and German troops in World War I were involved in unofficial cessations of fighting along the length of the Western Front. The truce started on Christmas Eve, 24 December 1914, when German troops began decorating the area around their trenches in the region of Ypres, Belgium.

The Germans began by placing candles on their trenches and on Christmas trees, then continued the celebration by singing Christmas carols. The British responded by singing carols of their own. The two sides continued by shouting Christmas greetings to each other. Soon thereafter, there were excursions across No Man's Land, where small gifts were exchanged, such as food, tobacco and alcohol, and souvenirs such as buttons and hats.

The artillery in the region fell silent. The truce also provided a breathing spell, allowing recently killed soldiers to be brought back behind their lines by burial parties. Joint services were held. German soldiers of the 134th Saxon Regiment and British soldiers of the Royal Warwickshire Regiment met in No Man's Land on December 26. Troops participated in a sing-along which ended with "Auld Lang Syne," and English, Scots, Irish, Prussians, Wurtenbergers, etc., joined in. It was astounding to

observers, who noted also that "soccer was played that Christmas Day—mostly by men of the same nationality, but in at least three or four places between troops from the opposing armies."

These events of humanity, compassion, and hope took place amid one of the greatest tragedies in the history of mankind. There were over 16 million dead and 20 million wounded, ranking it among the deadliest conflicts in human history. Arguably, all of the tragedy, destruction, death and injury were for no reason discernible by any standard of humanity. The "Great War," the "War to End all Wars," was to lead only to the "Greatest War" of all time less than 25 years later.

On January 1, 1914 our Hamlet celebrated its last New Year as "Mineola Park." It was listed for the last time as "Mineola Park, Hastings Tract" in the Atlas of Nassau County. By 1915, still amid the terrible, obscene losses to humanity caused by the Great War, the Carle Place Water District, the Carle Place School District, the Carle Place Post Office, indeed, the Hamlet of Carle Place would be created within the Town of North Hempstead. Out of those desperate times and world devastation, a community sprang forth.

I wish all of our readers, neighbors, family and friends the very best in health, happiness and the blessings of peace in a community that cares, in the eye of the hurricane.

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by John T. Heslin

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The community welcomes back Connie and Robert Sollitto after living in Maryland for more than 20 years. They have returned to Carle Place to take over the Carle Place Drive Thru located at 525 Westbury Avenue. The Drive-Thru was owned by Connie's dad, Roger Swoboda, for over 25 years. This is your one-stop shopping without getting out of your car; or you can park and walk in. They are open 364 days a year being closed on Christmas Day.

On these cold winter days, stop in for some fresh hot soup, and check the board for their daily sandwich specials made with Boar's Head cold cuts. There are also plenty of other things available, i.e., hot dogs, cakes, chips, etc. This little building is full of household needs as well.

The Sollittos will continue to support the Little League and other community events.

As summer approaches, there is no need to drive miles looking for propane tanks for your barbecue grill. They have them here.

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SENIOR CITIZENS

By John T. Heslin



Happy New Year. This is a big year for the Carle Place Senior Citizens. In March, we start our 50th year as a club.

We ended 2013 with a great Christmas/Holiday Party at the Westbury Manor. With 120 people in attendance, we enjoyed great company, food, music, dancing, raffles, and giveaways. The Senior's Arts and Crafts club made beautiful centerpieces that each person in attendance took home. We thank Ann Mascola and all the workers under her leadership who made the room shine with festivity. Rosalie Mediate was honored as Senior of the Year for all her contributions at our weekly meetings.

The raffle winners were \$125 – Jack Williams, \$75 – Pat King, gift cards for Passione – Louise Stellato, Vincent's Clam Bar – Rose Ryan, Café Formaggio – Bobby Zaino, Applebee's – Lucy and John Acierno, Boston Market – Isabel Cava, Bill Mandaro, and Lucy and John Acierno, Door Prize – Corey Mandaro. The 50/50 drawing winners were \$75 – Mary

Harris and \$50 – Ann Mascola. Please support all the great merchants who support us.

The Christmas/Holiday party was such a huge success that we have already booked the Westbury Manor on December 4, 2014 for next year's celebration.

On January 14, 2014 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, the free St. Francis Hospital Health Screening bus will be at the Charles Fuschillo Park. Anyone 18 years or older may participate. A trip to Resorts Casino at Aqueduct has been planned for January 30, 2014. And, on March 27, 2014, the Seniors' 50th Anniversary celebration will be held at the Westbury Manor. For further information on any of these events, please call 997-7271 or email cpseniorcitizens@yahoo.com.

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IT'S THE LAW
By Francis X. Moroney, Esq.



As I write this article a real life and death drama is underway in Oakland California, pitting the Children's Hospital at Oakland against the parents of Jahi McMath, a 13 year old young adult who was declared brain dead after a simple tonsillectomy turned tragic. Jahi has been on life support since the surgical complication occurred in early December 2013.

