

## **SAFE's Family Day Raises Awareness**

On behalf of SAFE's Glen Cove PRIDE Project Coalition, we wish to thank the area businesses and residents that helped to make our 6th annual Family Awareness Day a great success!

Because of the outpouring of support from City of Glen Cove Community Development Agency, Glen Cove City Hall, Health Plus, Planned Parenthood, Glen Cove Youth Bureau's After 3 Program, ChiroWellness, the Tobacco Action Coalition of Long Island, Glen Cove Emergency Medical Services Corps, Glen Cove Volunteer Fire Department, Glen Cove Police Department, Kiwanis Club of Glen Cove, Go Open Market Inc., and GMA Martial ARTS; hundreds of Glen Cove residents were able to receive information about local services and programs that promote family health, family unity, and a substance abuse free family environment. Because of generous donations from Clay Nation, Garvies Point Museum and Preserve, Glen Cove City's Parks and Recreational Department, the Mead Family, Lowe's Home Improvement Store in Westbury, families were prized with gifts that promoted family togetherness and community involvement. Volunteers including SAFE Board Director Mary Berhang, Roseanne Suozzi, Melanie Weise, Robin Mead, Victoria Mead, and Leena (Puffy) Harris have remained one of the most dedicated group of people Family Awareness Day has seen yet!

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Many thanks to the Glen Cove Community Development Agency for their funding which provided for free entertainment and refreshments for families, carnival games from Adrenaline Entertainment, prizes, music by DJ Gary Rivera, and a substance abuse prevention program and stunt performance given by a professional bicycle cyclist. Along with the grant funds, City Hall's Parks & Recreation department not only helped with use of Morgan Memorial Park, but the department's director Darcy Belyea, Sam Morano and Jose Benitez graciously assisted with event preparations and set-up, creating a seamless feel to the day's festivities. A special thank you to Nassau County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton, Mayor

Ralph Suozzi, City Councilman Tony Jimenez, City Councilman Anthony Gallo, and City Councilman Reginald Spinello for attending, and for all their kind support & cooperation throughout the year. Their actions are the essence of true partnership.

SAFE's Glen Cove PRIDE Project Coalition is grateful for the opportunity to serve the community. We extend a heart full of gratitude to the many that have supported us!

**Georgie Connett,  
SAFE Board Chair**

**Dr. Sharon E. Harris,  
SAFE Executive Director**

**Aimee A. Abraham,  
PRIDE Project Coalition  
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