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Gashi Raises \$469k, Collects 4,000 Signatures in Run for Congress NY-16-Game On!



County Legislator and Congressional candidate Vedat Gashi

#### By Dan Murphy

Revealing a monumental amount of support behind his bid for Congress, Westchester County Legislator Vedat Gashi's campaign for New York's 16th Congressional District announced today that they raised \$469,854 in less than one month. Notably, Gashi also demonstrated strong grassroots support by submitting almost 4,000 petition signatures — over three times what is required securing his place on the June 28th primary ballot.

"I'm awestruck by the outpouring of support our campaign has received from our local community. It underscores how ready we are for real change and real representation," said Vedat Gashi, candidate for Congress. "Together, we can strengthen our country and create a fairer New York that works for everyone."

Vedat Gashi is an attorney and a Democratic District Leader of the Yorktown Democratic Party. In 2019, he was elected to serve on the Westchester County Board of Legislators, representing the 4th Legislative District. In 2021, he was re-elected and currently serves as the Chair of the Budget and Appropriations Committee, where he oversees Westchester County's \$2.2 billion budget. Under his leadership, Westchester County has invested hundreds of millions of dollars in the community while lowering the County property tax levy every year he has been in elected office. County investments improved Westchester's roads, water and sewer facilities, added affordable housing, invested over \$35 million to bring the County fleet into the 21st century by converting from fossil fuel to hybrid and electric vehicles, and increased funding for childcare by over \$10 million.

Vedat Gashi lives and works in his hometown of Yorktown with his wife and two kids who attend public school.

Gashi faces what many believe is a difficult task; defeating an incumbent democratic member of Congress, Rep. Jamaal Bowman. Bowman defeated 32 year incumbent Eliot Engel two years ago.

The recent statewide redistricting of congressional districts moved Bowman's 16th District into Northern Westchester and Putnam County, and into Gashi's

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### Westchester "Incel" Gets 30 Months for

Latimer, Westchester County, Caps Gas Tax; Orders Free Bee Line Bus Service This Summer



"Every single penny counts when making your family's budget," - County Executive George Latimer

#### By Dan Murphy

As Westchester residents are increasingly facing difficult financial choices when it comes to their mode of transportation, Westchester County Executive George Latimer is introducing legislation to cap the County's collection of sales tax on gas purchases to \$.12 per gallon, equal to the cost of the tax with gas at \$3.00 per gallon, and suspending fares on Bee-Line Buses.

If approved, this proposed gas tax cap will run from June 1, 2022 to November 30, 2022. Latimer's directive on the County's Bee-Line Bus fares does not require legislation. This suspension of fares will run during the Summer until a later date.

Latimer said: "Every single penny counts when making your family's budget and we want to encourage residents to travel our County and enjoy their summers. The capping of our gas tax will help Westchester families stretch their budgets just a little bit further."

Understanding that the capping of the County's sales tax collection on gas purchases does not impact all Westchester residents equally, Latimer is also directing the County's Bee-Line Bus Service to suspend fares for riders.

Latimer added: "Not every Westchester resident drives a car, and rising costs in everyday life are impacting all of us. This brief fare respite is aimed at helping all residents have a little extra cash in their pockets this summer."

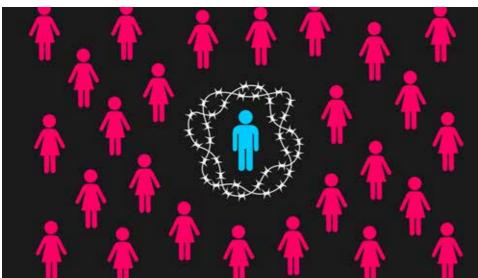
The proposed legislation capping the collection of sales tax on gas purchases now goes to the Board of Legislators for approval, with the suspension of bus fares only requiring County Executive approval.

The savings per gallon from implementing the \$3 cap is 20 cents per gallon. The county share is 4 cents of this. This is average across the County. Since inside the big 4 cities our tax is only 1.5% vs 4% outside cities the county portion of savings inside cities is less. Assuming 60 gallons of gas is used per month savings would be \$12 per month or \$36 per quarter. If you use 50 gallons a month it is \$30 savings per quarter.

When combined with a New York State plan to cut the gas tax by 16 cents also starting in June, Westchester residents will see significant relief at the pumps this summer, when gas prices usually go up.

### **New Yorkers File Lawsuit Against**

### Stalking, Harassing Multiple Women



#### **By Dan Murphy**

Educator and entrepreneur Scott Galloway has frequently noted that "the most dangerous person in the world is a young man who is broke and alone," adding "many young men are spending too much time vaping and watching porn."

Many of the young men that Galloway references are also self-identified Involuntary Celebate's, or Incels. Incels are members of an online community of young men who consider themselves unable to attract women sexually, typically associated with views that are hostile toward women and men who are sexually active.

On April 14, Damian Williams, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, announced that David Kaufman, 27, from Peekskill, was sentenced to 30 months in prison, after pleading guilty to stalking multiple victims between October 2019 and August 2020. U.S. District Judge Nelson S. Román imposed today's sentence.

U.S. Attorney Damian Williams said: "David Kaufman, a self-described 'Incel,' or 'Involuntary Celibate,' expressed his hatred of women by terrorizing and harassing his victims though threats of violence. The Court's sentence sends a clear message to the public that perpetrators of violence against women will be held accountable for their crimes."

According to the Complaint, Indictment, other documents in the public record, as well as statements made in public court proceedings: Kaufman self-identifies as an "Incel" or "Involuntary Celibate," which refers to a group of domestic extremists who adhere to a violent and misogynist ideology of male supremacy. Incels believe they are entitled to sex with women and to women's bodies, and they blame women for refusing to have sex with them. Incels have an active online community and over the last eight years, Incels also have committed acts of violence against women around the world, including in the United States.

For example, in 2014, a self-proclaimed Incel named Elliot Rodger declared a "War on Women" and killed six people and injured fourteen others near a college campus in California. Prior to these attacks, Rodger posted a video manifesto online, in which he explained that he planned his attack to punish women for rejecting him and for depriving him of sex, and to punish sexually active men

### **Taxpayer Funded Bills Stadium** One Plaintiff is Westchester Resident Tony Futia



The Buffalo Bills want taxpayers to pick up a large portion of the cost of building a new stadium.

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Bob Schulz, left, and Westchester resident Tony Futia, plaintiffs in lawsuit

#### By Dan Murphy

Four New York residents have filed a taxpayer lawsuit against Governor Kathy Hochul and the state legislature for the \$850 million in public funds going to pay for a new stadium for the Buffalo Bills.

