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Hendrick Hudson Volleyball Star Named Con Edison Scholar-Athlete of the Week.



Marta Przybylowska, left

Hendrick Hudson High School volleyball star Marta Przybylowska, who helped her team win last year's NYS SPHSAA Class B state championship, was named this week's Con Edison Scholar-Athlete of the Week.

Marta, a senior, is the Captain of the Hendrick Hudson HS Volleyball team, where she has been a 4-year starter. Last year helped lead the Sailors to the 2022 NY State Volleyball Championship title. This year, they are 6-0 with Marta leading the way.

Hen. Hud Athletic Director Tom Baker said Marta is dominating the league. "We substituted her out of games as she dominated. She respectfully understands and appreciates the decision to give teammates an opportunity to shine.

Marta was a 2022 New York 1st Team All State and a NYS SPHSAA Girls Volleyball Champion All League Honorable Mention.

Marta has a 98.2 GPA and is consistently within the top tier of the class. She gives back to her school and her community in many ways, including serving as a mentor to the children with disabilities in their own Phys Ed class and as a Junior and then as Senior Peer Leader assisting younger students in getting more comfortable with the High School environment.

Marta's charitable work includes fundraising for Breast Cancer and Colorectal Cancer and completing more than 60 hours of community service work as a math tutor and volunteer for the Hen Hud Boys tennis team.

This year, Marta was the recipient of the University of Rochester Award (2023): Frederick Douglass and Susan B. Anthony Award, in recognition of outstanding commitment to social justice and dedication to continuing their

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"Safe Stop" Will Fine Drivers \$250 for Not Stopping for School Buses



Verra Mobility's Crossing Guard Video Cam, Largest School Bus Safety Program in Westchester, to Launch October 12

On Sept. 20, Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano announced its collaboration with Verra Mobility to launch the "Yonkers Safe Stop" School Bus Safety Program. To create a safer environment, the "Yonkers Safe Stop" program will implement Verra Mobility's CrossingGuard™ school bus stop-arm enforcement solution to effectively capture stop-arm events and reduce the number of violations and injuries caused by people who disregard the school bus stop-arm.

Nearly 200 Yonkers school district buses throughout the City will begin issuing warnings to registered vehicle owners on October 12. In the first 30 days, warnings will be issued, and no fines will be assessed. Beginning November 13, registered vehicle owners, whose vehicles are observed passing the school bus while the stop-arm is extended and lights are flashing, will receive a Notice of Liability in the mail. There will be approximately 450 school bus stop-arm safety cameras implemented in phases through the end of the year.

Approximately 12,000 students in the Yonkers School District are transported to and from school in school buses every day. This partnership aims to prioritize the safety of the District's students ensuring every school bus stop is a safe stop.

"Ensuring the safety of our children is our top priority. The partnership with Verra Mobility and the Yonkers School District is a testament to our commitment to their well-being, reminding us that every journey to knowledge should be a safe one," said Mayor Spano.

Melba Rivera-Irizarry, Global Director of Product Management at Verra Mobility, expressed her enthusiasm for the partnership, stating, "At Verra Mobility, we are dedicated to creating safer streets for everyone. The 'Yonkers Safe Stop' Program exemplifies our commitment to protecting our most precious passengers. We are honored to work alongside the City of Yonkers on this vital

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Congressman Bowman Embarrasses Westchester: Pulls Fire Alarm in the Capitol-Gives Lamé Excuse



Congressman Jamaal Bowman caught on video pulling a fire alarm in the US Capitol Building



By Dan Murphy

Last week, Westchester Congressman Jamaal Bowman was caught on video in the US Capitol building pulling the fire alarm hours before the House voted to keep the government open for 45 days. The reaction to Bowman's actions, which most believe was done to delay the House from voting, has included calls for censure, resignation, and disbelief in his explanations.

"Remember the old political story. A politician lies. He gets caught in a lie. He tries to cover it up. The cover-up causes more reputational and legal damage than the crime itself. Why do we persist with the cover-up even though it always makes things worse than just admitting our mistake?" writes Barry Davret.

Bowman's explanation to the security video footage was unbelievable to most.

"Today, as I was rushing to make a vote, I came to a door that is usually open for votes but today would not open. I am embarrassed to admit that I activated the fire alarm, mistakenly thinking it would open the door. I regret this and sincerely apologize for any confusion this caused."

"But I want to be very clear, this was not me, in any way, trying to delay any vote. It was the exact opposite — I was trying urgently to get to a vote, which I ultimately did and joined my colleagues in a bipartisan effort to keep our government open," stated Bowman.

Ironically, at the exact time that house democrats were trying to delay the vote, Bowman "accidentally" pulled the fire alarm. Some in the media have reported that Bowman took down 2 signs that stood in the doorway that said Emergency Exit Only and Push Until Alarm Sounds.

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Man Arrested in Peru for "Sextorting" 15-Yr Old West. Girl; Sent Bomb Threats to Local Synagogues



SDNY US Attorney Damian Williams announced the indictment of EDDIE MANUEL NUNEZ SANTOS, a/k/a "Lucas," pictured above, with making hoax bomb threats to more than 150 school districts, synagogues, airports, hospitals, and a shopping mall between September 15 and September 21, 2023 and during the Rosh Hashanah holiday.

NUNEZ SANTOS is also charged with attempting to induce a 15-year-old girl from Westchester to engage in sexually explicit conduct, photograph the conduct, and transmit the photographs over the Internet to SANTOS in Peru. When the girl refused, Santos is alleged to have sent the bomb threats in retaliation against her. Santos, 32, messaged the girl through an online application, that he was also 15 years old.

The 15-year old girl is only identified in court documents as Victim 4. "On or about June 2023, when Victim-4 was 15 years old, Victim-4 began communicating online with an individual believed by law enforcement to be SANTOS, who identified himself as "Lucas" and falsely represented himself to be a teenage male.

During the course of those communications, after Victim-4 informed "Lucas" of her age, "Lucas" repeatedly asked that Victim-4 send nude photographs of herself to "Lucas." For example, and as I have confirmed based on my review of screenshots of Victim-4's communications with "Lucas," on or about August 23, 2023, "Lucas" asked Victim-4 to send "Lucas" a photograph of her "pussy."

