

Yonkers Man Pleads Guilty for Antisemitic Attack on Jewish Barber



From October 2024; Yonkers barber Slava Shushakova, 51, enlisted the help of Chabad of Yonkers Rabbi Mendy Hurwitz to place a new mezuzah on the doorpost of his Classic Touch Yonkers Avenue barber shop at 797A Yonkers Avenue, Photographs © 2024 Robert Kalfus.

Westchester County District Attorney Susan Cacace announced that Ahmed Al Jabali, 34, of Yonkers, pleaded guilty on April 17 to Assault in the Second Degree as a Hate Crime, a class C violent felony, following his vicious, antisemitic assault on a Jewish barber in the City of Yonkers.

DA Cacace said: "Hate has no home in Westchester County. The rise in antisemitic hate over the last several years is disturbing and completely unacceptable. Today and every day, my office stands with the Jewish community of Westchester and will seek justice for victims of antisemitic violence."

On Aug. 29, 2024, Al Jabali entered the Yonkers barbershop of Slava Shushakov and asked for a shave. Al Jabali grabbed a pair of barber's shears and called Shushakov an "[expletive] Jew." He then repeatedly attempted to stab Shushakov and ended up slashing him in the arm and hand, all while continuing to yell antisemitic slurs.

Al Jabali is scheduled to be sentenced by Judge James McCarty on May 29.

Mr. Shushakov said: "No one should have to go through what I went through."

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Councilmember Merante Demands Stronger Safety Measures Following Rockslide



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Residents & Elected Officials Opposed to Lithium Ion Battery Plant on Saw Mill Rd, Yonkers



site of proposed battery plant at 1100 Saw Mill River Road-Google Maps

By Dan Murphy

A plan to create a Lithium-Ion Battery facility in Yonkers at 1100 Saw Mill River Road has been met with concern and opposition from the community. On April 14, the Homefield Homeowners Association held a meeting on the battery facility, and heard from County Legislator James Nolan, Councilman Anthony Merante and Council President Lakisha Collins-Bellamy.

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Mayor Mike Spano Honors Three Senior Volunteers During Day of Recognition for National Service



L-R) Mayor Mike Spano, Gary Latainer, Annette Candido, Debra Jimenez, and Councilwoman Tasha Diaz, District 3. Photo by Maurice Mercado/City of Yonkers

Mayor Mike Spano today announced his selection of Yonkers volunteers honored for the eighth annual nationwide Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service, spotlighting the impact of national service, and thanking those who serve in their communities. Mayor Spano honored three senior volunteers, specifically those who donate their time to a variety of charitable organizations in Yonkers, sponsored by Volunteer New York!. All the awarded honorees contribute to Yonkers non-profit organizations, assisting those in the local community.

"Senior volunteers are the heart and wisdom of Yonkers, bridging generations with their experience and kindness, proving that the greatest contributions often

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Groundworks HV Green Team Youth Choose Restoration Over Relaxation



Groundwork Hudson Valley Green Team Wallkill River National Wildlife Refuge, Anna Bisson/USFWS, Public Domain

By Jared Green

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Historic James H. Farrell Lodge, Yonkers Celebrates 146 Years of Brotherhood & Service



At 210 Warburton Avenue in Yonkers stands one of the city's oldest and most respected Black institutions: James H. Farrell Lodge No. 34, Prince Hall Free and Accepted Masons. This year, the Lodge celebrates 146 years of serving the Yonkers community through education, charity, and leadership.

Founded in 1879, James H. Farrell Lodge is the second oldest Black organiza-

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- W Main Street, Elmsford
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Yonkers OCA Clean Up April 26 At Old Croton Aqueduct State Park

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JOIN MAYOR MIKE SPANO
and local volunteers in beautifying our section of the Old Croton Aqueduct Trail.

PLEASE PRE-REGISTER BY EMAILING PARKS@YONKERSNY.GOV OR BY CALLING (914) 377-6440. VOLUNTEERS MAY ALSO SIGN UP AT THE EVENT. CONSENT FORMS REQUIRED FOR THOSE UNDER 18.

WHEN
8:30 AM Registration – Walnut Street at Old Croton Aqueduct
9:00 AM Press Conference
9:30 AM Clean-up Aqueduct

WHERE
Meet at Walnut Street at Old Croton Aqueduct
Event will take place Rain or Shine
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Clean-Up Day at the Old Croton Aqueduct

On Saturday, April 26, 2025, from 8:30AM to 1:00PM, residents are invited to join the City of Yonkers, Friends of the Old Croton Aqueduct, the New York State Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation, and community volunteers in beautifying the Yonkers section of the trail. Volunteers will meet outside at Walnut Street, just north of Yonkers Avenue, between 8:30AM and 9:00 AM. The annual Clean-Up Day at the Old Croton Aqueduct will commence with a press conference at 9:00AM by Mayor Spano, followed by a community clean-up lasting until 1:00PM. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged by emailing parks@yonkersny.gov, calling (914) 377-6440, or registering on-site starting at 8:30AM.

For more information about the Arbor Day Tree Planting Events or Clean-Up Day at the Old Croton Aqueduct in the City of Yonkers, contact the Department of Parks, Recreation & Conservation at (914) 377-6450.

To ensure Yonkers remains clean following the clean-ups, Mayor Spano is also reminding residents to report any instances of illegal dumping to the City's anti-dumping hotline by calling 914-377-DUMP. A reward of up to \$1,000 is offered for anyone who reports a case of illegal dumping that leads an arrest and conviction.

