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#### How Did We Get Here? 21-Year Old Yorktown Man Runs Over Man, Trying to do the Right Thing





Facebook photo of Kyle Frankild, left, and his victim, Ed Moffett, right

By Dan Murphy

Most of our readers are interested in stories that come from their local police departments, and to be kept aware of incidents of crime in their communities. We believe that an informed Westchester reader is best equipped to see something and then say something.

The Yorktown Police Department does a good job in informing the community. Sometimes, they add a bit of levity into their releases by calling the person accused of a crime a 'POS'. The YPD defines that acronym as POS (persons or suspects), but most of us know POS in another way.

Well, there is another POS in Yorktown. His name is Kyle Frankild, 21, from Yorktown. He is not a minor-he is an adult and needs to be held accountable for his actions, even if he is still living with his parents.

On Aug. 27 at 245 in the afternoon, Frankild and a group of others were illegally driving their ATV's on Hunterbrook Field.

Yorktown resident Ed Moffett asked this group to stop riding and ruining the field. According to Ed Moffett's son Andrew "They surrounded him, they started doing circles around him with all the four wheelers, and then as they had him trapped, one of them came along and ran him straight over,"

Ed Moffett was taken to the hospital, but we are happy to report that he was able to make it to his daughter's wedding.

The ATV crew split, including Frankild, who lives near Hutnerbrook. Yorktown Police were able to identify Frankild and executed an arrest warrant for him. Both Moffett and Frankild ended up at Westchester Medical Center in Valhalla.

Frankild was charged with Assault in the First Degree, a Class "B" Felony. The last post by the YPD from Aug 29 said that Frankild remains in custody, but we are not sure if he remains in jail for the Labor Day Weekend.

There were others driving other ATV's that day at Hunterbrook field. Police are asking anyone with additional video or information to email them at info@ yorktownpd.org.

"We have reason to believe that several juveniles were present on the aforementioned ATV's and dirt bikes. If you are the parent of an ATV or dirt bike operator and your child was riding yesterday in the Hunterbrook Road / Hunterbook Aqueduct area yesterday, or on any public property in the Yorktown area, please

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ServeandRemember.org for September 11:

Help Pack 50,000 Meals in New Rochelle



The City of New Rochelle, in partnership with Volunteer New York! and Monroe College is proud to announce its selection as one of only 11 exclusive Feed the Funnel sites nationwide. This special initiative, part of the federally recognized September 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance, will unfold on Friday, September 8th, aiming to pack and distribute 50,000 meals within the New Rochelle community.

"Volunteers contribute immeasurably to the health and vitality of New Rochelle, making an especially positive difference in the lives of neighbors facing challenges. This year, once again, we have an opportunity to demonstrate our commit-

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#### Largest Illegal Vape Bust Made in Westchester



County Program Aimed at Cracking Down on Illegal and Underage Sales **Continues** 

As part of County Executive George Latimer's initiative aimed at cracking down on illegal vape sales, the Westchester County Department of Health has been conducting more frequent and enhanced compliance checks. These checks over the last two months have resulted in more than 70 inspections of licensed facilities in the County.

In one ne of the largest illegal vape sales the County Health Department has come across in the history of the Adolescent Tobacco Use Prevention Act (ATU-PA) program which occurred last week. This "bust" was done in combination with Greenburgh Drug and Alcohol Taskforce. The Taskforce is made up of Police Agencies from Ardsley, Greenburgh, Dobbs Ferry, Hastings, Irvington, Tarrytown, Sleepy Hollow and North Castle. The County confiscated all of the product and have it secured and the operator was issued a ticket and has a hearing on the issue

## Why Doesn't Biden Send Money to Deep Blue NY for Migrants?



We too Are America, (WTAA) founder Vale Lily

By Dan Murphy

Since the spring of 2022, more than 100,000 migrants have been bused from Texas to the Port Authority in New York City, with less than 400 migrants currently in Westchester at three locations. While Governor Kathy Hochul included \$1.5 Billion in her budget this year to help New York City pay for the incoming migrants, it

is clearly not enough. Federal assistance is needed but has not yet been forthcoming. NYC Mayor Eric Adams has been asking for State and Federal assistance as 60,000 migrants are being kept at motels-hotels and shelters across the city. Adams estimates the costs will be \$12 Billion over three years. That figure seems high when you consider that the City of Yonkers budget for 200,000 residents is just over \$1 Billion per year.

We asked elected officials, after 18 months, why has Washington DC been so slow to allocate funds to states like New York.

1-The Biden administration wants to wait until after the 2024 elections. According to a confidant of Mayor Adams, last month The White House told Adams, "Hang on for a year. If Biden gets re-elected, he will cut you a check for a lot of money. But we're not doing it until after the presidential election (2024)."

2-A similar answer that we got from a Westchester Democrat, is that "They (Biden Admin) don't want to acknowledge the problem, or own it, by sending billions to NYC. They are worried about how that will look. They are scared of this issue. This high-level Westchester democrat, and other democrats we spoke to, don't agree with this plan. "The idea that we can ride this out until after the 2024 elections is nonsense. It's all over the media and if democrats control New York City and New York State then we will take the blame. And the few congressional seats that are in republican hands will use this issue against us."

3-A Republican Controlled GOP House will not approve any funding for migrants in New York City. A republican elected official told us "The republicans in Congress will not support any additional funding for migrants and the Biden administration knows it."

Another democrat said, "We are spending billions on Ukraine, why can't we help NYC properly care for the migrants?"

4-"If you start handing out money to NYC, and they have 100,000 migrants, how much do you give to Texas, who has millions of migrants? And Texas is a Red-republican state who is using their own resources to try and stop the flow of migrants. There is no cooperation between Texas and the Biden administration," said a Congressional staffer.

After more than one year of waiting, the patience of both NYC Mayor Adams and Governor Kathy Hochul, is wearing thin. The Governor recently visited The White House to ask for funding, and for help in allowing migrants to work here, but left saying it was not enough.

