

The First, and Worst Murder-Torture in Westchester History, Kenya Tilford's Horrors



Kenya Tilford

By Dan Murphy

Westchester District Attorney Susan Cacace called the Kenya Tilford case the first time a torture-murder case has been prosecuted in Westchester County's history.

And its one of the worst murder cases in Westchester history, putting Tilford in an infamous list of Westchester top killers.

Kenya Tilford lured Concetta Morton, who had special needs, into her New Rochelle home. Tilford tortured Morton, who was also her lover, for months, and abused her to the point where she lost 50 pounds, before Tilford strangled



Concetta Morton

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Graham School girls gather for high tea and poetry!



Elementary and middle school girls at Graham School recently participated in an acrostic poem writing workshop joyfully over high tea! The gathering was hosted by Mrs. Youngblood, middle school social studies teacher and Ms. Graham, parent liaison at Graham School. Seventh and eighth grade girls were partnered with an elementary scholar where they worked on acrostic poems together. They also enjoyed desserts and snacks such as brownies, cupcakes, cookies, pies, cheese and crackers while sipping tea that were all provided by generous donations from Graham School parents.

Former Lord & Taylor Property in Eastchester Sold for \$80 Million



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Anti-Semitism at Scarsdale High School?

School Board President Steps Down After Daughter Posts Photo of Israeli Club Flyer in Urinal



By Dan Murphy

"That's a urinal in Scarsdale High School, one of the wealthiest communities in the US, long seen as a safe place to raise Jewish children. An estimated 25-35% of residents identify as Jewish. Today, monsters tore down posters hung by fellow student members of the Israeli Culture Club who planned an Israeli Fest. Approved by the school's administrators. Take note, neighbors: we will not cower, and neither will our children. The district better hold these vandals accountable."

This was a social media post after the daughter of School Board President James Dugan posted a photo of the torn Israeli Club flyer for Scarsdale High School, which was found in a urinal. The daughter, who does not attend SHS, posted, "Keep up the good work."

The daughter, 17 years old, took the post down and tried to explain herself—"I foolishly posted that angry, obnoxious meme about Scarsdale High School," the girl said in a statement to The Post. "Realizing my mistake, I quickly took it down because I knew it was offensive and inappropriate, and I wish I had never posted it. "Nothing about that represents my values or those of my family," the teen said. "I'm sorry I did it and have learned a real lesson from the response."

But the damage was done, and the story went viral. Scarsdale has one of the largest Jewish populations in the United States. The flyer was advertising the club's celebration of Israel's 78th Independence Day.

Dugan waited several days before stepping down as Board President but will remain on the school board. Dear Scarsdale Community, after reflection and prayer, I have decided to step aside from the role of President of the Scarsdale Board of Education for the remainder of my term. The events of the last several days have made it clear that my continuing in the role would be too much of a distraction from the critical work of the Board. I am sorry for the pain that this community is suffering. I empathize with that pain, and I hope that we can find some peace and

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Latimer Gains Dem. Nomination for Second Term to Congress in NY-16



No Other Democratic, or WFP candidate Files Petitions

Rep. George Latimer

U.S. Congressman George Latimer (D-16th CD Westchester/Bronx) has secured the Democratic Line in his bid for a second term in Congress, submitting nominating signatures in excess of 9,500 names to qualify for the Democratic nomination. After a contentious primary in the 2024 season – and recent primaries for this seat in 2018, 2020 and 2022 – no other Democratic candidates submitted petitions in 2026, ensuring no June Primary for Latimer.

In addition, no candidates submitted petitions for either the Working Families or the Conservative parties, creating a direct D vs. R competition with the GOP candidate in the fall election campaign.

"I'm deeply grateful for the dozens and dozens of local volunteers, from the Bronx to White Plains who went out door-to-door, in cold weather conditions, to collect these signatures. I'm deeply grateful to each and every one for their efforts, and the willingness of nearly 10,000 registered Democrats to support my

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

In the Matter of the Foreclosure of Tax Liens
by Proceeding In Rem pursuant to Article
Eleven of the Real Property Tax Law by the
City of Mount Vernon

**PETITION AND NOTICE OF
FORECLOSURE**

Index No.: 2500/2026

The above-captioned proceeding is hereby commenced to enforce the payment of delinquent taxes or other lawful charges which have accumulated and become liens against certain property.

The parcels to which this proceeding applies are identified on Schedule "A" of this Petition which is annexed hereto and made a part hereof. A copy of Schedule "A" was filed with the Westchester County Clerk on January 12, 2026, as the City of Mount Vernon List of Delinquent Taxes.

This document serves both as a Petition and a Notice of Foreclosure for purposes of this proceeding.

Effect of Filing: All people who have or claim to have an interest in the real property described in this Petition are hereby notified that the filing of this Petition constitutes the commencement by the Tax District of a proceeding in the court specified in the caption above to foreclosure each of the tax liens described by a foreclosure proceeding in rem.

Nature of Proceeding: This proceeding is brought against the real property only and is to foreclosure the tax liens described in this Petition. No personal judgment will be entered herein for such taxes or other legal charges or any part hereof.

Persons Affected: This Notice is directed to all persons owning, having, or claiming to have, an interest in the real property described in this Petition. Such persons are hereby further notified that a duplicate of this Petition has been filed in the office of the City of Mount Vernon Comptroller, the Enforcing Officer of the Tax District and will remain open for public inspection up to and including the date specified below as the last day for redemption.

Right of Redemption: Any person having, or claiming to have, an interest in any such real property and the legal right thereto may, on or before the last day for redemption set out below, redeem the same by paying the amount of all such unpaid tax liens thereon, including applicable interest and penalties and other legal charges which are included in the lien against such real property, computed up to and including the date of redemption. Such payments shall be made to the Comptroller of the City of Mount Vernon, City Hall, 1 Roosevelt Square N, Mount Vernon, NY 10550. In the event that such taxes are paid by a person other than the record owner of such real property, the person so paying shall be entitled to have the affected tax liens thereby satisfied of record.

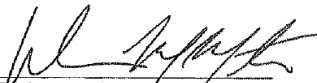
LAST DAY FOR REDEMPTION: **THE LAST DAY FOR REDEMPTION IS
HEREBY FIXED AS AUGUST 20, 2026.**

Service of Answer: Every person having any right, title or interest in or lien upon any parcel of real property described in this Petition may serve a duly verified answer upon the attorney for the Tax district setting forth in detail the nature and amount of his or her interest and any defense or objection to the foreclosure. Such answer must be filed in the Office of the County Clerk and served upon the attorney for the Tax District on or before the date above mentioned as the last day for redemption.

