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Westchester Protestors, & Congressmen Jones and Bowman Say--Impeach Trump!



Concerned Families of Westchester rally in Hastings last week

By Dan Murphy

On Jan. 3, 2021, Congressman Mondaire Jones was sworn into office, representing the 17th District of NY, replacing Nita Lowey. Rep. Jones now represents mid-northern Westchester and all of Rockland County. In his first act as a Congressman, Jones joined 12 of his colleagues in introducing a resolution to impeach President Donald Trump, for high crimes and misdemeanors.

“Just this week, Donald Trump abused his power yet again, pressuring state officials to deny the results of the November election and inciting a violent mob to descend upon the legislative branch — all in an attempt to undermine the integrity of our democracy,” said Jones. “We must ensure that this is Donald Trump’s last opportunity to do harm. That’s why I’m proud to join my colleagues in calling for impeachment. Hundreds, if not thousands, of Donald Trumps in the Republican Party seek to ascend to higher office, and we must send them a message that no one is above the law.”

This resolution comes after President Trump was recorded threatening an Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger with consequences if he failed to pursue the President’s false claims and attempting to coerce an elected official to commit fraud, and after he encouraged individuals who traveled to Washington, District of Columbia to violently attack the United States Capitol while both chambers of Congress were in session.

“Donald John Trump has acted in a manner contrary to his trust as President and subversive constitutional government, to the great prejudice of the cause of law and justice and to the manifest injury of the people of the United States,” the resolution reads. “Wherefore, Donald John Trump, by such con-

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Was Anyone from Westchester part of the Raid on the Capitol? See page 5

Westchester Real Estate Sales Surge in 2020



30 Cohawney Road, Scarsdale home listed at \$2,495,000.

In 2020, the real estate market in Westchester, Putnam, and Dutchess Counties experienced a surge in sales directly related to the COVID-19 epidemic. Almost unilaterally, the volume of overall unit sales, as well as median sale prices rose, according to the Houlihan Lawrence Westchester Putnam & Dutchess Market Report released today.

The counties all offer plentiful open spaces and opportunities for outdoor activities, a key draw during these restricted times. Their bucolic beauty is appealing to city dwellers, both young and old. It is not surprising that the locations that offered the most solace and the properties that suited entire family needs, including recreational amenities, showed the most significant increases.

“The 4th Quarter numbers reflect an unprecedented level of activity in the Fall 2020 Market. Every price point was active, including the luxury market that lagged in some locations during previous years. Year over Year, Westchester County inventory is down 27% while pending sales are up 46%. In Lower Westchester, sales remain strong as buyers anticipate returning to commuting to New York City and the ease offered by these communities,” said Elizabeth Nunan, President and CEO, Houlihan Lawrence.

“However, it is noted that many buyers anticipate continuing the ‘work from home’ model and have ventured further North. Northern Westchester stands out as home sales soared 40% and inventory declined 40%, she added.

Further North in Putnam and Dutchess Counties, the number of pending sales has increased triple digits over last year as many sought more open space and value. Many properties were purchased as second homes to be used as a refuge, while the number of primary home purchases rose substantially. The past nine months have demonstrated that many businesses can continue to operate “business as usual” with remote employees; thus, the commute is less vital.

Low inventory numbers in Westchester, Putnam, and Dutchess Counties indicate that demand remains strong. It is anticipated that the real estate market during the first half of 2021 will continue to be robust

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Fuller Center for Housing Holds Build a Thon For MLK Day



Jim Killoran, Exec. Dir., The Fuller Center for Housing of Greater NYC, center, with two volunteers building affordable homes in Westchester

By Dan Murphy

The Fuller Center for Housing of Greater NYC, and its leader in Westchester, Jim Killoran, has survived the Pandemic and continues in its mission to build affordable home ownership for Veterans, Seniors and the lower middle class in the county. And over the next week, Killoran and the Fuller Center will hold its annual MLK Build a Thon from Saturday, January 16 to Sunday, Jan. 24.

This will be an opportunity for Westchester residents to step up and vounteer, (no building experience necessary). This was also an opportunity to catch up with Killoran, who has spent the last three decades helping Westchester residents stay in their homes, and giving home ownership to young families who never could afford a Westchester house without him.

Like every non profit and business in Westchester, the Coronavirus has affected Killoran and The Fuller Center for Housing. “We have had 700 volunteers since COVID. We usually have 3500. Most of our work is outside, where you can social distance from each other. It’s a safe way to get out and help us help others. Everyone deserves a simple home to live in,” said Killoran.

Young volunteers continue to come forward and help Killoran. They come from Iona College and Manhattanville College. And from many Westchester High Schools, including Byram Hills High School, Mamaroneck High School, and Fox Lane High School.

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Vaccine Update for Westchester

“The vaccine rollout, as we know it, has been extremely disappointing,”

*New York Senate Majority Leader
Andrea Stewart-Cousins*

By Dan Murphy

Westchester County Executive Gerge Latimer sent out the following letter to all county residents. First let us state that the County Executive had no responsibility for the lack of vaccines that went out into patients arms during the first few weeks of 2020 and 2021. We believe that Governor Cuomo improperly blamed Latimer and other local elected officials across the state, for Hospitals and other health care facilities who could not administer the vaccines in a timely manner.

Having said that, we are thankful that Latimer is now involved, and looking over the shoulder of our health care CEO’s to make sure that the doses get out ASAP.

Below is Latimer’s letter, dated January 11, 2021.

Dear Neighbor,

We are eager to help you get the vaccine. However, this is a fluid time, and I do ask for your patience as we navigate these uncharted waters.

First, let me be clear, New York State will distribute the COVID-19 vaccine in phases based on need and risk. The State develops the program for distribution and authorizes the vaccination sites.

The County receives this information and passes it along for your use and information. We are currently in Phase 1a and Phase 1b, which is the below list. However, this is fluid please check the New York State webpage to determine eligibility and find a vaccination location at <https://am-i-eligible.covid19vaccine.health.ny.gov/>.

- Teachers and education workers
- First responders
- Public safety workers
- Public transit workers
- People 75 and older
- High-risk hospital workers (ER workers, ICU and Pulmonary staff)
- Residents and staff at nursing homes and congregate care facilities
- Federally Qualified Health Center employees
- EMS workers
- Coroners, medical examiners and certain funeral workers
- Staff and residents at OPWDD, OMH and OASAS facilities
- Urgent Care providers
- Individuals administering COVID-19 vaccines, including local staff
- All Outpatient/Ambulatory front-line, high-risk health care workers
- All staff who are in direct contact with patients (i.e., intake staff)
- All front-line, high-risk public health workers who have direct contact with patients, including those conducting & handling COVID-19 tests.
- Doctors who work in private medical practices and their staff
- Doctors who work in hospital-affiliated medical practices and staff
- Doctors who work in public health clinics and their staff
- Registered Nurses

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District Attorney Rocah Names Executive Team, Calls for Investigation into Attack on Capitol



Westchester District Attorney Mimi Rocah, took the oath from former US Attorney Preet Bharara, left.

Westchester County District Attorney Mimi Rocah recently announced appointments to her senior executive team that will bring to the DA's office talented leaders with years of prosecutorial and other relevant experience.

"We are committed to having a seasoned leadership team that reflects the diversity of our county and is dedicated to keeping our communities safe and making our justice system more fair for all," said Rocah. "With these appointments and more to come in the coming days and weeks, we will significantly increase diversity in race, gender and sexual orientation at the highest levels of the District Attorney's office."

In her remarks at a swearing-in and inauguration ceremony on Monday, Rocah said that the DA's office would "foster new ideas and rethink systems that no longer work. And, most of all, help restore the public's trust and confidence in our justice system." She noted that "We are making overdue changes to address underrepresentation of people of color and women at the highest levels of the office through well-deserved promotions and hirings."

Amy Finzi will serve as Rocah's Chief Assistant District Attorney. Ms. Finzi was an award-winning federal prosecutor in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York, where she tried numerous jury trials to verdict and argued many appeals before the Second Circuit. She specialized in multinational investigations of foreign drug organizations in Latin America and the Middle East, oversaw dozens of wiretap investigations and conducted Title III surveillance training for AUSAs across the country.

Focus on Ethics-DA Rocah said that she "will demand the highest standards of integrity from the DA's Office and the many police forces that serve Westchester County." She noted that "The DA's Office will now have more stringent ethical guidelines and a dedicated ethics officer to ensure that every prosecutor knows the immense responsibility of their position and has a place to turn for ethical guidance. We will have a zero-tolerance policy for intentional prosecutorial misconduct, and we will increase training and enforcement on disclosure and integrity rules. We will review, as warranted, past police involved-killing, and establish protocols for working or declining to work with officers whose conduct is under investigation."