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IGT Donates Advanced Technology to Family Service Society of Yonkers to Enhance Educational Programs



Students using computer equipment donated by IGT

International Game Technology (“IGT”), a global leader in gaming technology and innovation, today announced a donation of advanced technology to the Family Service Society of Yonkers (“FSSY”) as part of its global After School Advantage (“ASA”) program. This donation, which includes 15 Acer Gaming Laptops and a Pearington 20-Device Mobile Charging and Storage Cart, is poised to make a lasting impact on FSSY’s educational programs, enhancing learning opportunities for students in the Yonkers community.

The Family Service Society of Yonkers, a longstanding community organization dedicated to supporting youth and families, provides licensed after-school programs for students at sites across the Yonkers City School District. These programs focus on homework help, social and emotional support, arts instruction, and learning in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (“STEM”), along with recreational activities. IGT’s cutting-edge technology donation will equip Yonkers students with the educational tools and software necessary to develop digital literacy, academic proficiency, and essential critical thinking and problem-solving skills in an increasingly technology-driven world.

This contribution will not only enhance the physical resources available to students but also demonstrate IGT’s commitment to supporting educational equity and bridging the digital divide in underserved communities.

“Investing in our youth is investing in the future of Yonkers,” said Mayor Mike Spano. “Thanks to IGT’s generous donation, students in our community will have access to the tools and technology they need to succeed in an increasingly digital world. Family Service Society of Yonkers continues to provide invaluable support for our families, and partnerships like this ensure that our young people have every opportunity to thrive.”

At IGT, we recognize the power of technology in shaping the future of education and career opportunities for young people,” said Tom Iapoce, IGT New York Account Development Manager. “We are proud to support the Family Service Society of Yonkers in their mission to provide students with the tools and skills they need to thrive. Through our After School Advantage program, we aim to bridge the digital divide and create meaningful educational experiences that empower the next generation.”

As part of IGT’s Sustainable Play™ initiatives, After School Advantage is the company’s flagship community program, devoted to providing youth with access to technology at digital learning centers in communities where IGT operates. IGT is a global leader in the lottery and gaming industry and has promoted the advancement of tech literacy and STEM opportunities by providing young people access to technology since the After School Advantage program was founded in 1999.

To learn more about IGT’s After School Advantage program, visit IGT.com.

Goodbye Pope Francis



By Eric Wolf Schoen

He came upon us in a simple way. Riding with his fellow Cardinals in a tour bus to begin his duties as Pope. He had left his bags or some items from them in the hotel the Cardinals were staying at and he wanted to retrieve them.

He didn’t need to send a motorcade or fancy car to get the item. He was a man who one thought would want to enjoy life, instead of traveling the world doing the laborious task of bringing joy Of religion to all of its people.

And he loved his people, particularly those whose lives were challenged with health issues or other problems. He would help them in any which way he could. He loved traveling, and all over the world he has made significant strides in promoting inclusivity within the Church, particularly towards the LG-BTQ+ community and those from diverse backgrounds. His famous statement, “Who am I to judge?” in 2013 was hailed by many in the gay community.

Pope Francis is known for his progressive leadership and focus on social justice, environmentalism, and interfaith dialogue. He has made significant achievements in these areas, including advocating for the poor and marginalized, promoting Laudato Si’ (a papal encyclical on climate change), and fostering unity between different religious groups.

Some of his Key Accomplishments include:

Advocacy for the Poor:

Pope Francis has consistently spoken out on social issues and emphasized the church’s commitment to helping the marginalized.

Laudato Si’ (Environmentalism):

His encyclical on climate change, Laudato Si’, is a landmark document that calls for urgent action on the environmental crisis and champions environmental stewardship.

Interfaith Dialogue:

He has actively engaged in dialogue with leaders of other religions, promoting understanding and cooperation between different faiths.

Reforms within the Vatican:

He has implemented reforms within the Vatican administration, including streamlining the Curia and appointing more women to key roles.

Synod on Synodality:

He convened a synod on synodality, a process of dialogue and deliberation within the Church, which is considered one of the most important events in the Church since the Second Vatican Council.

Apologies for Abuse:

He has made historic apologies to survivors of clergy sexual abuse, including an apology for the Church’s role in the cultural genocide of Indigenous peoples in Canada.

Protection of Migrants:

He has called for the protection of migrants and criticized anti-immigration policies.

Global Abolition of the Death Penalty:

Pope Francis has advocated for the global abolition of the death penalty.

Pastoral Accompaniment of LGBT People:

He has taught that remarried Catholics can “in certain cases” receive the sacraments and has spoken out against laws criminalizing same-sex relationships.

Francis will be buried in simple wooden coffin with his name on it. We pray the good work he has done will continue with the next Pope, and that his goodness will bring the people of America together again.

Reach Eric Schoen at ewschoen@icloud.com

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City of Yonkers Distributes Free Compost to Yonkers Residents



L-R Yonkers City Council President Lakisha Collins Bellamy; Yonkers Department of Public Works Commissioner Thomas Meier; Yonkers City Council-member Tasha Diaz; Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano; Yonkers Department of Public Works Deputy Commissioner Jason Baker. Photo by Maurice Mercado/City of Yonkers

Mayor Mike Spano today joined Yonkers Department of Public Works (DPW) Commissioner Thomas Meier to announce the City’s annual compost distribution for residents. Starting today, 30 cubic yards of free compost is available to residents at the Yonkers Recycling Center, located at 735 Saw Mill River Road.

“The City of Yonkers continues to be a leader in sustainability,” said Mayor Spano. “By recycling our food scraps that create useful and earth-friendly compost, we are creating a cleaner, greener, more sustainable Yonkers. I encourage residents to stop by the Recycling Center for compost and use it for your spring plantings.”