After Victim-4 refused to send "Lucas" nude photographs of herself, "Lucas" threatened Victim-4 by stating that he would plant bombs in Victim-4's school district, which "Lucas" stated he believed to be in Westchester County, and by killing Victim-4.

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Multi-Billion Dollar Mixed Use Redevelopment Plan for Galleria White Plains; 3,200 Apts.



Rendering of new Galleria Mall plan

In what would be the largest conversion of an enclosed shopping mall into open space, mixed-use residential and retail in the New York Metropolitan Tri-State Region, Pacific Retail Capital Partners (PRCP), The Cappelli Organization, SL Green Realty Corporation, and Aareal Bank, owners of The Galleria at White Plains presented a plan to the White Plains Common Council. A key first step for the visionary redevelopment, spanning multiple city blocks in the heart of Downtown White Plains.

The project would eliminate the vacant and outmoded 43-year-old retail mall and reimagines a new future for the Downtown area, connecting the community to much-needed transit-oriented housing and creating a vibrant, economically vital, and welcoming center of life in the heart of White Plains.

The multi-billion-dollar District Galleria presentation is the culmination of more than seven years of in-depth review and strategic master planning and features seven residential towers of varied heights with up to 3,200 apartments, of which 384 would be designated as affordable, in accordance with the City of White Plains Affordable Rental Housing Regulations. The buildings would combine state-of-the-art technology and building systems with amenity based/community needs for the residential units including fitness, grocery, dining, professional and personal services. The District Galleria is being designed as a sustainable project, meeting the silver LEED standard of high-energy efficient building materials.

Nearly half of the project's footprint is designated as open space, breaking down existing barriers and creating a quarter mile-long green promenade complete with pet playgrounds, pocket parks, and lush landscaping for community gatherings, outdoor events, public entertainment, and art. The District Galleria features a garden promenade designed to link the adjacent neighborhoods at eight different access points, providing a place for the public to live, shop, walk, play, engage and be entertained.

The redevelopment of the Galleria site would align with the city's strategic plan to expand transit-oriented development. The project aims to enhance the city's skyline with buildings of varied heights to maximize views and create a light filled and landscaped place of natural beauty and elevated design.

Annemarie Plenge, Executive Vice President of Design for PRCP, is the Master Architectural Designer of the project. Plenge brings a wealth of more than 25 years of professional experience master planning large-scale mixed-use projects and is collaborating with world renowned architectural design and planning firm Gensler, along with Kimley Horn and Eric Rain Landscape Architecture to design this urban oasis.

In 2022, Pacific Retail and Aareal Bank developed a joint venture partnership to undertake the redevelopment of this iconic landmark destination with two of the most prominent players in the White Plains and NYC Metro real estate market: SL Green Realty Corporation and the Cappelli Organization. The two partners bring extensive local multi-family and office experience to the partnership.

"As an urban renewal project that began more than 50 years ago, the reimagining of this property is integral to the transformation of Downtown White Plains, which began in earnest over 20 years ago with City Center. The District Galleria will go a long way in making our local community more enjoyable, desirable, sustainable, and resilient," added Chief Executive Officer/Founder of the Cappelli Organization, Louis Cappelli

Town of Cortlandt Adds County Police Officer to Focus on Curbing Aggressive Driving



L-R: Cortlandt Supervisor Richard Becker, Deputy Supervisor James Creighton, Westchester County Executive George Latimer, Acting Westchester Police Commissioner Raynor, County Legislator Colin Smith, Cortlandt Councilman Robert Mayes

The Town of Cortlandt has contracted for an additional Westchester County police officer to enhance community policing and traffic safety initiatives in town. The addition of a specialized traffic safety officer at the Cortlandt Precinct will enhance safety and quality of life in the community through public education, targeted enforcement and collaboration with town officials and community organizations.

The primary goals of the precinct's traffic unit include:

- Deterring aggressive driving, including speeding, tail-gating and other dangerous driving behaviors;
- Reducing accidents town-wide and increasing enforcement at accident-prone locations;
- Deterring distracted driving offenses, such as texting while driving;
- Combatting impaired driving;
- Enhancing pedestrian safety, and
- Promoting voluntary compliance with traffic laws to ensure the safety of motorists and pedestrians in the Town.

"The Westchester County Police have provided exemplary police service to Cortlandt since 1999, and the scope of the Department's work has increased over time. The County is proud of this great partnership with Cortlandt and supports the expanded initiative to make the town's roadways safer for all who live, work and do business in this vibrant community," County Executive George Latimer said. Cortlandt Town Supervisor Dr. Richard Becker said, "The Town of Cortlandt is fortunate to have this excellent service provided by the Westchester County Department of Public Safety. We welcome Police Officer Al Ramos to the Town of Cortlandt. We thank Westchester County Executive Latimer, Acting Public Safety Commissioner Raynor and the Westchester County Board of Legislators for assisting us with this new addition. We continue to add resources to our community and we look forward to continuing our strong partnership with Westchester County."

The priorities of the traffic safety officer will be established with input from the town supervisor, town officials, neighborhood and business organizations, and other stakeholders in the community. The assigned traffic safety officer will work in partnership with the precinct's supervisor, patrol officers and community resource officer on traffic safety campaigns and enforcement details throughout the Town. In addition, the Department anticipates working collaboratively with the New York State Police and neighboring police departments on joint traffic safety enforcement details.

Acting Public Safety Commissioner Terrance Raynor said, "Our officers work hard every day to keep Cortlandt safe and they strive to build relationships across the entire Cortlandt community. We are grateful for the trust the community has placed in us through the expanded services being provided by our Community Resource Officer and this new traffic safety officer."

In 2022, the Cortlandt Town Board expanded the police contract to create a Community Resource officer position. The CRO interacts regularly with neighborhood and community organizations, the business community, youth groups, clergy and other stakeholders to identify and address quality-of-life issues of concern.

The new officer assigned to the Cortlandt Precinct is Police Officer Alberto Ramos, a seven-year law enforcement veteran. In addition to the patrol officers assigned to the Cortlandt Precinct, Westchester County Police officers serve as School Resource Officers in the Lakeland and Hendrick Hudson School Districts.

