

YMA Lady Eagles Hoops are 10-0!



YMA Lady Eagles Seniors Emilee Doherty, left, and Arsela Mustafaj

By Dan Murphy

The Yonkers Montessori Academy, YMA, Lady Eagles Girls Varsity basketball team continues its undefeated streak into 2026 and is now 10-0. We spoke to Coach Elle Moise about his team's success and his two star players, Emilee Doherty and Arsela Mustafaj.

One thing we have noticed about Coach Elle and his players is that they are prepared for every game and play as a team, with different players step-

ping up when needed. That is why they are undefeated and on their way to a special season.

The Eagles first took care of business in Yonkers by winning the City Championship for the fifth year in a row. Emilee Doherty has 15 points, Liliana Toro had 14 points, Grace Gleeson had 9 points, Anisa Mustafaj had 8, Je'Vaeh Thompson had 6, and Naomi De La Cruz had 5.

On Jan. 2, the Lady Eagles went up to the County Center in White Plains and,

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Major Renovations to Nepperhan Community Center Yonkers at No Cost to Taxpayers!



On Jan. 9, Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano announced transformative renovations will be made to the historic Nepperhan Community Center, on 342 Warburton Avenue, marking a major investment in a cornerstone of the City's west side and African American community.

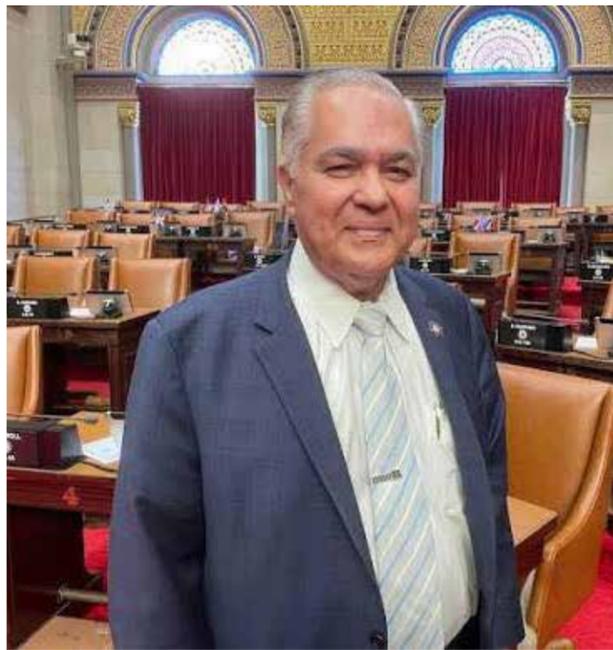
First founded in 1942 in the Runyon Heights neighborhood, one of the first predominantly Black suburban neighborhoods in the country, the Nepperhan Community Center has served families as a gathering place for education, celebration, and civic life. After operating in several locations, the center established its permanent home in 1982 at 342 Warburton Avenue, the site of a former A&P supermarket. The center was led in its early years by Mary Gaines, its first Executive Director, whose leadership helped shape The Nepp into a vital community anchor.

Today's announcement signals a new chapter. Through a multi-million-dollar Community Benefits Agreement, Azorim North America, developer of Miroza Tower at 44 Hudson Street and Miroza at Ridge Hill, has committed to rebuild and fully revitalize the Nepperhan Community Center.

"The Nepperhan Community Center represents history, resilience, and opportunity," said Mayor Mike Spano. "I am grateful to Azorim North America for offering a Community Benefits Agreement unlike any other, restoring a vital institution without costing taxpayers. This investment ensures the New Nepp will once again serve as a vibrant, welcoming space for families, seniors, and young people for generations to come."

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Assemblyman Nader Sayegh Will Not Seek Reelection: A Lifelong Advocate for Yonkers



New York State Assemblyman Nader Sayegh announced last week that he will not seek re-election, choosing instead to focus on local opportunities while completing a strong final legislative year representing the City of Yonkers.

Sayegh has served as an Assemblyman representing the City of Yonkers since November 2018, bringing a lifelong career in education and law to Albany as a steadfast advocate for Yonkers. Throughout his tenure, he has been a leading voice on education equity, most notably helping drive long-overdue changes to the State Educational Aid Formula and highlighting the longstanding funding challenges facing the Yonkers Public School District.

Among his many accomplishments, Sayegh along with his colleagues brought reforms to the State Education Funding Formula to the forefront, helped eliminate sales on the purchase of diapers, and consistently delivered historic levels of state funding to Yonkers. He has also directed more than \$12 million in discretionary funds to the district, supporting education, public safety, parks, healthcare, and local community civic and cultural initiatives.

Sayegh cited the recent implementation of a new outside income cap for

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Two Different Views on Minnesota ICE Shooting



From State Senator Shelley Mayer

"I am deeply disturbed and full of anger about the killing of Renee Nicole Good, an unarmed mother, by a United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agent in Minneapolis on January 7. This action, and President Trump's reckless defense of it, must be condemned in the strongest terms, and the agent and those in charge must be held accountable. The video is clear – Ms. Good was seeking to turn away from the officer as he opened fire.

"We have seen in case after case that President Trump and his administration have empowered unidentified, masked, unknown and untrained ICE agents to act as a domestic police force to instill fear in our communities, and to act outside the basics of the American system of laws. That must change. ICE must be publicly identifiable to the public, comply with our system of laws, and held accountable for their actions. Justice demands nothing less."

At a rally held outside the county courthouse in White Plains, Mayer said, "Spoke my mind after the killing of Renee Good – we cannot accept a militarized domestic police force threatening and abducting our neighbors and our communities. Good's death cannot be explained away no matter how they try. Hastings-on-Hudson, Mamaroneck, White Plains. Thank you to those willing to come out and speak out!"

Dean Politopoulos, retired Yonkers Police Officer and former candidate for Yonkers City Council President, said "If there is anything we learned in the last couple of years, it's that people of good conscience cannot stand aside while law breakers act with impunity; we must support the men and women who enforce our laws and place themselves in harm's way. This isn't just about a shooting event that remains to be investigated, rather the notion that it has somehow become ok and justified to challenge our local and federal officers and intervene in law enforcement operations. This is a failure of decades without civic education and weak leadership by so many elected officials. I stand with ICE and local, state, and federal law enforcement."

Why do we print both on the front page? Because both can be true, and both opinions should be considered and listened to, calmly and with respect.

Majority Leader Stewart-Cousins Begins 2026 Legislative Session with Package of Voting Reforms



State Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins

Set of bills would protect voters and poll workers in Westchester and across the state

Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins announced today that the State Senate is advancing a package of election reforms aimed at protecting voters, supporting election workers, and strengthening election integrity for communities across New York.

“Each legislative session, we begin by honoring the voters we represent and reaffirming our responsibility to protect the integrity of our elections. We know that voters deserve confidence that their rights will be protected every time they cast a ballot,” said Majority Leader Stewart-Cousins. “At a moment when confidence in elections is being tested across the country, New York is taking clear steps to protect voters and the democratic process.”

At the center of the package is legislation sponsored by Senator Stewart-Cousins that would prohibit deceptive practices and voter suppression and increase penalties for violations of the elective franchise. The bill targets deliberate efforts to mislead voters or interfere with their right to participate in elections.

“My legislation, and the full package of reforms, reinforces a simple principle: New Yorkers should be able to vote freely, safely, and without interference, and those who undermine that right will face consequences,” said Senator Stewart-Cousins.

