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## 'Back the Blue' Rally Held in Eastchester



Yonkers Councilman Mike Breen, with Fox TV Host Jeanine Pirro

By Dan Murphy

Supporters of law enforcement across the tri-state area came to Eastchester last weekend for a "Back the Blue" rally to support their police officers and police departments. Other "Back the Blue" rallies have occurred recently in Tarrytown and Mahopac.

The event was organized by a committee of local residents and community members in Town. -- Tonight.. We backed the Blue. We showed our support for law enforcement across our state! A special thank you to the committee for pulling this event together in two weeks and absolutely rocking it! A big shout out to our speakers ... Keith Olson, (Yonkers PBA) Pat Lynch from NYC Police Benevolent Association, Judge Jeanine Pirro, Rob Astorino, Tunnel to Towers Foundation and Eastchester Town

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## BLM Banner Burned, Stolen:

*T-Shirt Warns Newcomers  
"Leave it just as you found it"*



A BLM banner in Chappaqua was vandalized then burned

By Dan Murphy

Two recent incidents in Westchester have sparked the debate over the Black Lives Matter movement into uncharted territory. A BLM banner in Chappaqua was vandalized and burned, while a t-shirt in Dobbs Ferry warning newcomers to leave the village just as you found it, has some residents claiming that it was racist in tone.

In Chappaqua members of the Quaker Church put up a BLM banner which was created by one of their members this summer. On three occasions the banner was vandalized; two times the word Black was painted over the banner, and on the third occasion the banner was set on fire.

The Quakers have been in Chappaqua since 1750, where they built the meeting house that still stands today and where the banner was raised outside. The Quakers in America has always been strong abolitionists, and now, 270 years later, the group still supports peach, and social justice for all.

New Castle Town Supervisor Ivy Poole stated, "We are investigating this as a hate crime. We have reached out to the New York State Hate Crimes Task Force

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## The Caddyshack Connection to the US Open at Winged Foot



Larchmont native Michael O'Keefe, with Chevy Chase, in Caddyshack

By Dan Murphy

As the U.S. Open Golf Championship returns to Westchester, and Winged Foot Golf Club this week, (without spectators), we celebrate the event with a great story from a former caddie at the legendary Mamaroneck links that has hosted the U.S. Open 4 times, with former winners including Bobby Jones.

Most of you do not know the name of Michael O'Keefe, even though he has had a good acting career. O'Keefe's most famous role was as Danny Noonan, in Caddyshack, to most golfers the greatest Golf comedy movie ever, (Tiger Woods agrees). In a photo from the movie above, O'Keefe is pictured with Chevy Chase.

But what most of us did not know what that O'Keefe, in real life was also a caddy at Winged Foot Golf Club. And as the U.S. Open returns to Winged Foot, O'Keefe made a request offering his caddying services to anyone who would accept it who was playing in the open.

Writing a story for Golf.com, O'Keefe writes, "When I auditioned for the role of Danny Noonan in Caddyshack, the producers asked me two questions: Can you play golf? Can you caddie?"

"I lied that I could play golf. I had to learn quickly...As for my caddying experience, I could be truthful. I had caddied at Winged Foot in 1971 and 1972, having grown up only 15 minutes away, in the village of Larchmont. Now, almost a half-century later, I'm ready to take my caddying to the next level. I'm 65 and not getting any younger.

"I caddied at Winged Foot when Claude Harmon was the pro... In case my prospective boss is curious, here is my take on the course. The first four holes will test everyone's confidence and putting skill. Get off the 4th green at even par and you've got a chance.

O'Keefe's brother Bill is a member and former President at Winged Foot and his father got him the job as a caddy in 1979. "If I'm not mistaken, we were paid \$12 for each bag we carried 18 holes, so you always wanted a two-bag loop, which was given only to the adult caddies. Let me tell you,

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## Student Refuses to Pay Covid-19 Testing Fee in Mount Vernon



AppleMed Urgent Care in Mount Vernon

By Camryn Sanchez

Twenty year old college student Lauren Ashby refused to pay a fifty dollar Covid-19 testing fee in Mount Vernon this month.

In August, Ashby traveled from Syracuse to Yonkers to attend her senior year at Sarah Lawrence College, and she intended to be tested by AppleMed Urgent Care at 504 Gramatan Avenue in Mount Vernon. At the reception desk, Ashby was asked whether she had previously been tested with her health insurance, which she had. The receptionist at AppleMed then told Ashby that her insurance would only cover the cost of testing, but not the cost of an AppleMed appointment for fifty dollars.

All New York state testing facilities offer free Covid-19 tests, however private companies such as AppleMed can charge any price for testing, and they do.

An employee at AppleMed stated that the price of a Covid-19 test is \$185, which is a price set by their testing laboratory. "Some insurance says they don't cover [Covid-19 tests], because they cover only for the first time, but for the second time they don't cover."

Contrary to that statement, Ashby was able to get a free Covid-19 test the same day -with the same insurance- at a different private urgent care facility in Mount Vernon called American Family Care (AFC). Her negative test results from AFC arrived within two days, the same window of time AppleMed offers to their Covid-19 testing clients.

AFC confirmed that they do not charge patients for Covid-19 tests, whether or not they have health insurance or have been previously tested.

College students like Ashby have returned to their university towns for the fall semester, and in many cases come into contact with people in other towns, counties, and even states. At Sarah Lawrence College for

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## Local High School Athletes: "Let Us Play"



Former Westchester county executive and state senate candidate Rob Astorino joined more than 100 high school student athletes, parents, and coaches outside the Westchester County Center on Sunday, September 13 at a "Let Them Play" rally calling on New York State to apply equal treatment to Fall high school sports.

