

## *Nature Nursery:* Where Children Come to their Senses

**W**hen spring arrives this year, young clients of The Marks Family Right From the Start 0-3+ Center will have a new place to play and learn: The Nature Nursery, whose completion was celebrated on Friday, September 30, 2016 at a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

The Nature Nursery, which is primarily designed for our early childhood population of children under 6 years of age, features a variety of “tools,” including a rock and water garden, herbs, shells, pine cones, wind chimes, pots and pans and more, all designed to help children explore the sights, sounds, smells and touch of nature.

Bruce Kaufstein, Director of Clinical Services at the Guidance Center, describes how the children and their therapists will have a variety of ways to experience all their senses as they play in a sandbox, explore shells, play with leaves and pine cones, produce musical sounds on percussive instruments, draw on a chalkboard or paint on an outdoor “canvas.”

“They will be able to smell the aroma of an herb garden,” says Kaufstein. “They may explore and play music on a music board that contains pots and pans and shake maracas, castanets and other wooden instruments. They may enjoy walking on a path of low to the ground wooden stumps, surrounded by wood chips. A chalkboard and painting pallet will provide the backdrop for recreating images and colors of the nature they see

around them.”

The Nature Nursery is designed to engage young children struggling with emotional challenges, learning difficulties and sensory sensitivities, explains Kaufstein. “Children with heightened sensory awareness of their surroundings are often misunderstood

by parents, teachers and others,” he says. “By focusing our supportive experiential counseling in a controlled, natural setting, we will reframe the child’s sensitivity as an asset and, with therapeutic guidance, develop a more relaxed relationship between child and parent, leading to an improved capacity for parents to engage their children in a more soothing manner.”

Vanessa McMullan, Supervisor at The Right From the Start 0-3+ Center, says that many children are so connected to tech gadgets that they’ve lost touch with the natural world. “The various textures, sounds, smells and sights in the Nature Nursery will help children explore their creative sides, and we can also use it with the older children, to give them a natural, soothing space to experience positive visualization and deep breathing.”

The Nature Nursery was made possible by the Friends and Family of Nancy Marks, who is an Honorary Board Member and a longtime Guidance Center supporter (read about Nancy in our Donor Profile on page 3). Neiman Marcus also made a generous donation toward the cost of art supplies that will be used in the Nature Nursery in conjunction with the experiential therapy.

“Aunt Nancy is so special to us, and she has such a longstanding relationship with North Shore Child & Family Guidance Center,” says Susan Cluster, Director, Carl Marks Foundation, who attended the ceremony. “My brothers and our



From left to right: Board President Nancy Lane, Susan Cluster of the Carl Marks Foundation, and Executive Director Andrew Malekoff



Susan Cluster (left) and Kate Liebman were overjoyed at the way the Nature Nursery turned out

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# A Note from the Executive Director



In January I completed my tenth year as executive director of North Shore Child & Family Guidance Center, which makes this a good time to look back on the last decade.

*Harrowing* is my word for 2007 to 2009. It was a time when we faced the longest recession since World War II; the greatest financial fraud in U.S. history, compliments of Bernard Madoff; and a time when New York State initiated clinic reform, a process by which they divested in community-based mental health agencies like ours and, as a result, limited access to care for many thousands of middle class families.

It was during that time, in 2008, when three Westbury children, the youngest whose name was Innocent, were drowned in a bathtub at the hands of their profoundly troubled mother. When the principal from Park Ave. Elementary school, where the oldest child attended, called and asked, "Can you help us?" we didn't follow with, "How much are you going to pay us?" We simply asked, "When and where?" And we showed up for as long as we were needed. That's what we do.

*Death-defying* are my words for 2010 to 2012, as we clawed our way out of a deep hole that was the result of the events I described earlier. In fact, a number of our sister agencies would soon collapse. And not just small

agencies; even \$230 million FECS fell a few years later. Still others were taken over, and many more traded in their community-based souls for fee-for-service factories, also known as Medicaid Mills.

