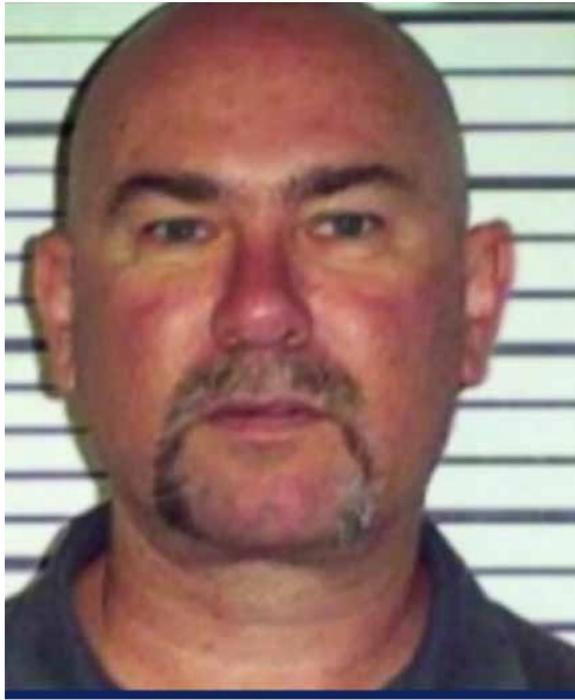


## Convicted Killer Robert McCain Busted in Westchester for Forcible Touching Asking to be Released on Bail



*Accused of Groping a Woman at Town of Cortland Dog Park*

*By Dan Murphy*

Last week, Westchester County Police reported on the arrest of Robert McCain, 64, of Verplank, on the charge of forcible touching. McCain is charged with groping a woman on July 5 at the Town of Cortland's dog park on Sprout Brook Road.

An unidentified female contacted police after accusing McCain of unwanted advances and touching at the Cortland Dog Park. McCain and his accuser are identified as being "fleet-

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## The Mamdani Effect in Westchester: Calls for Free Bus Rides After Fines Proposed for Fare Evaders



*By Dan Murphy*  
We received the following letter to the editor:

"I don't pay for the bus, and if you're reading this, you probably don't either.

My name is Jordan Mendez. I'm a 16-year-old activist from Yonkers, New York. I care about my peers.

With the addition of Chapter 643 to the existing laws of Westchester County, civil penalties will be imposed on individuals evading bus fares. The county will accomplish this feat by placing police on our buses to distribute fifty or one-hundred-dollar fines to fare evaders.

Now, there are plenty of reasons not to support this legisla-

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## Hulk was in our Area Selling Beer



Rest in Peace, Hulk Hogan, who recently passed away at the age of 71. Last month, Hogan came to Putnam County, to the ShopRite in Carmel, to promote his Real American Beer. At the event was Putnam County Executive Kevin Byrne who posted, "Train, say your prayers, eat your vitamins, and be true to yourself and your country." ~Hulk Hogan. I was fortunate

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## Lawler Will Run for Reelection for Congress, Won't Run for Governor



*Westchester Congressman Mike Lawler with his daughter and President and Melania Trump at The White House*

*By Dan Murphy*

Westchester Congressman Mike Lawler made it official last week, announcing that he will seek reelection to a third term as a member of the House, representing the 17th Congressional District, which includes most of Northern Westchester and Putnam County.

"After months of deliberating over this and really working through it, I've decided the right thing to do for me and my family and my district is to run for re-election," Lawler said. "My seat was determinative of control of the House."

Lawler had dabbled with the idea of running for Governor against Democrat Governor Kathy Hochul next year, but in the end made the decision that most republicans in New York and across the country wanted him to make, and run

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## Protestors and ICE Agents Shouldn't Be Wearing Masks



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## Mohansic Golf Course Celebrates 100 Years With Hickory Stick Outing

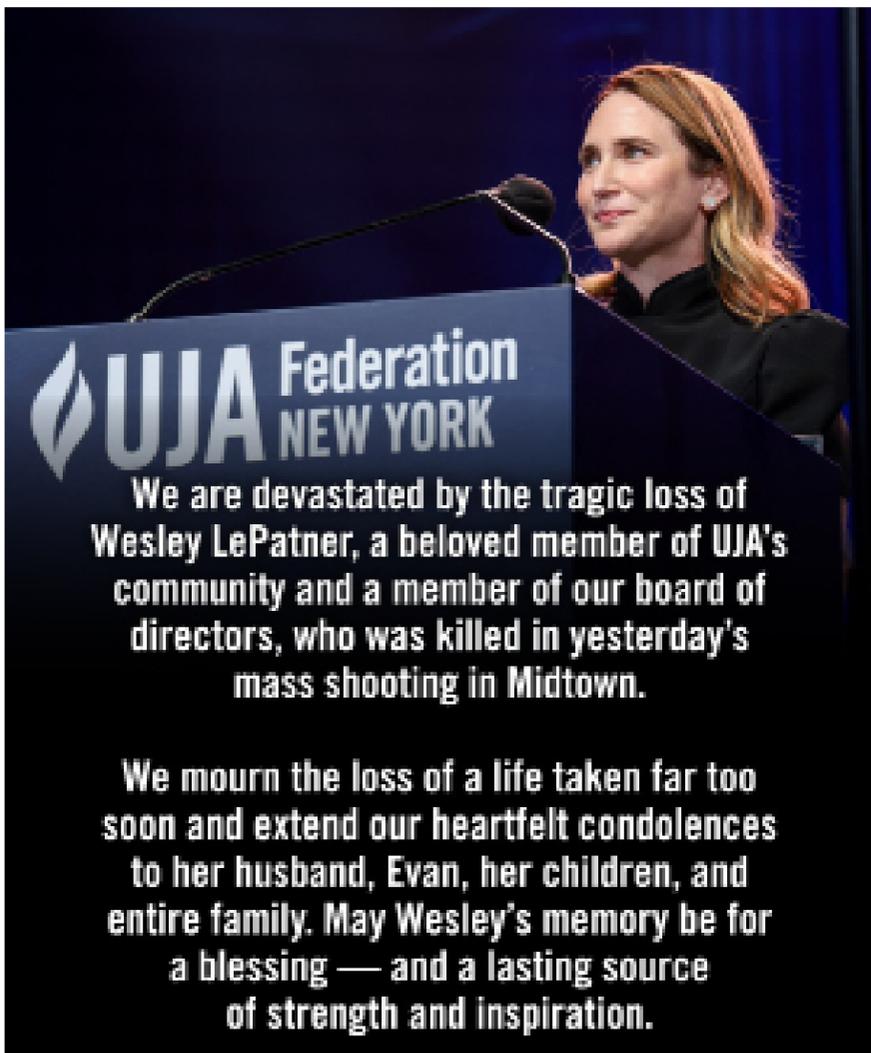


County Executive Ken Jenkins, with Golfers participating in the 100th Anniversary Hickory Stick Golf Outing at Mohanic Golf Course

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## NYC Shooting victim Wesley LePartner Had ties to Westchester



While the Westchester community mourns the loss of all four innocent victims killed in NYC this week, the Katonah community is mourning the loss of Wesley LePartner. LePartner, 43, has family in Katonah. She was the chief executive officer of Blackstone Real Estate Income Trust, where she worked since 2014. Prior to that she worked for Goldman Sachs and was a graduate of Yale. A spokesperson for Blackstone said Wesley was “brilliant, passionate, warm, generous, and deeply respected within our firm and beyond. She embodied the best of Blackstone.”

She leaves behind her husband and two children. Assemblyman Chris Burdick, who represents Katonah said, “I am thinking about all the families who are grieving today, including the family of Wesley LePartner, CEO of Blackstone Real Estate Income Trust, who has family in Katonah. My views on the importance of mental health treatment and gun safety have never wavered, and this tragic situation serves as a stark reminder that we must do more on both fronts.”

LePartner’s rise in the workplace on Wall Street led her to become a mentor to women at Blackstone and at her synagogue. She was admired for finding the balance that is so difficult for so many Westchester families, between work and her family.

LePartner also had ties to the UJA-Federation of NY, which does amazing work in Westchester. “We are devastated by the tragic loss of Wesley LePartner, a beloved member of UJA’s community and a member of our board of directors, who was killed in yesterday’s mass shooting in Midtown.

“Wesley was extraordinary in every way — personally, professionally, and philanthropically. An exceptional leader in the financial world, she brought thoughtfulness, vision, and compassion to everything she did. In 2023, we honored her with the Alan C. Greenberg Young Leadership Award at our Wall Street Dinner, recognizing her commitment to our community and her remarkable achievements, all the more notable as a woman in a traditionally male-dominated field.