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Four Contested State Senate Supreme Court Judge Seats on the Ballot in Westchester November 7

By Dan Murphy

On Nov. 7, Westchester voters will be electing four State Supreme Court Justices in the 9th Judicial District of NY, which includes Westchester, Rockland, Orange, Putnam and Dutchess counties. With the recent attention placed on the judiciary and the impact it has on our everyday lives, it is important for voters to make an informed decision when they step into the ballot box.

Democrats have two incumbent State Supreme Court Judges from Westchester running for reelection this year: Judge Charley Wood and Judge Fran Connolly. Both have 18 years of judicial experience, both on the bench and as attorneys.

Judge Charley Wood has served as a NYS Supreme Court Justice for the last 14 years. Prior to that was a Yonkers City Court Judge. He has presided over Criminal Jury Trials in Westchester, Dutchess & Nassau counties, as well as Civil Trials in Westchester, Dutchess, Putnam, Rockland, Nassau & Suffolk counties.

“It has been my greatest professional achievement – serving the people of the 9th JD – and I would be honored to be able to continue to serve in this capacity,” said Judge Wood, who serves as the Chair of the Gender Fairness Committee for the 9th JD.

Judge Wood grew up in Yonkers, where his parents worked as public-school teachers. “I respect the attorneys and litigants that appear before me, and I am courteous to them, as well as jurors, court reporters, court officers, and court clerks. A judge needs to be part of the solution in a courtroom, not necessarily the center of attention. If you really want to know, ask around. Find a friend that works in the Westchester County Courthouse, or Yonkers City Court, or Dutchess Supreme Court, and ask them about me, my reputation in the courthouse, and their own personal interactions with me. That’s how you know whether to re-elect a judge.”

Justice Fran Connolly has 17 years of judicial experience. She currently serves as an Associate Justice of the Appellate Division of the New York State Supreme Court, Second Judicial Department, considered the busiest intermediate appellate court in our nation and covers ten counties: Westchester, Rockland, Orange, Dutchess, Putnam, Suffolk, Nassau, Queens, Kings (Brooklyn), and Richmond (Staten Island). The Second Department hears about half the appeals in New York State and is the court of last resort for most litigants. The Court hears appeals on a wide variety of issues, and Justice Connolly has decided over 5,000 appeals and authored numerous published opinions.

In October of 2021, after completing a rigorous screening process, Justice Connolly was one of seven candidates nominated by the Commission on Judicial Nomination to fill a vacancy on the New York State Court of Appeals, the highest court in New York State.

Justice Connolly served her community in many ways over the years. She was an elected member of the Ossining Town Council for five years, from 2000 to 2005, with three of those years serving as Deputy Town Supervisor.

The two other democratic State Supreme Court candidates are:

Judge Rolf M. Thorsen has 15 years of judicial experience. He is currently serving as an Acting Justice of the Supreme Court for the Ninth Judicial District. In November 2014, Judge Thorsen was elected as County Court Judge for the County of Rockland. Prior to his election to the County Judge, Thorsen served as a Clarkstown Town Justice.

Judge Larry Schwartz was elected as a County Court Judge in 2016 and currently serves as a Rockland County Court Judge and Acting Supreme Court Justice. He is a former Public Defender and Assistant District Attorney.

Republicans have also nominated four candidates for State Supreme Court. They are: John Sarcone, Judge Karen Ostberg, Judge Susan Sullivan, John Ciampoli.

Westchester resident John Sarcone ran for State Supreme Court last year. He has more than 20 years of legal experience, including serving as Town Attorney in Eastchester, and Regional Administrator, NE & Caribbean Region, from 2018-2021.

Judge Karen Ostberg is the Town Justice of Minisink and sits as a CAP Judge at the Orange County Jail. She has 37 years of legal experience including her past positions as City Attorney, Prosecutor, and in the Court of Appeals, has earned her the reputation of being fair and impartial. Judge Ostberg lives in Orange County

Judge Susan Sullivan is the 1st Woman Judge serving in her hometown, the Town of LaGrange, and has previous served as acting Poughkeepsie City Court Judge, Town of Union Vale Justice, Town of Patterson Justice and Associate Justice, Village of Wappingers. She has over 25 years of legal experience as a Judge and attorney.

John Ciampoli also ran for State Supreme Court last year and has 35 years of legal experience.

State Supreme Court candidates are elected to 14-year terms. Early voting begins on October 29 and Election Day is November 8.

Congressman Bowman: You’re Not in High School Anymore



By Eric Wolf Schoen

Question of the Day. Do you know the difference between a switch on the wall that is clearly marked ‘fire alarm’ or a button you push clearly marked to open a closed door or push bars used for security purposes to let you out of a building and keep strangers from coming into a building?

Well, our Congressman Jamaal Bowman clearly does not. Either that or he pulled the fire alarm switch to evacuate a federal building to delay a House of Representatives bill from being voted on. Like in High School when we would pull the alarm in the middle of a big test to share answers with our fellow students. Or pull the fire alarm at the end of the day to get out of school early.

What we all can agree on is that pulling a fire alarm when there is no fire is dangerous. It scares the people in the building. They may run out of the building and actually hurt each other. People panic. The climate in Washington in the various buildings is tense as it is. A false fire alarm makes an already difficult situation worse. Resources to come investigate what is going on must be used and are very costly. And god forbid there really was a fire in a close by building, resources would be delayed by the investigation of the fire that doesn’t exist.

And don’t you think that a Congressman who was a former High School Principal should know what it means when there is an alarm on the wall that is clearly marked , ‘Fire Alarm.’ Let’s go over the details and see what you think.

Our saga starts in the Cannon Office Building. A building that is used for offices for Congressman. The House of Representatives was having a difficult time passing a government spending bill. Democrats wanted more time than Republicans wanted to give them to review the bill. A vote was called and members of Congress had to report to vote.

Enter Congressman Jamaal Bowman. He wanted to go and vote, was running late and came upon a door to exit the Cannon office building that had specific instructions how to use it if it was closed. Apparently the door is open during most hours but at this time it was closed. Congressman Bowman saw a bright red alarm. Clearly marked with the words Fire Alarm. Right on the doors that were closed were signs that give explicit details on how to open the door if it is closed.

