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Latimer Raises \$1.4 M in Run for Congress False Media Reports Claim that AIPAC Contributed \$600k

73% of Latimer's Contributions come from The Bronx & Westchester

By Dan Murphy

The latest fund-raising reports filed with the Federal Election Commission, (FEC), show George Latimer raising \$1.4 Million compared to \$631,00 for Congressman Jamaal Bowman, during the same period.

Latimer raised \$1.395 million for his Congressional campaign starting from his kickoff announcement on De-

cember 6 through the close of the filing period on December 31. Most impressively, a large majority of Latimer's donations – over 73% - come from donors living in the Bronx or Westchester County indicating overwhelming grassroots support for his candidacy. In comparison, Latimer's opponent has raised less than 20% of his donations from Bronx and Westchester donors in his filings to date, instead relying on a network of outside money to fund his campaigns.

"I'm honored and humbled with the depth of grassroots energy that is powering this campaign. But I'm running against an incumbent with a national fundraising network, and we know he'll be able to rely on outside money for his campaign. That's why I'll continue to do what I do – talk to every voter, listen to every voice, and deliver real results," said Latimer. "Whether it's defending abortion rights, getting dangerous guns off our streets, or protect-

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Hastings Historical Society Commemorates Drs. Mamie and Kenneth Clark,

Ground-Breaking Psychologists and Civil Rights Activists



Dr.s Mamie and Kenneth Clark, 1966. Photo by Manny Warman, courtesy of Columbia University Archives.

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Wintering Eagles at Croton Point Park



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Watch Your Wallets Westchester: Pickpocket Alert in Supermarkets



Hang on to Your Wallets, Westchester. Pick Pockets are thieving in Supermarkets in the county. According to North Castle Police, "Unfortunately, there has been a rise of pick pocket type thefts. We would like to remind everyone that when shopping in supermarkets, leaving your purse in a shopping cart while looking for groceries could be a target for thieves. Thieves are using distraction techniques, and usually are traveling in groups. A crossbody type bag, where all of your cards and wallet are on your person could prove to be helpful in keeping your belongings safe. Additionally, when checking out using a debit card, cover your pin number so other's can't view it."

Two recent incidents at the Stop and Shop in North White Plains included \$1700 stolen by thieves who watched a person enter their PIN, and the thieves stole the card and took the cash.

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Scarsdale Schools Find No Evidence of Allegations of Racist Comments at Girls Game **2nd Incident in Westchester-Who to Believe?**



Left: an unidentified player on the East Ramapo Girls HS Basketball team, from a social media video in which she says that racial slurs were made against her team

By Dan Murphy

A Feb. 10 girls basketball game between Scarsdale High School and East Ramapo High School at Scarsdale was forfeited by Ramapo, who walked off the court after at least one of its players heard a racial slur from a spectator. However, an investigation by the Scarsdale School district found no evidence of the racist comments alleged, with Scarsdale Superintendent Drew Patrick stating that his investigation determined "we do not believe that there were any remarks or statements made." Said Patrick in an email to the Journal News. There has been no comment officially from the district.

But East Ramapo Superintendent Clarence Ellis said, "The girls varsity basketball game on Saturday between East Ramapo and Scarsdale was regrettably marred by the report of racial slurs directed at East Ramapo players."

The Athletic Directors from Scarsdale and East Ramapo are conducting their own investigation. "So far, this review has not identified a specific individual or group who engaged in any inappropriate conduct," said Scarsdale AD Ray Papalardi and East Ramapo AD Greg Russo. "Despite the absence of specific information, we view any act against the dignity of any student-athlete as unacceptable. I know that the Scarsdale and East Ramapo communities join us in denouncing all acts of hate."

A member of the East Ramapo Girls Basketball team, DeJane Buckley, who

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Lachterman and Mirchandani to Run in Special Election April 16 for Town Supervisor



Jann Mirchandani, left, and Councilman Ed Lachterman, right

By Dan Murphy

As a result of the unfortunate passing of Yorktown Supervisor Tom Diana, the Town of Yorktown will hold a special election on April 16 to fill the vacancy of Supervisor.

Republican Councilman Ed Lachterman will be running against democrat Jann Mirchandani. Mirchandani ran for Supervisor last year, losing to Diana 54%-46%. “The issues that motivated me to run last year haven’t changed,” said Mirchandani. “Accountability, fiscal responsibility, and quality-of-life issues such as roads and sewers were the driving force of the campaign last year, and it resonated with 46% of the voters.”

Jann Mirchandani and her husband, who celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary last month, moved to Yorktown over 20 years ago with their two children, both Yorktown High School graduates. In addition to being a small business owner of over 25 years herself, Jann is a well-known and passionate advocate for small businesses and nonprofits in the community.

Jann serves on the Executive Board of the Greater Hudson Valley Council Boy Scouts of America (BSA) as the Council Commissioner, the first female to hold this position. She previously served on the Merger Task Force responsible for completing a feasibility study and ultimately working to oversee the merger between the Westchester-Putnam Council BSA and the Hudson Valley Council BSA. Jann is also on the Board of the Hudson Valley Gateway Chamber of Commerce. She is an active member of the Business Council of Westchester, the Yorktown Chamber of Commerce and the Association of Development Officers.

“Jann brings decades of experience as a local business owner; she is a creative thinker with a robust record of community service and leadership. Jann has earned a reputation for being responsive and she will work hard to keep Yorktown moving forward in the coming years,” said Marni Rabin-Marron, Yorktown Democratic Committee Co-Chair.

YDC Co-Chair Mark A. Lieberman said: “Jann clearly has the management, planning, and financial skills required to get Yorktown back on track. Yorktown needs someone like Jann who can not only manage the current needs of the residents and businesses but can also do the long-range infrastructure planning that has been kicked down the road for years. Jann will bring a new, independent voice to the Town Board with high energy and fresh ideas.”

Yorktown Republicans, who currently have four republicans on the town board, nominated Councilman Ed Lachterman for Supervisor. “The death of Tom Diana, just days after beginning his term as Town Supervisor, was a big blow to his family, his friends and the town of Yorktown. The Yorktown Republican Town Committee tonight unanimously endorsed Ed Lachterman for the special election to fill the vacant Town Supervisor seat. Ed, who has been serving as acting Town Supervisor since Tom’s passing, is highly qualified to serve as Town Supervisor, having over eight years of experience in town government as a Town Councilman,” said Kevin Byrnes, Chairman of the YRTC.

“The YRTC wholeheartedly endorses Ed Lachterman, and believes that Ed is the most logical choice to complete the term of his – and our – good friend Tom Diana” added Byrnes.

Ed Lachterman, a small business owner, has been a resident of Yorktown for almost 30 years, and has served as a Town Councilman since 2015. He has served as Deputy Town Supervisor for over a year. Ed is a member and two-term past president of the Yorktown Lions, a charter member and former adjutant of the Sons of the American Legion squadron 1009, and a past board member of Yorktown Against Heroin. Ed was a charter member of the Yorktown Civilian Emergency Response Team (CERT). He has also partnered with The Alliance for Safe Kids (ASK), The Harrison Apar Foundation, My Brother Vinny, United for The Troops, the Westchester Alzheimer’s Association, The ALS Foundation, and The Lustgarten Foundation.

Roland G. Francis, Harlem Hellfighter!

By Mary Hoar, City of Yonkers Historian



Roland G. Francis

Born 1898 in New Haven, Roland and his family moved to Nepperhan Street two years later. He attended School Two on Waverly Street; after graduation, he worked for National Conduit and Cable Works.

Roland joined the storied 15th NY National Guard Unit in 1917. His unit sailed to France that December. The French Army needed immediate replacements, so the 15th NYNG Unit federalized, reorganized as the 369th and was assigned to a French Division at the front. This courageous unit served more time at the front, faced more continuous fire than any other American regiment! Although assigning the 369th to the French Army was “temporary,” these fierce, loyal and patriotic men did not serve under American command at any time in Europe. Yet they were the first company to plant our Flag at the battle front!

Witnessing the gallantry, intensity and courage of our men in the trenches, the French named them “Hommes de Bronze;” history calls these fierce soldiers the “Harlem Hellfighters!”

They fought aggressively in the Champagne-Marne Defensive. Quartermaster Sergeant Roland Francis brought supplies to the men under cover of night... while facing constant gunfire. A massive French counterattack, reinforced by hundreds of tanks and Allies, ended the German offensive in a few days.

The Aisne-Marne Offensive changed the war; advancing German troops didn’t stop, they retreated. Unfortunately, Francis was wounded during this campaign. The months-long Aisne-Marne Offensive was ended less than two weeks later by the November 11th Armistice.

The 369th was welcomed with cheers as they marched through France; the Kansas City Sun reported “no unit received a warmer greeting than when they marched through Lyons;” their bravery and courage changed the tide of the war.

Roland sailed home on La France early February 1919. Not only did he receive a Purple Heart and Victory Medals, the French government awarded him the Croix de Guerre and palm in 1919, an honor given to soldiers who distinguished themselves with significant heroism. His company received several citations.

