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“Abortion is on the Ballot Now,” Gov. Kathy Hochul



State Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins with Senate Democrats

By Dan Murphy

Days after somebody leaked a draft decision from US Supreme Court Justice Sam Alito, which would overturn the landmark abortion case, Roe v Wade, NY democrats stood united in their promise not to let a woman’s right to choose to be taken away in the Empire State.

Governor Kathy Hochul, who is in the middle of a tough election campaign said, “Abortion is on the ballot now. This is a seismic shift in people’s attitudes and what’s at stake on Election Day as they saw those who did not show up on Election Day in 2016 or those who voted for Donald Trump, these are the consequences. Now we have the collateral damage which is an earthquake across our nation. People understand now. This is what happens when you don’t elect Democrats. I believe this is going to energize the base. 70% of Americans, Democrats and Republicans, want these basic human rights left alone, like they have been for half a century. And my message to those who would deny this fundamental, basic right is, You Don’t Want to Mess With us. And I assure you, this is a fight that you will not win,” said Hochul.

State Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins, from Yonkers, said, “New Yorkers will not be silent as SCOTUS tries to rollback 50 years of precedent. I’m proud to stand with Governor Hochul, NYS Bipartisan Pro-Choice Legislative Caucus and officials across our state as we lead New York in the fight for Americans’ right to a safe, legal abortion.”

Stewart-Cousins was also interviewed for Capital Tonight when she elaborated on plans to protect not only the right to an abortion but overarching personal privacy rights. “I really am very saddened, frankly, to be having this conversation because there are certain assumptions that I have as somebody who has a legacy of having been discriminated against. To be having this conversation in 2022, it’s just incredible to me. But we are on this path, and I will repeat it again and again, because for some reason there is some kind of radical agenda by so many of my Republican colleagues that seem to feel, that it’s okay to storm the Capitol but it’s not okay to have control over your own [body]. I’m very confused.”

State Senator Shelley Mayer, also from Yonkers, said, “I am alarmed and

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Harrison Cop, Put on Leave for 18 Months, Still Getting Paid



Frank Corvino, as a rookie on the Harrison Police force in 2018

Taxpayers Want Answers, Why Officer is not Working Desk Duty?

By Dan Murphy

Harrison taxpayers and police officers across Westchester are wondering why the Journal News dropped a bombshell story about Harrison Police Officer Frank Corvino on May 6, 2022. In September 2020, Corvino was arrested for a domestic violence incident and charged with third-degree assault, endangering the welfare of a child, and second-degree harassment.

Former Westchester District Attorney Anthony Scarpino charged Corvino, and his office alleged that he assaulted his wife in front of their child. His wife suffered bruises on her face and received medical treatment for injured ribs. Orders of protection were given to his wife. In April 2021, Corvino pled guilty to second degree harassment, with no jail time and anger management and parenting classes required.

Since then, Corvino has been placed on administrative leave but continues to earn his salary, which the NYS Comptroller told the Journal News was \$103,000 in 2021. Corvino is not required to go to work, and this fact, the lack of information and the length of time the case has taken to proceed has Harrison taxpayer fed up and looking for answers.

But very few answers have been made available about Corvino, or the lengthy civil service process to have him fired from the Harrison Police Department. In November 2021, the Harrison Town Board hired a hearing officer, Peter Skelos, to proceed with disciplinary charges against Corvino. Since then, there has been little or no comment coming from the HPD or Harrison Town Hall.

Corvino was hired in 2018, and served three years before his criminal charges. He

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The American Culture Wars Come to Westchester School Board Races

I look forward to watching your kids play baseball

Chocolate kids play well

Thanks Joe.
I look forward to seeing you in wildwood street!

Not Joe but a nice guardian angel. Your house is nice. Look out for nails that blend in.

Maybe the three of us can get together

By Dan Murphy

“The culture wars that are raging across our country have landed here in Westchester,” emailed one elected official and one of our readers. Newsday’s recent headline reads “Long Island School Board Elections get Nasty.”

Several school board races in Westchester County have competitive races with 30 candidates running for office in four school districts. Giving the voters in those school districts an option to vote for is good in any election. That’s the good news.

The bad news is that the hatred that we have seen at recent school board meetings has spilled over in some of these school board races, with the elections being held May 17, for school board, and to approve your local school district’s budget for the upcoming 2022-2023 school year.

In February, tensions reached a boiling point at a Lakeland School Board meeting, where discussion over the implementation of a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, (DEI), initiative from the NYS Board of Regents turned into unacceptable comments from the public that included calling Superintendent Karen Gagliardi a “n****r lover,” Assistant Superintendent Tracy Norman called an “Uncle Tom,” and accusing School Board President Adam Kaufman of, “being so very German,” when he tried to calm the crowd.

After that meeting, the Lakeland Federation of Teachers, and concerned parents and students attended the next meeting to voice their support, for the DEI initiative, for the Superintendent, Asst. Superintendent, and Board President, and for a commitment to providing a positive role model and example young adults and students.

One of those in attendance was Joe Ascanio. Ascanio stepped forward and decided to run for Lakeland School Board and to try and lower the temperature of hostility and push back against the hate. He is running with three other candidates Paul Edwards, Chuck Monsanto and Laura Perozo. They have the support of Lakeland Rise, and Teach the Truth Westchester.

But the hate continues to show itself. On Mother’s Day, after placing a LGBT flag outside of his house, he received a text message that we printed above.

“While enjoying a low-key Mothers Day evening with my family, we received the text message included here. And yes, that pride/ally “fruit flag” is in fact proudly displayed outside my house. On the same street to which our own Superinten-

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Thousand Dollar Shopliftings, from Yonkers to Yorktown



The perfume counters at Macy’s, with gift sets that were stolen

By Dan Murphy

One of the arguments against taxing corporations is that they will pass the cost onto the consumer. The same can be said for retail establishments who have fallen victim to rampant and large scale shoplifting, or larceny or robbery. One of our readers emailed me to say that my referencing the recent \$2,500 in perfume stolen from the Macy’s at Cross County Center in Yonkers as a robbery was incorrect, because of the dollar amount involved. The proper characterization is a grand larceny, and that person is correct.

But there has to be a better term for an organized group of people stealing all that they can hold, or put into a bag, and running out. Shoplifting to me was stealing a candy bar when you were a kid.

Thousand dollar thefts, from pharmacies in Yonkers have been going on for more than six months, and at two Yonkers supermarkets, ACME and Stop n Shop, off duty police have been hired to make sure these type of walk out larcenies don’t happen under their watch. Yonkers Rising columnist Eric Schoen has witnessed two incidents in Yonkers; one at a TJ Maxx and the other at a CVS.