The instructions said, ‘ Emergency Exit only. Push until alarm sounds 3 seconds. Door will unlock in 30 seconds.’ So what do you do if you want to get out and there is no fire in sight. That’s an easy question. That was the situation. But what did Bowman do? He pulled the fire alarm setting all the procedures in motion as if there truly was a fire.

By the way, how did they know it was Bowman who pulled the alarm? There is a sophisticated camera system by the door that snapped Bowman’s picture. House security examined it and knew right away who it was.

Since there was no fire and the Democrats were trying to gain extra time to read the budget resolution, Bowman was accused of pulling the alarm to give them more time. Illegal. Unethical. Beneath the behavior of a Congressman. Or in most of the country a High School Student.

Interfering with the Legislative process. Interrupting official proceedings of the House Republicans to keep the government running. Crimes worthy of everything from censure to expulsion. Doesn’t it remind you of the activities of January 6 when mobs tried to stop the Vice President from certifying the Presidential Election. Many of the folks who participated that day are in jail. For what he did, should Congressman Jamaal Bowman be jailed? Should he be expelled from the House of Representatives. Lose his committee assignments? Lose his seniority?

As House Speaker Kevin McCarthy said, ‘The House Ethics Committee should look into this as it is serious. This should not go without punishment. This is an embarrassment. You are elected to be a Member of Congress. You pulled a fire alarm hours before a government shut down trying to dictate that the government would shut down. When you think of how other people are treated when they want to come in and change the course of what was happening in Congress. Why should Bowman be treated any differently. ‘

Representative Nicole Maliotakis drafted a resolution to expel Bowman from Congress over this incident. Even former President Trump weighed in. ‘Bowman should be prosecuted and imprisoned for dangerously pulling and setting off a mainframe alarm system.

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Latimer Appoints De Persia Dep. Director Westchester Human Rights Commission



Julia De Persia, Esq

Westchester County Executive George Latimer has taken a significant step towards strengthening the County's commitment to human rights and equality by appointing Julia De Persia, Esq. as the new Deputy Director of the Westchester County Human Rights Commission.

Latimer said: "Julia's impressive legal background, coupled with her unwavering commitment to human rights, makes her an ideal addition to our team. We look forward to her contributions as we continue to champion equality and justice in Westchester County."

De Persia brings a wealth of legal expertise and a strong dedication to advancing equity in various aspects of human rights, including employment and public accommodations. In her previous role as a Supervising Attorney with the New York City Department of Education, she played a pivotal role in shaping policies and regulations in critical areas such as gender equity, school and workplace safety and disability accommodations.

De Persia said: "I am deeply honored to join the Westchester County Human Rights Commission and work alongside dedicated professionals who are committed to the cause of combating discrimination and promoting human rights."

Prior to her role at the Department of Education, De Persia served as the Associate Title IX Officer at Harvard University, where she advised and trained a network of University Title IX Coordinators, contributing significantly to the advancement of gender equity and safety within the institution. Early in her career, she founded and directed the LGBTQ Rights Project at the Empire Justice Center in Upstate New York.

De Persia earned her Juris Doctor degree from Boston University School of Law in 2013, graduating magna cum laude, and holds a bachelor's degree in social work from New York University, where she graduated summa cum laude in 2008.

De Persia's appointment underscores Westchester County's ongoing dedication to upholding human rights, eradicating discrimination, and fostering an inclusive and equitable community for all its residents. Human Rights Commission Executive Director Tejash Sanchala said: "We are excited that Julia has joined our team to combat discrimination in Westchester County."

SAXON WOODS GARAGE SALE IS SATURDAY, OCT. 14

Browse second-hand treasures like clothing, household items, furniture, toys, sports equipment, books and more at the Saxon Woods Garage Sale, Saturday, Oct. 14, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Saxon Woods Park in White Plains (previously scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 23). Parking and admission are free. Rain date is Sunday, Oct. 15.

Vendors are individuals and families who are selling their unwanted items, such as clothing, household items, electronics, furniture, toys, books and sporting goods. There are no professional antiques or collectible dealers.

Westchester County Executive George Latimer said, "The highly anticipated annual Saxon Woods Garage Sale is a staple in Westchester County that allows residents to purge items that are no longer of use, while also allowing for those who love to second-hand shop, to do so with the beautiful Saxon Woods Park as the backdrop."

Westchester County Parks Commissioner Kathy O'Connor said, "The staff at Saxon Woods has done a tremendous job every year building excitement and a following for this event that benefits residents."

Saxon Woods Park is located at 1800 Mamaroneck Ave. in White Plains. For more information visit our website or call (914) 995-4480.

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initiative."

"About 50,000 drivers illegally pass a stopped school bus daily in New York. Yonkers Safe Stop stands as an additional safeguard in our mission to protect our children as they head to and from school. We want to send a clear message to violators that they need to stop for the school bus stop-arm," said, Dr. Luis Rodriquez, Interim Superintendent, Yonkers Public Schools.

In 2019, the New York Legislature passed legislation to permit schools to equip their buses with camera technology to catch drivers who illegally drive by school buses when they stop to pick up or drop off students. Under the law, the fine for passing a school bus ranges from \$250 for a first violation, \$275 if a second offense occurs within an 18-month period, and \$300 for every following offense, if within an 18-month period. The registered owners of vehicles captured illegally passing a stopped school bus with the stop-arm extended and lights flashing are liable for a Notice of Liability. Points will not be assessed against vehicle owners' driver's licenses, information will not be sent to vehicle owners' insurance companies, and

Notices of Liability will not be reported on driving records. Violation videos and license plate images are reviewed by a City of Yonkers Parking Violations Bureau technician for approval prior to a warning or Notice of Liability being issued. For more information on Yonkers Safe Stop, visit www.yonkersny.gov/safestop.

NYAG James & Multistate Coalition Sue Amazon for Illegally Maintaining Monopoly Power

Lawsuit Details How Amazon Wields Its Monopoly Power to Inflate Prices, Degrade Quality, and Stifle Innovation for Consumers and Businesses

New York Attorney General Letitia James, leading a bipartisan multistate coalition of 17 attorneys general, joined the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) in suing Amazon, alleging that the online retail and technology company is a monopolist that uses a set of interlocking anticompetitive and unfair strategies to illegally maintain its monopoly power. The lawsuit alleges that Amazon's actions allow it to stop rivals and sellers from lowering prices, degrade quality for shoppers, overcharge sellers, stifle innovation, and prevent rivals from fairly competing against Amazon.

