

The Hagedorn Little Village School *Jack Joel Center for Special Children*

November 2018 Newsletter



Little Village's 18th Annual Sleepy Hollow 5K Charity Run/Walk is a Great Success!

A rainy Saturday turned into a beautiful Sunday morning for our 18th annual Sleepy Hollow 5K! Thanks to our Grand Sponsors, **Ellen and David Brown**, Race Directors **Greg Carman** and **Jen Apostle**, our 5K Planning Committee and to everyone who ran, walked, jogged or strolled! Thank you to all of our Little Village staff who volunteered the day of the race and to those who came out to run!

We hope to see everyone again next year!



Team Brady's Bunch!



Sleepy Hollow 5K Charity Run/Walk

HALLOWEEN





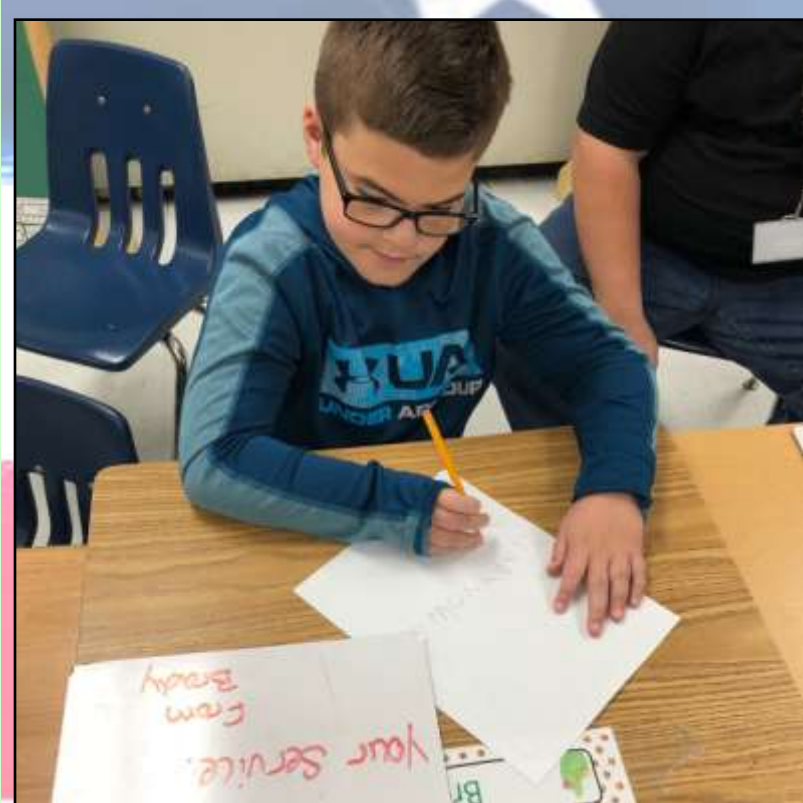
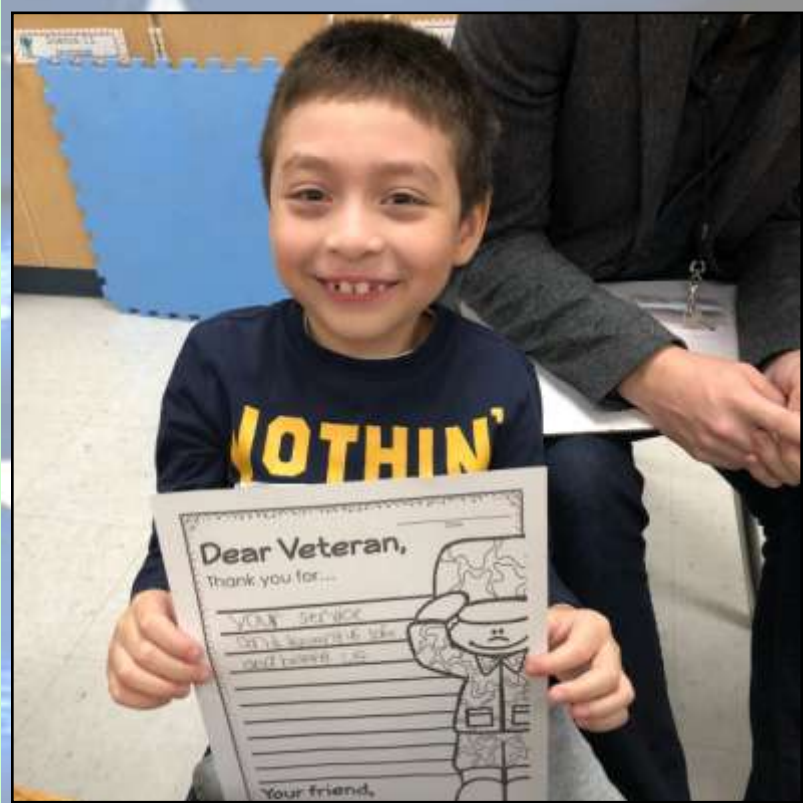
Supporting our Troops for Veteran's Day