Now these types of thefts are occurring further north in Westchester, according to the State Police. “The State Police in Cortlandt is investigating a larceny of over \$3,900 worth of over-the-counter medications from the ACME Supermarket on East Main Street in Mohegan Lake. The suspects also attempted to steal medica-

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Scarsdale Superintendent Resigns After IRS \$1.7 Fine Becomes “Too Much of a Distraction”

Latimer Relaunches Public Engagement Program for Westchester County Airport



Former Scarsdale Superintendent Dr. Thomas Hagerman

By Dan Murphy

Scarsdale Superintendent Dr. Thomas Hagerman resigned his post on May 6, two months before his expected departure to take a post at an elite private school in Chicago. Hagerman was able to stay in his current position for several months after news broke earlier this year of a \$1.7 Million error made by the Scarsdale School District in payroll taxes.

The news of the IRS blunder was made public at the Scarsdale Board of Education’s March 30 meeting. Underpayment of payroll taxes for staff in the Scarsdale School District during the 2020 and 2021 years, and penalties and interest from the IRS resulted in the Board agreeing to pay \$843,558 for 2020 payroll taxes owed.

But residents in Scarsdale were outraged at the errors and already paying among the highest property taxes in Westchester, and in the country, were reluctant to pay the \$1.7 IRS fine for someone’s incompetence inside the school districts administrative offices.

Despite the public’s demand for answers as to how did these costly errors occurred, and when was the school district notified by the IRS of the massive error, and how come the school district’s auditors didn’t catch the error, no answers were forthcoming at the end of March and nobody in Scarsdale has been provided any answers on May 6, when Hagerman was forced to resign.

Hagerman was going to leave Scarsdale to take the position as Head of the Latin School in Chicago, which pays \$750,000 per year. He currently makes \$450,000 per year in Scarsdale. His contract included a 12-month notification clause alerting the school board of his departure. Hagerman never gave the one year notice, which could have played into his early departure. Also no word on whether the IRS scandal will play a role in his new job in Chicago.

Published reports allege that Hagerman and his administration “covered up” the details about the IRS bomb for 10 months. On May 6, after an executive session, Scarsdale Vice-President Amber Yusuf announced Hagerman’s resignation. Yusuf read a statement from Hagerman, which stated “... the IRS issue has become a distraction to that work. Although I have already resigned my position as superintendent of schools effective June 30, I now feel it is best to do so more immediately in order for the district to keep its focus on students and a successful ending to the school year. It has been a privilege to work on behalf of Scarsdale’s children and youth and alongside so many outstanding administrators, faculty and staff.”

The school board immediately hired Assistant superintendent for human resources and leadership development Dr. Drew Patrick to serve as interim Superintendent for the upcoming 2022-23 school year at a salary of \$300,000 effective May 7.

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Westchester County is relaunching the Public Engagement Program on the Master Plan for Westchester County Airport.

Join us for an Open Conversation to see what's "On the Horizon" for the Airport.

- Tuesday, May 24 at 6 p.m.**
 Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University
 78 N. Broadway, White Plains, NY 10603
- Thursday, June 2 at 6 p.m.**
 Manhattanville College
 2900 Purchase St, Purchase, NY 10577
- Thursday, June 9 at 6 p.m.**
 Mercy College
 555 Broadway, Dobbs Ferry, NY 10522

Westchester County Executive George Latimer is reintroducing a community engagement program, On the Horizon, to hear from the public on the future of Westchester County Airport. In February 2020, Latimer first launched the Program to support the Master Plan Supplement for Westchester County Airport. After the COVID-19 pandemic put the project on hold for more than two years, Latimer is once again opening up a County-wide discussion to listen to the concerns of residents, community organizations, the business community, environmental activists and more. Together, Latimer is hoping to create a new vision for Westchester County Airport.

Latimer said: “Westchester County Airport is just one project that unfortunately came to a screeching halt with the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, but my administration is committed to completing a thorough evaluation of airport operations and its impacts, and a robust community engagement program. Whether you use the Airport to fly with your family to Florida, to pick up your parents who are visiting for the winter, or you use the Airport for business travel, we need to hear from you. Our goal is to engage everyone the Airport touches – our homeowners, business community, environmental groups, community organizations and more – a balance I am confident we can achieve. We look forward to having the public be an integral part of this process moving forward, and together, we will ensure the Airport evolves as a valuable, transportation resource.”

The Master Plan Supplement Community Engagement Program, called On the Horizon, includes a series of public events such as town halls. The Master Plan Supplement will focus on analysis of the Airport with respect to the physical

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Amazing is running a marathon 3 months after shattering your shoulder.

Dan Levinsohn dreamed of running the NYC Marathon. While training, he was hit by a car, breaking his shoulder in three places. Dan met with Dr. William Levine and his orthopedic team at NewYork-Presbyterian, who operated on his shoulder and designed a physical therapy plan to get him to the marathon. Just months after it seemed impossible, Dan crossed the finish line.

Learn more at nyp.org/orthopedics

Westchester Chordsmen Back in Business with Spring Concert



The Westchester Chordsmen chorus is proud to present a special spring concert, "Back in Business," in Ossining on May 21 at 7pm. This will mark the first time that the chorus has returned to indoor performance in over two years.

The award-winning a cappella chorus and quartets will perform an entertaining mix of Chordsmen favorites and new arrangements, including familiar songs from Stephen Sondheim, Stevie Wonder, Randy Newman, Frank Sinatra, and more. Looking for a Broadway ballad, a Duke Ellington jazz tune, or a rousing patriotic number? This show has something for everyone and is sure to thrill fans of all ages!

Musical Director, Keith Harris, says, "We're excited to perform many songs that showcase the breadth and versatility of our 40-man chorus. We love to entertain – and it's great to be Back in Business!"

During the pandemic, the chorus was extremely active and recorded several virtual shows which were seen far and wide. As a result, in recognition of the chorus' efforts to keep the arts alive, ArtsWestchester honored the Chordsmen with its 2021 Arts Organization of the Year award.

President of The Westchester Chordsmen, Bob Sideli, says, "We couldn't be prouder to return to the stage for a live performance and to support the re-emergence of the musical performing arts in Westchester."

Details of the concert are: Saturday, May 21, 7:00 PM, First Presbyterian Church of Ossining, 34 S Highland Ave, Ossining NY 10562. Tickets: \$20 in advance; \$25 at the door Go to: <https://chordsmen.org/shows>

The Chorus plans to resume in July its popular "READY-SET-SING," program – a six-week FREE course in singing and performance techniques. Men of all ages are encouraged to register in advance at chordsmen.org/contact/

Harris says, "We're excited about this show for many reasons: to return to live indoor performance, to reconnect with our audience, and to be a part of the re-emergence of the musical arts in Westchester. We look forward to seeing you in Ossining on May 21 at 7PM."