The complaint alleges that Amazon violates the law not because it is big, but because it engages in a course of exclusionary conduct that prevents current competitors from growing and new competitors from emerging. By stifling competition on price, product selection, and quality, and by preventing its current or future rivals from attracting a critical mass of shoppers and sellers, Amazon ensures that no current or future rival can threaten its dominance. Amazon's far-reaching schemes impact hundreds of billions of dollars in retail sales every year, touch hundreds of thousands of products sold by businesses big and small, and affect over a hundred million shoppers.

"Amazon illegally raised prices for consumers and took advantage of online sellers in its storefront and they should be held accountable," said Attorney General James. "Amazon's monopolistic behavior is hurting consumers, online sellers, competition, and the overall economy. Today my office is leading a multistate coalition in joining the FTC to put an end to Amazon's abusive and manipulative practices to protect consumers and small businesses nationwide. Every company, big or small, must abide by the law and my office is not afraid to hold those that don't to account."

The coalition alleges that Amazon's anticompetitive conduct occurs in two markets — the online superstore market that serves shoppers and the market for online marketplace services purchased by sellers. These tactics include:

- Anti-discounting measures that punish sellers and deter other online retailers from offering prices lower than Amazon, keeping prices higher for products across the internet. For example, if Amazon discovers that a seller is offering lower-priced goods elsewhere, Amazon can bury discounting sellers so far down in Amazon's search results that they become effectively invisible.

- Conditioning sellers' ability to obtain "Prime" eligibility for their products — a virtual necessity for doing business on Amazon — on sellers using Amazon's costly fulfillment service, which has made it substantially more expensive for sellers on Amazon to also offer their products on other platforms. This unlawful coercion has limited competitors' ability to effectively compete against Amazon.

- Amazon's illegal, exclusionary conduct makes it impossible for competitors to gain a foothold. With its amassed power across both the online superstore market and online marketplace services market, Amazon extracts enormous monopoly rents from everyone within its reach. This includes:

- Degrading the customer experience by replacing relevant, organic search results with paid advertisements — and deliberately increasing junk ads that worsen search quality and frustrate both shoppers seeking products and sellers who are promised a return on their advertising purchase.

- Favoring Amazon's search results to preference Amazon's own products over ones that Amazon knows are of better quality.

- Charging costly fees on the hundreds of thousands of sellers that currently have no choice but to rely on Amazon to stay in business. These fees range from a monthly fee sellers must pay for each item sold, to advertising fees that have become virtually necessary for sellers to do business. Combined, all of these fees force many sellers to pay close to 50 percent of their total revenues to Amazon. These fees harm not only sellers but also shoppers, who pay increased prices for thousands of products sold on or off Amazon.

Joining Attorney General James and the FTC's complaint are the attorneys general of Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, New Jersey, New Hampshire, New Mexico, Nevada, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Wisconsin.

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Croton Resident Anna Evelyn Riccio Honored for Work at Maria Fareri Children's Hospital



Ana Evelyn Riccio of Croton has been honored for her work as a physician's assistant working with seriously ill children at WMCHHealth's Maria Fareri Children's Hospital. Riccio accepted her award from Westfair's Doctors of Distinction on September 21 during a ceremony at the VIP Club in New Rochelle. She was one of 25 medical professionals and services to be honored for their outstanding service to patients and the community.

Riccio works to coordinate the care of seriously ill children who are undergoing cardiac procedures at WMCHHealth's Maria Fareri Children's Hospital. As a physician's assistant for the pediatric cardiac surgery team. Riccio is the primary person responsible for the pre- and post-operative care received by all the children who undergo heart surgery.

Sameh Said, MD, who is chief of Pediatric and Adult Congenital Cardiac Surgery for Maria Fareri Children's Hospital and Westchester Medical Center said Ana is tirelessly committed to her patients and their families. "She takes care of these children as if they were her own," he said.

Riccio graduated from New York University and completed her PA training at St. John's University/Bayley Seton Hospital and worked in general surgery at Beth Israel Medical Center, following by adult cardiothoracic surgery at New York Presbyterian/Cornell Medical Center and then moved to pediatric cardiac surgery at Mount Sinai Hospital. She started at Maria Fareri Children's Hospital in 2006.

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unfinished life's work. Marta also babysits for local Polish Families to assist in their bilingual development.

"Marta has become one of our finest leaders in our rich volleyball history. Her well rounded vigorous academic performance and her strong family values have molded her into a humble, caring, highly respected leader, in our school and for the team. Marta has been able to take the team on her shoulders and commit to excellence both on and off the court. Marta shows her care for others as she participates in leading the unified basketball team. She encourages many walks of life to come and participate even if they do not know how to play. Her school spirit is contagious. Another relentless task is keeping her team on task by organizing off season training and pushing them toward a goal of being State Champions again. Marta does not accept complacency," said Hen. Hud. AD Tom Baker.

"Marta has a strong volleyball IQ. Her ability to change the speed of the ball and place it anywhere on the court proves this. Marta demonstrates the grace and power of this sport as she floats in the air to crush a spike or dives for a ball to dig it up to the setter. She celebrates the fun in every good play while demonstrating good sportsmanship and respect to the opponents, officials, and coaches. She gives our community so much "wow" factor and is exciting to watch! Her stats continue to explode but her goals are all about teamwork," said HHHS Volleyball Coach Diane Swertfager.

Correction:

In a story last month on the passing of Pearl Quarles, we received several emails reminding us that Quarles was a registered republican. We have corrected the online version of this story.

Elmsford Police Officer Charged with Stealing More Than \$15,000 While on Duty



Elmsford Police Officer Douglas Ramirez, left

Westchester County District Attorney Miriam E. Rocah announced today that an Elmsford Police Department officer was arrested and charged with stealing more than \$15,000 in cash that was turned in to the Elmsford Police Department while he was on duty.

The defendant, Douglas Ramirez, 44, of Mahopac, New York, was arraigned today in Elmsford Village Court before Judge Jay S. Beilat and charged with Grand Larceny in the Third Degree, a felony, and Official Misconduct, a misdemeanor. The defendant's next court date is Oct. 25.