Failure to Redeem or Answer: In the event of failure to redeem or answer by any person having the right to redeem or answer, such person shall be forever barred and foreclosed of all of his or her right, title and interest and equity of redemption in and to the parcel described in this Petition and a judgment in foreclosure may be taken by default.

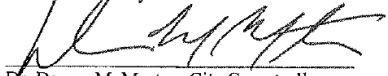
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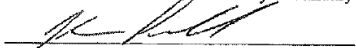

Dr. Darren M. Morton, Comptroller
City of Mount Vernon
Department of Finance
1 Roosevelt Square N.
Mount Vernon, NY 10550

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER) ss

I, Dr. Darren M. Morton, being duly sworn, depose and say: I am the Enforcing Officer for the City of Mount Vernon. I have read this Petition which I have signed, and I am familiar with its contents. The contents of this Petition are true to the best of my knowledge, based upon the records of the City of Mount Vernon Department of Finance. I do not know of any errors or omissions in this Petition.


Dr. Darren M. Morton, City Comptroller

Sworn to before me this 27th day of January 2026.

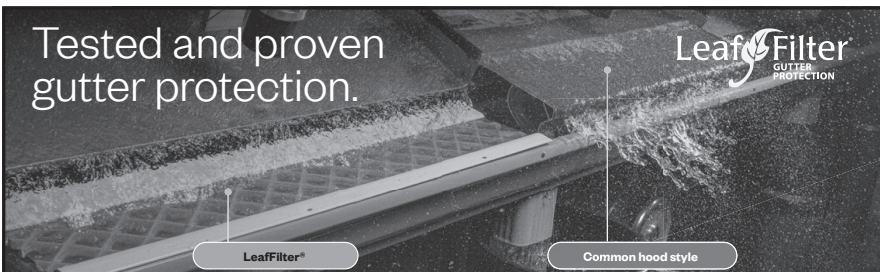

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German International School Teacher Accused of Grooming Behavior Toward Student

PLYING HER WITH LIQUOR, INAPPROPRIATE TOUCHING



Westchester County District Attorney Susan Cacace announced that a teacher at the German International School New York, in White Plains, was arrested Tuesday for allegedly carrying on an inappropriate relationship with one of his 14-year-old students, including allegations that he plied her with liquor and touched her inappropriately.

Nils Koehler, 27, of White Plains, was arraigned in White Plains City Court Tuesday on one count of Endangering the Welfare of a Child, a class A misdemeanor, where he pleaded not guilty. Judge Mary Jo Blanchard issued a full stay-away temporary order of protection on behalf of the victim. The case was adjourned to May 12.

DA Cacace said: "Teachers shaping young minds bear an enormous duty of care to the students in their orbit. These students are highly impressionable and often see the teachers in their lives as heroes, looking to them for guidance and moral support. This defendant, however, is accused of exploiting that position of trust to gratify a much baser impulse. Such conduct, as alleged, is not only unacceptable and deeply damaging to the student victim, it erodes the confidence of the entire school community.

"I encourage anyone with more information about Mr. Koehler's conduct, whether a student, parent or another teacher, to reach out to my office. We will not tolerate any behavior that puts our young students' welfare at risk."

Commissioner Wade Hardy said: "This arrest underscores our commitment to protecting the most vulnerable members of our community. The betrayal of trust by an educator, someone specifically tasked with the care and mentorship of our children, is disturbing. The safety of our students is a sacred trust, one that was callously broken in this case."

As alleged in a misdemeanor information and a victim's deposition filed with the court, between February 2025 and April 2026, the defendant, a teacher at the German International School New York, in White Plains, commenced a grooming relationship with one of his students, repeatedly sending her messages on the phone, encouraging her to sneak out from her house, plying her with liquor and touching her inappropriately.

Anyone with additional information about the defendant is urged to call the White Plains Police Department at (914) 422-6111 or the Westchester DA's tip line at (914) 995-TIPS (8477).

This case was investigated by the White Plains Department of Public Safety. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Michael Levin.

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2024-011	1074.011.000	MCKINLEY, DWAYNE	122 TERRACE AVE ,N
2024-024	1110.020.000	FECTEAU, MATTHEW JAMES	123 SEVENTH AVE ,N
2024-024	1110.020.000	TRISTATE PROPERTY MGMT	123 SEVENTH AVE ,N
2024-025	1117.022.000	L.A.L. GRAMATAN	6 SIDNEY AVE ,E
2024-027	2053.030.000	BECTON, MARGARET	339 FULTON AVE ,N
2024-033	2123.007.000	DEDADENA, LUZ	15 LEXINGTON AVE
2024-033	2123.007.000	KONDAUR CPT'L CORP.	15 LEXINGTON AVE
2024-044	2159.004.000	CALLOWAY, DOROTHY	16 MONTEREY DR
2024-077	3100.031.000	CHRISTIAN, CARON	28 ST PAUL'S PL
2024-079	3109.011.000	SOUTH THIRD AVE	242 THIRD AVE ,S
2024-080	3109.012.000	SOUTH THIRD AVE	242 THIRD AVE ,S
2024-098	4013.118.000	DALEY,ELAINE	118 PELHAMDALE AVE
2024-104	4048.001.314	U.S. BANK TRUST N.A.	325 HIGHLAND AVE
2024-119	1020.007.004	HPC WIRELESS SERVICES LL	514 GRAMATAN AVE
2024-124	1049.014.000	GARCIA, NELSON	532 HIGH ST ,N
2024-125	1049.026.000	MCGRATH, PATRICIA	515 TERRACE AVE ,N
2024-140	1064.029.000	POTTER, REGINALD&SYLVIA	33 TERRACE AVE ,S
2024-141	1064.036.000	PRIME PARADIGM INC.	19 TERRACE AVE ,S
2024-155	1068.004.000	TAM, ORCHAIM	6-8 MOUNT VERNON AVE
2024-157	1070.016.000	MT. VERNON OVERALL	12 BOND ST ,N
2024-161	1072.015.000	3 & 11 NORTH TERRACE	3 TERRACE AVE ,N
2024-162	1072.016.000	3 & 11 NORTH TERRACE	11 TERRACE AVE ,N
2024-165	1076.027.104	CJL 2000 FAMILY TRUST	121 HIGH ST ,N
2024-166	1076.034.000	LINCOLN AVE REALTY NY LL	178 LINCOLN AVE ,W
2024-171	1079.010.000	MASI,MARY ETAL	257 LINCOLN AVE ,W
2024-174	1080.012.000	SCAP, LLC	197 STEVENS AVE
2024-185	1086.033.000	45 N 10TH AVE RESIDENCE,	45 TENTH AVE ,N
2024-195	1097.029.000	TELLONE, MARIE	433 TERRACE AVE ,N
2024-195	1097.029.000	TELLONE, PASQUALE	433 TERRACE AVE ,N
2024-196	1097.030.000	TELLONE, MARIA	433 TERRACE AVE ,N
2024-196	1097.030.000	TELLONE, PASQUALE	433 TERRACE AVE ,N
2024-199	1099.001.000	LAOUTARIS,ANTONIOS ETAL	403 HIGH ST ,N
2024-201	1101.013.000	HING, ANDREW	22 HARTLEY AVE
2024-202	1101.026.000	WHITE, ELISHA & EULALEE	15 ROCHELLE TER
2024-212	1121.028.000	FOUNTAIN FOR THE	6 NORTH ST
2024-218	1135.001.000	HARTLEY PARK TOWERS, LLC	144 CRARY AVE
2024-219	1135.010.000	HARTLEY PARK TOWERS, LLC	30 OAKLEY AVE
2024-226	1150.012.000	LATRONICO, MAURICIO	125 COTTAGE AVE
2024-235	1158.041.000	FICHERA, LEONARD	67 FLETCHER AVE
2024-236	1159.006.000	TELLONE, MARIA & PASQUAL	166 ARCHER AVE
2024-237	1159.017.000	187 COTTAGE AVENUE CORP	187 COTTAGE AVE
2024-249	2055.030.000	PASQUARIELLO,DOMINICK	285 FULTON AVE ,N
2024-251	2058.010.000	61 NORTH FULTON LLC	61 FULTON AVE ,N
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2024-252	2060.013.000	MCCOOKE, JENNIFER	20 CLAREMONT AVE
2024-256	2068.015.000	SIMMONS,FREDERICK ETUX	173 CLAREMONT AVE
2024-259	2074.013.000	OB CHRISTY HOMES LLC	73 DELL AVE