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Another unanswered question that residents in Scarsdale have is how could there not be a massive property tax increase as a result of the IRS troubles. At the March 30 meeting, Assistant Superintendent for Business Stuart Mattay said, "We are in ongoing negotiations with the IRS and we have already met with our legal counsel. There is no timeframe for an IRS decision. We might not have a decision even in time for the 2023-24 school budget. The district has a right to appeal. The financial impact would be to our unreserved fund balance and will have no impact on our current budget. This will be a footnote in our financial statement." Mattay added that the \$843,558 payment due to the IRS would be kept on the books as an account receivable until an appeal and final determination can be made.

Scarsdale residents commenting publicly include Robert Berg who called the whole affair "a major cover-up."

Scarsdale resident and Westchester Assemblymember Amy Paulin called the IRS error, "unheard of, and unconscionable. I wasn't surprised he was leaving, but this is beyond the pale."

Published reports have Hagerman sending a misleading letter to the Latin School regarding the IRS errors in Scarsdale. Hagerman was forced to admit that he misquoted Scarsdale Board President Karen Ceske.

News of Hagerman's troubles in Scarsdale had reached Chicago prior to his inaccurate letter of resignation. The other question that an independent counsel hired by the Scarsdale BOE will determine is how early did Hagerman know about the payroll errors that led to the \$1.7 IRS fine.

Hagerman's contract was extended in Scarsdale in June 2021. Reports claim that the school district knew about the IRS lein around that same time.

Publicly, the Latin School offered its "full and ongoing support" to Hagerman.

Read it all online at [YonkersTimes.com](https://www.yonkertimes.com)

Crazy Prices! St. Ann's School. And a Coincidene!



By Eric W. Schoen

Crazy Prices!

Can you believe the price of gas? When it approaches \$5 a gallon (\$6 for diesel) somebody in Washington had better wake up. I don't care if they are Democrats or Republicans or a combination of the two. Whether it's a federal gas tax holiday, open up petroleum reserves, our electeds in Washington had better do something!

If we can't afford gas, it affects everything we do. Car trips are shorter. Those car vacations people are planning this summer will be cut short. Folks will do less shopping in store and more online. That is until the postal prices go up. And the surcharges for all the delivery services. Flying on a plane? Prepare for sticker shock. And rental cars at your place of destination are sure to be higher than when you visited last time.

As the price of gas goes up, so goes the price of everything we buy. That is if the items you want can reach your local store shelves. Meat prices are insane. Frozen food prices for people like me who don't cook much are up 15-20% on most items. Vegetables are sky high. You need to turn to the sales flyers and see what is on sale before you hit the grocery store. Most stores post their sales flyers online. Many stores have 'unannounced' sales you find when you visit them.

And don't be afraid to look at the items in the scratch and dent wreck most stores have. I see more and more people doing this. If the box or package is open, skip it. Check for 'best by' dates. I recently found items at over 75% off including fresh, name brand healthy cereals I normally eat with a little dent in the package and good quality measuring spoon sets reduced from \$3.50 to 77 cents.

Perfect example of what is going on is the cat food my sister buys for her cat. You can't find it in Stop and Shop where she has bought it for years. She has no room to store 10 pound bags you can get on Amazon and can't lift them. She prefers a smaller bag a little over 3 pounds. So we hunt. One thing you don't do with a cat is change his or her food or litter.

Several people criticized my story 2 weeks ago about shopping on Elm Street. One reader said 'Are you trying to get people killed. You make it sound like Greenwich, Connecticut. But the Councilperson for the area Corazon Pineda Isaac praised the column as did many others.

So let's talk about Elm Street and the many bodegas and small supermarkets around Elm Street and around town. What did I find? The 9 Lives cat food for my sisters cat I could find nowhere else. Yes, it was over \$6 versus \$4 at Stop and Shop. But hey, at least they had it!

If all this craziness has got you down, sit down, relax and have a cup of coffee (iced or hot), tea (iced or hot) or caffeine charged lemonades or soft drinks at Panera Bread at Cross County, Central Avenue in Scarsdale, Greenburgh and other locations throughout Westchester County free every day through the 4th of July. I posted on Facebook the Unlimited Sip Club at Panera. \$10.99 a month after July 4th. You deserve a break today!

St. Ann's School

As this column goes to press, no decision has been made on the use of St. Ann's School to educate migrant teens under the auspices of Rising Ground, formerly Leake and Watts, a Yonkers institution for many years. Interesting that the decision is going to be made by the Pastor and not the Archdiocese or Cardinal.

When I first heard of the opposition from the community, I thought of 1988. The Yonkers Housing Desegregation days. Some are comparing that sad time in Yonkers history with the St. Ann's situation. There was talk of 'putting some of the court ordered housing on the grounds of St. Joseph's Seminary, and the community was in an uproar. There ended up being no housing at the Seminary, and I am not going to rehash commitments that were supposedly made.

St. Ann's School closed in 2019 due to budget cuts in the Archdiocese. A perfectly useful building sits idle that can bring St. Ann's necessary cash. The plan calls for a staff of more than 100 workers for the 200 mostly male migrant children. That's one worker for every two children. The children will be kept at the school only during weekdays and not overnight. The expectation is that the children will be kept with Rising Ground for 90 days and then reunited with families in the United States. Rising Ground will check to be sure no one in their program has any criminal past.

St. Ann's has held information meetings with its parishioners, some of whom are not happy that the school will be used for this purpose. Some mentioned that the school is located in a residential area with little or no parking. Reminds me of the situation at my synagogue. Hundreds of people come for Yom Kippur and Rosh Hashanah. They park on the streets of tony Scarsdale. For 4 days a year it makes no sense to build extensive parking facilities.

I have passed the church many times and there doesn't seem like a parking problem even during Christmas and Easter. Hey, the building was used as a school before! Staff had to find somewhere to park. My guess is in fact the workers, many who will probably take public transportation will meet the clients where they are dorming and accompany them to St. Ann's. Pretty safe situation where the teenagers will at no time be unsupervised.

Whether you are Catholic or Jewish or any other religion, during Easter and Passover we prayed for people everywhere and pledged to help the needy. That's

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Bluepath Service Dogs Host 6th Annual Walkathon May 14



On Saturday, May 14, BluePath Service Dogs will host their sixth annual walkathon at FDR State Park in Yorktown Heights. The family-friendly fundraiser, held from 10:00am to 1:00pm, will raise funds in support of BluePath's mission to provide autism service dogs, offering safety, companionship, and opportunities for independence.