At approximately 3:00 p.m. on July 27, it is alleged that the defendant, while on duty, accepted a sealed package turned in to the front desk of the Elmsford Police Department. After opening the package and discovering the contents, the defendant allegedly stole the \$15,500.

The defendant was arrested by the Westchester County District Attorney's Office on Aug. 29, and placed on administrative leave by the Elmsford Police Department.

The case is being prosecuted by Public Integrity and Law Enforcement Integrity Deputy Bureau Chief Jennifer Sculco and Assistant District Attorney Renee Hassel, both of the Trials and Investigations Division.

The charges against the defendant are merely an accusation, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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Bowman's office said it was an accident. 'He was trying to get to a door. He thought a fire alarm would open the door and he pulled the fire alarm to open the door by accident. He was just trying to get to his vote and the door that's usually open wasn't open it was closed. This was not the Congressman, in any way, trying to delay any vote.' Enough of the lies Jamaal.

But the most serious, disgusting remarks to come out of a press release from Bowman are, 'Republicans need to instead focus their energy on the Nazi members of their party before anything else.' Bowman denied that those were his words. It was on his stationary. Simply disgraceful. The Jewish community, particularly AIPAC is very unhappy with his positions on Israel. His 'Nazi' reference didn't improve his relationship with the Jewish community.

So where does this all go. The House will do their various investigations. A felony was clearly committed here. The Congressman could be censured, disciplined or expelled. I say censured and disciplined at a minimum but expelling the Congressman must seriously be looked at. He should be treated the same way as the January 6 protestors. Because what he did was just as bad even worse than what the protestors did that day.

Bowman does not belong in Congress. With actions like pulling fire alarms He is an embarrassment to the institution. The residents of his district will get screwed when it comes to funding from Washington for projects in the district. There is a rumor that County Executive George Latimer is considering, depending on Congressional lines a run for Bowman's seat. Latimer would make an excellent candidate.

Congressman Bowman. You're not in High School anymore!

Briefs: People wrote in such beautiful memories of the Roosevelt Hotel. It's sad that it is not the elegant hotel it once was.

There is talk of a marijuana dispensary on Yonkers Avenue at the old Duo Tapas Bar location. The neighbors don't deserve it. We have enough streets in Yonkers that reek of the smell of marijuana. Yonkers doesn't need one more. I don't know about you but I'm tired of the smell. Put the dispensary in a place out of the way with parking and away from schools. And the State has to do something to regulate where marijuana can be smoked.

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

Greyston Foundation's Chairman Joins Rothschild & Co.

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Andrew Yearley

Andrew Yearley, chairman of the Greyston Foundation's Board of Directors, will join Rothschild & Co's restructuring practice as managing director. Yearley, a Scarsdale resident, has served on the Board of Directors for 16 years and he has held the chairmanship for 4 years. Under Yearley's chairmanship, the Greyston Foundation has witnessed a paradigm shift, deepening its commitment to inclusive employment.

Founded in 1982, Greyston is a hybrid social enterprise that operates a B-Corp bakery and a non-profit foundation with a shared mission to eliminate employment barriers for marginalized communities. The organization has not only championed its Open Hiring® model pioneered by the Greyston Bakery but has also embarked on its replication journey, aspiring to influence other businesses to adopt this approach.

Yearley's leadership has been pivotal in bolstering the initiatives at the Greyston Employment Opportunity Center, emphasizing both workforce training and transitional employment. "I extend my enthusiastic congratulations to Andrew in his new role. As the chairman of our foundation board, he has been integral to helping the Greyston Foundation and Open Hiring® become models for human capital development," said Joseph D. Kenner, CEO and president of Greyston. "With Andrew's help, we aim to unlock \$3 billion in economic impact by 2030 while helping employers implement inclusive hiring practices."

Yearley has more than 30 years of experience advising clients on complex and high-profile restructurings, mergers & acquisitions transactions, and capital raises. Previously, Yearley was managing director of restructuring and capital solutions at Lazard, where he worked for 24 years and managed the New York restructuring group. "Appointing a leader of Andrew's prominence and caliber is a major strategic move that reflects Rothschild & Co's continued commitment to growing its restructuring business in North America," said Lee LeBrun, Partner and Head of Rothschild & Co's Global Advisory, North America.

TOWN OF EASTCHESTER LEGAL NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Supervisor and the Town Board of the Town of Eastchester, will hold a public hearing at Eastchester Town Hall, 40 Mill Road, Eastchester, New York on TUESDAY, October 17, 2023 at 8:00 o'clock p.m., to consider the adoption of a Local Law 5-2023 to Amend Local Law 3-2000, (filed with NYSDOS August 23, 2000) of the Vehicles & Traffic Code for the Town of Eastchester – a new Section 2-12 will be added to Article II (Traffic Regulations) to prohibit "Unlawful Speed Contest", within the Town of Eastchester. A copy of the proposed local law is available in the Town Clerk's office at Eastchester Town Hall, 40 Mill Road, Eastchester, New York 10709.

All interested parties are urged to attend this hearing, at which time, they will be given an opportunity to express their opinion for or against the above proposed local law.

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Notice of Formation of Hanyst RX Consulting LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 9/2/23. Office Location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 35 Florence Street, Yonkers, NY 10704. Purpose: Pharmacy Consulting

Notice of Formation of RyPlunk LLC Arts. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 7/28/2023. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 104 Seminary Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10704. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

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Notice is hereby given that a license, 1359665, 1359666 for beer, wine, & liquor has been applied for by the undersigned to sell beer, wine, & liquor at retail in a restaurant under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at the business known as Via Veroli LLC located at 2150 Central Park Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10710 for on premises consumption.