Under current New York rules, some sports, such as soccer and field hockey, are permitted under Covid-19 regulations while football, competitive cheer, and volleyball are prohibited. Meanwhile, colleges and youth leagues in the state are allowed to play all sports, demonstrating jarring inconsistencies in State rules.

All sports are allowed in neighboring states with higher Covid rates, including New Jersey and Pennsylvania, the group noted, and Michigan, Colorado, and Delaware reversed their decisions and will now allow all fall sports.

"All these students and parents are asking for is common sense and fairness," Mr. Astorino said. "If some sports are allowed, all sports should be allowed. These kids have sacrificed so much to bring the curve down to where it is today; they need to get back out and play for their physical, mental, and emotional health. New York's rules are completely arbitrary right now. The science says 'Let Them Play.'"

Call your state legislators and call the governor today and tell them to "Let them play" and allow high school football, volleyball and cheer-leading to continue. Let's all stand up for these student athletes.

Send us your letters, opinions, photos and announcements to [dmurphy@risingmediagroup.com](mailto:dmurphy@risingmediagroup.com)

## Maritime Aquarium at Norwalk Offers Distance Learning Programs for Westchester Schools



*Devon Forest, an educator for The Maritime Aquarium at Norwalk, compares a smaller harbor seal skull to a gray seal skull in an online program.*

Westchester County schools that have had to eliminate field trips from the new school year can still welcome seals, sea turtles, sharks and other marine animals into their classrooms through live online programs offered by The Maritime Aquarium at Norwalk. Long a regional resource to educators for fulfilling STEM-based teaching standards, The Maritime Aquarium has shifted from primarily presenting in-person classes to now offering 25 online distance-learning lessons. They're available to any school anywhere.

"Actual field trips are sometimes considered a luxury but, in the time of distance learning, virtual field trips are more important than ever," said Tom Naiman, the Aquarium's director of Education. "They inspire students, give teachers time to prepare their own future lessons and engage parents of younger students in their children's education."

Teachers can select from a menu of age-appropriate programs, including: an interactive story time for preschoolers (which also can be offered as a series); observing the adaptations and lifestyles of various sharks for Grades K-2; exploring the causes and solutions of water pollution for Grades 3-5; and investigating coastal resilience for middle- and high-schoolers. Dives into the worlds of seals, sea turtles and jellyfish are available for all ages. Plus, classes can join in during the feeding of a different Aquarium animal each week.

Most programs are for up to 30 students, vary in length from 30 to 50 minutes, and cost \$95. The programs are streamed live to allow for questions and answers, and for adaptations to a specific focus. Live captioning and other accommodations are available for students who have special needs.

Over the course of a normal year, The Maritime Aquarium would connect with some 70,000 students from the tri-state area, through school field trips to the Norwalk attraction and through Aquarium educators traveling to schools. In March, The Maritime Aquarium pivoted to offer online programs when the COVID pandemic forced schools into virtual classrooms. Offerings quickly expanded to be available for families & individuals as well, and these continued through the summer. Naiman said some 8,000 students participated in school presentations in the spring. In total, since late March, more than 20,000 individuals from 43 states and six foreign countries have participated in the Aquarium's virtual programs. Browse the list of virtual programs at [www.maritimeaquarium.org/distance-learning](http://www.maritimeaquarium.org/distance-learning).

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## Mount Sinai Doctors Opens New Comprehensive Location in Scarsdale



**Mount Sinai Doctors-Scarsdale staff, L-R- Mary Hassoun – Echo Technician, Kiana Jones – Practice Manager, Barbara Schirripa, RN, John Schirripa, MD, Izamar Manzuetta, Lead Medical Assistant**

Mount Sinai Doctors has opened a new location in Scarsdale, New York, that includes a team of highly skilled physicians and nurses, and services that include primary care, cardiology, gastroenterology, orthopedics, gynecology, and many others. The new, state-of-the-art facility is 15,000 square feet and located at 341 Central Park Avenue, Scarsdale, NY.

With the recent closing of Mount Sinai Doctor offices located at 750 Kimball Avenue, Yonkers, NY; 2422 Central Park Avenue, Yonkers, NY; and 280 North Central Avenue, Hartsdale, NY; the new Mount Sinai Doctors-Scarsdale location offers patients onsite cardiology tests, imaging services such as X-rays, laboratory services, and physical therapy. Additionally, Mount Sinai Doctors-Scarsdale is offering same-day appointments, extended hours, easy scheduling, ample parking, and welcoming waiting areas.

“Residents of Westchester communities will now have access to the same high quality multi-specialty ambulatory services for which Mount Sinai is nationally and internationally recognized as an academic medical system and leading medical school,” said Arthur A. Klein, MD, President of the Mount Sinai Health Network. “With this new Scarsdale practice, we are meeting a real need in this community while also providing families in Westchester with an extended health care network that they can trust and believe in.”

Services offered at Mount Sinai Doctors-Scarsdale include:

- Preventive care and general medical exams, vaccinations, immunizations, and yearly physicals
- Cardiovascular tests such as nuclear imaging, cardiac stress tests, and echocardiograms
- Women’s health, including routine gynecologic exams and cervical cancer screenings.
- Dedicated onsite laboratory and radiology services such as X-ray, ultrasound, and fluoroscopy, and Pediatric Sports Medicine and physical therapy services

Dr. Klein explained that “Our new, expansive location, centrally located in Westchester, offers us the space needed so that we can appropriately social distance. We are very confident that this will be a very safe place for patients and our staff.”