Teacher **Missy DaCosta** and the children in Room 8 began a project writing letters and creating artwork for active duty soldiers for Veteran's Day. Many other classes also joined in.

Missy's brother is stationed in Fort Drum, New York and on any given day over 200 soldiers go through Fort Drum either going out to be deployed or coming home from deployment. Receiving letters and pictures from people in the community — especially children — goes a long way in toward morale for those brave men and women who serve our country.

Thank you Missy and all of the teachers and students who helped to support this effort!





Halloween Parades!!



Student Spotlight - James LoRusso

James LoRusso is a 4 year old boy who currently attends Room 64, a full day pre-school class at Little Village School. This is James' third year at school, starting in our Early intervention program as one of our littlest "Little Villagers."

Everyone knows James by his bright, infectious smile. It



lights up the school! According to his teacher, **Shari Orinstein** (pictured on left with James), James loves coming to school and quickly greets all his peers and teachers with a big smile. James is eager to participate in all classroom activities and especially loves coming up to the Smart Board. Even when met with challenges, Shari says James "always tries his best." She added that James loves playing with his friends on the playground and while

participating in a board game or a floor activity. James is always willing to share and help a friend and loves being the teacher's helper.

According to James' mom, "James loves waiting for the bus every morning and loves going to school every day. He has a contagious smile and is always willing to give out hugs. James loves singing songs and being the center of anything with music. He loves swimming lessons, putting on costumes and playing with his big brother Jack. James loves Disney World and going on all of the rides." She further described James

as "everyone's biggest cheerleader."

James' mom was so happy that he was chosen as the spotlight child for this month. She said, "We are so lucky that James is with such wonderful teachers and therapists at Little Village. We are amazed by the amount of progress he has made and continues to make."



Room 11 Celebrates Fire Safety Month



Full Open
Bar!

CASINO NIGHT

Sponsorships
Available!

November 30, 2018 • 7-11pm

Memorare Hall • 2183A Jackson Ave. • Seaford, NY

Texas Hold'Em, Black Jack, Roulette and Craps! Raffles and 50/50s

Full Buffet and Open Bar!

\$85 Admission is redeemable for \$200 of play money!

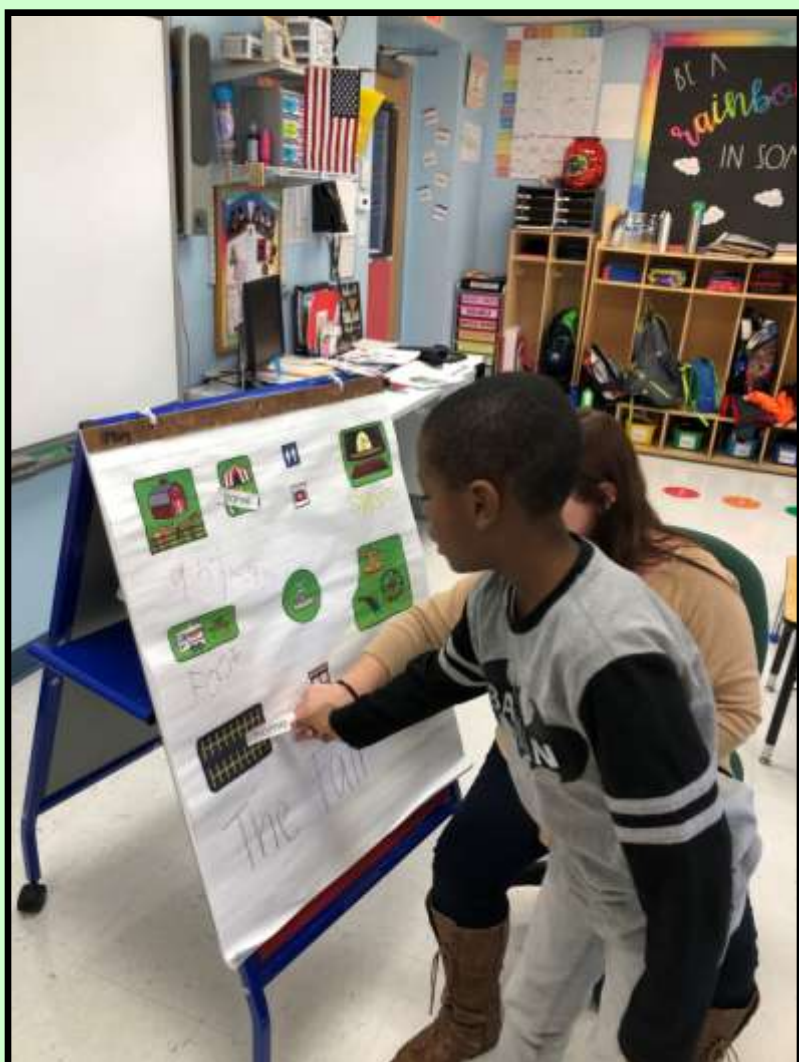
Contact **Janet Mouliere** for tickets, sponsorships
or for additional information