“In the wake of October 7, Wesley led a solidarity mission with UJA to Israel, demonstrating her enduring commitment in Israel’s moment of heartache. She lived with courage and conviction, instilling in her two children a deep love for Judaism and the Jewish people.

“We mourn the loss of a life taken far too soon and extend our heartfelt condolences to her husband, Evan; her children; and her entire family. May Wesley’s memory be for a blessing — and a lasting source of strength and inspiration.”

The family asked for privacy during this time. “She was the most loving wife, mother, daughter, sister and relative, who enriched our lives in every way imaginable. To so many others, she was a beloved, fiercely loyal and caring friend, and a driven and extraordinarily talented professional and colleague,” the statement said. “At this unbearably painful time, we are experiencing an enormous, gaping hole in our hearts that will never be filled, yet we will carry on the remarkable legacy Wesley created.”

## The Slow Erosion of Westchester’s Rent-Stabilized Housing



**WILL MAMDANI'S RENT FREEZE MELT INVESTOR CONFIDENCE?**



*Op-Ed By Alana Ciuffetelli, the Chair of Apartment Owners Advisory Council (AOAC), The Builders Institute of Westchester and The Mid-Hudson Region, Inc.*

This year, Westchester’s Rent Guidelines Board approved rent increases of just 2% for one-year leases and 3% for two-year leases. On paper, these may seem reasonable in a time of affordability concerns. But in practice, they fall far short of what’s needed to sustain the county’s rent-stabilized housing — and the small property owners working to maintain it.

Behind each rent-stabilized building is an owner facing escalating costs: property insurance premiums have skyrocketed, utility bills are up, and material and labor costs show no signs of easing. Many of these owners are mom-and-pop landlords, not corporate developers. With each passing year of artificially suppressed rent increases, they’re forced to defer maintenance, delay capital upgrades, and take on more debt just to stay afloat.

The long-term consequences are clear: when rents don’t reflect operating realities, housing quality suffers. Buildings fall into disrepair. And eventually, the very homes we aim to protect become uninhabitable — or are lost altogether through foreclosure or disinvestment.

There’s a dangerous assumption that rent stabilization protects tenants while leaving owners mostly unharmed. That’s a myth. The real effect of consistently low increases is a slow erosion of the rent-stabilized housing system itself — a system that serves tens of thousands of Westchester residents.

If we want long-term affordability, we need long-term sustainability. That means allowing for rent guidelines that reflect real operating costs — including inflation, insurance volatility, and the rising price of maintaining safe, quality housing.

Local and state officials cannot remain on the sidelines. They must recognize that overly restrictive rent increases are not a tenant protection strategy — they’re a slow march toward housing instability.

Elected leaders should work with housing providers, not against them, to create a rent stabilization system that’s financially viable, data-driven, and rooted in economic reality. That includes ensuring rent guidelines are informed by comprehensive cost data, not just political pressure.

Westchester’s rent-stabilized housing stock is worth preserving — but only if we give owners the tools to preserve it. Otherwise, we’re not just capping rent — we’re capping the future of this vital segment of our housing ecosystem.

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## Pelham Cancer Doctor & Researcher Awarded \$400k Grant from Hyundai Hope on Wheels



Pelham resident, Dr. Allison M. Martin, attending physician in the Department of Pediatric Hematology, Oncology, Marrow and Blood Cell Transplantation at Children’s Hospital at Montefiore and Assistant Professor, Pediatrics, Microbiology and Immunology at Albert Einstein College of Medicine, was awarded a \$400,000 Hyundai Hope Scholar Grant from Hyundai Hope on Wheels® in recognition of her research contributions and efforts to improve outcomes for patients with pediatric brain and spinal cord tumors.

Hyundai Hope on Wheels® is a nonprofit organization committed to finding a cure for childhood cancer. They launched in 1998, and today more than 850 Hyundai dealers donate a portion of every vehicle purchase to the quest of ending childhood cancer. In its 27th year, HHOW will donate \$27million through childhood cancer research grants.

Dr. Martin is one researcher selected among colleagues nationwide who are pursuing critical research aimed at improving treatments and saving lives.

Visit [hyundaihopeonwheels.org](http://hyundaihopeonwheels.org) to learn more.

## Westchester County Office of Housing Counsel Now Open



The Westchester County Office of Housing Counsel (OHC) is officially open for business to ensure that financially eligible tenants have access to resources and legal representation at no cost to themselves in eviction and related proceedings.

The innovative program is the first of its kind for a county and will help stabilize communities and address housing insecurity. In addition to providing free legal services, the OHC will coordinate access to pre-eviction support and counseling programs under one roof.

The opening of the program was announced at a press event on Thursday in White Plains.

Residents who are facing eviction, having trouble paying their rent, in a rent dispute with a landlord, facing a loss of essential services like heat and hot water, or are facing other problems, can reach out to the OHC to be connected to legal representation, counseling, financial assistance and other programs, provided through one of nine service providers that the County has contracted with.

Residents can call 2-1-1, where specialists at United Way 211 Helpline of the Hudson Valley will be available 24-hours a day, 365-days a year, to assess callers’ needs and connect them with appropriate providers. Alternatively, residents can reach out online by completing the OHC intake form at <http://housingcounsel.westchestergov.com>, which OHC staff will review before connecting them with relevant services.

Under Westchester’s Housing Counsel Law, tenants are entitled to free legal representation in eviction and related proceedings if their gross household income is 300% of the federal poverty level for a household of their size, or 60% of the County’s average median income for a household of their size. That means a family of three with a gross annual household income of \$91,800 -- \$1,765 a week -- would be eligible for legal representation.

The Office of Housing Counsel does not directly provide representation. It functions as a clearinghouse to connect residents with one of the following contracted legal service providers: Legal Services of the Hudson Valley, Human Development Services of Westchester, Hudson Valley Justice Center and the Law Office of Tracy Forrest, Esq.

To fulfill the advocacy, counseling and financial assistance portion of the office’s mission, OHC has contracted with the following service providers: Community Housing Innovations, Community Resource Center, CLUSTER, Westchester Residential Opportunities, Mount Vernon United Tenants and Human Development Services of Westchester.

Westchester County Executive Ken Jenkins said: “When the Westchester County Board of Legislators and the administration created the OHC, it was a promise to address housing insecurity head on, and it is a promise kept. The

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### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

We, the Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary and our associates, feel compelled to respond to the terror and confusion being experienced by immigrant communities in our country today. With many Catholic bishops who have written pastoral letters and op-eds, or who have taken direct action to appeal at ICE offices, we join the call to advocate for a humane solution to our very broken immigration system.

At this time of crisis and anger, we must decide what kind of country we want to be. Most of us, regardless of political affiliation, agree that our borders must be protected and that criminals or people intending harm be kept out. But most who are here without documentation have jobs and families, pay taxes, and contribute to the community as good neighbors, not “vicious criminals.” Many were considered “essential workers” during COVID.

Let us put our time and energy into working together to fix our broken immigration system, rather than spending millions annually on demonizing, arresting, and detaining our neighbors in inhumane centers like “Alligator Alcatraz.”

Finally, let us pray for Congress, that they may do “the work of the people” in a way that our own hope-filled immigrant ancestors would approve.

*Sister Mary Catherine Redmond, President of the Congregation New Windsor*

*Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

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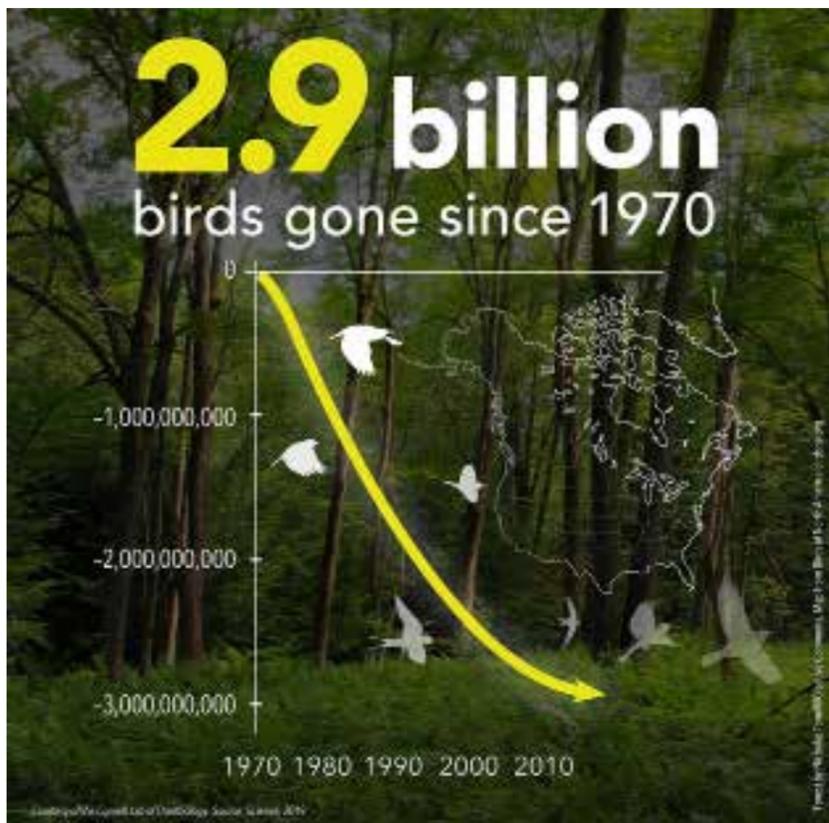
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## Senator Harckham: We've Lost 30% of our Bird Population Since the 1970's