Berit Berger will serve as Executive Assistant District Attorney for Policy and Strategic Initiatives and Chief Ethics Officer. From 2007 to 2018, Ms. Berger was a federal prosecutor in the U.S. Attorney's Offices for both the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York. She worked on a wide variety of federal criminal matters including cases involving international terrorism, violent crime, trafficking and racketeering, and was awarded the Attorney General's Award for Exceptional Service for Operation High Rise, an investigation and prosecution of an al-Qaeda terrorist cell that plotted to conduct suicide bombings on New York subway trains. She most recently served as the Executive Director of the Center for the Advancement of Public Integrity at Columbia Law School.

Increasing Diversity and Inclusion
"We now have an Executive-level Officer of Diversity and Inclusion who will work with a committee to coordinate internal office training, ensure diverse hiring and maintain an inclusive environment," Rocah noted in her remarks.

Lila E. Kirton was promoted to the new role of Executive Assistant District Attorney for Intergovernmental Affairs and Criminal Justice Initiatives and Chief Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer and will continue to direct the Office of Immigrant Affairs. Ms. Kirton joined the Westchester District Attorney's Office in 2017 after serving as Chief of Staff for the Westchester County Board of Legislators. Prior to that, she spent 16 years in the Office of the New York State Attorney General in several positions. She began her legal career as an Assistant District Attorney in Queens County.

More Support for Cold Cases-DA Rocah also outlined a renewed focus on and investigation of cold cases: "Our duty as prosecutors is particularly significant with cases that have been stalled or ignored. Victims and their families never stop hoping for justice and neither should we. We will create a new cold case unit to look at these cases with fresh eyes and reinvestigate as necessary. We will make it a priority to examine untested forensic evidence, including rape kits, that could help bring answers and justice to victims and their families."

Daniel P. McKenna will serve as Chief Investigator. Chief McKenna entered federal government service in 1991 after being commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps. Following his military service, he joined the FBI and was assigned to the New York City Field Division as a Special Agent. He was promoted to FBI headquarters in 2010 as a program manager overseeing international organized crime investigations. In 2012, he returned to New York and was appointed Senior Supervisory Resident Agent, FBI Westchester Resident Agency.

Partnering with Law Enforcement for Greater Accountability-"To our partners in law enforcement I say: We want the same thing. We want our communities to trust us. We want our badges to have respect. We want to be proud of our job and

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Coin Shortage Across Westchester & USA



By Dan Murphy

The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in many shortages, and changes in Americans behavior in 2020, and 2021. During your shopping at your local supermarket or small business, you may have noticed a sign that reads, "Due to a National Shortage, Please Use Exact Change, or Pay With a Debit/Credit Card."

I have recently told cashiers to keep the change if the amount of change due back to me is a dime or less. When the Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell says, "the flow of coins through the economy has kinda stopped," you know there is a legitimate concern.

The Federal Reserve estimates that there should be about \$48 billion in coinage alone in circulation. But many of us have those coins in a jar in our homes, and are both reluctant to hand them in, and to spend them.

Part of the reason for the shortage is that some fear catching the virus from touching coins or bills. But most scientists believe that the only way to acquire COVID-19 from a contaminated surface, which could be a bill or coin although highly unlikely, is by touching it with your hands and then touching your mouth, nose or eyes.

That's not to say that US Dollars aren't 'filthy.' Most dollar bills in circulation have many microorganisms and other bacteria, and many also have traces of cocaine on them.

The problem is that the lack of currency and coins in our economy is making it more difficult for small business to operate. Most consumers are using debit-credit cards for their spending.

The lack of coins in circulation will certainly revisit the conversation about eliminating the penny from circulation. The US Mint reported in 2018 that it costs them \$1.78 to make every penny. In 2019, the U.S. Mint made 7.04 billion pennies, costing taxpayers \$145 million.

The American consumer is very picky when it comes to their currency. An effort to introduce the \$1 Coin in 2013 failed, when Americans didn't want to use them. The like their 'dirty' dollar bills instead. There is a stockpile of those \$1 coins in the Federal Reserve, \$1.4 Billion dollars of them.

Rose Pedals at the Feet of New Yonkers Judge Karen Best ?



Rose pedals are usually used for special occasions, like at a wedding ceremony, or for someone special on an anniversary or on Valentine's Day. But City Court Judge Karen Best, and her supporters, thought it appropriate to throw out Rose Pedals at her feet as she took the bench for the first time at the Cacace Justice Center on January 4.

Judge Best took a different path to the Yonkers City Court, and won reelection both in a democratic primary and in the general election She earned her seat and is entitled to serve the people of Yonkers.

But for those who contacted us about the start to her tenure on the bench, they were either offended or dumbfounded. "Is this Julius Ceasar returning from Rome, or a Judge with serious work to do taking the bench in Yonkers," said one Yonkers Democrat.

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Westchester 2020 Election Results Show 30% VOID-Blank Rate in 5 New Rochelle ED's



WHY IS MY VOTE NOT SHOWING UP AS COUNTED?

By Dan Murphy

The 2020 Presidential election resulted in an unusually high number of absentee ballots, primarily due to the easing of restrictions by New York State, due to COVID. This new way of voting for many of us resulted in thousands of more absentee ballots to be entered, counted and tabulated by the Westchester County Board of elections.

Some voters in Westchester have asked “was my vote counted?” and “did the Board of Elections get my vote?” For more than 800 voters in five Election Districts in the City of New Rochelle, the answer to that question may be no.

County Legislator Damon Maher, in reviewing the election data from Nov. 3, 2020, noticed that in his home city of New Rochelle, an unusually high number of ballots were registered ‘blank’ or ‘void’ in their vote for President. In fact 30% of the absentee ballots collected in those five ED’s in New Rochelle, more than 800 votes, were voided for one reason or another, and as a result, their votes for President did not count.

Legislator Maher explained that out of 941 Election Districts in Westchester County, less than 1% of the ballots came back as void or blank for President. “That could be for many reasons, such as error by the voter in filling out their ballot, like voting for Biden for President on both the democratic and working families party line. Other reasons could be that the signature did not match or the voter made another error on their ballot that made it void. Or in the rare case, a voter cast their ballot without voting for President,” said Maher

“A 1% rate is understandable, but in five New Rochelle election districts the number of void ballots was 30%, which is a puzzling phenomenon,” said Maher, who has written three letters-emails to the Westchester County Board of Elections asking for an explanation.

“In looking through the canvass for the recent general election five (5) New Rochelle Election Districts in sequential order (ED 36 through ED 40) all have huge numbers of “Blank-Void” ballots (respectively: 122; 158; 244; 130; 141) in the Presidential vote, cumulatively equal to 30% of the ballots cast in those 5 EDs, as contrasted with a rate a small fraction above 1% in all the other NR EDs.

“Scrolling quickly through the total for all the municipalities, I don’t see any EDs with “Blank-void” ballots anywhere approaching three figured; there appear to be a handful in the 20 to 25 range. The chance that any one ED would be off by so much would be odd, but the chance that there would be five consecutively numbered districts as outliers by so much would seem infinitesimal.

“What is the explanation here? Will the scanners for those districts, including the software and programming for same, and be examined? Will the paper ballots therein be audited?” writes Legislator Maher.

In his second email, Maher writes, “Commissioners: To amplify and supplement the email that I sent you early last week, here is a more complete analysis. Of the 941 Election Districts in the County with recorded votes in the Canvass book, these 11 stood out since they have either more than 50 “Blank-Void” ballots or have “Blank-Void” ballots that constitute more than 15% all ballots cast:

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Column 500...and I’m Still Here!



By Eric Schoen

This marks my 500th column. With what’s going on the world I wish I felt like celebrating. COVID-19 and with what happened last week at the Capitol Building in Washington, D.C. We will celebrate when things calm down and we can all gather together safely.

Just to make matters worse as I sit in my Yonkers apartment at press time writing this column the television and radio helicopters are hovering overhead. A fire has engulfed a row of stores at the intersection of Yonkers and Seminary Avenues. Flames shooting out of stores including Tibbetts Market and Miracle Cleaners. No electricity or phone service in the area.

The market is open probably a year after the bureaucracy that accompanies the attempted opening of anything in Yonkers delayed it several years. Good, hard working people operate the market. Deli counter filled with fresh foods always looking perfect.

The same can be said about Miracle Cleaners. The cleaners were bought from the long time owners several years ago by a nice young couple. Before Covid-19 if I passed late at night I would see the couple still at work. I’m sure their business has been affected by fewer people going into the office and working from home. Say a prayer for the young owners of Miracle Cleaners who have probably invested their life savings in the business now losing it all as parts of the building the store resides in have collapsed.

The good news. After a slow roll out people are starting to get the Covid-19 vaccine. Just this week more elderly and front line workers have been added to the list of those eligible to receive the vaccine at this time. New York City has set up locations where vaccines are distributed 24 hours a day by appointment. On the first day appointments from 12 midnight to 4 a.m. Tuesday morning were booked within hours.