On February 17th, 1919, 3,000 members of the 369th Infantry paraded up Fifth Avenue, walking the seven miles from 23rd to 145th Street to rousing cheers; this was the first chance Americans had to welcome home any of our brave Dough-boys. According to the next day’s Herald Tribune, “Never have white Americans accorded so heartfelt and hearty a reception to a contingent of their black countrymen.” Reaching Harlem, home to 70% of the company, the cheers were deafening.

Back in Yonkers, Roland moved to Waverly Street and married Frances Bates in 1920. Together they created an incredible partnership of lifetime community service to Yonkers.

Roland became an active Republican, and a hard-working member of James H. Farrell Lodge #34, New York State Prince Hall Masons. He rose through the Mason ranks, and became Grand Master and District Deputy Grand Master of the Westchester and Rockland County District. He joined the Goodfellowship Lodge 53, Knights of Pythias, and became Chancellor Commander. A mainstay of Troop 34 Boy Scouts at School One, he was as Chairman of its Troop Committee.

He played tennis with the Alpha Tennis Club and exercised his basketball skills with the “All Stars.”

Concerned about his fellow veterans, Roland was the moving force behind creation of a Yonkers Black American Legion Post, the Samuel H. Dow Post 1017. Although some Yonkers’ posts had a few African American members, most Black war veterans didn’t join posts. When the Dow Post received its charter June 1929, it had more than 100 members; Roland was the first Post Commander.

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Westchester Democrats Nominate Susan Cacace for DA at Convention

Wagstaff gets 40% and gets endorsements



Susan Cacace

Democrat Susan Cacace tonight won the Democratic Nomination for Westchester District Attorney at the County Democrats' convention, held at the Westchester Marriott Hotel in Tarrytown. Cacace won 60% of the vote by Democratic District Leaders from across the county, giving her major organizational support for the primary and general elections. Judge Cacace, who brings decades of experience not only as a longtime jurist but also as a former prosecutor and attorney, stepped off the bench to run following the decision by incumbent Mimi Rocah to not seek another term.

"I am so honored to have earned this endorsement," said Cacace. "As Democrats, we are leading the way in making our criminal justice system stronger and fairer by not only holding wrongdoers accountable, but also showing compassion and finding better ways to prevent crime and get at-risk people on a better track."

"Right now, too many people have lost faith in the government and feel unsafe," Cacace added. "But the fact is, we are able to keep our communities safe and correct long-standing issues in our criminal justice system if we do it smartly and consistently, focusing on both accountability and the underlying causes of criminal activity."

Cacace, whose family has a long history of involvement in

Democratic politics, said she would build on the reforms implemented by DA Rocah.

"We've made great progress on wrongful convictions and expanding alternatives to incarceration, and we won't move backwards," she said. "We're going to keep bringing crime down, get more people back on the right track, and make sure that everyone feels protected and respected by our County's criminal justice system."

Wagstaff's campaign said that "the campaign received broad support to be Westchester's next District Attorney at the Westchester County Democratic Committee's nominating convention. While he did not receive the outright nomination for the position, Wagstaff declared intent on running for the seat in the June 25 Primary and surprised members of the county committee with the extent of the support he garnered as he continues to run as a reformer against the entrenched machine and racks up endorsements from leading Democrats.

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Happy 97th Birthday Adelmo "Chubby" Costantini



L-R-Eric Wolf Schoen, Adelmo 'Chubby' Costantini, Carrie Schoen

By Eric Wolf Schoen

Friends, we put aside the problems of the world this week and honor my second father, Adelmo 'Chubby' Costantini of Yonkers on his 97th birthday this past Sunday. This special occasion was most certainly filled with emotion for me, my sister, and his family.

The Schoen's and the Costantini's have an over 50 year friendship dating back to the days when Chubby's dear wife Antoinette and my mom, Rita volunteered in the office at the old School 13 at Park Hill Avenue and McClean Avenue. When their kids, 4 for Antoinette and 2 for Rita moved to the what we would call the 'The New School 13' on McClean avenue south of the old school, their teamwork continued. They did anything that the Principal wanted them to do including running the rexograph machine to raising money yearly for UNICEF on Halloween.

One year when Unicef was involved in some political controversy, they were forced to go outside of school grounds to collect the money children gathered during their Trick or Treat neighborhood jaunts in the little orange boxes. Just shows how they both provided support for their own children as well as the children of the world.

You would always find Antoinette and Rita in the school doing whatever task needed to be done. Never a no, always a yes! Antoinette was a terrific baker who brought many delicious home baked goods to school functions to raise money. Rita's best friend was Ms. Entenmann's, quite often forgetting to plate the baked good like it was homemade leaving it in the box with Entenmann's stamped on the bottom.

It was November of 1978. Dad had a heart attack ultimately dying within a month. I was 18, in my first year of college and devastated. Thank god I had a full tuition and fees academic scholarship, or college would have been out of the picture for me or at least very hard to finance.

I needed a tie for the funeral, but didn't know how to tie one properly. Chubby came to the rescue showing me how to tie a tie, and from that moment on Chubby has served as my special second father.

Chubby as those who affectionately know him call him graduated in 1944 from Saunders High School in Yonkers. His favorite teacher was a Dr. Kleitz, a man who would steer a career path for him. He graduated from the Merchant Marine Academy, and served two years at the end of World War II. He was called into service in the Navy as a Lt. Jg in Korea in the fall of 1952 and came home in the fall of 1954. He served on the USS Haven, a hospital ship stationed in Inchon Harbor, and then the USS Great Sitkin, an ammunition ship. His title was Chief Engineering Officer on the ships.

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Black History Month: To Be Young, Gifted, and Black Trailblazers



clockwise; Cienna Rose, Kierra Carter, and Tajé Dean

By Dennis Richmond Jr.
Author, *He Spoke At My School*

As we continue to celebrate Black History Month, at Yonkers Rising, the spotlight shines brightly on folks like Cienna Rose, Tajé Dean, and Kierra Carter, whose stories epitomize resilience, creativity, and empowerment. Hailing from diverse Black backgrounds and pursuing distinct paths, these remarkable individuals inspire and uplift others through dedication to their communities and their passions.

Cienna Rose, a 23-year-old Black trans content creator from Yonkers, NY, embodies resilience and empowerment. Through her social media platforms, she spreads awareness and information about the trans community, serving as a beacon of hope for future generations. Having overcome personal struggles, Cienna exemplifies the strength and growth of trans women, inspiring others to embrace their identities with pride and confidence.

Tajé Dean, a 25-year-old artist in Aurora, IL, reflects the essence of creativity and self-expression. With a background in architecture, Tajé finds beauty in bringing imagination to life through art, inspiring others to see the world through their unique perspectives. Through his passion for art, Tajé embodies the spirit of innovation and individuality, enriching the cultural landscape with his creative vision.

Kierra Carter, a 28-year-old therapist, author, and motivational speaker in Greensboro, NC, dedicates her life to empowering others. With a calling to guide individuals toward their purpose, Kierra's authenticity and relatability resonate with those seeking guidance and inspiration. Through her work, Kierra instills confidence and self-discovery, illuminating the path toward personal growth and fulfillment.

In a world where diversity, equity, and inclusion are challenged, the stories of Cienna Rose, Tajé Dean, and Kierra Carter serve as powerful reminders of Black excellence. Through their respective endeavors, they not only inspire individuals within their communities but also ignite a collective sense of hope and possibility for future generations. As we celebrate Black History Month in 2024, we honor the contributions of trailblazers in the past. It's important, though, that we uplift and amplify the voices of those in the present too.

Search for 15 Year Old Times Square Migrant Shooter Ends with Arrest in Yonkers

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TED MURDER OF A NYC POLICE



Reward Poster for Jesus Alejandro Rivas-Figueroa helped the NYPD apprehend him in Yonkers

By Dan Murphy

A 15-year old migrant from Venezuela who robbed a store in Times Square, shot a customer at the store, fled and shot at 2 NYPD cops, was found in Yonkers on Feb. 10. Jesus Alejandro Rivas-Figueroa robbed JD Sports sporting goods store on Broadway on Feb. 8 and when confronted by security, shot at the guard and missed, hitting an innocent tourist from Brazil.

Figueroa then fled the scene, and when approached by NYPD officers a few blocks away continued to flee while shooting at the officers. He was able to escape with his mother to a relatives home on Saratoga Avenue in Yonkers, where he was arrested by the NYPD

Figueroa is a migrant from Venezuela who came to NYC in September of 2023, and was placed in a shelter on the west side of Manhattan with his mother.

A reward of \$13,500 was posted for the "attempted murder of an NYC police officer." Shortly after the reward was announced, Figueroa was found in a 2nd floor apartment in the Saratoga Avenue multi-family home.

A U.S. Marshals regional task force made the arrest in Yonkers, and brought to Manhattan Criminal Court where he was charged with attempted murder, assault, attempted assault and weapons possession.