The walkathon is open to all ages and begins in Lot 4 of FDR State Park. Walkers can choose between a 1.7-mile or 3-mile loop and will have access to food, games, and all-day fun – rain or shine. Friendly dogs are welcome on leashes 6' or shorter. Attendees can also meet BluePath dogs and learn more about how the nonprofit is creating a better world for children with autism.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, one out of every 44 children born today will develop an autism spectrum disorder. It is the fastest growing developmental disability in the United States.

For the Bettencourt family, BluePath Penn has helped six-year-old Hudson, pictured above, lead a safer, fuller life. "Penn gives Hudson the safety to go out and be himself," said Hudson's mom, Andrea Bettencourt. "Penn keeps him grounded, literally and figuratively, and has helped to reestablish Hudson's self-confidence. He has provided a starting point for engaging with others and, maybe most importantly, has become Hudson's best friend."

Each BluePath dog comes with thousands of hours of training from dedicated volunteers and professional staff. While the cost to prepare these incredible dogs is upwards of \$40,000, BluePath provides its service dogs – and intensive, ongoing follow up support – completely free of charge. Reduced stress, improved sleeping routines, and more meaningful social interactions can allow families to feel a renewed sense of hope and empowerment.

Walkathon registration includes a BluePath event t-shirt. Adult walkers are \$30; children under 13 years old are \$20. Visit www.bluepathservicedogs.org to learn more or register. Those unable to participate in person may support walkers with an online donation or become a virtual walker with a personalized fundraising page. Sponsorship opportunities are still available; for more information, contact Erica Stanzione at 914-804-4023 or erica.stanzione@bluepathservicedogs.org.

Northwell Health Walk Set for May 22 at FDR Park, Yorktown

The Northwell Health Walk will be on Sunday, May 22, at 10 a.m. at the Franklin D. Roosevelt State Park in Yorktown Heights and will unite thousands of people across five different New York locations who believe in supporting quality health care that's close to home. And for the first time since 2018, the Northwell Health Walk is back in Westchester County.

The pandemic reminded us how important it is to have high-quality, well-equipped hospitals in our community. Hundreds of individuals comprising of nearly 40 teams will join the grassroots fundraiser benefiting Northern Westchester Hospital and Phelps Hospital.

The festival will feature an opening ceremony celebrating our heroic doctors, nurses and staff—and the caring community members dedicated to keeping Westchester healthy, supporting quality health care. Walkers will enjoy a scenic, wheelchair accessible and dog-friendly 2.5 mile walk on a paved road through the park, as well as: Music and fresh fare from local favorites like Black Cow Coffee, Ben & Jerry's and Stonefire Pizza, Fun lawn games and free giveaways, Warm-up activities from chair yoga to martial arts, Free health screenings and activities, Arts and crafts, an ambulance tour, bubble machine, Playland surprises, and other kid's activities.

Gates opens at 8:30 am. Walk begins at 10:00 am. Register at <https://northwell-healthwalk.com/westchester>.

Join an existing team to walk with or create your own—either way, you'll be supporting your local healthcare heroes and keeping your community healthy.

Every dollar raised helps these community hospitals with leading-edge services keep up with the evolving needs of our community as well as those who care for them.

For more information, visit Northwell.edu.

Stop Murdering Black Trans Women



The murders of Kesha Webster, and Miia Love Parker, left are believed to be two of ten killings in 2022 of a transgender person

"You don't have to like us. But respect us enough to not kill us."

-TS Candi, Black Trans Nation

By Dennis Richmond Jr.

Kenyatta "Kesha" Webster, 24, was found dead in Jackson, Mississippi, on Saturday, March 26th, 2022. Friends and family held a vigil for the young woman. Her mother, Sharon Taylor, stated, "I want justice for my baby." Miia Love Parker, 25, was shot and killed in Chester, Pennsylvania. According to the Human Rights Campaign, "Miia Love Parker's death is at least the 10th violent killing of a transgender or gender non-conforming person in 2022."

There's a trend in America, and most people are clueless about it. Black teenage trans girls and trans women are dying at unprecedented rates. Many trans girls and trans women are dying at the hands of adolescent boys and men. From Florida to Arkansas and Texas to Pennsylvania, trans girls and trans women are bullied, beaten, and brutally slain.

Americans must protect teenage trans girls and trans women. Brayla Stone's murder in Sherwood, Arkansas, occurred in June of 2020. Her body was found in a car after she was to death. Brayla will never have the chance to see her 18th birthday because she died at 17-years-old. Bee Love Slater, 23, was killed in Clewiston, Florida, in September of 2019. Her burned body was in a torched car.

Muhlaysia Booker's killing happened in Dallas, Texas, in May of 2019. Assaulted the month before, people not only stood and watched the assault, but they also recorded it and shouted transphobic slurs. In May of 2019, she was found dead on arrival. Her cause of death was a gunshot wound. Muhlaysia was 22 years old. Merci 'Pooda' Mack followed me on Instagram. Her murder in Dallas, Texas, occurred in June 2020 after being shot to death at an apartment complex. Merci was 22 years old.

These stories are heartbreaking. Kesha, Miia, Brayla, Bee Love, Muhlaysia, and Merci, were four of hundreds of trans teenage girls and trans women murdered within the past two years. If not thousands.

TS Candii, 28, of Brooklyn, New York, is the Founder of Black Trans Nation. Her solution to this issue is "learn more about us." She says that folx need "more education." A lot of people base their ideas on their family and their religion. If people come from families that don't respect LGBTQ+ folx, this could spark bigotry and violence later in life. "You don't have to like us." But "respect us enough to not kill us."

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is now divorced from his wife.

Legal scholars and attorneys in Harrison familiar with the case that we spoke to said, "the clock starts after he pleads guilty in April 2021. In has been a little more than a year, and with COVID, it may take that long to get a disciplinary hearing organized. But the lack of information coming out to the public about this is the problem," said one Harrison resident.

Another Harrison resident said she was "shocked by how much the Harrison Police Department is protected in this town. If he was a DPW worker, he would have been fired long ago. But he is a cop, so he gets the benefit of the doubt and the taxpayers have to pay his salary. It's nonsense."

Several Harrison residents we spoke to wondered why the Journal News decided to print a front page story about Corvino one year later. "What is so special about this case now? Did somebody drop a dime on Corvino or the Harrison Police Department to the Journal News? Or is this more about politics, and the politics of moving up in the Harrison Police Department?"

A Westchester police officer, (outside of Harrison) that we spoke to said, "I think its time for this officer to step down and for the town to finally move forward with the termination proceeding. This job is getting tough enough for us who work hard, play by the rules and don't hurt out wives."