The new stadium was included in the state budget passed by the legislature and signed by the Governor earlier this month.

The lawsuit, filed in State Supreme Court in Albany, asks the court for a preliminary injunction declaring the three pieces of the \$850 Million in public funds to be "null and void" based on "Article VII-Section 8.1 and Article VIII, Section 1, of the New York State Constitution."

*Article VII, Section 8.1* of the New York State Constitution reads: "The money of the state shall not be given or loaned to or in aid of any private corporation or association, or private undertaking; nor shall the credit of the state be given or loaned to or in aid of any individual, or public or private corporation or association, or private undertaking, but the foregoing provisions shall not apply to any fund or property now held or which may hereafter be held by the state for educational, mental health or mental retardation purposes."

*Article VIII, Section 1* of the NY Constitution reads: No county, city, town, village or school district shall give or loan any money or property to or in aid of any individual, or private corporation or association, or private undertaking, or become directly or indirectly the owner of stock in, or bonds of, any private corporation or association; nor shall any county, city, town, village or school district give or loan its credit to or in aid of any individual, or

### Yonkers Women in Law Enforcement and PAL Collect Prom Dresses for High School Girls



Westchester county police officers Johnson and Devito make a delivery of prom dresses

YONKERS WOMEN IN LAW ENFORCEMENT & THE YONKERS POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE



Have a prom dress you can donate to a student in need? Help support the Yonkers Women in Law Enforcement and the PAL in their efforts to make sure everyone can go to the prom! Email yonkerswle@gmail.com for more info or to make a donation. If you are in need of a prom dress, please call #YonkersPD Detective V. Martinez -914-327-9655, or PAL Director Marisol Mancebo 914-513-9548. -con't on pg 7-

### **Yorktown Commemorates the Holocaust**



Esther Geizhals and Councilman Ed Lachterman light candles at Yorktown's annual Holocaust Remembrance Ceremony at Town Hall.

Community residents joined Town officials on Thursday for the annual Holocaust Remembrance Ceremony.

Councilman Ed Lachterman began the commemoration by noting that current world events underscore the dangers of apathy towards injustice in far-off lands.

"Today we can add the Ukraine to this list. The atrocities that are happening there have actually been compared to the methods and modus operandi of the Germans under the Nazi party," said Lachterman, whose paternal grandparents emigrated from Ukraine after deadly anti-Jewish pogroms from 1903 to 1906. "We are here to let our voices be heard—that crimes against our fellow man are not acceptable and that we will never stand still for these actions in our society."

Rabbi Robert Weiner of Temple Beth Am cited Elie Wiesel in his remarks. "Wiesel was teaching us that the Holocaust demands that we not remain indifferent to the suffering of people of color, of the LGBTQ-plus community, of the trans community. We must not be silent to our Asian brothers and sisters, our Jewish brothers and sisters and our Muslim brothers and sisters. We must remain vigilant and steadfast for all those struggling within our borders and around the world," said Weiner.

Holocaust survivor Esther Geizhals was the event's keynote speaker. Geizhals was 10 years old in Lodz, Poland when German invaded her country and a year later, she and her family were forced to live in a ghetto. After giving her account of survival and emigration to the United States, she remembered her late-husband's words that led her to speak about her experience.

"If we want people to remember the Holocaust, we have to start with students," said Geizhals, who has shared her experiences with children and students for the past 20 years.

Supervisor Matt Slater told attendees that when he brought his son Charlie to the event, Geizhals told him her story was too sad for such a young child. "I think that it is important for Charlie...for all the children of our community and the world to understand what you endured. My hope and my belief is that by teaching them and having them hear these stories they'll know what not to do. They'll know the importance of humanity, the importance of love," said Supervisor Slater.

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### Latimer Delivers State of the County Address: "The State of Our County is United"



County Executive George Latimer

On April 21 Westchester County Executive George Latimer delivered his fifth State of the County Address in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Legislators. Latimer assured all residents of Westchester County that while a war of aggression rages across the ocean, here in Westchester County – we are united.

Latimer said: "While others are divided, while others swim in opposing tides fighting currents and waves of destruction – we – the State of our County – is united."

Latimer touted Westchester County's surging population, with more than one million people collectively calling Westchester County home. The Hudson Gate-way Association of Realtors reported a "record-breaking year in 2021," with home prices up and inventory down as the demand for Westchester real estate soared.

Latimer said: "We know families are pouring in, we know houses are flying off the market. We know it because we see it on our block. The County's population grew by 5.8 percent between 2010 and 2020, ahead of the Census Bureau's own estimates."

Latimer stressed the importance cutting County property taxes again for Westchester's homeowners – a seven million dollar cut in the 2022 budget, and a promise to strive for another cut in the future. Latimer closed out 2021 with a \$64 million dollar operating surplus, all while maintaining Westchester County's essential services.

Latimer said: "We are launching new and innovative programs, but despite the rhetoric, we aren't raising taxes to do it. After four full years of smart, prudent fiscal management by my administration, Westchester County's bond ratings now stand as 'stable' by all three major rating agencies."

Latimer applauded the brave men and women of the County departments of Public Safety and Probation, for helping to keep crime down and our residents safe in Westchester. In Westchester County we are tough on crime, and the numbers prove it.

Latimer said: "Let's look at the numbers, let's look at the facts. Here in Westchester, crime is down. When the Westchester County Department of Public Safety compared January through September 2017 versus 2021, we see a decrease across the board. Total violent crime has decreased 27.6 percent."

Latimer placed a special focus on the development of affordable housing, supported by a combined total of \$50 million allocated in the 2022 Capital Budget, representing the largest single year commitment to affordable housing in the County's history. With affordable housing developments opening in Port Chester, Yonkers, Rye Brook, Greenburgh and numerous other neighborhoods, and more than 4,400 in the pipeline since 2018, Latimer has proven that affordable housing is a top priority.

Latimer said: "Our responsibility as a County government is to make sure that the opportunity for affordable housing is always there. Westchester County is home for everyone, and all are welcome here."

The State of the County address included a video series detailing Westchester County's path forward, including a focus on crime reduction with the help of the County's Public Safety and Probation Departments, a behind-the-scenes look at long-standing building and infrastructure projects like Memorial Field, and the completion of the Westchester County 9/11 First Responders Memorial.