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Room 24 is Learning About Maps

The children in Room 24 have been learning about maps! Teacher **Kim Bickard** read a story about a Fair and then followed the story with a map to visit places at Little Village. The class visited the gym, the “jungle”, the “country store” and the “park during winter”.



Pumpplekin Bake Off Winners

Thanks to all of the staff that participated in Little Village's 6th annual staff **Pumpplekin Bake-Off** and to Sue Lasher and the HLVS Morale Committee for organizing another great time! Our Winners were:

MOST CREATIVE

Nicole DeLeon — Pumpkin Spice and Everything Nice

TASTIEST

Jocelyn Decrescenzo – Caramel Apple Cheesecake

BEST APPEARANCE

Lorena Beltran-Correale — Apple Cake

OVERALL FAVORITE

Diane D'Antonio — Stone Fruit Crumble





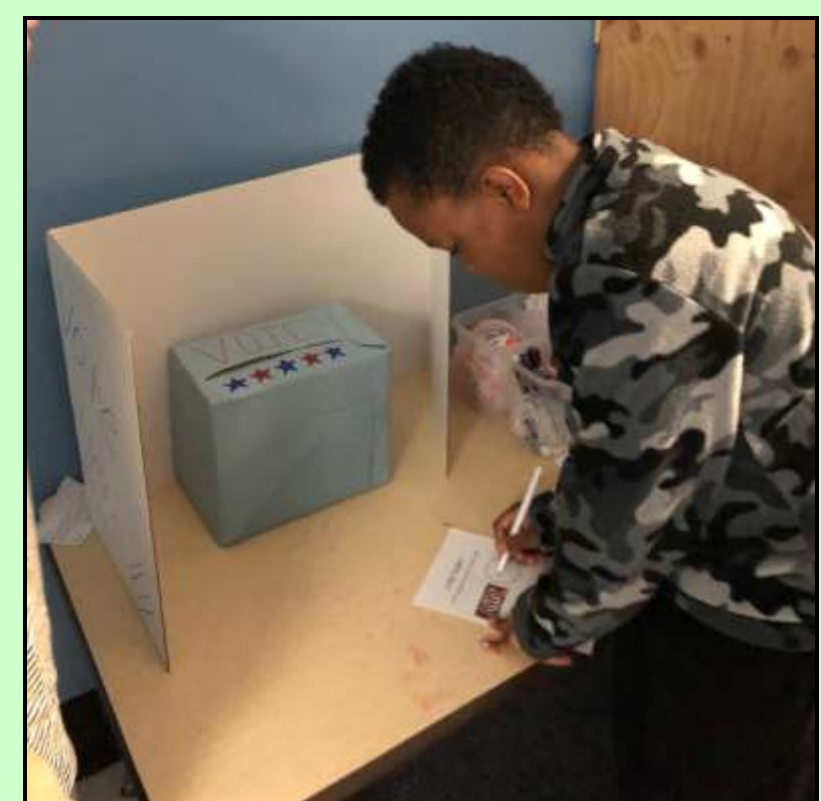
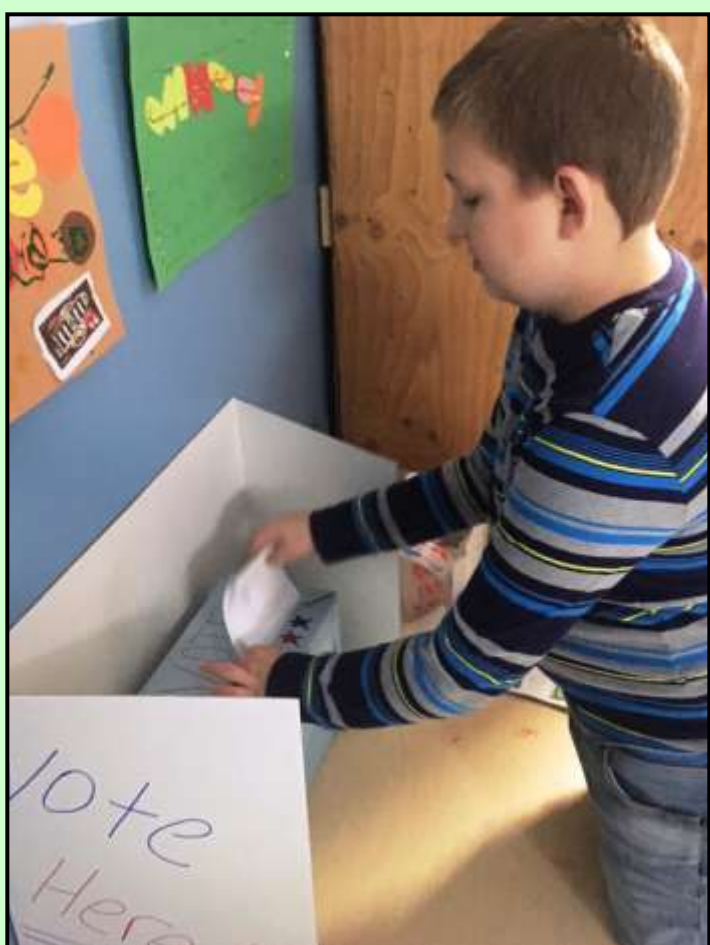
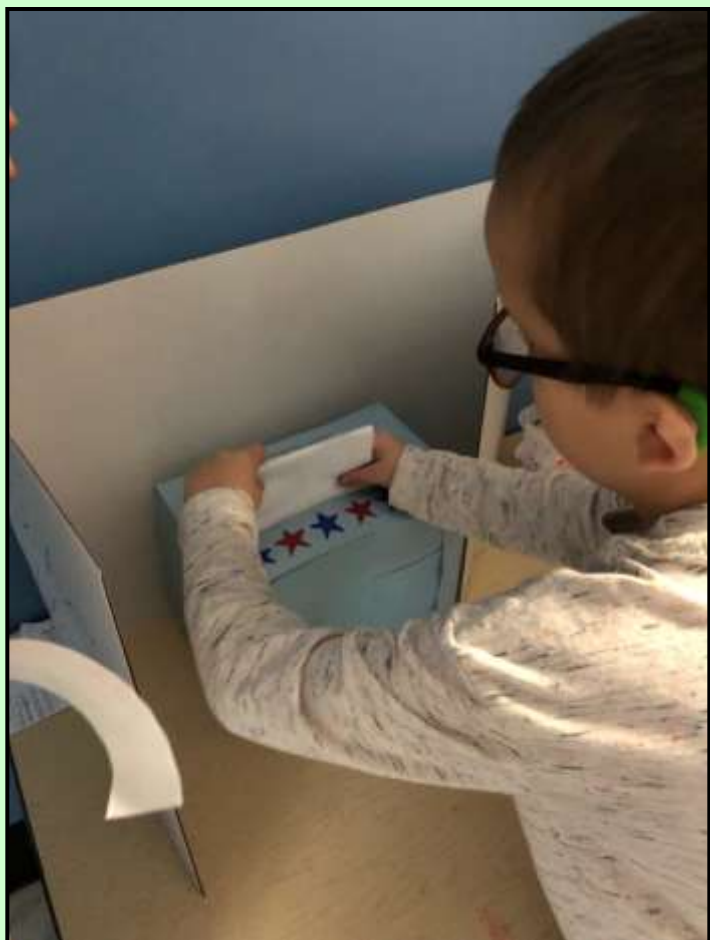
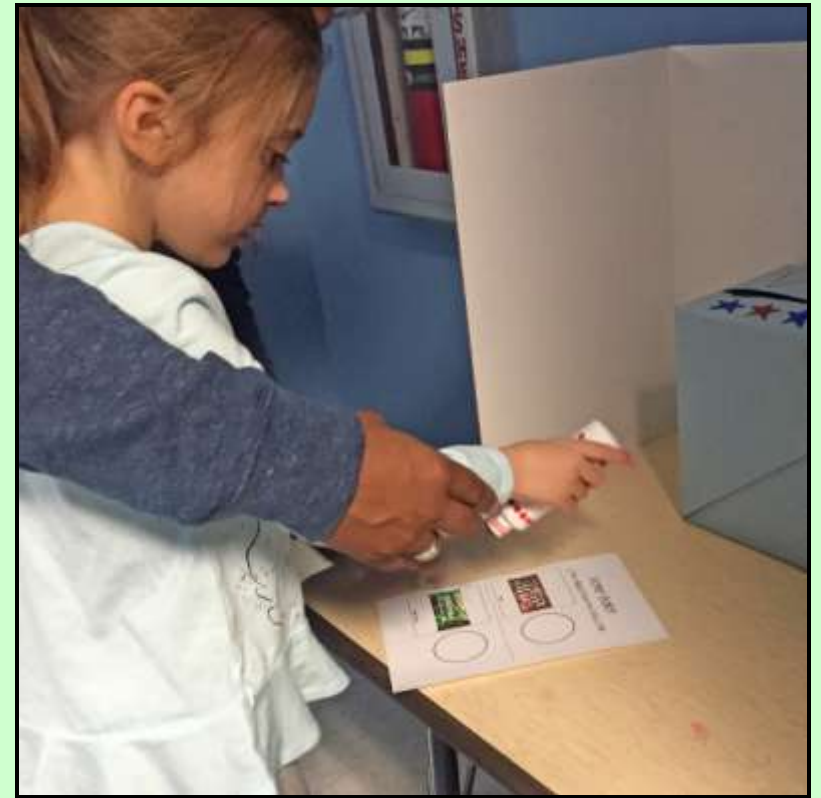
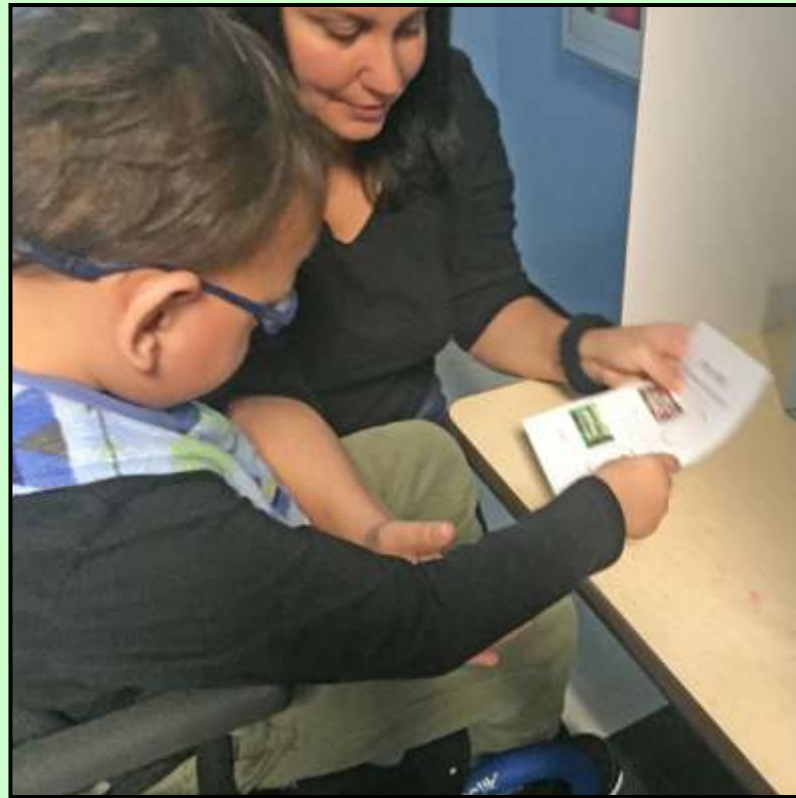
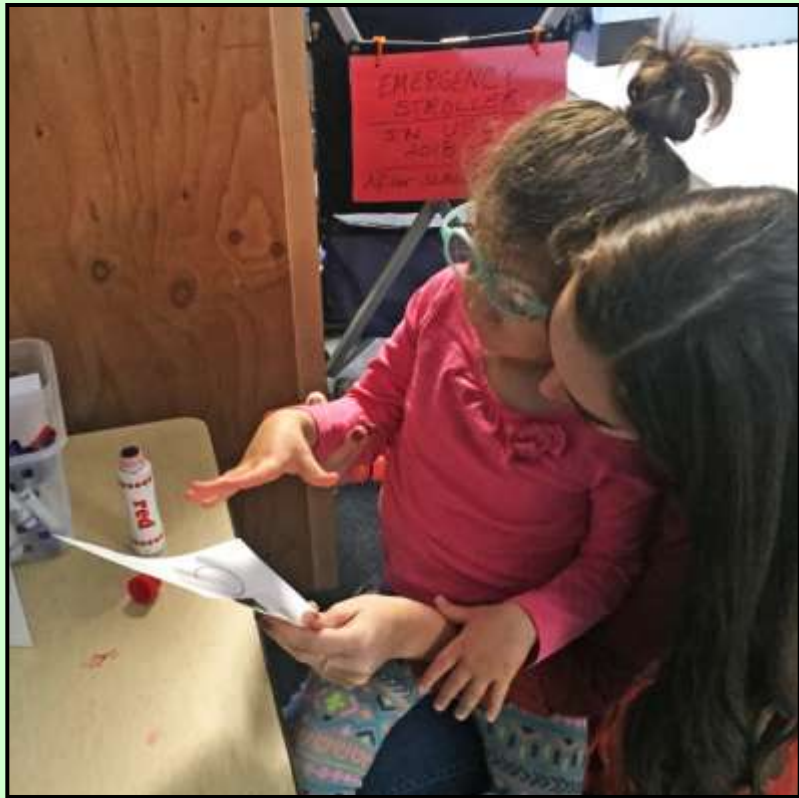
Staff HALLOWEEN Contest!