As we neared the end of these three years, in late October 2012 Superstorm Sandy hit our shores. When the county mental health commissioner called and asked, "Can you help?" we didn't follow with, "How much are you going to pay us?" We simply asked, "When and where?" And, then we showed up at five emergency shelters from day one forward, seven days a week, for many months. That's what we do.

*Stability* is my word for 2013 to 2015. It was a time when generous donors came through for us as we successfully completed our \$2.5 million Campaign for the Next Generation. It was a time when we bundled and refinanced all of our debt at a much improved interest rate, all of which helped to put us on much firmer fiscal ground.

Throughout these years, as we struggled financially, our superb staff continued to provide care for thousands upon thousands of children and family members who walked through our doors, many of whom had nowhere else to turn.

I will always feel grateful that, as we struggled through the harrowing

and death-defying years, we had the unwavering support of our Board of Directors. They got behind us, stood their ground, and upheld the Guidance Center standard of turning no one away for inability to pay.

I will always consider that what we accomplished together during those agonizing fiscal years was a towering achievement. We kept our doors open, extended our hands and let in every child and family who needed us.

The challenge ahead is for us to remain upright and steadfast. To do so we must join together to improve efficiency, access and quality of care and to increase annual giving. That process has already begun. Although it is not easy, we will make it happen -- together. We must. There is too much at stake to falter.

I thank you all for your undying belief in and preservation of our mission.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrew Malekoff". The signature is fluid and cursive.

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families saw it as the natural choice for a contribution in her honor."

"It's amazing how they've transformed a small area in the backyard into a powerful new therapeutic tool," says Kate Liebman, Philanthropic Advisor of the Carl Marks Foundation and also an attendee at the ribbon cutting. "We're so pleased that children and therapists can enjoy their time together while pursuing critical goals in a new way, whether it's strengthening gross motor skills by

balancing on the log beam or emotional skills through calm interactions with nature."



A virtual percussive symphony awaits its young musicians



Charming wooden friends greet nursery-goers



# Donor Profile: Nancy Marks

In the post WWII era, Long Island evolved from a still largely rural community to a suburban landscape, with many families setting down roots in North Shore communities such as Roslyn, Manhasset and Great Neck. In the early fifties, a savvy group of mostly moms realized that one important element missing from their neighborhoods was a child guidance mental health clinic for children, teens and their families who were struggling with issues such as depression, anxiety or other conditions.

After much hard work, in August 1953 the first iteration of the Guidance Center was born, and one of its earliest members was Nancy Marks, who, with her husband Edwin, were raising their daughters in Great Neck, which had one of five local chapters of the Guidance Center.

“The local communities came together and formed what was then called The North Shore Child Guidance Association,” explains Nancy. Although her family wasn’t in need of mental health services, she was very interested in becoming involved in the organization as a young mother. “I wanted to learn everything I could about parenting,” she explains, “and there were workshops and meetings that I attended that gave me valuable parenting advice.”

Her enthusiasm and dedication to the Association’s mission was strong, and it wasn’t long before Nancy was asked to take on a more official role as a board member. She has been on our board for more than 50 years, now serving as an honorary board member.

One of Nancy’s favorite memories of the many years she was involved in what became North Shore Child & Family Guidance Center was in 1970, when she brought famed anthropologist Margaret Mead to speak to an overflowing crowd at Great Neck South Junior High School. Mead discussed coming of age in her lecture “Children in a Fragmented World.”

“One of my roles at the Center was to try to get people in to speak,” says Nancy. “I thought Margaret Mead would be a great speaker, so I went to the Museum of Natural History, where she worked, to ask if she’d do a lecture. I guess I must have been compelling because she said yes! It was an absolute thrill, and my husband and I even got to have dinner with her.”

The crowd was so large that they projected her speech into different classrooms so more community members could see it. Jokes Nancy, “We could’ve used Radio City Music Hall!”

Over the next few decades, the Guidance Center’s services were increasingly in demand. Nancy and Edwin Marks wanted to contribute in a major way, and in 1998 the Nancy and Edwin Marks Family Foundation funded what is now the Marks Family Right From the Start 0-3+ Center in Manhasset.