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Notice of Formation of Infinity Strategies Group LLC. Arts of Org. Filed with SSNY on September 1, 2025. Office location: Westchester County, New York. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 255 Huguenot Street, Apt 913, New Rochelle, NY 10801. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

To the Editor:

Re: "Dismantling the Climate Law is harmful Policy and Unwise Politics"

Last month I traveled by train from Madrid to Barcelona. The scenery was splendid but what I liked the most were the arrays of solar panels and wind turbines. Spain is well on its way to 100% renewable energy. I was impressed.

I was also impressed seven years ago when New York's legislature passed a brilliant climate law which put New Yorkers on the road to 100% renewable energy. The CLCPA's path was smart as extensive thought was given at each step of the process. Now, as Mr. Gupta notes, much of that plan has been blown up. Gov. Hochul has gone wishy-washy on this outstanding climate law. Now is the time to ditch the dirty fossil fuels and boldly proceed toward clean energy. Now, not years down the road!

Sally Courtright, New York

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renomination", Congressman Latimer noted.

The petition witnesses – primarily local activist Democratic District Leaders – braved weather conditions from February 24 until the end of March, going door-to-door to meet registered Democrats eligible to sign a Democratic petition. By law, Latimer needed 1,250 valid signatures to qualify; the number submitted, over 9,500 names, surpassed the minimum requirement by more than seven times over.

Signatures were delivered in 887 pages of petitions, exceeding the number of pages submitted by the Republican candidate by more than 500 pages.

Latimer has won 18 general elections for positions for the Rye City Council, Westchester County Legislator, State Assemblyman and State Senator, and twice for Westchester County Executive. He won his second term as County Executive with 62% of the vote in the general election, and succeeded in 2024 to the House of Representatives with 72% of the vote.

"The people of these communities make the ultimate decision, and I know I have to make a positive case for their vote every single time. I have in Congress maintained the same energy level and effort I have delivered in previous races, and whether election year or not, I'm constantly out in my communities speaking and listening to my neighbors. I intend to make a strong case in November for what we can accomplish over the next two years, with different, dynamic leadership in the House", Latimer added.

In 2026, New York's 16th CD, the center of attention the last few electoral cycles, will cede the spotlight to New York's 17th CD -- Northern Westchester, Rockland, Putnam and a part of Dutchess, which will see active primary and general election battles this year.

So now it's on to Congressman Lawler against???

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2024-522	3125.012.000	RASHAS, KAUSER	136 UNION AVE
2024-524	3126.006.000	SHALIT, YNON	214 UNION AVE
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2024-594	4038.003.000	BOWEN, ADASSA & WILFORD	210 LANGDON AVE
2024-596	4039.014.000	LAJGI, UKE	259 FULTON AVE ,S
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2024-628	4063.080.000	CRUMP, MABEL ETUX	413 HANCOCK AVE
2024-631	4065.025.000	CHAMBERS, ERIC JR.	403 SENECA AVE
2024-641	4071.003.000	MARC, EDITH & SOPHIA	432 FIFTH ST ,E
2024-645	4082.033.000	LIMITONE ENTERPRISES, INC	0 SEVENTH ST ,E

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Rye YMCA Child Care Worker Charged w/ Child Endangerment

Westchester County District Attorney Susan Cacace announced that 34-year-old Molly Swain, a child care worker at the Rye YMCA, was charged on Friday with misdemeanor endangering the welfare of a child. The Rye woman is accused of allegedly handling a toddler in her care in an especially rough manner on several occasions.

Swain was arraigned before Rye City Court, and released her on her own recognizance, as the charge is not bail-eligible. A temporary order of protection was also provided to the victim.

"Westchester parents who drop their kids off at day care expect they will be nurtured by the professionals entrusted with their care," Cacace said. "Instead, this defendant is alleged to have betrayed her duty as a care worker, subjecting the child victim in this case to unnecessary roughness. Toddlers cannot speak for themselves. It was only through diligent investigation and prosecutorial scrutiny that we were able to file this charge, and I would like to thank all of our investigatory partners for their work on this case."

According to court documents, on April 1, Swain, lifted a 19-month-old toddler up by the arms and dropped the toddler to the floor "in such a manner that would likely be injurious due to the level of force applied."

On two other occasions, Swain grabbed the same toddler by the back of their shirt collar and lifted them off the floor, according to the charges.

The case was investigated by the City of Rye Police Department and the New York State Office of Children and Family Services. The case is being prosecuted by Rye Branch Chief Cindy Adimari.

The Rye YMCA released the following statement on Friday, April 24:

"We were recently made aware of the charges of a now-former staff member following allegations of physical abuse at the Rye YMCA Early Learning Center. When we first learned of the allegations, we placed two teachers in the classroom on administrative leave, pending investigation. Since then, both employees have been terminated.