A trial court has ruled that the hospital may remove life support over the objection of the family since Jahi was declared brain dead by the hospital's medical and neurological staff. On the other hand, as the news outlets report, Jahi's parents are arguing that cardiac death should be used as the standard for declaration of death.

The re-definition of when *death* occurs has been debated for years. Traditionally cessation of spontaneous respiratory and cardiac function was used as the only standard for defining death.

Brain death, as a standard for declaration of death, found footing in mid-twentieth century when the techniques for transplantation of organs began to be "routine" rather than experimental. The use of extraordinary medical interventions such as intubation and artificial respiration and other means were introduced to keep the human body vital so that transplantable organs could be kept healthy, to be harvested as needed.

There are two concepts of brain death: one defines brain death as *loss of higher brain function*; and the other defines it as *whole brain death*. A Presidential Commission issued a report in the early 1980's that sided with *whole brain death* as the preferred standard for determining death. At the same time it allowed cardiac death or the irreversible cessation of circulatory and respiratory function to remain as a viable definition of death under the Uniform Determination of Death Act (UDDA).

Enacted in 1981, the UDDA defined *whole brain death* as irreversible cessation of all functions of the entire brain, including the brain stem. Therefore only artificial function can keep the body vital since the brain stem is no longer functioning.

This is all very interesting in the abstract, but very difficult in the application to individual cases. Death and dying are still mysteries that cause pain among spouses, parents, friends and family and the medical and legal profession. From Charminade's Brother Joseph Fox, to Karen Ann Quinlan, to Terry Schaivo, and now Jahi McMath, the debate over who makes the decision to remove life support rages on in hospital ethics committees; among medical and neurological staff; in churches; and in courtrooms.

What does this discussion have to do with *It's the Law*? When the time comes to put your estate portfolio in order, you will need a health care proxy. In naming someone your proxy you need to face the issues of artificial means for the maintenance of life, including intubation and artificial nutrition and hydration. Your conversations must be candid and thorough so that your desires are carried out after you are unable to make the decisions yourself. What you want or don't want should be clearly and definitively stated.

So when you come to your lawyer to discuss Living Wills, Health Care Proxies, and other estate planning matters make sure you name people you trust as decision makers and who know your end of life wants and desires.

Jahi and her parents are in a different position. Jahi's parents and other parents like them in a like position will need great strength to make correct decisions without the guidance of a health care proxy. We all hope they find peace in the decision they will make.

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By CATHERINE M. FASCILLA, DDS

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- ◆ Leukemia. Signs can include sores inside the cheek, in the throat and on the tonsils and lips.
- ◆ Bulimia. The compulsive pattern of consuming enormous quantities of food and then vomiting

may lead to loss of enamel and dentin on the inner (tongue) sides of the teeth.

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Shooting the Breeze

By Fred Moreno



Fred: Before I have a meltdown, let me understand this. You bump into our neighbor Peter who, by the way, I haven't spoken to since Spiro Agnew resigned. He is walking into Victoria's Secret. He tells you that he thinks he is having an anxiety attack because he hates returning Christmas presents. By the end of the conversation you volunteer MY services to return his wife's gift? HIS WIFE'S GIFT! Are you kidding me?

JoAnn: Fred, the guy's face was ashen. He was down on one knee. I thought he was having a stroke. Besides, you love returning things and fighting with store managers.

Fred: And why couldn't you return the gift? You were right in front of the store!

JoAnn: You know I would never go inside that establishment! What would I say if I bumped into a member of the Rosary Society?

Fred: Say, "I thought this was the religious articles store." It is just across the mall!

JoAnn: Look we both know that you love passing by the Victoria's Secret window!

Fred: What are you nuts? What makes you say that?

JoAnn: Because your eyes become two inches wider when you look at those mannequins. Am I right? ... Fred? ... I can't hear you! ... Hello?

Fred: Does Peter want cash back or a store credit?
(At the cashier of Victoria's Secret)

Fred: Yes, I'd like to return this item.

Salesperson: Let's see, what do we have here?

Fred: I don't know.

Salesperson: You mean you don't know what you're returning?

Fred: No, I don't, but I have the receipt.

Salesperson: Don't you think it's a bit odd that you have no idea what's in this bag?

Fred: What is this Delta Airlines? Are you regarding this as a suspicious bag? I mean I'm not leaving it unattended. Maybe you should call the Feds.

Salesperson: Calm down, sir. Your receipt, please. (Removing the contents from the bag)

Fred: Wow! That is sexy. Lucky Pierre! I mean Lucky Peter.

Salesperson: I'm not following you, sir.

Fred: Just talking to myself.

Salesperson: First he didn't know what was in the bag and now he's talking to himself.

Fred: What are you mumbling?

Salesperson: Let's just say it's my turn to talk to myself.

Fred: You know what? You're a wise guy. I want to see the store manager.

Salesperson: Thank goodness!

Fred: What was that?

Salesperson: Hoodness. The manager, Mr. Hoodness, will be right here. (2 minutes later)

Store Manager: Is there a problem with this... teddy?

Fred: If you want to get personal, the name is "Freddy."