The Senate’s election reform package responds to growing concerns about misinformation, intimidation, and interference, while improving election administration and access for voters and election workers. These measures are intended to strengthen public trust and ensure that elections remain fair, secure, and accessible in local communities throughout the state.

The package of reforms advanced by the Senate includes:

Crimes of Voter Deception and Suppression — Sponsored by Senate Majority Leader Stewart-Cousins, this bill prohibits deceptive practices and voter suppression and increases penalties for violations of the elective franchise.

The Democracy Preservation Act — would ban political spending by foreign-influenced business entities in New York’s state and local elections.

New York Election Officer Protection Act — prohibits the intimidation, obstruction, or unlawful dissemination of personal information of election officers.

Establishing Portable Polling Locations — authorizes county boards of elections to establish county-wide portable polling locations for early voting.

Registering to Vote at a Secondary Residence — would permit a voter to register to vote at a secondary residence with which they have a continuous connection, and at which they intend to remain. Voters would still only be able to register in one place, and maintain one place of registration.

Training for Board of Elections Commissioners — requires the State Board of Elections to implement a uniform training curriculum for election commissioners statewide.

Changing the New York State Presidential Primary Date — moves New York’s presidential primary to Super Tuesday, giving New Yorkers an earlier voice in the presidential nominating process.

On This Day in Yonkers History..



German theater director Erwin Piscator

By Mary Hoar, City of Yonkers Municipal Historian, President Emeritus Yonkers Historical Society, recipient of the Key to the City of Yonkers, 2004 Key to History, Yonkers Landmarks Preservation Board Member, Founder of Revolutionary Yonkers 250 and President Untermyer Performing Arts Council

Monday, January 19th

January 19, 1931: Three World War Veterans began “tours of duty” after Public Safety Commissioner Frank Devlin administered their Oaths of Office; they were assigned to special police work at school crossings in Northeast Yonkers. School janitors had replaced regular police officers after policemen were given other assignments. The men were specially chosen by Secretary of the Joint Veterans’ Relief Committee Harold Thibault for this special police assignment; each would be paid \$5 a day from the Mayor’s Unemployment Relief Fund, not the Police Bureau budget. Although the men, John Coyne, Frank Kavanaugh and James Manning, would not be armed, they were authorized to issued tickets for traffic violations and wear police uniforms.

January 19, 1943: On orders from the Federal Mileage Administrator for Yonkers, City Manager William Walsh announced once-a-week garbage collections throughout out the city, reducing services by fifty percent.

Tuesday, January 20th

January 20, 1931: Federal authorities, still chasing the origination of the beer pipeline discovered running through the sewers of Yonkers a few months earlier, pursued a different route, uncovering the manufacturer of the rubber hose to identify who purchased the six-inch hose. The hose carried non-prohibition beer to thirsty New Yorkers from an unknown Yonkers brewery.

January 20, 1945: Twenty-four-year-old Captain Bernard Diekman, husband of Yonkers resident Leilah Diekman and pilot of a B-25 Mitchell bomber operating out of Corsica, was awarded a Bronze cluster to his Distinguished Flying Cross. He received it for “extraordinary achievement in an attack upon enemy supply and troop concentration near Santa Lucia, Italy.” Captain Diekman led a formation of twelve bombers over the target, “inflicting severe damage.”

Wednesday, January 21st:

January 21, 1942: Yonkers native Major Thomas Trapnell was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for singlehandedly fending off a Japanese advance with a daring feat of courage in Luzon December 22, 1941. He remained between enemy troops and his men, set fire to a truck on a bridge and waited until the bridge was fully engulfed in flames before leaving. “With complete disregard for his safety, Major Trapnell delayed the hostile advance and set an inspiring example to his entire regiment.”

Trapnell was “All American” star end of the West Point football team of 1926 and chose the Calvary branch of the service after graduation. He retired as a Lieutenant General.

January 21, 1953: Samuel Schreiber, Yonkers Railroad Company’s modernization expert, reported the company was washing, sanitizing and cleaning all bus

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Latimer and Lawler Agree: on 3 Year Extension of ACA Subsidy: Now its Up to Schumer

By Dan Murphy

In a rare occurrence, Westchester's two members of Congress, Rep. George Latimer and Rep. Mike Lalwer voted the same, Yes, when on January 8, 2026, the House passed a bill to extend the Affordable Care Act (ACA) enhanced premium tax credits for three years. This was a significant bipartisan move that occurred after the subsidies had officially expired on December 31, 2025.

Key Details of the Vote

The Vote Count: The measure passed 230–196.

Bipartisan Support: While the effort was led by Democrats, 17 Republicans broke party lines to vote in favor of the extension.

The Mechanism: To get the bill to the floor, supporters used a discharge petition. This rare procedural move allowed them to bypass House Speaker Mike Johnson, who had opposed a "clean" extension without broader reforms.

The Goal: The extension aims to prevent a spike in health insurance premiums. Without these subsidies, the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) and other analysts estimated that premiums for many enrollees could roughly double.

What's Next?

The bill now moves to the Senate, where its path is more difficult: The 60-Vote Threshold: To pass the Senate, the bill will likely need at least 60 votes to overcome a filibuster, requiring significant Republican support.

Potential Compromises: Senate negotiators are already discussing modifica-

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interiors, using a special chemical to destroy germs and bacteria. The treatments lasted four weeks and would be repeated on a regular schedule. The chemical had a "pleasant pine aroma;" this agreeable non-toxic odor would signal riders their bus had been treated!

Thursday, January 22nd

January 22, 1929: Missing paychecks for fourteen Yonkers men, including Supervisors and other officials, were found in the White Plains Post Office! The checks, missing for a week, were found in a batch of envelopes deemed unusable.

January 22, 1933: Harry Garing of New York City, Grand Dragon of the New York Ku Klux Klan, asked Mayor Joseph Loehr for the Klan to use both Larkin Plaza and the corner of South Broadway and McLean Avenue for public meetings to discuss "Americanism and Its defense." Mayor Loehr made no immediate comment.

January 22, 1937: More than 100 drivers got their license plates at the first Yonkers office of the county Automobile Bureau, located at Tibbetts Brook Park.

Friday, January 23rd

January 23, 1942: Keeping up the tradition of the house, German Theatrical Director Erwin Piscator and his wife, dancer Maria Ley, purchased the home of the late Joseph Urban at 83 Hudson Terrace.

Piscator, once director of the Peoples and State Theater in Berlin, was making a movie in Russia when Hitler took power. Nazis stole or burned all his possessions, including his Family Bible. After living in France for a few years, he went to New York in 1939.

He chose Yonkers for his new home; he loved the view of the Hudson and Palisades. A former communist, he returned to Germany in 1951 because of the McCarthy era political pressure.

Saturday, January 24th

January 24, 1947: The American Red Cross appointed several Yonkers people to reshape the Yonkers Chapter of the American Red Cross. Appointed were Mrs. William Crocker, wartime director of Civilian Protection Office; Mrs. John Dill, former head of Child Care Centers; City Judge Martin Fay; Arthur Giddings, Neperhan Center; Henry Herz, Chamber of Commerce Treasurer; John Ormiston, President of the Young Men's Chamber of Commerce; Mrs. Peter Tomashevsky, YWCA; and Oliver Trotter, Yonkers Tercentennial Chair. The Chapter had been without officers since the mass resignation of its officers and directors in December.

