

What's New Among Great Neck Profession



Nassau County District Attorney Denis Dillon welcomes Conrad Singer of Great Neck as a law intern. Conrad is a law student at Pace University Law School and is spending the summer working in the Nassau DA's Office. DA Dillon says the law students gain valuable life experience during the intern programs and help the Assistant DA's in the preparation of criminal cases.

Cancer Patients Support Group Forming Featuring Bernie Siegel's Approach



Sheila Rudman

A patients' support group based on the approach to living with cancer presented in Bernie Siegel's book *Love, Medicine and Miracles* is now being formed.

Sheila Rudman, a psychotherapist practicing in Great Neck, is organizing the group. As a person who has had to deal with cancer herself, and a psychotherapist who participated in a Bernie Siegel workshop, Ms. Rudman is uniquely qualified to lead a group in this method.

Experts in health and well being such as Karl Menninger, O. Carl Simonton, Norman Vincent Peale, Elisabeth Kubler-Ross and Richard Selzer have all enthusiastically praised Siegel's approach. For example, Norman Vincent Peale called it, "a precious secret, that of health and well being."

To find out about joining this group, call Ms. Rudman at her office, 516 487-8531. Mention Cancer Support and leave your name and telephone number.

Former Great Neck Resident Wins Two Significant Cases

Kenneth Wilhelm, an attorney, was a 1962 Great Neck North High graduate. He has won two significant personal injury suits recently.

In the first case, he represented a 59 year old man who suffered below the knee amputation of both legs after he jumped onto a subway track at 34th Street and Seventh Avenue in Manhattan. The jump resulted from the after-effects of an epileptic seizure. After a one-week trial in Supreme Court of New York State, in New York County, a ver-

dict of \$3,222,000 was obtained.

In the second case, Mr. Wilhelm represented a girl who was born with brain damage and spastic quadriplegia and other injuries due to medical malpractice in the management of her delivery when she was born at Harlem Hospital. A settlement of \$1,800,000 was awarded the girl and her family.

Thelma Wilhelm, Kenneth's mother is still a resident of Great Neck.

Great Neck Dentist Pioneers New Procedure

Dr. Jerome Herman of Great Neck is using a new computer imaging system to show patients how they might look following cosmetic dentistry.

The McGhan Preview Imaging System combines a live video picture of the patient and computer graphics to show what cosmetic dentistry can do. Within a few moments, Dr. Herman alters an on-screen image of the patient, enabling both the doctor and his patient to preview the outcome of various procedures, helping alleviate patient uncertainty by visualizing what realistically can and should be done.

"I have already seen position patient response," said Dr. Herman. "My feedback indicates that patients are less anxious and uncertain about the outcome of the procedure they are trying to achieve."

It is often difficult for cosmetic dentistry patients to understand their post-operative appearance through words alone. Neither dentist nor patient can read the other's mind about what each expects the outcome to be. Research has disclosed that in most cases, problems were the result of misunderstanding, not treatment error.

"It's hard for a dentist to explain to patients that they are not going to look good with a Jimmy Carter smile or pure white teeth, or that they need orthodontia instead of cosmetic dentistry," explained Dr. Herman. "Patient imaging helps communicate this with more impact and enables the patient to better understand the dentist's intended result."

Dr. Herman believes that the greatest value



Dr. Herman sitting and demonstrating the McGhan Preview Imaging System.

In patient imaging is the dentist the ability to demonstrate before treatment. "Patients want (or think they want) to see what is achievable are completely informed and realistic. It allows me to visually demonstrate procedures that are difficult to explain verbally."

Dr. Herman uses the McGhan Preview Imaging System to photograph the patient, then a computer image then appears on the screen. The doctor can alter the image with an electric pen to simulate the desired result. The original (before) and then displayed after (after) image.

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