The speech also highlighted several initiatives the Latimer Administration has accomplished, including:

A 2021 Budget that closed with no layoffs, no furloughs, no service cuts or borrowing for pension costs
A recognition of the County's Health Department for their continuous efforts throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, including hosting more than 200 popup vaccination clinics and conducting more than 400 thousand case investigations for COVID-19

### Shop Elm Street in Yonkers! Behave at the Stadium!



By Eric W. Schoen

The shooting last week of Detective Brian Menton, member of a Yonkers Police Joint Task Force with the FBI a week away from retirement was a terrible tragedy that affects not only his police 'brothers' but law enforcement officials all over the country, all over the world. We pray for his speedy recovery and that nothing like this ever happens again.

We join everyone in Yonkers in wishing Detective Menton a full recovery and send our prayers to him, his family and his extended 'police' family. Again we see how important the work of our law enforcement officials is to keep us safe. They have a tough job, not knowing the situation they are walking into. Those who call for defunding the police haven't a clue about how difficult their work is and how important they are to Yonkers and all communities across the country.

Something struck me when Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano made remarks at the press conference the Police Commissioner held at the site of the shooting. He said most people in the Elm Street neighborhood where the shooting occurred are good, hardworking people. I have the occasion to drive down Elm Street several times a week at various hours so I see people walking to work, catching numerous buses and vans that that take them to their jobs, many low or minimal wage. They leave early in the morning, lunch boxes and tools in hand and return late at night. Many wait on Yonkers Avenue just passed the gym to be picked up for day labor work. The work these day laborers due is not regulated in any way and they toil for long hours not under the best conditions.

Some work in the neighborhood. So I took a ride through the neighborhood to see what it offers. I wasn't surprised. I have been bringing my clothes to the Elm Super Laundromat for years. It takes 5 minutes to drop them off and get my receipt. Pickup is even quicker, and their service is either same day or next day depending what time you bring your clothes in. The price per pound is cheaper than many other laundromats in Yonkers, and the nice ladies and kind owner help me carry my laundry bags when I pack them a bit to heavy to carry.

As an aside, one thing I didn't notice that you will see in good and bad neighborhoods throughout Yonkers is a smoke shop where you can buys pipes, tobaccos, gummies and other products for relaxation and enjoyment. People in the Elm Street area have to spend their money on housing, food and their families. They don't have extra income for luxuries.

There is Charlie's Hardware Store, a hardware store where you can find everything one would need in a hardware store. If they don't have it they can probably get it for your quickly. Elm Liquor Store has been in the neighborhood for ages catering the alcoholic beverage needs of the area.

Hair salons for men and women are plentiful. I had my hair cut at Barbershop de Clase when it went by another name. Excellent Dominican barbers ran the shop. I hadn't had lunch, and the barber kept me in the chair for close to one and a half hours. Those of you who know me know there's nothing on my head that would keep me in a barber chair for one and a half hours on Elm Street or in a Jose Eber shop in Hollywood, California at \$300 a clip, significantly more than on Elm Street.But the stylist wanted my hair to look perfect. Nothing wrong with that!

Antojitos Mexican Restaurant is one of many restaurants that are on Elm Street. Chinese takeout is right across from where the officer was shot, and Taste of the Caribbean Seafood is right around the corner. As is Juices for Life where you can get juices to give you energy, cleanse your system, for headaches, sore throats and pretty much anything else that ails you. As well as juices filled with good things that just taste good! Castle Royale, the old Polish Community Center is steps away from Elm Street, still offering large scale catering and a venue that can accommodate the largest number of people in the city. People from all over make Castle Royale a destination where one can have an affordable event catered by top chefs with plenty of parking steps away from the entrance. Jackie's Florists is among several florists on the street that offer fresh flowers at reasonable prices. Several Botanical stores dot the street, one offering lush plants for sale. Foodtown (an A + P back in the good old days) offers a full line of meats, produce and groceries. The bodegas that line the street are open long hours offering good breakfast and lunch sandwiches throughout the day. Similar to the grocery stores that my dad and a small merchant organization called WESTCHESTER Food Merchants operated throughout Yonkers when I was very young. Merchants then were Jewish, Italian and of Jordanian descent. Now most of the merchants are Dominican and Spanish. Still open early in the morning until late at night, family members working 12-14 hour days. The new Westhab Dayspring Commons will bring many new residents to the neighborhood and all that it offers. The neighborhood features a combination of old timers and those new to Yonkers and this country. I don't feel afraid picking up my laundry or stopping in a bodega on Elm Street any time of the day. Years ago Elm Street featured hot, delicious breads from DeLasho's where my laundromat is now. Fond memories!

The continued success of the Office of Economic Development, including new and innovative programs to support job growth in Westchester

• A combined total of \$50 million dollars for Affordable Housing, the largest single-year commitment to affordable housing in the County's history

• The creation of Project Alliance in partnership with the departments of Community Mental Health, Public Safety, Emergency Services and Social Services to address the needs of residents with behavior health challenges

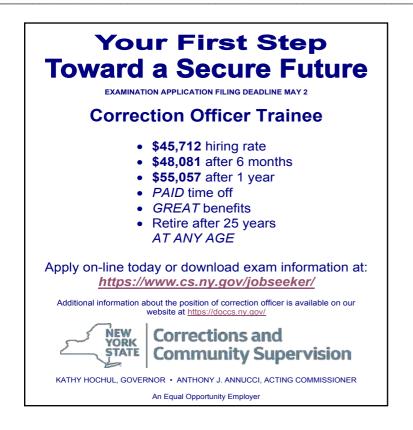
• The revamping of a community-based Public Engagement Program to support the Master Plan on Westchester County Airport

 $\cdot$  The grand opening of the County's new Veterans Service Agency office in White Plains

The electrification of Westchester County's Bee-Line Bus fleet

 $\cdot$  An ongoing celebration of all cultures and heritages throughout Westchester County

Latimer closed by reflecting on the many challenges the County has faced over the past few years, and commending the people of Westchester for their commitment to helping each other during a time of need. "We learned during the pandemic that no one person can care for all the sick, no one person can test all the worried, or vaccinate all the willing. No one person can teach the young, and no one person can restore our faith – no one person can do anything alone. But fear not, because we have each other. One Westchester. And we are building our future – together."



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### Letters to the Editor:

#### Alzheimer's Association Hudson Valley Thanks Volunteers

During National Volunteer Week, I would like to acknowledge Bruce Crilly for his leadership as the Marketing Chair of the Hudson Valley chapter of the Alzheimer's Association Westchester Walk Planning Committee.

For two years Bruce has brainstormed and strategized to create marketing collateral for internal communications always thinking outside the box. Without volunteers like Bruce we would not be able to accomplish our mission of raising funds and awareness to end Alzheimer's and all dementia. His efforts embody the spirit of what it means to really be the change you wish to see in the world.