“There was a need for services for very young people and their families, and it was most appealing to us that the Guidance Center and the new Right From the Start Center would be open to everyone, regardless of their ability to pay,” says Nancy.



Generous supporter Nancy Marks

“Nancy Marks has been one of the Guidance Center’s greatest friends and one our longest and most generous supporters,” says Andrew Malekoff, Executive Director of the Guidance Center. “From our earliest days Nancy was there, first as a young mother partaking in parent education and support programs and then helping us grow to the premiere mental health center for children and families on Long Island. She is a woman of class and thoughtfulness.”

Now 86, the mother of three and grandmother of three is still involved in her community and in the Guidance Center. Most recently, the friends and family of Nancy Marks donated \$5,000 to help create the Nature Nursery at the Marks Family Right From the Start 0-3+ Center (see story, page 1).

“Nancy’s grace and style are admirable,” says Jo-Ellen Hazan, one of the Guidance Center Board of Directors’ Vice Presidents. “Her caring and dedication to helping others is exemplary. She is a true lady and an inspiration to many!”

## Past Presidents Save The Day

As we neared the end of 2016, our year-end Annual Fund was under our goal by \$40,000. The Guidance Center contacted past president **Sandy Garfunkel** for strategy ideas to help garner revenue. Garfunkel immediately offered a generous personal gift and instantly reached out to **Lucille Kantor**, another past president, who pledged to match the Garfunkel gift, thereby singlehandedly plugging the gap for the annual fund.

But that wasn’t enough to satisfy these two dedicated women. They suggested that we contact all of our past presidents and ask for their support as a special fundraising effort. The

Guidance Center’s Past Presidents came through with flying colors and responded with a total fundraising effort of over \$91,500.

Along with Garfunkel and Kantor, the Guidance Center would like to extend our deepest thanks to past presidents **Dorothy Greene, John Grillo, Jo-Ellen Hazan, Nancy Lane, Rochelle Lipton, Marie Rautenberg** and **Jane Schwartz**. We are so grateful to all of our past presidents for their continued dedication to supporting our mission of restoring and strengthening the emotional well-being of children and families.

# An Evening of Beauty

North Shore Child & Family Guidance Center held its 3rd Annual Ladies Night Out event Thursday evening, July 28, 2016. For the past three summers, the Guidance Center's Business Advisory Council has partnered with Equinox, located at 90 Northern Blvd., Greenvale, to deliver a variety of spa and beauty services and raffle opportunities to the women of our local communities to raise awareness of the programs and services of the Guidance Center.

More than 40 women attended the event, which raised over \$2,000 to support children's mental health and eradicate stigma. Attendees chose from yoga, spin and Zumba. They also were treated to hand and chair massages. Long Island makeup artists Rebelle with a Gloss provided makeovers, while Huntington's Salone di Bianca provided blow-outs and hair styling. Guests savored delicious small bites from Wat Chu Wan Wonton and sipped wine while they mingled.

Says Board Member Jo-Ellen Hazan, "The Guidance Center is so grateful to the staff at Equinox for their ongoing partnership and to the women in the community for their support of our mental health services for children and families."



Guidance Center Board Member Matilde Broder receiving a makeover from Rebelle with a Gloss makeup artist Jenn Reardon



One of the many beautiful centerpieces put together for children served by North Shore Child & Family Guidance Center

## Old Westbury Country Club Ladies Luncheon Donates to Guidance Center

On September 13, 2016, Old Westbury Country Club hosted its annual Ladies Closing Luncheon. More than 100 attendees enjoyed their last official rounds of golf and tennis for the season, followed by an elaborate buffet of epicurean delights. To celebrate the occasion, the Ladies Activity Board chose the theme "You Don't Know How Lucky You Are!" and opted to give back to the community by donating much-needed items to a local social service organization. Committee co-chairs Laurie Beigel and Jill Kolodny, together with Linda Schulman, President of the Ladies Activity Board, designated North Shore Child & Family Guidance Center as the recipient of the clothing, books and school supplies that were creatively packaged to form the Luncheon's centerpieces.