“This new space also allows Doctors from Manhattan to come up and provide services here. We have a total of 26-doctors in this office, and 6 from Mt Sinai Hospital, including some of our better known Doctors.

“In the age of Covid, our patients want it local, and we are able to bring our doctors to them in Westchester. This is the first of many sites we have planned in Westchester, including future locations in West Yonkers and Pelham,” said Dr. Klein. Visit [Mountsinaindoctors.org/westchester](http://Mountsinaindoctors.org/westchester) for more information.

### Letter to the Editor:

#### **Absentee Voting: Guaranteed On-time Delivery!**

Thank you, Governor Cuomo! Now voters can submit absentee ballots without depending on post office delivery while protecting themselves from possible Covid-19 exposure.

By Executive Order, there will be drop boxes at every polling place statewide. You can turn in your absentee ballot at any early voting site in your county during open hours or you can turn your ballot in at your assigned polling place on election day, November 3 (for locations, hours and complete coverage of absentee voting in NY go to, [voteearlyny.org](http://voteearlyny.org))

Voting will be quick. There will be separate lines for people turning in absentee ballots. Your ballot will be delivered to the county Board of Elections after polling places close on November 3. Before counting your absentee ballot, the Board of Elections will check to see that the electronic poll books have not recorded an in-person vote by you. There is no danger of anyone voting twice.

You may deliver your ballot yourself or give it to a trusted person for delivery to a polling place. Be sure to sign your ballot envelope and seal it in the outside envelope before delivering it yourself or through a friend.

Catherine Ray, Ossining

## Happy ZOOM Year!



By Eric Schoen

On the first night of Passover we ask why is this night different than all other nights? As we prepare to celebrate Rosh Hashanah in 2020 in a Covid 19 world, we substitute night and say: Why is this Rosh Hashanah different from all other Rosh Hashanahs?

On most Rosh Hashanah’s we would go to the store and buy brisket of beef, chickens, fresh vegetables, potato pudding, a round Challah bread with raisins and plenty of dessert to feed our family, relatives and friends. On this Rosh Hashanah we buy much smaller amounts of food as travel restrictions imposed by COVID-19 prevent large gatherings.

Guests Quarantining from most parts of the country turn the holiday into a month long affair. Those of us with elderly relatives worry that spending time with them could expose us or them to the virus and it’s numerous consequences. FaceTime and phone calls take the place of actual in person visits.

Most Rosh Hashanah’s would find us dressed in our very best preparing to spend time in the synagogue praying. Some women wear traditional white. I would take my place at the synagogue door, greeting members and guests with a handshake or a kiss. I enjoy this tradition as do other congregants. But we will not be gathering en mass in the sanctuary this year.

Prayer books must be picked up in advance, in a socially distanced way. Kindle versions of the prayer books are available for those whose schedules do not allow them to visit the synagogue prior to the holidays to pick up books. To make this a sweet New Year, together with picking up our prayer books we pick up a bag containing holiday instructions and things we will need for a joyous celebration. The bags are even filled with a special treat for the family to share and enjoy.

Rules only allow 50 people to gather at one time, so we rely on this magic invention, ZOOM to bring the services into our homes. ZOOM is like the opening and closing segments of the Brady Bunch or Hollywood Squares on steroids. This allows the whole congregation and guests to ‘participate’ in services. Very impersonal, but there is no other way so many people can take part. Folks that are not computer geeks are learning very quickly how to use their computers or those lent to them by children and grandchildren to participate.

If we receive an honor or aliyah, a portion of the service where we are called on to recite a prayer or blessing, the Rabbi or Cantor unmutes our Zoom feed so we can recite it for all to hear. We won’t be standing before the ark that holds the Torah scrolls to participate in this ritual or standing before the microphone on the bima or raised platform where all activity normally takes place.

We won’t hear in person the beautiful music sung by the Cantor and Choir, so rich and part of the ‘tradition’ every year. Their glorious sounds will come through the speakers on our computers or iPads.

Schmooze Rooms allow us to communicate with those in the specific category we fit in. Categories include Religious School families, Empty Nesters, the Men and Women of the congregation, families of our littlest children and New and Prospective members. We might not be gathered together but these rooms allow us to communicate with those we know so well as well as those we simply say good morning to dropping the children off for Religious School.

New traditions are added this year. Yes, 50 congregants will gather to watch the sun rise and have a prayer service, socially distanced outside on Rosh Hashanah morning at a location in the community. This reminds me of a beautiful service I attended on the first sunrise in the year 2000 at one of the highest points in Puerto Rico filled with dance and music with the Governor at the time and her husband, a New Yorker joining in. The shofar or rams horn will be blown outdoors, with groups of 50 people invited at a time to welcome the New Year.

Some things won’t change. We will eat apples dipped in honey with our families, and round Challah Bread will be served at our dining room tables. Chopped liver will adorn our appetizer plates, matzah ball soup filling the bowls of those gathering at our homes. All the traditional prayers will be recited, candles will be lit making the holiday table however small in number of participants that much more beautiful.