Sunday, January 25th

January 25, 1905: Massive "inconvenience" was caused by a severe snowstorm, labeled almost as severe as the 1888 snowstorm.

Yonkers residents working outside the city limits were unable to get home. Hotels, large and small, were filled by very early evening; guests continuously were turned away. Many spent the night sleeping in the waiting rooms of the Putnam and Central-Hudson Railroad stations. In some sections of Yonkers, coal was very scarce; the temperature registered below 20 degrees in apartments and homes. Police patrol wagons and sleighs were at the carpet factories when the whistle blew. Women were taken to their homes and children found on the streets were helped. Those who lived outside of Yonkers were advised to stay in homes of friends. Customers stayed away from stores, and most closed early.

Mail service between Yonkers and New York was delayed, but not by much.

Questions or comments on this column? Email YonkersHistory1646@gmail.com. For information on the Yonkers Historical Society, Sherwood House and upcoming events, please visit our website www.yonkershistoricalsociety.org, call 914-961-8940 or email info@yonkershistoricalsociety.org.

Community Baptist Church located in Yonkers, NY is seeking a Worship Director & Musician to lead weekly services and grow our vibrant music ministry. Candidates should be skilled in piano/keyboard, passionate about worship, collaborative with pastors and choir, and gifted in leadership. Responsibilities include directing rehearsals, mentoring musicians, and supporting special events. We offer a welcoming, Christ-centered community and compensation based on experience.

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Yonkers Launches Advanced Digital Platform, MUNICOLLAB, to Streamline Land Review Process

Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano today announced the implementation of MuniCollab's digital platform to modernize the City's Planning Board's land use review operations. This initiative, led by the Yonkers Planning & Development Department, represents a significant advancement in Yonkers' commitment to efficient governance and transparent municipal processes.

"Yonkers is a city that's growing and evolving," said Mayor Mike Spano. "By implementing this online platform, we're making it easier for residents and developers to navigate our review process while ensuring our staff has the tools they need to manage our city's complex development activity efficiently and securely."

The new system digitizes the entire land use review lifecycle, from initial application submission through final decision-making, while ensuring complete transparency and record-keeping throughout the process.

Key benefits of the MuniCollab platform for the Yonkers community include:

Complete Digital Submissions: Guided application forms that ensure all required information is provided upfront, reducing back-and-forth delays

Centralized Document Management: Accessible to staff, board members, consultants, and relevant City departments

Greater Public Transparency: Easy public access to project information and application status

The adoption of MuniCollab's software supports the City's ongoing efforts to modernize municipal operations and enhance service delivery to Yonkers' diverse and growing community.

"This platform will significantly improve our ability to process applications efficiently while making the entire process more accessible to applicants and the public," said Jaime Martinez, Yonkers Planning Director. "It eliminates a lot of the manual work of downloading, uploading, and redistributing documents, allowing our staff to focus on substantive review."

The platform has been specifically configured to integrate with Yonkers' existing workflows, including connections to the City's GIS system for automated property data population. The Zoning Board of Appeals and Landmarks Preservation Board are expected to utilize MuniCollab in the coming months.

Residents and developers can access the new City of Yonkers Planning Board Portal at www.yonkersny.gov and <https://yonkers.municollab.com/planning-board/projects>.

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Notice of formation of MPMX, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/06/2025 Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 8 Lane Street Fl. 1 Yonkers, NY 10601 Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of S.I.T. Staying In Touch LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the New York Secretary of State on December 25, 2025. Office location: Westchester County. New York Secretary of State designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process may be served. New York Secretary of State shall mail process to: Donald George McIntosh III, 137 Morningside Pl, Yonkers, NY 10703. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

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

Notice of Formation of Schmoose Pack Projects LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/20/2024. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to Bruce Wong 10 Station Square Forest Hills, NY 11375. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of Sets n Sweats LLC, filed with SSNY on August 24, 2025. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to LLC: 515 Boston Post Rd, #1034 Portchester, NY, 10573, USA Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

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

Notice of Formation of Lifestyle Rehabilitation, LLC filed with SSNY on 10/27/2025. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 56 Martha Place, Chappaqua, NY, 10514. Purpose: Physical Therapy.

Nominations for Yonkers 2026 Teacher of the Year Awards Now Open

Students, Parents, Teachers & Administrators Called to Nominate Teachers at www.yonkersny.gov

Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano and the Yonkers Kiwanis Club in collaboration with the Yonkers Board of Education will present the 2026 Teacher of the Year Awards to three deserving members of the Yonkers Public Schools' faculty. Students, parents, teachers, and administrators can begin submitting nominations today through February 2 at www.yonkersny.gov/teachers.

Since 1956, the Teacher of the Year Award celebrates Yonkers Public Schools teachers who further excellence in education. A committee comprised of members of the Yonkers Kiwanis Club and Trustees of the Board of Education selects the honorees.

"Teachers are the heartbeat of our community. Their impact stretches far beyond the classroom walls, shaping lives and futures in ways that last a lifetime," said Mayor Spano. "Through the partnership of the City, the Yonkers Kiwanis Club, and the Yonkers Board of Education, we proudly honor the devotion and extraordinary commitment of these everyday heroes who inspire, guide, and uplift our students both in school and beyond."

Three Yonkers Public Schools teachers, representing the elementary, middle, and high school levels will be selected. Students, parents, teachers, and administrators are encouraged to nominate a teacher at www.yonkersny.gov/teachers. Eligibility requirements for selection as Teacher of the Year include employment as a teacher in the Yonkers Public Schools for at least five years; demonstration of dedication to the teaching; initiation of new, meaningful programs for either students, teachers, or parents, or being innovative in the use of existing programs, and display significant community involvement.

Mayor Spano's African American Advisory Board Opens Nominations Honoring Unsung Local Heroes

Every City has quiet leaders making a real impact. Now is the time to recognize them. Nominations are open for the 2026 Legacy of Impact Award, honoring African American individuals in Yonkers whose service and leadership continue to strengthen the community.

Submit a nomination by February 6 to Yonkersny.gov/legacyawards.

Enjoy Yonkers Downtown Restaurant Week

Jan. 19-26 Yonkersdowntown.com/Restaurantweek.com

Dine & Win During Yonkers Downtown Restaurant Week Jan. 19th – Feb. 6th
Visit five restaurants, enjoy prix-fixe menus for lunch and dinner, and enter to win a \$500 gift card

Food lovers, mark your calendars! Yonkers Downtown Restaurant Week is back to kick off the new year with delicious dining. The Yonkers Downtown/Waterfront Business Improvement District (YDWBID) invites residents and visitors to this annual culinary celebration, running from January 19 through February 6 throughout downtown Yonkers. The event features special prix-fixe lunch and dinner menus, flexible dining options, and an exciting new incentive: 3 chances to win \$500 gift cards, added this year to thank the community for its continued support. Diners can enter to win by picking up a restaurant loyalty card (available at any participating restaurant), ordering from the Restaurant Week menu at 5 participating restaurants, and having their loyalty card stamped. We thank this year's sponsor, Municipal Credit Union, for their support in making this new initiative possible, and our in-kind sponsor, RXR, for generously providing a \$500 gift card.