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SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS—SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER – MCLP ASSET COMPANY, INC., Plaintiff, -against- JEROMIO B. EDWARDS A/K/A JEROMIO EDWARDS, IF HE BE LIVING AND IF HE BE DEAD, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS-ATLAW, NEXT-OF-KIN, DISTRIBUTEES, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, TRUSTEES, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS AND SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST AND GENERALLY ALL PERSONS AND PARTIES HAVING OR CLAIMING, UNDER, BY OR THROUGH JEROMIO B. EDWARDS A/K/A JEROMIO EDWARDS, BY PURCHASE, INHERITANCE, LIEN OR OTHERWISE, ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN AND TO THE PREMISES DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; VINCI FREELAND; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (SOUTHERN DISTRICT), Defendants - Index No. 69420/2022 Plaintiff Designates Westchester County as the Place of Trial. The Basis of Venue is that the subject premises is situated in Westchester County. To the above named Defendants—YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the Plaintiff's attorneys within thirty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint. That this Supplemental Summons is being filed pursuant to an order of the court dated July 26, 2023. NOTICE-YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME – If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MCLP ASSET COMPANY, INC) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Honorable Charles D. Wood, J.S.C. Dated: August 18, 2023 Filed: August 18, 2023. The object of this action is to foreclose a mortgage and covering the premises known as 322 S 3RD Avenue, Mount Vernon, NY 10550. Dated and Filed: August 23, 2023 Knuckles, Komosinski & Manfro, LLP, Attorney for Plaintiff, By: Richard F. Komosinski, Esq. 565 Taxter Road, Suite 590 Elmsford, New York 10523 Tel: (914) 345-3020

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Notice of formation of Westchester Renal Hypertension and primary care, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 2/15/23. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 32 Hays str, Pleasantville, NY 10570. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of formation of a Limited Liability Company ENH Assets Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization filed with the SSNY Office on 10/28/22 Office Location: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to : ENH Assets Limited Liability Company 465 Tuckahoe Road #1189 Yonkers, NY 10710 Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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Some Westchester democrats have had enough. “Beyond the hard-core support in parts of the Black community, and the Bernie Sanders-ultra progressive democrats... Will the broad mainstream of the Democratic party remain silent about his antics? The GOP can attach Bowman’s actions and comments to every other elected democrat-and take back seats lost in past elections if Democrats say and do nothing.

“The mainstream Ds do not want a war with the ultra-left, but the ultra-left wants to do what the far right has done: take over their party. And they routinely primary mainstream Democrats, calling them “corporate” Democrats because they do not strongly back their socialist agenda. If a mainstream Democrat primary’s a Squad member? Horror! What division is being let loose!

“It is a battle for the soul of the Democratic Party. The GOP battle is over- Trump won. Does America need two parties – hard-right and hard-left – when most Americans fall somewhere in the middle,” said one Westchester democrat.

Michael Gerald, a Democrat from Tuckahoe, who has announced that he will challenge Bowman next year, said, “It is hard to believe that a former school administrator doesn’t know what a fire alarm triggers when activated. But, in a day and an age of attention seeking, public posturing and a quest to build national branding, elected officials are doing all of this for clicks, likes and fundraising. “My question is: do we agree with these antics and what actions like these communicate to society? I do not.

“This isn’t a laughing matter. Erroneously pulling a fire alarm in a public building is a crime. This issue of irresponsibility is a layered problem because it not only endangered people but it also caused the unnecessary activation of emergency personnel, equipment and other resources utilized for a false alarm. Moreover, I am certain that this set off an alarm amongst a people already reeling from the effects of January 6, 2022’s insurrection.

“As a Law Enforcement professional I will tell you that today’s actions endangered many in the Federal Building who were there to vote on a Continuing Resolution to keep the government funded and avoid a shutdown. It is time for responsible adults to lead our Nation,” said Gerald.

Republicans were calling for Bowman to be investigated, arrested, expelled, or to resign. Speaker of the House Kevin McCarthy said, “When you think about how other people were treated when they come in and wanted to change the course of what was happening in the building, (Jan. 6). This should not go without punishment, I’m gonna have a discussion with the Democratic leader about it. But this should not go without punishment. This is an embarrassment.”

Westchester’s other member of Congress, Rep. Mike Lawler said, “That any member of Congress would think it’s appropriate to pull a fire alarm to try and delay Congress from doing its business is shameful, it’s unbecoming, and he should strongly consider resigning from Congress if he did that.”

AOC, Rep. Alexandra Ocasio-Cortez, came to Bowman’s defense, attacking republicans for trying to expel Bowman while protecting Congressman George Santos. “they’re filing a motion to expel a member (Bowman) who, in a moment of panic, was trying to escape a vestibule? Give me a break!”

The final vote in the House was 335-91, so Bowman’s vote was not needed for passage. The Senate voted 88-9 vote. A \$6 Billion request for additional aid to Ukraine was pulled from the House bill and was not part of the final package.

Instead of admitting his error and what he was truly trying to accomplish, Bowman and his staff sent out a messaging guidance of talking points to democratic supporters, which included:

“It is an extreme reach on the part of MAGA Republicans to assert that Rep Bowman intended to harm or destruct anyone or thing. The exact opposite is true: he was trying, to do his job.

“Especially when you’re in a rush after Republicans drop the bill text 15 minutes before the vote and the signage on the doors is unnecessarily confusing.

“I believe Congressman Bowman when he says this was an accident. Republicans need to instead focus their energy on the Nazi members of their party before anything else.

After this release was made public, and reported on by Politico, <https://www.politico.com/live-updates/2023/10/02/congress/bowmans-damage-control-00119493> Rep. Bowman issued an apology....kind of. “I just became aware that in our messaging guidance, there was inappropriate use of the term Nazi without my consent. I condemn the use of the term Nazi out of its precise definition. It is important to specify the term Nazi to refer to members of the Nazi party & neo-Nazis,” said Bowman.

The US Capitol Police stated that “USCP officers had previously placed signs with clear language that explained the door was secured and marked as an emergency exit only.”

John Daniel Davidson from The Federalist writes, “It’s clear he pulled the fire alarm as a delaying tactic, precisely to force the evacuation of the building and disrupt official congressional business. Indeed, there’s no other reasonable way to interpret his actions. Everyone who has ever attended school knows what a fire alarm is and what happens when you pull it — including Bowman, a former school principal.

“Bowman’s claim is that he thought pulling the fire alarm would open the door. That sounds like an outlandish lie, doesn’t it? The sort of patently false thing no one in his right mind would ever believe or even try to explain... Every single person in Washington knows it’s not true. ..In other words.. suspend your judgment and common sense, and instead believe what is clearly, provably a lie. If they tell you Bowman was trying to open the door by pulling the fire alarm, you will accept it.”