What is our obligation to do this year as we have often done in years past? Make sure that those who cannot participate, the elderly and infirm can

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# Nursery School Re-opens



The Nursery School at St. James the Less safely re-opened on September 11, 2020. Children and teachers were very excited to be back in our classrooms and outdoor facilities this past Friday, September 11. Our nursery school has safely re-opened following social distance rules and CDC protocols. Each child and staff member are happily at work and play in masks and other PPE so that in-person learning can continue this school year. We plan to utilize our outdoor classroom and playground areas extensively.

Enrollment is still open to children ages 2-4. Please contact Cheryl Smith, Director of The Nursery School at St. James the Less (914.723.1018) for information on how to register or head over to our website, [www.stjamesnursery.org](http://www.stjamesnursery.org).

## New York State Center for Assisted Living Statement on New Visitation Guidelines for Adult Care Facilities

Stephen Hanse, President and CEO of the New York State Health Facilities Association and the New York State Center for Assisted Living (NYSHFA/NYSCAL), a statewide association representing over 425 long-term care facilities issued the following statement in response to today's Department of Health announcement allowing visitation in adult care facilities following the completion of a NY Forward Safety Plan and no new confirmed staff or resident COVID-19 cases over a 14-day period.

"We applaud Governor Cuomo and Commissioner Zucker for amending the guidelines for adult care facilities in New York to allow for visitation following no new confirmed staff or resident COVID-19 cases over a 14-day period."

"Adult care facilities throughout New York have made incredible strides in eradicating COVID-19 and today's revised visitation policy recognizes the success of their enormous efforts in battling this virus. Given these strides, NYSCAL has been working with the State to modify its 28-day in person visitation restriction to allow for family visitation in adult care facilities after 14 days of no new COVID-19 cases.

"It has been since early March of this year that adult care residents have been unable to receive visitors in person because of the COVID-19 pandemic. While NYSCAL providers and their residents have become skilled at using various digital communication platforms to connect with loved ones, digital interaction doesn't compare to the joy of in-person interaction."

"The policies announced today by the Department of Health are thoughtful and truly safeguard residents, staff and visitors while allowing in-person resident visitation in adult care facilities. We are hopeful that a similar plan will soon be implemented for skilled nursing facilities."

# Why I Support President Trump



### By Frank Spotorno

I'm supporting President Donald Trump for re-election. I know that my opinion may not be popular in the City of Yonkers where I live, or in Westchester County, but here are my reasons for four more years. 25 years ago I created an organization called Bring Our Jobs Home, to highlight the millions of jobs lost overseas and especially to China, by our American corporations.

I have watched as Presidents Clinton, Bush and Obama worked out trade agreements with China which did nothing but benefit China, the American corporations, and the stock market.

So if you have a 401k, you have watched it grow massively over the past 25 yeras because of our trade agreements with China, and many in Westchester have been fortunate enough to build their wealth and 401k.

But more than 75% of Americans have no retirement account and can barely make ends meet. For those Americans, I ask you, are they better off from our trade deals with China, that closed 55,000 factories?

I think we can all agree that President Trump was the first President to stand up to China, and in my opinion, for all the right reasons. Isn't it time we hold our American corporations accountable? Should Apple be making their iPhones that we all use with slave labor from China?

One million muslim Chinese Uighurs are working in those slaves camps, and all religions in China are persecuted, including Christians and Buddists, just ask the Dali Lama.

Also realize that the President's dispute is with the Chinese Communist Party, CCP, and not the Chinese people, who are hard working, family oriented and are being held captive by their own government.

For those who seek a New Green Deal, I ask you, what about the environmental abuses in China, and the unwillingness of the CCP to abide by worldwide standards, and continue to pollute?

And I have yet to talk about the Coronavirus. The CCP has yet to allow any credible health organization to come in and determine how this virus was transmitted, and more important, what is the genetic code that will help us find a vaccine.

Six months later and we still don't have cooperation from China on curing the virus, or a sharing of information? Where aren't American outraged over this?

Another reason for changing the way we need to make it here in the USA: the need for medicines and protective equipment. When China was closed for three months, all supply lines stopped. Fortunately, your pills at CVS were still available, but we may not be lucky next time.

We didn't mention the theft by China of our intellectual property, which will hurt our grandchildren and future generations. Let this current crisis be a lesson to us that there are some things that need to be made here again. Let's Bring Our Jobs Home, and re-elect President Donald Trump.

Next week, is President Trump an Environmentalist?

Frank Spotorno is a resident of Yonkers. He is the owner of Park Avenue Elevators and was a candidate for Congress in the 14th District of NY in 2016. He is the co-founder of YonkersTimes.com

**Editor's Note: We are sure that this column will spark a debate in Yonkers over the upcoming election. Send your comments, including opposing views to [dmurphy@risingmediagroup.com](mailto:dmurphy@risingmediagroup.com). We will give equal coverage to different viewpoints. One of the reasons we ran this column is to offer alternative viewpoints, and to respect all opinions. We have read some unfortunate comments, which do not respect the right for all to voice their opinion, on some Yonkers websites, including 'Fake News' about Mr. Spotorno and this reporter, concerning a former associate of the President. More on that story if it becomes necessary to set the record straight, or to proceed with legal action.**

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## Maker Date & Family Wheel Nights Return to Clay Art Center



Looking for a fun artsy night out with your friends or family? Register for one of Clay Art Center's one-time classes to learn to use the potter's wheel.

**Maker Date** (Formerly Cladies Night) – Ages 18+ Friday Nights, 7 – 9pm. \$65 per person. Best of Westchester 2020 Winner – Best Artsy Night Out. 20% off through Dec. 26 with code: FALL4CLAY20  
For a fun Friday night out with friends or a date sign up for Maker Date. Grab your “plus one” to unplug with mud and join us for a creative night out! Have fun and get messy as we walk you through the basics of throwing on the potter's wheel.