Participating restaurants span the full spectrum of Yonkers' dining scene, from a café that transports you to Paris to popular pizzerias, Japanese, Cuban, Mexican, Irish, and Indian eateries. Diners can enjoy two-course prix-fixe lunches and/or three-course prix-fixe dinners, available for dine-in or pickup. This year's event celebrates local restaurants while inviting everyone to experience Downtown Yonkers' international culinary scene.

Head over to YonkersDowntown.com/RestaurantWeek to view menus and schedules.

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said Sara Brody, Executive Director of the Yonkers Downtown/Waterfront BID. "Each year, we continue to evolve the program to reflect the growth of our downtown and create new reasons for people to explore, dine, and spend time here. We're excited to kick off 2026 with great food, great value, and a fun incentive that encourages diners to experience multiple restaurants."

Participating Restaurants include:

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- Francey Brady's, 72 Main St, Yonkers, 914-226-8644
- Giovanni's Pizza, 25 Main St, Yonkers, 914-274-1429
- Guapo Restaurant, 10 Warburton Ave, Yonkers, 914-920-5900
- Khangri Japanese Restaurant, 22 Warburton Ave, Yonkers, (914) 968-2134
- La Bella Havana, 35 Main St, Yonkers, 914-920-9777
- La Cantina, 38 Main St, Yonker 914-258-9522
- La Pizzeria Del Sabor, 49 Palisade Ave, Yonkers, 914-207-8465
- Mon Amour Coffee & Wine, 40 Nepperhan St, Yonkers, 914-968-2852
- Nawab Restaurant, 2 Hudson St, Yonkers 914-909-9700
- Off The Hook, 47 North Broadway, Yonkers, 914- 457-3371
- One Pier Steakhouse, 1 Van Der Donck St, Yonkers, 914-457-0175
- Plaza Garibaldi, 134 Nepperhan Ave, Yonkers, 914-375-7184
- Sam's Deli & Pizzeria 17 North Broadway, Yonkers, 914-476-0253
- Singa's Famous Pizza & Grill Restaurant, 41 Dock St, Yonkers 914-376-3636
- The Pizza Place, 92 Main St, Yonkers, 914-709-1050
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L-R: Murat Mutlu, INOA Architecture; Michael Fragin, Azorim North America; Chesky Friedman, Azorim North America; Yonkers Deputy Mayor Sue Gerry; Symra Brandon, former Yonkers City Councilmember; Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano; Yonkers City Council President Lakisha Collins-Bellamy; Yonkers City Council Majority Whip Deana Norman; Yonkers City Councilmember Tasha Diaz; Westchester County Legislator Shanae Williams; Yonkers City Councilmember Corazon Pineda-Isaac; Yonkers City Council Majority Leader John Rubbo; Steve Sansone, Commissioner, Yonkers Department of Parks, Recreation & Conservation; Kelly Chiarella, Director, Yonkers Office for the Aging Photo by Maurice Mercado, City of Yonkers)

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Azorim Chairman Hershey Friedman said, "Azorim is honored to partner with the City of Yonkers in the transformation of the Nepperhan Community Center, a cherished community institution. This expanded and enhanced community center project is a testament to the commitment of Mayor Spano and the members of the Yonkers City Council to make Yonkers a wonderful place to live."

Renovations will utilize the entire building, including the basement, which will function as another community space with workout equipment. The New Nepp will also feature modern amenities such as Wi-Fi and internet capability, office space, and a commercial kitchen, ensuring the center can once again meet the evolving needs of the community.

New York State Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins said, "For over 80 years, the Nepperhan Community Center has been a pillar of Yonkers' West Side and a vital institution for the Black community. This renovation will deliver long-awaited improvements that are necessary to continue the center's legacy, while enhancing its ability to serve the surrounding area for many years to come."

Westchester County Executive Ken Jenkins said, "The Nepperhan Community Center represents more than just a building for the City of Yonkers — it is a place where history, culture, and community have come together, creating a safe haven for residents and families. This significant investment to redevelop the Community Center honors the generations of residents who have relied on this facility as a source of opportunity, connection, and support. I would like to thank Mayor Mike Spano and all of the partners involved for ensuring this treasured institution is restored, so it can continue serving families, seniors, and young people for decades to come."

Yonkers City Council President Lakisha Collins-Bellamy said, "This multi-million dollar investment is more than a renovation, it's a commitment to the people of our community. The redevelopment of the Nepperhan Community Center represents a renewed promise to provide safe, inclusive, and empowering spaces where our families, youth, and seniors can thrive for generations to come."

Yonkers City Council Majority Whip Deana Norman said, "I am elated that the Nepperhan Community Center is receiving a complete renovation. This project has been a long time coming and represents a tremendous win for our community, our city, and our district. I want to thank the Mayor, my fellow Councilmembers, the developer Azorim, and the community for their commitment and collaboration in making this project a reality. The Nepperhan Community Center has meant—and continues to mean—so much to our community, and this renovation ensures it will remain a vital and accessible space for generations to come."

"People have been waiting for this for a long time. The Nepperhan Community Center has always been a hub of the community, providing support and services," said Former Yonkers City Councilmember Symra Brandon. "I would like it to continue to have that kind of face and increased accessibility. Thank you to Mayor Spano and our community partners for keeping Mary Gaines' dream alive."

Construction is expected to begin in spring 2026 and be completed in 12-18 months. All current city programming housed at the Center will be relocated while the building is renovated.

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MLK's Legacy Honored Through Poetry at Yonkers Arts



Poetry Finalists, Mayor Spano's MLK Youth Meet & Poetry Showcase Photo by Nick Chiarella, City of Yonkers

Poetry Exhibit Opens on Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday, Thursday, January 15th

Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano, in partnership with Yonkers Arts, hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony on January 8th at Yonkers Arts (216 Lake Avenue) for the Youth Meet & Poetry Showcase: Honoring Dr. King's Legacy Through Creative Expression. The gallery features original poetry from 20 Yonkers students, each piece reflecting the enduring themes championed by Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. — justice, courage, and unity. The exhibit is open to the public starting Thursday, January 15th.

"These young poets are not just honoring history—they're shaping it," said Mayor Spano. "Their words remind us that Dr. King's dream is alive in the hearts of our youth. I'm incredibly proud of all the Yonkers students who submitted their poems and shared their voices with our community."

Selected poems were written by Yonkers students in grades 6–12:

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| Cassandra Morgan | Montessori School 27 |
| Zoe Merritt | Montessori School 27 |
| Alejandro Pena | Charter School of Educational Excellence |
| Elisha Smalls | Charter School of Educational Excellence |
| Aubrey Kyei | Charter School of Educational Excellence |
| Moises Martinez | Lincoln High School |
| Charis Agbenyo | Lincoln High School |
| Amaya Vega Cupeles | Barack Obama School of Social Justice |
| Savannah Rodriguez Vivar | Martin Luther King Academy |
| Jastine Villanueva | Yonkers Middle High School |
| Sanaa Nue Barron | Roosevelt Early College Studies High School |
| Zaylin Rincon | Roosevelt Early College Studies High School |
| Preston Taylor | Roosevelt Early College Studies High School |
| Adonis Crosby | William Boyce Thompson School |
| Zakariya Sultan | PEARLS Hawthorne School |
| Jacqueline Oliva | Charles E. Gorton High School |
| Jayla Wilcox | Charles E. Gorton High School |
| Justina Tuffour | Charles E. Gorton High School |
| Giselle Torres | Eugenio Maria De Hostos Microsociety School |
| Erich Mital | Sacred Heart High School |

The showcase fosters intergenerational connection, artistic expression, and civic pride, marking an important moment for youth empowerment in Yonkers and underscores the city's commitment to nurturing creativity, leadership, and social impact among its young people.