"I am especially pleased that the federal government has agreed to provide

#### First Case of West Nile Virus

#### Found in Westchester



County Health Department Reminds Residents to Take Precautions Against Mosquitoes

Westchester County has learned of its first positive human case of West Nile Virus this year, which was confirmed in a New Rochelle resident.

Health Commissioner Sherlita Amler, MD, said: "This first case of West Nile Virus should remind us all to take precautions against mosquito bites by removing standing water from our property, and using repellents when we spend time outdoors, especially from dusk to dawn when mosquitoes are most active."

West Nile Virus infection most often causes a mild or moderate flu-like illness, but can be more serious particularly for people age 60 and older, and those with other health complications.

The Westchester County Department of Health evaluated standing water around the resident's home and nearby catch basins, and treated those with larvicide as need-

Residents should inspect their property and remove any standing water to prevent mosquitoes from breeding. Residents who notice large areas of standing water on public property should report them to the Westchester County Department of Health

Throughout the season, the Westchester County Health Department traps and tests mosquitoes to track the presence of mosquito-borne viruses. For more ideas on how to reduce the mosquito population near your home, go to https://health.westchestergov. com/west-nile-virus.

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ment to one another and to honor 9/11 through service," said New Rochelle Mayor Noam Bramson.

The Feed the Funnel Initiative will be held at the Monroe Athletic Complex at 19 Lecount Place. From 11:00 AM to 2:30 PM, local volunteers, Monroe College students, faculty, and staff; and community members will join hands to fight hunger, packing 50,000 meals for Monroe's on-campus student food pantry and various local partners that are part of Feeding Westchester's hunger relief network in New Rochelle. Volunteers aged 18 and over, or 16-17 with an adult and a signed Youth Waiver, are invited to participate in meal preparation, weighing, sealing, and packaging.

"This year marks Monroe's 40th anniversary as a proud, warmly welcomed member of the New Rochelle community," said Marc Jerome, President of Monroe College. "In celebration, we are delighted to continue our strong tradition of community service by opening our doors and rolling up our sleeves to be a part of this incred-

ible event to help our local neighbors in need."

In alignment with Volunteer New York!'s 13th annual 9/11: Serve + Remember event, this exclusive Feed the Funnel program highlights the resilience and unity that emerged in the wake of September 11. The region-wide day of service will continue from Friday, September 8th, through Monday, September 11th. In addition to the meal-packing event on Friday, volunteers will have the opportunity on Saturday, September 9th, and Monday, September 11th, to address various local needs, from food insecurity to park beautification, to creating satchels for Hope Community Services

Now, 22 years since that tragic day, a whole generation has grown up in the shadow of 9/11. Those of us who remember that day are fortified by the strength that all Americans showed in its aftermath. This strength includes the thousands of local volunteers who have contributed to 9/11: Serve + Remember over the last 13 years. We encourage local students and families, especially those born after 2001, to participate this 9/11 Day to foster a deeper connection to service and understanding of 9/11's significance.

The more time that passes, the more important it is that we pause to remember the spirit of unity and service that emerged following the tragic attacks of September 11. It's a day of tribute to those we lost, and an opportunity to reignite our belief in community and in the power of people to do good," said Volunteer New York! Executive Director, Jeanette Gisbert. "This year we have ensured that people of all ages and abilities will find meaningful ways to serve. What act of kindness will you do this 9/11 Day?"

To learn more about the Feed the Funnel event in New Rochelle, or to explore other local 9/11 Day volunteer opportunities starting September 8th, visit serveandremember.org. Advanced registration is required. For inquiries, please call 914-948-



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#### Enrollment Increases at Westchester Colleges;

More Students at Manhattanville & SUNY Purchase



a student moves into Manhattanville College this semester

Manhattanville College has announced a significant increase in enrollment for the fall semester of this year, as they welcome more than 700 new undergraduate and graduate students this fall.

With a focus on new and innovative programs, and reimagining the liberal arts for next generation learners, Manhattanville is welcoming a growing diverse and talented cohort of new students. The college is adding fully online programs to expand its offerings to a broader group of students. The launch of a new online program in Family Nurse Practitioner in the School of Nursing and Health Sciences is one example that has contributed to the enrollment increase. Other popular forward-looking programs at Manhattanville include a new 4+1 accelerated program in Biochemistry and Biomedical Sciences, the new Radiologic Technology program, Computer Science, Psychology, Nursing, Business, Education, and Fine and Performing Arts. The School of Education has also experienced increased new student enrollment, with Applied Behavior Analysis among the standout programs.

The college anticipates close to a 5% increase in new first-year student enrollment and a similar boost in total new undergraduate students, including transfers in Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (ABSN).

"We are very pleased to see these positive enrollment trends here at Manhattanville," said Frank Sanchez, Ph.D., president of Manhattanville. "These numbers affirm our new direction for academic programs as we meet the regional needs of the next generation workforce. Forward thinking curriculum has been part of our cultural fabric since the founding of the college, and we are very proud to carry this legacy forward for a new and even more diverse student population."

The college has seen a substantial increase in first-year male students (26%), first-year international students (36%), commuter students (28%), and those identifying as First Generation (35%), which exemplifies a strong commitment to diversity and inclusivity. Added to this are double-digit increases among graduate students identifying as Asian, White, Black or African American, Hispanic, and students identifying as two or more races with a remarkable 31% increase in new undergraduate students identifying as Hispanic, and 77% increase in new undergraduate students identifying as Asian.

Manhattanville has also experienced explosive growth in its graduate program enrollment with a remarkable 45% - 50% increase in total new graduate students, demonstrating the strong and growing demand for advanced education at Manhattanville.

"I am incredibly proud of our entire Admissions team," said Troy L. Cogburn, vice president for Enrollment and Marketing. "The enrollment increases reflect a significant uptick in first-year applications, with an 18% rise since last year and a notable 33% increase since 2021. Additionally, first-year admits have surged by 19% since last year and 36% since 2021. Our team has been very hard at work telling the Manhattanville story in an authentic and engaging way that has clearly resonated with today's prospective students."