According to the NYPD, Figueroa is wanted for other weapons related crimes, including an armed robbery in Jan and another incident of shot fired.

NYPD Commissioner Edward Caban said, "If you think you can attack a member of the NYPD and get away with it, think again. We will never stop pursuing. We will find you and we will arrest you. Then we will do everything in our power to bring you to justice."

Figueroa was shoplifting with another individual, who was arrested at the scene in Times Square, but later released.

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Yonkers Police Arrest Mother Who Abandoned Just Born Baby



On Feb. 9, the Yonkers Police Department announced the arrest of a suspect in the abandonment of a newborn baby that occurred earlier this week.

At approximately 8:30 pm on February 6, 2024, the Yonkers Police Department received a report of an abandoned baby in the hallway of an apartment building at 32 Chestnut Street in this City. Upon arrival, units located a newborn female baby in the first-floor hallway of the building. The baby had been wrapped in a blanket and was left on the floor near the entryway. Responding officers and Empress Ambulance personnel began assessing the newborn, at which time they observed her umbilical cord to be still attached with a black string wrapped around it. First Responders immediately transported her to a nearby hospital, where she was evaluated medically and stabilized.

Detectives from our Special Victims Unit, Major Case Squad, Crime Scene Unit, and Digital Forensics Unit responded to the scene to investigate. After reviewing hours of surveillance camera footage and interviewing many witnesses, investigators were able to identify the mother of the child, locate her, and determine the facts surrounding the abandonment of this child. The investigation yielded that a female had given birth to the child by herself earlier that day at approximately 3:30 pm. The female dressed the baby in a t-shirt, wrapped her in a blanket, and placed her in the hallway of 32 Chestnut Street at approximately 7:30 pm. Approximately an hour later, a resident of the building located the abandoned infant, wrapped her in an additional blanket and called for police assistance.

The female suspect was transported to an area hospital for a medical evaluation due to her unconventional childbirth and was later released. The mother is identified as Jaqueline MARLENI PEREZ, a 21-year-old resident of this City. MARLENI PEREZ was arrested and charged with one count of Abandonment of a Child, a Class E Felony, in the New York State Penal Law. Due to laws restricting bail, the above charge is ineligible for bail. MARLENI PEREZ was arraigned in Yonkers Criminal Court today and released on her own recognizance.

Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano stated, "The circumstances that occurred are heartbreaking and unfortunate, but we are thankful the baby is stable and safe. I commend the compassionate and swift actions of our Yonkers PD in finding the mother, exhibiting concern for her welfare after going through a traumatic and desperate ordeal. This is a poignant reminder that help, regardless of situation, is available to all of us – don't be afraid to reach out."

Police Commissioner Christopher Sapienza stated, "Criminal investigations involving child victims are often the most difficult to handle, a sentiment that is only amplified when the child is less than one-day-old. I commend our Detectives who worked tirelessly on this difficult case and quickly brought it to a close. We have over six Yonkers Police buildings and 12 Yonkers Fire Department buildings in this city. All of these buildings are "Safe-Haven" locations, in addition to several hospitals and other locations that are designated as appropriate places for parents to legally surrender custody of infants under 30 days old. We hope that this incident sheds light on the proper procedures to follow to avoid what could have been a horrible tragedy."

The child remains in stable condition and is currently in the custody of Child Protective Services. The case is being prosecuted by the Westchester County District Attorney's Office, and additional information may be released as it becomes available.

Notice of formation of a Limited Liability Company ETAMNI FAMILY CLEANING LLC Articles of Organization filed with the SSNY Office on 01/29/2024 Office Location: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to : 2 Hudson Street Apt 4G Yonkers, NY 10701 Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Latest date upon which LLC is to dissolve: No specific date.

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Families Can Lose Health Coverage if They Don't Reenroll in Medicaid



Westchester Disabled on the Move Working to Register Families, Seniors and the Disabled

February 7, 2024 – Westchester Disabled on the Move Inc. is now reenrolling people with disabilities, seniors and low-income residents in Westchester, Putnam, Rockland and Orange, free of charge.

Many people who rely on Medicaid could lose their coverage if they fail to reenroll. COVID protections for those on Medicaid have ended so they are now required to re-enroll in the program, but many people don't know this and are losing coverage.

More than 1 million people have been dropped from Medicaid since COVID protections ended. Most got dropped for not filling out paperwork.

Westchester Disabled on the Move recently received a grant from Community Service Society (CSS) and Mother Cabrini Health Foundation as part of the Keep New York Covered (KNYC) program, a network of enrollment agencies that conduct marketing and outreach about how New Yorkers can keep their health coverage after the end of the COVID-19 public health emergency.

WDOMI Enrollment Manager Jackie Forbes Clark said that families who depend on Medicaid and Child Health Plus may need to re-register for their health insurance. She said that WDOMI can help with all the forms.

"Even if you don't get a reenrollment packet in the mail, you might still need to re-register," she said. "Avoid the red tape and hassle of having to reapply if you get dropped from coverage."

Darla Lao Paula, Lead Medicaid Facilitated Enroller, said that one senior citizen who she worked with had recently moved and did not receive her reenrollment packet in the mail.

"Because she was an existing client, they notified us and we were able to help her re-enroll," said Lao Paula. "She was so grateful and said that she might have lost her health insurance if we hadn't let her know."

For more information on how to get assistance with reenrollment call 914-968-4717 X109 OR VISIT <https://wdom.org/>. Help is available in English and Spanish.

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And engineer he could. You know if you have an engineering question he will always have the answer. Whether it be as a leader in the Boy Scouts creating the wooden cars the boys would race, or building a sewing room for his wife, a fine seamstress, right through his living room. My grandma had a fondness for big, heavy mirrors, and when we moved from Bruce Avenue to Spruce Street I remember watching in amazement how he mounted these huge heavy things on the wall, perfectly.

Chubby has been active at Mt. Carmel Church on Park Hill for many years, and with the advent of Covid truly misses attending daily masses. He would always arrange for Father Vinci at Mt. Carmel to visit my mother in the hospital. My mom, who grew up in an Orthodox Jewish family always believed in covering all her bases. Chubby's wife did her fine dressmaking for many Jewish customers and mom's friends from Temple Emanu-El on Rumsey Road. Mom would often bring Chubby and Antoinette to affairs and parties at the Temple, and so many people would come over to them to say hello or vice versa. A new Rabbi's wife who Antoinette sewed for could not believe how many Temple Emanu-El members Chubby and Antoinette knew. But that was Yonkers. Everyone no matter what your race or religion were friends.,

When I became Bar Mitzvah, I gave the honor of lighting a candle on my cake to Chubby and Antoinette. Antoinette spoke about the honor for so many years after my special day. They joined relatives from around the globe, but I felt she and Chubby were such an important part of my life that they truly deserved the honor.

Chubby goes to the cemetery every Sunday to spend time with his beloved Antoinette. She was larger than life, and her loss put a big dent in the beautiful Costantini family. Like her husband she is an angel, and as he often says she is watching over him everyday. I know my mom and dad are closely at her side.

Chubby's youngest brother died way too young, and he watches over his son and wife just like he is a father to me. Up until Covid he traveled around the states visiting his children, their children and his great grandchildren using his engineering skills to make their lives better. There was always a project for Chubby on his arrival at their homes.

There was a problem with the boiler at my complex recently. Sitting in the car he offered a solution to the problem, his engineering skills still intact.

So instead of going to visit them, his 4 children, 8 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren visited him for his 97th Birthday. As his family grows, he becomes more prouder of their accomplishments, a small television set sits on the kitchen table where they can send daily pictures of the goings on in their lives. Family and friends are so important to Chubby.

Christmas Eve afternoon is when his family gathers to celebrate Christmas every year. Every year there are more people at the table. And every year he talks about using his engineering skills, breaking down a wall in the dining room so that the family can all sit at one table. Everyone knows with Chubby it's never too late to happen.

So his children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, friends and family including Carrie and this writer raise a cup of coffee, his favorite beverage to toast chubby on Birthday 97, and wish him many more years of good health and happiness surrounded by those he loves and who love him. And we all thank him for being who he is and such an important part of our lives. And encourage you to do the same to that special person who means so much to you.

Happy Birthday Dad. I love you!

Reach Eric Schoen at thistoosyonkers@aol.com, or friend him on Facebook Eric Schoen...just look for him in the picture with Joan Rivers!

"Notice is hereby given that an order entered by the Supreme Court, Westchester County, on the 22nd day of January, 2024, bearing Index Number 50614/2023, grants the right to assume the name of Matthew Luigj Koleci. Present address: Yonkers, NY; Birth: November 2004, White Plains, NY; Present name: Matthew Louis Jankovic. An affidavit of publication shall be filed with the Westchester County Clerk's Office."