Thank you so much for your ongoing volunteer leadership. -Esther McCarthy Director, Westchester Walk to End Alzheimer's

#### Letter to the Editor:

Our public and charter schools have become bastions of social activism. Parents are being left out of decisions regarding their children's education, mental, medical and physical health.

The New York State Bill "Sex Education Mandate S.2584-A-Brouk/A.6616-Nolan" This bill would require public schools including charter schools to offer comprehensive sex education to all K-12 in accordance with state-created criteria.

The Sex Education Mandate Bill would require New York State Education Department to create comprehensive sexuality education programs in accordance for K-12 students with "national sexuality education standards". The bill would receive input from experts including experts in "reproductive and sexual health care" expertise "serving lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning youth." In kindergarten -12 grade.

The opt-out provision contained in the bill does not allow parents to opt out of the controversial and objectionable topics in the curriculum. Parents can only opt out of the HIV Aids curriculum.

The sex education conversations should only be between a parent/guardian and their child, not an activist that their elected school board/PTA hired.

As per the July 2015 New York State Guidance to School Districts. New York State Education Department includes the following statement: "There is no threshold of medical, mental health or treatment required that any student must meet to have their gender identity recognized and respected by a school, A school district demands fellow students, all employees of the school district to refer to the student by their preferred name and gender identity. This is called social transitioning. The National Education Association recommends a "Gender Support Plan" (GSP) created by the activist group Gender Spectrum.

To help schools with Social Transisitioning of students. The GSP which refers to student's "authentic gender". One of the questions on the GSP form is " how will teacher/admin respond to any questions about students gender from Parents?

Why did this all occur? This all started when school districts throughout the USA were sued for not protecting a transgender students from bullying, and bathroom useage that matches their "gender identity". The laws were passed to protect the transgender issues. The laws went past protecting LQBTQ students to creating a disconnect between students and their parents. The school social workers, therapists, psychologists, guidance counselors create an environment where students self diagnose and through The Gender Affirmative Model students are encouraged to embrace their new identity without question, medical or parental input. The schools helps the student to socially transition by using the students new gender identity, their preferred pronouns and encourage the student to live in their new gender identity, including bathroom and lockerroom access.

Parents know elementary school students do not spend time questioning whether their biological body matches their brain. There is no reason for elementary students, be made to imagine themselves as gay, transgender or pansexual. Elementary school children worry more about getting their homework done, getting a hit in little league, scoring a goal in soccer, trying to convince their parents the attributes of getting a pony for their birthdays.

Our politicians and school board members have decided to use bullying prevention as a method of indoctrinating our students in gender ideology including relationships involving diverse sexual orientations and gender identities. The insistence that transgender students must be affirmed or suffer a steep psychological toll is the biggest myth of them all. The 2019 report from the Tavistock and Portman gender clinic in the UK, which showed rates of self harm and suicidality did not decrease even after puberty suppression for adolescent natal girls.

We are told when we enroll our children in Public Schools that we will be an integral part of their scholastic education. We are told that our children's education will be a collaboration between parents, teachers and school administrators. We will all work together to make sure our precisions shild gets the best education possible.

### Andre Rainey Calls Out Colin Smith for Petition Challenge, Democratic Primary 95 AD

Two democratic candidates for Assembly in the 95th District are involved in a debate over petitions, with former Peekskill Mayor Andre Rainey accusing County Legislator Colin Smith of wasting time money and hard work to try and get him out of the race. Smith, Rainey, Dana Levenberg, and Vanessa Agudelo are all seeking to replace Assemblywoman Sandy Galef, who is retiring and not running for re-election.

Rainey states, "In January, I was the first candidate to announce the intention to run for the 95th Assembly District. Win or lose, I wanted to contribute to the conversation and to ensure that people like me, those whose voices are usually not heard in our political arena, would be seriously considered in this election. I see the mental health crisis unfolding, the financial hardship families are facing, and I understand the steps that need to be taken to preserve opportunity and wellness for our children. The everyday struggles I encountered growing up, and those that I saw as the Mayor of Peekskill, have anchored my mission in this race. I decided to run for this seat, because I will represent everyone and will advocate fiercely for those who are struggling.

"When I entered this race, I knew it would not be simple. We would need to mobilize thousands of voters through months of community outreach, canvassing neighborhoods, and building a team of dedicated

volunteers. I expected that my biggest challenge would be earning each voter's support, one vote at a time. And then, of course, the Republican opponents. But that is not the case.

"Over the past two weeks, County Legislator Colin Smith had his-campaign staff pour through my petition signatures. And today, the Board of Elections has notified me that Colin has submitted a formal challenge to my petition in order to get me out of his way, remove me from the ballot, and give you fewer choices on Election Day. Instead of facing me down at debates and on the ballot, Colin simply wants to take me out of the race.

"I've never treated politics as a game. When I campaigned to become mayor of Peekskill, Republicans used everything they had to run against me – my family, my race, even my work with children. In this race, I see my old friend and colleague Colin Smith pouring money into a legal gamble to remove me from the ballot. But in this race, as in the Peekskill race, I choose to focus my attention on the issues facing my community and those who I represent.

"Let's be clear: When the dust settles, I will be on the ballot. We've seen this happen across the country, to good Democratic candidates up and down the ticket. Colin knows these challenges won't stick, but they also won't go away without time, money and more hard work," said Rainey.

#### Bills Stadium lawsuit, continued from pg 1-

or public or private corporation or association, or private undertaking, except that two or more such units may join together pursuant to law in providing any municipal facility, service, activity or undertaking which each of such units has the power to provide separately.

\$600 Million of the \$850 in taxpayer funding for the new stadium is included in the NYS budget; the other \$250 Million would come from funding from Erie County, which has yet to approve the plan.

Bob Schulz, one of the plaintiffs in the lawsuit said, "The State of New York is a Constitutional Republic. The power of elected officials is limited by the will of the People as expressed in the State Constitution. Elected officials often step outside the boundaries drawn around their power. By appropriating \$600M in state funds, and authorizing \$250M in county funds to aid the Buffalo Bills, Gov. Hochul and the Legislature have violated provisions of the Constitution that prohibit the use of public funds in aid of private undertakings. We are asking the Court to invalidate those appropriations."

Westchester resident Tony Futia said, "New York state has been deliberately not teaching generations of children civic education as required by section 801 of New York State law."

A recent Sienna Poll found 63% of New Yorkers disapprove the public spending of \$600 Million for the new stadium, and opinion columns have largely criticized the expenditure.

