

Glen Cove Ferry Project

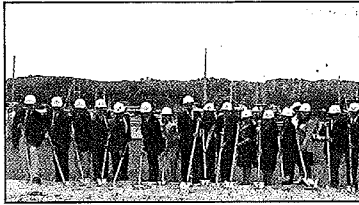
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On June 1, ground was broken for the new Glen Cove Ferry Terminal and Boat Basin. According to Mayor Ralph Suozzi, the City of Glen Cove "has been working with transportation entities statewide to restore ferry service as an integral component of our Waterfront Revitalization plan. This new ferry will link commuters and tourists from Long Island to New York City with the possibility of future Long Island Sound destinations. New opportunities for tourism, entertainment and recreation will be available to those who visit our city as well as those North Shore residents who want to avoid traveling through the traffic-congested corridors to Manhattan. Not only will the ferry be a regional transportation reliever, it will bring about an economic boost, create jobs and improve transportation linkages to and from downtown Glen Cove."

The new ferry service, explained the Mayor of the City of Glen Cove, will provide a "strategic element in the multimodal transit development along the waterfront."

The Glen Cove Ferry Terminal and Boat Basin is an environmentally-friendly project, utilizing green building technologies, running on natural gas or clean diesel, and reducing auto emissions and vehicular demand on local roads.

"The Glen Cove Ferry Terminal will be a welcome addition to our community as we work to bring new life to our waterfront and improve connections to our downtown. As mayor, I am proud that this project is environmentally responsible and that it returns vacant property to productive use, providing an important economic boost to our city. This is a significant milestone for Glen Cove and the benefits of this new form of transportation connection will be felt throughout the North Shore and the larger Long Island community," said Mayor Suozzi.



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This project has been a tremendous effort on the part of hundreds of individuals in a number of agencies in the city and throughout the state who have worked tirelessly to ensure that we were able to make it to this groundbreaking. This has truly been a collaborative project and we are excited to begin this new chapter in Glen Cove's history," said K. Kelly Morris, Executive Director of the Glen Cove Community Development Agency and Industrial Development Agency.

School Bus Mishap

A school bus from the Deasy School, carrying approximately 60 children on their way to a field trip, was rear-ended on Friday, June 11 at approximately 1:15pm at the corner of Dosoris Avenue and Forest Avenue in Glen Cove. According to a spokesman for

Hendrickson Bus Corporation, some of the children complained of minor aches and pain, but none seemed seriously hurt. All of the children including the driver, where taken to the hospital for evaluation. *Thanks to local resident Bob Merrill for reporting on this story.*

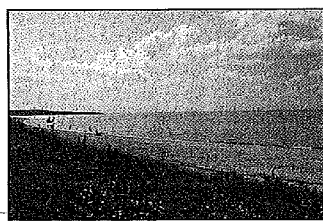
Oyster Bay Town Beaches Open On June 19

Town beaches will officially open for the summer season on Saturday, June 19.

On June 19, Tobay Beach; Philip B. Healey Beach at Florence Avenue in Massapequa; Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Beach in Oyster Bay hamlet; Centre Island Beach, Charles Ransom and Stehli Beaches in Bayville; and Tappen Beach in Glenwood Landing will all open for the summer season from 8am to 6pm each day through Labor Day, which will be on Monday, September 6. Additionally, the ocean side at Tobay Beach will be open the weekend of

September 11 and 12, from 8am to 4pm.

Residents can purchase a season parking sticker, good at all town beaches, for \$50. Town resident military veterans or active military members, volunteer firefighters, auxiliary police and members of the Coast Guard Auxiliary



will get a reduced rate of \$25. Senior citizens, 60 and older, who have a Senior Citizen Beach I.D. Card, obtainable at the Town Clerk's Office for a one-time fee of \$25 plus a \$2 photo fee, will be able to obtain a beach sticker at no charge.

Disabled town residents who are receiving disability insurance benefits under the Social Security Act, as well as those who have a permanent disability as certified in writing by a physician, can obtain a free beach sticker with proper documentation. Daily admission at Tappen for non-town residents will be \$20.

Pro-Active Alert: Home Burglary Ring Of Traveling Gypsies

Recently, Nassau County police have released the details of a home burglary ring that has been staging house burglaries throughout Nassau County neighborhoods. This crew of burglars often works in pairs or teams and they target particular areas each time they go out. These gypsies have not yet been seen in Glen Cove, but the police believe that forewarned is forearmed.

Unlike traditional burglars who break into a home when it's left unoccupied, these people are brazen and will steal from right under your nose. They ply their trade using diversionary tactics to keep your attention while another ring member sneaks into your home, rifles through your belongings, and quickly exits before you ever know what occurred. The criminals are usually driven in a car or van, often with out of state plates. As one person engages the resident in conversation, usually a sales pitch posing as a contractor, exterminator, surveyor, or other home improvement specialist, another team member hiding out of sight will sneak around to the back of the house and walk inside. If they happen to get caught in the home, they will apologize for being in the house and often

state they were "looking for a friend."

They are referred to as "Gypsy Burglars" because they are very transient, operating up and down the East Coast. They are often of Eastern European decent and related to each other. The suspects are woman as well as men and although they can be very convincing, there are some things you can do as a homeowner to help protect yourself:

- Lock doors and windows even when you are home.
- Activate home alarm systems even when you leave the house for a short period.
- Lock valuables in a quality safe and don't leave cash or jewelry in conspicuous places such as bedrooms, tables and kitchen counters.
- If someone approaches you at home and you didn't have a previous appointment with them, do not let them in.
- And, as is always the case, look out for your neighbors and call the police if you see or suspect suspicious activity.

Remember, the police are here to help but they can't do it alone.

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Non-residents will be able to visit

Anti-Solicitation Update

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The temporary restraining order issued on May 20 remains in effect as the Town of Oyster Bay anti-solicitation ordinance remains under judicial review.

Samantha Fredrickson, Director of the Nassau County Chapter of the New York Civil Liberties Union, commented that "we were very pleased with the decision. In doing so, the judge recognized that the Oyster Bay ordinance is unconstitutional and violates the First Amendment rights of day laborers. The judge initially scheduled a preliminary injunction hearing, which was to start on May 28. However, the Town of Oyster Bay agreed to extend the TRO to a preliminary injunction pending their appeal. We are thrilled that the judge granted the preliminary injunction because it means that the day laborers affected by this law can go back to work immediately without fear of a penalty. If the Town appeals this decision to the Second Circuit, we are

confident that the courts will continue to recognize that the ordinance presents constitutional problems."

Town of Oyster Bay spokeswoman Phyllis Barry commented that "following the imposition of a temporary restraining order on May 20, the Town requested, and was granted, a preliminary injunction, which gives the town the right to file an appeal in the 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals. The notice of appeal must be filed within 30 days of the preliminary injunction being granted. Once the appeal is filed, a judge will set a schedule for written briefs and oral arguments." The final fate of the Town's anti-solicitation ordinance remains in the hands of the court. Fredrickson however, believes that the decision is clear commenting that "the solicitation of employment by day laborers is protected speech, and the laws like this have been held invalid across the country. We are confident that this law will ultimately be struck down."