By Dan Murphy

State Senator Pete Harckham said something on Earth Day in April that I have been thinking about since. “Today is Earth Day and day when we all stop and think how we can make the earth a better place. We do roadside cleanups, park cleanups, plantings, all very beneficial things. But we’ve got to get serious. Our planet is in serious trouble.

**“We’ve lost 30% of our Bird species in North America, over 3 billion birds since the 1970’s.”**

The Cornell Lab, ([www.birds.cornell.edu](http://www.birds.cornell.edu)) reports, “If you were alive in the year 1970, more than one in four birds in the U.S. and Canada has disappeared within your lifetime.

“According to research published online in September by the journal Science, wild bird populations in the continental U.S. and Canada have declined by almost 30% since 1970.

“We were astounded by this net loss across all birds on our continent, the loss of billions of birds,” said Cornell Lab of Ornithology conservation scientist Ken Rosenberg, who led an international team of scientists from seven institutions in the analysis of population trends for 529 bird species.

The study quantifies for the first time the total decline in bird populations in the continental U.S. and Canada, a loss of 2.9 billion breeding adult birds—with devastating losses among birds in every biome. Rosenberg, who leads joint research initiatives by the Cornell Lab and American Bird Conservancy, says these study results transcend the world of birds.

“These bird losses are a strong signal that our human-altered landscapes are losing their ability to support birdlife,” he said. “And that is an indicator of a coming collapse of the overall environment.”

Forests alone have lost 1 billion birds. Grassland bird populations collectively have declined by more than 50%, or more than 700 million birds. Habitat loss is likely to be a driving factor in these declines, say the authors, particularly agricultural intensification and development.

“I think this analysis shows that we’re eating away at the foundations of all of our major ecosystems on the continent,” said Arvind Panjabi, study coauthor and avian conservation scientist at the Colorado-based Bird Conservancy of the Rockies. “These numbers show that the world has changed a lot since 1970.”

For Adam Smith, the Environment and Climate Change Canada biostatistician, the numbers call out for a radical shift in conservation strategy.

“It’s really a wake-up call for the importance of moving beyond just a single species, endangered species conservation framework,” Smith said. “We rescued the Trumpeter Swan and the Peregrine Falcon, and we should be proud and happy about those successes. But we’re at a stage where, given these extreme declines in so many species, we need to move beyond that framework.

“These are systems and biomes in serious trouble. I think we need to approach conservation of these endangered systems at a much more holistic level.”

## Congressman Latimer Talks Colbert Show, CBS & Trump



Rep. George Latimer

By Dan Murphy

As Congress is about to depart Washington DC for its summer recess, Congressman George Latimer took to the House floor to deliver his weekly one minute address to his constituents.

Rep. Latimer effectively gave us a bit of levity, combined with a serious message, and a theme of “Meanwhile.”

“The news today is louder than a toddler with a kazoo at a Metallica concert. So while the headline scream, the internet screams louder, with a monologue known as meanwhile.

“Meanwhile, Paramount settles a suit with President Trump over a dispute that could have easily been dismissed and defended as freedom of the press...or not.

“Meanwhile, Paramount-CBS is seeking a multi-million dollar merger with Skydance media that requires the approval from the very same Trump administration. Coincidence? Surely Not.

“Meanwhile, the Trump administration calls for media fairness, the kind perhaps shown on Fox, OAN and Newsmax, maybe.

“Meanwhile, Steven Colbert, the host of show Late Night, ranked #1 among hosts in his time slot and a Trump critic, has his show cancelled by CBS. A financial decision it is said.

“Meanwhile, CBS news great Edward R. Murrow rolls over in his grave,” said Latimer.

Editor’s Note: Congressman Latimer is well aware that Edward R. Murrow, recently portrayed by George Clooney on Broadway and a hero in my world of journalism, while not cancelled, has his wings significantly cut back after confronting Senator Joseph McCarthy in the 1950’s.

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Kelley Brosky, Atty. for the Plaintiff

122 N. Elm St., Suite 900, Greensboro, NC 27401

Notice of formation of Schmoose Pack Projects LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/20/2024. 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 Bruce Wong 10 Station Square Forest Hills, NY 11375. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

Notice of formation of LCS Advisers LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 7/11/2025. 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, 260 Garth Road, Apt. 2d4, Scarsdale, NY 10583. Purpose: any lawful activity

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Notice of Formation of PRINCE & BROADWAY PROPERTIES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/22/25. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 172 Rockne Road, Yonkers, NY 10701. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

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Sealed Bids will be publicly opened and read at the address above in the 3rd Floor Finance Conference Room.

The building is open from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM for receiving packages via courier services and in person. If delivering bids in person, individuals must see the Public Safety Officer in the library atrium, who will contact Purchasing to meet the individual at the 3rd floor elevator.

Those interested in listening to the Sealed Bids opening and the reading of bids can dial Conference Call number 1-701-802-5221 and enter Access Code 1354203 when prompted.

Solicitation documents are available for downloading from the Empire State Purchasing Group website at <http://www.empirestatebidsystem.com/>. The City welcomes and encourages participation by local and minority and women owned business enterprises.

1) Bid No. IFB-7499 – Opening date: 08/15/2025: Furnish and Install Glass Entrance Doors and Curtain Wall at City Hall (MM).

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3) Bid No. RFB-7503 – Opening Date: 8/22/2025: Twelve-month contract to provide daily breakfast, lunch, and dinner to detainees at the City Jail (KAS).

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CITY OF YONKERS-NEW YORK

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to law, that the Mayor of the City of Yonkers, New York, will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, August 12th, 2025 at 5:00 pm, Mayor's Reception Room, 2nd floor, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York, to hear all interested parties and citizens regarding the adoption of the following Local Law, to wit:

A LOCAL LAW AMENDING PARTS OF ARTICLE IV OF CHAPTER 15 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF YONKERS ENTITLED "SALES AND USE TAX" TO CONFORM TO THE 2025 AMENDMENTS OF THE NEW YORK STATE TAX LAW.

Said hearing may be adjourned from time to time as necessary. Further information, including access to a copy of said proposed local law, may be obtained at the City Clerk's office, City Hall, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York, and on the City's Website.

MIKE SPANO

Mayor

## Verifying Income for #1 Ranked Pensioneer in NYS Retirement System

Hi Mr. Murphy,

This is Abdullah Ar Rafee from the Empire Center. I oversee our SeeThroughNY website. I hope I'm not too late in getting back to you regarding your pension-related questions.

We verified Kara Bennorth's pension eligibility with the Office of the State Comptroller, and the reported figure is accurate. Looking into her past compensation on our website, we found that her highest total pay for three consecutive years prior to retirement, while serving as EVP and Chief Administrative Officer, was consistently above \$700k from 2019 to 2021. Based on approximately 32 years of service and the state's pension formula, it appears plausible that she is eligible for a pension exceeding \$500k.

Of course, the specific portion of her pay that qualifies as pensionable may vary, but given the magnitude of her earnings, the figure seems within the realm of possibility.

It's also important to note that nearly half of her pension is paid through the Excess Benefit Plan, which allows retirees to receive the full benefit they're entitled to once they exceed the federal pension cap.

These kinds of high pension payouts raise serious sustainability concerns and, in our view, highlight deeper inefficiencies within the state's compensation and pension systems. Loopholes in the definition of "pensionable pay," end-of-career salary spiking, the absence of pension caps, and a generously structured pension formula have enabled many high-earning employees to retire with disproportionately large pension benefits.

Hope that helps.