Notice of Formation of 66 Meserole, LLC., Articles of organization filed with the NY Secretary of State (NYSS) on 11/28/2023. Office location: Westchester County. NYSS is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process may be served and shall mail a copy of process to: 11 Bon Air Ave, New Rochelle, NY 10804. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Calimero II, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/4/2023. Office Location: Westchester County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Marie H. Durif-O'Dowd, 1632 First Avenue, Apartment 326, New York, NY 10028. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

Ana Lucia Nail Lounge LLC, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 1/8/24.. Office: New York 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, 115 Chelsea Street Hawthorne, NY 10532. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of ALPHONSE, JULIE & GLENN CONSULTING LLC. filed with the SSNY on 01/30/2024. 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, 142 Garth Rd. Ste. 3N Scarsdale NY 10583. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of THE NAVIE THERAPY GROUP L.L.C., LLC filed with SSNY on 08/29/23. Office: WESTCHESTER County. SSNY designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to LLC: 200 Bloomingdale Road, Suite 1A, White Plains, NY 10605. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Formation of TRUIH LLC filed with the Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/15/2023. Office loc.: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address SSNY shall mail process to Lawrence Rebbecchi, 550 Green Dolphin Dr., Placida, FL 33946. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of 326 PROSPECT AVE LLC. Articles of Organization filed with SSNY on 03/24/2023. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Brian Caldwell at 130 Franklin Avenue, Harrison, NY 10528. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of formation of Jaylee's Beauty Lounge, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/29/23. 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, 55 Cole Street, Ste. 101, Yonkers, NY, 10710. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Yugen Creationz LLC. Arts. Of. Org. filed with the SSNY on 1/28/024. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 10 Commerce Dr, 102. New Rochelle, NY 10801. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Formation of 25 COUNTY ROUTE 62 LLC filed with the Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/6/2023. Office loc.: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The principal business loc. and address SSNY shall mail process to is Floann and Raymond Landeck, 79 Pembroke Dr., Yonkers, NY 10710. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of formation of SurgeExpand, LLC. filed with the SSNY on 10/16/2023. 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, 324 Palisade Ave -1F, Yonkers, NY 10703. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of A Soft Delicate Flower LLC. Arts of Org. filed with the SSNY on 1/3/24. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 1840 Crompond Road Peekskill NY 10566. Purpose: any lawful act.

Notice of Formation of FEVER PITCH SPORTS CARDS & COLLECTIBLES LLC. Articles of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/01/24. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of the process to John Amelio, 2138 Saw Mill River Road, Yorktown Hts. NY 10598. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of D & E Guest Reality Management, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/15/2023. 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, D & E Guest Reality Management LLC, 79-81 Main Street, P.O. Box 1100, Yonkers, NY 10702. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Pachamama Vibes, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/20/2023. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him or her to the company c/o United States Corporation Agents, Inc. 7014 13th Ave., Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Principal business address: 762 Hoover Avenue, Peekskill NY 10566. Purpose: Any lawful acts.

Notice of formation of a Limited Liability Company ETAMNI LLC Articles of Organization filed with the SSNY Office on 01/29/2024 Office Location: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to : 2 Hudson Street Apt 4G Yonkers, NY 10701 Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Latest date upon which LLC is to dissolve: No specific date.

Notice of formation of a Limited Liability Company ETAMNI FAMILY CLEANING LLC Articles of Organization filed with the SSNY Office on 01/29/2024 Office Location: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to : 2 Hudson Street Apt 4G Yonkers, NY 10701 Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Latest date upon which LLC is to dissolve: No specific date.

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Former Healthcare Finance Director Sentenced to 2-6 Years for Stealing \$700,000

Defendant wrote approximately 170 checks from the non-profit for her benefit over a four-year span

Westchester County District Attorney Miriam E. Rocah recently announced that a Bronx woman was sentenced Thursday to an indeterminate term of two to six years in state prison for stealing more than \$700,000 from Hudson Valley Community Services (HVCS), a Division of Cornerstone Family Healthcare, a non-profit healthcare provider in Hawthorne, where she was the Director of Finance.

DA Rocah said: “This defendant betrayed the trust of a non-profit that put her in charge of its finances and stole hundreds of thousands of dollars for her personal use. This prosecution and sentence demonstrate our commitment to holding this defendant accountable for years of deceit and jeopardizing an organization providing critical services to our community.”

The defendant, Ingrid Aquino, 33, pleaded guilty on March 23, 2023, to Grand Larceny in the Second Degree, a felony. In addition to her sentence, the Court ordered the defendant to pay restitution in the amount of \$704,034.62.

Between Nov. 1, 2017, and Sept. 1, 2021, the defendant wrote approximately 170 checks totaling \$704,034 from HVCS bank accounts for personal expenses, including rent.

The District Attorney’s Office arrested Aquino on May 2, 2022, following an investigation.

The case was before Judge James McCarty in Westchester County Court and was prosecuted by the Public Integrity and Law Enforcement Integrity Bureau of the Trials and Investigations Division.

Upcoming Events at the Hudson River Audubon Society

-----FEBRUARY 2024

Jones Beach: Coast Guard Marina Field Trip | Saturday, February 24, 2024 at 8:00 AM

See Winter waterfowl, loons, grebes and maybe a rare gull or two. Everyone is welcome to join our field trips, no matter what your level of birding ability; field trips are free and open to members and non-members alike. Cancellations for weather will be posted here. Reminders for getting the most out of a trip. Bring binoculars! Bring lunch and refreshments for all day trips. Dress for the weather.

Location: Meet at the Coast Guard Marina parking lot at 8 AM. Registration: Not required-Cost: Free More Info: Michael Bochnik/bochnikm@cs.com

-----MARCH 2024

Bird of the Long Island Ponds Field Trip | Saturday, March 16, 2024 at 9:00 AM. We will look for ducks. Good possibility for Redheads, Ring-neckeds. Also, some land birds and definitely Black-crowned Night Herons. Bring a scope if you have one. Joseph McManus, leader. (Note that Shai Mitra will speak about Long Island birds at the Hudson River Audubon Society's program on Wednesday, March 27, at Lenoir Preserve, starting with refreshments at 7 PM. Talk at 7:30.)

Location: Meet at Mill Pond, 2935 Merrick Rd., Wantagh, NY at 9 AM
Registration: Not required- Cost: Free More info: <https://www.hras.org/fieldtrips>

Shai Mitra: Enjoying Birds on Long Island | Wednesday, March 27 at 7 PM
Shai Mitra will give an in-person to talk about the birds of Long Island. The region is both a year-round and spring/fall migration hot spot. Its prime position on the Atlantic Flyway attracts migrating birds; the varied habitats –ocean, sound, ponds, scrubland– provide year-round and seasonal birds with nesting sites and nourishment. Shai has studied birds in the US and internationally for over 40 years and is currently an assistant professor of biology at the College of Staten Island, with research interests in avian ecology, evolution and conservation.

Location: Lenoir Preserve- Registration: Not required
Cost: Free -More info: <https://www.hras.org/programs>

Feeder Watches at Lenoir Preserve with Hudson River Audubon Society

All are welcome. We sit inside a cozy room in the Lenoir Preserve Nature Center and watch birds come to the outdoor feeders. A great way to learn about backyard birds, if you’re not familiar with them. A citizen science project of the Cornell Lab of Ornithology. Hot drinks and snacks served, too.

Multiple dates: Saturday, March 9, 10AM - Noon, Sunday, March 10, 2PM - 4PM, Saturday, March 23, 10AM - Noon, Sunday, March 24, 2PM - 4PM

Location: Lenor Preserve, 19 Dudley Street, Yonkers, NY 10701
Registration: Not required Cost: Free Info: <https://www.hras.org/feederwatch>

Keybank Foundation Awards \$100,000 Grant to Groundwork Hudson Valley for Youth Leadership and Sustainability Education Program in Yonkers



Pictured from left: Candida Rodriguez, Director of Community Engagement and Communications, Groundwork Hudson Valley; Dr. Michelle Yazurlo, Assistant Superintendent for Professional Development with the Yonkers Public Schools; Ellen Theg, Chief of Operations, Groundwork Hudson Valley; Andrew Hara, Principal, Barack Obama School for Social Justice; Maria Bassallo, Manager, KeyBank White Plains Branch; Analisha Michanczyk, Corporate Responsibility Officer, KeyBank; Karen Tumelty, Director of Development, Groundwork Hudson Valley; Joel Rodriguez, Sustainability Education Manager, Groundwork Hudson Valley; and Zoe Camhi, Sustainability Education Associate, Groundwork Hudson Valley, with students

Groundwork Hudson Valley and KeyBank announce a two-year \$100,000 grant from KeyBank Foundation, the bank’s charitable non-profit, to support the expansion of Groundwork’s Youth Leadership and Sustainability Education Programs. Specifically, the funding will provide out-of-school education for Yonkers NY Public School K-6 students to visit the Science Barge, a floating sustainability education center, to supplement the school system’s science curricula; it will also support the award-winning Green Team, a program that provides paid part-time jobs to Yonkers Public High School students to build their leadership skills and gain hands-on skills in environmental conservation, climate risk mitigation, and community engagement.