"All the checks that the Rye YMCA and third-party organizations conducted on these former staff members came back clean – they had no previous record or any other cause for concern in their background, nor have they had any disciplinary issues while working at the Rye YMCA.

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"We take our responsibility to children and their families very seriously, and we take pride in providing safe places for children to grow in skills and self-confidence. We are committed to providing a safe environment to every person in our programs, most importantly children who are entrusted to our care. That any child should be harmed in our care is unacceptable and we continue to keep those affected in our thoughts."

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Say No to More Facial Recognition in New York State

By Dan Murphy

New York State says it wants to make online sports betting safer. But a new proposal to require facial recognition for every single wager risks doing something else entirely: putting millions of New Yorkers' most sensitive data at risk while also further normalizing biometric surveillance in our everyday lives.

The past few years have seen a measured increase in the use of facial recognition software. We have become accustomed to having our faces scanned at the airport but now many New Yorkers' faces are being scanned when they go to the grocery store, sports events, or even as they enter their own homes. And now, New York State is considering not just adding, but requiring, facial recognition to be used in another aspect of life where it is not needed – mobile sports betting.

The New York State Gaming Commission recently announced a new slate of draft regulations that they argue will recently increased consumer protections to the legal online sports betting industry. Among those draft regulations is a requirement that every user submit biometric facial scans, not only when signing up, but every time they place a bet. This, despite the fact that these apps already utilize strict age and identity verification processes when users sign up. While regulators may view biometric scans as an added layer of security, in reality this would be an unnecessary expansion of data collection that puts New Yorkers' privacy at significant risk.

Biometric data is vastly different from other personal information, like usernames or passwords. If a password is compromised it can be changed. If a credit card is stolen it can be canceled. But a facial scan is permanent, and it cannot be altered or replaced if it falls into the wrong hands.

Requiring millions of New Yorkers, who enjoy gambling legally as entertainment, to hand over this data creates a centralized repository of highly sensitive information that effectively becomes a target for hackers and malicious actors. Data breaches have affected even the most sophisticated organizations, from multinational corporations to financial institutions to government agencies. To assume that a newly constructed system, one that neither operators nor the state currently have the infrastructure to manage, will be immune from such potential attacks is unrealistic. The consequences of a breach involving biometric data would be far more severe and enduring than traditional data leaks.

That's why any private business that does choose to use biometric identification software is legally required to notify New Yorkers about this technology, so that if they are not comfortable handing this information over to a private company they can choose to take their business elsewhere.

Individuals even have the option to opt out of biometric scans when going through TSA checks at the airport. But under these draft regula-

tions, the only way New Yorkers would be able to bet legally online would be to submit their face scans to these apps. There is no alternative option or opt-out system. This would certainly drive more users to illegal, unregulated websites and apps, or federally regulated prediction market platforms like Kalshi and Polymarket, where they would not need to scan their faces to bet. Such a migration out of New York's regulated market will cost the state tax dollars, given these alternative options contribute nothing to New York, operating outside of its regulations.

On top of this, we cannot forget that facial recognition has been proven to experience issues recognizing the faces of people of color. This means that implementing this technology could potentially result in users being locked out of these apps due to their race or physical appearance. That, even if unintended, would be an absolutely unacceptable consequence.

New York has long been a state that values civil liberties. Mandating biometric surveillance for everyday digital transactions runs counter to that principle. It also raises some fundamental questions around data ownership and storage, as well government access across multiple agencies.

In short, there are no answers to these questions and that is precisely why we must not allow New York State to introduce biometric surveillance into yet another aspect of our lives. The reward is too great and the risk is too small to force New Yorkers to submit their most sensitive information to engage in a practice that is legal, secure, and already well-regulated.

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Archbishop Stepinac High School Announces Class of 2026 Valedictorian and Salutatorian



Archbishop Stepinac High School proudly announces Elden Agee of Elmsford as Valedictorian and James Donohoe of Bronxville as Salutatorian for the Class of 2026. Agee and Donohoe, along with their classmates, will receive their diplomas from Fr. Thomas Collins '79 and deliver their addresses during Stepinac's 76th Annual Commencement Exercises, which will be held at Archbishop Stepinac High School on May 21, 2026.

Principal Paul Carty praised both students for their accomplishments, stating, "I want to congratulate Elden and James on this achievement. It is a recognition of their hard work and a reminder that senior year grades matter. Best wishes to them in their future endeavors."

Valedictorian – Elden Agee

Elden Agee earned the distinction of Valedictorian with an outstanding 4.1 GPA. Throughout his time at Stepinac, Agee demonstrated academic excellence, leadership, and initiative both inside and outside the classroom.

He made a lasting impact on the school community by founding Stepinac's first-ever podcast club, The Stepcast, creating a platform for student voices and school engagement. In addition, he served as a member of the Stepinac Rotary Club, further contributing to service and leadership efforts within the school.

His academic accomplishments have earned him numerous honors, including the 32nd Annual Harvard Prize Book Award, AP Scholar with Distinction, and membership in the National Honor Society.

Agee has been accepted to several prestigious universities, including Yale University, Harvard University, Duke University, Columbia University, and the University of Pennsylvania, among others. He plans to continue his academic journey at one of these distinguished institutions this fall. *continued on pg 8-*

Symphony of Westchester Closes Season May 9 with Final Chance to See the Orchestra This Year



The Symphony of Westchester will close its 2025-2026 season on Saturday, May 9, 2026 at 8:00 p.m. with an All Romantic Music Program at Christopher J. Murphy Auditorium in the Murphy Science Building at Iona University.

The performance is the final chance for audiences to see the Symphony this season, capping a year that combined strong performances with audience-friendly programming, student collaboration, and visible community support.

The season included family-focused touches like the Symphony's harpsichord petting zoo, a side-by-side collaboration with New Rochelle High School's PAVE Orchestra, and continued recognition from Congressman George Latimer, who has publicly praised Maestro Barry Charles Hoffman and the Symphony for their contributions to the cultural life of the region. That recognition also figured prominently during the Symphony's recent Young Artist Competition Showcase Concert, which featured six prize-winning soloists and drew a strong audience at Iona University.

"This season has shown what makes live orchestral music matter," said Hoffman. "We've had exciting performances, strong support from the community, and meaningful opportunities to connect with younger musicians and new audiences. We're proud of what this season has been, and we're looking forward to closing it with a program that brings real passion, sweep, and beauty to the stage."

That impact was felt by student musicians as well. After performing with the Symphony, one New Rochelle High School orchestra student described the experience as "life changing," saying it strengthened their confidence and sharpened their sense of what performing at a high level can be.