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### Westchester County and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

#### Host Partnership Kickoff Event

Westchester County and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) recently hosted an official kickoff to their partnership, gathering nearly 100 local professionals at Captain Lawrence Brewing Co. in Elmsford for an evening of conversation and connection. The event was an opportunity to learn more about the top-tier STEM education and workforce development programs available to Westchester County professionals through RPI's Rensselaer atWork programs. Among the highlights were an insider's perspective on how this collaboration will expand access to accredited education in engineering, science, and business for residents, support workforce growth in fields like quantum computing and advanced manufacturing, and drive regional innovation.

Westchester County Executive Ken Jenkins said: "We were thrilled by the turnout for Westchester County and RPI's first networking event. Our local workforce is highly skilled, and the programs offered through this exciting partnership will only amplify the talents of our local STEM workforce, giving employers access to the talent needed to advance their organizations."

Westchester County Director of Economic Development Bridget Gibbons said: "The response to the Westchester County partnership with RPI illustrates the demand for highly educated STEM talent who can support our growing life sciences, advanced manufacturing, and quantum sectors. It was encouraging to see the enthusiasm among local employers, RPI alumni, and county residents for this exciting collaboration."

RPI's Rensselaer at Work Dean Aric Krause shared, "We were honored to be joined by Westchester County Executive Ken Jenkins and Director of Economic Development Bridget Gibbons, and special guests from SUNY Westchester Community College, IBM, Regeneron, PTI, and other innovation-focused organizations across the region. Area RPI alumni added great energy to the conversations as we forged new connections and laid the foundation for future impact."

Through its Rensselaer at Work programs, RPI offers online, project-based professional development led by industry experts. These programs prepare the workforce for high-demand sectors, including life sciences, advanced manufacturing, technology, clean energy, and quantum computing. To learn more about the Westchester County partnership with RPI, visit: <https://westchestercatalyst.com/rpi/>.

## Op-Ed: When Allegations Become Ammunition—And Truth Gets Left Behind

In a time when trust in politics is already near rock bottom, the recent allegations circulating in Putnam County deserve a closer look—and a strong dose of skepticism.

The story goes like this: a staffer for Congressman Mike Lawler allegedly infiltrated a private Signal chat group organized by Fight Lawler, using a fake name to encourage disruptive behavior at a town hall meeting. But here's the problem: no concrete evidence has been provided to back this claim. No screenshots, no IP logs, no third-party validation—just the word of political activists with a known agenda.

One of the main voices pushing this story is Maureen Morrissey, a leader in the anti-Lawler group Fight Lawler and reportedly affiliated with Indivisible, a progressive organizing network known for opposing Republican lawmakers. Morrissey is said to have passed the allegations to David McKay Wilson, a columnist with a long record of criticism toward Lawler.

Let's pause here. A partisan group makes a serious allegation against a congressional office. That allegation is handed to a partisan columnist. It gets published—without forensic evidence—and then picked up by a local political candidate, Lenny Harrington, who just so happens to be running against the staffer named in the story: Erin Crowley.

Coincidence? That's asking a lot.

Harrington's letter to the editor in Mid-Hudson News used loaded language, accusing Crowley of a "shocking lack of integrity." But where's the integrity in making explosive claims with no hard proof? Harrington's call for transparency rings hollow if he's willing to amplify unverified accusations in the middle of an election campaign.

It's not just about one race. This is about how we handle information—especially in local politics, where reputations can be ruined in a day and the facts often get lost in the noise.

If the accusation is true, let's see the evidence. If it's not, then the damage being done is political theater at best and character assassination at worst. Either way, voters deserve better than whispered rumors dressed up as righteous outrage.

There is a difference between holding officials accountable and weaponizing accusations for political gain. Until verifiable facts come to light, this story remains what it is: a claim without proof, promoted by people with something to gain.

And that should concern all of us.

**Robert Jowaiszas**  
Resident, NY-17

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A LOCAL LAW AMENDING SECTION 15-141 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF YONKERS, IN RELATION TO EXTENDING THE CITY OF YONKERS MORTGAGE RECORDING TAX TO CONFORM TO THE 2025 AMENDMENTS OF THE NEW YORK STATE TAX LAW.

Said hearing may be adjourned from time to time as necessary. Further information, including access to a copy of said proposed local law, may be obtained at the City Clerk's office, City Hall, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York, and on the City's Website.

MIKE SPANO  
Mayor  
Date: July 30, 2025

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## Slater Celebrates Summer Trails Day Camp's Inclusion on Historic Business Registry



**L-R- Somers Town Supervisor Robert Scorrano, Dave Parent, Operations Director of Summer Trails Day Camp, Debi Kelly, Associate Director of Summer Trails Day Camp, Todd Seideman, Director of Summer Trails Day Camp, Assemblyman Matt Slater**

Assemblyman Matt Slater presented a New York State Assembly proclamation to Summer Trails Day Camp in Somers, celebrating its induction into the New York State Historic Business Preservation Registry following his nomination. Summer Trails Day Camp was founded in 1974 and quickly earned a reputation in the community for excellence in camping and youth development. Over the years, it has changed ownership while maintaining its core values, with long-term leadership and a committed team that continues to enhance the camp's programs and facilities.

The New York State Historic Business Preservation Registry program is administered by the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation and highlights businesses that have been in operation for at least 50 years and have contributed to their community's history.

"Summer Trails says it best, it's simply good old-fashioned camp fun," said Slater. "There's a reason this camp has been around for generations and why kids want to go back year after year. In today's world, having fun is only half the battle. Parents also want to know their children are safe and in the care of a trusted, dedicated team. Summer Trails checks all those boxes, with a top-quality program and an exceptional staff."

"I'm happy to have celebrated this milestone with the Summer Trails team and recognize their decades of dedication to youth development and community building," Slater added.

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## Senator Mayer Partners with United Way and Hispanic Federation for Back-to-School Drive

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Those who wish to donate may drop supplies off at any of the following four locations during office hours: Tuckahoe Village Hall 65 Main Street Tuckahoe, NY 10707. City of Rye Recreation Department 281 Midland Ave Rye, NY 10580. Pound Ridge Townhouse 179 Westchester Ave. Pound Ridge, NY 10576. State Senator Shelley Mayer's Office 235 Mamaroneck Ave., Suite 400 White Plains, NY 10605.

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## Majority Leader Stewart-Cousins Funds New Bus at Charter School For Educational Excellence



State Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins today announced the purchase of two minibuses by the Charter School for Educational Excellence (CSEE) in Yonkers, thanks to \$215,000 in discretionary funding she secured for the school.

The funds, delivered through the State and Municipal (SAM) Facilities Grant program administered by the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY), enabled the purchase to support the school's extracurricular and athletic programming.

Majority Leader Stewart-Cousins visited the school Thursday to see the vehicles, meet students, and highlight the importance of investing in educational infrastructure. The new buses will expand transportation options for students participating in sports, arts, and academic activities, ensuring safer and more reliable travel while reducing logistical barriers for families.

"Every child deserves access to a well-rounded education that extends beyond the classroom," said Majority Leader Stewart-Cousins. "By equipping schools with the resources they need – from modern facilities to dependable transportation – we empower students to thrive. I'm proud to deliver this funding to CSEE to support these activities which are so important to an enriching educational and extracurricular experience for students."

"These buses are more than just transportation; they represent expanded opportunities and enriched educational experiences for our students," said Eduardo LaGuerre, CSEE co-founder and chairman of the school's Board of Trustees. "Sen. Stewart-Cousins' commitment to the success of our students is evident in this investment, and we are profoundly thankful for her vision and dedication."

## Westchester Resident Luciano Lamonarca Wins Catholic Music Grammy



*Tenor Luciano Lamonarca, with his son Sebastian and his wife Valentina*

On Sunday, July 27, 2025, accompanied by the roar of a standing ovation from an enthusiastic audience in the Auditorium Conciliazione at the Vatican, Italian tenor and Westchester County resident Luciano Lamonarca received the prize for "Best Male Singer" at the Catholic Music Awards 2025 with his performance of the English version of "La Canzone di San Pio" ("The Song of Saint Pio"). The event was live streamed worldwide from the Vatican.

The tenor said he was honored to have received this prize, known as the "Grammy" of Catholic music. He dedicated his victory to his wife Valentina, his son Sebastian, and above all to Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, who inspired the song and to whom the tenor is always grateful for his constant presence through the highs and lows of his life. In recording this song-prayer, tenor Lamonarca wanted to express his deepest hope that his voice could serve as a humble instrument for all those who seek comfort and place their trust in this holy man.

The tenor also thanked producer Fabio Carini for co-producing the music video, musician Laurie Adamo for the song's arrangement, and the family of the song's composer, who granted the tenor the exclusive use of the song. Rico Garofalo composed the song in 1968 to commemorate the passing of Padre Pio, now known as Saint Pio of Pietrelcina. It is regarded as the most beautiful musical tribute to the saint.