“We at Groundwork Hudson Valley are immensely grateful for partners like KeyBank who are committed to creating positive and lasting change and who provide resources to organizations like ours to propel our mission forward for Yonkers youth,” shared Oded Holzinger, Groundwork Hudson Valley’s Executive Director. “This partnership with the KeyBank Foundation exemplifies how we can come together to lay the groundwork and empower our youth to have the knowledge and skills to become the environmental leaders of tomorrow.”

Founded in 2000, Groundwork Hudson Valley (GWHV) creates sustainable environmental change in urban neighborhoods through community-based partnerships that promote equity, youth leadership, and economic opportunity. GWHV has been working in southwest Yonkers, one of the most socioeconomically and climate vulnerable communities in the region, to create a more environmentally just community. Projects they have undertaken include the restoration of thousands of linear yards of riparian forest, the creation of conservation jobs for local youth in the community, the daylighting of the Saw Mill River, and the creation of the award-winning sustainability education center, the Science Barge, anchored 30 feet off the downtown Yonkers waterfront. Most recently, GWHV has received funding to design and execute a high school-to-career program in urban forestry that will serve as a model for other school districts across the nation.

“The work that Groundwork is doing with the Yonkers Public School System is impressive and offers a strong model for creating environmental stewardship opportunities for underserved youth throughout the Hudson Valley and across our country,” said KeyBank Market President John Manginelli. “Bringing sustainability education to elementary schoolers and creating conservation jobs for teens not only benefits our youth but helps create a ripple effect for real environmental change in our neighborhoods. KeyBank is proud to support their educational program expansion.”

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Registration for Muscoot Farm's Young Farmers Camps Now Open

Celebrate Afghanistan Arts & Culture Day with the Fanoos Ensemble



ArtsWestchester will celebrate the vibrant tapestry of Afghanistan's arts and culture at its February 24 Afghanistan Arts & Culture Day, featuring the renowned Fanoos Ensemble, pictured above. The Fanoos Ensemble, comprised of four talented Afghan musicians, brings to life the soul-stirring melodies and rhythms of Afghanistan's musical tradition. The day kicks off with an Arts & Culture Fair from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM, offering free admission to the public. Tickets for the Fanoos Ensemble's evening concert are for sale online. For more information, visit www.artswestchester.org.

There may be snow on the ground but summer is quickly approaching, and Muscoot Farm and its animals, trails and garden are ready as registration for Muscoot Farm's Young Farmers Camp is open! That's not all, Westchester County Parks' Nature Camp registration will open Friday, Feb. 16 at noon, which offers children the chance to play in fields of green and learn about the land.

Youngsters entering grades Pre-k through nine will have the opportunity to explore and discover the natural environment of Westchester County with fun, hands-on experiences at our nature centers and Muscoot Farm.

Westchester County Executive George Latimer said, "Westchester County Parks is more than pools and beaches in the summer. These summer camp offerings from the Westchester County Parks Conservation Division are important in the sense that they not only provide children with a fun outlet to play in during the summer, but intertwine an educational element that teaches them about the natural world of where they live."

Westchester County Park Commissioner Kathy O'Connor said, "Muscoot Farm and our nature centers have acres of beautiful space for children to play and learn during the summer. Our staff does an incredible job of putting together a schedule that combines fun and learning."

One week sessions are offered for Muscoot Young Farmers Camp, Monday, July 1 through Friday, Aug. 16, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; \$350 per camper per week. Campers are allowed one week max. One and two-week sessions are offered at our nature centers beginning Monday, July 8, through Friday, Aug. 16, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; fee: \$350 per camper per week, and Pre-k from 9 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.; fee: \$175 per camper per week; must be potty-trained.

Nature Center locations: Cranberry Lake Preserve, North White Plains (914) 428-1005 Edith G. Read Wildlife Sanctuary, Rye (914) 967-8720. Lenoir Nature Preserve, Yonkers (914) 968-5851. Marshlands Conservancy, Rye (914) 835-4466. Trailside Nature Museum at Ward Pound Ridge Reservation, Cross Rive (914) 864-7322.

Muscoot Farm Young Wranglers Summer Camp and Westchester County's Learn to Swim Program information will be announced soon.

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Mercy University Partners with Kipp Public Schools to Expand College Access for 1st Generation Students



Mercy University President Susan L. Parish and Tessa Kratz, Senior Managing Director of the KIPP Forward Postsecondary Success Collaborative (front and center), surrounded by Mercy and KIPP staff and students.

Mercy University announced it has partnered with KIPP Public Schools’ innovative KIPP Forward Postsecondary Success Collaborative to expand college access and address the unique challenges faced by students of color from low-income families who are often the first in their families to pursue a college education. Through this partnership, Mercy and KIPP will work together to support alumni from high schools across New York, Connecticut, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, and Rhode Island throughout their Mercy University experience so that they are better equipped to succeed.

“Mercy University is dedicated to breaking down barriers and ensuring equitable access to education,” said Susan L. Parish, Ph.D., M.S.W., president of Mercy University. “This collaboration with KIPP reflects Mercy University’s unwavering commitment to empowering students to succeed in their academic journeys and beyond.”

“We are thrilled to work in partnership with Mercy University on behalf of the alumni we serve; Mercy has been a leader in addressing the challenges faced by so many first-generation college students and we look forward to continuing to improve student outcomes together for many more students to come,” said Tessa Kratz, Senior Managing Director of the KIPP Forward Postsecondary Success Collaborative.

To support these students throughout their college experience, Mercy University will provide robust support services. This includes assistance with the application and financial aid processes, as well as assigning a dedicated Student Facing Liaison to each student. The Student Facing Liaison will facilitate mentoring meetings and activities between the Collaborative’s alumni across all class years, from freshmen to seniors. This mentorship will foster a strong sense of community and provide invaluable guidance to help these students thrive.

KIPP Forward Postsecondary Success Collaborative will ensure that seniors across KIPP Public Schools, Achievement First, and other partner high schools understand the benefits of a Mercy University education. Central to its program, all alumni attending Mercy will receive a KIPP Forward advisor who will meet with them regularly on campus for coaching sessions. This trusted advisor will work closely with the Mercy Student Facing Liaison to tackle any critical challenges that could impede their persistence along the way.

For students like Calvin Minaya, a sophomore at Mercy University and graduate of KIPP NYC College Prep, this type of support makes a difference. “I was really appreciative my freshman year of the support I received from my [Mercy] PACT counselor and my KIPP counselor,” said Minaya. “My Mercy and KIPP counselors are always checking up on me and I know I can go to them if I ever feel like I am struggling or need help.”

As part of this collaboration, Mercy looks forward to working with KIPP to develop innovative programs and strategies to address college access, admission, persistence, and financial challenges faced by these students.

For more information, visit www.mercy.edu, and <https://kippnyc.org/kipp-forward/>.

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Assistance offered Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning February 1

Free, in-person tax assistance through AARP Tax Aide will again be offered at the New Rochelle Public Library this tax season.

This year, assistance will be provided on a first come, first served basis; no appointments will be available. Assistance will be provided on Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning Tuesday, February 1 through Thursday, April 11, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm at the Main Library, 1 Library Plaza, New Rochelle. Trained AARP volunteer counselors will meet with patrons in the library's Meeting Room and on the stage of the Theater, in the order in which they arrive.

Participants are reminded to bring with them last year's federal and state returns and supporting documentation, as well as an official photo identification and a social security card, or other comparable documentation.

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Roland Francis, continued from pg 2-

Roland became involved in veterans' causes, especially as a member of the Central Committee of Ex-Servicemen. Memorial Day 1931 was set aside to honor Civil War veterans (GAR). The Central Committee not only created a committee to support GAR efforts to plan and execute its day, they suggested the GAR Memorial Committee ask other organizations not to hold ceremonies during their parade. The Central Committee didn't want any other group to overshadow the GAR.

A days later, Roland was one of the prominent residents appointed to the Mayor's Committee planning Yonkers' Independence Day celebration.

Roland was an integral part of the new Joint Relief Committee, created by all Yonkers veterans' groups out of need. Its first act was submitting a petition to the Common Council, asking them to create a special fund to help veterans using municipal money. The NYS Legislature had passed a bill legalizing use of public money to help veterans. Not only did they get the fund, Yonkers hired wounded veteran Harold Thibault to manage the \$10,000 relief fund.

Again, working with the Joint Relief Committee, Roland helped create a toy depot for veterans' children. Funded by veterans, the depot on New Main Street was open through Christmas Eve, well stocked with books, toys and gifts for children.

In 1933, Cook Post 321, American Legion, honored commanders of other posts; Roland Francis was one of the esteemed guests.