Create a unique piece of pottery, then choose a glaze from our studio selection. Pieces will be fired and picked up arranged at a later date. Bring a change of clothes or wear something you don't mind getting dirty. Beginner's Welcome – no experience necessary. Choose from one of these upcoming dates: Sept. 25, Oct. 9 & 23, Nov. 6 & 20, Dec. 4 & 18.

**Family Wheel Night** – Ages 9+ (parent/guardian must also enroll in class) Saturday Nights, 6 – 8pm. \$45 per person

Join us for some family fun in this one-time class for parents, kids, tweens or teens interested in learning to use the potter's wheel. Have fun and bond with your family while receiving a lesson from experienced and dedicated ceramic artists. Beginners are welcome and no previous experience is necessary! Choose from one of these upcoming dates: September 26, October 24, November 21, December 19

Register online at [www.clayartcenter.org](http://www.clayartcenter.org)  
Book a Private Wheel Lesson for your family and/or friends – Ages 9+ For groups of 4 – 8 people. Let Clay Art Center host a private artsy gathering for your family and/or friends to learn to use the potter's wheel. Our professional instructors will teach you how to make something on the potter's wheel. Clay Art Center will fire and glaze it for you to bring home at a later.

For more information and to schedule a lesson email: [mail@clayartcenter.org](mailto:mail@clayartcenter.org).

Safety Protocols. Clay Art Center is happy to announce that our studios have reopened for in-person Adult & Youth classes. Class sizes will be reduced to allow for social distancing along with strict studio protocols to ensure everyone's safety.

We have rearranged, added safety plexi glass and prepared the studios to be a safe and creative space. We have been strictly adhering to all New York State guidelines to ensure the health and safety of our students, teachers, staff and artists. You can review our reopening safety protocols at [www.clayartcenter.org](http://www.clayartcenter.org).

## Apply Now For Absentee Ballot

The New York State Board of Elections has launched an online Absentee Ballot Application Portal, through which registered voters can apply now for an absentee ballot.

The Portal can be found at <https://absenteeballot.elections.ny.gov/>. Voters may click through the web form to request an absentee ballot, which will be sent to them in the mail.

Voters may vote by absentee ballot for several reasons including temporary illness -- which includes being unable to appear at the polls due to risk of contracting or spreading a communicable disease like COVID-19.

Remember, besides the new online portal, you also may apply for an absentee ballot in any of the following ways:

By sending an email request to [BOE-WestAbsentee@westchestergov.com](mailto:BOE-WestAbsentee@westchestergov.com). By sending a fax request to (914) 995-7753 or (914) 995-3190. By going in-person to the Westchester County Board of Elections, 25 Quarropas Street, White Plains, NY 1060. By mailing a paper absentee ballot application to the Westchester County Board of Elections, 25 Quarropas Street, White Plains, NY 10601. By phoning the Westchester County Board of Elections at (914) 995-5285

For more absentee ballot information visit <https://citizenparticipation.westchestergov.com/voting/absentee-ballots>.

## Help Raise Funds For Support-A-Walk For Breast and Ovarian Cancer



*Walk participants can raise funds on their own, or with friends & family*

Support Connection, Inc., a not-for-profit organization offering free support services to people affected by breast and ovarian cancer, says there's still time to raise funds for their 2020 Annual Support-A-Walk, scheduled for Oct. 4.

The theme for this year's Walk is “Walk With Us, Wherever You Are.” In lieu of gathering by the thousands in the park, Support Connection invites people to walk in their own town or city, neighborhood, or even on a treadmill at home.

It's easy to raise funds for the Support-A-Walk. Participants can create their own online fundraising pages at [www.firstgiving.com/supportconnection/walk2020](http://www.firstgiving.com/supportconnection/walk2020). Pages can be personalized by the fundraiser, then shared with friends and family via email and social media. Donations to these fundraising pages go directly to Support Connection. Fundraising pages remain active after the Walk, through the end of the year. Fundraisers can also seek donations by check or cash. People can raise funds even if they won't be able to walk.

The Support-A-Walk was founded twenty-six years ago by local residents as a way to focus attention on breast and ovarian cancer, and to raise funds for Support Connection's free, year-round support services for those living with these diseases. Since the organization was founded in 1996, thousands of people locally and across the country have received help from Support Connection.

This year more than ever, raising funds for these critically needed services is necessary, because cancer doesn't stop for a pandemic. The Support-A-Walk is Support Connection's most important annual fundraiser. 88¢ of every dollar donated directly funds their free breast and ovarian cancer support services. Support Connection does not receive funds from any national cancer organizations including Relay for Life, Susan G. Komen, or Making Strides.

Direct donations are also accepted from anyone who wishes to help. To learn more about raising funds or to make a donation, visit [www.supportconnection.org/donate-and-fundraise](http://www.supportconnection.org/donate-and-fundraise) or contact Support Connection: 914-962-6402, [walk@supportconnection.org](mailto:walk@supportconnection.org).

## Aquarium remote learning, continued from pg 2-

continue as an exciting new way to present marine science to students – whether they're local, across the country or international, Naiman said.

“Virtual programs have given us the ability to reach even more diverse and geographically dispersed audiences,” he said. “It's exciting to expand our ability to serve more people and to provide teachers, students and families with new avenues of education and inspiration.”