The incoming class maintains an impressive average GPA of 3.31 for a second consecutive year, furthering the college's commitment to attracting high-achieving students. For the third consecutive year, Manhattanville College will see a decline in its acceptance rate, ranging between 83% - 85%, down from 90% for several years. This reduction reflects a dedication to academic rigor and selectivity.

suny purchase-Purchase College, State University of New York (SUNY), welcomed new and returning students to campus last week. Defying national and regional trends in higher education, the college welcomed a healthy incoming class of 1,110, which includes 100 more new students than last year. New first year and grad students are up 11% while transfer students are up 12.7 percent. This shows a significant increase over the previous three years which were heavily impacted by the pandemic.

This year, the college also received a record-breaking number of applications from more than 11,000 students from New York State, the Tri-State area, along with several other states and countries around the world.

Programs that have seen a significant growth include the college's acclaimed Dance, Graphic Design, Theatre Design & Technology, and Music Production majors. Other programs that have shown growth include Biology and Mathematics/ Computer Science, while Psychology and Cinema and Television Studies remain

Patricia Bice, Vice President of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management said, "As a proud Purchase alumna and as a long-term college administrator, I am very pleased that for generations Purchase has served an important and unique role as a public liberal arts college which offers nationally recognized and affordable programs in the arts, liberal arts, and sciences. Our proximately to New York City, career outcomes, and highly engaged faculty continue to attract students who are looking for a creative, accepting, and vibrant community. I look forward to getting to know this year's incoming class who represent a wide range of talents, skills, and backgrounds."



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#### Yorktown Town Board Fires Competitive Carting

#### Democrats Say Too Little Too Late, Questions & Lawsuits Remain

By Dan Murphy

The Yorktown Town Board, at their meeting on Sept. 6, terminated their agreement with Competitive Carting and agreed to a one year contract with CRP Sanitation.

While the residents are happy that the failed agreement with Competitive Carting has finally ended, other questions are now being raised about why the board went with CRP and do they have the capability to collect trash and recycling for 10,000 residences.

AAA Carting was not selected by the Town Board. Owners for AAA have been commenting on the Yorktown Trash Talk facebook page explaining the negotiations and why they believe they were not selected. AAA was the trash collector for Yorktown prior to Competitive.

The Town of Yorktown and Supervisor Tom Diana released a statement before the meeting and the vote, which reads "CRP, the Cortlandt Manor-based company was already on the job this past weekend collecting refuse left uncollected by the sudden financial collapse of Yorktown's previous hauler. As of Tuesday, garbage collection was underway in the parts of Yorktown.

"I am working closely with CRP Carting and our Refuse and Recycling Department to ensure that we restore the routine our residents expect," said Supervisor Tom Diana. "CRP Carting is a local company with 35 years of experience and a fleet of over 60 trucks. They already serve thousands of Westchester residences, so I'm sure that we will receive the garbage-removal service that our residents expect."

"Last week, that previous hauler, Competitive Carting Corporation, had most of its garbage trucks repossessed, leaving garbage uncollected in some sections of the Town. At the time of its demise, Competitive Carting owed fines for sporadic garbage collection and Town officials were considering new carting companies," end of statement.

One clarification to Diana's statement: This was not a "sudden financial collapse," but an eight month nightmare for residents, with ownership constantly short of cash to pay vendors and eventually employees.

Yorktown democrats who are challenging the all republican town board this november issued a statement which reads "Election Day is on Tuesday, November 7th. Yorktown is fed up with an unaccountable, irresponsible Town Board that makes obvious mistakes and works behind closed doors. Residents want open government, new ideas, and solutions – not excuses. Support is growing for a government that puts Yorktown first: A New Day for Yorktown stands ready with solutions.

Jann Mirchandani, candidate for Town Supervisor said, "Once again, Tom Diana and the Town Board are playing fast and loose with Yorktown's finances – and they've told residents nothing. If Competitive was fired on Friday, then why were they still doing pickup? How much have these emergency haulers cost the Town? Tom Diana and the Town Board managed the Town into a 9% tax hike just to keep the lights on: Now they're nine months late to fixing their own mistake, and all of us are going to have to pay."

Town Board candidate Tom Marron said: "Look, Yorktown hired Competitive before, back in 2012 – before it went bankrupt under a different name. They had the same problems! Missed pickups, sketchy finances... and they treated their workers like dirt. Tom Diana and the Town Board knew this: Councilman Ed Lachterman even said he had more confidence in Competitive because they went bankrupt. They hired Competitive anyway and kept them afloat for nine months. Now they're closing contracts and spending money where we can't watch?"

Town Board candidate Steve Shaw said: "Tom Diana and the Town Board are just irresponsible. They waited nine months to do the right thing for the people of Yorktown, but they have continued to show a lack of leadership. For nine months, we've had no answers: Competitive's sketchy finances, how the Town's projects are progressing, what's happening to our tax dollars. Where are we now? Tom Diana and the Town Board have either put us all in jeopardy, or they're lying to make themselves look good."

The decison to select CRP over AAA Carting comes with many unanswered questions. First, CRP was given Town of Yorktown trucks to collect garbage after Labor Day. Do they have their own trucks to collect garbage?

AAA Carting CFO Pat Cartalemi has been posting updates on the Yorktown Trash Talk Facebook page. Cartelemi claims that the reasons AAA was not selected was due to a lawsuit they filed against the town decision to select Competetive Carting last year.

For the current one-year contract, AAA Carting bid \$4,230,000 and CRP bid 4,296,000.

AAA Carting CFO Pat Cartalemi posted on Yorktown Trash, "Before we sat down with them they gave us the framework of what an emergency contract would look like and one of their main points was to dismiss our lawsuit. Our position was we could and would dismiss the lawsuit but we wanted something more long term so we could make the investment in the Town.