"Only in America can multi-billionaire capitalists like Terry and Kim Pegula, owners of the NFL's Buffalo Bills, demand socialist handouts from taxpayers for a new publicly financed sports palace so the value of their franchise — along with the team's annual profits — can skyrocket.... According to Forbes, the Pegula's have a net worth of \$5.8 billion. Nevertheless, they have spent months begging local and state politicians for public money to build a new stadium. Subtle threats have been dropped about moving the Bills to Austin, Texas, or elsewhere, if their demands aren't met." writes Ken Reed, at Syracuse.com.

all work together to make sure our precious child gets the best education possible

A fifth grade public school teacher C. Scott Miller a member of Equality California an LGBTQ Activist Group, explained to author Abigail Shier, "Parental rights ended when children are enrolled in public schools"

Parents be aware who you vote for in political candidates. Make sure the candidates believe in parental rights and parental rights are included in their platform. Parents make sure you understand what your local school board stands for. Make sure your school board is not just a rubber stamp for the teachers union and recognizes a parents rights in education, mental, medical, physical health of their child. Pay attention to school board meetings. Vote on your school budgets.

My Lakeland Central School District's student code of conduct states that students recognize that teachers assume the role of surrogate parent in matters of behavior and discipline when at school. So are teachers becoming surrogate parents as, parents are being left out of their childrens education? I have an issue with teachers taking on a parental role, do you?

Maureen McArdle Schulman, Grandmother of 3, Retired Harlem Firefighter, 2020 Candidate for NY17 US Congress, Shrub Oak, NY







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The Editorial Board at the Albany Times-Union wrote: "Ms. Hochul's deal with the Bills hands over \$600 million in state money plus an additional \$250 million from Erie County on the promise of an estimated 10,000 temporary construction jobs. Since it is merely a replacement for an existing stadium, the plan offers little in the way of new tax revenue or growth. In other words, state and county taxpayers are paying \$850 million essentially to maintain the status quo.... It is, quite simply, a bad deal — a giveaway that is generous even by the standards of recently constructed stadiums in other states. At a minimum, New York taxpayers can expect that the Bills' billionaire owners would contribute significantly more."

Other media reports estimate that the current Bills stadium could have been renovated for a quarter of the cost of the new stadium. Many progressive New Yorkers argue that our tax dollars should not go to subsidize a Billionaire. On the other side of the aisle, are fiscal conservatives like Schulz and Futia, who also don't want their tax dollars going to fund a stadium, for other reasons. Usually, whenever you have both sides of the political spectrum in agreement, they are usually right.

### **NEW YORK HOMEOWNERS:**

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### **New Rochelle Library to Host Martial Arts Marathon April 23**

On Earth Day, April 22, Westchester County Executive George Latimer and Westchester County's Department of Environmental Facilities (DEF) hosted the 2022 Eco Awards at Glen Island Park. The Eco Awards recognize outstanding contributions to the environment and sustainability made by residents, students, schools, municipalities, businesses, and other organizations.

Latimer said: "The Eco Award winners range from students to municipalities and beyond. When we see what can be done, we know that there is more to be done and more ideas to be developed to improve and protect our planet. These initiatives and projects improve our County's environment and sustainability, while helping to make Westchester County a healthy, green place to live, work and visit

Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Facilities Louis Vetrone said: "Westchester County continues to be a leader in environmental management and sustainability, and our residents, businesses and school districts are a major part of that success. The Eco Awards provide an opportunity to recognize those contributions."

Westchester County Director of Energy Conservation and Sustainability Peter McCartt said: "No better and wonderful way to recognize these organizations, businesses, municipalities, and individuals for their conscientious and diligent work for the good of the local and global environment than holding these Eco Awards today, on Earth Day. We are very fortunate here in Westchester to have the many non-profit organizations and volunteers assisting the municipalities with our sustainability efforts, and because of them and our elected officials, we are a lot further along than many other counties, states, and regions."

The County continues to be a leader in recycling and environmental initiatives, with DEF's Residential Food Scrap Transportation and Disposal Program having reaching 20 member-municipalities this month. The ingenuity of the recipients and the efforts of the municipalities and others help to make Westchester County a green place to live and work.

2022 Eco Award Honorees:

Town of Pound Ridge: for achieving the highest municipal curbside recycling rate in Westchester County in 2021

City of Mount Vernon: For its Grab & Go Program, that distributes food to the food insecure and recycles inedible food scraps at the County's CompostED Facility

Village of Larchmont: for establishing Westchester County's first "Green Zone" at Kane Park

Port Chester Middle School & Allison Silverman: For developing a "Big Ideas of Sustainability" after school program for the school's Giving Garden Club that teaches students about sustainability and environmental justice

Riley Hester: For her dedication to improving local recycling by coordinating local collection programs and educating residents on how to recycle through the Recycle Right with Riley campaign

Sustainable Materials Management, Inc.: For operating the first commercial food scrap composting facility in Westchester County

Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers Mission Center: For having the largest solar canopy system in Westchester County that provides energy to over 200 low to moderate income households

Westchester County Association & Pace University Energy and Climate Center: For the creation of the Clean Energy Program Portal – a dynamic and searchable guide to clean energy programs and incentives for businesses in Westchester County and the surrounding region

Janet Harckham: For her tireless efforts to improve our local environment

Robert Greco: For his many years of hard work and dedication to environmental programs in Yonkers

Mario Parise: For over 40 years of service and dedication to improving Westchester County's environment

### **Larchmont-Mamaroneck Lions Donate** 200 Pairs of New Eyeglasses to VHP

The Larchmont Mamaroneck Lions Club donated 200 pairs of new reading glasses to the VHP (Volunteer Health Program). They will be used by the VHP's worldwide eye-health missions. The glasses were from a larger donation to the Yonkers Lions Club, which shared with other Lions clubs for use where needed. The glasses are 4 per package fashion designer "readers" in +1.50, +2.00 and +2.50 strengths. Blindness & eye health is the signature cause of the Lions. They collect & recycle old glasses to be distributed to those in need around the world. Residents can deposit in Lions eyeglass recycle boxes in many businesses, Libraries, Post Offices and Town Centers.

The Volunteer Health Program, Ltd. (VHP) is a non-profit health care program founded in 1992 that focuses on primary medical and surgical eye care to underserved rural areas in the Dominican Republic. Each year, VHP serves approximately 1,200 patients providing on site diagnoses and the surgical and medical treatment of eye diseases. They distribute hundreds of corrective glasses in addition to providing cataract, strabismus, ocular plastics and Pteurygium surgeries. The knowledge of their medical teams and the skills of all of their volunteers allow them to provide compassionate and skilled care to their patients. VHP is grateful for their partnerships with other organizations who provide much needed supplies, such as eyeglasses. The Larchmont Mamaroneck Lions are part of Lions Clubs International, the world's largest service organization. The Lions have 6 core causes: Vision/Blindness, Hunger, the Environment, Diabetes, Childhood Cancer and the future of our Youth. They are signatories of the United Nations resolutions on women's and refugee rights.