The exhibit is open to the public starting Thursday, January 15, 2026, on Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday, and will remain on display at Yonkers Arts through Saturday, January 31, inviting visitors to experience the voices and visions of the next generation.

Yonkers Arts Gallery Hours:

- Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays -3PM – 6PM
- Fridays: 3PM – 6PM
- Saturdays: 12PM – 4PM
- Gallery hours on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Monday, January 19th run from 12PM-4PM.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

-----X Index No.
Date Summons Filed:

LAZIZI KHAMIDOV,

Plaintiff,

-against-

TONYA DAZIAH JAMES,

Defendant.

Plaintiff designates Westchester County as the place of trial. The basis of venue is Defendant's residence.

SUMMONS

Defendant resides at 185 Riverdale Avenue, Apt. 8I, Yonkers, New York 10705.

ACTION FOR DIVORCE

To the above named Defendant:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer on Plaintiff's Attorneys within twenty (20) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, where service is made by delivery upon you personally within the State of New York, or within thirty (30) days after completion of service where service is made in any other manner. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated: 05/12/2025


Aziz Juraev, Esq.
Law Office of Aziz Dzhuraev
Attorneys for Plaintiff

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

-----X Index No.

LAZIZI KHAMIDOV,

Plaintiff,

-against-

TONYA DAZIAH JAMES,

Defendant.

VERIFIED COMPLAINT

ACTION FOR DIVORCE

The Plaintiff, complaining of the Defendant, alleges the following:

FIRST: The parties are over the age of 18 years.

SECOND: This court has jurisdiction to hear this action for divorce. The Plaintiff has resided in New York State for a continuous period in excess of two years immediately preceding the commencement of this action.

THIRD: The Plaintiff and Defendant were married to each other on July 16, 2021, in Bridgeport, Connecticut.

The marriage was not performed by a clergyman, minister or leader of the Society for Ethical Culture.

FOURTH: There is no child as a result of this marriage, and no child is expected.

The Plaintiff resides at 515 E 7th Street, Apt. 3S, Brooklyn, New York 11218. The Defendant resides at 185 Riverdale Avenue, Apt. 8I, Yonkers, New York 10705.

The parties are covered by the following group health plans:

Plaintiff

Group Health Plan: NOT APPLICABLE

Defendant

Group Health Plan: NOT APPLICABLE

FIFTH: The grounds for divorce are as follows: Irretrievable Breakdown of the Relationship for at Least Six Months (DRL Sec. 170(7)): The relationship between the Plaintiff and Defendant has broken down irretrievably for a period of at least six months.

SIXTH: There is no judgment in any court for a divorce and no other matrimonial action for divorce between the parties is pending in this Court or in any other court of competent jurisdiction.

SEVENTH: Neither the Wife nor the Husband needs maintenance.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff demands judgment against the Defendant, dissolving the marriage between the parties to this action, and granting the following relief:

That the parties do not require maintenance and no claim will be made by either party for maintenance.

That the parties do not require payment of counsel and experts' fees and expenses.

That the Court grant such other and further relief as the Court may deem fit and proper.

The parties have divided up the marital property, and no claim will be made by either party under equitable distribution.

Dated: 05/12/2025


Lazizi Khamidov

STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF Kings, ss.

I, Lazizi Khamidov, am the Plaintiff in the within action for a divorce. I have read the foregoing Complaint and know the contents thereof. The contents of the Complaint are true to my own knowledge, except as to those matters therein stated to be alleged upon information and belief, and as to those matters I believe them to be true.


Lazizi Khamidov

Subscribed and sworn to before me on 05/12/2025

 Aziz Juraev
Notary Public

Aziz Juraev
Notary Public
Registration No. 02DZ6409183
Qualified in Kings County
Commission Expires 09/21/2028

My commission expires on 09/21/2028

Yonkers Department of Housing & Buildings Issues Heat Hotline & Heating Regulations

On Jan. 13, Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano today announced the Yonkers Department of Housing and Buildings is issuing its annual heat complaint hotline and heating regulations for the season for all tenant-occupied residential buildings.

“As the cold weather continues, it’s essential that our homes remain safe and warm,” said Mayor Spano. “I urge residents to contact the City’s heat hotline if their homes are not meeting building standards so we can respond quickly. I also encourage everyone to check on their senior neighbors and offer support—being a good neighbor makes all the difference during this time of year.”

The City’s Heat Emergency telephone number, receives calls 24-hours a day, seven days a week, for all residences within the City of Yonkers at 914-965-3331. The Yonkers Housing and Buildings Department also fields calls at 914-377-6879, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM. Residents are also encouraged to contact the 24/7 Mayor’s Help Line at 377-HELP (4357) for assistance.

The New York State Property Maintenance Code Section 602.3 mandates during the period from September 15th to May 31st, that every person, firm or corporation in the City of Yonkers is required to maintain a temperature of no less than 68°F (20°C) in all habitable rooms, bathrooms, and toilet rooms. At all other times whenever the outside temperature falls below 55° the inside temperature is to be supplied as follows:

- Between 6:00 AM and 11:00 PM 68°F
- Between 11:00PM and 6:00AM 65°F

Note: Hot water is to be maintained at a minimum temperature of 120°F at all times. All heating regulations are instituted by the City of Yonkers Housing and Buildings Maintenance Code, Chapter 58-22 Heat Regulations.

TAX SALE NOTICE CITY OF YONKERS

Department of Finance and Management Services, Office of the Commissioner, City Hall, Yonkers, New York.

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 452, Laws of 1908, known as the Supplemental Charter of the City of Yonkers, as amended by Chapter 725, of the Laws of 1917, adding thereto a new article numbered Article V-a, as further amended by Chapter 487, Laws of 1922, and as further amended by Chapter 667, Laws of 1933, as amended by Article IX Section 1 of Local Law No. 20-1961, as amended by Section 57 of Local Law 11 of 1995, and any subsequent amendments thereto, known as the Charter of the City of Yonkers, I, the undersigned Commissioner of Finance and Management Services of the City of Yonkers, do hereby give public notice:

That the respective owners of the lands and tenements in the City of Yonkers on which any taxes or assessments have been imposed and became a lien and have remained unpaid for one year since the same were due and payable are required to pay the amount of said taxes and assessments, together with all unpaid taxes and assessments affecting such lands and tenements, which became a lien and were due and payable prior to December 26, 2025 with all penalties thereon remaining unpaid, together with the interest thereon at the rate provided by law from the time the same became due and payable to the time of payment, and the charges of this notice and all other costs and charges accrued thereon to the time of payment, to the Commissioner of Finance and Management Services of the City of Yonkers, at his office in the City Hall, Yonkers, New York.

And Notice is hereby given that if default be made in such payment, the lien of the City of Yonkers, upon said lands and tenements for any tax or assessment, which became a lien so as to be due and payable before December 26, 2025; will be sold at public auction in the Ceremonial Court Room, 4th Floor, City Hall, 40 South Broadway, in the City of Yonkers, on Wednesday, May 13, 2026, at 10:00 A.M. of that rate, for the lowest rate of interest, not exceeding 12 per centum per annum, at which time any person or persons shall offer to take the same in consideration of advancing the said taxes and assessments and penalties, as the case may be, the interest thereon as aforesaid to the time of sale, the charges of notice and all other costs and charges accrued thereon; and that such sale will be continued from time to time until all said liens of taxes and assessments shall be sold.