And the Town asked for \$16k back in legal fees. When we offered to pay half of it Sergio Esposito said he really did not care about the \$16k because it was not his money. He also stated numerous time you have nothing to worry about I am going to be here for a long time. So lets fast forward to yesterday and today. CRP was sent an emergency contract. Can someone tell me when that emergency contract was voted on? Was there an open meeting to vote on it?

So today CRP is out there without a signed contract. They are out there going back and forth with your Town on a contract that was not voted on. They are also out using Town trucks for collection. Next they are going to be changing the schedule

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## School's Open



By Eric Wolf Schoen

And so, another summer has come and gone. The bathing suits are packed up for next year. By Monday, all of the schools in our region will have opened their doors for the 2023-2024 school year. We wish our students the best.

From the minute the child leaves the house in the morning until they return in the afternoon, there are many things our students and parents must be aware of to make the school experience a positive one. Having been an administrator with the Yonkers district I noticed the slightest little change will make school safer for your child and the whole school community. Let's focus on 4 areas of importance to the process: Transportation, Emergency Procedures, Health and Contact with School personnel.

On Day 1 when the child walks out of the house, he/she must know the school they are going to, bus number and teacher. Students should be introduced to the bus driver and bus monitor if there is one on the bus. Due to lack of schools on the West Side, increasing population and school choice, until we build more West Side schools we will have to bus students around town. This ties up traffic and is extremely costly to the district. Students waiting for a bus must be outside of their house, coat on, with their book bag ready so they can hop on and off the bus. There is no excuse for the student to be on the wrong side of the street and unprepared for the bus ride, though we have all seen it many times

The district gives parents precise times for pickup and drop off. Any deviation to those times or keeping the bus waiting in the rain will complicate the whole route and throw off travel citywide.

At the end of the day students must be ready to board the bus. In case the child is being picked up by someone other than the designated individual school personnel must have this on file. It's a good idea for this substitute to introduce him or herself to office staff before the first pickup. The worst thing in the world is when there is no one to pick up the child and he or she has to go to a central office waiting area where kids wait for their parents. Children get upset when they are in an unfamiliar place, and parents quite often don't know the alternate location delaying the pickup. Don't tell the school personnel to put the child back on the bus or in a cab to the house as this is unfair to the child and staff does not have cash for such trip.

Many types of emergencies can occur during the school day. Emergency contact information must be up to date with the nursing and office staff defining who the district should call in an emergency. Allergy medication, need for epi pens or other medication should be known by the school nurse and such items stored in the nurses office.

Students should know all exits from the school building including emergency exits. In case an emergency occurs where students must go to a staging area, the students must know where this area is.

Things parents must do before opening of school include putting the child's name on all of his or her possessions; identification badge for the student with name, address and a phone number, a card identifying any allergies the student may have (or bracelet). A simple school walkthrough never hurts.

If you are having a particular issue with a teacher or school personnel, you have to work the chain of command to address it. Don't just jump to the Superintendent of Schools. The chain starts with a conference with the teacher or staff member, next is his or her supervisor, the Central Office Administrator over the department, the Deputy or Assistant Superintendent and finally if you get no response the Superintendent of Schools. Remember all of these people are busy so you should present your case as swiftly and clearly as possible bringing backup documentation.

There are things that seem small to you but are important to families and staff. Any Limitations in what the child can do in the gym should be brought to the coaches attention. If the school has a particular cell phone policy the student, his parents and school staff must know it so no one gets in trouble. Cell phones disappear quickly, so only buy a cell phone for your child with the most basic features he or she will need. Students don't need \$1000 phones and with most phones under \$100 a student can accomplish their basic needs. Make it clear that texting and video games are unacceptable when class is in session.

The Public Library is a wonderful place for educational resources for your child. Library cards allow your child to read books and do research from the comfort of your home. Give your child a couple of dollars for emergency needs that may arise.

When I was young and school was in session my parents would never think of taking me out of school on vacation. Nowadays anything goes. Try to save your vacation for when school is not in session so your child doesn't have to take precious time making up work they missed.

Take my word for it. Follow these rules and you and your child will have a wonderful school year!

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#### Congressman Bowman Welcomes Students

Dear Students,

Welcome back! I hope this letter finds you and your loved ones in good health and good spirits, and that your summer was enjoyable with time to rest and rejuvenate. As you return to school this fall I know you are filled with many powerful emotions: excitement, anxiety, joy, and frustration are all normal and understandable. Balancing these emotions and channeling them in the right direction will be critical to your well being, happiness, and success this school year.

As the school year begins I want to remind you to always seek out trusted adults and peers who will provide the support you need to deal with all the decisions you have to make. Life can sometimes feel lonely and even helpless, but I promise you

there is always someone available to support you.

I want to personally offer my office and myself as a resource for you. I am an educator and a Congressman, and I worked in public schools with kids for over twenty years. I worked in an elementary, middle, and high school, and serving children is what I have dedicated my life to. I also remember clearly what it was like to be a student and the power and importance of friendships. My friends were everything to me and I wouldn't have survived school without them. Making friends was sometimes hard, and my friends and I ain't always get along. I went through times of deep sadness and depression, and what helped me was talking to a favorite teacher or counselor or participating in sports, theater, and the arts.

Unfortunately, there will be times when people will say and do mean things. I beg you not to internalize those things. Their meanness is about them. Not you. Instead, seek out and embrace the joy and positivity that is abundant around you.

School and the world can feel like an overwhelming space that moves too fast. Trust me, I know. Always remember to move at your own pace, find your voice, space, and be yourself. That makes it easier to find and follow your passions however "weird" or different they may be, and to find the courage to express yourself in the healthiest of ways.

When times got tough for me I would explore new books, write in a journal, and seek out my favorite teacher or counselor. When you do this, it helps to keep you and everyone safe while making the school experience as enjoyable as possible.