For local audiences, the May 9 concert is both a season finale and the last live Symphony of Westchester performance until the next season begins.

What: The Symphony of Westchester, All Romantic Music Program

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Former Lord & Taylor Property in Eastchester Sold for \$80 Million

Jeffrey Dunne, David Gavin and Travis Langer of CBRE's National Retail Partners represented LT Eastchester LLC in the sale of 750 White Plains Road in Eastchester, New York. The team also procured the buyer, 750 White Plains Owner LLC. The sale of 750 White Plains Road follows on the heels of the sale of 110 High Ridge Road, the former Lord & Taylor in Stamford, CT, which is anchored by Whole Foods and sold in October 2025.

750 White Plains Road (Route 22) is a 200,473 SF mixed-use retail and medical property in Eastchester (Scarsdale), NY. The property is 64% leased and anchored by a diverse tenant mix including White Plains Hospital (a member of the Montefiore Health System), Equinox, Cava, Tatte Bakery, Pottery Barn Kids and Williams Sonoma. The property was formerly a Lord & Taylor store, which is in the process of being repositioned into a multi-tenant retail and medical property.

The property comprises over 11 acres in the heart of Lower Westchester County on the Eastchester/Scarsdale border within approximately eight miles of New York City. The incredible affluence surrounding the center is highlighted by average household incomes of \$227,000 and home values of \$811,000 within three miles of the center.

CBRE's Jeff Dunne commented, "The center's highly prominent location within the dominant retail corridor in the market, combined with its strong anchor tenancy and surrounding demographics will help the buyer complete the repositioning and lease-up of the center."

David Gavin of CBRE added, "We continue to see strong demand in Metro NY for properties like 750 White Plains Road, which provide a unique combination of having stable tenancy with further value-add through lease up of the remaining vacancy."

CBRE's Metro NY National Retail Partners is marketing several attractive investments including 44 Main Street, a 23,584 SF value-add property on Main Street in Westport, CT; Rockaway Centers, a 302,000 SF property comprised of three power centers in Rockaway, New Jersey; Livingston Shopping Center, a 138,425 SF center situated on Rt. 10 in Livingston, NJ; and Briarcliff Commons, a 179,539 SF grocer-anchored center in Morris Plains, NJ.

Published reports have the sale price at \$80 Million.

New York Electric Grid Faces Narrow Reliability Margin Heading into Summer

The New York Independent System Operator (NYISO) today released its annual Summer Reliability Assessment, finding that the reliability margin under baseline summer conditions is 417 MW – the lowest margin in recent history.

The assessment notes that 34,615 megawatts (MW) of power resources are available to meet forecasted peak demand of 31,578 MW. As established by the New York State Reliability Council, under normal system conditions, the NYISO is required to maintain 2,620 MW from the available resources in reserves.

The report forecasts reliability challenges under extreme temperature scenarios despite the addition of new capacity in the past year. Aging generation, transmission constraints, and rising demand pose major challenges as reliability margins continue to decline.

"This assessment reflects the challenges of the grid in transition – declining reliability margins, performance issues with aging generators, and an absence of new dispatchable resources," said Aaron Markham, Vice President of Operations for the New York Independent System Operator. "Coordination with generation owners, utility companies, neighboring grid operators, and government officials will be essential as we work to maintain grid reliability this summer."

Under extreme weather scenarios, reliability margins are forecasted to be deficient. For example, if the state experiences a heatwave with an average daily temperature of 95 degrees lasting 3 or more days, the capacity margin is forecasted to be -1,679 MW. That number declines further to -3,370 MW under an extreme heatwave with an average daily temperature of 98 degrees.

Under those conditions, NYISO operators would initiate emergency operating procedures to secure up to 3,166 MW to maintain system reliability.

The NYISO may issue grid alerts if reserve margins drop below regulated levels. These alerts are designed to raise awareness about grid conditions and inform the public if electricity conservation is necessary.

The all-time record for peak demand of 33,956 MW was set on July 19, 2013.

NYISO operates the bulk electric system under the nation's strictest reliability standards. System reliability requirements are established, maintained, and enforced by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, North American Electric Reliability Corporation, the Northeast Power Coordinating Council, and the New York State Reliability Council.

The New York Independent System Operator (NYISO) is a not-for-profit corporation responsible for operating the bulk electricity grid, administering the competitive wholesale electricity markets, conducting comprehensive long-term planning, and advancing the technological infrastructure of the electric system serving the Empire State.

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unity as we work together to address and remediate incidents of antisemitism and intolerance in our schools. As our community continues to heal, I am dedicated to continuing my work as a board member alongside my colleagues as we collaborate with our school administrators to develop programs that can bring us together as a united Scarsdale. Very truly yours, James C. Dugan.

SHS Principal Ken Bonamo and Superintendent Dr. Drew Patrick wrote, "When last we wrote, we noted that our investigation was underway. Today, we can confirm that the responsible parties have been identified and the necessary steps outlined in our code of conduct are being taken. Because of student privacy laws, we cannot share more details than this; we ask for your trust that this has been dealt with appropriately."

And that is another problem with this case, which does not involve Dugan or his daughter. Someone tore down the sign, put it in a urinal, took a photo, and shared it. Obviously, it was a male student (urinal). And those persons should be disciplined.

1193 Scarsdale residents signed a petition calling for Dugan to resign before he did.

We write as concerned members of the Scarsdale school community to strongly condemn the recent antisemitic incidents at Scarsdale High School, including the vandalism of materials for the Israeli Culture Club's celebration of Israel's Independence Day and the hateful conduct surrounding it. These actions are not isolated acts of disrespect, but clear acts of antisemitism that threaten the safety, dignity, and sense of belonging of students across our school community. We are calling on the District to respond with decisive action by holding those responsible accountable, addressing those who publicly supported these acts, and ensuring that leadership at every level reflects the standards of integrity, safety, and trust our community deserves.

At a time when antisemitism is rising nationally and globally, incidents like these cannot be minimized as immature mistakes. History has shown that when hatred is tolerated or ignored, it escalates. If this behavior is not addressed firmly and immediately, we risk creating an environment where far more serious harm can occur. Preventing that outcome requires leadership now.

Accountability must also extend beyond students. Members of the Board of Education are entrusted with leading our schools and must be held to the highest standards of judgment and responsibility. When a Board member's immediate family is directly connected to the approval, encouragement, or defense of antisemitic behavior, it undermines public confidence in the Board's ability to lead fairly and credibly during moments of crisis.