The transfer of tax liens to be executed and delivered to the purchaser thereof pursuant to the terms of said sale shall be subject to the lien for and the right of the City of Yonkers to collect and receive all taxes and assessments and penalties and interest thereon which became due and payable, of which became a lien upon said lands and tenements on and after the date mentioned in the advertisement for sale as stated herein, namely, the 26th day of December.

Each of the tax liens referred to in this advertisement will be sold subject to the provisions of the Federal Servicemembers Civil Relief Act and amendments thereto and Section 314 of the New York State Military Law.

Notice is hereby further given that a particular and detailed statement of the property affected by this sale, together with the total amount of the tax lien thereon, which is to be sold will hereafter be published in the official newspaper(s) of the City of Yonkers.

FURTHER OR ADDITIONAL TAX SALE NOTICE

In addition to the foregoing Tax Sale Notice and Statutes therein described, the further or additional notice is given setting forth the lots and parcels of land, including the street address thereof, on which the tax lien is to be sold together with the aggregate amount of tax lien thereon, and the assessed valuation of every said lot and parcel as described in the 2024 Tax Rolls as approved by the Department of Assessment and Taxation and confirmed by the City Council.

The name set forth is that of the person, corporation or legal entity appearing on the tax rolls as the owner or occupant of the lot or parcel of land upon which the tax lien is to be sold.

The first item is the Comptroller’s Tax Lien Number; the second is that of the person appearing on the tax rolls as the owner or occupant of the property; the third is the location of the property as described on the tax rolls which includes the Section, Block and Lot Numbers as shown on the Official City Map; the fourth is the assessed valuation unimproved as shown on the tax rolls; the fifth is the total assessed valuation as shown on the tax rolls; the last group of figures is the total amount of the lien which is to be sold.

John Liszewski, Commissioner of Finance and Management Services

Yonkers Resident Brandon Neider Announces Candidacy for the 89th Assembly District



Brandon Neider

Brandon J. Neider announced his candidacy for the 89th Assembly District in New York on January 1st, 2026. A lifelong resident of Yonkers and active community & union leader, Neider brings years of public service experience, small business owner, and organizer & supporter of charitable initiatives, including recent toy drives and food assistance programs that have supported thousands of children and families locally in Yonkers and the Mid-West through Rally4acause.

Neider is committed to revitalizing local neighborhoods, pledges to focus on affordable homeownership, improved public education, economic growth for small businesses, and actual policy that puts dollars back into our residents. "It's time to bring action, not rhetoric to Albany. Our campaign already boasts policies to fight for that are more than just talking points. From removing the I-87 toll, regulating late fines on parking/traffic & tolls, and larger battles like repealing bail reform & regulating sports gambling to prevent addiction." Neider stated.

For more information, visit the campaign website at <https://neiderforassembly.com>, Facebook at "Neider For Assembly," or Instagram at "Neider4Assembly."

CORPORATION NOTICE CITY OF YONKERS-NEW YORK

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to law, that the City Council of the City of Yonkers, New York will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, January 27 at 6:30 PM in the City Council Chambers, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York on the following resolution, to wit:

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE YONKERS CITY COUNCIL TO HONOR THE FAMILY AND COMMUNITY'S REQUEST TO HONORARILY RENAME PROSPECT STREET JAMES EDWARD DEGREE WAY

Anyone wishing to speak may sign up on the night of the hearing at the hearing site. Each speaker shall be permitted three minutes and speakers shall be called in the order in which they have signed up. Said hearing may be adjourned from time to time as necessary. Further information may be obtained at the City Clerk's office, City Hall, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York and on the City's Website.

VINCENT SPANO, City Clerk

January 14, 2026

NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. f/k/a The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A. as Trustee for Multi-class Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, ChaseFlex Trust Series 2001-2,

Plaintiff,

Against

Ismael Vargas; Morel Carmen; Sonya Quintana

Defendant(s)

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, duly entered 06/13/2024, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction, in the lobby of the Westchester County Supreme Courthouse 111 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Blvd., White Plains, NY 10601 on 2/10/2026 at 9:30AM, premises known as 27 Radford Street, Yonkers, New York 10705 a/k/a 25 Radford Street, Yonkers, New York 10705, and described as follows:

ALL that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the City of Yonkers, County of Westchester and State of New York.

Section 1 Block 117 Lot 23, 24, and 25.

The approximate amount of the current Judgment lien is \$939,640.48 plus interest and costs. The Premises will be sold subject to provisions of the aforesaid Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale; Index # 51062/2019

Stuart Ball, Esq., Referee.

SHELDON MAY & ASSOCIATES Attorneys at Law, 255 Merrick Road, Rockville Centre, NY 11570

Dated: 12/19/2025 File Number: 35091 MB 1/30

Guilty Plea in Yonkers New Years Day Stabbing Death



Westchester County District Attorney Susan Cacace announced that Jamal Glover, 43, pleaded guilty Wednesday afternoon to murdering 37-year-old Stephan Carson in Yonkers last New Years Day. Glover pleaded guilty to Murder in the Second Degree, an A felony. Sentencing is scheduled for January 15, 2026.

On January 1, 2025, Glover stabbed Stephan Carson to death after an altercation at 2 Hudson Street in Yonkers. Glover was apprehended in White Plains hours after the incident.

DA Cacace said: "In less than twenty-four hours, the investigating officers secured a hectic murder crime scene, identified a suspect, tracked him down and arrested him without incident. I am grateful for the diligent work of these officers and our hard-working prosecutors for bringing closure to this senseless killing."

This investigation was conducted by the Yonkers Police Department. The White Plains Police Department and the FBI's Safe Streets Task Force assisted with the arrest.

This case was prosecuted by Bureau Chief Jonathan Strongin, ADA Leigh Wellington and ADA Brianna Ciuffi.

THE CITY OF YONKERS/YONKERS PUBLIC SCHOOLS, BUREAU OF PURCHASING, One Larkin Center, 3RD Floor, Yonkers, New York 10701 (Located in the Yonkers Riverfront Library Building across from the Metro-North train station) will receive sealed Bids and Proposals for the following projects until 2:00 PM, on the dates below.

Sealed Bids will be publicly opened and read at the address above in the 3rd Floor Finance Conference Room.

The building is open from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM for receiving packages via courier services and in person. If delivering bids in person, individuals must see the Public Safety Officer in the library atrium, who will contact Purchasing to meet the individual at the 3rd floor elevator.

Those interested in listening to the Sealed Bids opening and the reading of bids can dial Conference Call number 1-701-802-5221 and enter Access Code 1354203 when prompted.

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

1) Bid No. RFB-7569 – Opening Date: 1/30/2026: 12-month period with additional 12-month period contract for Pick-up, removal, and lawful disposal of rock and dirt and asphalt from the City of Yonkers lots and yards (FB).

2) Bid No. IFB-7553A - Opening date: 2/6/2026: City of Yonkers Police Department 2nd Precinct Asbestos Abatement and Main Lobby Renovations (TN/MM).

3) Bid No. RFB-7570 – Opening Date: 01/30/2026: Furnish and deliver Cisco Nexus, or equal, equipment and licenses (NG).