Two unidentified Westchester synagogues were targeted. “For example, on or about September 17, 2023, a synagogue in Westchester County received the following email: I placed multiple bombs inside the Jewish Center. The bombs I placed in the building will blow up in a few hours. Many people will lay in a pool of blood.

“That same day, another synagogue in Westchester County received the following email: I placed bombs in the Jewish Center. The pipe bombs will blow up in a few hours. I’ll gladly smile when your families are crying because of your deaths.”

The bomb threats to the Westchester synagogues also included a phone numbers and IP address for the synagogues to contact. The FBI determined that the phone number and IP address was used by the 15-year old girl.

NUNEZ SANTOS, a Peruvian national, was arrested on September 26, 2023, by Peruvian authorities in Lima, Peru, based on the charges in the Complaint.

U.S. Attorney Damian Williams said: “As alleged, the defendant’s relentless campaign of false bomb threats caused an immediate mobilization by federal and state authorities, diverting critical law enforcement and public safety resources, and caused fear in hundreds of communities across this country. The defendant allegedly engaged in this reprehensible and socially destructive conduct in a twisted attempt to retaliate against teenage girls who refused his requests for nude and sexually explicit photographs. The charges unsealed today show that those who engage in such conduct, wreaking havoc on our communities, will not find safe haven merely because they do it from outside our borders. Working together with our law enforcement partners, we will find you, and we will prosecute you.”

FBI Assistant Director in Charge James Smith said: “Not only did Santos allegedly email hundreds of hoax bomb threats terrorizing schools, hospitals, and houses of worship, he also perversely tried to sextort innocent teenage girls. His actions wasted limited law enforcement resources, put first responders in unnecessary danger, and victimized children. The FBI will not tolerate anyone who seeks to induce fear in our communities, and we will do whatever it takes to put the perpetrators of such actions behind bars, regardless of their location.”

As alleged in the Complaint filed in Manhattan federal court:[1]

On September 15, 2023, the FBI began receiving reports of bomb threats, sent primarily via email or online contact forms, to various institutions located across New York, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Arizona, and Alaska. Through its investigation, including the examination of email, phone, and Internet Protocol (“IP”) address data, the FBI was able to determine that NUNEZ SANTOS, a 33-year-old Peruvian national residing in Lima, was responsible for sending the threats. The threats sent by NUNEZ SANTOS all contained substantially similar content and targeted schools, synagogues, airports, hospitals, and a shopping mall.

NUNEZ SANTOS, 33, of Peru, is charged with (i) transmitting threatening interstate communications, which carries a maximum sentence of five years in prison; (ii) conveying false information and hoaxes, which carries a maximum sentence of five years in prison; (iii) attempting to sexually exploit a child, which carries a mandatory minimum sentence of 15 years in prison and a maximum sentence of 30 years in prison; (iv) attempting to coerce and entice a minor, which carries a mandatory minimum sentence of 10 years in prison and a maximum sentence of life in prison; and (v) attempting to receive child pornography, which carries a mandatory minimum sentence of five years in prison and a maximum sentence of 20 years in prison.

The threats, which occurred during the Rosh Hashanah holiday, spanned multiple states, including New York, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Arizona, and Alaska, and resulted in massive disruptions to the targeted communities, including evacuations of thousands of schoolchildren, a lockdown of a hospital, and flight delays.

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77 Teens Missing in New York State



Clockwise:
Paris White
Destiny Morales
Roselin Angeles
Sakura-Webb McCullough

By Dennis Richmond Jr.

Paris White, 15, and Destiny Morales, 15, both went missing in the Bronx over the summer. This never made national headlines. Shakura Webb-McCullough, 17, went missing in Yonkers in January. This didn't make national headlines either. Shaylynn Way, 16, went missing last month in Pleasantville. There was no major media coverage for her. Angela Pringle, 17, went missing from the same place in Westchester and I didn't see anything on News12.

Why are there so many teenagers missing in New York? According to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, as of September 25th, 2023, 77 teenagers are missing in The State of New York. Those missing in Yonkers are Shakura Webb-McCullough and Roselin Angeles Suarez. Unfortunately, when many Black, and Hispanic teenagers go missing, there's never national media coverage. Yonkers Times both online and in-print is changing that narrative. Two years ago, a Google search for the name "Gabby" instantly pulled up articles about Gabby Petito. Gabby, 22, was a slain white woman. Gabby received national media coverage, but Keira, Ethan, and Aiden didn't. That's where the paper comes in.

In 2021, NPR said, "Tens of thousands of Black girls and women go missing every year. Last year, that figure was nearly 100,000. Yet their cases hardly ever grab national headlines." A journalist in California is doing what she can to try to change that, by telling as many of their stories as she can — and hopefully helping them get the justice they deserve. Our Black Girls centers on the often untold stories of Black girls and women who have gone missing or, in some cases, were found dead under mysterious circumstances." The website was created four years ago by Erika Marie Rivers.

Though teenagers of all backgrounds are missing, why are Black and Hispanic teenagers specifically targeted? Dr. Umar Johnson and the late Dick Gregory talked about organ harvesting. People are stealing organs from Black and Hispanic people. Illegal activity, such as payment for this process, takes place on the dark web. Hopefully, none of the 77 missing children might have a connection to the dark web.

Other than organ harvesting, teenagers are missing due to sex trafficking. Yonkers has done its due diligence by putting signs up across the city to raise awareness about this. A man in Detroit was arrested for this. A man in Milwaukee, 45, was arrested for this too. According to FOX6 Milwaukee, some of his charges include "interstate transportation for prostitution" and "interstate transportation of a minor for criminal sexual activity." Florida saw this phenomenon too when police broke up a sex trafficking ring. This stuff is serious. Dozens of teenagers are going missing, and there's no outcry.

Where is the national media attention? I don't know if any of the missing teenagers have been found. I haven't found any information stating that they have. I also don't know if any of the missing teens in New York are victims of organ harvesting or sex trafficking. The hope is that the families and friends of all these victims find their loved ones. That could only happen when more people start talking. Visit <https://www.missingkids.org/home>, to learn more about the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

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