At the opening of the ceremony, lifetime achievement awards were presented to distinguished figures in the world of music, including the famous tenor Andrea Bocelli and Monsignor Marco Frisina, Musical Director of the Pia Lateranense Chapel Choir.

The Catholic Music Awards is an innovative initiative that celebrates artistic and spiritual excellence in four languages: Spanish, English, Italian, and Portuguese. For this First Edition of the Awards, there were more than 1,452 participants from more than twenty-five different countries, evaluated by 68 judges.

  
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This program is one in cooperation with Mayor Mike Spano, and the Yonkers Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation. Funding is received from Arta Westchester with support from Westchester County Government, the City of Yonkers, Senator Shelley Mayer, Assemblymember Nader Sayegh, Empire City Casino by MGM and our loyal arts patrons.





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# Mohansic Golf Course Celebrates 100 Years With Hickory Stick Outing

By Dan Murphy

This reporter had the pleasure of joining with about 40 other golfers who participated in the celebration of Mohansic Golf Course's 100th anniversary Golf scramble. July 25, 2025 marked exactly the 100th anniversary of Mohansic Golf Course, located in Yorktown.

The golf outing included a throwback flair, with participants playing with vintage Hickory Stick golf clubs, courtesy of Connecticut Hickory Golf, and retro style golf balls.

The vintage golf clubs and balls made the usual challenge of Mohansic even more challenging. This reporter had never played with Hickory clubs, and together with my partner, Ian Black, we were able to work our way around the front 9 at Mohansic.

The 9th hole at Mohansic is one of the longest and most difficult holes out of the six county owned courses.

A dinner after included awards for the lowest score, with one pair shooting a 38 on the par course.

Joining the golfers at Mohansic were County Executive Ken Jenkins and Parks Commissioner Kathy O'Connor. "For 100 years, Mohansic Golf Course has been a treasured part of our parks system and a favorite spot for generations of golfers. This celebration is not only about honoring its rich history but also about looking ahead to the next century of recreation and community," said Jenkins.

O'Connor added: "Mohansic is more than just a golf course. It's where memories are made. From first swings to family outings, it's played a special role in Westchester's story. We're thrilled to mark this milestone with a fun, inclusive event that golfers can enjoy."

As part of the celebration, golf rates for Westchester County residents were rolled back for the week of July 21- 24 to (\$19.25 for Park Pass holders to walk)

The course was in great shape, congratulations to the maintenance staff for their work.

Playing with a set of Hickory clubs is a challenge, including a small wooden face driver and a vintage putter-

I would recommend this challenge to any golfer, and if Westchester County decides to hold this event again, at any of their courses, give it a try.

For a Yorktown native, and Yorktown HS grad, Mohansic was always my favorite course. I consider it the most challenging of the county courses, and a layout that can be matched to some of the private courses in the county.

Whoever thought of this idea in county government, congratulations. It was indeed a great day of golf history that myself and all who played will never forget.

*Hulk Hogan, continued from pg 1-*

to see the Hulkster at the historic Madison Square Garden event last year and earlier this March I was able to meet him while he visited Shop Rite in Putnam County to promote Real American Beer. Thank you for the memories, Brother. Rest in Peace, Terry Bollea."

Anyone who was interested in wrestling and in their 50's has fond memories of Hogan. As a teenager, my friends and I went to one of the original Wrestlemania events at Madion Square Garden.

But ever since Hogan made an appearance at the Republican Convention last year to support and endorse President Donald Trump, opinions on Hulk Hogan are now divided among the same hyper-partisan political lines that are drawn in our country.

One of my relatives, who loved Hulk Hogan growing up in Yorktown in the 1990's texted me, "Hogan became a MAGA douche bag in the end."

It's sad we can't even remember the Hulkster for what he was...one of the great entertainers in American history.

Remember Rocky III-and Hulkamania.. and leave it at that.

## SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER.

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF CWMBS, INC., CHL MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH TRUST 2005-15, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-15, Plaintiff -against- HANNA P. WAGNER; ERIC WAGNER AS EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF DAVID WAGNER, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale dated April 15, 2025 and entered on April 16, 2025, and an Amended Judgement of Foreclosure and Sale dated May 21, 2025 and entered on May 22, 2025, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at public auction in the Lobby of the Westchester County Courthouse, 111 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., White Plains, NY on August 12, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Eastchester, County of Westchester and State of New York, known and designated as SBL# 66-1-260

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Attorney(s) for Plaintiff  
425 RXR Plaza, Uniondale, NY 11556

heart of the Housing Counsel law is the assurance that all financially eligible tenants have access to legal representation at no cost to them in eviction proceedings. The OHC will do that, but it will also do more. The Office is be a place where every tenant, regardless of financial means, can seek preventive services before a situation escalates to the point of an eviction proceeding. Our goal is to stabilize families and communities by keeping people in their homes and out of the shelter system."

OHC Director George Asante said: "The OHC was created to fill a crucial need. The vast majority of tenants facing eviction go into court with no legal representation despite the outcomes being far better when tenants appear with an attorney. We want to make sure tenants' rights are protected. But most of all we want to keep families in their homes. That's why we are implementing a holistic approach to eviction prevention. We want you to reach out to us if you're facing eviction, but just as importantly, we want you to reach out before you're in trouble."

Westchester County Department of Social Services Commissioner Leonard Townes said: "Our goal is to keep families in their homes whenever possible. The economic and social toll when a family becomes homeless is enormous -- in both the short term cost to the County of sheltering a homeless family and in the long term consequences of housing instability on children's' development and future opportunities for adults. Not every eviction is preventable. But having eviction prevention and legal representation access centralized at the Office of Housing Counsel, with a continuum of services, will make it much easier for Westchester residents to access these life-saving supports."

Hudson Valley Justice Center Executive Director Jason Mays said: "By expanding access to counsel in eviction proceedings, Westchester County's Office of Housing Counsel will allow tenants to access their protections and defenses under the law, ensuring that the law operates in the courtroom as the legislature intended. HVJC commends this new program and hopes to help the County ensure it remains successful long into the future."

United Way of Westchester and Putnam President and CEO Tom Gabriel said: "Housing is a fundamental human right, something that the County's new Office of Housing Counsel will ensure for all Westchester County residents. The United Way, through its 211 Helpline, is honored to support this new initiative and serve as an entry point to assistance for people facing eviction or dealing with housing insecurity."

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tion. To start, our goal should be to make public transportation preferable, so that we as a county reduce our carbon footprint. This legislation disincentivizes residents' transition from private, carbon-based transportation to public, electric transportation.

If we're trying to support local businesses, this legislation won't accomplish that. The money that's being put into our transportation is money that is not being invested in Westchester's industries. And that's assuming people are still willing to travel to support local industries despite the fare!

People opposed to this legislation have already begun vocalizing their intentions to take their dollars elsewhere if the fare is enforced. But the most important reason to oppose this legislation is who it hurts the most: marginalized youth.

Let's get the obvious out the way. We're in delicate times. Families are food insecure, health care is becoming increasingly unaffordable, public school funds are being cut. Children are suffering. So why are we pouring salt on their wounds?

There is a sizeable population of youth, and more specifically, students, who rely on public transportation to make ends meet. May they be commuting to and from school, picking up siblings, going to the library, or going to their nearest grocery store, the implementation of Ken Jenkins' proposed legislation will only make a better life for Westchester's youth less accessible.

He claims fare evasion poses a serious threat to safety, fiscal integrity, and the long-term success of the Bee-Line system. I'm claiming Chapter 643 endangers the future of marginalized youth, abandons the fiscal responsibilities of our local government, and threatens the continued prosperity of Westchester's industries.

He claims Chapter 643 is about accountability and not criminalization. I'm claiming this legislation will leave struggling youth as wretches with no means to pay the bills.

He claims this legislation provides a fair and proportionate response to a problem that affects all riders. But let's be honest. There's nothing "fair" or "proportionate" about giving a Class A Misdemeanor to some kid coming from a \$20,000 household for trying to get to school.

Amidst this political turmoil, what young people need are security, stability, and opportunity accessibility. If new federal administrations won't provide food security through school meals, then our local government ought to facilitate families in securing themselves.

Charging kids to get to school does not do that. If families are financially unstable, our local government ought to subsidize the youth until they can stabilize themselves. Taking more money from their pockets does not do that. If there are young people hungry to escape the trenches and do better with their lives, then the government ought to lessen the gap between the youth and their opportunities.