For that reason, we call for the resignation of any Board of Education member whose household is implicated in supporting these acts. Preserving trust in our school system requires that those responsible for governance be beyond reproach in matters involving student safety, discrimination, and community wellbeing."

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Salutatorian – James Donohoe

James Donohoe earned Salutatorian honors with an impressive 4.0 GPA, demonstrating academic commitment, leadership, and active involvement throughout his Stepinac career.

Donohoe participated in several school organizations, including the Stepinac Newspaper Club, Foreign Leadership Club, and Campus Ministry. He also contributed athletically as a member of Stepinac's Varsity Soccer Team and served as part of the 5-Star Ambassador Program at the New York GAA Minor Board, highlighting his leadership and community engagement.

His achievements include receiving the Coach's Award for Soccer at Stepinac, recognition through the College Board National Recognition Program, AP Scholar with Distinction, and membership in the National Honor Society.

Donohoe has been accepted to Northeastern University, the University of Rochester, Lehigh University, and Fordham University, among other institutions. He looks forward to continuing his academic and leadership journey in college this fall.

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Jesse Jackson "I am somebody" in a racist system that said you were not



OP-ED by Clifford Jackson

Jesse Jackson a civil rights/ human rights leader who was remembered around the world when he passed away this past February . Jesse Jackson was a human rights/ civil rights hero that affirmed the humanity of black people that has been denied in this country from its inception.

He was born in Greenville, South Carolina in the bastion of American Apartheid and segregation. He was born the same year as Emmett Till and was impacted by the barbaric and savage killing of him by white supremacists in 1955.

He had to attend racially segregated schools in Greenville and was taught that he had to go to the back of the bus. Jesse Jackson was an example of how the youth are important as far as keeping civilization alive. He was a very talented athlete receiving an offer to play for a professional minor league baseball team as well as a football scholarship .

He transferred from a white university to a black college because of the racism and discrimination that he especially experienced as an athlete which jumpstarted his activism and human rights efforts in this country. He started working for Martin Luther King Jr . He marched in the Selma voting rights demonstration along with James Baldwin facing the brutality and racism of the Alabama state police.

He was at the Lorraine motel in Memphis Tennessee and was there when Martin Luther King Jr was assassinated with that iconic image of him , Ralph Abernethy. Andrew Young pointing to the area where the assassin's bullet came from, as Dr. King lies on the balcony mortally wounded.

Jesse Jackson knew that the torch had been passed down to him from Dr. King to continue the struggle for dignity and equality. "Operation Breadbasket" has helped millions of black and brown people gain entrance in this country economically and politically because it forced corporate America to hire and give better wages to people of color that had been denied them for decades.

Whether it was advocating the Humphrey-Hawkins full employment congressional bill in 1975 or the plight of black South Africans under the brutal occupation of P. W. Botha and F. W. De Klerk, Jesse Jackson was there advocating and fighting for the humanity and dignity of all people especially the marginalized.

Jackson contravened the traditional black Baptist church with his vociferous advocacy of the LGBTQ plus community throughout his life. Many of the laws that support the LGBTQ community that are being assailed today were promoted and passed because of Jesse Jackson's sense of humanity. He did this in an environment of homophobia that has been entrenched within the black church for generations .

The " Rainbow Coalition " was in the tradition of Frederick Douglas and William Lloyd Garrison as well as the human human rights struggle throughout the history of this country. The struggle for human rights has always, as Jesse Jackson clearly understood, been a multi racial, multi ethnic and inclusive of all genders in this country.

I had the opportunity to see Jesse Jackson during his 1988 presidential campaign when I lived in Co-op City in the Bronx, and he made a speech there . His speech and tonality conveyed an advocacy and care for the marginalized and downtrodden.

When Willie Mays retired in 1973 it was Jesse Jackson who came to Shea Stadium to give a powerful speech, wearing a dashiki, paying homage to the former San Francisco giant.

Jesse Jackson was accused by his detractors of " race hustling". Jesse Jackson was not a race hustler. He was a human rights giant that advocated that all of the children of Jesus of Nazareth should be treated with dignity and respect. His constant refrain, especially to the black and brown community that " I am somebody" was a direct contradiction to America's racist and criminal history that black and brown people were NOBODY that had no history .

In his concession speech at the democratic convention in 1984 & 88', he lost the democratic nominations for president to Walter Mondale and to Michael Dukakis respectively, Jackson said " that no matter how low you might feel , no matter how much you are degraded , no matter how poor and lonely you might be you are a human being with dignity and that will always have the support of Jesse Jackson".

Jesse Jackson made a difference in this country he is one of the reasons why me Clifford Jackson was able to transition from a low income housing project called the Robert F Wagner houses in east Harlem 52 years ago, to 16 years later moving to Larchmont where I have lived for the last 36 years. Rest well Jesse Jackson and thank you!!

Clifford Jackson, Larchmont

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her to death, finally putting her out of her misery, in September 2023.

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"I hope that with this sentence, Ms. Morton may finally rest in peace, and that the Dunn family may find a small measure of comfort knowing she has finally achieved the justice in the afterlife that was denied to her during her brief time on Earth."

The City of New Rochelle posted a statement, "Today's verdict is the direct result of outstanding Detective work by our General Investigations Unit, and the exceptional prosecution of the case by our partners in the District Attorney's Office," said Police Commissioner Neil K. Reynolds. "Their dedication to uncovering the truth, and holding this defendant accountable has delivered justice in one of the most horrific cases our department has ever investigated. While we are thankful for the verdict in this case, we must not forget Concetta Morton. Although we hope and we pray that this outcome brings a measure of closure to her family and friends, we understand that nothing can undo the pain caused by these crimes."

Questions for all of us to consider:

1-Are there other victims to Tilford's abuse, and we hope not, more murders?

2-Why didn't anyone in Tilford's apartment notice anything unusual in Tilford or her victims?

3-As parents, we need to become more aware of what may be the violent and sometimes deadly, hidden actions of boyfriends or girlfriends.

Tilford is now a part of a few infamous Westchester murderers, some of whom I did not remember.

The "Westchester Serial Killer" (Patrick Baxter)

One of the most notorious cases involved a string of murders between 1987 and 1990. For years, these crimes were investigated as separate incidents due to differing methods and jurisdictions.

Michelle Walker (1987): A 14-year-old from Yonkers who was found murdered after running an errand. Patricia Englund (1988): Disappeared on New Year's Day; her body was found weeks later. Lisa Gibbons (1990): A 25-year-old attacked and executed near the Tuckahoe train station. Resolution: In 2000, DNA evidence finally linked all three murders to Patrick Baxter. He was convicted in 2002 and sentenced to life in prison.