The compost is a product of the City of Yonkers Department of Public Works residential food scrap recycling program, which collected more than 37 tons of food scraps this season. Residents are encouraged to bring a bucket to fill with the free compost. Proof of residency is required. Starting today, compost will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis, while supplies last, Mondays – Saturdays, 7:30AM – 4:15PM at the Yonkers Recycling Center.

The City of Yonkers launched its successful home food scrap recycling program in 2022, offering residents household food scrap recycling kits for use in storing and dropping off food scraps at the Yonkers Recycling Center. The City has since expanded the food scrap program to include curbside collection for more than 250 households and is continuing to build the program citywide.

“Through our composting program, we are removing food and yard waste from the solid waste stream and reducing the amount of waste that would otherwise be disposed of through trash incineration,” said Yonkers Public Works Commissioner Tom Meier. “I encourage residents to take part in food scrap recycling to help protect our environment, save taxpayer dollars and receive the benefit of free, high quality compost that builds healthy soil and resiliency.”

Westchester County Executive Ken Jenkins said, “Congratulations to the City of Yonkers on the continued success of its food waste recycling program. Since joining the County’s Residential Food Scrap Transportation and Disposal program (RFSTAD), Yonkers has worked closely with residents to build awareness and increase participation. This compost giveaway event is the culmination of those efforts.”

Westchester County Department of Environmental Facilities (DEF) Commissioner Vincent Kopicki said, “The County’s RFSTAD program makes it affordable for municipalities to offer food waste recycling to their residents. The City of Yonkers has taken advantage of this opportunity and built a model program that continues to grow and deliver results. The City of Yonkers and its residents should take pride in their leadership and commitment to reducing waste.”

Food Scrap Collection Kits (\$20) are available for purchase by Yonkers residents at the Yonkers Recycling Center, at 735 Saw Mill River Road, Mondays – Saturdays, 7:30am-4:15pm. For information on the City’s Food Scrap Recycling program, visit www.yonkersny.gov/foodscraps.

On 4/20, Yonkers Police Bust Illegal Marijuana Sales in Unlicensed Stores



From the YPD:

Yesterday was 4/20, and we’re giving a shout-out to some local stores who found out the hard way that you can’t just sell marijuana and other illicit products like it’s an open-air fruit stand.

We love our local businesses that make a positive impact on our community. What we don’t love are “smoke shops,” masquerading as neighborhood tobacco stores, but who are illegally selling marijuana and related products without proper licenses, often to minors.

In November of 2023, 4th Precinct Officers arrested staff at a smoke shop on Lake Avenue for selling illicit products to a 14-year-old girl in a school uniform. At that point, we knew we had to take aggressive action to get ahead of this problem. Under the Direction of Mayor Spano and Police Commissioner Sapienza, we partnered with our friends at the Yonkers Fire Department, Department of Housing and Buildings, Code Enforcement, and Corporation Counsel and set out to address mounting community complaints for smoke shops that were illegally selling marijuana and other illicit products.

Since early 2024, our Task Force has conducted several dozen inspections citywide. During those inspections, we issued over 100 summonses and seized marijuana packaged for sale as well as tens of thousands of illicit items worth about \$500,000. We’ve also permanently shut down 3 stores that were deemed public nuisances due to their excessive code violations and drug sales.

We welcome and support local businesses, but don’t think you’re going to come to our city and sell marijuana without proper licensing- especially to our kids.

Send us your letters, announcements, opinions, photos and story ideas to dmurphy@risingmediagroup.com

Yonkers Mayor Spano Appoints Arz Raheem to Board of Education, Will Serve as Digital & Technology Specialist



*L-R: Yonkers Board of Education Trustee Arz Raheem and Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano
Photo Maurice Mercado/City of Yonkers*

Mayor Mike Spano swore in digital and informational technology specialist Arz Raheem to the Yonkers Board of Education. As trustee of the Yonkers Board of Education, Raheem is part of a nine-member Board, which is the official policy making body of the School District.

“As we continue to provide our students with the best education possible, I am proud to appoint Arz to the Board of Education as he brings dynamic experience in the IT and financial sectors,” said Mayor Spano. “He is passionate about education in Yonkers, and his experiences will be valuable assets to our District and our students.”

Working in information technology for over 20 years, Raheem currently serves as director of Digital Technology Services at Hackensack Medical Health, where he oversees and supports Hackensack’s strategies to engage with audiences through its digital channels, including data and analytics. Previously, Raheem served as senior director of the Digital Transformation Office at Montefiore Health System. Raheem holds a Bachelor of Arts in Accounting and Financial Management and a Master of Arts in International Management Studies from the University of Essex. Raheem also is an active volunteer as a youth soccer coach and mentor for local high school juniors and seniors in public speaking.

“I am deeply humbled and honored to be asked to join the Yonkers Public Schools Board of Trustees and extend my gratitude to Mayor Spano, for his trust and support. As a longtime community leader and volunteer, I am passionate about empowering young minds to thrive,” commented Arz Raheem. “My family’s connection to the YPS system runs deep, with all five of my children as well as my wife, all having been a part of it. I want to thank my family and friends who have been a constant source of support and encouragement. With their inspiration and my leadership experience, I am excited to work alongside my fellow trustees and our Superintendent, Anibal Soler, to ensure every child in Yonkers has access to an excellent education and boundless opportunities.”

Yonkers Board of Education President Dr. Rosalba Corrado Del Vecchio noted, “We’re proud to welcome Arz Raheem to the Board of Education. His leadership in healthcare and technology, along with his proven ability to build effective teams and systems, will strengthen our governance and support the strategic direction of the District. His dedication to empowering youth and improving communities is evident, and we’re fortunate to have his voice at the table.”