Westchester will be giving vaccines out at the Westchester County Center. We have to make sure every dosage we have is distributed in a timely basis. There is no reason that is not the case. People want the vaccines. Use the internet and telephone to schedule your appointment. This way additional groups of people can schedule their vaccines.

I know the manufacturers are working hard to produce the vaccine. When I heard the Mayor of New York City say that the city would be running out of vaccines with 2 weeks, it certainly is not good but at least that means shots are going into peoples arms. That’s good!

How do you even begin to discuss what occurred at the Capitol Building in Washington last week. It reminded me of Barbara Bush swimming in the White House pool when she saw rats, yes rats in the pool. Do we care so little about the safety of our public officials and their families that we wouldn’t check to be sure there were no rats in the pool or last week that crazies would not be able to have free reign to scale the Capitol?

And the clown that egged them on and said he would be joining those protesting in their March to the Capitol? Where was he? Marching? Nope. He stayed in the White House and watched the situation unfold on television. What a coward!

The situation got so bad that a Democratic Congresswoman had to be

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DeRosa Named Building & Realty Institute's First Female President



Lisa DeRosa

The Building & Realty Institute (BRI) announced its new President at its recent Annual Holiday Networking Reception. Lisa DeRosa, also the President of DeRosa Builders, Inc. of White Plains, will be the first female President in BRI's 75-year history.

DeRosa has served as a Vice Chair of the BRI's Apartment Owners Advisory Council (AOAC) from 2016 to 2020 and as a member of that association's Board of Directors from 2006 to 2020. She has also been a member of the BRI's Negotiating Committee during its Labor Contract Negotiations with Local 32-BJ Service Employees International Union (SEIU).

"I want to help put the BRI on the map. My goal is to bring more transparency and give the organization a greater voice," DeRosa said. "Whenever an issue occurs in the building and realty industries, I want the BRI to be the ultimate source in the Hudson Valley. We have so many useful resources and an abundance of knowledge. Many of our members have issues that need and deserve to be highlighted and addressed by the media and legislators. I want to amplify our members' voices and give the BRI a larger spotlight."

"Lisa's story is the story of the BRI. She knows firsthand what it really looks like for a small business and family-run businesses to build and operate multifamily apartment buildings in Westchester. She knows exactly what it means to keep them afloat in good times and bad, and how to maintain safe, secure, and affordable homes that working families in White Plains depend on," said Tim Foley, Executive Director and Executive Vice President of the BRI.

DeRosa's journey in the building and realty industry actually began when she was 13 years old. "I was in the 8th grade, and we were learning about addressing an envelope. I noticed the return address was one of the buildings my father had built and went up to my teacher after class and informed her. She said she 'would only live in a DeRosa building,' so I mentioned that he was building townhouses in the next town over."

"Sometime later, my father came home and handed me \$250, which was a substantial amount of money in the early 80's. When I asked him why he gave it to me, he said that my teacher went into contract on a unit and that when she closed, I would receive the other \$250. My real estate career was born right there, and my teacher bought a house on a street that was named after me, 'Lisa Court.'"

Her late father, John DeRosa, served as President of the BRI in the 1960's and was a longtime member of the organization's Board of Trustees. Her late mother, Margit DeRosa, was a President and longtime member of the BRI's Women's Council. "My father always told me, 'A busy man is never too busy,'" DeRosa said. "To me, that means that there's always time to listen. Listen to everybody, and then make your own decision. But listen first."

DeRosa knows that as the first female President in the BRI's history, she'll bring to the table what no one else has done before. "We always hear the term 'glass ceiling' when it comes to women. That we shouldn't aim too high because we're living in a male-dominated industry. But women bring a lot of different perspectives that are completely different from men's. And I think it's extremely important to have equal representation on all fronts to truly represent the society that we live in."

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Assemblyman Sayegh: Proposed \$102 Million Con Ed Fine a Good Start, But More to Come



Assemblyman Nader Sayegh

Yonkers State Assemblyman Nader Sayegh supports the New York Public Service Commission staff recommendation that Con Ed be fined \$102.3 Million for its inadequate response to outages in the wake of Tropical Storm Isaias but says more needs to be done. Sayegh has introduced a package of bills designed to force improvements in Con Ed's storm outage response, as well as the storm outrage responses of Verizon and Altice.

"With climate change, Tropical Storms like Isaias and nor'easters like the one that hit Westchester December 16 are becoming more frequent, so New York must make sure the utility companies and the New York State Public Service Commission (PSC), which regulates utilities, improve how they respond to storm related outages," said State Assemblyman Nader Sayegh (D-Yonkers). "Despite legislative hearings, State investigations and public outcry, the utilities have clearly not improved their storm response efforts. Therefore, I have introduced a package of bills to force change."

Sponsored in the State Senate by Long Island Senator Anna M. Kaplan (D-7th Senate District), the legislation requires utilities to include communication planning in storm response plans, would allow residents to officially notify Con Ed about downed wires triggering a 36 hour response time, and requires customer discounts for extended cable, phone and internet outages. The package of bills follows:

A11015/S8929 Requires the emergency response plan of an electric corporation to include plans for how the communication and coordination of efforts shall occur

A11016/S8997 Relates to emergency response plans relating to downed wires

A11017/S8895 Requires electric companies to provide alternate measures to ensure customers with documented need for essential electricity of medical needs have access to electricity during power outages

A11018/S8892 Requires electric utilities to prioritize restoring service to police departments, fire departments and ambulance services when such services are interrupted

A11020/S8896 Provides a discount to consumers of certain utilities for failure to provide contracted services

A10988/S8893 Requires cell towers to be equipped with a back-up power source in case of a power outage

Assemblyman Sayegh is also submitting written testimony to the State Public Service Commission in support of the PSC staff recommendation that Con Edison be fined for its inadequate response to Tropical Storm Isaias last August. The PSC is accepting comments from Westchester residents on the proposed \$102.3 million dollar fine. The storm brought heavy rain and wind gusts up to 70 miles per hour. Electric, phone, cable and internet outages followed. In the wake of the storm, Con Ed reported 93,281 customers without power in Westchester.

Racing is Back at Empire City Casino by MGM Resorts

Empire City Casino by MGM Resorts announces its 2021 Racing Program for Yonkers Raceway with Opening Day scheduled for Monday, January 11, 2021, pending approval by the New York State Gaming Commission. The 234 race day calendar includes a stakes schedule featuring the return of the MGM Borgata Pacing Series, Blue Chip Matchmaker Series, and two Triple Crown events, the MGM Yonkers Trot and MGM Grand Messenger Stakes, all of which were canceled last year as a result of the pandemic.

The race calendar will shift to a five consecutive weekday schedule offering live harness racing Monday through Friday, as Yonkers moves the Saturday race card to Wednesday. Nightly post time is 7:15pm.

Racing fans will enjoy wagering changes as well. Yonkers Raceway will reduce the takeout rate on Pick 4 and Pick 5 races from twenty-five percent to twenty percent to the benefit of bettors. A one dollar Pick 6 wager is also being added.

"We are pleased to be able to lower the takeout rate on these popular multi-race wagers to the lowest levels allowed by the state," said Alex Dadoyan, director of racing at Yonkers Raceway.

State regulations continue to require races to be run without fans in attendance, with only essential personnel and owners permitted on the track and required to adhere to strict health and safety protocols.

Races are simulcast and available for viewing and wagering online at www.EmpireCityBets.com. Racing fans can create a free account and view live racing at Yonkers Raceway and tracks across the country.

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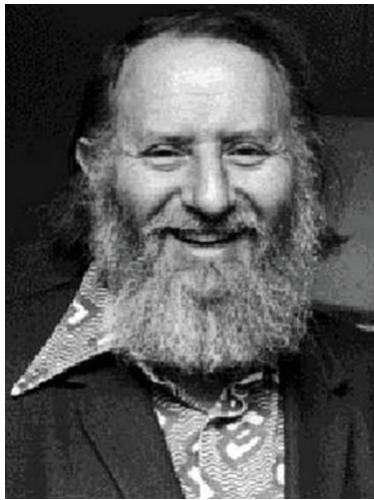


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Author Avram Davidson: A Yonkers Treasure



Avram Davidson

By Dan Murphy

Would you be surprised if I told you that one of the greatest authors of the 20th century grew up in Yonkers? Many Yonkers historians did not know, nor had heard of Avram Davidson, but his story needs to be told.

Avram Davidson (1923-1993) was author of nineteen published novels and more than two hundred short stories and essays collected in more than a dozen books. He won the Hugo Award in science fiction, the Queen's Award and Edgar Award in the mystery genre, and the World Fantasy Award (three times).

His writings have been described as "defying genre stereotypes and are filled with wit, wonder and the bizarre."