The local Lions clubs focus on the needs of their community, supporting the service groups that are already doing the work. 2022 marks the Centennial of Lions in Westchester, with the 100th anniversary of the Yonkers Lions Club. In 2023, the Larchmont Mamaroneck, Mount Vernon and New Rochelle Lions Clubs will celebrate their 100th anniversaries. To learn more about the LM Lions go to http://www.lmlionsclub.org

Yonkers Gets \$383,564

New York Attorney General Letitia James distributed the first round of payments from the opioid settlements to the Hudson Valley, Westchester, and Yonkers. In 2022, the Hudson Valley will receive a total of \$10.8 million and Westchester will receive a total of \$5.8 million, with more than \$380,000 going to Yonkers. These funds are the result of the \$1.5 billion that Attorney General James has secured so far for New York state as a result of settlements with the manufacturers and distributors of opioids. All 62 counties and the five largest cities in the state will begin receiving funds this week, which will be used for opioid treatment and prevention efforts. The Hudson Valley and Westchester will receive up to \$95 million in total over the years as part of these settlements.

"The opioid crisis has devastated communities in Yonkers, Westchester, and the Hudson Valley, but we are helping the communities heal by distributing more than \$16.7 million for opioid prevention, treatment, and recovery," said Attorney General James. "These funds will help us combat this crisis and ensure that those struggling with addiction get the support they need. While no amount of money will ever make up for the lives we've lost, these funds will be vital in helping to prevent future deaths and destruction."

These payments are the first of many to Westchester and the Hudson Valley to combat the opioid crisis. The first payments come from settlements with opioid distributors - AmerisourceBergen Corporation, Cardinal Health, Inc., and McKesson Corporation.

Later this year, Westchester, Hudson Valley counties, and Yonkers will receive additional payments from the settlements with Endo Health Solutions, Janssen Pharmaceuticals, and Allergan. In addition, counties and cities will receive funds from the New York State Opioid Settlement Fund, which is managed by the New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS).

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#### City of Yonkers: \$383,564

In October 2021, Attorney General James visited Westchester County as part of her statewide 'HealNY' tour, where she announced that she will deliver up to \$95 million to help residents in Westchester and the Hudson Valley combat the opioid epidemic. That same month, Attorney General James also toured the Cornerstone Family Healthcare Center for Recovery in Newburgh to address her continued efforts to combat the opioid crisis.

In March 2019, Attorney General James filed the nation's most extensive lawsuit to hold accountable the various manufacturers and distributors responsible for the opioid epidemic. The manufacturers named in the complaint included Purdue Pharma and its affiliates, as well as members of the Sackler Family (owners of Purdue) and trusts they control; Janssen Pharmaceuticals and its affiliates (including its parent company Johnson & Johnson); Mallinckrodt LLC and its affiliates; Endo Health Solutions and its affiliates; and Teva Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc. and its affiliates. The distributors named in the complaint were McKesson Corporation, Cardinal Health Inc., Amerisource Bergen Drug Corporation, and Rochester Drug Cooperative Inc.

In December 2021, Attorney General James scored a court victory against Teva Pharmaceuticals USA after a jury found the company and its affiliates liable for violating New Yorkers' rights. A subsequent trial will now be held to determine how much Teva and others will be required to pay, which will be added to the up to \$1.5 billion Attorney General James has already secured for the state of New York from different opioid manufacturers and distributors.

In September 2021, Attorney General James secured \$50 million from Endo for New York state and Nassau and Suffolk counties to combat the opioid crisis and removed the opioid manufacturer from New York's ongoing opioid trial.

In July 2021, Attorney General James secured a settlement with McKesson, Cardinal Health, and Amerisource Bergen that will deliver up to \$1 billion to New York state to combat the opioid epidemic.

In June 2021, Attorney General James announced a settlement that willdeliver \$230 to New York and end Johnson & Johnson's sale of opioids nationwide.

The cases against Mallinckrodt, Purdue Pharma, and Rochester Drug Cooperative are now moving separately through U.S. Bankruptcy Court.

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#### LEGAL NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT OF COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

BOARD OF MANAGERS OF PONDSIDE VILLAGE III CONDOMINIUM AND THE PONDSIDE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., on behalf of the unit owners, Plaintiff

against

ROLANDO CHUMACEIRO and CECELIA CHUMACEIRO, Defendants.

On the 13th day of May, 2022 at 3:30 p.m., pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered November 25, 2020, and an Amended Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered March 15, 2022, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction in Courtroom 200 of the Westchester County Courthouse, 111 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. White Plains NY the premises in the Town of Greenburgh, County of Westchester and State of New York, in the Condominium known as "Pondside Village III Condominium" also designated as Unit 1506, together with the undivided 1.73 percent interest in the common elements. Said premises is also known as 1506 PONDCREST LANE, WHITE PLAINS, NY 10607

Approximate amount of the lien is \$60,716.74 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to the provisions of the filed judgment and terms of sale under Index Number 53887/2019.

This sale is subject to a first mortgage presently encumbering premises.

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#### -against

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UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF LILLIAN BOBROWSKY, AND IF THEY BE DEAD, ANY AND ALL PERSONS UNKNOWN TO PLAINTIFF, CLAIMING, OR WHO MAY CLAIM TO HAVE AN INTEREST IN, OR GENEREALLY OR SPECIFIC LIEN UPON THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THIS ACTION; SUCH UNKNOWN PERSONS BEING HEREIN GENERALLY DESCRIBED AND INTENDED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE FOLLOWING DESIGNATION, NAMELY: THE WIFE, WIDOW, HUSBAND, WIDOWER, HEIRS AT LAW, NEXT OF KIN, DESCENDANTS, EXECU-TORS, ADMINISTRATORS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, COMMITTEES, LIENORS, AND ASSIGNEES OF SUCH DECEASED, ANY AND ALL PERSONS DERIVING INTEREST IN OR LIEN UPON, OR TITLE TO SAID REAL PROPERTY BY, THROUGH OR UNDER THEM, OR EITHER OF THEM, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE WIVES, WIDOWS, HUSBANDS, WIDOWERS, HEIRS AT LAW, NEXT OF KIN, DESCENDANTS, EXECUTORS; ADMINISTRATORS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, COMMITTEES, LIENORS AND ASSIGNS, ALL OF WHOM AND WHOSE NAMES, EXCEPT AS STATED, ARE UNKNOWN TO PLAINTIFF; SHEREEN BOBROWSKY AKA SHERRY BOBROWSKY, LILLIAN BOBROWSKY, U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCATION, NOT IN ITS INDI-VIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR LOAN ACQUISI-TION TRUST 2017-RPL1, BRUNI & CAMPISI PLUMBING & HEATING, PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, MARC WALDMAN, THE UNITED STATES OF AMER-ICA, AND "JOHN DOE #1," THROUGH JOHN DOE #12," THE LAST TWELVE NAMES BEING FICTITIOUS AND UNKNOWN TO PLAINTIFF, THE PERSONS OR PARTIES INTENDED BEDING THE TENANTS, OCCUPANTS, PERSONS OR COPRORATIONS. IF ANY, HAVING OR CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN OR LIEN UPON THE PREMISES BEING FORECLOSED HEREIN,