One comment from the Journal News story rang true with the Harrison residents we spoke to. "Not a good look for Harrison PD to trying to wait out the news cycle on this one. The public will not, and should not, forget "bruises to her face, arms and legs and received medical treatment for injuries to her ribs and shoulders. That doesn't sound like the actions of an officer who should be trusted with a deadly weapon interacting with the public in often pressured situations."

One other Harrison resident asked, "Why does this cop have to stay home? Can he work and stay in the office? Can he come to work without his weapon? Why are they making it so easy on him?"

The hearing to be held under NYS Civil Service Law, Section 75, will determine whether the Town of Harrison can fire Corvino.

We called the domestic violence incident that Corvino was involved in abuse because domestic violence is also called domestic abuse and includes physical assault and abusive behavior, according to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

The Journal News story can be read at the following link with a subscription. <https://www.lohud.com/story/news/local/westchester/harrison/2022/05/05/harrison-cop-future-hazy-after-domestic-incident-arrest/7333056001/>.

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Letter to the Editor: Hey AOC! Where Were You When Union Labor Needed You in NYC?

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By Frank Spotorno, with Dan Murphy

Last month, Congresswoman Alexandra Ocasio-Cortez, (AOC), led a protest outside of an Amazon warehouse with Bernie Sanders, calling for the workers to be allowed to join a union. That's great and I agree with the right of everyone to join a union. I'm a proud union member of the Carpenters union.

But AOC's support for unions in NYC is six years too late, and her comment at the rally, that "New York City is a union town," unfortunately isn't true anymore.

I have some experience in trying to support unions across New York City. In 2016, I ran for the same seat in Congress that AOC now represents. And during my campaign, I would show up at construction sites to see how many of the laborers were members of a union. What I found out was that most of the workers on the skyscrapers being built were non-union, and most of the non-union labor were undocumented immigrants who were being paid cash under the table.

There are labor laws on the book in New York City and New York State requiring a prevailing living wage to be given to workers on construction jobs. That law hasn't been enforced in decades, and for that reason we have skilled members of trades sitting home most of the year.

But the most disturbing decision AOC made against the working class in New York City was her opposition to Amazon building a headquarters in Queens. I wanted that HQ's to be built here because it was going to be built with union labor, 11,000 jobs for union rank and file members. They get paid well but they do their jobs well and deserve every penny they get. But they needed that Amazon job, and literally, AOC took food out of the mouths of their families by opposing it. And the 25,000 other jobs for non union New Yorkers who could have worked in the Amazon HQ's? And the businesses surrounding the HQ's who could have opened or expanded? The \$3 Billion in tax incentives proposed by then Governor Cuomo would have resulted in \$125 Billion in additional state revenues through payroll taxes, sales taxes and income taxes from the 25,000 employees at the HQ's.

The Staten Island Amazon warehouse that AOC and Bernie were protesting at was built with non union labor, otherwise known as scab labor, some out of state workers who come in and take union jobs, but most from undocumented workers who don't pay payroll taxes.

This is how our economy works, and if you are competing against other states, who are offering the same or better to Amazon, then Amazon goes somewhere else. So while AOC claims she is pro-union, and that NYC is a union town, I would ask New Yorkers to think twice and look at the damage done by AOC and those who claim who are pro labor.

I have always believed that good paying jobs and education are the key to success. I owned an Elevator manufacturing plant in Astoria Queens, in AOC's district for 25 years until I recently retired. I made my elevator cabs here in NY, and in the United States. I firmly believe that we need to make more of our products here in America, and import less of our products from China and overseas.

I always say, "Past Performances Equals Future Promises." And my closing thought to Congresswoman Ocasio-Cortez is, yes, New York City was once a union town. I wish you would have supported the thousands of union jobs that my brothers and sisters in labor would have received if Amazon built their HQ's here in the Big Apple. If that HQ's were built, then perhaps you could have said again, that NYC is a union town.

Editor's Note: Frank Spotorno ran for Congress in the 14th District of NY in 2016, before AOC ran in 2018. He is exploring entering the race again this year, as his friends in the district tell him that the same concerns and problems that existed six years ago, still exist today, and nobody is listening. Spotorno received more votes based the ratio of campaign dollars spent, than republican John Cummings, who ran against AOC in 2020, and whose campaign spent \$11 Million. Frank is the co-founder of <https://www.facebook.com/BringOurJobsHome/>.

DeCicco's Accepting Donations to Support Maria Fareri Children's Hospital's ICU



Now through May 17 DeCicco & Sons stores are accepting donations from the public to support the expansion of the Isaac and Naomi Kaplan Family Regional Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (RNICU) at Maria Fareri Children's Hospital, a member of the Westchester Medical Center Health Network (WMCHHealth).

The RNICU at Maria Fareri Children's Hospital is a vital resource for families as it cares for the most acutely ill newborns, including extreme low-birth-weight babies as well as full-term babies with congenital disorders and rare diseases. The RNICU is the only center of its kind based in New York's Hudson Valley region and as such, more than 700 critical-care cases are transferred or admitted to the RNICU annually.

Demand for advanced neonatal services at Maria Fareri Children's Hospital continues to grow and the expansion will add eight neonatal care areas to the RNICU, bringing its licensed bed count to 57. The expansion is a critical need that will enable the RNICU to care for more babies while maximizing safety, operational efficiency, and family comfort.

"The RNICU is the only resource providing this level of advanced neonatal care in the Hudson Valley. DeCiccoco & Sons is widely known for its support of charitable organizations in the community, and WMCHHealth is fortunate to be among them," said Michael Gewitz, MD, the William Russell McCurdy Physician-in-Chief of Maria Fareri Children's Hospital.

DeCicco's & Sons started as a tiny storefront in the Bronx in 1973 and today has 10 store locations in Westchester and Putnam Counties. It has become the food market of choice for those with a love for food and cooking. Each year, the DeCicco family puts thousands of dollars back into the community through charities and local groups.

Those interested in supporting the campaign for an expanded and enhanced RNICU at Maria Fareri Children's Hospital can do so by visiting Give.WMCHHealth.org/NICU40 or contacting the Westchester Medical Center Foundation at 914.493.2575 or foundation@wmchhealth.org.

Macy's Shoplifting, continued from pg. 1-

tion from the ACME Supermarket in Yorktown but were interrupted before fleeing in a red or maroon four door sedan."

Photos of the suspects taken from surveillance at the ACME are online at Yonkerstimes.com and provided by the NYS Police. Here is the story about the Macy's thefts.

Macy's stores across the country have fallen victim to 'Snatch and Grab' shoplifting thefts, primarily consisting of perfume, jewelry and designer bags. On May 2, reports claim that the Macy's at the Cross County Center in Yonkers has had a series of recent robberies at the anchor store of the oldest outdoor shopping center in the US.