His major works are the novels and stories of Vergil Magus, set in an alternate ancient Rome, including *The Scarlet Fig*; the adventures of the learned Dr. Eszterhazy in a mythic southeastern European empire; and the Jack Limekiller stories set in British Hidalgo.

Davidson has been compared to short story writers such as Saki or John Collier or Isaac B. Singer (and many others), but he was truly a unique writer. The Avram Davidson Treasury and *The Other Nineteenth Century*, published by Tor Books, collect many of his best stories and will reward new readers and long-time fans alike.

The Encyclopedia of Science Fiction calls him, "perhaps SF's most explicitly literary author". Famous American Author Ray Bradbury wrote about Davidson's writings, "this is what story writing once was, and can be again, if we leave it in such capable hands." Actor Paul Giamatti and Stephen Colbert spoke about their love for Davidson's books.

After his death, a collection of his mystery stories were printed as *The Investigations of Avram Davidson*. Another collection of his true crime stories came with the publication of *Crimes and Chaos*, which share a historical setting and are intricately plotted.

During prohibition, Avram was a young, seven-year-old boy in Yonkers when DPW workers and police found a mile-long hose filled with beer running under the streets of the City. One of the stories in his book *Crimes and Chaos* is a story titled, *Beer Like Water*, which tells the story of this same incident, which Yonkers Rising has been writing about for years.

A member of Davidson's family reached out to us and shared the short story, which includes new information about the coverup and the people involved. I loved *Beer Like Water*, and have been given permission to share it with our readers in a future Yonkers Rising, and online at YonkersTimes.com

As for Avram Davidson, we encourage all book lovers in Yonkers to look into him and buy his books on Amazon or Ebay. Like the beer that flowed under Yonkers when he was a boy, Avram Davidson is a hidden Yonkers treasure. Avram might just be the next Van Gogh tragically, not knowing the acclaim he would receive until after his death. His books are a must read!

We will contact the Yonkers City Council, and the Mayor's office to ask that they recognize Avram Davidson and his family for his contribution to American storytelling and to ask that a resolution and proclamation be made to appreciate his Yonkers connection. Perhaps we can find where he lived in Yonkers and rename that street after him.

And our search for the truth about what happened in Yonkers during prohibition and the beer hoses under the streets continues. Keep reading us to learn more, or email your information to dmurphy@risingmediagroup.com.

Fuller Center, MLK Build a Thon, continued from pg 1-

IBM has sent a crew of volunteers for many years and continues to do so. Local churches and synagogues of all denominations have come to help Killoran build a house. "If you asked me last March, I wasn't sure that we could survive, but we made it and we continue to do some good, with the help of the people of Westchester, local corporations and generous donors.

We think the pandemic has given us a chance to think about what the important things in life are. We are still doing gods greater blessings by building houses.

Killoran also steps forward to help homeowners, usually seniors who have lived in Westchester for generations, to help repair their homes so that they don't have to move out. A recent letter from the Town of Lewisboror, thanking The Fuller Center for their work rehabbing a seniors house.

"This pandemic has upended all of our lives. Most of us are stuck at home. We give you a chance to get out, volunteer, and get away from home for a while and do some good. COVID is here with us but the need for affordable homes in Westchester continues to grow. We want our young people also to be able to stay here and not have to move to Texas."

"We have been holding our MLK Build a Thon for 20 years, to honor his life and his dream. Our dream comes when we can build a home for someone and watch them sign that mortgage. We have a dream that everyone can have a decent home. We will be doing it all week and come one and all. The more the merrier," said Killoran.

This year's Build a Thon will honor Keith Yizar, a longtime Mamaroneck resident who was a fixture in the community and a model citizen for decades. Every month, The Fuller Center will honor a volunteer who helped bring home ownership to others. John Gallagher helped build 8 homes in Ossining and was the first monthly honoree.

The beauty of Jim Killoran and The Fuller Center for Housing, named after Millard and Linda Fuller who used their wealth to start building housing for others in 50 years ago, and were friends with former President Jimmy Carter, is that he is always building, or looking for a place to build his next affordable home, or asking for your help.

"Our motto this year is Blessed and Fun in 2021! Come out and socially distance build. We already have the Inter Relig Council, Iona College, Monroe College, the Church of Latter-day Saints, Mamaroneck high school, and Temple Israel have signed up to help us in what kicks off our year to celebrate all faiths, colors, and ethnicities in the "Theology of the Hammer." For more information visit <https://www.fullercenterny.org/> or call 914-636-8335.

Was Anyone from Westchester Part of the Raid on the Capitol?



SEEKING INFORMATION

VIOLENCE AT THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL

WASHINGTON, D.C.
JANUARY 6, 2021



The FBI is seeking information that will assist in identifying individuals who are actively instigating violence in Washington, D.C. The FBI is accepting tips and digital media depicting rioting and violence in the U.S. Capitol building and surrounding area in Washington, D.C., on January 6, 2021.

We have deployed our full investigative resources and are working closely with our federal, state, and local partners to aggressively pursue those involved in criminal activity during the events of January 6. If you have witnessed unlawful violent actions, or have any information about the cases below, we urge you to submit any information, photos, or videos that could be relevant at fbi.gov/USCapitol. You may also call 1-800-CALL-FBI (1-800-225-5324) to verbally report tips and/or information related to this investigation. If you do not have an attachment but have information to provide, please submit it at tips.fbi.gov.

FBI Director Asher Wray said, "The violence and destruction of property at the U.S. Capitol building yesterday showed a blatant and appalling disregard for our institutions of government and the orderly administration of the democratic process. As we've said consistently, we do not tolerate violent agitators and extremists who use the guise of First Amendment-protected activity to incite violence and wreak havoc. Such behavior betrays the values of our democracy. Make no mistake: With our partners, we will hold accountable those who participated in yesterday's siege of the Capitol."

"Let me assure the American people the FBI has deployed our full investigative resources and is working closely with our federal, state, and local partners to aggressively pursue those involved in criminal activity during the events of January 6. Our agents and analysts have been hard at work through the night gathering evidence, sharing intelligence, and working with federal prosecutors to bring charges. Members of the public can help by providing tips, information, and videos of illegal activity at fbi.gov/USCapitol. We are determined to find those responsible and ensure justice is served."

Vaccine update, continued from pg 1-

- Specialty medical practices of all types
- Dentists and Orthodontists and their staff
- Psychiatrists and Psychologists and their staff
- Physical Therapists and their staff
- Optometrists and their staff
- Pharmacists and Pharmacy Aides
- Home care workers
- Hospice workers
- Staff of nursing homes/skilled nursing facilities who didn't receive vaccination through Pharmacy Partnership/ Long-Term Care Program

Beginning at 4 p.m. on Monday, January 11, the State COVID-19 Vaccination Hotline will open for scheduling vaccination appointments for eligible New Yorkers: 1-833-NYS-4-VAX (1-833-697-4829).

Prior to receiving the vaccination, you must complete the New York State COVID-19 Vaccine Form. This form can be completed online at <https://forms.ny.gov/s3/vaccine> you will receive a submission ID.

For more information about eligibility, phased distribution and more, visit <https://covid19vaccine.health.ny.gov/what-you-need-know>.

I know you want answers quickly, and I know you want the vaccine. I am working as hard as I can to get you both. Please be on the lookout for future emails from me with more information." end of letter.

Democratic State Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins, from Westchester, told reporters in Albany on Monday, Jan. 11, "The vaccine rollout, as we know it, has been extremely disappointing."

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Notice of formation of Poy Energy Solutions, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/30/2020. 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, 15 Roanoke St. 1st Floor, Yonkers, NY 10710. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Formation of 11 Lincoln Avenue LLC filed with the Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/22/2020. Office loc.: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 1354 Seneca Ave., Bronx, NY 10474. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of formation of EVERYDIMECOUNTLLC. filed with the SSNY on 10/23/2020. 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. 442 North Avenue New Rochelle Ny 10801. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of HOMEMADE BY FK LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 9/15/2020. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Homemade By FK, 35 Pamela Rd, Cortlandt Manor, New York 10567. Purpose: any lawful act or activity