Browse the list of virtual programs at [www.maritimeaquarium.org/distance-learning](http://www.maritimeaquarium.org/distance-learning). Naiman added that in-person programs remain available for Westchester County schools able to welcome in the Aquarium's “traveling teachers” or to make field trips to the Aquarium. Field-trip options include coastal exploration programs at local beaches and marine-life study cruises. Programs can be scheduled through the Aquarium's Reservations department. Call (203) 852-0700, ext. 2206, or email [reservations@maritimeaquarium.org](mailto:reservations@maritimeaquarium.org).

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Supervisor Tony Colavita for supporting our Police! We love our police. We love our town and we will support both proudly!,” posted Karen Cee on Facebook.

NYC PBA President Pat Lynch urged the crowd to be louder than the radicals who are trying to tear down our society.

“We must stand up for our police now more than ever,” said former County Executive and State Senate candidate Rob Astorino.

“I'm here supporting the Blue,” said Yonkers Councilman Mike Breen.

Yonkers PBA President Keith Olson pointed out, “I see many people defending BLM for not being responsible for some reprehensible things that happen at their protests but I have NEVER seen them denounce acts like this one,” said Olson, referencing the recent shooting of two Los Angeles Sheriff's deputies who were sitting in their police car.

Former Westchester DA and Fox New host Jeanine Pirro said, “You have states in this country that have no cash bail, and allow criminals to commit crimes again and again. You have prosecutors beign elected by democratic socialists who don't believe in incarceration. I'm here to tell you one thing—America needs you—America thanks you,.”

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## Westchester's First Stand-Alone IV Vitamin Spa Opens in Yonkers



*A patient receives an IV vitamin drip*

Westchester County's first stand-alone IV vitamin spa led by Dr. Annie Negrin, MD, opened in Yonkers earlier this summer. Offering both in-store and concierge services, prosper IV's variety of vitamin infusions allow customers to customize their drip their specific health goals—from building immunity support, reducing inflammation, and alleviating pain, to boosting energy and providing hydration—in a spa-like environment.

"IV infusions deliver vital amino acids, vitamins, and minerals intravenously, bypassing the digestive track which means there is 100% absorption rate," Dr. Negrin said. "Clients leave feeling better almost immediately with benefits lasting up to several weeks."

Before arriving at prosper IV, customers answer a series of questions outlining their health history and current goals. The answers are reviewed by Dr. Negrin, who combines her medical expertise and passion to help patients reach their optimal levels while promoting advancement in vitamin infusion.

Upon arrival, one of the registered nurses reviews the medical history again, takes vitals, and places a small needle in the customer's arm. The fluid from the drip is administered in 45 to 60 minutes. After the vitamin infusion, most customers experience significant overall improvements including increased energy, improved mental clarity, deeper sleep, and a feeling of overall well being.

Founder and CEO Christina Broccoli, MBA, opened prosper IV after receiving prescribed vitamin infusions after suffering from mononucleosis. Her treatments not only alleviated her symptoms, but also quickened the healing process. "Personally seeing the benefits of vitamin infusion and the lack of locations in Westchester, I decided to create a business that focused on making these treatments available to everyone," Broccoli said.

Broccoli joined forces with Dr. Negrin and Marie O'Connor, DNP, RN, to bring prosper IV to life. "With a heightened awareness on our healthy day to day health practices, opening prosper IV is important now, more than ever. IV vitamin infusions work to keep people healthy, but also looking and feeling their best," Broccoli said.

The Immunity Drip, just one of the IV drips available at prosper IV, offers the highest dose of Vitamin C and selenium to beat the cold or flu with increased immunity support. "To be the most effective, the frequency of IV vitamin infusion is determined on an individual basis to best suit your needs," Dr. Negrin said. "For preventative health and wellness, we recommend two IV drips per month to help balance out any vitamin deficiencies or less than ideal eating habits. In some cases, with people who suffer from autoimmune diseases or conditions continued IV vitamin infusion may be necessary for nutritional support."

While there are several combinations available, customers can customize their drip by adding IV push add-ons including Vitamin B12 for a natural energy boost or Biotin for healthy skin, hair, and nails. Those with an upcoming special occasion may add Glutathione to give skin a brighter, more radiant glow.

In order to keep clients comfortable and safe during COVID-19, prosper IV is currently taking clients in-store and through concierge service by appointment only. In the future, walk-in services will also be available. Services can be booked online at theprosperiv.com, or by calling 914-401-8324, Prosper IV is located at 1955 Central Park Avenue, Yonkers.

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### Eric Schoen, continued from pg 3-

take part in the beauty and holiness of Rosh Hashanah. Whether that means dropping off a challah or honey or sponge cake or simply calling those 'at a distance' and reciting traditional prayers or simply saying hello and wishing them Shana Tova or a good year! And don't forget to share a 'taste' of Rosh Hashanah with a non-Jewish friend. There is nothing more beautiful than that!

We pray that all Jews around the world follow guidelines set up by our various governmental agencies so that there is no further transmission of COVID-19 during this most special time of year.

And most importantly we pray for the scientists working to create a vaccine and for all those on the front lines protecting us. Wash your hands frequently, wear masks when required, socially distant yourselves from others and get medical treatment when needed.

We hope and pray that next year we will be able to gather as we and our forefathers have for many generations and together celebrate the New Year. Happy, healthy New Year in a world of Shalom, Peace!