News 12 reported that the thefts occurred around the time that Macy's opens during the week-11am, and the most recent reported robbery had the thieves taking \$2500 in perfume, with two similar thefts occurring at the same store recently. Yonkers Police are investigating but have not commented publicly on the Macy's incidents.

For those of us who have shopped Macy's for most of our lives, (I grew with the Macy's in Parkchester in the Bronx, and now shop at the Macy's in the Jefferson Valley Mall), the department store has a large variety of men's and women's purfumes and fragrances.

Most of the colognes and perfumes and behind the counter and require employee assistance. But there are also many gift sets that are out on the countertops. These gift sets now sell for \$100-\$150, and would be easier for the crooks to take 20 of them and walk out with more than \$2000 in merchandise.

It's sad to see Macy's under attack because of all of the difficulties the store had in staying alive during the pandemic. Help Macy's survive if you can. The Macy's in NYC opened in 1858, and of course Macy's sponsors the fireworks on July 4 and the Thanksgiving Day Parade.

Yonkers Rising columnist Eric Schoen has reported on other snatch and grab shopliftings in Yonkers. One at the TJ Maxx at the Mall at Cross County, which is a different retail building next to the Cross County Center. Schoen also witnessed shoplifters running out with as much as they can hold at the CVS on Bronx River Road.

Last year, the Yonkers City Council heard from Pharmacies on South Broadway who were finding it extremely difficult to keep their shelves open because of the rampant shoplifting and senior citizens were complaining that when they went shopping at the of the retain chain pharmacies, there usual items were gone.

For most retail businesses, the more valuable to good that they are selling, the more likely a theft might occur. The Louis Vuitton store at the Westchester in White Plains had a theft if February that went viral.

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Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein and dated March 5, 2020, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at public auction in Courtroom 200 of the Westchester County Courthouse, 111 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., White Plains, NY on June 17, 2022 at 3:30 pm premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Cortlandt, County of Westchester and State of New York, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the easterly side of Sunny Way, where the same is intersected by the division line between Lot Nos. 266 and 267 on Map No. 6584; being a plot 100.00 feet by 200.00 feet by 100.00 feet by 200.00 feet.

ALSO, situate, lying and being in the Town of Cortlandt, County of Westchester and State of New York, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the dividing line between Lot 37 and Lot 38 on the above mentioned map where the same is intersected by the northerly line of Lot 267 as shown on Map entitled, as filed Map No. 6584 and which point is distant 99.58 feet southerly as measured along said dividing line between Lot 37 and Lot 38 from the southerly boundary of Red Oak Lane as same is shown on Filed Map No. 25985; RUNNING THENCE South East, 24.00 feet; South West, 89.53 feet; South West 13.64 feet; THENCE North East, 100.00 feet. Section: 34.17 Block: 1 and Lot: 14

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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 Airport, continued from pg. 2-

condition of the Airport property, buildings and infrastructure, additional analysis of noise and environmental impacts and the local and regional economic impact of the airport. This analysis will be used to develop a vision for the Airport in the future.

- The On the Horizon Town Halls on Westchester County Airport are as follows:
- * Tuesday, May 24 at 6 p.m., Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University, 78 N. Broadway, White Plains, NY 10603
- * Thursday, June 2 at 6 p.m., Manhattanville College, 2900 Purchase St, Purchase, NY 10577
- * Thursday, June 9 at 6 p.m., Mercy College, 555 Broadway, Dobbs Ferry, NY 10522

Director of Economic Development Bridget Gibbons said: "The Airport plays a significant role in the economic development of the County. This Master Plan Supplement and the feedback from the business community will be vital in shaping a vibrant economic landscape in Westchester County in the years to come."

Director of Energy Conservation and Sustainability Peter McCartt said: "Westchester County understands the importance of protecting the environmental resources surrounding the Airport. We look forward to developing a deeper understanding on how to continue balancing Airport operations and environmental concerns in the future through the Master Plan Supplement and Community Engagement Program."

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of RAINVILLE MCCABE, PLLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on March 25, 2022. Location: Westchester. SSNY designated as agent for service of process on PLLC. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: The PLLC, 69 Cowles Ave, Yonkers, NY 10704. Purpose: Legal Services.

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Articles of Organization (DOM-PROF.LLC). Komosinski Law, PLLC filed with the Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 4/19/2022. Office loc.: Westchester County. SSNY is designated as agent of DOM-PROF.LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address SSNY shall mail copy of process to Richard F. Komosinski, Esquire, 30 Emmett Pl., Yonkers, NY 10703. Purpose: The practice of Law.

Abortion on the ballot , continued from pg. 1-

distressed by the draft Supreme Court opinion to overturn Roe v. Wade. I deeply support a woman's right to control her own reproductive decisions and more specifically, the right to terminate a pregnancy under the Constitutional limits set forth in Roe v. Wade. The decision to become a parent – a lifetime responsibility – is not one which should be imposed by the government, which is effectively what will happen should the Supreme Court adopt yesterday's leaked decision. It is not just the personal autonomy of our bodies as women, but it is also the right to control our destiny as adults that is at risk here. This decision will be particularly burdensome and excruciating for those without resources or support. "

On May 9, New York Attorney General Letitia James announced new legislation to establish a Reproductive Freedom and Equity Program, which would provide funding for abortion providers and non-profit organizations to help increase access to care and would support access to abortion for low-income New Yorkers. It would also provide financial support for the influx of people coming to New York from other states that ban abortion.

"We know what happens when women are unable to control their own bodies and make their own choices and we will not go back to those dark times," said Attorney General James. "New York must lead the fight to keep abortion safe and accessible for all who seek it.

Assemblyman Tom Abinanti called for an amendment to the NY State constitution. "New York must be a Sanctuary State for women and providers – amend the New York constitution to protect the right to bodily autonomy and strengthen New York's protections for access to reproductive health facilities.

"As a former pro-bono attorney for the Westchester Coalition for Legal Abortion, I developed a special understanding of the challenges that women face in seeking reproductive healthcare. I was pleased to co-sponsor and vote for New York's Reproductive Health Act (Chapter 1 of the Laws of 2019) that enacted the Roe v. Wade protections into New York law," said Abinanti, whose proposed Constitutional Amendment reads, "Personal reproductive liberty. An individual's right to personal reproductive autonomy is central to the liberty and dignity to determine one's own life course and shall not be denied or infringed."

