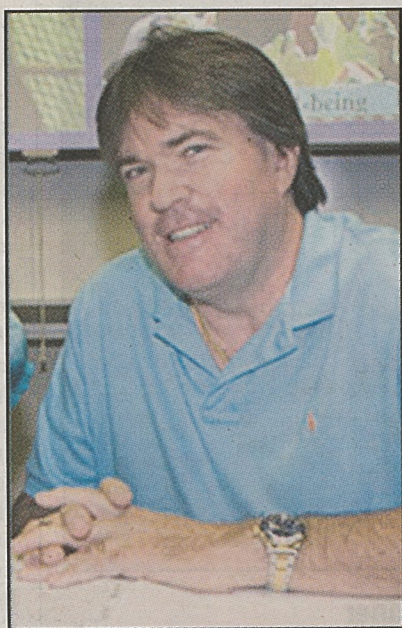


# Popular Doc To Give Manhasset Straight Dope On Drugs

He's back by popular demand. On Thursday, Jan. 30 at 7:30 p.m. at Manhasset High School, Dr. Stephen Dewey of the Feinstein Institute for Medical Research at North Shore LIJ will candidly present "the facts...and just the facts" as to how alcohol and drugs affect the teen brain.

Dewey's parent and youth presentation, "This is Your Teen's Brain," is held in coordination with Manhasset CASA and National Drug Facts Week, which runs from Monday, Jan. 27 through Friday, Jan. 31.

"We want teens to have the opportunity to learn what science has taught us about drug abuse and addiction," said Theresa Curry, Manhasset Public Schools' District Coordinator for Science and Health. "There are so many myths about drugs cluttering our teens' world, and National Drug Facts Week affords teens access to honest answers."



Teens from Manhasset CASA's Youth Committee have joined forces with the Art Honor Society, the Key

Club and Indian Ink to coordinate National Drug Facts Week, which celebrates the inquisitive minds of teens by giving them a space (virtual or physical) to ask questions about drugs and to get scientific answers from experts.

On Tuesday, Jan. 28, Manhasset High School's eighth- and tenth-grade health class students will participate in National Chat Day, addressing questions via computer to the nation's top experts in the field of drug abuse and addiction.

Dewey, Manhasset CASA's "secret weapon" when it comes to dispelling myths about underage drinking and drug use, has appeared often on television, including on *20/20*, *Dateline*, and *Good Morning America*, and the major networks.

"We are so fortunate to have Dr. Dewey dedicate his time and energy in Manhasset to offer all of us the understanding of how underage

drinking and drug use can have short and long-lasting health consequences for our teens," said Lisa Belinsky, executive director of Manhasset CASA. "And it is both students and parents that continue to request this presentation."

Since 2001, Manhasset CASA collaborates across the community to strengthen families so teens can grow up healthy and safe. A recipient of the Office of National Drug Control Policy's Drug Free Communities Grant Program, CASA strives to reach youth before they are in trouble by connecting parents, schools and the community as partners in this common goal.

For more information or to become a member of Manhasset CASA, go to [manhassetcasa.org](http://manhassetcasa.org) and 'like' them on Facebook.

For more information about National Drug Facts Week go [drugfactsweek.drugabuse.gov](http://drugfactsweek.drugabuse.gov).

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Cooking Outreach Program February 4

The Manhasset Woman's Coalition Against Breast Cancer's Outreach Program will host Kitchen Classics Crock Pot Creations with Holistic Chef Christine Borzell on Tuesday, Feb. 4 from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. at Kitchen Designs by Ken Kell located at 26 Hillside Avenue, Williston Park.

You will learn: The best slow cooker ingredients and techniques for successful meals. How to cook once and eat twice with basic recipes and variations. Recipes for soups, stews, sauces and vegetarian meals.

The cost is \$30 per person, paid in advance. Limited to 15 participants. To make your reservation, contact [lynnminuttillo@verizon.net](mailto:lynnminuttillo@verizon.net) or call her at 516-365-1032.

Additional Kitchen Classics are

scheduled for Tuesday, March 4, "Flavor Infusion" and Tuesday, April 8, "Glorious Grains."

This program is made possible in part due to grants received from the LI2Day Walk to Fight Breast Cancer.

### SCA Seeking Nominations For Open Positions

The SCA is seeking nominations for three open positions, and has extended the deadline to Friday, Jan. 31. The committee is soliciting nominations (including self-nominations) and encourages residents to submit names of individuals who would make a difference in our schools and community. The following positions are open: Executive



Treasurer, Middle School President and Munsey Park President. Each position serves a two-year term.

Contact Christine Arella at [christinearella@gmail.com](mailto:christinearella@gmail.com) or Mary Bellucci at [mkbellucci@yahoo.com](mailto:mkbellucci@yahoo.com).

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