Reach Eric Schoen at [thistooisyonkers@aol.com](mailto:thistooisyonkers@aol.com). Follow him on Twitter @ericyonkers. Listen to Eric Schoen and Dan Murphy on the Westchester Rising Radio Show Thursday's from 10-11 a.m. On WVOX 1460 AM, go to [WVOX.com](http://WVOX.com) and click the arrow to listen to the live stream or download the WVOX app from the App Store free of charge.

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## BLM banner burned, continued from pg 1--



to request assistance in our investigation. NCPD is reviewing video footage recovered from nearby cameras. The artwork was created by a 13-year-old boy.

Poole addressed the vandals too: "To the cowards doing this, I say this: However many times you deface and destroy, we will continue to replace, to build it back bigger, better, and more. We will double and triple down in support of our black community members, and all of our BIPOC community members. As a community, and as a Town, we are resolved: BLACK LIVES MATTER."

"I am aware that there are some who would like me to stop talking about Black Lives Matter. Please know that I fully support our police and I believe that all lives matter. But at this moment in history, when another young black man, Jacob Blake, is fighting for his life after being shot in the back 7 times by a white police officer in Kenosha, WI, and when BIPOC members of our own community have become the victims of hate crimes, I cannot and will not stay silent."

The members of the Chappaqua meeting published an open letter to the community on the Examiner. "As members of a spiritual community with a long history of peaceful activism and non-violence, deriving from our belief in the inner light in each individual, we as 'Quakers' have adopted goals for ourselves this year centered on this movement," they said in the letter.

In another questionable incident, a t-shirt, which says "Welcome to Dobbs Ferry" on the front and a long message about 'coming here from there' was left at the homes of three black families in Dobbs Ferry, who had just moved to the village, on their doors and driveways.

The t-shirts, which were anonymously left, and have most residents embarrassed, had on the back of the shirt, "You came here from there because you didn't like there, and now you want to change here to be like there. We are not racist, phobic, or anti whatever-you-are, we simply like here the way it is and many of us were actually born here and stayed because it is not like there, wherever there was. You are welcome here with open arms! But please stop trying to make here like there. If you want here to be like there, you should not have left there to come here. Please love Dobbs Ferry as we do and please do your best to leave it just as you found it."

Dobbs Ferry police are investigating the incidents but there have not been any complaints filed by the homeowners. Dobbs Ferry Mayor Vincent Rossillo stated, "Although the intent of the message on the tee shirt is unclear, it has offended people and created tension and divisiveness in our community," he wrote in a village newsletter. "While there is clearly work to be done, please be assured that the Village is committed to make Dobbs Ferry a safe and inclusive community. I have also brought this to the attention of our Chief of Police and instructed them to investigate the issue further. We should never tolerate language that diminishes or disrespects any member of our community. The Village is undergoing a natural transformation both physically and culturally. These changes can be difficult for some to accept; however, I believe they will ultimately make us stronger and better prepared to address the future."

Greenburgh Town Supervisor Paul Feiner wrote, "In recent weeks, some residents have reported growing racial tensions which I think is sad. Residents of Dobbs Ferry are struggling bitterly over "language on a tee shirt. There is less and less appreciation for the feelings of those around us and little care about how one's actions affect others. We live in a society where our Constitution allows us "Freedom of Speech," however this freedom to express one's opinion may come at the cost of hurting those around you. These people live in your community, share homes on your block and share playtime with your children. I believe the only option we have left as a community is to create an environment where every person takes responsibility for their actions and statements. Do we care enough about our neighbors to think about how our words will be perceived and accepted?" stated Feiner.

Finally, members of the local media are also being questioned for their actions. The Examiner, a weekly newspaper in Westchester published by Adam Stone, printed a letter to the editor from Pleasantville resident Richard Vastola which read, "I just read, with some degree of amusement and a sense of irony, last week's front-page article about the burning of the Quaker Meeting House BLM banner in Chappaqua. Not, of course, regarding the vandalism, which I deplore, but relating to the violent end of a violent banner.

"Perhaps I am old-fashioned, but I thought the symbol of racial harmony was two hands clasping, not a Black fist threatening violence. All that is missing from that banner is the white face to which the fist will presumably be applied. Or perhaps, to avoid any ambiguity, this quote from Hawk Newsome, BLM chapter head, "If this country doesn't give us what we want, then we will burn (it) down..."

"I was also amused to read of the Council on Race and Equity members' "outrage" at the vandalism. Are they also outraged at the destruction of statues of Columbus and Jefferson, at the obscene graffiti that blankets the New York Public Library (the Library!) or all the burning and looting (or rather reparations, according to the BLM leadership in Chicago)?

"BLM is not an agent of racial harmony, but rather a toxic brew of violence, extortion and revenge. I will grant that some of the wrongs for which they seek retribution are real, but others are self-inflicted, imaginary or ancient history. No sane person, white or Black, should support them," wrote Vastola.

Several members of the Pleasantville community questioned Stone and the Examiner for printing Vastola's letter. "As a lifelong Pleasantville resident and a reader of The Examiner, I was horrified to read a racist letter to the editor published on Aug. 18

"The author referred to their "amusement" at the burning of a Black Lives Matter banner on Quaker Road in Chappaqua. There is nothing remotely amusing about torching a message that expresses the inherent value of our Black neighbors and community members. Fire has long been a symbol and tool of white supremacist agendas. Overseas, Nazis wielded torches, burning buildings and symbols of Jewish life. Closer to home, this fire evokes the torches, fire bombs and lynchings of the KKK.