Letters to the Editor are now being emailed en masse calling for an expansion to the existing, nine-member US Supreme Court. The letter reads, "This news should set off alarm bells for all Americans. Our fundamental freedoms are coming under attack by a hyper-partisan supermajority on the Court. And this could just be the beginning. But there's a way to fight back, which is why I'm urging Congress to pass the Judiciary Act of 2021. The Judiciary Act would rebalance the Supreme Court by adding four new seats, giving us 13 justices in total. It's just what we need to move away from extremely partisan rulings and restore the legitimacy of the Court—and it's been done before. In fact, Congress has changed the size of the Supreme Court seven times already in our nation's history."

There is also support for the leaked opinion in New York State. NY State Conservative Party Chairman Gerard Kassari said, "New York has the most radical abortion laws in the country, allowing termination of an unborn child right up until birth — more than twice the length of time most liberal European countries allow. But that's not enough for Governor Kathy Hochul and Attorney General Letitia James who now want to turn the state into a national mecca for abortion procedures wholly paid for by New York taxpayers. The governor and attorney general have no right to force New Yorkers to pay for abortions for non-New Yorkers. New Yorkers, who already pay the highest taxes in the country, need to fight it."

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what this is. Pastor Norton said it loud and clear in a letter to Councilman Anthony Merante: 'We believe that we found a more than appropriate use for the school, allowing children to once again enjoy learning in this building while furthering the broader mission of our faith. Rising Ground's program supports children who have undergone extreme trauma by providing a warm and nurturing educational setting. A parish must do more than simply meet the religious worship needs of parishioners; it has an obligation to utilize its resources to meet the charitable, educational needs of its people whenever possible, and the surrounding communities. Our service to those in need is an important tenant of what makes our faith so strong!'

I know the St. Ann's community where I have numerous friends will do God's work and welcome those in need!

What a Coincidence!

So my sister is at the beauty parlor getting her hair done and all the customers keep going up to the owner of the salon saying congratulations. Inquisitive, my sister asked why. The owner of the salons husband, Deputy Chief Chris Sapienza had just been named the new Yonkers Police Commissioner by Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano. What do they say, it's a small world.

Congratulations to Yonkers new Police Commissioner Chris Sapienza. We wish him the best as he continues the tradition of keeping Yonkers as the safe city it is. And best wishes to outgoing Commissioner John Mueller on his retirement! And don't forget to pray for the safety of our Police Officers, Firefighters, Public Works employees in fact all who work for Yonkers!

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On Friday, May 6, 2022 the Westchester County Department of Correction (WCDOC) held a formal promotional ceremony for two Assistant Wardens, 15 Captains and 32 Sergeants. It was the largest promotional ceremony in the 54 history of the Correction Department.



Culture Wars, School Board , continued from pg. 1-

was followed home only a few months ago. Obviously this is a masked/faked phone number, and the harasser(s) likely created it specifically to be an immature, antagonistic coward for this very reason. Nonetheless, I filed a police report at approximately 9:50pm with our wonderful and helpful Yorktown PD, who confirmed that they had already just received multiple complaints about the same number, all in similar fashion. I'm sharing this so that people remain aware that there are, in fact, a small minority of aggressively ignorant people trying to impact what good can be done in our community and in our schools. I am sick of the insistence otherwise. My kids now had to finish their weekend with the notion that there is at least one adult in their town who is low enough to stalk by their own home – the evening of Mother's Day – and send an anonymous, pointless hate message for no other reason than that. As wonderful as our district is, we need to do better. Obviously," wrote Ascanio.

The second text above, sent by the same fake phone number, came after an exchange of comments on Facebook, that got nasty. The Facebook post and comments have been deleted, but the harassment continued. "Then around 7:30 last night I received a text from a 914 cell phone number. Someone I clearly did not know. This person immediately makes racist remarks about my children. Made it known they drove by my house and down my street. My wife when asked said she saw a Silver Chevy small SUV type care slowly go up and down the block. Stopping at my car. She took notice of this as we live on a cul de sac. My personal experience and that of my wife and children says otherwise. Our experience has been nothing but overwhelmingly warm and welcoming in this great community. And I am certainly not going to let something like this change that. Someone recently posted that "Sunlight is the Best disinfectant" about the elections. Well here is your sunlight."—said one Lakeland School District resident.

There are three sets of four candidates running for Lakeland School Board. In addition to Ascanio, Monsanto, Edwards and Perozo, there is a slate of four candidates endorsed by the Lakeland Federation of Teachers. Three of these candidates are incumbent members of the Lakeland School Board. They are: Marianne DiSalvo Kolesar, Michael Marchese, Becky Burfeind, and Board President Adam Kaufman.

"This election is taking place in an era of unprecedented animus and unacceptable language hurled at our Board of Education meetings. In fact, a couple of months ago, it was necessary to bring the membership of the LFT to a BOE meeting to stand in the defense of decency," writes the LFT in their endorsement letter. "Two of the slates are supportive of our schools, programs, students and educators. The third slate is made up of candidates that have shown a disregard for what it means to offer a high quality education, and offers nothing more than continued dissonance should they get elected."

The third set of candidates, running under United 4 Lakeland, are Erin O'Grady, Genie Muller, Beth Dee, and Maggie Perlman. This slate of candidates responded to LFT President Michael Lillis regarding the teacher's union letter, stating, "The Board sat quietly as Brendon Lyons (former Superintendent) pushed through CRT, under the guise of NYS CRSE framework (The New York State Culturally Responsive-Sustaining Education), through the equity team, later calling it DEI."

The letter from United 4 Lakeland continues, "Where was Mr. Lillis when our children were kept away from their classrooms for 18 months during 2020-2021?" This portion of the letter references the time during COVID when all schools were closed throughout NY State.

The LFT does express one fear about the outcome of the Lakeland School Board elections that we share. That with two slates of candidates running on one side of the debate, and with United 4 Lakeland on the other side, two slates could split their votes.

We asked Ascanio about splitting the vote. "I don't believe that we are splitting vote because that February meeting got us to the point of having to run for school board. For whatever reason the current board didn't manage the meetings and didn't put its foot down when they should have. We need new voices and new inspiration and ideas. We won't be afraid to stand up to obnoxious voices, and from the group of candidates who want to turn back the clocks."

Turnout will be the key in this race, as thousands of more Lakeland taxpayers are expected to come out on May 17.

In Yorktown, two slates of three candidates are running for three seats on the Yorktown Board of Education. Three current members of the Yorktown School Board are running for re-election. They are Reshmi Bose, Cheryl Reynolds, and Lisa Rolle. The three challengers are Michael Capalbo, Richard Giannasca, and Frank Panebianco. There's not a lot of information available on the challengers in this contest.

—We endorse Joe Ascanio, Paul Edwards, Chuck Monsanto and Laura Perozo in Lakeland and Reshmi Bose, Cheryl Reynolds, and Lisa Rolle in Yorktown. Threats against other candidates and racial slurs at school board meetings have no place in either school district. We urge a vote against the candidates of hate and fear.