School is hard, from homework to relationships, but it can be enjoyable for everyone. I ask you to trust this advice and all the positive resources that are out there for you. No matter the challenges, there is always a powerful solution that can help move you and all of us forward. You are not alone. No matter how dark things can feel and be, there is always a light somewhere. Let us work together and help each other continue to move toward the light and beauty the world has to offer. We are and will remain here for you and each other.

Have an amazing first day of school and school year!

Peace and love! Congressman JB

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personnel, data, and resources to identify the thousands of individuals in New York who are already eligible, but have not yet applied, for work authorization. This is a critical first step but make no mistake: it is not enough to fully address this crisis or provide the level of support that New Yorkers need and deserve. That is why in the days ahead I will continue working to secure expedited work authorization for even more individuals, expanded financial support for New York, and long-overdue immigration reforms," said Hochul.

According to Hochul, the White House said they will "surge resources," meaning that in the next couple of weeks, DHS staffers will arrive in Manhattan and "make themselves available to allow us to start processing thousands of people so

they can apply to asylum legally."

In a statement, The White House called on Congress to increase funding to programs to support communities receiving migrants and to pass immigration reform. "The Administration requested \$600 million additional for the Shelter and Services Program in the Supplemental, and we continue to call on Congress to fulfil that request," the White House said.

Mayor Adams wants all counties in New York State to share the burden of the migrant crisis. Hochul disagrees. "We cannot and will not force other parts of our state to shelter migrants, nor are we going to be asking these migrants to move to other parts of the state against their will."

Adams responded, "I think on this issue, the governor is wrong. She's the governor of the state of New York. New York City is in that state. Every county in that state should be a part of this.'

Adams has also proposed splitting the cost between NYC, the State and Federal governments, for housing and feeding the migrants, and other related costs. With no Federal Aid coming in the short term, New York's two US Senators and members of Congress from New York are being asked -can you help?

Hudson Valley Republican Congressman Marc Molinaro said, "I have not seen a less coordinated, less competent way of dealing with human lives," Mr. Molinaro said. "I know the reporting today has become a little bit about how the president is pointing at the governor, the governor at the mayor. The story line is Democrat leaders are pointing at each other."

The cost of the 375 migrants currently in three Westchester hotels-motels in Yonkers, Ardsley and White Plains is being paid for by New York City, who has contracted with Westhab in Yonkers, and DocGo for the Ardsley and White Plains locations, to provide shelter and food.

Like so many issues in our country, Westchester residents are split on whether to help the migrants. Some have volunteered support, while others want to help the homeless in Westchester, some of whom are veterans. More on this story next week.





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### City of Mount Vernon Celebrates Three Women Sanitation Workers on Garbage Truck



Khadijah Patterson, one of three woman working for the Mt. Vernon DPW on one of their garbage trucks

In a groundbreaking moment that marks a significant step towards gender equality and diversity in the workforce, the City of Mount Vernon Department of Public Works proudly announces that there will be three women laborer sanitation workers operating a garbage truck for the first time in Mount Vernon's history.

In 2022, all three women were hired as seasonal workers during the "Love Our City Campaign" funded through the American Rescue Plan. The City of Mt. Vernon hired 25 seasonal workers who cleaned up more than 50 abandoned properties last summer. This year, they have worked on countless abandoned properties and blighted areas of the city that have been neglected for many years.

Congratulations to Kanya Antwe, Khadijah Patterson and Chakka Christopher, and thanks for your hard work!

#### Mt. Vernon Mayor Calls on State to Review Building Department

The Patterson-Howard Administration has officially called in the Department of State Division of Building Standards and Codes to review the internal operations and processes of the Mount Vernon Buildings Department. This review will help the Department of Buildings with meeting the standards and codes of New York State and address backlogs in permits and other code enforcement operations.

Mayor Patterson-Howard said "I've had concerns and received complaints regarding the operations of the Buildings Department, and I look forward to the Department of States' recommendations to improve the antiquated codes and processes that will further increase efficiency of the department's operations that will bring relief to residents and businesses alike. A special thanks to the Department of State for their assistance in this matter."

### Congresman Lawler Signs Letter Opposing Housing Migrants at State-

Representative Mike Lawler (NY-17) joined his colleagues Representatives Nick LaLota (NY-01), Andrew Garbarino (NY-02), Anthony D'Esposito (NY-04), Elise Stefanik (NY-21), Claudia Tenney (NY-22), and Nick Langworthy (NY-23) on a letter to New York Governor Kathy Hochul and New York City Mayor Eric Adams pushing back on the reports the Mayor has requested to use locations across New York State to house unvetted and unlawful migrants. The letter was led by Congressman Nick LaLota (NY-01).

"We are a nation of immigrants and I strongly believe in enabling the pursuit of the American Dream for those who come here legally. What I do not believe in are Mayor Adams and Governor Hochul's efforts to force the costs of New York City's 'sanctuary city' status onto surrounding counties and municipalities. New York City must end its 'sanctuary city status' and New York State should not be using state facilities to house individuals, many of whom are denied asylum once their cases are finally heard," said Congressman Lawler, a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee. "Governor Hochul and Mayor Adams should be joining us in demanding the Biden administration take immediate action to secure our border and stop this continued influx of migrants. We need to have a process that works and ensures that those who want to come to America, can do so legally."





#### NYAG James Announces Convictions for Burglary Crew Linked to 200 Robberies

Some in Westchester for Cars, Merch, Cash





two men arrested for burglaries were found on social media bragging

New York Attorney General Letitia James announced the convictions of six members of a crew responsible for over 200 burglaries of car dealerships, cellular phone stores, and ATM businesses located in the Lower Hudson Valley, New York City, and on Long Island. The crew of Willie Baines, Josepher Cartagena, Brandon Collazo-Rivera, Justin Herrera, Douglas Noble, and Alexander Santiago, all of Bronx County, allegedly stole cars, cellular phones, merchandise, and cash valued at more than \$3 million, including at least 54 vehicles. The convictions were the result of a 13-month joint investigation by the Office of the Attorney General's (OAG) Organized Crime Task Force (OCTF), the New York City Police Department's (NYPD) Auto Crime Unit, and 29 local and county police departments.