4) Bid No. RFB-7571 – Opening Date: 1/30/2026: 2-Year Contract to furnish Laptops, Wi-Fi Hotspots and Digital Writing Pads for Yonkers Public Schools (CA).

5) Bid No. RFB-7572 – Opening Date: 1/30/2026: 2-Year Contract to TI-84+CE Calculators for Yonkers Public Schools (CA).

6) Bid No. RFB-7573 – Opening Date: 2/6/2026: Furnish and Install Xybix (or Yonkers approved equal) dispatch workstations for the Yonkers Police Department (UASI Federal Funds) (VB).

7) Bid No. IFB-7568 – Opening Date: 2/13/2026: City Hall Parapet Rehabilitation and Related Services (MM).

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We are seeking a hardworking, enthusiastic, self-motivated and energetic professional to join our group of drivers. Driver must be customer service-oriented, punctual and friendly. Willing to work flexible hours, including days, nights, weekends and holidays. Must maintain a clean and well-organized vehicle, ensuring it is in excellent working condition through regular maintenance. Contact (TerrySaunders145@gmail.com) for more info.

2026 Yonkers City Council Meeting Schedule

2026 Yonkers City Council Stated Calendar	
Rules Committee	City Council Meeting
January 6, 2026	January 13, 2026
January 20, 2026	January 27, 2026
February 3, 2026	February 10, 2026
February 17, 2024	February 24, 2026
March 3, 2026	March 10, 2026
March 17, 2026	March 24, 2026
April 7, 2026	April 14, 2026
April 21, 2026	April 28, 2026
May 5, 2026	May 12, 2026
May 19, 2026	May 27, 2026 (Wednesday)
June 2, 2026	June 9, 2026
June 16, 2026	June 24, 2026 (Wednesday)
September 9, 2026 (Wednesday)	September 15, 2026
September 22, 2026	September 29, 2026
October 6, 2026	October 13, 2026
October 20, 2026	October 27, 2026
November 4, 2026 (Wednesday)	November 10, 2026
November 17, 2026	November 24, 2026
December 01, 2026	December 08, 2026

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tions, such as a shorter two-year extension or adding income caps and “guard-rails” against fraud to make the bill more palatable to conservative lawmakers.

Trump’s Stance: President Trump has expressed opposition to a clean extension and has signaled he might use his veto authority if the final bill does not include specific reforms or spending offsets.

NY US Senator and Democratic leader Sen. Chuck Schumer will now have to forge a compromise and get 13 republicans to cross over and join with the 47 democrats in the Senate to pass a bill, or Schumer can bring several democrats to join with the republican majority in the Senate.

Why It Matters to You

If you currently have a plan through the ACA Marketplace (like HealthCare.gov), the expiration of these credits at the end of 2025 means you may have already seen higher premium estimates for your 2026 coverage. If this bill (or a Senate compromise) is signed into law, those subsidies would be retroactively or prospectively restored, significantly lowering monthly costs for millions of Americans.

Rep. Latimer tweeted, “The hard work and determination of Democrats paid off today with the passage of the a 3-year extension of ACA enhanced tax credits. Today is a big win for Americans but the work continues. I call on the Senate to immediately take up this bill to lower healthcare costs!”

Rep. Lawler said, “Our healthcare system is broken and has been for years. Today I voted, in a bipartisan way, to advance enhanced ACA tax credits while we continue working toward a permanent fix that lowers costs for families across the Hudson Valley. I look forward to working with my colleagues in the Senate and voting on a bipartisan solution in the weeks ahead.”



Third Precinct Police Community Council Meeting

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2026.

Chema Community Center, 435 Riverdale Ave.

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER – Peter Thompson, Director, SNUG Program – YMCA!

Quality Of Life Concerns Will Be Discussed.

New Logical Sports Welcomes Dan Karosen as Managing Partner

New Logical Sports is excited to announce that Dan Karosen has joined the company as a Managing Partner, playing a key role in the organization’s continued expansion into future strategic markets across the United States.

Karosen is a New Jersey-based entrepreneur and soccer executive, best known as a co-founder of FC Motown, a highly successful semi-professional soccer club competing in the National Premier Soccer League (NPSL) and USL League Two. Under his leadership, FC Motown has grown into one of the most prominent amateur and semi-pro clubs in the country, capturing the 2022 NPSL National Championship and the 2025 USL League Two Metropolitan Division Championship, while building strong ties to local communities, youth programs, and supporters.

At FC Motown, Karosen has led strategic planning, player recruitment, marketing, and club operations, and was also a player during the club’s early years. Beyond soccer, he is an accomplished business professional and Certified Public Accountant (CPA), having served in senior financial leadership roles including Chief Financial Officer positions with New Jersey-based organizations such as Fields Development Group and Mandel Fekete and Bloom.

“Dan first expressed interest in getting involved nearly two years ago, and that conversation pushed me to prepare New Logical Sports for its next stage of growth,” said New Logical Sports President Pat Murphy. “We share a strong vision for the future and are excited to move forward together.”

With Karosen’s involvement, New Logical Sports will invest in expanded equipment, infrastructure, and operational improvements, along with new programs and services to be announced in the near future.

New Logical Sports is a Yonkers, New York-based sports media and livestreaming company dedicated to delivering high-quality coverage of grassroots and amateur sports across the United States. Through New Logical Sports+, the company streams competitions including Gaelic football, hurling/camogie, APSL, the National Amateur Cup, and pre-professional soccer, connecting clubs and fans locally and around the world.

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in the Crusader Classic/Slam Dunk Showcase, beat a good Ardsley team 65-37. Emilee Doherty scored 27 points, Anisa Mustafaj and Liliana Toto both had 10 points, Arsela Mustafaj had 9 points, Grace Gleeson had 7 points, and Je’Vaeh Thompson had 2 points! Emilee Doherty was named MVP.

On Jan. 5, YMA beat Woodlands 77-41. Emilee Doherty led all scorers with 25 points, Arsela Mustafaj had 14 points, Anisa Mustafaj had 11 points, Liliana Toro had 10 points, Grace Gleeson finished with 8 points, Je’Vaeh Thompson had 4 points, Gianna Ruiz had 3 points, and Fiona Kenny had 2. “Every player on our roster played today and had fun!” said Coach Elle.

Next up was a tough game against Hamilton, with YMA winning 53-42. Anisa Mustafaj led the Eagles with 17 points, Emilee Doherty had 14 points, Liliana Toro had 11 points, Arsela Mustafaj 9 had points, and Grace Gleeson had 2 points.

Next up was Haldane and an easy 58-18 win. Anisa Mustafaj led with 19 points, Grace Gleeson had 18 points, Arsela Mustafaj had 14, Jodi O’Donnell had 3 points, and both Je’Vaeh Thompson and Gianna Ruiz finished with 2 points. Coach Elle said, “Despite battling the flu... girls pulled it off.”

This weekend, YMA will face their biggest challenge of the year, heading down to Brooklyn for the Rose Classic and a faceoff with Summit Academy, who won the state title last year and is 16-2.

After that, YMA faces another challenge against Tappan Zee.

“Our early season wins against Ardsley, Tuckahoe, and Hamilton were our biggest wins so far. Summit Academy and Tappan Zee will be two of our biggest challenges. None of this is possible without the kids, families, and community behind us,” said Coach Elle.