Election Day for Our School Aged Classes

This past week, our school aged classes learned about our country's election process. The students learned and talked about campaigning, polling, and other aspects of the election process. Most importantly, the children voted for their favorite candy! *What's Your vote? M&Ms or Mike and Ikes?*

*After all of the votes were counted, the results yielded a tie! The children in Room 8 decided Principal **Patti Pizza** should be the tie breaker. She brought M&Ms to cast her vote and share with Room 8.*



Learning About Science in Room 20

The children in Room 20 had a great time conducting science experiments this month! Teacher **Shaunna Gilheany** and her students made predictions and then tested their predictions as to which items would sink or float. They also enjoyed conducting experiments using vinegar and baking soda to blow up balloons.



Remember to check us out on Facebook and Instagram!

Children's Yoga

Melinda Reidy is an Occupational Therapist at HLVS, as well as a registered yoga instructor and is certified in Children's Yoga. A Yoga class was held at HLVS to teach children and parents about kid's yoga and to emphasize the importance of mindful moving and breathing.

These free trial classes were offered to all students attending HLVS. Children with various skills and abilities were able to come together and engage in the class! As a result of the positive feedback we received, we are currently in the process of planning future classes in order to offer yoga to our students more regularly.



Continuing Education Conference at Little Village

Childhood Apraxia of Speech: Theory, Assessment and Treatment

December 10, 2018

Presenter: Elaine Dolgin-Lieberman, MA/CCC SLP

Program Description

This seminar will provide research on assessment and treatment of Childhood Apraxia of Speech. This program will include a review of Childhood Apraxia of Speech, current Speech-Motor assessments, and treatment strategies based on Evidence-Based Practice. Case examples will be provided to facilitate learning.

Registration 8:00am • Conference 8:30am - 4:00pm • .6 CEUs offered
Level: Intermediate • Professional Area

For further information, please contact **Kimberly Neary** or **Jessica Resnick** (516) 520-6076 or email at conferences@littlevillage.org

North Massapequa Fire Truck Visit

Little Village would like to thank **Gary Pysock**, ex-captain and chairman of the fire prevention committee, and firefighter **Rich Brennan** of the North Massapequa Fire Department engine company number 3 for recently visiting Little Village. The children had a great time sitting inside the fire truck!



Spinning for Little Village!

Thank you to Little Village mom **Dana Mancini** and Equinox in Woodbury for holding a Spin Fundraiser for Little Village on Sunday October 21st. Dana had a full class of supporters and everyone had a great time!



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The 2019 Annual Golden Rule Award Dinner



Save the Date!

Thursday, January 24, 2019

**Fresh Meadow Country Club,
Lake Success, N.Y.**



**Gerry & Neil Levy &
the Entire Levy Family**
*Golden Rule Award
Recipients*

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Vijaya L. Atluru, M.D.
*Susan Weshler
Memorial Award Recipient*