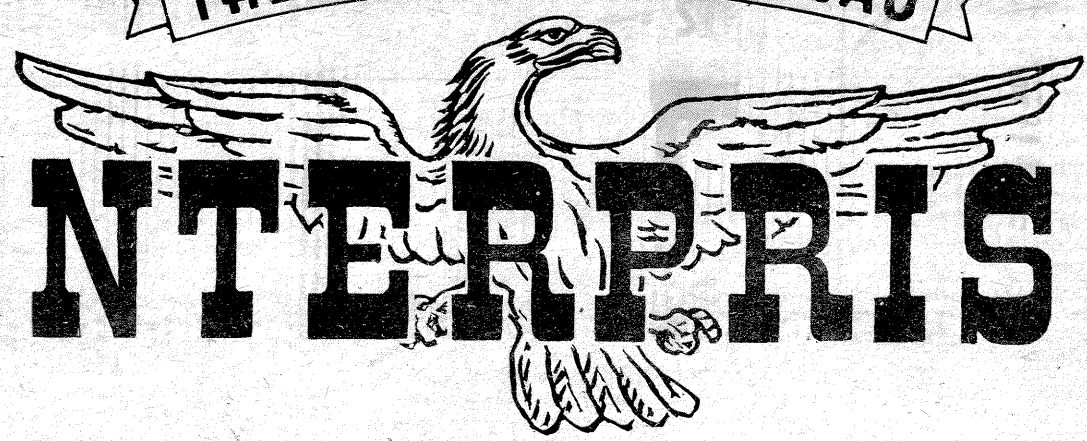




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GALA CELEBRATION

Thousands Turn Out For Wantagh July 4 Program



WANTAGH, L.I.—Southeast Nassau residents converged on Wantagh last week to witness and participate in that community's biggest Fourth of July celebration in history and now rated as one of the largest observances of its type in the state of New York.

A crowd estimated by police to be near the 12,500 mark turned out to witness a huge parade replete with more than 2,000 youngsters and adult marchers, bands, beauty queens, floats, local dignitaries, color guard units and clowns.

The morning parade, representing more than 40 local organizations, launched a day-long schedule of activities that typify Wantagh's Independence Day celebration—an observance that has resulted in attracting national attention for the community via an eight-page, picture-story



SEE PHOTOS CENTERFOLD

feature in the Fourth of July issue of Life magazine.

Nearly 5,000 persons gathered on the grounds of the Wantagh School on Beech Street, the terminus point of the parade, to hear and see the traditional ceremonial part of the holiday. The Hon. Joseph F. Carlino, Speaker of the New York State Assembly was the main speaker. Awards were presented to Miss Pam Schubert, winner of the "What the Fourth of July Means to Me" essay contest. Awards were also made to the Misses Sue Erehard, Linda Ferris, Gloria Rose and Arlene Scherbell, winners in a Fourth of July Poster contest.

Excitement was building in the crowd of onlookers as the program came to the announcements concerning the outcome of the "Miss Wantagh-1962" contest. The twelve pretty finalists were all on the reviewing stand to hear

Top Left: Newly elected 'Miss Wantagh'—Sue Bromberg (left) smiles for the camera as 'Miss Wantagh 1961' Lorraine Dainotti offers congratulations. Second place winners Sue Woods (right) and third place winner Roberta Fishman look on. Top Right: Jim Griffin, program chairman for the Wantagh July 4 Program

presents framed color photo of Wantagh F.D. to Chief Donald Snyder, accepting on behalf of the Department. Below left: Pam Schubert reads her prize-winning essay before audience at Beech St. School. Below right: Kitchen staff takes well deserved rest after serving over 6000 hot dogs. (Additional photos in centerfold)

PHOTOS BY MICHAEL STANLEY

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Mr. Marcio Cera, a chevrolet owner, is shown talking with Mr. R. Gneiser, right, of Chevrolet Factory Representatives and Mr. Charles Bast, left, President of Bast Chevrolet of Seaford.

Mr. Cera attended a Special Customer Relation Dinner held at the Sea Crest Restaurant in Massapequa recently Wednesday night.

The purpose of the dinner was to receive suggestions from a cross section of customers in ways Bast Chevrolet might improve service to all its customers. Mr. Bast said "The best way to find out what customers really expect in the way of service is to ask them. The dinner idea helped to put people at ease and bring about suggestions more freely." According to Mr. Bast "The dinner was a huge success and will be held periodically."