Instead, Ken is trying to make the distance between the youth and a better life as uncommutable as possible.

My point here is simple: If County Executive Kenneth Jenkins seeks to "protect the integrity of the Bee-Line system while being mindful of who's riding, and why they might not be paying," he ought to create a legal avenue for his most vulnerable constituents to utilize this service. If the County has the money to put police on every bus, then they have the money to improve the living conditions of our youth.

If the county has a heart and wants the best for itself, it ought to give everyone 25 years of age or younger free public transportation. And that is what we are calling on our legislators to do," writes Mendez who together with his coalition has a change.org petition at [https://www.change.org/p/free-bee-line-buses-for-westchester-youth?fbclid=PAZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAAaeaNdvhXlgfsBJ\\_dAs4Ya587VX5wmXUIZ46VGONZA62PTWtf5r0a2TKp9CbBQ\\_aem\\_cjsU08vP-Azr\\_D6D-9AA-w](https://www.change.org/p/free-bee-line-buses-for-westchester-youth?fbclid=PAZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAAaeaNdvhXlgfsBJ_dAs4Ya587VX5wmXUIZ46VGONZA62PTWtf5r0a2TKp9CbBQ_aem_cjsU08vP-Azr_D6D-9AA-w)

and an Instagram page at <https://www.instagram.com/freebuses4westchesteryouth/>

County Executive Ken Jenkins said, "We are always proud to see young people who are civically engaged and willing to speak up about policies and laws that impact their communities. We fully support and encourage youth participation in government—it's critical to a healthy democracy.

"That said, we welcome the opportunity to meet with these students to explain the economics of the Bee-Line Bus System and the fiscal realities the County faces. The County is currently projected to have a \$25 million budget shortfall, and our current financial structure does not allow us to offer free bus service.

"Compounding our financial reality are actions by the federal government to cut programs like Medicaid, SNAP, and transportation aid. It would be fiscally irresponsible to allow the County to continue losing approximately \$1 million per month due to fare evasion. However, we have also proposed legislation to decriminalize fare evasion, making it a civil matter rather than a criminal one.

"It is important to remember that the Bee-Line is already a heavily subsidized system, and the \$2.75 fare is a small but essential contribution to keeping it affordable and running for everyone," said Jenkins.

The legislation to implement a fine for fare evaders is before the BOL

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## Ask Andrew, on Five-Year Anniversary of His \$5 Million Book Deal During COVID

*By July 10, 2020, COVID had claimed 32,000 lives. Were Cuomo and his Cronies Saving Lives or Writing a Book?*

The Cuomo COVID Orphans released the latest yet to be answered questions for reporters to ask former Governor Andrew Cuomo in this 11th installment of their weekly series, called ASK ANDREW.

On July 10th, 2020 former Governor Andrew Cuomo secured a 5.2 million dollar book deal. "It was as if General Patton had said, in the middle of World War II, "Get me my book agent," said the Cuomo COVID Orphans.

According to New York State Comptroller Tom DiNapoli's COVID audit, "The public was misled by those at the highest level of state government through distortion and suppression of the facts when New Yorkers deserved the truth."

The Cuomo COVID Orphans continued, "The Cuomo administration made a calculated decision to be deceitful. Andrew Cuomo's book contract is the black-cloud around the nursing home scandal. It is the reason for the misleading DOH July 6th, 2020 report that used deceptive and significantly misleading charts with two Y axis points to visually distort the real impact."

As per the New York State Assembly Report, by July 1, 2020, Cuomo "already had 70,000 words written... That senior official sent or received over 1,000 emails regarding the book, from July to December 2020. ...The evidence obtained demonstrates that senior officials, and the former Governor, worked on the book during the course of normal work routines. In August 2020, this state official complained in a text message to a colleague that work on the book was compromising his ability to work on other COVID-related matters."

In the book Cuomo states that President Trump just had to "recognize reality and lead. But then that is the difference between Trump and a great leader. Asking him not to act in his self-interest is like asking a skunk not to smell."

### *Camp Recognized, continued from pg 8-*

"Since its inception, Summer Trails Day Camp has focused on the mission of providing each child with an exciting camp experience that enables them to grow, build confidence, and create lifelong memories and friendships," stated Todd Seideman, Director of Summer Trails Day Camp. "Our picturesque 20-acre facility features a wildlife-filled natural pond, two heated swimming pools, nature trails, spacious ball fields, a zipline and challenge course, climbing wall, and much more to ensure activities for every child's interest."

"We are thrilled to be recognized for our commitment to the community and honored to be inducted into the New York State Historic Business Preservation Registry," concluded Seideman.

Somers Town Supervisor Robert Scorrano said, "Congratulations to Summer Trails Day Camp on 51 years of creating unforgettable summer memories and enriching the lives of campers throughout the area. Their dedication to youth development, outdoor education, and community values has made them a cornerstone of our region. We're proud to have Summer Trails as part of the Somers family and grateful for their continued investment in the next generation."

Slater has previously recognized other local businesses and organizations with this prestigious distinction, including the Boyd Artesian Well Company, Tompkins Community Bank and Kiwi Country Day Camp.

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## Weekend Events in Westchester County Parks

### SATURDAY, AUG. 2

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

Ancestral Trailways, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. Wear sturdy shoes as we take a 3-mile hike on some rough terrain to visit historical and archaeological sites from the archaic to the 17th century. For ages 10 and up.

Hilltop Hanover Farm & Environmental Center, Yorktown Heights: (914) 862-5050. Tea with the Animals, 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Adults and kids 6 and older can join us for a mid-morning "cuppa" while they meet and learn about the animals on the farm. Harvest and make some scrumptious treats for ourselves and the animals to enjoy together for a tea party. \$15. Also: Sept. 6. Get details and pre-register: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tea-with-the-animals-tickets-1374334434289?aff=oddtcreator>

The Merestead Estate, Mount Kisco: (914) 864-7958

Naturalist's Choice Hike, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. Join us for a stroll through the estate's forests and meadows to learn about a variety of the park's natural wonders. Meet at the carriage house parking area on the south side of 455 Byram Lake Road in Mount Kisco. Program will run in light rain, but worse weather will cancel.

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

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 George Washington and his army fought for American independence. Located at 140 Virginia Road. Also: Sept. 13.

Glen Island Park, New Rochelle: (914) 813-6720

Family Fun Day & Sand Art Competition, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Join us for a day with our sand art competition, music, games and more for the entire family. Participation is free; admission and parking fees apply. Westchester County residency is required; weather permitting. Rain date: Aug. 3. Get details and register for the Sand Art competition: <https://parks.westchestergov.com/family-fun-days>

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

Beach Is Open, 11 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Weekends through Monday, Sept. 1; weather permitting. No admittance after 6 p.m. Parking and admission fees apply. Westchester County residency is not required for admission. Get details: <https://parks.westchestergov.com/swim>

Hilltop Hanover Farm & Environmental Center, Yorktown Heights: (914) 862-5050. Old Time Music Jam, 11:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. This monthly gathering of local, acoustic musicians plays traditional Appalachian fiddle music. Play or listen to enjoy the community that music can create! Musicians of all levels are welcome. Also: Sept. 6.

Lasdon Park, Arboretum & Veterans Memorial, Katonah: (914) 864-7268

Lasdon Green Squad, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Every Saturday from April to November join the Lasdon Green Squad to keep Lasdon, Westchester's Public Garden looking beautiful. Volunteers will work with Lasdon staff on tasks such as invasive species removal, planting, watering, weeding, trail maintenance, mulching, trash clean up, and other tasks. For those age 14 and older. Get details and register: <https://www.lasdonpark.org/event/lasdon-green-squad-2-2/2025-08-02/>

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

Alfred B. DelBello Muscote Farm, Somers: (914) 864-7282. Muscote Farmers Market and Barnyard Beets, 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. The market supports farmers and sustainable efforts in our area, featuring over 30 local vendors every Sunday until Nov. 16. Shop while listening to a live performance from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. by indie, folk and rock musician Fenton Lio. Get details: <https://www.muscotefarm.org/markets/>

Lasdon Park, Arboretum and Veterans Museum, Katonah: (914) 864-7263

Gardening Sundays and Tuesdays, Weekly, 10 a.m. - noon Enhance your gardening skills and plant knowledge by working side by side with the gardeners at Lasdon Park. Tasks include planting, watering, weeding, pruning, staking, deadheading, potting up and more! Through November. Also: Tuesday, Aug. 5. Get details and register: <https://www.lasdonpark.org/event/gardening-sundays-2/2025-08-03/>

Kensico Dam Plaza, Valhalla: (914) 231-4033 Indian Heritage Festival, 12 p.m. - 6 p.m. Experience a multitude of cultures this summer without leaving the country. Gather your family and friends, leave your passport at home and enjoy traditions from around the world. Get details: <https://parks.westchestergov.com/heritage-festivals>

Alfred B. DelBello Muscote Farm, Katonah: (914) 864-7282. Guided Farm Tour, 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. Join one of our guides on a tour around the farm to visit to learn about our animals and a few of our historic buildings. Also: Aug. 24; Sept. 7. Register: [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/guided-farm-tours-tickets-1395304686879?aff=ebdso\\_porgprofile](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/guided-farm-tours-tickets-1395304686879?aff=ebdso_porgprofile)

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Summer Garden Tour, 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. Join the head gardener for a free stroll around Lasdon's grounds to see what's in bloom this time of year. Get details and register: <https://www.lasdonpark.org/event/summer-garden-tour/2025-08-03/>

Cranberry Lake Preserve, North White Plains: (914) 428-100. The 50th Anniversary of Cranberry Lake Preserve, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Celebrate its five decades with a history presentation, work by local artists and a hike. For more information, call (914) 428-1005.