In Southern Westchester, competitive school board races are underway in New Rochelle, Eastchester and Mount Vernon. In New Rochelle, three candidates are running for two seats on the New Rochelle Board of Education.

They are: Adam Cooper, Stephen Mayo and David Peters. The three participated in a forum that can be watched online at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LIA_thfT_T8&t=112s.

Mayo has made news in Northern Westchester, in both the Lakeland and Yorktown school board meetings where he has commented and tabled outside, in support of the SOS agenda. While not placing any signs for his race in New Rochelle, Mayor did post of Facebook, "Friends and neighbors, I am running for the New Rochelle School Board. Elections are on May 17th. Please tell your New Rochelle friends that this is an important election as there are many critical issues facing our kids and their educators."

In Eastchester, 8 candidates are running for 4 seats on the Board of Education: Cheryl Smith, Steve Projansky, Stan Thangaraj and Cardi Smith are running on a 4th students slate. Running on the Eagles Upward slate for the Eastchester Board of Education are Christine Lombardi, Matthew Fanelli, Laurie Giacobbe, and Michele Lawlor. Projansky and Cheryl Smith are current members of the school board.

In Mount Vernon, a slate of three candidates for school board is actively campaigning, and urging a NO vote on the upcoming school budget vote, also on May 17. Candidates Lorna Kirwan, Adriane Saunders and Marc Lenci, claim that the proposed Mt. Vernon School Budget has a tax increase that is not necessary. Also running are Melissa Munoz Patterson, Marc Stuckey, Warren Mitchell and Diane Roger-Arroya. Munoz-Patterson, Mitchell and Rogers-Arroya are also running on a slate.

Stuckey is running on his own and said, "Other candidates do not wish to run with me due to the fact that I do not hold back on speaking the truth."


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Martha Stewart's Benefit Tag Sale Evolves Into Benefit Shop Online Auction

Yonkers Man Paddles, Bikes, Hikes Up & Down Hudson Valley to Promote Youth Alternatives



Above, Martha Stewart and Pam Stone pose for a photo on day one of her recent tag sale. Below, Among the many Art Deco era posters that will be featured in the June auction is "Parisia."

The Great American Tag Sale is officially over but fans of domestic and style icon Martha Stewart who missed this one-of-a-kind experience have another chance to own some of her prized possessions. No ordinary tag sale, the two-day event on her expansive Katonah, property was an exclusive affair, which benefitted the Martha Stewart Center for Living at the Mount Sinai Hospital in New York City.

Pam Stone, owner and founder of The Benefit Shop Foundation in Mount Kisco, runs auctions from items donated and consigned to her auction gallery with profits going to local charities. She arrived late Saturday afternoon to shop the sale and bought out Stewart's vintage poster collection, which came from Stewart's Maine home originally built for and furnished by Edsel Ford.

Stewart and Stone got to talking at the tag sale about their shared interests and the end result was Stone went home with a lot more than just posters. At the weekend's end, she and her team packed up seven truckloads of items from the tag sale that will make up a specialty auction on Wednesday, June 15, with proceeds benefiting Stewart's center at Mount Sinai, which offers primary care to older adults.

"I came here to shop the tag sale and was thrilled to be able to assist Marth in extending the fundraising reach of her tag sale by expanding it into an auction," Stone said. "We share a passion for philanthropy and Martha told me that she was delighted that I could take her items and give them a global audience in our online auction."



Among Stewart's items to be auctioned will be farmhouse style furniture that she personally painted, brightly colored braided rugs, and a myriad of items for the home she has designed and sold through her brands ranging from kitchenware to DIY goods. And, of course, that collection of vintage posters.

Specific details on auction highlights will be announced in the coming weeks. The auction gallery is at 185 Kisco Ave, Suite 201. For more information, <https://www.thebenefitshop.org> or 914-864-0707.



By Dan Murphy

Meet Chev Dixon, from Yonkers, Director of the Hudson River Riders, a program of the Yonkers Paddling & Rowing Club that provides recreational access to and environmental awareness of the Hudson River for underserved communities through free kayak paddles, and with tours and training.

Chev provides about 1200 kayak rides and paddleboard trips on the Hudson every year. But Chev wanted to try and provide an even greater example to the youth in Yonkers and in other communities, that there is an alternative to the violence of the streets.

Chev is in the middle of a 300 mile journey of hiking, biking, running and kayaking, from New York City to Albany and back. It's called the Hudson Valley Challenge.

"Growing up in Jamaica, the structure that I had was different from Yonkers," said Chev in a video promoting the Hudson Valley Challenge at <https://www.facebook.com/HudsonRiverRiders/videos/654347935666223/>

One day playing basketball, another player pulled out a knife on Chev. That shook me up a bit. Eventually, Chev and his friends started hanging out down by the Yonkers Pier, where they found the Yonkers Paddling & Rowing Club. A member of the club opened the gates and Chev became a member and fell in love with Kayaking and the pleasure of being out on the Hudson River.

"Being on the River gave me a sense of purpose and pride that I was doing something unique." Chev began working out every day, and began eating healthy, "It's good that young people get to see the possibilities and the commitment that I'm making to this and the work ethic, and know that they can follow in the same footsteps. I challenged the Board to see if we could do more, and that's how Hudson River Riders came about. To give kids an opportunity and to challenge themselves in a different way."

"Now with the Hudson River Challenge, I hope to open up their perspective, come paddle here and learn the skills that can take you anywhere in this world. I realize that kayaking is only one to do it. This challenge is about anyone joining this journey and be a part of the community that is always there for each other, and that encourages each other, and pushes the human body," said Chev, who will be coming back to Yonkers on Sat. May 14 between 430-530pm. All are welcome to meet him. To donate visit www.negusoutdoors.com/?fbclid=IwAR0bUk- jjizTOQv9_HOgy2IhvE-FOm8YOB_uU2rUPNk76K_e4mYhZwpc68.



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Both political parties consistently operate outside the boundaries limited by State and Federal Constitutions. The unconstitutional gerrymandering of electoral district lines to favor one political party over another is an example of political self serving, disregarding the people who they are elected to serve. Any high school student with a map and population figures could draw congressional districts better and more accurately than our self-serving two party system. The Constitutions cannot defend themselves; it is up to the people to defend the Constitution. *(see future ads for progress reports.)*

To Senator Shelley Mayer, Chairman, New York State Senate Committee on Education:

Question: What is the reason the state education department and the New York Court system has failed to teach and enforce **education law section 801.2***, a law that has been on the books for 75 years and ignored?

*Courses of instruction in patriotism and citizenship and in certain historic documents

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