Nine others also attended: Mr. A. C. Demenico, Mrs. Albert Morganegg, Mr. Morganegg, Mr. Roger Felton, Mr. Paul Woodruff, Mr. Sal Lamport, Mrs. Lamport, Mr. William Healy, and Mr. George Green.

(Photo by Platnick)

Six Months' Earnings Reported By L.I. Trust Co.

Garden City, L.I. - Long Island Trust Company reported net operating earnings after taxes of \$584,404 for the first six months of 1962 as compared to \$553,914 for the same period in 1961, an increase of 5.5%, according to Frederick Hainfeld Jr., president. On a per share basis, earnings for the 1962 period were \$.92

per share on 631,469 average shares outstanding during the period, compared to \$.89 per share on 620,156 average shares outstanding for the comparable six months of 1961.

Deposits on June 30, 1962 were \$128,324,241 and total resources were \$142,342,474, compared to deposits of \$113,884,753 and total resources of \$127,299,878 a year earlier. Capital funds on June 30, 1962, including valuation reserves of \$1,666,322, totaled \$11,278,245.

During the first six months of 1962, the Trust Company received approval from supervisory authorities to open a branch office in Copiague at the corner of Merrick Road and Great Neck Road in the Merrineck Shopping Center.

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Pequa Library To Build Branch

MASSAPEQUA, L.I. - Plans for the building of a branch library will be submitted to Massapequa voters early this fall according to an announcement made this week by the Massapequa Public Library's Board of Trustees.

George L. Goss, chairman of the Board of Trustees, said the proposed library would be constructed on library-owned Bar Harbour property, Harbor Lane and Nassau Street.

In addition, the Trustees will ask Massapequa residents to authorize the purchase of additional property in the Northeast section of Massapequa Park for the construction, sometime in the future, of a second branch library.

Mr. Goss said the Trustees were not ready to announce the costs of building and property acquisition, but would do so within the next few weeks.

"Our decision to move for a new branch, and for the purchase of additional land, is based on a number of considerations," said Mr. Goss. "First of all, it is obvious to the thousands of Massapequans who make use of them, that the main library facilities have been stretched beyond the breaking point. We have nearly 80,000 volumes in a building designed to accommodate 50,000 books. Over and above this, we try to service the community with an array of periodicals, records, newspapers, and special programs which require considerable more space than is permitted in the present quarters."

"The rise in population in the Massapequa has continued to place new demands on the library, demands that cannot be met with its present building. Also, of course, we acquired the Bar Harbour property on the premise that we would build there within a specified period of years. We are getting very close to that

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AROUND HEMPSTEAD TOWN

SWIMMING CLASSES

Free swimming lessons for 1,800 Levittown youngsters began on Monday at the nine swimming pools in the Town of Hempstead-Oyster Bay Joint Park District.

Lessons for children of the District between 6 and 16 years of age, sponsored by the Town of Hempstead Park Department, will cover four weeks and will be held each weekday morning. A four-week series of evening classes also for residents of the District over 16 years of age will start on July 11th.

Hempstead Town Councilman John H. Benoit of Levittown, who personally inspected preparations for the lessons this week was particularly impressed with the interest shown by the people of Levittown. In less than two days after the lessons were publicly announced, the classes for the youngsters were completely filled.

Hempstead's Presiding Supervisor Palmer D. Farrington pointed out that a second series of free swimming lessons would be sponsored by the Town of Hempstead in August. "We plan to set the date for registrations and the date for the opening of the second series of classes later in July, as these dates will depend on whether the July classes maintain their schedule and are not delayed by inclement weather. Full notice will be given as soon as the dates are set," promised Supervisor Farrington.

All swimming lessons will be conducted by employees of the Town of Hempstead Department of Parks who are qualified swimming instructors and who have been certified by the Nassau County Department of Health and the American Red Cross. Upon the successful completion of these courses, all swimmers who qualify will be issued a Red Cross card covering the type of course taken.

URBAN RENEWAL

Permanent headquarters for the Town of Hempstead's Urban Renewal Director was officially opened on Monday, July 2nd at 84 Doughty Boulevard, Inwood.