Edith G. Read Wildlife Sanctuary, Rye: (914) 967-8720. The Fascinating World of Chipmunks, 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. We will explain how they survive in the wild using their biology, behavior and reproductive strategies. We'll then observe their outdoor actions.

*Lawler Running For Relection, continued from pg 1-*

for reelection to Congress.

In an email blast to his constituents, (I am one), Lawler wrote, "Serving the Hudson Valley has been the greatest honor of my life, and I'm proud of the wins I've delivered for New York and the American people. From delivering historic tax relief, raising the SALT cap, securing our border, and strengthening our national security and America's role in the world, to passing groundbreaking crypto legislation to reaffirm the United States as the leader in the digital economy, I've shown what's possible when you put common-sense solutions above partisan politics.

"Under Kathy Hochul, New York has the highest taxes, the worst business climate, and leads the nation in outmigration. In short, Kathy Hochul is the worst Governor in America and must be defeated in 2026. Over the past six months, I have given considerable thought as to how I can best serve New York — whether in Albany or Washington.

"While I fundamentally believe I am best positioned to take on Kathy Hochul and offer New Yorkers a real choice for Governor, I have made the decision to run for re-election to the House and continue the important work I've been doing over the past two and a half years. There's more work ahead, and I remain focused on putting New York families first."

"When I initially won this district in 2022, I only won by 1,820 votes – flipping this seat from blue to red. When I won again in 2024, I won with 23,946 votes.

"Now, with President Trump and Republicans hanging on to the House Majority by a thread – I simply can't allow this district to be returned to the Democrats – there's too much at stake."

Lawler's announcement means that once again the 17th Congressional District in NY will be ground zero for both the republicans and democrats in 2026.

Seven Democrats have already announced their desire to challenge Lawler next year.

They are:

Cait Conley, 39, from Ossining. She served 16 years in the Army and deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan. She has raised \$500,000.

Beth Davidson, Rockland County legislator, has raised over \$350,000

Peter Chatzky, Briarcliff Manor, Deputy Mayor and Techie loaned his campaign \$500,000.

Jessica Reinmann, 49, Chappaqua, founder of 914Cares, a nonprofit that fights poverty.

Mike Sacks, 42, Croton, former journalist, has raised more than \$200k.

John Sullivan, 41, former FBI analyst, has raised more than \$300k.

Effie Phillips-Staley, 54, Tarrytown, Village Trustee, non-profit leader, and the self-identified progressive in the race.

And another democrat is testing the waters for a rematch against Lawler. Former Congressman Sean Patrick Maloney has indicated his interest in running again, but the response so far has been lackluster.

"One of the biggest reasons I didn't announce for Governor was that I actually love the job I am in now. Over these past 6 months, we have been able to do a lot and the best avenue for me to continue to help New Yorkers and have an impact is to remain in Congress and continue to work on issues from energy to the middle east to affordability. My district matters when it comes to control of the house," said Lawler, who represents only one of three House seats in the country where a republican sits in Congress and where Vice President Harris won in 2024.

That means that democrats are ready to spend millions to help defeat Lawler, in the hopes that by picking up less than a dozen seats across the county, they can re-take control of the House and elect a new Speaker, Rep. Hakeem Jeffries.

In 2024, Lawler received a \$1.5 Million infusion of campaign contributions from Elon Musk. And while it is unclear what Musk will do in 2026, Lawler's campaign has already raised \$2.8 Million, with \$2.2 Million on hand.

"Congressman Lawler's message of common-sense solutions and bipartisan leadership continues to resonate with voters and donors alike," said Chris Russell, campaign spokesperson. "He's once again out-raised the entire Democratic field combined. Congressman Mike Lawler is in the best position yet to defeat whichever far-left radical emerges from their chaotic primary."

The Trump Effect:

President Donald Trump let his opinion be known about who should run for Governor of NY, (Congresswoman Elise Stefanik), and that Lawler should run for Congress.

Now that Lawler has agreed, look for President Trump to help Lawler in raising funds and whatever else he can do. That may mean taking a step back and let Lawler do what he does best-win reelection.

"I met with the President and respect his point of view. Keeping the House majority was important and this was the right decision for my family, with 2 young kids. I still believe that Kathy Hochul is the most incompetent Governor in America and should be defeated."

Westchester County GOP Chair Doug Colety said, "With the incompetent governor we currently have in Albany, it is clear that New York desperately needs a strong, smart and responsible leader like Mike Lawler to save us from the brink of fiscal and social disaster. While Westchester would have loved to have seen Mike as our next governor in January 2027, we couldn't be happier that Congressman Lawler will continue to represent us in Congress.

"In his two terms in the House of Representatives, Mike has stood out as a pragmatic leader who not only represents his constituents and delivers real results for the 17th Congressional District, he has established himself as one of our Party's fiercest defenders of American conservative values by taking on dangerous socialists like AOC, Ilhan Omar, Bernie Sanders and Zohran Mamdani.

"Most recently, Mike's hard-nosed fight for SALT cap reductions during negotiations on the One Big Beautiful Bill, quadrupled the amount of state and local taxes New Yorkers can deduct from their federal income taxes, which will almost immediately make life more affordable for many Westchester families.

"The Westchester GOP looks forward to working toward Congressman Lawler's reelection in 2026, as well as a future run for statewide or higher office in the future. Mike has had our backs ever since he started fighting the good fight as a New York Assemblyman, and we will have his back for as long as he serves," said Colety

Who would have replaced Lawler on the republican side if he decided to run for Governor is unclear.

## Dr. Michael Steiper Appointed as the Seventh President of Purchase College



*Dr. Michael Steiper*

The State University of New York Board of Trustees voted today to name Michael Steiper, Ph.D. as the seventh president of Purchase College. Dr. Steiper currently serves as Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs at CUNY's College of Staten Island. The appointment is effective August 11. During today's meeting, SUNY Chancellor John B. King Jr. and the SUNY Board of Trustees thanked Dr. Milly Peña for serving as Purchase College's president and recognized her service to the Purchase community.

"Purchase College is a leader in accessible and extraordinary arts and arts-adjacent education and is an outstanding liberal arts institution," said SUNY Chancellor King. "This storied college has a proud history of supporting students and helping them grow, create, and inspire, and SUNY looks forward to working with Dr. Steiper as he leads Purchase through the institution's next chapter."

The SUNY Board of Trustees said, "We commend Dr. Steiper on being appointed to serve as Purchase College's new president, and are confident that he will help take Purchase College to new heights. As an academic, administrator, musician, and lifetime New Yorker, Dr. Steiper's experience on-and-off the campus will help support a strong future for Purchase College."

Dr. Michael Steiper said, "I am honored and thrilled to be selected as the next president of Purchase College, SUNY. With its renowned conservatories and outstanding liberal arts and sciences programs, Purchase is a rare gem in higher education where both critical thinking and creativity thrive. Throughout the search process, I have been inspired by the dynamism of the Purchase community. It is a campus where deeply engaged faculty and dedicated staff nurture the aspirations of exceptionally talented students. I am committed to building on Purchase's vibrant culture to advance its mission of access and excellence, enhance student success and opportunity, and expand Purchase's impact across New York and beyond. I am grateful to the SUNY Board of Trustees, Chairman Tisch, Chancellor King, the Purchase College Council, Chair Glazer, and the Search Committee for their confidence and support."