Superintendent of Yonkers Public Schools Anibal Soler, Jr., commented, “I look forward to working closely with Mr. Raheem as we build on the progress our District has made. Yonkers leads New York’s Big 5 school districts in graduation rates – success made possible through strong collaboration between the Board, administration, and our community. Mr. Raheem brings not only deep leadership experience, but also the perspective of a parent with three children currently in our schools. That connection is invaluable as we continue to move Yonkers Public Schools forward.”

Arz Raheem replaces Trustee Felix Rios, who recently resigned. Raheem’s term as trustee expires May 6, 2028. Mayor Spano added, “I want to extend my deepest gratitude to Felix Rios for his dedicated years of service to the Board of Education who served our City and our students with loyalty, professionalism and distinction.”

On This Day in Yonkers History...



George T. Kelly

From Biographical History of Westchester County Illustrated,

Volume I, Chicago: The Lewis Publishing Company, 1899

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

Monday April 28th

April 28, 1925: Patrolman Thomas Brooks, first African American appointed to the Yonkers Police Department, was honored at a testimonial dinner at the Armory. Mayor Ulrich Wiesendanger and Public Safety Commissioner Alfred Iles were the principal speakers; Iles appointed Brooks to the force.

April 28, 1934: City attorneys rushed to get a last minute stay to prevent Francis Duffy, attorney for George T. Kelly, from attaching Yonkers’ fleet of 100 cars and trucks to satisfy his \$15,000 judgment against Yonkers for damage caused by dumping trash on his land.

Yonkers claimed there was a judgment against Kelly for \$9,915.67, claiming he had not satisfactorily fulfilled an old contract. Judge Bleakley signed the stay of execution 9 pm at his home and set the hearing a few days later.

Tuesday, April 29th

April 29, 1933: Henry Kaltenbach, President of the Board of Managers of Yonkers General Hospital, presented the Ben Morgan apparatus to the hospital. This apparatus was the most modern anesthetic equipment and could be used to administer both gas or ether, permitting almost immediate recovery of consciousness after the mask was removed.

April 29, 1942. Yonkers National Defense Vocational Training at courses opened to women!

Because of the dwindling number of men available to work at “attack plants,” Defense Training Coordinator Dr. Lawrence Ashley announced the School for Aeronautical Manufacturing in the former School Ten would open to women. Three hundred women registered the first day. Twelve interviewers spoke to each enrollee during registration for the course. Women were assured of defense industry jobs at Eastern Aircraft in Tarrytown, where the expected workforce of 4,000 would be 80% female. Women also would do defense work at other area companies such as Alexander Smith Carpet, Habirshaw Cable and Wire, Otis Elevator and Anaconda Wire and Cable Companies.

Wednesday, April 30th

April 30, 1915: French government agents announced horses held at the Empire City Race Track and shipped from Ludlow Dock were part of a contract for 40,000 horses purchased throughout the United States. Cunard and Prince chartered steamships transported horses from the South Yonkers dock to European war areas.

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Notice of formation of S2K REAL ESTATE HOLDINGS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/09/2024. 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 NCH REGISTERED AGENT, 42 BROADWAY, FL 12-200, NEW YORK, NY, 10004-3892. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Claritas Consulting LLC. Arts of Org. filed with New York Secy of State (SSNY) on 3/25/25. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 85 Windsor Terrace, Yonkers, NY 10701. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of JJJ Roadside Solution, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 01-07-2025. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Joel Armando Mena, 25 Knowles Street, Yonkers, New York 10705. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Name of formation of THEOAK LLC. Date of filing Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State (SSNY) 6/14/24. The LLC is located in Westchester County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against it served is to the principal business location at c/o 669 Main Street, Unit 605, New Rochelle NY 10801. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of formation of ME YOU & BIJOU, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the State of New York (SSNY) on 02/03/2025. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to ME YOU & BIJOU, LLC, 1585 Central Park Ave, Unit 157, Yonkers, NY 10710. 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 130 FRANKLIN AVE LLC. Articles of Organization filed with SSNY on 10/15/2024. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Brian Caldwell at 68 North Steet, Harrison, NY 10528. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of OnPoint Home Designs LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 8/28/2024. 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 the LLC, 14 Crosby Court, Cortlandt Manor NY 10567. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of 1M Consulting LLC filed with the SSNY on 11/05/2024 with the existence date as 01/01/2025. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whole processes against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of processes to the LLC, 3 Ward Street, Hastings-on-Hudson, NY 10706. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

MANUFACTURERS AND TRADERS TRUST COMPANY A/K/A M&T, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER WITH HUDSON CITY SAVINGS BANK, Plaintiff -against- MICHAEL FRITH, LAURA DESHON, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein and dated March 5, 2020, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at public auction in the Lobby of the Westchester County Courthouse, 111 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., White Plains, NY on April 3, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Cortlandt, County of Westchester and State of New York, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the easterly side of Sunny Way, where the same is intersected by the division line between Lot Nos. 266 and 267 on Map No. 6584; being a plot 100.00 feet by 200.00 feet by 100.00 feet by 200.00 feet.

ALSO, situate, lying and being in the Town of Cortland, County of Westchester and State of New York, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the dividing line between Lot 37 and Lot 38 on the above mentioned map where the same is intersected by the northerly line of Lot 267 as shown on Map entitled, as filed Map No. 6584 and which point is distant 99.58 feet southerly as measured along said dividing line between Lot 37 and Lot 38 from the southerly boundary of Red Oak Lane as same is shown on Filed Map No. 25985; RUNNING THENCE South East, 24.00 feet; South West, 89.53 feet; South West 13.64 feet; THENCE North East, 100.00 feet. Section: 34.17 Block: 1 and Lot: 14

Said premises known as 10 SUNNY WAY, CORTLANDT MANOR, NY 10567 Approximate amount of lien \$432,385.27 plus interest & costs.

Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale.