Dr. Nellie Taylor-Walthrust, Director of The Leeds Place, a division of the Guidance Center, says, "We are so fortunate to be the recipients of the generosity and thoughtfulness of the Ladies of Old Westbury Country Club. These wonderful gifts are truly needed and will be greatly appreciated by our clients. Among the programs that will be receiving these gifts are our Good Beginnings for Babies program, which offers support, counseling, advocacy and education to pregnant and parenting teens."



# Dancing Stars Put Their Best Foot Forward



Board members Diane Gross, Jo-Ellen Hazan, Nancy Lane, Andrea Leeds and past board member Maureen Ferrari



Fiona Lin and Ivan Seleznev, who enthralled the crowd with their fancy footwork



L to R: Guidance Center Executive Director & CEO Andrew Malekoff, Fiona Lin, Minsun Kim, Matilde Broder, Lana Choy and her Swing dance partner, Pedro Davila III and his Salsa dance partner, Tina Narayan, M.D., Ivan Seleznev of Ballroom Palace, and Board President Nancy Lane



Executive Director Andrew Malekoff, honoree Andrew Marcell, and board president Nancy Lane



Back row left to right: Len Berman, Seth Kupferberg, Andrew Marcell, Lew Lane, Andrew Malekoff and Ed Kline. Front row left to right: Tracey Kupferberg, Carol Marcell, Nancy Lane and Regina Barros-Rivera

The North Shore Child & Family Guidance Center held its annual Dancing with Our Stars Gala on Friday, Nov. 11, 2016 at the Garden City Hotel. The evening included a cocktail reception followed by dinner, dancing, silent and live auctions, and performances by the Guidance Center's Dancing Stars. More than 260 guests attended the event, which raised more than \$400,000 to support the Guidance Center's mental health services for children and families.

"The Guidance Center is proud of its commitment to provide essential mental health services to all children and families, regardless of their ability to pay," says Executive Director Andrew Malekoff. "The generous support of our donors helps us to maintain the highest standard and quality of care to our community."

The lineup of Dancing Stars featured some of Long Island's true "movers and shakers:" Matilde Broder, Power Travel, and the newest member of the Guidance Center's Board of Directors; Lana Choy, Summit Associates; Pedro Davila III, Tiffany & Co; Minsun Kim, Long Island Conservatory; Fiona Lin, Liberty Land Abstract; and Tina Narayan, M.D., Cohen Children's Hospital. The Event Co-Chairs were Tracey and Seth Kupferberg and Nancy and Lew Lane, M.D. Edward C. Kline served as the auctioneer, and radio and television personality Len Berman lent his talents to us once again by serving as the event emcee, as he has for the past five years.

This year's honoree was Andrew Marcell, global head of strategy at Aon Benfield Group Limited, the world's leading reinsurance intermediary and full-service capital advisor. A Sands Point resident, Marcell is deeply invested in children's mental health. His wife Carol and their three children were also at the gala.

"The Guidance Center provides lifesaving services to the Long Island community with their many innovative programs," says Marcell. "It was a true pleasure to be honored at this wonderful event."

The Guidance Center also wants to thank the sponsors for the evening: Aon Foundation, The Kupferberg Foundation, Albanese Organization, Americana Manhasset, Executive Flightways, Maureen and John Ferrari, Michael and Andrea Leeds, Marilyn and James Simons, The Klipper Family Foundation, and the Schott Foundation.



# *Singing The Praises of The Children's Center At Nassau County Family Court*

On the evening of September 21, 2016, the Guidance Center hosted a fundraiser for its Children's Center at Nassau County Family Court. The event was held at Tesoro's Ristorante in Westbury and featured Long Island singing sensation and television personality Sal "The Voice" Valentinetti, who entertained the crowd with a selection of songs from the likes of the Rat Pack and Bobby Darin.

More than 60 guests came out to support the Children's Center, raising over \$13,000. The Children's Center provides care and early learning to almost 2,000 children annually, ages 6 weeks -- 12 years, while their parents or guardians are conducting court business.