Notice of Formation of SHLP 140 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 10/19/2020. Office location: Westchester County. NY Sec. of State designated agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served, and shall mail process to the LLC, c/o Westrock Development LLC, 440 Mamaroneck Ave, Ste N-503, Harrison, NY 10528, the principal business location. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of formation of Studio 160, LLC. filed with the SSNY on 10/13/2020. 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, 160 West 3rd Street, Mount Vernon, NY, 10550. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of Modern Day Luxe LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with the SSNY on 9/3/20. Office: Westchester County. United States Corporation Agents Inc. designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to United States Corporation Agents Inc. at 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202 Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION of LE TRIBOULET, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/24/2020. Location: Westchester. SSNY designated as agent for service of process on LLC. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: 76 Morningside, Apt 2S, Yonkers, NY 10703. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of Everglow Consulting LLC. Arts of Org. Filed with the SSNY on 12/8/2020. Office Westchester County. SSNY designed as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC: 300 Gramatan Avenue Apt G81 Mount Vernon, N.Y 10552. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of SAN PROPERTY HOLDING, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/28/2020. 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, 28 HIGHLAND AVE, EASTCHESTER, NY 10709. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Brazilian Bistro LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 7/22/2020. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 491 Ellendale Ave Port Chester, NY 10573. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of Rella Electric, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/1/2020. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Christian Farella at 186 Stone Ave., Yonkers, NY, 10701 Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of formation of Ayo Holistic Care, LLC. Filed with SSNY 7/22/2020. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, P.O. Box 1201, New Rochelle, NY 10802. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of Simple Wishes LLC. Filed with the SSNY on 01/05/2021. Office Westchester County. SSNY designed as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC: 300 Gramatan Avenue Apt G81 Mount Vernon, N.Y 10552. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of Panza NY LLC filed with the SSNY on 10/13/2020. 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, 640 Van Cortlandt Pk Ave Yonkers, NY 10705. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of One Step At A Time Organizing, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/19/2020. 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, 1116 Warburton Ave., Apt. 2Q, Yonkers, NY 10701 Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

SUMMARY BOND RESOLUTION, DATED DECEMBER 7, 2020, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$346,800 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT SERIAL BONDS OF THE VILLAGE OF TUCKAHOE, COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, STATE OF NEW YORK, PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL FINANCE LAW, TO FINANCE THE COSTS OF THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE VILLAGE BUILDINGS.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe (the "Village"), located in the County of Westchester, in the State of New York (the "State"), hereby determines that it is in the public interest of the Village to authorize the financing of the costs of the acquisition, construction and reconstruction of improvements to the Village buildings, including any applicable equipment, machinery, apparatus, land or rights-in-land necessary therefor and any preliminary and incidental costs related thereto, at a total cost not to exceed \$346,800, all in accordance with the Local Finance Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe, County of Westchester, State of New York, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby authorized to be issued serial bonds of the Village in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$346,800, pursuant to the Local Finance Law, in order to finance the acquisition, construction and reconstruction of improvements to the Village buildings, including any applicable equipment, machinery, apparatus, land and rights-in-land necessary therefor and any preliminary and incidental costs related thereto (the "Project").

Section 2. It is hereby determined that the Project is a specific object or purpose, or of a class of object or purpose, described in subdivision 12(a) (1) of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law and that the period of probable usefulness of the Project is twenty-five (25) years (such building being of "Class A" construction as that term is defined in Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law). The serial bonds authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein shall have a maximum maturity of twenty-five (25) years computed from the earlier of (a) the date of the first issue of such serial bonds or (b) the date of the first issue of bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such serial bonds.

Section 3. The Board of Trustees of the Village has ascertained and hereby states that (a) the estimated maximum cost of the Project is \$346,800; (b) except as set forth in the Village's financial records, no money has heretofore been authorized to be applied to the payment of the costs of the Project; (c) the Board of Trustees of the Village plans to finance the costs of the Project from (i) the proceeds of the serial bonds authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein, or from the proceeds of bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of such serial bonds; (d) the maturity of the obligations authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein may be in excess of five (5) years; and (e) on or before the expenditure of moneys to pay for any costs of the Project for which proceeds of such obligations are to be applied to reimburse the Village, the Board of Trustees of the Village took "official action" for federal income tax purposes to authorize capital financing of such item.

Section 4. Each of the serial bonds authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such serial bonds shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law. The faith and credit of the Village is hereby and shall be irrevocably pledged for the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on all obligations authorized and issued pursuant to the bond resolution summarized herein as the same shall become due.

Section 5. A complete copy of the bond resolution summarized herein is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Office of the Village Clerk, 65 Main Street, Tuckahoe, New York 10707 and at www.tuckahoe.com for a period of twenty days from the date of this publication.

VILLAGE OF TUCKAHOE
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK

ESTOPPEL NOTICE

The bond resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe, located in the County of Westchester, State of New York (the "Village") on December 7, 2020. The effectiveness of the bond resolution was subject to a permissive referendum and notice thereof was given as prescribed by law. The period of time prescribed by law has elapsed for submission and filing of a petition for a permissive referendum and a valid petition has not been submitted and filed. The validity of the obligations authorized by such bond resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose, or class of object or purpose, for which the Village is not authorized to expend money, or if the provisions of law which should be complied with as of the date of the publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of publication of this notice, or if such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution of the State of New York.

Date: January 15, 2021

/s/ Camille DiSalvo

CAMILLE DISALVO

Village Clerk. Village of Tuckahoe, New York

SUPPORT CONNECTION EVENT TO KICK OFF CELEBRATION OF 25 YEARS OF SERVICE

On Sunday, January 24, from 2 – 3 pm (NY time) Support Connection will hold "Beat the Winter Blues," a virtual event via ZOOM. There will be live music by the Barr Band, with Lori and Mike Barr playing favorites from the 60's, 70's and 80's. The highlight of the event will be a special unveiling of Support Connection's 25th Anniversary logo.

In 2021, Support Connection marks 25 years of providing help and hope to people dealing with breast and ovarian cancer. This fun event is being held to kick off a year-long celebration. Registration is free, with a suggested donation of \$15. Space is limited so register early at this link: <https://2021beatthewinterblues.bpt.me>. Or contact Melissa: coordinator@supportconnection.org, 914-962-6402.

Support Connection opened their doors on September 10, 1996. In the years since then, thousands of people coping with breast and ovarian cancer have been helped by Support Connection's free support services and programs.

Support Connection's founding Executive Director Katherine Quinn says "We are excited and proud to be able to celebrate this important milestone. We have been able to fulfill our vital mission for the past 25 years because of the community-wide support we have been fortunate to receive. We are so grateful, and we are happy to invite community members to join us for the first of many events we are planning for this momentous year."

The 25th Anniversary logo that will be unveiled was designed especially for Support Connection by Kelly Duke McKinley, Partner & Creative Director of pak creative, an award-winning brand, marketing, and communication team. Kelly previously created other logos and graphics for Support Connection, beautifully representing the organization's spirit, mission and impact.

Information and referral services; A toll-free cancer information and support hotline (800-532-4290.) To learn more, visit www.supportconnection.org or call 914- 962-6402.

SUMMARY BOND RESOLUTION, DATED DECEMBER 7, 2020, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$163,200 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT SERIAL BONDS OF THE VILLAGE OF TUCKAHOE, COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, STATE OF NEW YORK, PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL FINANCE LAW, TO FINANCE THE COSTS OF THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF VILLAGE SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe (the "Village"), located in the County of Westchester, in the State of New York (the "State"), hereby determines that it is in the public interest of the Village to authorize the financing of the costs of the acquisition, construction and reconstruction of Village sewer systems improvements, including any applicable equipment, machinery, apparatus, land or rights-in-land necessary therefor and any preliminary and incidental costs related thereto, at a total cost not to exceed \$163,200, all in accordance with the Local Finance Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe, County of Westchester, State of New York, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby authorized to be issued serial bonds of the Village in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$163,200, pursuant to the Local Finance Law, in order to finance the acquisition, construction and reconstruction of Village sewer system improvements, including any applicable equipment, machinery, apparatus, land and rights-in-land necessary therefor and any preliminary and incidental costs related thereto (the "Project").

Section 2. It is hereby determined that the Project is a specific object or purpose, or of a class of object or purpose, described in subdivision 3 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law and that the period of probable usefulness of the Project is thirty (30) years. The serial bonds authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein shall have a maximum maturity of thirty (30) years computed from the earlier of (a) the date of the first issue of such serial bonds or (b) the date of the first issue of bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such serial bonds.

Section 3. The Board of Trustees of the Village has ascertained and hereby states that (a) the estimated maximum cost of the Project is \$163,200; (b) except as set forth in the Village's financial records, no money has heretofore been authorized to be applied to the payment of the costs of the Project; (c) the Board of Trustees of the Village plans to finance the costs of the Project from (i) the proceeds of the serial bonds authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein, or from the proceeds of bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of such serial bonds; (d) the maturity of the obligations authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein may be in excess of five (5) years; and (e) on or before the expenditure of moneys to pay for any costs of the Project for which proceeds of such obligations are to be applied to reimburse the Village, the Board of Trustees of the Village took "official action" for federal income tax purposes to authorize capital financing of such item.

Section 4. Each of the serial bonds authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such serial bonds shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law. The faith and credit of the Village is hereby and shall be irrevocably pledged for the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on all obligations authorized and issued pursuant to the bond resolution summarized herein as the same shall become due.