The Disappearance of Kathie Durst

Perhaps the most famous case in the county's history is the 1982 disappearance of Kathleen McCormack Durst from her home in South Salem. The Suspect: Her husband, real estate heir Robert Durst, was the primary suspect for decades.

The Outcome: Although Kathie's body was never found, Durst was finally indicted for her murder in Westchester in 2021, shortly after being convicted of a separate murder in California. He died in 2022 before the Westchester trial could proceed.

The Lucius Crawford Case

In 2012, Mount Vernon resident Lucius Crawford was arrested for the stabbing death of Tonya Byrd. The Shocking Discovery: Following his arrest, investigators linked him to two other cold-case murders from 1993: the stabbing of Nella West in Peekskill and the murder of a woman in Yonkers. History: Crawford had already spent decades in prison for non-fatal stabbings, leading many to view him as a serial predator who fell through the cracks of the legal system for years.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY CELEBRATES EARTH MONTH WITH 7TH ANNUAL ECO AWARDS



Westchester County Executive Ken Jenkins and the Department of Environmental Facilities hosted the 7th Annual Eco Awards at Tibbetts Brook Park in recognition of Earth Month, honoring residents, students, schools, municipalities, businesses and organizations for their contributions to sustainability and environmental stewardship. The annual awards ceremony highlights efforts across the County to reduce waste, promote conservation and advance environmental initiatives at the local level.

Jenkins said: "This year's Eco Award recipients reflect the kind of commitment that continues to move Westchester forward. Their work shows how local action, whether through reducing waste, protecting natural resources or educating others, can lead to meaningful results. Sustainability is built through consistent effort, and across the County, we are seeing individuals and organizations step up in ways that are making a real impact. We are proud to recognize their contributions and remain committed to supporting efforts that help build a cleaner, more sustainable Westchester for all."

Department of Environmental Facilities Commissioner Vincent Kopicki said: "The Department of Environmental Facilities is honored to host the Seventh Annual Eco Awards. The wide-ranging initiatives undertaken by schools, local governments, businesses, environmentally conscious organizations, and individuals exhibit an admirable sense of environmental responsibility that reminds us of our duty to protect our natural resources and the planet."

Department of Environmental Facilities First Deputy Commissioner Louis Vetrone said: "The Eco Awards provide a great opportunity to recognize exceptional achievements toward creating a brighter and more environmentally friendly future. Those receiving awards have demonstrated commendable devotion to the sustainability of our local community and are an inspiration to all of us to do our part to protect the environment."

Westchester County Director of Energy Conservation and Sustainability Peter McCart said: "These awards reflect the wide range of people contributing to sustainability efforts across Westchester, from students and educators to local governments and community organizations. It shows that protecting our environment is a responsibility we all share and one that continues to gain momentum. The work being recognized here is making a significant impact, and we are proud to support initiatives that help move these efforts forward."

This year's honorees were recognized for achievements in recycling, waste reduction, environmental education and sustainability initiatives. Awardees include municipalities, nonprofits, educational institutions and community leaders who have demonstrated measurable impact in advancing environmental goals.

The Town of Lewisboro: For achieving the highest municipal curbside recycling rate in Westchester County in 2025.

The Town of Somers: For achieving the highest municipal waste reduction (by percentage) in Westchester County in 2025.

The New Rochelle Youth Bureau Eco-Ambassadors: For empowering local youth to protect the Long Island Sound through hands-on environmental research, education, and stewardship.

The Children's Environmental Literacy Foundation (CELf): For advancing environmental literacy by engaging students in hands-on civic science related to waste reduction and real-world sustainability solutions.

Iona University: For reducing campus food waste through a comprehensive composting program that transforms organic material into resources for a greener campus.

The Nicholas Center: For raising awareness about plastic pollution and the importance of protecting marine environments through inclusive art that inspires environmental action.

New Rochelle Parks & Recreation Department (Vincent Parise, Commissioner): For hosting the Hands & Hooves Festival, advancing sustainability, saving landscaping costs, and reducing equipment emissions through innovative vegetation management.

YWCA 'Water Wise': For promoting water conservation and reducing single-use plastics through youth-led sustainability initiatives.

YMCA of Central and Northern Westchester (Francis Fokoue-Nkoutche, Charis Choi, Nathan Beck): For launching the PureBin project, reducing pollution in the Bronx River, and raising awareness about pollution in our waterways.

Hudson Park Children's Greenhouse: For inspiring environmental literacy and stewardship through hands-on green education for youth.

Root2RiseNY: For reducing waste and promoting sustainable dining practices through composting, recycling, and environmentally responsible sourcing.

Plastiless (Shawn Wei) (Rye Country Day School): For developing an innovative solution to microplastic pollution and advancing environmental sustainability through impactful scientific research.

Healthy Home Academy and Sustainable Westchester: For spearheading a new multi-year clean energy workforce initiative designed to support disadvantaged communities in Westchester County.

Kids Upcycling Club PWR (Plastic Waste Reduction) (Hajeong Lee and Ella Cajigao): For transforming plastic waste into community-driven solutions that reduce pollution, educate youth, and support global ocean cleanup efforts.

Frank DiMarco: For spearheading numerous sustainability, environmental, and resilience initiatives.

Noam Bramson: For championing initiatives promoting sustainability through zoning reform, clean energy programs, and targeted resilience funding.

The Village of Croton-on-Hudson: For transitioning the Village's diesel-powered heavy-duty vehicles to Renewable Diesel (RD).

Westchester County's continued commitment to green initiatives and eco-friendly practices demonstrate why the County remains a regional leader in environmental sustainability. DEF will continue seeking ways to bolster its robust recycling program through public outreach to raise awareness of available recycling and waste reduction opportunities and by strengthening its current programs to ensure resources are accessible to all residents.

Two Household Recycling Days (HRDs), one in northern Westchester at FDR State Park, and one in southern Westchester at Sprain Ridge Park are planned for April 25 and May 2, respectively. In addition to the three Compost Giveaway events in April, DEF will host three additional events throughout May at various locations, offering residents an opportunity to register to pick up free compost produced on-site at the CompostED facility in Valhalla.

For more information on these events and more, please visit Environment.WestchesterCountyNY.gov, [Facebook.com/WestchesterCountyDEF](https://www.facebook.com/WestchesterCountyDEF), or call the Recycling HelpLine (914)813-5425.