Dr. Nellie Taylor-Walthrust, Director of The Leeds Place (under which the Children's Center operates), referenced the Center's focus on early childhood education. "The Children's Center is not a babysitting service," she explains. "It is an early learning center. Often this is a child's first exposure to an early learning environment. Every aspect of the center promotes learning by which the children can explore new things in a safe, structured and professionally supervised setting."

Attendee attorney James E. Flood was the winner of the 50/50 raffle at the event and generously donated his winnings back to the Guidance Center, making for a significant philanthropic gift.

The fundraiser was co-chaired by Robert C. Mangi, Esq. and John M. Zenir, Esq., and was sponsored by local law firms and other businesses, including Abrams, Fensterman, Fensterman, Eisman, Formato, Ferrara & Wolf LLP; Casino One Limousine; DiMascio & Associates LLP; Gassman Baiamonte Betts P.C.; Gregory Matthew Wealth Management & Retirement Planning; Law Office of John M. Zenir Esq., P.C.; Long Island Hispanic Bar Association Community Fund; Mangi & Graham LLP; Rich Moffett Court Reporting; and Schlissel Ostrow Karabatos PLLC.



**Pictured (from left to right):** Event co-chairs John Zenir and Robert Mangi; Sal "The Voice" Valentinetti; Executive Director Andrew Malekoff; Supervising Judge, Nassau County Family Court Honorable Edmund Dane



**Pictured (from left to right):** Volunteer Allison Albert, Children's Center staff member Joan Antonik; Sal "The Voice" Valentinetti; Director of The Leeds Place Nellie Taylor-Walthrust; Children's Center staff member Corinthian Sistrunk; and Executive Director Andrew Malekoff

## *Please Support the Guidance Center Through Our Annual Fund*

The Annual Fund is our "lifeline," composed of unrestricted funds that can be used when and where they are needed most.

**It's easy to give. You may make your donation in one of three ways:**

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**By mail:** Make checks payable to NSCFGC and mail to NSC&FGC  
480 Old Westbury Road  
Roslyn Heights, NY 11577

**By phone:** Call (516) 626-1971, ext. 337

**Thank you for your support!**

# Excellence in Training

Last summer, North Shore Child & Family Guidance Center was proud to receive approval from the N.Y. State Education Department's State Board for Social Work to become an approved provider of continuing education for licensed social workers and other eligible human services professionals.

The first two workshops were conducted by Guidance Center Executive Director Andrew Malekoff, who is an expert on group work and is the author of the internationally acclaimed *Group Work with Adolescents: Principles and Practice* and Editor-In-Chief of *Social Work with Groups*, a professional journal.

"A vast number of universities have decreased their classes related to group work, and we saw a need to fill that gap," says Malekoff. "The skills that social workers and others have learned to address individual and families are important, but they are not the same as skills for working in groups."

In the workshop "Planning for Successful Groups," Malekoff presented a comprehensive model for pre-group planning. "Inadequate time spent on planning is the number one reason groups don't get off the ground or end prematurely," he explains. "Planning is the most neglected phase of group development, yet critical for successful groups."



Andrew Malekoff addresses attendees of "Strengths-Based Group Work with Children and Adolescents."

In another workshop, titled "Strengths-Based Group Work with Children and Adolescents," attendees learned how to form groups based on members' needs and wants, not just psychiatric diagnoses or labels. "They learned that they will benefit the group by sharing control with the group members and tapping into their capacity to share their strengths with others," says Malekoff. "Groups need to be structured to welcome the whole person, not just the troubled parts."

## New Workshops for 2017

The Guidance Center will continue running professional training workshops discussed above in 2017, with Planning for Successful Groups on Friday, April 21 and Strengths-Based Group Work with Children and Adolescents on Friday, May 19. New topics that offer continuing education credits are:

### Friday, March 10:

An Introduction to Child and Adolescent Psychiatry for Non MDs. Presenter Reena Nandi, Director of Psychiatry at the Guidance Center, will offer an overview of symptomatology, differential diagnosis and treatment options for common psychiatric disorders in children and adolescents, and a look at current psychiatric medications.