"The six individuals convicted and sentenced went on a crime spree that impacted businesses and residents throughout downstate New York," said Attorney General James. "These burglars left a trail of broken glass, smashed businesses, and dangerous high-speed chases in their wake. I thank my partners in local law enforcement for their coordination and support as we took down this dangerous crew. Our communities are safer now that these six individuals have been brought to justice.'

"This is one of those cases that highlights the extraordinary cooperation across multiple police departments and agencies in the New York Metropolitan area," said NYPD Police Commissioner Edward A. Caban. "The NYPD Auto Crime Unit is proud to have worked with the New York State Attorney General and all the other departments involved in bringing this brazen burglary crew to justice."

During the 13-month investigation, the theft crew was connected to over 200 commercial burglaries in 11 downstate counties, including Westchester County. The six individuals, Willie Baines, Josepher Cartagena, Brandon Collazo-Rivera, Justin Herrera, Douglas Noble, and Alexander Santiago stole cars, cellular phones, merchandise, and cash valued at more than \$3 million, including at least

The investigation revealed that members of the theft crew would travel to neighborhoods that contained several car dealerships and cell phone stores, often burglarizing several stores in one night. In the automobile dealership burglaries, members of the crew would smash the large windows at the front of the building, locate boxes in the dealership that contained key fobs, and then drive vehicles they were able to start right through the broken windows. In the cell phone and ATM store burglaries, members of the crew would smash the glass front doors, enter the stores' showrooms and offices, and steal as much merchandise and cash as they could carry out.

The theft crew would often wait for the police to respond to a burglary alarm, and then engage in high-speed chases from the crime scene which posed additional risks for law enforcement and the surrounding community. This behavior led law enforcement to dub the investigation "Operation Redline" in reference to the redline on speedometers and the extreme speeds the burglars would achieve as they fled crime scenes. Investigators from OCTF and NYPD were able to identify the six individuals charged in the case through the review of video surveillance recordings, data from cellular telephones, license plate reader data, and information provided by numerous county and local police departments.

A search of the residences of two of the individuals led to the recovery of thousands of dollars in stolen cell phones and key fobs from car dealerships. Additionally, several of the defendants posted photographs on various social media outlets posing with some of the stolen vehicles, and displaying large quantities of cash. Many of the social media posts occurred just minutes after the crimes, allowing investigators to connect the stolen property seen in the posts to specific burglaries and defendants.

The investigation involved the cooperation of numerous local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies, and Attorney General James acknowledges the work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Safe Streets Task Force, New Haven, Connecticut and Westchester County, New York Field Offices, and the Eastern District of New York and District of Connecticut U.S. Marshal Service. Attorney General James also thanks her partners in local law enforcement for their close coordination, including the Westchester County Police Department, Yonkers Police Department, Mount Pleasant Police Department, New Rochelle Police Department, White Plains Police Department, Greenburgh Police Department, Tarrytown Police Department, Mamaroneck Police Department.

Additionally, Attorney General James thanks police departments from New Jersey for their coordination in this investigation, including the Hackensack Police Department, Passaic Police Department, Denville Police Department, and Eatontown Police Department.

The six defendants were charged with various counts of Grand Larceny in the Second Degree (Class C felony), Grand Larceny in the Third Degree (Class D felony), and Burglary in the Third Degree (Class D felony).



#### **Bicycle Sundays Returns September 10**



Head back out to the Bronx River Parkway with us for more Bicycle Sundays, as the event returns, Sunday, Sept. 10 and will run through Oct. 1 for the season!

The last Sundays of the season in which Bicycle Sundays will take place are Sept. 10, 17 and 24 and Oct. 1. Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Westchester County Executive George Latimer said, "September Bicycle Sundays are a special time as it feels like an extended summer. I'm delighted to welcome cyclists, joggers and families back to the Bronx River Parkway for the fall installment of the 2023 series."

Westchester County Parks Commissioner Kathy O'Connor said, "Just because summer's over doesn't mean it's time to put away our bikes or running shoes. I encourage folks to get out and ride or jog the Bronx River Parkway to keep moving well into the fall.'

Chairperson of the Westchester Parks Foundation (WPF), Seth Mandelbaum said, "Bicycle Sundays embodies the WPF mission to invest, advocate, and enhance all 50 Westchester County Parks. We thank NewYork-Presbyterian and Con Edison for their continued support of this iconic program and look forward to seeing everyone along the Bronx River Parkway this Fall."

During Bicycle Sundays, a portion of the Bronx River Parkway is closed to cars from for the exclusive use of bicyclists, joggers, walkers, scooters and strollers. The course runs from the Westchester County Center in White Plains, south to Scarsdale Road in Yonkers, a round-trip of 13.1 miles. There are many points of entry and exit along the way.

Bicycle Sundays is presented by Westchester County Parks and sponsored by Westchester Parks Foundation and its partners, through generous donations from co-presenting sponsors NewYork-Presbyterian Westchester and Con Edison, with Jen's Cycles in Yonkers as the official Bicycle Sponsor.

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Notice of formation of My Mind Is Magic, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 3/14/2023. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 20 South Broadway Suite 420, Yonkers, NY 10701. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of LIVE LONG LIVE STRONG FITNESS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/07/22. Office location: Westchester. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 33 Sherwood Ave, apt. 3w, Yonkers, NY 10704. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Formation of LIMESMASHER LLC filed with the Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/2/2023. Office loc.: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address SSNY shall mail process to Michael Limekiller, 938 Saw Mill River Rd., Yonkers, NY 10710. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of formation of True to Life Counseling Psychotherapy Services, LCSW PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 5/26/2023 Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC at 50 Riverdale Avenue Suite 15J, Yonkers, Ny 10701. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, Plaintiff AGAINST MAXINE LANSKY-TEJADA, ALEJANDRO TEJADA, ET AL., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered June 16, 2023, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Lobby of Westchester County Courthouse, 111 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, White Plains, NY on September 11, 2023 at 10:30AM, premises known as 94 Jervis Road, Yonkers, NY 10705. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the City of Yonkers, in the County of Westchester, State of New York, Section 1, Block 73, Lot 30. Approximate amount of judgment \$234,256.25 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #59161/2021. The aforementioned auction will be conducted in accordance with the WESTCHESTER County COVID-19 mitigation protocols and as such all persons must comply with social distancing, wearing masks and screening practices in effect at the time of this foreclosure sale. Syma Funt, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC 1775 Wehrle Drive Williamsville, NY 14221 20-001206 77099

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Public Announcement for School Meals

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The Charter School of Educational Excellence today announced an amendment to its policy for serving meals for children served under the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program for the 2023-2024 school year, which would allow for all children at all schools/sites to be served meals at no charge.