Store Manager: I was referring to - never mind. My head is already spinning.

Fred: Freddy wants to return this teddy and I have the receipt.

Store Manager: (Examining the lingerie) Guess your wife didn't like it.

Fred: Incorrect. If you need to know, this was Peter's and he wanted me to return it.

Store Manager: Oh, I think I'm beginning to understand!

Fred: It doesn't matter whether you understand or not. I demand a refund.

Store Manager: I see we have a little attitude going on here.

Fred: Look, is there a regional manager that I could speak to?

Store Manager: Sorry sir, the regional manager is out in the region, so you'll have to fight - I mean - deal with me.

Fred: No problem. I'll take the fifty-nine dollar refund from whomever.

Store Manager: Hold on. It looks like we do have a little problem here. It seems like the tag on the item is missing which makes me think that Peter may have worn it. Our ironclad policy is that worn lingerie cannot be returned for cash or store credit.

Fred: First of all Peter didn't wear anything! Secondly, I have a 112% success rate with store managers and you're not going to be the one to end my streak over a missing tag.

Store Manager: Not sure what you're talking about, but I'll get someone else to help you.

Fred: There you go!

Store Manager: No sir, there you go! Security! Security! Security!
(Two hours later)

JoAnn: So Fred, did you return Peter's present?

Fred: Uh...

JoAnn: You didn't lose your touch, did you?

Fred: Just call Peter and tell him that teddy and Freddy are not having a happy new year.

Happy New Year to my loyal readers !!!!!

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**BETTER SCHOOLS
BETTER COMMUNITIES** *By Bob*



As we start 2014 I thought it would be fun to see what our "sister schools and communities" were up to.

"Rushmore (grades K-5) is a friendly, caring and welcoming community school situated in a diverse and exciting part of Hackney [a Borough of London]. We are committed to developing purposeful relationships with all parents and caregivers because we know that this is one of the best ways to ensure that all our children achieve to the highest standards. We believe in the power of partnership and community involvement to support learning for all! Our aim is to enable all our children to become confident, happy and creative learners, individuals and citizens and we hope that our website tells you a little bit about how we are doing this. This year we have introduced our new uniform, PE kits and innovative house system closely linked to the Rushmore Resolutions which the children and staff created just over two years ago."

Sounds as though the Rushmore School in merry old England has the same vision as "Better Schools" in the Hamlet of Carle Place!

Cherry Lane Elementary School is a public elementary school in Suffern, New York. Laurel High School, located on Cherry Lane in Laurel Maryland, was founded in 1899 with an

enrollment of 59 students and a faculty comprised of four teachers. The first graduating class was all women. Today, Laurel High School enrolls roughly 1,990 students in grades 9 through 12. Since August 2007, school policy requires students to wear uniforms.

The Port Jervis New York school system calls their newsletter "Port Pride" and its mast head includes the motto "Better Schools Build Better Communities." Hmm, I'm sensing a pattern here from coast to coast and across the pond.

The Rushmore Elementary School of Huber Heights Ohio "welcomes all families into the school community," and says, "Families are active participants in the life of the school, and feel welcomed, valued, and connected to each other, to school staff, and to what students are learning and doing in class."

Meanwhile, the Cherry Lane School of Tumwater, Washington "features a well rounded reading program which focuses on word recognition and phonics. Furthermore, the child's social skills will be developed and refined while learning to participate in a group with polite manners."

As we enter this New Year of 2014 I wish all of our students, parents and teachers the blessings of working well together on behalf of our children. Better schools and better communities know that the core values of parent/child/teacher development endure. We're making memories here in this New Year -- and forever.

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Here are the results:

10, 11 12 grades

- 1st place** Cardinali's Bakery (Superhero theme) - Maria Grima, Alec Visslailli, Sabrina Feit, and Steph Barbosa
2nd place The Hollow Creamery (Snow barn scene) - Shelby Fuller and Danielle Grieco
3rd place La Botega (Frozen) - Kelsey Feit and Kaitlyn Stabile

7, 8, 9 grades

- 1st place** Carvel (M&M theme) - Samantha Reed, Emily Lutz, Kristen Doherty, and Maddie Costantino
2nd place Gino's Pizzeria (Up theme) - Skylar Reed and Kaelin O'Brien
3rd place Gino's Pizzeria (Toy Story theme) - Michelle Winter, Erika Sambucci, Katelynn Mazzeo, Christine Corona

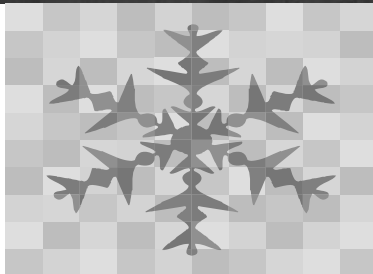
All the participants did a wonderful job this year! Here are the names of our other participants.

- Carle Place Automotive (Santa Teddy Bear theme) Julian Alfaro and Luis Davila
Carle Place Post Office (Santa and his reindeer) Arianan Davila, Christina Kapralos and Tyler Greenberg
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