A few weeks later, Samuel H. Dow Post was honored at the Elks Flag Day ceremony at Memorial Park. Harlem Congressman and World War I veteran Joseph Gavagan inspired attendees by retelling the story of our emblem of liberty, the American flag. Beginning with Washington's understanding of the patriots' need to have a symbol to fight under and Betsy Ross creating the flag at Washington's request, he ended by telling the story of the first time the flag flew at the Battle of Brandywine.

While presenting the American Flag to Commander Francis, Gavagan declared giving him the flag was "one of the finest things" he (Gavagan) had ever done. Nathan Pollard thanked him afterwards and spoke about the courage and patriotism our Black soldiers showed fighting in the World War.

Roland retired as Commander of the Samuel H. Dow Post in 1937; 500 people attended the dinner held in his honor. Besides local officials, VFW delegations from throughout Westchester, Manhattan, Brooklyn and New Jersey attended to witness Dow Post present the retiring commander a ring, a symbol of their appreciation.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis were active members of Bethany Lutheran Church. Roland served as church clerk and ran fundraising campaigns to pay the mortgage; it was retired in 1951. He also served several years as President of the Bushey Avenue Home Owners Association.

Roland took the test to become a mail carrier and was appointed to the Yonkers South Post Office in 1931, where he worked for 31 years.

Typical of Roland, he wanted to serve his country during WWII, to do his part to "bring our boys home." He joined the Yonkers Police Auxiliary in 1942.

Roland Francis' life of service ended October 10, 1962, a loss to all Yonkers.

On the first anniversary of his passing, Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church honored his memory by dedicating a sterling silver communion wafer box, handmade in England, to celebrate his life of devotion to his church, to Veterans and to Yonkers.

In August 2021, 102 years after its triumphant return to New York, the 369th Infantry, Roland Francis' regiment, was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal, to express the nation's appreciation for their courage and bravery.

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Notice of formation of Ashlee B. Media, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 1/6/2023. 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, 520 Pelhamdale Avenue, Pelham, NY 10803. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of NORTHERN WESTCHESTER KITCHEN & BATH LLC. Arts. Of Org filed with SSNY on 11/28/2023. Office location: Westchester County. Registered Agent to mail process and may be served: ZENBUSINESS INC, 41 STATE STREET SUITE 112, ALBANY, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Buffsicle, LLC. Articles of Org filed with SSNY on 12/15/2023. Office Location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 41 Old Post Road, Rye, NY, 10580. Purpose: any lawful purpose or activity.

Cacace, Democratic Convention, continued from pg 3-

“The county convention is just the first step in a long campaign and I look forward to continuing to talk with voters across this great county as I seek to become Westchester’s first Black District Attorney. I am deeply honored to have received the support I have thus far and remain committed to talking to every voter in the county to make the case for a re-imagined District Attorney’s office.

“From every corner of our diverse county, our campaign has generated grassroots support and received dozens of endorsements from elected leaders and organizations. I have unique experience unlike any candidate to ever seek this office, and have the ability to affect real change instead of rhetoric as we make Westchester fairer, safer, and stronger. I look forward to hearing the concerns of voters across Westchester,” said Wagstaff.

Both Cacace and Wagstaff have received a number of endorsements from Westchester elected officials. A third democratic candidate in the race is Adeel Mirza.

Pickpockets, continued from pg 1-

Shoppers are distracted by partners in the crime, while the other takes the card. Another method is to follow a shopper with the pocketbook in the shopping cart. While the shopper walks a few steps away to grab an item, the pickpockets quickly reach into your bag and take you debit card.

Some good pickpocket prevention tips include:

Keep your wallet in your front pocket to keep it close.

Wrap a rubber band around your wallet so it doesn’t slide out easily

Choose a purse with a complex latch to deter pickpockets

Shorten the straps on your bag or purse to keep it close to you.

Hold your bag or backpack instead of setting it down when you sit or when you shop.

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

VILMA VICTORIA SOTO-CABRERA, *
Plaintiff, *
v. * Case No. C-15-FM-23-007196
NELSON ANTONIO ABARCA-AREVALO, *
and *
MARTA LORENA RAMIREZ-ZAVALA, *
Defendants. *

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NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

A Verified Complaint for Third-Party Custody of a Minor and Motion for Factual Findings to Establish Eligibility to File Petition for Special Immigrant Juvenile Status was filed against Nelson Antonio Abarca-Arevalo and Marta Lorena Ramirez-Zavala in the Circuit Court of Montgomery County Maryland, on November 10, 2023. The Complaint alleges, in substance, that Katherin Lorena Abaraca-Ramirez (the Minor), the daughter of Nelson Antonio Abarca-Arevalo and Marta Lorena Ramirez-Zavala, was born on May 6, 2003 in Sensuntepeque, El Salvador; that Defendants abandoned and neglected the Minor; that the Claimant is the friend of the Minor and is an appropriate and adequate person to obtain custody of the Minor; and that the best interest of the Minor is to stay in the United States with her friend, and not to be returned to El Salvador. Plaintiff seeks sole physical and legal custody of the Minor and a determination that the Minor is eligible to petition for Special Immigrant Juvenile Status.

It is this 23rd day of January, 2024, ORDERED that the plaintiff cause a copy of this Notice to published at least once a week for three consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in Westchester, NY; publication to be completed by March 2, 2024; Defendant Marta Lorena Ramirez-Zavala must file a response on or before April 11, 2024; and Defendant Marta Lorena Ramirez-Zavala is warned that failure to file a response

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Weekend Events in Westchester County Parks

SATURDAY, FEB. 17

Croton Point Park, Croton-on-Hudson: (914) 862-5290

Wintering Eagles, 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Croton Point is a well-known winter gathering habitat for bald eagles. Hike to the Point to learn about this magnificent bird's behavior and history. Meet at entrance to RV Park; free; all ages; winter hiking conditions.

Alfred B. DelBello Muscote Farm, Somers: (914) 864-7282

All About Ice, 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Discover how and why ice was harvested at Muscote. Get details and register <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/all-about-ice-tickets-773180071407>

Westchester County Center, White Plains: (914) 995-4050

Royal Hanneford Circus, 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 6 p.m. Motorcycle stunts inside the Globe of Death, a flying trapeze, graceful aerialists, funny clowns, and amazing animals await you and your family! Also: Feb. 18, 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 6 p.m.; Feb. 19, 10 a.m., 2 p.m. Get details and tickets <https://countycenter.biz/event/royal-hanneford-circus/>

Marshlands Conservancy, Rye: (914) 835-4466

Take Out the Trash!, 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Help keep our beautiful salt marsh beautiful by collecting trash the tides left. It's a great way to have fun, exercise and give back to the earth.

Miller House, 140 Virginia Road, White Plains: (914) 428-1005

Miller House Open House, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Drop in to visit the former home of the Ann and Elijah Miller family, an average colonial Westchester family whose lives were changed forever when Gen. George Washington and his army fought for American independence.

Trailside Nature Museum at Ward Pound Ridge Reservation, Cross River: (914) 864-7322

Sugar House Chat, 12 p.m. – 2 p.m. As long as the sap is running we will be making one of nature's sweetest rewards: maple syrup. Come into the sugar house to chat with us!

Edith G. Read Wildlife Sanctuary, Rye: (914) 967-8720

Bird Bonanza! Backyard Bird Feeders and Feeder Watch: Make + Take, 1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. We'll identify the birds that visit our feeders and create some simple feeders that you can take home to attract birds in your neighborhood. Registration is required by emailing sqw2@westchestercountyny.gov or calling 914-967-8720.

SUNDAY, FEB. 18

Lasdon Park and Arboretum, Katonah: (914) 864-7268

Identifying Houseplant Problems, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. Learn how to identify those troubling houseplant symptoms and ways to correct them. Get details and register <https://www.lasdonpark.org/event/identifying-houseplant-problems/>

Cranberry Lake Preserve, North White Plains: (914) 428-1005

Life Under Ice, 1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Learn about what happens to aquatic life when ice forms over bodies of water. Hiking shoes are recommended.

US Attorney Charges New Rochelle Man Charged with Sexual Exploitation of a Minor

Damian Williams, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, announced on Feb. 9 the unsealing of a Complaint charging CHARUDET SMITH, a/k/a "Charles Smith," with sexual exploitation of a minor. SMITH was arrested yesterday and presented before U.S. Magistrate Judge Victoria Resnik this afternoon in White Plains federal court.

As alleged in the Complaint: From at least on or about December 21, 2019, up to and including at least on or about February 13, 2020, SMITH impersonated various individuals and created and used a series of Instagram accounts, emails, and phone numbers in order to deceive a 17-year-old minor ("Victim-1") into creating and sending sexually explicit videos and images to SMITH and agreeing to meet SMITH to engage in sexual activity in Seattle, Washington.

SMITH posed as an established freelance photographer for a well-known international camera company ("Company-1") and told Victim-1, an aspiring teenage photographer, that he had numerous contacts within the media industry and could act as Victim-1's mentor. SMITH then posed as multiple employees of Company-1 who purported to offer Victim-1 a position in a sought-after youth professional development program. In fact, SMITH was never an employee of Company-1 and had never been paid by Company-1 for any services or any employment.