Section 5. A complete copy of the bond resolution summarized herein is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Office of the Village Clerk, 65 Main Street, Tuckahoe, New York 10707 and at www.tuckahoe.com for a period of twenty days from the date of this publication.

VILLAGE OF TUCKAHOE
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK

ESTOPPEL NOTICE

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Date: January 15, 2021

/s/ Camille DiSalvo
CAMILLE DISALVO, Village Clerk
Village of Tuckahoe, New York

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SUMMARY BOND RESOLUTION, DATED DECEMBER 7, 2020, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$637,500 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT SERIAL BONDS OF THE VILLAGE OF TUCKAHOE, COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, STATE OF NEW YORK, PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL FINANCE LAW, TO FINANCE THE COSTS OF (I) THE ACQUISITION OF COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT, (II) THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALKS, AND (III) THE CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS, ALL IN AND FOR THE VILLAGE.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe (the "Village"), located in the County of Westchester, in the State of New York (the "State"), hereby determines that it is in the public interest of the Village to authorize the financing of the costs of (i) the acquisition of communications equipment (\$306,000), (ii) the acquisition, construction and reconstruction of sidewalks (\$102,000), and (iii) the construction and reconstruction of various building improvements (\$229,500), all in and for the Village, including any applicable equipment, machinery, apparatus, land or rights-in-land necessary therefor and any preliminary and incidental costs related thereto, at a total cost not to exceed \$637,500, all in accordance with the Local Finance Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe, County of Westchester, State of New York, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby authorized to be issued serial bonds of the Village in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$637,500, pursuant to the Local Finance Law, in order to finance costs of the specific objects or purposes hereinafter described.

Section 2. The specific objects or purposes, or class of objects or purposes, to be financed pursuant to the bond resolution summarized herein (collectively, the "Project"), the respective estimated maximum cost of such specific object or purpose, or class of object or purpose, the principal amount of serial bonds authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein for such specific object or purpose, or class of object or purpose, and the period of probable usefulness of such specific object or purpose, or class of object or purpose, thereof pursuant to the applicable subdivision of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance law, are as follows:

(a) The acquisition of communications equipment, including any preliminary and incidental costs related thereto, at an estimated maximum cost of \$306,000 for which \$306,000 principal amount of serial bonds, or bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of such serial bonds, are authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein and appropriated therefore, having a period of probable usefulness of ten (10) years pursuant to subdivision 25 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law. Such serial bonds shall have a maximum maturity of ten (10) years computed from the earlier of (a) the date of the first issue of such serial bonds or (b) the date of the first issue of bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such serial bonds; and

(b) The acquisition, construction and reconstruction of sidewalks, including any applicable equipment, machinery, apparatus, land or rights-in-land necessary therefor and any preliminary and incidental costs related thereto, at an estimated maximum cost of \$102,000, for which \$102,000 principal amount of serial bonds, or bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of such serial bonds, are authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein and appropriated therefore, having a period of probable usefulness of ten (10) years pursuant to subdivision 24 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law. Such serial bonds shall have a maximum maturity of ten (10) years computed from the earlier of (a) the date of the first issue of such serial bonds or (b) the date of the first issue of bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such serial bonds; and

(c) The construction and reconstruction of various building improvements, including any applicable equipment, machinery, apparatus, land or rights-in-land necessary therefor and any preliminary and incidental costs related thereto, at an estimated maximum cost of \$229,500, for which \$229,500 principal amount of serial bonds, or bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of such serial bonds, are authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein and appropriated therefore, having a period of probable usefulness of ten (10) years pursuant to subdivision 13 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law (such buildings being of "Class A" construction as defined in Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law. Such serial bonds shall have a maximum maturity of ten (10) years computed from the earlier of (a) the date of the first issue of such serial bonds or (b) the date of the first issue of bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such serial bonds.

Section 3. The Board of Trustees of the Village has ascertained and hereby states that (a) the estimated maximum cost of the Project is \$637,500; (b) except as set forth in the Village's financial records, no money has heretofore been authorized to be applied to the payment of the costs of the Project; (c) the Board of Trustees of the Village plans to finance the costs of the Project from the proceeds of the serial bonds authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein, or from the proceeds of bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of such serial bonds; (d) the maturity of the obligations authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein may be in excess of five (5) years; and (e) on or before the expenditure of moneys to pay for any costs of the Project for which proceeds of such obligations are to be applied to reimburse the Village, the Board of Trustees of the Village took "official action" for federal income tax purposes to authorize capital financing of such item.

Section 4. Each of the serial bonds authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such serial bonds shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law. The faith and credit of the Village is hereby and shall be irrevocably pledged for the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on all obligations authorized and issued pursuant to the bond resolution summarized herein as the same shall become due.

Section 5. A complete copy of the bond resolution summarized herein is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Office of the Village Clerk, 65 Main Street, Tuckahoe, New York 10707 and at www.tuckahoe.com for a period of twenty days from the date of this publication.

VILLAGE OF TUCKAHOE
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK

ESTOPPEL NOTICE

The bond resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe, located in the County of Westchester, State of New York (the "Village") on December 7, 2020. The effectiveness of the bond resolution was subject to a permissive referendum and notice thereof was given as prescribed by law. The period of time prescribed by law has elapsed for submission and filing of a petition for a permissive referendum and a valid petition has not been submitted and filed. The validity of the obligations authorized by such bond resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose, or class of object or purpose, for which the Village is not authorized to expend money, or if the provisions of law which should be complied with as of the date of the publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of publication of this notice, or if such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution of the State of New York.

Date: January 15, 2021

/s/ Camille DiSalvo
CAMILLE DISALVO
Village Clerk, Village of Tuckahoe, New York

SUMMARY BOND RESOLUTION, DATED DECEMBER 7, 2020, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$953,700 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT SERIAL BONDS OF THE VILLAGE OF TUCKAHOE, COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, STATE OF NEW YORK, PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL FINANCE LAW, TO FINANCE THE COSTS OF (I) THE ACQUISITION OF MACHINERY AND APPARATUS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE, (II) THE CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO VILLAGE STREETS, AND (III) THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF PARK IMPROVEMENTS, ALL IN AND FOR THE VILLAGE.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe (the "Village"), located in the County of Westchester, in the State of New York (the "State"), hereby determines that it is in the public interest of the Village to authorize the financing of the costs of (i) the acquisition of machinery and apparatus for construction and maintenance (\$102,000), (ii) the construction and reconstruction of improvements to Village streets (\$627,300), and (iii) the acquisition, construction and reconstruction of park improvements (\$224,400), all in and for the Village, including any applicable equipment, machinery, apparatus, land or rights-in-land necessary therefor and any preliminary and incidental costs related thereto, at a total cost not to exceed \$953,700, all in accordance with the Local Finance Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe, County of Westchester, State of New York, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby authorized to be issued serial bonds of the Village in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$953,700, pursuant to the Local Finance Law, in order to finance costs of the specific objects or purposes hereinafter described.

Section 2. The specific objects or purposes, or class of objects or purposes, to be financed pursuant to the bond resolution summarized herein (collectively, the "Project"), the respective estimated maximum cost of such specific object or purpose, or class of object or purpose, the principal amount of serial bonds authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein for such specific object or purpose, or class of object or purpose, and the period of probable usefulness of such specific object or purpose, or class of object or purpose, thereof pursuant to the applicable subdivision of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance law, are as follows:

(a) The acquisition of machinery and apparatus for construction and maintenance, including any preliminary and incidental costs related thereto, at an estimated maximum cost of \$102,000, for which \$102,000 principal amount of serial bonds, or bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of such serial bonds, are authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein and appropriated therefore, having a period of probable usefulness of fifteen (15) years pursuant to subdivision 28 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law. Such serial bonds shall have a maximum maturity of fifteen (15) years computed from the earlier of (a) the date of the first issue of such serial bonds or (b) the date of the first issue of bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such serial bonds; and

(b) The construction and reconstruction of improvements to Village streets, including any applicable equipment, machinery, apparatus, land or rights-in-land necessary therefor and any preliminary and incidental costs related thereto, at an estimated maximum cost of \$627,300, for which \$627,300 principal amount of serial bonds, or bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of such serial bonds, are authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein and appropriated therefore, having a period of probable usefulness of fifteen (15) years pursuant to subdivision 20(c) of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law. Such serial bonds shall have a maximum maturity of fifteen (15) years computed from the earlier of (a) the date of the first issue of such serial bonds or (b) the date of the first issue of bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such serial bonds; and

(c) The acquisition, construction and reconstruction of park improvements, including any applicable equipment, machinery, apparatus, land or rights-in-land necessary therefor and any preliminary and incidental costs related thereto, at an estimated maximum cost of \$224,400, for which \$224,400 principal amount of serial bonds, or bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of such serial bonds, are authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein and appropriated therefore, having a period of probable usefulness of fifteen (15) years pursuant to subdivision 19(c) of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law. Such serial bonds shall have a maximum maturity of fifteen (15) years computed from the earlier of (a) the date of the first issue of such serial bonds or (b) the date of the first issue of bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such serial bonds.