### Friday, March 31:

Latina Girls at Risk for Suicide and Other Self-Harming Behaviors, presented by Regina Barros-Rivera, Associate Director of the Guidance Center. This workshop will address how to best approach the needs of Latina adolescents at risk for dangerous behaviors. The course will include culturally sensitive strategies for effective practice in engaging and sustaining a therapeutic alliance across the mental health delivery system with this underserved population.

### Friday, May 5:

Differential Diagnosis of ADHD in School-Aged Children. Susan Cohen, Director of the Marks Family Right from the Start Center and Director of Psychological Services at the Guidance Center, will discuss developing an understanding of comprehensive diagnosis of ADHD while considering other possible psychiatric, environmental and development disorders that affect children.

For registration information visit  
[northshorechildguidance.org/workshops](http://northshorechildguidance.org/workshops)  
or call Nicole Oberheim  
at 516-626-1971 ext. 337.



# Guidance Center Improves Access to Care for All in Need

In late October 2016, North Shore Child & Family Guidance Center received funding from the Long Island Unitarian Universalist Fund at the Long Island Community Foundation to pilot an exciting new initiative entitled Project Access. The goal of this comprehensive research project is to improve access to mental health and addictions care for all who need it.

“Families who are seeking community-based mental health or substance abuse care for their children are struggling to get it in a timely manner,” says Project Director and Guidance Center Executive Director Andrew Malekoff. “Access delayed is access denied.”

Project Access was developed in response to the issues of parity and network adequacy within our health system. The Mental Health Parity and Addictions Equity Act of 2008 require that health insurance carriers meet Federal coverage standards on par with other medical benefits. Network adequacy refers to a health insurance carrier’s requirement to provide enrollees with timely access to a sufficient number of providers included in their benefit contract.

Project Access will investigate the problem of families gaining timely and affordable mental health and addictions care; identify obstacles to accessing timely care; and disseminate



**Pictured (from left to right):** Michael Stoltz, Association for Mental Health and Wellness; Janet Susin, NAMI Queens/Nassau; Nancy Manigat, CN Guidance and Counseling Services; John Levitt, AXA Advisors; Ilene Nathanson, Social Work Dept. L.I.U. Post; Elissa Giffords, Social Work Dept. L.I.U. Post; Millicent Garofalo, Families in Support of Treatment; Lee Holtzman, Guidance Center; Andrew Malekoff, Guidance Center. Not pictured: Honorary Members: NYS Senator Todd Kaminsky; NYS Assemblyman Charles Lavine and NYS Assemblyman Michael Montesano

findings to activate change. These activities will be executed by a variety of prominent stakeholders who have come together to form the Project Access Planning Committee. Together with researchers from the LIU-C.W. Post School of Social Work, the Committee will identify the target population for the study and then create two surveys: one for families and one for service providers.

## Talking with Kids About Sex

North Shore Child & Family Guidance Center hosted a free workshop titled *Talking About Life with Kids... Parent & Child Communication About Sex and Sexuality* on November 1, 2016 at our Roslyn Heights headquarters. The presenter was Giokazta Molina-Schneider, Director of Education at Planned Parenthood of Nassau County.

This workshop was developed by Planned Parenthood to teach parents, grandparents and caregivers with children of all ages. Concepts such as how to answer a question posed by a young person and making use of teachable moments, as well as exploring personal family values around sexuality, were discussed. The presenter dismissed the myth that talking about sex gives kids permission to engage in sexual activity; instead, family communication empowers young people to make safe and healthy decisions.

“What’s important is that we remove the idea that having these discussions is taboo,” says Regina Barros-Rivera, Associate Director of the Guidance Center. “I was very impressed with how open the parents were in asking questions.”

One parent who attended the workshop summed it up this way: “The speaker offered wonderful advice and shared valuable tools to help me address conversations about sex with

my 14-year-old daughter. It was so nice to be reminded that as a parent, I am still the most influential person in my child’s life and that I play a vital role in providing the honest facts about sex to my children.”