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Index Number 53628/2017.

STUART I. BALL, ESQ., Referee
David A. Gallo & Associates LLP
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff
47 Hillside Avenue, 2nd Floor, Manhasset, NY 11030
File# 7777.122

LEGAL NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Yonkers, Westchester County, New York, on April 22, 2025, duly adopted Resolution No. 53-2025 making a Determination and Findings pursuant to Section 204 of the New York Eminent Procedure Law ("EDPL") for the acquisition of certain real property located at 76 a/k/a 70 Fernbrook Street a/k/a 8 Watergrant Street (Tax Section 1, Block 615, Lot 1) known as the "Parcel", comprising the leasehold interest of All County Bus, LLC ("All County Bus") in connection with a certain "public project" (as such quoted term is defined in the EDPL; and collectively referred to herein as the "Project") consisting of facilitating the productive reuse and redevelopment of the Parcel, (one of eight (8) total adjoining parcels (the "Park Site"), subject to the existing leasehold, through the undertaking of (A) environmental remediation of the Park Site, and (B) structural improvements for climate resiliency, and (C) the reuse and redevelopment of the Park Site as a waterfront public park, including playground and recreational facilities, pursuant to the EDPL, all in connection with serving the public use, benefit or purpose described herein.

The findings made by the City Council are summarized as follows:

1. The proposed acquisition of the Parcel in connection with the undertaking of the Project will serve a public use, benefit and/or purpose because it will advance the overall general prosperity and economic and social welfare of the residents of the City by returning the underutilized and derelict Parcel to productive use and by attracting and accommodating appropriate and allowable development and end user(s), and thereby, among other things, (i) allowing for the provision of additional and much needed public park and open green space and allowing for safe, welcoming and convenient access to recreation amenities for the residents of the City and the general public thereby to promote their health, safety, wellness and general welfare, (ii) create employment opportunities, (iii) combat economic stagnation at the Parcel through stimulating, promoting and/or supporting new and/or existing economic revitalization and redevelopment efforts, (iv) decrease the negative impacts associated with large vacant buildings within the City, (v) enhance the overall functionality and/or attractiveness of the area and surrounding area, (vi) as appropriate, may include, but not limited to, compliment and/or advance any public purpose contemplated by the Yonkers Comprehensive Plan and the Ludlow Master Plan.

2. The location of the Project within which the Parcel is located was determined based upon information in the Comprehensive Plan, the Ludlow Master Plan, the Hudson River and potential of providing open green public park space and its potential for continuing to spur economic revitalization and redevelopment in the surrounding areas of the City. No alternative locations exist in the City that are being considered for the Project.

3. A coordinated State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") review of the Project was completed whereby the City Council concluded that the Project, including the acquisition of the Parcel, will not result in a potential significant adverse impact on the environment. The acquisition of the Parcel and the completion of the Project will positively impact the residents of the City, thereby expanding the benefits of the City's parks and recreation areas, advancing the creation of additional job opportunities, and otherwise supporting the general prosperity and economic welfare of the City's residents.

4. The City Council has given due consideration to the record of public comments raised at the hearing held March 25, 2025 as well as public opinion and concerns, if any, expressed through the SEQRA process associated with the Project. Based on due consideration of the foregoing, the City hereby makes its Determination and Findings in accordance with the EDPL in connection with the acquisition of the Parcel by condemnation, if necessary, in connection with the undertaking of the Project.

Copies of the complete text of the Determination and Findings may be examined or obtained at the Office of the City Clerk, Yonkers City Hall, 40 S. Broadway, Yonkers, New York 10701

Dated April 22, 2025

Vincent Spano
City Clerk

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Super Smart Future LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/20/2023. Office Location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Super Smart Future LLC, 58 Valley Rd, Katonah, NY 10536. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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Notice of Formation of SteenShotz LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/12/2025. Office Location: 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, 343 South 3rd Avenue, Mt. Venron NY 10550. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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Westchester Mom Says “An Abortion Saved My Life After I Got Leukemia”



Abby Blum with her husband Brian, left

By Bonnie Fuller

Abby Blum, 37, Had to Make an Impossible Choice & Now She Fights for Other Women to Have Reproductive Choices.

Abby, who lives in Westchester, explains, “My husband Brian and I were super excited when I found out that I was pregnant with our third child. I had taken a drugstore pregnancy test because I was already starting to feel nauseous and sure enough, it turned positive.

“My two little girls were three and five at the time and when I went to see my OBGYN, she took routine blood work and then did an ultrasound. She told me that my baby looked great.

“But later that evening, I was surprised when I got a frantic call from my OBGYN. She told me that my white blood cells were extremely high.

“I replied that I didn’t know what that meant and she said: “I think you have leukemia. I want you to come in to see our oncology department tomorrow morning for more blood tests and bring your husband.

“I was in complete shock. That night, I barely slept.

“But I decided to go for the extra blood tests the next morning by myself because I’m a strong independent woman and I remember thinking, ‘why do I need to have my husband here with me for blood tests’.

“A local oncologist had also arranged for me to have a bone marrow biopsy later that day, so Brian did come with me for that test.

“Before doing the procedure the oncologist explained that he believed I had CML – chronic myeloid leukemia – and that there was a great drug available to treat it called Gleevec. Patients who took it would have the same life expectancy as someone who had never had the cancer.

“He said that the majority of patients responded beautifully and taking Gleevec daily meant I would live a normal life.

“However, the problem was that I was pregnant. It would not be safe at this early stage in my pregnancy for the fetus if I took this medication. Potentially, I could take Gleevec after 20 weeks of pregnancy but I was only at 8 and a half weeks.

“The oncologist said that there was an alternative form of immunotherapy treatment that would be safer for my baby which we could try in order to keep the CML in check until I reached 20 weeks of pregnancy.