Anyone who may have encountered CHARUDET SMITH, a/k/a "Charles Smith," or whose child may have had any communications with SMITH is asked to contact the FBI at 1-800-CALL-FBI (225-5324).

SMITH, 31, of New Rochelle, New York, is charged with one count of sexual exploitation of a minor, which carries a mandatory minimum sentence of 15 years in prison and a maximum sentence of 30 years in prison.

U.S. Attorney Damian Williams said: "Charudet Smith allegedly constructed an elaborate web of lies and fabricated multiple identities in order to gain the trust of an unsuspecting minor. Today's arrest underscores the urgent need to protect children from the dangers posed by predators who use social media to prey on children both online and in person."

Mr. Williams praised the efforts of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Connecticut U.S. Attorney's Office, the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Vermont, the Sheriff's Office in Washington, Vermont, the Massachusetts State Police, the New Rochelle Police Department, and the Westchester County Police Department in connection with this investigation.

The prosecution is being handled by the Office's White Plains Division. Assistant U.S. Attorney Marcia S. Cohen is in charge of the prosecution.

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TOWN OF EASTCHESTER

LEGAL NOTICE

2024 CUTTING, TRIMMING AND REMOVAL OF TREES AND STUMPS ON TOWN PROPERTY WITHIN THE TOWN OF EASTCHESTER AND THE VILLAGES OF TUCKAHOE AND BRONXVILLE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that SEALED BIDS will be received via MAIL or DELIVERED to the Office of Town Clerk, Town of Eastchester, 40 Mill Road, Eastchester, NY 10709 by 11:00 a.m. THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2024. Bid documents can be obtained at NO CHARGE online at the Town Clerks page on the Eastchester website (www.eastchester.org) OR bids can be picked-up at the Office of the Town Clerk between 8:30am-4:00pm as of FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2024.

All Questions regarding this bid shall be addressed to 914-961-8540 or via email -Highway@eastchester.org

THE Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

BY THE ORDER OF THE SUPERVISOR AND THE
THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF EASTCHESTER, NEW YORK

JOSEPH D. DOOLEY,
TOWN CLERK

BID ADVERTISEMENT LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Eastchester will receive sealed bids for LEEWOOD PARK IMPROVEMENTS, Eastchester, New York 10709, in accordance with the Documents prepared by the office of AI Engineers, Inc., Dolph Engineering Division, 570 Taxter Road, Elmsford, NY 10523.

All proposals shall be on a lump sum basis and include all Improvements work under a single Contract. Segregated proposals will not be accepted.

Bid documents will be made available at 9:00 AM on February 23, 2024 and may be obtained from the Engineer at www.bidset.com/Dolph

A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at the site on March 13, 2024 at 9:30 AM local time.

Any request for information shall be made by 3:00pm local time on March 15, 2024.

Proposals will be received until 2:00 PM local time on March 21, 2024 at the Office of The Town Clerk, Eastchester Town Hall, 40 Mill Road, Eastchester, New York 10709, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud.

All prospective bidders must register with AI Engineers, Inc., via e mail in order to obtain the bid documents. The following information is required:

1. Company name, address, phone number.
2. Contact person and e mail address.
3. Fax number (optional).

Send the above information via e mail to: azaino@drepc.com

Upon receipt of this information, a password will be sent to the registered prospective bidder via e-mail and prospective bidders may then download the bid documents. Bids will be accepted only from registered bidders. Only registered bidders will be notified of addenda availability via the Bidset.

Bid security shall be submitted with each bid in the amount of five percent (5%) of the Base Bid.

Bidders must be properly licensed under the laws governing their respective trades and be able to obtain Insurance and Bonds required for the Work.

The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish and pay for satisfactory Performance and Labor and Material Payment Bonds in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the total Contract Amount.

All bids shall be submitted in an opaque, sealed envelope clearly marked "LEEWOOD PARK IMPROVEMENTS", addressed to: Town Clerk, Eastchester Town Hall, 40 Mill Road, Eastchester, New York 10709. Unless otherwise permitted by law, no bids may be withdrawn for a period of forty-five (45) days after the date of the bid opening.

Time of Completion: 315 calendar days from Notice to Proceed.

The Town of Eastchester reserves the right to reject all bids and to waive any informality or irregularity in any or all bids.

LATE BIDS - All bids received after the deadline date and time stated above will not be considered and will be returned to the bidder unopened. The bidder assumes the risk of any delay in the mail or in the handling of the mail by Owner's employees or volunteers. Whether sent by mail or by means of personal delivery, the bidder assumes all responsibility for having the bid deposited on time at the place specified.

Dated: February 16, 2024
Town of Eastchester, 40 Mill Road, Eastchester, NY 10709

Letter to the Editor:

Who is the Real "Spoiler" in Bowman-Latimer Race?

One of our readers sent us the following letter to the editor:

To the Editor:

Last month, you wrote a story about the Bowman-Latimer congressional race by printing a letter from a resident in the district, who hypothesized that if Bowman were able to defeat Latimer in the democratic primary in June, then a republican would be able to defeat Bowman in a November election.

First let me say that as a supporter of Congressman Bowman, I do not believe that theory, for several reasons. There are simply not enough republicans in the district to elect a republican to congress in Westchester and the Bronx. And I don't believe that a supermajority of independent voters would vote for the republican over Bowman.

There is also not a republican in the district who is well know enough, without any political baggage, who would be able to attract enough voters to defeat Boman.

Finally, in a Presidential year, with Trump at the top of the Republican tickets, there is no way that Trump will have any coattails in Westchester to help a congressional candidate.

But let me turn around the hypothesis of your reader: Bowman already has the Working Families Party. What if Latimer became the spoiler in this election if Bowman decides to continue to run in November on the WFP line, if Latimer wins the democratic primary.

This would offer voters three choices in November; Latimer as a democrat; Bowman on the WFP line, and the republican candidate.

If you give the republican candidate, with Trump at the top of the ticket, the 33% of the vote that republicans usually get in this district in a Presidential year, you have Latimer and Bowman splitting up the remaining 65%.

Are Bowman's supporters and voters more inclined to vote for Bowman over Latimer? Or are Latimer's supporters more motivated to vote for Latimer over Bowman in November?

Or, could the worst scenario for both Latimer and Bowman supporters happen, with both Latimer and Bowman splitting 65% of the vote, and the republican winning with 35%?

If that happens then who would the spoiler for the democrats be? Many of us in the progressive-indivisible -democratic-WFP community believe that Latimer is the spoiler because he is challenging an incumbent Democratic member of Congress.

Name withheld, Bowman supporter from Westchester and NY-16.

Latimer -Bowman fund raising, continued from pg 1-

ing our democracy, I've done the work and delivered results, and I'm ready to stand up against MAGA extremism to fight for our nation," he added.

Rep. Bowman's stance on Israel and the Gaza war has been one of the major factors in many Westchester democrats backing Latimer. But what has been falsely claimed by many in the media is that

"AIPAC IS THE LARGEST DONOR" to Latimer's campaign, and "AIPAC has given more than \$600,000 in total to Latimer's campaign." Both are untrue.

What AIPAC did do in support of Latimer is to help visitors to the AIPAC website make a personal contribution to Latimer's congressional campaign. And while it does make it easier for supporters of AIPAC to contribute to Latimer, the individual contributor still has to take additional steps to make the contribution. This practice is legal and is done in many political campaigns. It is the modern way of getting your supporters to make a contribution.

When we viewed Latimer's latest FEC filing, there are 340 entries listed as a donation from AIPAC, but the reason for that ID is because those individual contributions came from the AIPAC portal. All of the AIPAC identified contributions came from individual contributors who made their contributions through the AIPAC portal, according to Latimer's campaign.

More than 400 individuals made contributions to Latimer for Congress of \$3,300. Some made two donations of \$3,300, maxing out their contribution for the Primary at \$6,600. A total of 1,750 contributions were made to Latimer for Congress over a three-week period last December.

After expenditures of \$108,000, Latimer has \$1.32 Million on hand.

Bowman's campaign raised \$657,000 from individuals during the same period and has \$630,000 cash on hand.

The contributions to Latimer underscores one of his campaign themes; that he is more locally connected to Westchester democrats, who are supporting his campaign. "I'm out there, every single day, talking to voters and listening to voters so when I go to Washington I can deliver real results for them," said Latimer. "The nearly \$1.4 million raised to date is from local donors, at the grassroots level who believe in my vision for the district, this Country, and our future. This is more than showtime, this is a real movement for significant change."

Hastings Historical Society Commemorates Drs Mamie and Kenneth Clark: Psychologists & Civil Rights Activists

Building on events that took place this past fall, the Hastings Historical Society is continuing its year-long Clark Commemoration Project to honor two of the village's most renowned former residents – Drs. Mamie and Kenneth Clark. This married couple are best known for their “Doll Tests,” which showed the negative impact of segregation on Black children's self-esteem. Their test results were influential exhibits in the groundbreaking 1954 Brown v. Board of Education Supreme Court decision that ruled segregated U.S. public schools to be unconstitutional.

