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Oh, Say, Can You See ...

Low clouds affected the fireworks display hosted by the Clamsshell Foundation over Three Mile Harbor on Saturday night, but it was still dazzling.

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Cell Tower Is Under Attack

Springs residents angry about plan

BY MICHAEL WRIGHT

Residents of the neighborhood that surrounds a vacant parcel of land in Springs where East Hampton Town has proposed putting up a new cell tower deluged the Town Board on Tuesday with impassioned pleas, angry accusations and insistence that the tower should go elsewhere.

The town proposal for the tower would wreck home values, displace wildlife and destroy a precious escape for the area's youth, the residents said in a chorus of complaints at Town Hall on Tuesday.

"Who makes the decision that this group of people who have invested in their community, have been paying taxes for 20, 30, 40 years, and you're going to greatly depreciate their investment?" said Margaret Ganetti. "I'm begging you not to do this, not to depreciate the value of our homes, I'm begging you to reconsider this."

"For roughly half the year you will be able to see this antenna like a sore thumb — a disgusting, giant crocker set of an antenna that soars three times higher than the tallest trees," said Alex Rodriguez, a Coudali Street resident. "It's an embarrassment for a place that has been known for many years as the haven of artists, conservationists and people who care about the aesthetic beauty of the place."

The newly straggled accused the board of "environmental racism," of political

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OLA Uses Grant To Get More Vaccinated

Advocates say minority communities remain at risk

BY MICHAEL WRIGHT

With gaps in vaccination coverage driving a slow increase in COVID-19 cases statewide — and the high-out possibility rates in Suffolk County since early spring — advocates for minority communities say that they are still seeing significant numbers of unvaccinated individuals, especially in the large Latino immigrant population.

The Latino advocacy organization OLA of Eastern Long Island announced this week that it has been

awarded a \$100,000 grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to help expand vaccinations in underserved and hard-to-reach minority communities in the region continues to try to expand the ranks of the vaccinated.

State figures officially say that the East End has hit vaccination levels of more than 80 percent. But many suspect that these numbers have been skewed by the large number of second-home owners who have

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OLA helped organize a vaccination clinic earlier this year at an East Hampton church that was targeted a members of underserved communities.

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Comrades On Wheels

U.S. Marine Corps veteran Rick Barrea and U.S. Army Staff Sergeant Preston Martin-Bowen share a laugh as they prepare to ride up Main Street after a short rest at Marine Park during the 2021 Soldier Ride in Sag Harbor on Saturday. The group also visited East Hampton.

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Town May Use Purchase To Expand Parking Lot

Farmland preservation deal is largest in town's history

BY MICHAEL WRIGHT

The deal that will send the Ristrain family \$28 million from the town's Community Preservation Fund in exchange for the preservation of 32.5 acres of farmland in Amagansett will allow the town to reserve a small portion of the land for the possible expansion of the municipal parking lot in the future.

The proposed purchase, which was the subject of a public hearing last week, will

also allow the Ristrains to build a house tucked into one corner of the property and to potentially build agricultural buildings at another end.

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that takes places on the portion of the land the Ristrains will maintain ownership of for agricultural uses.

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Jennifer Cross Art During Lockdown

The Arts Center at Duck Creek opens "Jennifer Cross: An Exhibition of Paintings by Jennifer Cross" at the Little Gallery at Duck Creek, with a reception on Saturday, July 24, 6 to 7 p.m. The exhibit will be on view Thursday to Monday, 2 to 6 p.m., through August 26. "Jennifer Cross" features work that Cross began in 2019, and records the artist's state of mind while locked in her studio during lockdown and in the months following. Inspired by what she describes as "a pile of bones and an entire generation of the present," the work "records my shifting, uncontrolled state of mind during this time."



Jennifer Cross "Lockdown 2020" installation view.

Installation art, like that of the artist, often is the story of what she's thinking. Jennifer Cross's work is a record of her thoughts and feelings during this time. The work is a record of her thoughts and feelings during this time. The work is a record of her thoughts and feelings during this time.

Samara Joy Performs At Duck Creek

On Sunday, July 25, at 3 p.m. the Arts Center at Duck Creek presents a live performance by Samara Joy and the Pasquale Group. Joy will perform songs by popular jazz vocalists, including Ella Fitzgerald, Billie Holiday and Duke Ellington. The performance will be on view Thursday to Monday, 2 to 6 p.m., through August 26.



AN 'ARTISTS' TABLE DINNER

On Friday, July 23, at 6:30 p.m., The Westcott Center will host an "Artists' Table Dinner" with guest Catherine Grier, Executive Director of the Westcott Center. The dinner will be on view Thursday to Monday, 2 to 6 p.m., through August 26.

Music And Dance In Westhampton Beach

On Friday and Saturday, July 30 and 31, the Westhampton Beach Project brings a weekend of free dance and music performances to Westhampton Beach, showcasing both emerging talent from around the world and a tribute to Frank Sinatra.

This is the third annual event, which began in 2018, and was created by artist and President of the Musical Mime Theater Steven Cozzoli, who has been working in the arts for over 45 years and worked closely with the famed Marcel Marceau. A Westhampton resident, Cozzoli has made it his personal mission to expose the younger generation to some of the art forms he has spent so many years of his life dedicated to studying.

"I wanted to provide all these amazing performers with a real platform to showcase their undeniable talents after a year of devastation to our community of dancers, artists and singers," said Cozzoli. The project will kick off on Friday, July 30, with a musical tribute to Frank Sinatra starring vocalist Steven Maglio, who will be accompanied by The Maglio Orchestra. Since 2004, Maglio and his 11-piece orchestra, has performed at The Carnegie Club which is currently the longest-running nightclub act in New York City. Maglio has also shared the stage with notable vocalists including Frankie Valli, Wayne Newton, Dionne War-

Harkham Show At Mark Borghi

On Thursday, July 22, Mark Borghi Art House will open "My Homeland Chicago" by Jonathan Harkham. The exhibition remains on view through August 4.

Harkham was born in 1971 in Sydney, Australia, and grew up in Chicago. He is currently based in Los Angeles, where Harkham's early artistic work focused on religious Jewish traditions, including his work on the Victorian College of the Arts in Melbourne, Australia, as well as the New York Studio School, where he received a commission to paint. He has shown his work in the United States and abroad, with his most recent solo exhibition, "The House of J. Borghi," in 2020 at the Mark Borghi Art House in Los Angeles.

continued to study a studio art discipline at 18, he now will receive a VIP seat for the event. All proceeds go to The Westhampton Beach Project, a not-for-profit organization dedicated to assembling artists in all areas of creativity and collecting information on corporal movement and art in general. For information, visit whbproject.com.



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