For additional information please contact the following person: Charter School of Educational Excellence Attention: Adelaida Ortiz Kitchen Manager **Business Office** 260 Warburton Avenue Yonkers, New York 10701 aoritz@cseeschool.org

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3rd Floor Finance Conference Room. The building is open from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM for receiving packages via courier services and in person. If delivering bids in person, individuals must see

the Public Safety Officer in the library atrium, who will contact Purchasing to meet the individual at the 3rd floor elevator. Those interested in listening to the bid opening and the reading of bids can dial Conference Call number 1-701-802-5221 and enter Access Code 1354203

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

RFB-7022A - Opening date: 09/22/2023: Twenty-four month contract, with option to renew for 12-months, to provide Ferrara Fire Apparatus parts and repair services as needed (FB).

RFB-7036 - Opening date: 09/22/2023: Twelve-month contract to provide 2. on-call mobile concrete mix services at various City Park locations (NG).

IFB-7037 - Opening date: 10/13/2023: Schultze Park and Playground 3. renovations (St. Elanoras Lane) (FB).

RFB-7038 - Opening date 09/29/2023: Twelve-month contract, with option to renew for 12-months, to provide unarmed security services at the Yonkers Riverfront Library (One Larkin Center) and the Grinton I. Will Library (1500 Central Park Avenue) (DC).

RFB-7007 - Opening date: 09/22/2023: Twelve-month contract to provide exterminating/pest control services at 45 City facilities (FB).

RFB-7014 – Opening date: 09/29/2023: Twelve-month contract, with option to renew for 12-months, for the on-call pick-up, removal, and lawful disposal of universal and hazardous waste (KAS).

IFB-7035 – Opening date: 10/13/2023: General construction contract for the replacement of windows at Martin Luther King Jr. School located at 135 Locust Hill Avenue (MM).

RFB-7033A - Opening date: 09/22/2023: Twelve-month contract, with option to renew for 12-months, to perform Fecal Coliform Analysis of wastewater samples using the New York State Method for Fecal Coliform Analysis, Standard Method (SM) 9222D - a membrane filtration method, as needed (AC).

RFB-7028A – Opening date: 09/22/2023: Furnish and install two Zetron model 25 encoders, or Yonkers approved equal, with related accessories. (AC). RFB-7041 - Opening date: 09/22/2023: Purchase of one 50'x60'x24' high Dancefloor scaffold, or Yonkers approved equal, for Barak Obama auditorium (KAS)

11. RFB-7042 - Opening date: 09/22/2023: Purchase of three, Saltdogg model #60NJ05, or Yonkers approved equal, electric hopper spreaders (VB). IFB-7043 - Opening date: 10/13/2023: General construction contract for the replacement of windows at School 29 located at 47 Crydon Road (MM).

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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Hochul's Choice: Sign LLC Transparency Act, or Ignore NY's Key Role in Global Money Laundering

#### From Reinvent Albany

Governor Hochul faces a stark choice. She can sign Assemblymember Gallagher and Senator Hoylman-Sigal's LLC Transparency Act, or keep New Yorkers in the dark about what Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen calls "corrupt actors" laundering billions in dirty money through New York real estate LLCs.

The LLC Transparency Act requires the actual human owners of LLCs to disclose themselves to New York State, and requires the state to publish a public database of LLC owners. The bill is supported by an unusual coalition of transparency and anti-corruption groups, housing activists, and labor unions (see below), but faces growing resistance from shell company enthusiasts.

At the Summit for Democracy on December 9, 2021, US Secretary of the Treasury Janet Yellen highlighted New York's global importance to international money laundering:

There's a good argument that, right now, the best place to hide and launder illgotten gains is actually the United States. And that's because of the way we allow people to establish shell companies ... Many corrupt actors can hide their money in Miami or Central Park skyscrapers the same way they do in shell companies. An LLC or trust can be listed as the owner. A lawyer can sign the paperwork. Indeed, sometimes the only thing these luxury properties are home to are ill-gotten gains – they're money laundromats on the 81st floor.

Yellen is hardly the first to blow the whistle on New York's massive LLC real estate money-laundering machine. Nearly a decade ago, New York Magazine and the New York Times published numerous stories dissecting exactly how oligarchs and narco-traffickers launder their money using LLC shell companies, especially in Manhattan. In 2011, the UN/World Bank "Puppet Masters" report highlighted the role of LLCs and real estate in places like New York City.

New York City real estate is one of the biggest political donors in New York State, and Governor Hochul will not relish a fight with some of her largest contributors. Indeed, that's the acid test here: Is New York State's democracy strong enough to curb the influence of global "bad actors" laundering their money through the NY real estate industry, or will the bad guys keep getting their way?

Why Governor Hochul Should Sign the LLC Transparency Act

Protects renters from abusive landlords: Tenants' rights groups overwhelmingly support the LLC Transparency Act because it publicly discloses the true owners of apartment buildings, and makes it harder for bad landlords to hide behind layers of LLC shell companies. NY State has the largest share of renters of any state.

Anti-corruption: According to the U.S. Treasury, disclosing beneficial owners "will strengthen the integrity of the U.S. financial system by making it harder for illicit actors to use shell companies to launder money or hide assets."