Section 3. The Board of Trustees of the Village has ascertained and hereby states that (a) the estimated maximum cost of the Project is \$953,700; (b) except as set forth in the Village's financial records, no money has heretofore been authorized to be applied to the payment of the costs of the Project; (c) the Board of Trustees of the Village plans to finance the costs of the Project from the proceeds of the serial bonds authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein, or from the proceeds of bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of such serial bonds; (d) the maturity of the obligations authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein may be in excess of five (5) years; (e) on or before the expenditure of moneys to pay for any costs of the Project for which proceeds of such obligations are to be applied to reimburse the Village, the Board of Trustees of the Village took "official action" for federal income tax purposes to authorize capital financing of such item.

Section 4. Each of the serial bonds authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such serial bonds shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law. The faith and credit of the Village is hereby and shall be irrevocably pledged for the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on all obligations authorized and issued pursuant to the bond resolution summarized herein as the same shall become due.

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Date: January 15, 2021

/s/ Camille DiSalvo
CAMILLE DISALVO
Village Clerk, Village of Tuckahoe, New York

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WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe (the "Village"), located in the County of Westchester, in the State of New York (the "State"), hereby determines that it is in the public interest of the Village to authorize the financing of the costs of the acquisition of traffic signals, including any preliminary and incidental costs related thereto, at a total cost not to exceed \$647,700, all in accordance with the Local Finance Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe, County of Westchester, State of New York, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby authorized to be issued serial bonds of the Village in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$647,700, pursuant to the Local Finance Law, in order to finance the acquisition of traffic signals, including any preliminary and incidental costs related thereto (the "Project").

Section 2. It is hereby determined that the Project is a specific object or purpose, or of a class of object or purpose, described in subdivision 72(a) of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law and that the period of probable usefulness of the Project is twenty (20) years. The serial bonds authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein shall have a maximum maturity of twenty (20) years computed from the earlier of (a) the date of the first issue of such serial bonds or (b) the date of the first issue of bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such serial bonds.

Section 3. The Board of Trustees of the Village has ascertained and hereby states that (a) the estimated maximum cost of the Project is \$647,700; (b) except as set forth in the Village's financial records, no money has heretofore been authorized to be applied to the payment of the costs of the Project; (c) the Board of Trustees of the Village plans to finance the costs of the Project from the proceeds of the serial bonds authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein, or from the proceeds of bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of such serial bonds; (d) the maturity of the obligations authorized by the bond resolution summarized herein may be in excess of five (5) years; and (e) on or before the expenditure of moneys to pay for any costs of the Project for which proceeds of such obligations are to be applied to reimburse the Village, the Board of Trustees of the Village took "official action" for federal income tax purposes to authorize capital financing of such item.

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/s/ Camille DiSalvo
CAMILLE DISALVO, Village Clerk
Village of Tuckahoe, New York

Void Ballots, continued from pg 3-

New Rochelle ED 36: 122 "Blank-Void" of 411 Cast (29.68%)
New Rochelle ED 37: 158 "Blank-Void" of 607 Cast (26.03%)
New Rochelle ED 38: 244 "Blank-Void" of 729 Cast (33.47%)
New Rochelle ED 39: 130 "Blank-Void" of 439 Cast (29.61%)
New Rochelle ED 40: 141 "Blank-Void" of 473 Cast (29.81%)

In addition to the five New Rochelle ED's above, six other ED's in Westchester had high and abnormal VOID ballots for President. They are:

Yonkers Ward 12 ED 10: 49 "Blank-Void" of 285 Cast (17.19%)
Greenburgh ED 28: 59 "Blank-Void" of 398 Cast (14.82%)
Harrison ED 5: 98 "Blank-Void" of 352 (27.84%)
Harrison ED 9: 111 "Blank-Void" of 714 (15.55%)
Mount Pleasant ED 43: 58 "Blank-Void" of 478 (12.13%)
Yorktown ED 26: 57 "Blank-Void" of 380 (15.00%)

"I still do not have any response to by two prior emails below, not even an acknowledgement of receipt or timeline for your responses to my questions regarding this very serious matter of your apparent under-counting and over-spending in the recent elections. I am now calling on you to produce the uncounted ballots for inspection. If they are mail-in ballots, I would also need to know whether the voters were contacted to be given the opportunity to cure any defect on their mail-in envelopes. In any event, please also provide me with the name and title of each BOE employee or contractor that handled the ballots for New Rochelle EDs 36 through 40, as well as the name and title of each of their supervisors," writes Maher.

No word yet from the Board of Elections on Maher's request for an explanation. Nobody, including Legislator Maher, is alleging any type of conspiracy to deny certain voters their Presidential ballots. "My theory was it had something to do with mail in ballots. And just by looking at the democratic vote in previous Presidential elections, the democrats did better this year with Biden in Westchester than with Hillary in 2016, but the vote totals were not as good in these districts."

"There is no fraud here and these votes are not going to overturn any election, but every voter wants their vote to count. We may treat this as the least important thing but actually its the most important thing, that every vote is counted. We deserve an answer, was it unexplained incompetence, computer error, or did somebody screw this up?"

Right now, any Westchester voter can go to the Board of Elections website and take a look at their election district to see how many votes were Blank-Void. But you cannot determine if your vote was a blank-void vote or if your vote was counted.

"Perhaps whoever was feeding the ballots into the counting machine in the 5 districts in New Rochelle was doing something wrong,(human error) or there was a problem with the machine. It's not about these ballots, its about the bigger picture and the election in the future where a few votes determine the outcome. I think people want their votes counted," said Maher.

In New Rochelle, a total of -795 out of 2659 (29,8%) voters may have been disenfranchised. In the 11 election districts in Westchester cited above, a total of 1227 voters out of 5266 may have been disenfranchised.

The other legitimate reason of concern for Legislator Maher and the voters in Westchester is that voting by absentee ballot may become the norm. This reporter and his family voted absentee, and we each had to request a ballot and then mail in our completed ballot. In New York State, this process makes it difficult to impossible for election fraud to occur. But if we are going to vote by absentee, then what happened with these Blank-Void votes must be explained and rectified.

Impeach Trump continued from pg 1-**Rep. Mondaire Jones, outside of his Capitol office in Washington DC**

duct, warrants impeachment and trial, removal from office, and disqualification to hold and enjoy any office of honor, trust, or profit under the United States.”

Jones was joined by four members of “The Squad” Representatives Ilhan Omar, Ayanna Pressley, Rashida Tlaib and Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, and by Congressman Jamaal Bowman, who represents the other 60% of Westchester County in 16th District, replacing Eliot Engel.

Support for Trump’s removal was evident in Hastings, as members of Concerned Families of Westchester held a “Trump Must Go Now! Impeach! 25th Amendment! Resign!” rally on January 9.

“We join millions of Americans in demanding that President Trump be removed from office immediately. We cannot wait until January 20th to be rid of him.

- In instigating Wednesday’s riots, he committed serious crimes, leading to the deaths of five people

- The events of Wednesday were the climax of his months-long efforts to subvert the results of the November election, a fundamental attack on the foundations of Constitutional government

- In the chain of events leading up to and including the mob attack on the Capitol, Trump demonstrated extreme personal instability and an inability to distinguish facts from lies

- Even though he has less than two weeks left in office, there are credible fears that he is potentially irrational enough to start a war or do irreparable damage to our nation’s well being.

The prosecution of those responsible for Wednesday’s crimes are important for other reasons as well:

- The storming of the Capitol was the culmination of four years of hateful actions by our country’s rightwing white supremacist movement. President Trump has assumed the leadership of this movement. In ending his power and rebuking his actions, we will show that the green light given to the white supremacist movement has now turned red

- The behavior of the Capital area’s security people on Wednesday – from Capitol police to Metro police to the Pentagon and the National Guard – dramatically demonstrated the unacceptable difference between the treatment of white rioters and peaceful protesters in the Black Lives Matter and climate movements. We need accountability

- The Republican legislators who supported the mob on Wednesday and who collaborated with President Trump in attempting to subvert the results of the presidential election must also be punished. There was nothing “in good faith” about what they did; they knowingly entered into a conspiracy to subvert the Constitutional process for the transfer of power. They have shown they are unfit to serve in government.

Establishing justice in this case – against President Trump, the rioting actors, and those who supported and enabled this assault on our Constitution – will not be easy, but it must be done. We can’t wait,” wrote Concerned Families of Westchester.

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locked in a room with Republican colleagues for their safety. She asked the Republicans to put on masks. They refused to do so. And several days later she came down with the coronavirus. The Republican Congressmen who wouldn’t put on masks should resign.