Notice of formation of Rat Attack Snacks, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 3/2/2026. 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, 516 Park Avenue Yonkers NY 10703. Purpose: Any lawful activity

Notice of formation of Hardcore In The 914 LLC Arts. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/5/2026. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Hardcore In The 914 8 Arden Drive, Hartsdale New York 10530. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of formation of Supreme Site Safety, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/28/2026. 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, 318 Mile Square Road, Yonkers, NY 10701. Purpose: Any lawful activity

Notice of formation of DoubleStripe Associates LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 2/7/2026. 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, 23 Mt. Joy Ave., Scarsdale, NY 10583. Purpose: Any lawful activity

Notice of formation of Digital Infrastructure Services LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 10/22/25. Office: Westchester County. NY DOS designated as agent for service of process; DOS shall mail copy of process to 7 Ridgeway Cir White Plains, NY 10605. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of MPMX, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/06/2025 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, 8 Lane Street Fl. 1 Yonkers, NY 10601 Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Supplemental Summons and Notice of Object of Action SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER ACTION TO FORECLOSE A MORTGAGE INDEX #: 69683/2025 U.S. BANK TRUST, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCAF ACQUISITION TRUST Plaintiff, vs MONIKA MARIE BOSTIC AS HEIR TO THE ESTATE OF RICHARD H. 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Defendant(s) MORTGAGED PREMISES: 422 Cedar Avenue Mount Vernon, NY 10553 To the Above named Defendant: You are hereby summoned to answer the Complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Supplemental Summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff(s) attorney(s) within twenty days after the service of this Supplemental Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this Supplemental Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York). In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. The Attorney for Plaintiff has an office for business in the County of Erie. Trial to be held in the County of Westchester. The basis of the venue designated above is the location of the Mortgaged Premises. TO Monika Marie Bostic, Unknown Heirs of Beatrice D. Bostic, Unknown Heirs of Richard H. Bostic Defendants In this Action. The foregoing Supplemental Summons is served upon you by publication, pursuant to an order of HON. William J. Giacomo of the Supreme Court Of The State Of New York, dated the Nineteenth day of March, 2026 and filed with the Complaint in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Westchester, in the City of White Plains. The object of this action is to foreclosure a mortgage upon the premises described below, executed by Beatrice D. Bostic (who died on August 16, 2020, a resident of the county of Westchester, State of New York) and Richard H. Bostic (who died on March 8, 2024, a resident of the county of Westchester, State of New York) dated the December 29, 2008, to secure the sum of \$349,500.00 and recorded at Instrument No. 462680183 in the Office of the Westchester County Clerk on October 12, 2006. The consolidated mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed December 18, 2008 and recorded on July 29, 2009, in the Office of the Westchester County Clerk at Instrument Number 491960106. Plaintiff is also holder of a mortgage dated December 29, 2008 executed by Beatrice D. Bostic and Richard H. Bostic to secure the sum of \$130,213.61 and recorded at Instrument Number 491960118 in the Office of the Westchester County Clerk on July 29, 2009. Said mortgage was consolidated with the mortgage referred to at Instrument No: 462680183 by a Consolidation, Extension and Modification Agreement executed by Beatrice D. Bostic and Richard H. Bostic dated December 29, 2008 and recorded July 29, 2009 at Instrument Number 491960122 in the Office of the Westchester County Clerk to form a single lien in the amount of \$479,700.00. The consolidated mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed May 12, 2014 and recorded on June 2, 2014, in the Office of the Westchester County Clerk at Instrument Number 541503522. The consolidated mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed May 27, 2014 and recorded on June 2, 2014, in the Office of the Westchester County Clerk at Instrument Number 541503523. The consolidated mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed February 10, 2015 and recorded on February 11, 2015, in the Office of the Westchester County Clerk at Instrument Number 550423312. The mortgage was subsequently modified on April 16, 2017. The consolidated mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed April 5, 2019 and recorded on April 8, 2019, in the Office of the Westchester County Clerk at Instrument Number 590983191. The consolidated mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed April 21, 2021 and recorded on April 23, 2021, in the Office of the Westchester County Clerk at Instrument Number 611133023. The consolidated mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed March 1, 2023 and recorded on April 17, 2023, in the Office of the Westchester County Clerk at Instrument Number 631073484. The consolidated mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed July 30, 2024 and recorded on August 5, 2024, in the Office of the Westchester County Clerk at Instrument Number 642183162. The property in question is described as follows: 422 Cedar Avenue, Mount Vernon, NY 10553 NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this Foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. DATED: March 25, 2026 Gross Polowy LLC Attorney(s) For Plaintiff(s) 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100 Williamsville, NY 14221 The law firm of Gross Polowy LLC and the attorneys whom it employs are debt collectors who are attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained by them will be used for that purpose. 89762

Notice of Formation of Lifestyle Rehabilitation, LLC filed with SSNY on 10/27/2025. 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, 56 Martha Place, Chappaqua, NY, 10514. Purpose: Physical Therapy.

Notice of formation of METROMEN MUSIC LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/26/2026. 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 Entity Protect Registered Agent Services LLC. 447 Broadway, 2nd Fl. - #3000, New York, NY 10013, the designated registered agent of METROMEN MUSIC LLC. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of formation of W4J9R1 Holdings, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/23/2026. 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, 2 Gedney Park Drive, White Plains, NY 10605. Purpose: Any lawful activity

Notice of formation of Senara & Co, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/29/2026. NY office location: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served is 455 Tarrytown Road, Suite 1307, White Plains, NY 10607. Purpose/character of LLC: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of Monte Builders Group, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/18/2026. 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, 23 Bronxville Ln Yonkers, NY 10708. Purpose: Any lawful activity

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 JJ VILL, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/29/2025. 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, 64 Mountaindale Road, Yonkers, NY 10710. Purpose: Any lawful activity

Notice of formation of Hardcore In The 914 LLC Arts. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/5/2026. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Hardcore In The 914 8 Arden Drive, Hartsdale New York 10530. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Play Ball!

Mayor Spano Welcomes Annunciation School Boys & Girls Teams to City Hall, BOTH Won the CYO Championships



Supervisor Colavita and Councilman Anthony Giacobbe were happy to attend opening day for the Tuckahoe Youth Association (TYA) at Labriola Park on Saturday, April 18th. Connor Brice, Tuckahoe Varsity Baseball Player, Villanova Commit and TYA Alumni threw out the first pitch. Good luck to all the teams and hope they all have a great season!



Big win for Yonkers youth sports. Congratulations to the Annunciation 5th Grade Boys and Girls CYO Basketball teams on winning the 2025–2026 New York State Championships. The boys team finished the season undefeated and both teams showed the kind of talent, teamwork and determination that continues to raise the bar across the City. Another strong moment for youth athletics in Yonkers, alongside the Yonkers Montessori girls basketball team's recent state title. Well done to all the players, coaches and families.



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