New York City real estate's role as a "stash pad" for global hot money has been well documented in reporting (see articles below).

The authoritative UN/World Bank StAR "Puppet Masters" report says corporate vehicles like LLCs are the one thing major corruption scandals have in common.

Visit https://reinventalbany.org/for more information.

#### Yorktown Trash, continued from pg 3-

this week because they do not have the trucks to be able to handle this contract. Remember how they did not vet the last contractor seems like that might be a

reoccurring theme from this Town Board," wrote Cartalemi. The lawsuit filed by AAA against the town, claiming that Competitive Carting was not a responsible bidder has been strenghtened by their recent termination. Another lawsuit could arise from the board's latest decision, based on the lack of

public meeting, or the fact that AAA was denied their rights to re-bid while main-The one way that the town could have resolved all of this would have been to

admit their mistake, and re-hire AAA to a five year contract effective immediately

It is alleged that Supervisor Diana wants the Trash Talk Facebook page taken down. But most of the comments on Trash Talk come from Yorktown residents, and most of them believe that Supervisor Diana and the Town Board have delivered innefective public service by deciding, again and again, to give Competitive Carting too many chances. As was as the decision last year, under former Supervisor Matt Slater, to award the contract to Competitive.

The demand for the \$16,000 in legal fees stemming from the AAA lawsuit is another strange move, with the \$2.8 Million garbage contract much more impor-

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Vape Bust, continued from pg 1-

Latimer said: "In our pursuit of protecting public health – particularly in the case of minors, our initiative against illegal vape sales is showing real results. Through intensified compliance checks and strong partnerships like the recent operation with Greenburgh Drug and Alcohol Taskforce, we're combatting this issue. Our actions, supported by dedicated teams, are showing results. While most comply, we're taking a stand against illegal sales, confiscating banned products and upholding our commitment to a healthier Westchester County. We salute the County professionals who enforce these laws every day."

Since the County began the enhanced enforcement, utilizing Department of Public Safety Park Rangers under the age of 21 and a larger group of trained staff (sanitarians), the County has seen greater results with enforcement of NYS Tobacco

Although the majority of checks have resulted in facilities being in compliance, there have been multiple illegal sales of tobacco products to minors across the county. In addition, the County Health Department has also seized hundreds of flavored vape tobacco products which are illegal to sell in New York State.

Facilities that are found to be in violation of New York State Public Health Law Article 13-F are issued an appearance ticket by the Department of Health where significant fines may be assessed in addition to potentially losing their license to sell tobacco products.

#### Yorktown ATV, continued from pg 1-

consider speaking with them and sharing any pertinent information with us," said

This case is still an ongoing investigation being conducted by the Yorktown Police Department Detective Division.

The YPD thanked, "members of the public who have shared video. We encourage the public to continue to assist us with our investigation. It is our goal to speak with every subject present at the Hunterbrook ballfield yesterday. Our team is working diligently to follow up on all tips that have been shared. If you have information or video of ATV and dirt bike operators in the area, please consider sharing those

Because Frankild is charged with a Felony, the case will be transferred to a Westchester County Court Judge. We will contact Westchester County District Attorney Mimi Rocah's office for comment.

Class B Felonies can be punishable with a prison sentence, but the charges could also be reduced. Also important is whether Frankild has a prior record. If he does have a criminal record, he will be going to jail for a period of time. This incident makes us question the parents of ALL of the drivers on that day.

The obvious response, when performing an illegal act is to getaway-not confront the Good Samaritan who is trying to protect a Town ballfield from vandalism. Frankild and the others doubled down -instead of speeding away, the challenged Moffett, causing serious injury.

The Yorktown community is outraged by this incident. Longtime Yorktown resident Andi Kermashek-Mazzei has been updating Yorktown residents on Facebook. "I wanted to share as much information as possible with our community to keep everyone informed of this brutal attack by a gang of young men. This has always been a beautiful town to raise a family and we want it to remain that way. This horrible event cannot be tolerated!"

A Facebook page, Westchester Cars & Coffee, hosted by a friend of Moffit, posted, "this attempted murder cannot go unpunished." We agree. This page also said, "there were about 11 kids involved."

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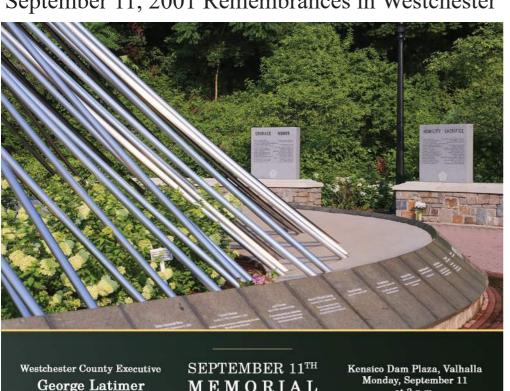


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Eastchester: The Town of Eastchester's Annual September 11th Memorial Service will be held on Monday, September 11th, 2023 beginning at 8:35am in front of the Eastchester Town Hall located at 40 Mill Road. In the event of rain, the ceremony will be moved inside and capacity will be limited.

*Mamaroneck:* The Town of Mamaroneck, along with the Village of Mamaroneck and the Village of Larchmont, is planning to hold the annual September 11th Memorial Ceremony on Monday, September 11, 2023 at 5:00 PM. The ceremony will be held at "Girl Scout Rock" in Memorial Park on Myrtle Boulevard between Chatsworth Avenue and Baldwin Avenue.

Greenburgh: The annual Greenburgh 9-11 ceremony will be held at AF Veteran Park memorial (near the multipurpose center) on Monday, September 11 at 9:30 AM promptly. We would appreciate if those who wish to pay tribute to the victims of 9-11 would arrive closer to 9:15 since the ceremony will begin exactly at 9:30 AM. The 9-11 memorial at AF Veteran park (Heatherdell Road, Ardsley) commemorates local residents who lost their lives on 9-11

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