#### Defendants.

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DATED:Elmsford, New York March 3, 2022

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Katherine McLaughlin, Esq., Knuckles, Komosinski & Manfro, LLP Attorneys for Plaintiff

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NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose of a mortgage covering premises described as follows:

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#### Eric Schoen, continued from pg. 3-

So if you want to support merchants who in light of the police shooting and crime in the area need your support, Shop Elm Street. My guess is you will find everything you need and support the many good, hardworking people Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano mentioned the day of the police shooting.

Get well soon Detective Brian Menton. All of Yonkers is praying for you! And best of luck in retirement. You deserve it!

Brief: The 'charged' atmosphere that accompanied the Yankees' 5-4 walk-off win over the Guardians on Saturday at Yankee Stadium was an embarrassment to every good baseball loving New Yorker. The hostile interactions between fans and members of Cleveland's outfield. Disgraceful. Behavior that endangers players on the field like beer cans and other debris thrown from the stands following Gleyber Torres' game-winning single off Guardians closer Emmanuel Clase. Pathetic.

I agree with Guardians right fielder Oscar Mercado. "You can celebrate your team walking off all you want, but don't throw [stuff] on the field! That's how people can get hurt. I should've probably walked away.' He continued, "You can root for your team all you want. I'm not denying that. I think it's good for the game when people are die-hard fans. But do it the right way."

Plenty of cameras at the Stadium. Prosecute those who acted like fools! Thankfully, most people know how to behave at a baseball game! PLAY BALL!

Reach Eric Schoen at thistooisyonkers@aol.com. Follow him on Twitter @ ericyonkers. Listen to Eric Schoen on the Westchester Rising Radio Show alternating Thursday's from 10-11 a.m. On WVOX 1460 AM, WVOX.com click listen or download the WVOX app from the App Store free of charge.

Notice of formation of SECOND STAR WELLNESS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 03/03/2022. Allison Susan Courtenay designated as registered agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Allison Susan Courtenay shall mail process to the LLC, 200 Beacon Hill Dr Apt 12E1, Dobbs Ferry NY 10522. Purpose: any lawful activity.

dated June 21, 2021 and filed June 28, 2021

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#### Sources of Information and Assistance

The State encourages you to become informed about your options in foreclosure. In addition to seeking assistance from an attorney or legal aid office, there are government agencies and non-profit organizations that you may contact for information about possible options, including trying to work with your lender during this process. To locate an entity near you, you may call the toll-free helpline maintained by the New York State Department of Financial Services at (800) 342-3736 or visit the Department's website at http://www.dfs.ny.gov.

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CCLC Trucking LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/06/2022. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 440 N Broadway 20, Yonkers, NY, 10701. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.



#### WESTCHESTER RISING FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 2022-

#### Incel Gets 30 Months in Prison, continued from pg. 1-

because he envied them.

In or about 2019 and 2020, Kaufman harassed, threatened, and stalked numerous victims. In or about February 2019, Kaufman sent a bomb, rape, and death threat to a female victim. A few months later, beginning in or about October 2019, Kaufman sent two victims, among others, violent and threatening messages using over 50 social media accounts. In these messages, Kaufman self-identified as an Incel, expressed his hatred of women, and threatened to commit acts of violence.

For example: On or about June 24, 2020, Kaufman sent the following message to Victim-1: "Hey wanna hear a joke? What's worse than 10 Stacy's nailed to one tree? One Stacy nailed to ten trees [laughing crying face emoji]." "Stacy" is an Incel term that refers to an attractive female who rejects or refuses to have sex with an Incel, is hated by Incels, and is targeted by Incels for harassment, vitriol, humiliation, and violence.

On or about June 29, 2020, Kaufman sent a series of messages to Victim-2. These messages included an image of one of Elliot Rodger's victims, a deceased female who had been stabbed to death, accompanied by the following message:

"This is what happened when a woman said 'no' to Elliot Rodger . . . . Hopefully [Victim-1] never said no to someone just like Elliot Rodger.'

In or about July 2020, Kaufman posted the following messages: "Don't piss off BIG MAN" and "When [Victim-1] and I are dead, we'll be in heaven together forever." On or about July 11, 2020, Kaufman sent the following message to Victim-1: "Women have done nothing but spit in my face. Soon I'll be getting a gun

On or about July 12, 2020, Kaufman posted the following messages: "A beautiful environment is the darkest hell, if you have to experience it all alone ... -Elliot Rodger" and "I don't think [Victim-1] will be laughing too much later on."

Kaufman also created social media accounts using the first and last names of Victim-1 and Victim-2, respectively, and impersonated Victim-1 and Victim-2 online.

In the summer of 2020, law enforcement officers approached Kaufman and told him to stop harassing Victim-1 and Victim-2. On or about July 14, 2020, Kaufman was arrested on state criminal charges and an order of protection was issued in Westchester County prohibiting Kaufman from, among other things, communicating or contacting Victim-1 or Victim-2.

Notwithstanding the court order of protection, state charges, and multiple warnings by law enforcement, Kaufman continued to harass, threaten, and stalk Victim-1 and Victim-2 until he was federally charged and arrested in August 2020. Kaufman also conducted online surveillance of Victim-1's residence and researched how to illegally purchase a gun and assemble a semi-automatic rifle.





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Both photos shown are of Elisha. She was last seen on March 27, 2022

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#### **Branden Balfour**



Missing Since: Mar 13, 2022 Missing From: Dobbs Ferry, NY DOB: Apr 26, 2007 Age Now: 14 Sex: Male Race: Black Hair Color: Brown Eye Color: Brown Height: 5'3" Weight: 98 lbs

Branden was last seen on March 13, 2022.