Presiding Supervisor Palmer D. Farrington and a group of Hempstead officials headed by Councilman Julius Chinman presided at the ribbon-cutting ceremonies along with members of the Citizen's Advisory Committee, led by its chairman, Mrs. Max Meyer of Woodmere.

The Citizen's Advisory Committee is a body of local residents studying all phases of the program and making its recommendations to Supervisor Farrington and the Hempstead Town Board.

The new headquarters in Inwood will house a staff supervised by the Town's Urban Renewal Director, Edward Loughman, who will be available to answer questions and give all information. The first in a series of informational bulletins was distributed to Inwood residents by the Town of Hempstead prior to the opening of Urban Renewal Headquarters.

"The Inwood Urban Renewal Program will stress conservation and rehabilitation of the area, not total clearance," stated Supervisor Farrington. "It includes property bounded by Sheridan Boulevard, Bayview Avenue, the New York City line, the Village of Lawrence line and the Nassau Expressway.

"The Urban Renewal program in Inwood is a pilot plan and the Town Board appreciates the cooperation it has received thus far from the members of the Citizen's Advisory Committee and the residents in the area who will be affected by the program," concluded Supervisor Farrington.

Floats, Bands, Dancing, Clowns And 6000 Hot Dogs In Wantagh

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the result of a two-month long election that saw more "ballots" cast than any other election in Wantagh outside of a presidential election year. The "Miss Wantagh" crown was awarded to Miss Sue Bromberg who, in addition to a host of prizes, won the honor of representing Wantagh until next year's contest and parade. Second place winner was Miss Sue Woods and the third place winner was Miss Roberta Fishman. The other nine finalists were designated as "ladies in waiting" for the "royal court" presided over by Miss Wantagh, Sue Bromberg. All the lovelies are resi-

dents of Wantagh.

The following is a list of the other presentations made for parade participation; Most Appropriate Float, the Wantagh-Seaford Regular Democratic Club; Most Creative Float, the Wantagh Republican Club; Most Original, Sunrise Trail Council of Boy Scouts; Most Appealing, Wantagh Community Church; Best Childrens Marching Unit, the Wantagh Unit of Nautical Cadets; Largest Childrens Marching Unit, Wantagh Little League; Most Inspirational, local Hadassab, Most Colorful Float, Memore Council, Knights of Columbus and the Best Volunteer Marching Unit, St. William the Abbot R.C. Church of Seaford.

Other awards presented were a special appreciation plaque to Mr. Frank Wetter, the first Chairman of the Fourth of July Association of Wantagh, sponsoring organization of the Independence Day observance. Presentations were also made to three other former chairmen; Mr. Robert Keeler, Mrs. Dorothy Herrman and Mr. James Griffin. A special award was made for the "most outstanding volunteer organization in Wantagh" to the Wantagh Fire Department. A huge color photo of the entire volunteer membership of the department was presented to the group.

Following the official ceremonies, the assembled youngsters and their parents were entertained by "Bozo the Clown", the popular TV personality and his entourage including "Princess Ticklefeather". The crowds on the school grounds also consumed more than 6,000 frankfurters and nearly 12,000 cold drinks, all dispensed by hard-pressed, patient volunteers who boiled and assembled the "hot-dogs" and poured

the refreshments under bright sunny skies that seemed to enhance festive, pleasure minded celebrations.

Across the street, on the ball-field area of the school, youngsters and their parents took part in a variety of field events and exhibitions

Afternoon activities centered around the teen-agers as an all-star show began featuring WINS Disc-jockey Bob Lewis, conductor of the popular "Bob-a-low" program. He presented a three-hour roster of entertainers well-known to their teen-age fans included in the program were musical groups, singing groups, solo specialists as well as complete orchestras. Excitement ranged to fever pitch as introductions were made of The Imaginations, the Cotillions, Bobby Korpine, Tony Orlando, The Blue Velvets, The Orbits, The Eternals, The Dimensions, The Capris, Brian Terry and the Knights and The Blue devils. Spontaneous "sing-alongs" and dancing broke out as each of the performers gave out with their speciality and then returned for encore after encore.

A two-hour respite in the days program and then Wantagh brought to a close its 1962 Fourth of July celebration with a dance at the Wantagh High School where refreshed but still weary residents seemed to relax to musical strains provided by two orchestras.

The Fourth of July Association of Wantagh, representing a cross-section of Wantagh organizations as well as local business men, professional people and civic and religious leaders, sponsored the observance.

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