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Sachem East defeats Brentwood Sachem **East High School** in Farmingville beat host **Brentwood High School**, 28-26, in a Suffolk I football game. Sachem East's Nick Telesca is pictured breaking up a pass play against Brentwood's Gianni Knight in the second quarter of the game.

Students create origami pigeons for Lost Bird Project

Port Jefferson Middle School students in Stacy Schuman's art class made more than 500 origami birds to symbolically represent the centennial anniversary of the passenger pigeon's extinction. It was organized in collaboration with the Lost Bird Project, which aims to assemble a virtual flock of one million passenger pigeons. *Students participate in the Lost Bird Project.*





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Dominique Salice, a 2003 graduate of East Islip High School, was promoted to senior campaigns and elections specialist at the National Education Association in Washington, D.C. Her new position entails applying political campaign expertise to support the organization's objective of promoting public schools for every student. ² Salice holds a degree in political science from SUNY Purchase.



Leslie Tayne, Esq., of Half Hollow Hills was appointed as treasurer of the Jewish Lawyers Association of Nassau County for the 2014-2015 term. She joined the association in 2010. Tayne is a financial attorney specializing in debt management, debt resolution and bankruptcy alternatives at Tayne Law Group, P.C., in Melville.



Rosa M. Gambier, Ph.D., of Riverhead participated in the Botanists of the Twenty-first Century: Roles, Challenges and Opportunities Conference at the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization headquarters in Paris, France. She was one of 350 representatives from 65 countries invited to participate. Gambier is the biology department chair at Suffolk County Community College.



Barry and Mary Goudoras of Ronkonkoma announce the birth of their grandson. Oliver Barry Sumner, who was born on June 11. He weighed 6 pounds, 2 ounces. The parents are Melissa and Nathan Sumner of Denver, Colo. The s other grandparents are Marv and Vicki Sumner of Baker City, Ore.

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Bob Stern, Thomaston Village mayor, retires at 89 after 18 years in office



Bob Stern, who retired last month after 18 years as mayor of Thomaston, in his backyard on Tuesday, Oct. 14, 2014.

B ob Stern has retired as Thomaston mayor, 18 years after he first ran for office, peeved about a plan to remove village sidewalks and the impact that could have on his granddaughter, a young tricycle rider.

Stern, then a retired jeweler, kept winning village elections even though he said he never intended to stay in office for nearly two decades. Now 89, Stern said it's time to retire again.

"I got old," he said. His resignation was effective Sept. 9. Originally published on Oct. 15, 2014 at newsday.com/tow

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