## Grants Awarded

### Klipper Family Foundation

\$10,000 for The Leeds Place – Serving Young People

### Long Island Unitarian Universalist Fund

\$20,000 for Project Access

### Slomo and Cindy Silvan Foundation

\$10,000 for Good Beginnings for Babies

### R&S Strauss Family Foundation

\$6,500 for General Support



# *In Honor, In Memory, or to Celebrate*

Gifts to North Shore Child & Family Guidance Center can be made to honor or remember a loved one, a friend or to commemorate a special occasion. Make your online donation at [www.northshorechildguidance.org](http://www.northshorechildguidance.org) or by mail to the Development Department, NSC&FGC, 480 Old Westbury Road, Roslyn Heights, NY 11577 or call (516) 626-1971 x-337 for more information. Don't forget to include your name and address and the name and address of the individual for whom you are making the donation.

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**Alexandra and Oleg's Wedding** – Ginny and Bob Glasser  
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**Nancy Marks** – Susan and Kanti Rai  
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**Herb Steier's 90th Birthday** – Terry and Joel Brown; Marion and Irving Levine  
**Syosset Mahj Group 2016** – Laura Rauch  
**Julia Traurig's 85th Birthday** – Stuart Traurig

## **In Memory of**

**Anthony A. Albanese** – The Annette and Anthony Albanese Foundation  
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**Susan Hyman's Father** – Ginny and Bob Glasser  
**Judy Jacobs** – Dale and Andrew Malekoff  
**Kevin Kane** – Marion and Irving Levine  
**Eric Klein** – Jeanette and Joseph Albanese  
**Caroline Tyler Lane** – Nancy and Lew Lane  
**Lilo Leeds** – Daphne and Charles Chan; Kenneth and Lauren Cron; Sandra and George Garfunkel; Ginny and Bob Glasser; Marion and Irving Levine; Rochelle and Hal Lipton; Dale and Andrew Malekoff; Barbara Schor; Linda and Mark Ugenti  
**Mary Tyler Moore** – Jeanette and Joseph Albanese; Renée and Murray Beckerman; Rochelle and Hal Lipton; Marie Rautenberg; Barbara and Herb Steier  
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**Jane Yazdpour** – Jo-Ellen and Ira Hazan; Marion and Irving Levine; Dale and Andrew Malekoff

## *Mourning the Loss of Guidance Center Supporters*

North Shore Child & Family Guidance Center lost four of our most generous supporters in recent months.

We were heartbroken to hear of the September 6, 2016 passing of **Lilo Leeds**, a Board member for many years and an Honorary Board member at the time of her death. Lilo was the mother-in-law of current Guidance Center Vice President of the Board of Directors Andrea Leeds, who is married to Lilo's son Michael Leeds. The Leeds Place was named after the family, who continue to be leaders in the philanthropic community. We were blessed to know Lilo, whose devotion to supporting the Guidance Center's mission knew no bounds.

We also mourn the loss of our friend **Amy Hagedorn**, who was a generous supporter of The Guidance Center and in particular our Children's Center at the Nassau County Family Court. Amy, who passed away on September 8, 2016, was well-known and respected throughout Long Island. As Executive Director of the Hagedorn Foundation, she devoted much time and energy to making a real difference. We offer our condolences to her

daughter Lisa Valentine, a member of our Communications Advisory Council, along with the rest of Amy's family.

Another devoted friend of the Guidance Center was **Ira Weinstein**, a Treasurer of the Board of Directors for many years, who passed away on September 17, 2016. After a career in accounting and consulting, Ira, a philanthropist at heart, dedicated 20 years as President of the Charles and Mildred Schnurmacher Foundation. The Guidance Center was fortunate to be a recipient of Schnurmacher Foundation funding. We offer our condolences to all who knew and loved Ira.

We were saddened to learn of the passing of **Mary Tyler Moore**, a longtime supporter, former Board member and member of our Honorary Board and beloved friend who passed away on January 25, 2017. Among her many supportive activities was her performance of Love Letters at L.I.U., with Gene Wilder, to benefit the Guidance Center. We extend our heartfelt condolences to her husband Dr. S. Robert Levine and the entire Levine family.



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