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## HOMETOWN BRIEFS

**In Northport, at Bellerose Avenue Elementary School**, students celebrated their Parents as Reading Partners (PARP) program with two special grade-level assemblies with PetraPuppets, on Jan. 20. Hosted by ventriloquist Steve Petra, students were presented with an interactive show that featured quirky puppet characters, titled "Reading

**In Oakdale, at the Academy at Milliken Technical Center**, clinical medical assisting teacher Deborah Leedham asked her students to explain how food might interact with medications during their celebration of food and diversity in the classroom. Students in the program are learning about anatomy and physiology, standard precautions, clinical and diagnostic procedures, and other basic training in medical assisting.

**Middle Island's Longwood Middle School Junior Robotics Team #2182** was recently named the winner of the Robot Design Award and Mechanical Design Award at the For Inspiration and Recognition of Science



Photo Courtesy: Northport-East Northport School District

Steve Petra from PetraPuppets educated and entertained Bellerose Avenue Elementary School students during their PARP program, on Jan. 20.

**Rampage,"** which focused on the importance of reading.

and Technology (FIRST) Lego League Qualifier, presented by School-Business Partnerships of Long Island. The team will now advance to the Championship Round at Longwood High School, on March 5.

**Seventy-two Lindenhurst High School** students collectively logged more than 67 community service hours as they took part in the first "Eat-n-Serve" session, held in the school's library. Students volunteered to spend their lunch session in the library, working with Amanda Lotitio and Rosalia Millan of the Lindenhurst Public Library, to make over 80 plush pet toys for the Babylon Animal Shelter in West Babylon.

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