The head of the Capitol Police and the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives and Senate have resigned. I’m glad. It was their responsibility to be sure the members of Congress and the Senate were secure. They had resources available to them that they didn’t call upon until it was too late. Asleep at the switch. That’s that’s what they were.

When I saw people scaling the Capitol Building and breaking windows and doors to obtain access to offices I knew our nation was in trouble. These are the kinds of things we see in other countries around the world, never before seen on these shores.

What has me worried now is the Nuclear codes that the Clown in Charge at the White House has power to use until 12 Noon the day when President Biden is sworn in to office. It’s dangerous to think of what he can do in this short period of time.

Donald J. Trump is not only a danger to our country but he is a danger to the world. Impeachment? Why give the guy more press. Those that could invoke the 25th Amendment will not do it. My suggestion. Just let the guy’s term expire and we get rid of him. Then with a new President and a new Congress we can go on with the people’s business.

Inauguration Day is Wednesday, January 20. 12 Noon that day we will have a new President. Say a prayer for him. After the events of last week and actually the last 4 years let’s hope that Joe Biden will Make America Great Again!

Pray for our Country. Pray for Good Health and that the vaccine can be distributed quickly to say more lives. Pray that we can gather together some day in the not too distant future to celebrate my 500th Column.

Thank you for inviting me into your homes each week. I get great joy sharing my thoughts with you. If you like what I have to say tell a friend. If you don’t you know how to reach me!

A Final Thought: As we get ready to Celebrate Martin Luther King Day on Monday, remember that King visited Temple Emanu-El in Yonkers. My parents went. They thought I was too young to go. They didn’t bring my sister with them as they felt it was not safe for her to go.

Reverend King was escorted into and out of Yonkers by a Yonkers Police escort. He had to be taken in the side door of the Temple.

The Rabbi of Temple Emanu-El, Abraham J. Klausner marched with Reverend King. We remember Martin Luther King on this special day President Ronald Reagan signed into law to honor him. If you want to learn about a most interesting man, google Rabbi Abraham J. Klausner. He, too was an amazing man saving lives during World War II.

Reach Eric Schoen at thistoisonkers@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 and click the arrow to listen to the live stream or download the WVOX app from the App Store free of charge.

ArtsWestchester Seeks Art Made During Pandemic for Exhibition

ArtsWestchester has issued a call for submissions of artistic and creative projects made during the COVID-19 pandemic for a new curated exhibition that will open in the spring.

“At this time of great loss and physical distancing, many of us have turned to creative outlets to help us cope, to express our anguish, and to gain agency when we feel helpless. Painting, photography, sewing, crafting, singing, writing, and other everyday creative activities are helping us to reclaim a connection to our friends, families, and self,” said Janet Langsam, ArtsWestchester’s CEO. “We invite you to share your creativity with us—your homemade puppet theater, your ‘Covid cookbook,’ your family zoom concert—and tell your pandemic story. We are open to ALL of your creative ideas.”

The exhibition is expected to open in late April, with a parallel virtual presentation. However, depending on health guidelines and policies in place at the time, the exhibition may be solely virtual. The final exhibition title and opening date will be announced in February.

ArtsWestchester will consider submissions in the following categories: crafts, visual arts, performing arts, cultural/traditional practices, writing, fashion and other.

Artists must be residents of Westchester County or the Hudson Valley. Adults may submit up to three works in any category and minors are limited to one submission. The submission deadline is March 3, 11:59 p.m. Selected artists will be notified of submission status no later than March 15.

ArtsWestchester will offer two 7 p.m. workshops on January 19 and 26 to help artists and members of the public prepare submissions. Those who would like to view a recording of the sessions should email Logan Hanley, Gallery Manager lhlanley@artswestchester.org

All submissions must be digital through <https://artswestchester.submit-table.com/submit/181676/pandemic-creates-call-for-submissions>

Home Sales, continued from pg 1-

MARKETS AT A GLANCE :

WESTCHESTER COUNTY

Homes Sold: Up 13.6%--Median Sale Price: Up 12.4%

NYC Gateway (Mount Vernon, New Rochelle, Pelham and Yonkers)
Homes Sold: Up 10%-Median Sale Price: Up 16%

Lower Westchester (Bronxville, Eastchester, Edgemont, Scarsdale)
Homes Sold: Up 16%-Median Sale Price: Up 8%

Rivertowns

(Ardley, Dobbs Ferry, Hastings, Mount Pleasant, Pleasantville, Tarrytown, Briarcliff Manor, Elmsford, Irvington Ossining and Pocantico Hills)
Homes Sold: Up 13%-Median Sale Price: Up 7%

Greater White Plains (Greenburgh, Valhalla and White Plains)
Homes Sold: Up 1%-Median Sale Price: Up 2%

Sound Shore (Blind Brook, Harrison, Mamaroneck, Port Chester, Rye)
Homes Sold: Up 18%-Median Sale Price: Up 8%

Northern Westchester (Bedford, Byram Hills, Chappaqua, Katonah-Lewisboro, North Salem and Somers)
Homes Sold: Up 41%-Median Sale Price: Up 14%

Northwest Westchester (Croton-on-Hudson, Hendrick Hudson, Lakeland, Peekskill and Yorktown)
Homes Sold: Down 9%-Median Sale Price: Up 6%

PUTNAM COUNTY (Brewster, Carmel, Garrison, Haldane, Lakeland, Mahopac and Putnam Valley)
Homes Sold: Up 20%-Median Sale Price: Up 7%

DA Rocah, continued from pg 2-**Partnering with Law Enforcement for Greater Accountability**

“To our partners in law enforcement I say: We want the same thing. We want our communities to trust us. We want our badges to have respect. We want to be proud of our job and our colleagues,” Rocah stated at the inauguration event. “None of us can do our job effectively when people question our integrity. We will work with you to reduce crime and keep our communities safe in a way that will earn and keep the public’s trust.”

Wade Hardy will serve as Deputy Chief Criminal Investigator for Law Enforcement Accountability, Fairness and Transparency. Mr. Hardy is a former Lieutenant and Detective with the White Plains Police Department, where he worked passionately to build bridges between the department and the communities it served, and advanced initiatives to improve conditions in public housing, neighborhood associations and the central business district.

Improved Communications, More Transparency

DA Rocah also noted that the office will “hold ourselves accountable by making public data on racial disparities in arrests and case dispositions, as well as internal data on diversity within the office.”

Dan Weiller will serve as Director of Communications. Mr. Weiller is a former press secretary to the Speaker of the State Assembly and deputy press secretary to the State Comptroller, and also directed communications and media relations for the New York State Thruway Authority and Canal Corporation.

DA Rocah also commented on the recent attack by supporters of President Trump on the Capitol in Washington. “We all witnessed an attack on our democracy and our nation’s Capital. While many in law enforcement did their jobs with bravery and skill, there was an overall systemic failure that allowed a violent mob to breach into secured areas, destroy property and threaten the safety of elected officials,” Rocah said. “Any observer of yesterday’s events cannot help but wonder if the law enforcement response would have been the same had the perpetrators been people of color. It is an abuse of power if there are no consequences for those who clearly and repeatedly broke federal and state laws as they engaged in unlawful, destructive and violent acts.

“When we see what looks like unequal enforcement of the law, it destroys people’s faith in our criminal justice system and undermines the rule of law across the country,”

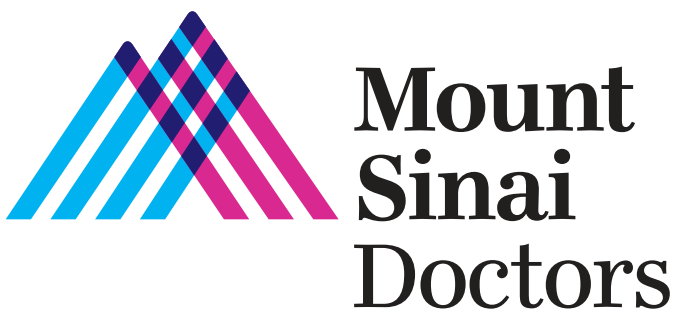
This violent attack against our nation cannot be allowed to happen again. We must take the lead on true accountability and demand consequences for all those who engaged in domestic terrorism, including those who aided and abetted them in the commission of their crimes.”

Rose Pedals, Judge Best continued from pg 2-

“I have never seen a coronation for a Yonkers City Court Judge and its inappropriate,” said another Yonkers democrat with ties to the court system. “It’s as if she is more important than those people who come before her. Should they bring a few rose pedals to her when their case is called?”

NYS Chief Court Judge Janet DiFiore is said to have been notified of this incident. Judge DiFiore has served on the bench in Westchester and in Albany, but without the Rose Pedals.

Notice of formation of Byrd Enterprises, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/21/20. 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, 249 Hoover Road, Yonkers NY. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.



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