

# ISLAND IDOL

The 12<sup>th</sup> annual Island Idol, the library's signature teen music festival, arrived on a beautiful summer evening in July. Thanks to generous sponsorship by King Kullen, Friends of the Middle Country Public Library, and the Allstate Foundation, approximately 350 community members were hugely entertained by our very talented teens. The judges evaluating their efforts were: Dr. Diana Cook, Director of Music and Fine Arts at the Middle Country Central School District; Victor LaBozzetta III, alumnus of Middle Country Schools, majoring in Percussion Performance at the Eastman School of Music; Dominick Ricciardi, former Sound Engineer for Cove City Sound and Upper Room Ministries; and Camile Arnone, local actress and director.



*Pictured (l-r): Best Solo Vocal or Dance Performance: Gabrielle Pegg; Best Solo Vocal or Dance Performance Runner-Up: Katelyn Costa; Best Musician or Band Performance: Ally Short; Best Musician or Band Performance Runner-Up: Grace Miller.*



*Pictured (l-r): Kristin Shankles, teen librarian; Tracy LaStella, coordinator for youth services; Kristine Tanzi, teen team manager; Paul Chalupa, Selden store manager, King Kullen; Sue Bohrer-Braun, Allstate Agent; Sara Fade, teen librarian; Deborah Hempe, teen librarian; Michelle Kenney, teen librarian; Lori Abbatepaolo, grants coordinator.*