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### Damien Robinson



Missing Since: Mar 3, 2022 Missing From: Mount Vernon, NY DOB: May 3, 2005 Age Now: 16 Sex: Male Race: Black Hair Color: Black Eve Color: Brown Height: 6'1" Weight: 135 lbs

Both photos shown are of Damien. He was last seen on March 3, 2022

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#### By: Dennis Richmond, Jr.

I don't care who gets offended when I write articles, respectfully. Black and Latinx teenagers are missing in New York almost every week, and there's no outcry. According to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, three teenagers went missing in Westchester County, New York last month. I don't know why these teenagers are missing, but these cases need serious attention. Everybody needs to do their part to help find every missing person.

There are stories across the internet about people kidnapping for organ harvesting and sex trafficking. We need our teenagers found immediately. Teenagers across America go missing for different reasons. Sometimes people run away from home. Other times, people are abducted and are held, hostage.

I wrote a popular article on October 20th, 2021. The article is titled "77 BLACK & HISPANIC TEENS MISSING IN NEW YORK." After thousands of people saw it, I've gotten messages and read comments from people across social media. One person claimed to have a connection to one teenager mentioned in the article.

I faced possible legal action for even referencing the person. Why would somebody be mad that I was helping find a missing teenager? If the person was not missing, then once again, I apologize to the family. If the person is still missing, what if somebody wants me to remain quiet? We live in a sick, crazy, disgusting world.

Last year, Yonkers Rising and YonkersTimes.Com began an effort to highlight recent missing children in Westchester and report to our readers. We do this so someone will see something and say something. If anyone wants to support this effort, please email us at news@yonkerstimes.com.

Dennis Richmond, Jr., is a Yonkers Rising reporter covering the Black, Latinx, and LGBTQ+ Community. He is the Author of He Spoke at My School: An Educational Journey. Follow him on Twitter and Instagram at @NewYorkStakz.

#### Prom Dresses, continued from pg. 2-

We spoke to PAL Direcor Macebo who told us, "We have 400 dress donated and given out about 100. We are going to extend the time for the program so we can give out more dresses. We do it by appointment to preserve the privacy for each girl. Most of the dresses were donated by law enforcement and their wives, and the 100 women in blue. I would tell everyone that we have dresses available, so come in and make an appointment. Thank you for your support!!

#### Gashi for Congress, continued from pg. 1-

home in Yorktown, giving him the chance to challenge Bowman in a democratic primary June 23. But 45% of the district is still made up of parts of the Bronx and Yonkers, two areas where democrats don't know who Vedat Gashi is. And despite some of Bowman's controversial votes and positions, the overwhelming majority of black democrats in the district support his re-election. These are all obstacles that Gashi must overcome.

# What Would Life **In America Be Like** Without A Constitution?

A WAR WITHOUT A FORMAL DECLARATION. A "PATRIOT ACT" THAT DESTROYS OUR RIGHTS. AN INCOME TAX WITH NO LEGAL AUTHORITY. A CURRENCY BASED UPON LIMITLESS DEBT. A PRIVATELY OWNED CENTRAL BANK. A GOVERNMENT THAT REFUSES TO ANSWER.

The constitution is all that stands between the people and total government tyranny and despotism. It is a set of principles meant to restrain our servant government and guarantee the protection of the peoples unalienable rights.

The constitution is hanging by a thread. "Enough is Enough."

The constitution does not defend itself. We the American people must defend it.

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#### Subject: Personal Income Tax

Dear Westchester County Residents and Elected Officials:

The U.S. Constitution authorizes our servant government, Congress, to impose two types of taxes - INDIRECT and DIRECT.

#### **INDIRECT TAXES**

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1, empowers the Congress to "lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts and excises...but all duties, imposts, and excises shall be uniform throughout the United States." Duties, imposts and excises are called indirect taxes because these taxes are not paid directly to the government. Rather, indirect taxes are paid via intermediaries such as importers, distributors, manufacturers and others who, in turn, remit the taxes to the government. Even though these entities collect the taxes, the tax is ultimately paid by the consumer because it is added to the price of the product sold.

The drafters of the US Constitution included the requirement that indirect taxes have to be uniform. For example, the Federal tax on gas in New York is the same as in every other state. Indirect taxes are avoidable, as you don't have to purchase the product being taxed.

#### **DIRECT TAXES**

Article 1, Section 2, Clause 3 and Article 1, Section 9, Clause 4 stipulate that "Representatives and direct taxes shall be apportioned among the several states which may be included within the union according to their respective Numbers" and "no capitation or other direct tax shall be laid unless in proportion to the census".

Unlike indirect taxes, there is no escape from direct taxes (at least no legal escape). Direct taxes are so named because they are paid directly from a person to a government entity without an intermediary.

#### THE PROBLEM

The current individual income tax scheme is unconstitutional. Unlike our Representatives, the income tax is not "apportioned" among the States. For instance, a State with 10% of the country's population does not now, but is required to receive a bill from the federal government for 10% of the total amount needed to fund its annual operations after all indirect taxes are taken into consideration. Yet, the government enforces the un-apportioned income tax as a direct tax.

#### THE SIXTEENTH AMENDMENT

The Sixteenth Amendment was added to the Constitution in 1913.

According to the Supreme Court the Sixteenth amendment created no direct, un-apportioned tax.

In addition, according to a thorough research report undertaken in 1985-86, The Law That Never Was, the Sixteenth Amendment was added to the Constitution notwithstanding the fact that only four States "quoted absolutely accurately and correctly the 16 Amendment" proposed by Congress, and the resolutions of thirty-three states "all contain errors."

To be clear, the Constitution prohibits Congress from laying a direct tax on the people unless it is apportioned among the States based on the last census.

The so-called income tax conflicts with the Constitution as it is a direct, un-apportioned tax on our labor.

Sincerely,

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P.S. For an expose on congresses cover-up of the illegal Federal personal income tax for most citizens of the 50 states. "Congress of the United States is required to pay a personal income tax as federal government employees." Go online to taxpayer beware: schemes, scams, and cons, Hearing before the "committee on finance United States Senate 107th Congress on IRS oversight April 5, 2001" pages 117 - 124 correspondence submitted into the congressional record reporting fraud and corruption in our governments application of the personal income tax. Congress refused to allow members of the tax honesty movement to speak at the hearing and did not deny or respond to the charges of corruption. It is in the Congressional public record for all to see.