The Society currently has an extensive exhibit about the Clarks on display at the Observatory Cottage in Draper Park. The Clark Legacy provides an in-depth view of the Clarks' lives and accomplishments, covering how they met and married, with details of their Doll Tests, as well as the couple's academic achievements and profound impact on at-risk children. Other topics include the history of their integrated neighborhood in Hastings; the story of the Clarks' houseguest, Minnijean Brown of the Little Rock Nine, who lived with them in the late 1950s; and the background of some of the Black luminaries who were friends and visitors to the Clarks' home on Pinecrest Drive. The Clark Legacy exhibit will be available for viewing until October 2024.

A number of related events took place in the fall of 2023. These were:

- The co-naming of Mount Hope Boulevard in Hastings as Drs. Mamie & Kenneth Clark Way, funded by the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson. The dedication ceremony was held at the James V. Harmon Community Center in Hastings on October 14, 2023, and drew approximately 160 attendees, including Minnijean Brown-Trickey and many members of the extended Clark family. A video of this event can be accessed at <https://hastingsonhudsonny.swagit.com/play/10182023-533/>

- Minnijean Brown-Trickey, who in 1957 was one of nine Black students to integrate Central High School in Little Rock, Arkansas, shared that experience and her worldview with students in the Hastings school district on October 12 and 13, 2023. Recordings of the three assemblies with Ms. Brown-Trickey are provided below:

Hillside Elementary School: <https://events.locallive.tv/events/125974>

Farragut Middle School: <https://events.locallive.tv/events/124341>

Hastings High School: <https://events.locallive.tv/events/124339>

The next phase of the Clark Commemoration Project involves the creation and installation of permanent outdoor signage related to the Drs. Clark. A total of three signs are planned for the beginning and end of Drs. Mamie & Kenneth Clark Way in Hastings – two at the bottom of Mount Hope Boulevard on Farragut Avenue near the Middle School and High School, and one at the top of the hill at Lefurgy Avenue near the entrance to Hillside Elementary School. This phase of the Clark Commemoration Project is fully funded through the generosity of the Elliott family of Hastings, whose donation is in memory of Bob Elliott.

The Hastings Historical Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving the history of Hastings-on-Hudson, New York. The Society is located at the Observatory Cottage in Draper Park in the Village of Hastings.

The public is invited to view The Clark Legacy exhibit during public hours on Mondays and Thursdays from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm, and on the first Saturday of every month (from September through June) from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. For GPS directions, please use this address: 407 Broadway, Hastings-on-Hudson, NY.

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT, LLC

Plaintiff,

vs.

INDEX NO. 66627/2023

Plaintiff designates WESTCHESTER
as the place of trial situs of the real property
the place of trial situs of the real property

SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS

Mortgaged Premises:

2 CHERRY HILL CIRCLE, OSSINING, NY 10562
Section: 89.12, Block: 1, Lot: 39

JAMES GARZIA, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF SARAH GARZIA; DIANE M GARZIA, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF SARAH GARZIA; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTEES OF THE ESTATE OF SARAH GARZIA, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or general 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, executors, 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; SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; LARCHMONT FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION; THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK; JOHN DOE #1,

“JOHN DOE #2” through “JOHN DOE #12,” the last eleven names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint,
Defendants.

To the above named Defendants

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above entitled action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days of the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service of the same is complete where service is made in any manner other than by personal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service. Your failure to appear or to answer will result in a judgment against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. In the event that a deficiency balance remains from the sale proceeds, a judgment may be entered against you.

NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT

THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of \$795,000.00 and interest, recorded on January 03, 2011, in Control Number 503213391, of the Public Records of WESTCHESTER County, New York., covering premises known as 2 CHERRY HILL CIRCLE, OSSINING, NY 10562.

The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above.

WESTCHESTER County is designated as the place of trial because the real property affected by this action is located in said county.

NOTICE

YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME

If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home.

Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property.

Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action.

YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.

Dated: February 5th, 2024
ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC
Attorney for Plaintiff Matthew Rothstein, Esq.
900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310
Westbury, NY 11590 516-280-7675

Upcoming Events at the Hudson River Museum

Saturday, February 17, 11am–5pm
Lunar New Year 2024

Kick off the Year of the Dragon with traditional Asian crafts, demonstrations, and performances for all ages! Enjoy a ceremonial lion dance, hands-on activities and origami workshops, traditional folk dances, a Tai Chi demonstration, and more.

Special thanks to our community partners, the OCA Asian Pacific American Advocates, Westchester and Hudson Valley Chapter, and the Greenburgh Evergreen Club, a Chinese senior organization based at the Theodore Young Community Center.

Sunday, February 18, 1:30pm

Artist Tour of Embrace: Cinematic Moments by James Seward Image

Join artist James Seward on a special tour of Embrace, which features a series of his large-scale paintings of memorable moments in iconic American cinema.

Monday–Friday February 19–23, 11am–5pm

School's Out, Stars Are In (SOSI)

Students and parents are invited to experience the HRM during extended hours for winter break! Visit the exhibitions on view, watch free planetarium shows under the dome, and engage in interactive art and science workshops.

SOSI is sponsored by Con Edison.

Sunday, February 25, 2–4pm

Yonkers: The Lost City of Hip Hop

Join us for an immersive program celebrating the rich and vibrant history of Hip Hop in Yonkers with author Jerome Enders, graffiti specialist Ken Davis, and DJ Beat Master Gene.

Support provided by Sarah Lawrence College through a generous grant from the Mellon Foundation.

Planetarium Shows

Friday, January 16, 7pm

Pink Floyd's The Dark Side of the Moon Image

Celebrate the 50th anniversary of Pink Floyd's iconic album The Dark Side of the Moon with a full-dome planetarium show. Recommended for ages 10+; 42-minute show. Advance reservations are encouraged.

NYS Independent Redistricting Commission

Meeting of the Independent Redistricting Commission. To conduct the business of the New York State Independent Redistricting Commission on Thursday, February 15, 2024, 2 PM. Roosevelt Hearing Room C, Legislative Office Building, 2nd Floor Albany, New York 12210

Pursuant to a court order (Anthony S. Hoffmann et al. v. New York State Independent Redistricting Commission et al.) and Article III Section 5-b and Section 94 of the Legislative Law, the New York State Independent Redistricting Commission has been constituted to determine congressional district lines.

This meeting shall be convened to discuss the following agenda:

1. Vote on the final congressional map proposal
2. Vote to send the final congressional map proposal and enacting legislation to the Legislature

The meeting of the Independent Redistricting Commission shall be open to the Public and shall be streamed online at www.nyirc.gov. A recording of the meeting shall also be available to the Public.

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was at the game, told the Journal News. "Our coach realized that from the stands they were saying 'Black N-words.'" Buckley added that the coach had called a timeout to address the issue.

Several parent groups and supporters from East Ramapo have posted a video of one of the players. The player is not identified but clearly states that she heard comments made at the game.

But reporting from Scarsdale 10583 tells another side of this story. A Scarsdale resident and parent of one of the players said that no slurs were made, that there were only a dozen spectators, and that the referee had called the game.

Section 1-NY Athletics, which has oversight with both teams, said that they would also conduct a review. We would hope that one of the ongoing investigations would ask if there were no comments made, why was the game called and cancelled. And did the referee have anything to do with it?

There have been two other similar incidents, or alleged incidents at Westchester High Schools this school year. Last month, a Yonkers Roosevelt High School game against the Leffell School had allegations of antisemitic slurs made against the Leffell players.

Investigations by the City of Yonkers, and a lengthy letter by a player outlining what happened and what was said, support this accusation. But an investigation by the Yonkers NAACP found no evidence of any comments.

In October of 2023, spectators at a Lakeland High School basketball game made slurs against the Nyack High School cheerleaders.

Congressman Jamaal Bowman said, "There is no place for racism or hatred of any kind on the court, in our schools, or any other place in our society. The reports of racial slurs at last weekend's basketball game are unacceptable. My team and I will continue to follow the situation and await the conclusion of the ongoing investigation. It is our responsibility as parents and educators to teach against hate and center love so our children can do better.

"Sports are a refuge for many students, and a place where kids can come together to build community and understanding with one another. Hatred in all its forms can make sports feel unwelcoming and unsafe. We must work together to ensure that our schools are prepared to be safe environments, combat hatred, and promote peaceful dialogue. The collective work of fighting all forms of hate requires us to tell the truth about our history and society by giving students opportunities to learn accurate, unbiased information about the past and present. It also must include fostering discussion and engagement with diverse peers, perspectives, and cultures. We cannot shy away from the hard work of education, but we must remember and teach the importance of compassion, mutual understanding, and empathy for all communities. This is the only path towards a society that centers peace and our shared humanity," said Rep. Bowman.



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