“I very much- wanted this baby and the bone marrow biopsy confirmed that I did in fact have CML so I met with a maternal-fetal medicine doctor at New York Cornell Hospital in NYC a few days later.

“She was supportive of me doing everything I could to keep my pregnancy and reassured me that the leukemia itself would not hurt my baby. My husband and I decided that I would use the immunotherapy treatment which involved giving myself injections every day.

“I spent the next month in bed, super nauseous, tired and losing weight. I was having headaches every day and daily blood tests showed my white blood count continuing to soar.

“I arranged to see another leukemia specialist at Memorial Sloane Kettering Hospital in NYC for a second opinion but while I was there she insisted that I needed to be hospitalized.

“We need to monitor you and we need to do a CT scan. We need to make sure that you don’t have a brain bleed,” she said. “You could have a stroke. It’s not safe for you with your high white cell count to be walking around.” She sent me over to New York Cornell Hospital to get admitted immediately.

“My husband and I were stunned. We had expected to be away from home for a two hour appointment and suddenly we had to worry about who would take care of our kids. How long would I have to stay in the hospital?

“Luckily, my brother and sister-in-law live close by and were able to be with our girls overnight, while my parents took over the next morning. Having family was everything at that time.

“During my hospital stay, my oncologist told me that it was no longer safe for me to continue my pregnancy. My older sister and I had a long talk about what would happen to my girls if something happened to me while I was trying to save my unborn child. If I wasn’t there for my kids, how would they be OK?

“It felt like an impossible choice but I decided to go ahead and have an abortion so I could start the treatment I needed to save my life. I had made it to just shy of 12 weeks.

“For me, the abortion was a medical necessity. And in hindsight I realized that in the post Roe V Wade era, I was lucky to be in a state where I had access to it and all the healthcare that I needed.

“If I had lived in a state like Texas which bans abortion from conception., my story would have had a very different ending. I didn’t choose to get cancer and to have to make the decision to get an abortion but that’s what happens in life and I want other women to be able to make that choice if they need or want to.

“My parents have always been activists for women’s rights. So that’s some

Trump Car Raffle in Westchester to Help Pay for Care Has Supporters & Detractors



On April 18, Redline Roadhouse, a Bar-Restaurant in Cortlandt Manor, began a raffle, with the winner getting a “Trump Car” painted in Red White & Blue, all in support of our 47th President. Tickets for the raffle are a reasonable \$20. And the cause is great.

“This car is being raffled off at the Redline Roadhouse, with 100% of the money going towards the long-term care of a young lady who was injured in a horrific car accident. As mentioned, 100% of the collected funds will be allocated towards her care. If you win, it’s yours to do with as you please. “Raffle tickets are available for purchase at Redline. We welcome everyone to come in, buy a ticket, have a cold beer and enjoy a respectful conversation.”

Tickets sales have been good. “We would like to extend our gratitude to everyone for the overwhelming response we received today regarding the sale of raffle tickets. It is greatly appreciated,” posted Redline Roadhouse on Facebook, (www.facebook.com/redlineroadhouse).

The three Facebook posts about the Trump Car Raffle have resulted in over 1300 comments. And yes, given the hyper-partisanship nature of our politics, the comments were split, in favor and opposed to the idea. Here are some comments:

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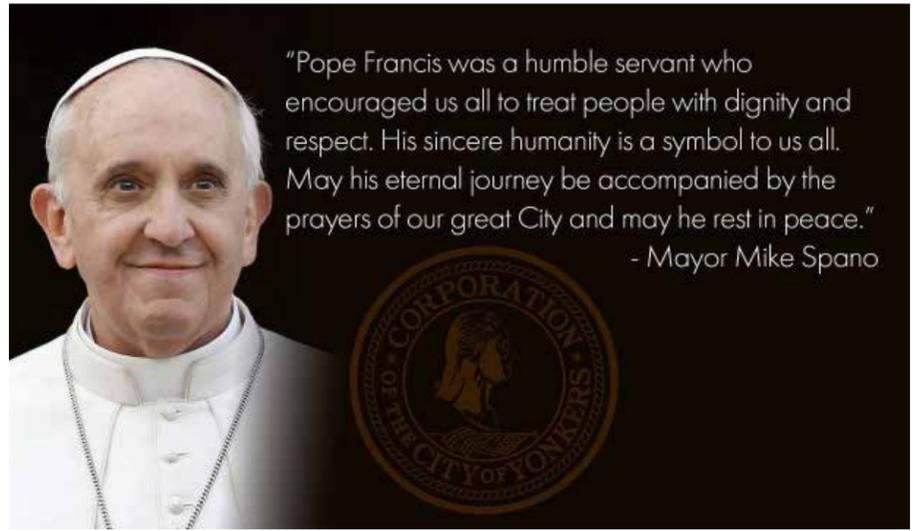
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12th Annual Nurse Appreciation Awards & Dinner
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 Thursday, May 9, 2024
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 Dinner & Awards Ceremony – 7:00 P.M.
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Councilmember Merante Demands Stronger Safety Measures Following Rockslide

On April 7, the Yonkers Fire Department reported “that around 7 a.m., on Monday, units responded to reports of a building collapse at 1256 Saw Mill River Rd, the address of Peterson Tool Rental, a 2-story commercial property. Once on the scene, crews found that a significant part of the building had collapsed due to a rockslide behind the property.

“After further investigation, firefighters found that a large boulder had dislodged from the hillside behind the building, striking the structure and causing the collapse. Yonkers FD crews secured the scene, conducted a search for any occupants, and confirmed that nearby homes and properties were not affected. No injuries have been reported, and officials say there is currently no danger to the public. HazMat units are currently working to contain and mitigate a fuel spill from a 500-gallon interior heating oil tank.”