The Lady Eagles are led by their two seniors. Doherty and Anisa Mustafaj, but Coach Elle also receives contributions from several other players, making this team a tough one to beat. We keep telling folks, don’t sleep on the YMA Lady Eagles this year!

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Start the New Year off with FREE Adult Education Classes from the Yonkers Public Schools

By Thomas J. Stefanchik

Now that 2026 is upon us, it's time to start working on those New Year's resolutions. Do you want to obtain your high school diploma? Would you like to learn to read, speak and write English, or to improve your skills in these areas? Are you interested in pursuing a new career in a high-demand industry? If you have set any of these goals for the New Year, or if you need help establishing goals, then we invite you to enroll in Pathways to Success, the Adult Education Program of the Yonkers Public Schools.

Pathways to Success offers these classes FREE OF CHARGE to residents of Yonkers, 18 years of age and older. Prior to entering an English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) or New York State High School Equivalency (HSE) Program, students are assessed using diagnostic tools mandated by the New York State Education Department. Based on their scores, they are then placed in a class which will best suit their academic needs and set them on the pathway to success.

In addition to the above programs, Pathways provides training geared towards careers that are in demand in our area. Their current vocational training programs, and the industry-recognized credentials which they offer, are as follows:

- Barbering (Infection Control)
- Carpentry (OSHA and Material Handling)
- Culinary Arts (ServSafe Food Handling and ServSafe Allergens)
- Computers (Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint)
- Medical Billing & Coding (Medical Billing & Coding Specialist)
- Retail/Entrepreneurship (National Retail Federation)
- Classroom Aide (Child Abuse Identification)
- Home Health Aide (Home Health Aide, Personal Care Aide)

To further prepare students for successful employment, Pathways to Success provides job readiness classes, resume preparation, interview skills training, assistance with online job applications, job fairs and other employment services.

Pathways also offers various support services which can assist residents in navigating the complexities of living in a major urban community such as Yonkers. At the Family Welcome Center, individuals and families are connected with the local community resources necessary to meet their goals. Family Welcome Center liaisons coordinate referrals with numerous partner organizations in order to provide for such needs as immigration, citizenship assistance, translation, evaluation of foreign educational credentials, health care, housing, insurance and more.

Currently celebrating its eighteenth year of serving the community, Pathways to Success has enhanced the lives of tens of thousands of Yonkers residents, as overseen by Superintendent of Schools Anibal Soler, Jr. and Principal Sanah Susan Naber. Although the Vive School serves as the program's hub, Pathways offers day end evening programs, as well as Family Welcome Centers, at various locations throughout the School District. All classes are offered pending funding.

Pathways to Success can assist you in achieving your educational and employment goals. For more information please visit the Vive School at 75 Riverdale Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10701, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9:00 am and 2:00 pm. You may also:

- Call the school at 914-376-8600, from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm
- Send an email to pathwaysinfo@yonkerspublicschools.org
- Visit their website at yonkerspublicschools.org/vive

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state legislators as a contributing factor to his decision, noting that it would make it impractical to continue his successful law practice while serving in the Assembly.

"It has been an honor to serve as Assemblyman for the people of Yonkers," Sayegh said. "Together, we have achieved meaningful progress—from reforming the state education aid formula to securing critical funding for our schools and community services. I look forward to a productive legislative year ahead and will continue to be a vocal advocate for the issues that matter most to Yonkers and our schools."

While he will not seek re-election, Sayegh emphasized his continued commitment to the city, stating that his work on behalf of Yonkers will continue beyond his time in the New York State Assembly and is looking at all local opportunities.

Editor's Note: Several interested Yonkers residents have already announced their candidacies to replace Sayegh, most notably Frank Jereis. We will highlight Jereis and all of the candidates we can find next week.



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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER
SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS
INDEX NO: 66684/2025
D/O/F: 07/10/2025

Property Address: 10 Tall Tulip Lane, Yonkers, NY 10710

Plaintiff designates Westchester County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the property is situate.

AVAIL 3 LLC, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS ADMINISTRATOR OF RESTORATION III TRUST,
Plaintiff,

-against-

Unknown heirs at law of HERMAN AUERBACH, his next of kin, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, devisees, legatees, assignees, lienors, creditors, and successors in interest, and generally all persons having or claiming, under, by or through said defendant who may be deceased, by purchase, inheritance, lien or otherwise, any right title or interest in and to the premises described in the complaint herein, all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to the plaintiff and cannot after diligent inquiry be ascertained; LYNN AUERBACH AS HEIR OF THE ESTATE OF HERMAN AUERBACH, GARY AUERBACH AS HEIR OF THE ESTATE OF HERMAN AUERBACH, BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE WINCHESTER HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE;

"JOHN DOES" and "JANE DOES", said names being fictitious, parties intended being possible tenants or occupants of premises, and corporations, other entities or persons who claim, or may claim, a lien against the premises,
Defendant(s).

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TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your Answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a Notice of Appearance on the Plaintiff's Attorneys within twenty (20) days after service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, where service is made by delivery upon you personally within the State, or within thirty (30) days after completion of service where service is made in any other manner, and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS: The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Hon. William J. Giacomo, a Justice of the Supreme Court, Westchester County, entered December 15, 2025 and filed with the complaint and other papers in the Westchester County Clerk's Office.

THE OBJECT OF THE ACTION is to foreclose a mortgage dated February 21, 2025 and recorded in Control No. 650643550 on March 72025 in the Westchester County Clerk's Office covering premises k/a 10 Tall Tulip Lane, Yonkers, NY 10710 a/k/a Section 4, Block 4402, Lot 306.

NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME

If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.

The following notice is intended only for the defendants who are owners of the premises sought to be foreclosed or who are liable upon the debt for which the mortgage stands as security.

YOU ARE HEREBY PUT ON NOTICE THAT WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

PLEASE BE AWARE:

(1) that debt collectors, in accordance with the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1692 et seq., are prohibited from engaging in abusive, deceptive, an unfair debt collection effort, including, but not limited to:

- i. the use or threat of violence;
- ii. the use of obscene or profane language; and
- iii. repeated phone calls made with the intent to annoy, abuse, or harass.

(2) If a creditor or debt collector receives a money judgment against you in court, state and federal laws may prevent the following types of income from being taken to pay the debt:

1. Supplemental security income, (SSI);
2. Social security;
3. Public assistance (welfare);
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5. Unemployment benefits;
6. Disability benefits;
7. Workers' compensation benefits;
8. Public or private pensions;
9. Veterans' benefits;
10. Federal student loans, federal student grants, and federal work study funds; and
11. Ninety percent of your wages or salary earned in the last sixty days.

TO THE DEFENDANTS: The Plaintiff makes no personal claim against you in this action.

TO THE DEFENDANTS: If you have obtained an order of discharge from the Bankruptcy court, which includes this debt, and you have not reaffirmed your liability for this debt, this law firm is not alleging that you have any personal liability for this debt and does not seek a money judgment against you. Even if a discharge has been obtained, this lawsuit to foreclose the mortgage will continue and we will seek a judgment authorizing the sale of the mortgaged premises. Dated: December 18, 2025 Sandy J. Stolar, Esq., MARGOLIN, WEINREB & NIERER, LLP, Attorneys for Plaintiff, 575 Underhill Boulevard, Suite 224, Syosset, New York 11791 516-921-3838- #102696



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