"The wheels are in motion. In Westchester's small, predominantly white communities, it's our job to make sure our Black neighbors are safe, valued and welcome. Under no circumstances can we condone the hate-filled burning of a 12-year-old's expression of solidarity and care. Under no circumstances should The Examiner publish an ill-informed, racist justification of white violence," wrote Charlotte Hill, Pleasantville

Another letter titled, Examiner Exercised Poor Judgment in Printing Letter With Hateful Ideas states, "I am writing to express my disappointment in the recent letter to the editor from Richard Vastola, which was published by The Examiner regarding the Black Lives Matter movement. This letter exhibited extreme fragility and insensitivity, and undermines the progress Pleasantville. It is my view that The Examiner plays a vital role in the spread of ideas within our community and should hold itself to a higher standard - one that does not include fragile and hateful ideas," wrote, Owen McAndrew, Pleasantville.

## Students charged for COVID Test, continued from pg 1--

example, a high percentage of students come from California. When traveling students are not tested, contact tracing cases of Covid-19 is almost impossible.

"Testing is a baseline that you can use to gauge how much community spread of the disease there has been," says Dr. Peter Mercurio, President of Westchester Health, and member of Northwell Health Physician Partners. "The more testing you do the easier it is to get a handle on how much disease is prevalent in your community, how much tracking you have to do, and... you get a better sense of what you can or can't do in the business community."

Dr. Mercurio is concerned that schools reopening will create a spike in Covid-19 cases, especially at colleges, "Test the teachers, the staff, and the students, and be prepared to understand that you're going to get some positives somewhere down the line, because you're testing more frequently. You're prepared to then track down those people, who they've been exposed to, and if necessary to shut down that school."

Although Ashby refused to be tested at AppleMed, and was able to locate a free testing site, she is concerned that other people unaware of free facilities may endanger their community by avoiding testing altogether.

"You don't want price to be a barrier to people getting tested," says Ashby, "It's not really fair that some places are trying to charge for Covid tests when that's not common procedure, because people may not know that it's not common procedure. It shouldn't be something that you have to pay for in the middle of a pandemic to make sure that everyone is healthy."

## Caddyshack, Winged Foot, continued from pg 1-

after 36 holes, \$25 or \$30 was quite a payday back then.

"Back to the course. The 5,000-yard 9th hole will blow everyone's mind, not because it's long, but because it's straight. After eight holes of doglegs, that long stark, straight tunnel will be unnerving. The 633-yard par-5 12th hole — yes, I've stopped hyperbolizing — will certainly be hit by one or two big hitters in two, but that choked fairway will be the end for many badly played second shots.

"On the 17th hole, the back-right trap will be costly for those who aim toward the back-right pin on Sunday. Beware the urge to go for that delusion.

As for the last hole, I have two words for you: Phil Mickelson. I am still haunted by what happened at the Open in 2006.

A bit more about myself: I am a good person, and father to a 7-year-old boy, Aidan. I can punctuate sentences with the clarity of an English major, and I exercise daily. I may be 65, but I act like I'm 30. Or, at least, I train like I'm 30, an age at which I was still acting out in demonstrably destructive ways.

"Meanwhile, I am still pretty busy as an actor. Most recently, I have been starring opposite Kevin Bacon in his Showtime series City on a Hill. I also have a new horror film on Netflix coming out, Things Heard and Seen.

"There's one more reason to hire me. I want Aidan to see me being of service to someone else. In America, we are way too concerned with being number one, winning the trophy, getting the girl, making it big! I want my son to know that sometimes it's better to be in the supporting role, the one who helps someone else realize his or her dream," writes O'Keefe.

After this story appeared at Golf.com, and was picked up by the NY Post and others, O'Keefe was hired as the caddy for Danny Balin for practice rounds on Monday and Tuesday. Balin, is a 17-year Westchester resident who's the head pro at Fresh Meadow Country Club on Long Island.

O'Keefe's initial motivation in trying to land a loop was to be able to initiate a donation fund for caddie relief to aid the caddies who were out of work during the pandemic. And cheers to the United States Golf Association, USGA, for embracing this idea and for using it to promote it the open on social media.

O'Keefe, who continues his acting career today has appeared in more than 40 films and 50 TV shows. He received a Best Supporting Actor Oscar nomination for his role as Ben, the oldest son of a Marine aviator in The Great Santini (1979). "Without 'Santini,' my life as an actor would never have had any of the depth or, at least, nothing like the depth it has now."

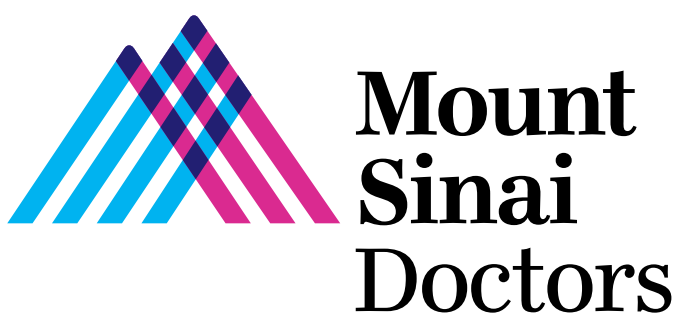
He was married, and then divorced, singer Bonnie Raitt, and is now married to Emily Donahoe. O'Keefe is a graduate of Mamaroneck High School.

"Directors, writers, and actors are interested in making movies with me. Producers and movie studio people are not interested in me as they are in Kevin Costner or Tom Cruise. That's just the fact of the matter," said O'Keefe.

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