Yonkers Councilmember Anthony Merante is calling for immediate and comprehensive safety reforms after a massive boulder broke loose from a hillside. “Thankfully no one was inside, but it could have been far worse,” said Councilmember Merante. “This wasn’t a freak event—it was the result of natural conditions like heavy rain and freeze-thaw cycles acting on our steep terrain. It’s a warning we can’t ignore.” Merante, who represents the district where the incident occurred, emphasized that Yonkers’ iconic landscape—often referred to as the “City of Hills”—comes with serious responsibility.

“Our topography gives Yonkers its beauty and identity, but it also demands careful planning and foresight,” he said. “We must make public safety our top priority. That means proper engineering, geotechnical studies, and stricter oversight before construction is ever approved at the base or top of steep slopes.” Merante specifically pointed to the controversial proposed storage facility at 1999 Central Avenue as a critical example.

“This project must be held to the highest safety standards,” he said. “No exceptions, no shortcuts. We need reinforced retaining walls, adequate drainage systems, slope grading, and vegetation that stabilizes the soil. These are non-negotiables.”

He also cited Yonkers’ history of similar incidents:

In September 2021, remnants of Hurricane Ida caused multiple landslides, damaging homes on Warburton Avenue and halting Metro-North’s Hudson Line.

In 2015, a 150-year-old retaining wall collapsed behind high-rises on Walsh Road, unleashing a mudslide and forcing emergency evacuations.

In 2014, a wall near Glenwood Station failed, again disrupting train service with mud and debris.

“These events show a clear pattern,” Merante said. “Stronger storms and changing weather patterns mean that yesterday’s standards may no longer protect us. We need to modernize our infrastructure and reassess vulnerable sites before the next disaster strikes—and before lives are lost.”

Merante announced he plans to introduce a resolution to tighten Yonkers’ construction regulations for development near hillsides, calling it “commonsense legislation to protect residents before tragedy occurs.”

Christina Gilmartin, Mayor Spano’s Communication Director said, “Mayor Spano’s Administration is looking forward to learning more about Councilman Merante’s resolution and how he plans to address concerns that occur on private properties.”

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thing that I’ve always cared about. And having two sisters and now daughters, it’s impossible not to want to give your children a country where they have just as many rights as you did.

“Because of this and my experience with CML I feel passionate about sharing my story and the necessity of abortion access. A few months after my diagnosis I was connected to the Harris presidential campaign.

“Her staff explained how important reproductive rights were to her and to this election. I agreed to begin speaking at Harris campaign events.

“My first was with the Second Gentleman, Doug Emhoff, in New Hampshire. I’m not a public speaker and my heart was racing but the Harris staff were so encouraging, that they made me feel brave.

“I wanted voters to understand that abortion is healthcare. It is a fundamental right and it affects everyone – not just women. It affects a whole family. It saved my family.

“A year after my diagnosis I was flown with my older daughter, now 6, to Houston for a rally for Vice President Harris and we both met Kamala. She was so genuine and caring.

“I have always feared that Donald Trump would try to ban abortion all across the country, including here in New York and Westchester. Now he is implementing everything in Project 2025 and that plan includes specific ways to end abortion nationwide.

“My twin sister lives in Austin, Texas but she has decided after what happened to me that she will move to Colorado.

“She realizes that if something happened to her there, she wouldn’t be able to get an abortion. She also doesn’t want to live in a state that doesn’t believe that women should have the same rights as others.

“Today, I am 37 and have almost reached full remission of my CML. I feel like myself again and am continuing to be both a mom and a reproductive rights activist. Women across the country need to be able to make their own reproductive choices again – we deserve better!”

Bonnie Fuller is the former CEO & Editor-in-Chief of HollywoodLife.com, and the former Editor-in-Chief of Glamour, Cosmopolitan, Marie Claire, USWeekly and YM. She is on the Action Fund Board of Planned Parenthood Hudson Peconic and can be followed on her Substack at: <https://bonniefuller.substack.com/>

Westchester Parks Foundation Kicks Off Pitch in For Parks on Earth Day



Mary Benjamin,
Director of
Volunteer
Programs
WCPF,
with County
Executive
Ken Jenkins

Westchester Parks Foundation is getting ready for its largest volunteer event of the year. Started in the late 90’s, Pitch in for Parks is the largest multi-day volunteer event that helps get parks ready for peak season. The event kicked off today on Earth Day April 22 at Lenoir Preserve in Yonkers and culminates this Saturday, April 26 at several Westchester County Parks. The annual event, held in partnership with the Westchester County Parks Department, will take place throughout Westchester County Parks. Projects for volunteers, working as individuals, families, corporations, local businesses, or groups, will be held at larger sites including the Bronx River Reservation at Westchester County Center, White Plains; Croton Point Park in Croton-on-Hudson; Glen Island Park, New Rochelle; Tibbetts Brook Park, Yonkers along with smaller parks throughout the week.

Pre-registration is encouraged to participate. All tools will be provided, and volunteers should wear clothes that can get dirty and closed toe shoes. For more information on how to volunteer for Pitch in for Parks, visit <https://www.thewpf.org/volunteerwithus>.

Tibbetts Brook Park: <https://www.volunteernewyork.org/opportunity/a07Nr00000tdnxgIAA/2025-pitch-in-for-parks-tibbetts-brook-park-yonkers>

Full opportunity address and directions will be sent to you by e-mail after you sign up.