Dennis Glazer, Purchase College Council Chair and Presidential Search Chair, said, "After a comprehensive nationwide search, Purchase College has a terrific new President in Dr. Michael Steiper. Dr. Steiper's intellect, experience, and highly collaborative leadership style are an excellent match for our campus. Our College Council, Foundation Board, faculty, staff and students were all part of the selection process and we very much look forward to partnering with President Steiper as we build on the special community that is Purchase College."

Dr. Michael E. Steiper is a mission-driven academic leader dedicated to faculty and student success who currently serves as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at CUNY's College of Staten Island (CSI). At CSI, Dr. Steiper coordinated the campus' vision for student success, contributing to strong increases in student retention and growth in enrollment.

Prior to his time at CSI, Dr. Steiper spent two decades at Hunter College, where he had roles as a faculty member and administrator, most recently as Associate Provost for Academic Success.

As a biological anthropologist, Dr. Steiper's research centers on human and primate evolution, with particular emphasis on primate molecular evolution, the relationship between genetic and fossil records, and the interplay between skeletal and genetic variation. His work primarily utilizes genetic and bioinformatic techniques, and he has participated in paleontological fieldwork across three continents. Dr. Steiper is a lifelong New Yorker and current Westchester resident who earned his Ph.D. and MA from Harvard University and his bachelor's from New York University.

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## Westchester Children's Association Announces New Executive Director

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Adam  
Rabinovitch

The Board of Directors of the Westchester Children's Association (WCA) is proud to announce the appointment of Adam Rabinovitch as its new Executive Director, effective Monday, July 14. Rabinovitch succeeds Allison Lake who is stepping down after seven years serving as Executive Director and over 25 years of service to the organization.

Rabinovitch has more than 30 years of experience in the private and public sectors, most recently serving as Executive Director of COPE in Melville, Long Island, a nonprofit organization supporting children, parents and families living with the death of a loved one. Known for his dedication in building mission-driven organizations that drive meaningful impact, he is deeply committed to child advocacy, equity, and data-informed policy change.

"We are thrilled to welcome Adam Rabinovitch to WCA," said Ann Umemoto, Board Chair of Westchester Children's Association. "His passion for building sustainable mission-driven organizations and his deep connection to community make him the right leader to guide WCA into its next chapter."

In his new role, Rabinovitch will lead WCA's efforts to improve outcomes for children and youth across Westchester, continuing the organization's legacy of research, advocacy, and cross-sector collaboration. "I'm honored to join with WCA's dedicated board, team, partners, and supporters to build on this powerful legacy and help shape a more equitable future for all Westchester's children," stated Rabinovitch.

Outgoing Executive Director, Allison Lake, was celebrated earlier this year for her transformational leadership and long-standing commitment to children's wellbeing. The WCA Board has also launched the Action Fund in Honor of Allison Lake, which will sustain and grow the organization's data and advocacy capacity for years to come.

### VICTORY FOR WESTCHESTER COUNTY IN PLAYLAND

#### ARBITRATION DISPUTE

WINNER! Westchester County won a significant legal victory in the longstanding dispute with Standard Amusements, LLC over the management of Playland Amusement Park. In a ruling issued by a three-member arbitration panel, Standard's motion for reconsideration was denied in full, reaffirming a previous ruling in the County's favor and solidifying the County's legal position and stewardship of the historic park.

Westchester County Executive Ken Jenkins said: "Playland is the people's park – now and always. This ruling reaffirms what we have said all along: Westchester County has honored its commitments and acted in good faith to revitalize and protect Playland for future generations. The panel's decision not only upholds the integrity of our agreement—it sends a strong message that Westchester will not be bullied. We remain committed to the continued enhancement of Playland which is a crown jewel of Westchester."

The Arbitration Panel—comprised of Hon. Jonathan Lippman (Chair), Hon. Shira A. Scheindlin, and Hon. Anthony J. Carpinello—concluded that Westchester County acted within its rights under the Playland Management Agreement and that Standard's attempt to terminate the agreement was invalid and void. At the heart of the decision was the County's legal right to cure any alleged failure to complete 70% of capital projects by a specified date—an essential protection that Standard ignored in its termination notice.

In a previous June 26, 2025 decision, the arbitration panel sided with the County on cross motions for summary judgment, affirming that the Management Agreement provided the County the right to cure and that Standard's January 21, 2025 termination notice was legally deficient. Despite the clear outcome, Standard filed a motion for reconsideration—arguing a new interpretation of the contract and attempting to introduce extrinsic evidence—both of which were swiftly rejected by the panel.

Now, the panel noted that: "Standard's instant motion improperly attempts to 'present arguments different from those originally presented' and seeks 'successive opportunities to reargue issues' that the Panel previously decided—just not how Standard wanted."

Jenkins said: "Today's decision is more than just a legal win—it's a victory for good government, accountability, and the residents of Westchester County – especially the children for whom this park is for. We are grateful to the Panel for its thorough and impartial review, and we are ready to move forward."

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"fleeting acquaintances" who knew each other somehow before the incident. An investigation by Westchester County Police resulted in McCain's arrest and detention at the County jail pending a \$25,000 bond.

Robert McCain has a serious criminal history in our area. In 1981, he was convicted of the 1980 murder of 16-year-old Paul Bohovesky in Rockland County.

McCain and another man, Richard LaBarbera, attacked Bohovesky as she was walking home from a library in Pearl River. Paula was brutally killed and abused by both men, who were found guilty of 2nd degree murder and given life sentences in 1981. They were eligible for parole starting in 2005 after serving 25 years.

McCain's attempts at parole were denied for years until the New York State Parole Board released him in 2021, despite pleas from the Rockland community to keep him behind bars.

McCain's first court date on this recent charge was on July 28, where County Court Judge Robert Prisco presided. McCain appeared remotely from the county jail, where he has remained since his arrest.

McCain's attorney, Robert Nachamie, said his client is not happy after being returned to prison and has stated that he is innocent of the latest charges. But McCain also declared his innocence time and again before the parole board in the death of Bohovesky.

Legendary Rockland County Detective Peter Modafferi recalled that McCain confessed to the murder of Bohovesky during an interrogation in the State of Arkansas in 2021.

The calls for McCain to be denied parole were loud in 2021, and calls for the parole board to resign were loud after McCain's release.

Now those same calls are back. County Executive Ed Day said, "We fought tooth and nail to keep this egregious killer, Robert McCain, behind bars — where he belonged — for the brutal and unspeakable murder of 16-year-old Paula Bohovesky. The decision by the New York State Parole Board to release him ignored the pleas of our entire community and disregarded the irreversible devastation caused to Paula's family, turning its back on justice itself.

"Now, this monster — as predicted — committed another crime, underscoring how the system failed. The crime McCain stands accused of is on the hands of every Parole Board member who voted to free him.

"If any of the individuals responsible for that disgraceful decision remain on the Parole Board, I am again calling on them to resign immediately.

"Their actions put the public at risk, and I will never stop fighting for justice — not just for Paula, but for every Rockland resident who expects safety, accountability, and a system that values the lives of victims over the comfort of criminals," said Day.

Congressman Mike Lawler said, "This disgraceful and utterly predictable incident highlights precisely why Robert McCain never should have been granted parole. The entire Parole Board should resign in disgrace immediately — their constant release of child rapists, cop-killers, and the worst criminals has made New York less safe.

McCain previously met all the conditions of his parole; he never failed a drug test, and probation officers never found any contraband during several unannounced searches of his home, according to court officials.

Judge Robert Prisco ruled that McCain could be released from jail if he could post his bail.

Legally, his only option is because he has not demonstrated that he was a "substantial risk" to the community.

Prisco also denied a request for an electronic monitoring device

Right now, McCain's bail is \$25,000, a number he likely cannot raise, but his attorneys are looking to lower the bail.

**Note: McCain's case has been Adjourned to Aug. 7 and his bail will be reviewed.**

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Saxon Woods 100-Year Celebration: Movie Night, 8:15 p.m. Celebrate Saxon Woods' 100th Anniversary with movie night feature Encanto. We will also be announcing those who complete the 100-Lap Challenge. Pool will be open through 7:30 p.m.; movie starts at 8:15 p.m. Bring blankets and lawn chairs for seating; refreshments will be available to purchase. Westchester County residency required.

## 23rd Annual Heritage of India Festival

**Celebrating 50 years of IACAW**  
Indian American Cultural Association of Westchester

**Sunday, August 6, 2023**  
12pm - 6pm  
Kensico Dam Plaza  
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**FREE**  
Admission & Parking

**Keynote Speaker**  
*Dr. Sudhir Parikh*  
Physician, Philanthropist,  
Media Mogul and  
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Children's Arts & Crafts  
Indian Bazaar  
Mehendi (Henna) Art  
Indian Cuisine  
Live Indian Cultural Performances

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