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. IFB-6841 – Opening date: 05/30/2025: First Police Precinct (730 East Grassy Sprain Road, Yonkers, NY 10710) shooting range HVAC upgrades (KS).
2. Bid No. RFB-7438 – Opening date: 05/16/2025: furnish and install Creston, or Yonkers approved equal, audiovisual equipment in a City provided mobile command vehicle (FB).
3. Bid No. RFB-7439 – Opening date: 05/16/2025: Purchase of Skydio, or Yonkers approved equal, drones, software, and related services (CA).
4. Bid No. RFB-7440 – Opening date: 05/09/2025: Twelve-month contract, with option to renew for 12-months, to provide Kia vehicle repair parts and repair services as needed (FB).
5. Bid No. RFB-7441 – Opening date: 05/09/2025: Twelve-month contract, with option to renew for 12-months, to provide mechanical joint fittings and ductile iron pipe per AWWA and ANSI specifications as needed (AC).
6. Bid No. RFB-7442 – Opening date: 05/16/2025: Purchase of Autel Robotics, or Yonkers approved equal, drones and accessories (VB).
7. Bid No. RFB-7443 – Opening date: 05/09/2025: Twelve-month contract, with option to renew for 12-months to purchase various Clow Valve, or Yonkers approved equal, water distribution valves (KAS).

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come with age,” said Mayor Mike Spano. “Our volunteers play vital roles in our community and ensure Yonkers continues to remain a vibrant place to live, work and play.”

Mayor Spano recognized the following volunteers for their service in Yonkers:

Gary Latainer, Yonkers Partners in Education (YPIE) – Gary Latainer, known as the YPIE FAFSA expert, has spent the past four years assisting YPIE seniors and their families with FAFSA completion. His approachable and friendly demeanor makes the process less intimidating and puts students at ease. In addition to working directly with families, Gary trains other YPIE volunteers and staff, expanding the reach of FAFSA support. This year alone, he participated in 12 FAFSA events across Yonkers and offers additional help at the YPIE College Zone. Gary’s efforts ensure Yonkers public school students have access to the best financial aid packages, leveling the playing field for economically disadvantaged students. His easy-going nature and humor make him a comforting presence, even in high-pressure situations. Known for his calm and confident attitude, he tackles challenges seamlessly, making FAFSA feel manageable for all. As the driving force behind YPIE’s use of FAFSA volunteers, Gary has demonstrated their importance in supporting student success. He is a crucial asset during FAFSA events, addressing complex situations with expertise and remaining unshaken amidst the chaos. His dedication to volunteering at multiple events weekly benefits all Yonkers students, not just those involved with YPIE. Gary’s work contributes to students attending colleges that align with their goals and financial needs, making his impact immeasurable. His commitment exemplifies his passion for creating equitable opportunities and bridging the gap for Yonkers students.

Annette Candido, Hudson River Museum (HRM) –Annette Candido has been a dedicated docent at the Hudson River Museum since 2020, following a distinguished legal career. A graduate of Vassar College and a member of the New York State Bar, she concluded her legal work as Assistant Commissioner of Legal Affairs for the New York City Department of Consumer Affairs. Annette has been actively involved in her community, first in Pelham, where she lived with her husband and three sons, and now in Yonkers. She led as Pelham Art Center Board Chair for five years and worked as the Community Content Manager at Burbio.com. At the Hudson River Museum, Annette shares her passion for education and the arts, leading engaging tours of exhibitions and collections for students and adults. She finds great joy in art, architecture, and supporting arts education, which she considers central to her life. Annette also volunteers as a greeter at Untermyer Park & Gardens, helping visitors explore its beauty. In the past year, Annette has distinguished herself by logging the most volunteer hours among the museum’s docents. She played a key role in establishing the Docent Mentoring Committee to support and train new volunteers. Her mentorship extends to local teens in the Junior Docent Program, where she participated in intergenerational diversity, equity, and inclusion training. This groundbreaking initiative used art to encourage meaningful conversations about history, culture, and identity. Annette’s contributions exemplify her leadership and dedication to making the museum an inclusive and educational space. Outside of volunteering, she enjoys spending time with her family, collecting art, skiing, horseback riding, and practicing Goju Karate, in which she holds a black belt. Annette’s vibrant personality and tireless efforts greatly enrich the Hudson River Museum community. Visitors and staff alike benefit from her knowledge, energy, and enthusiasm. She is an inspiring volunteer whose contributions leave a lasting impact on the museum and its patrons.

Debra Jimenez, Family Service Society of Yonkers (FSSY) – Debra Jimenez is raising Kristin, her 15-year-old granddaughter, as a “second time around parent,” providing a stable and loving home. Despite living on a limited, fixed income, she has succeeded in creating a nurturing environment while keeping Kristin out of foster care. Debra is actively involved in the Kinship Support Program of the Family Service Society of Yonkers (FSSY), enhancing her parenting skills, and accessing resources to support Kristin’s upbringing. For the past four years, she has been a GrandPower Advocate, educating public officials about the challenges faced by kinship families. Through her advocacy, Debra helps improve access to publicly funded programs and benefits for kinship caregivers. Housing is one of the critical issues she addresses, highlighting the difficulties caregivers face in securing suitable homes with limited financial resources. Debra exemplifies generosity and service, consistently going above and beyond without seeking recognition. Her role as an ambassador for the GrandPower Advocacy Project involves educating and recruiting other caregivers to become advocates. She is also actively engaged in her community, volunteering at her local food pantry to assist families in need. In addition to her advocacy and volunteer work, she serves as a home health aide, helping older adults live independently. Debra’s dedication to serving others reflects her commitment to improving lives and leading by example. Her contributions extend beyond her immediate family, inspiring those around her with her compassion and resilience.

The Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service is led by the Corporation for National and Community Service, joining mayors across the country to shine a spotlight on the positive impact of national service and thank those who serve in their communities. The four honorees were selected through their partnership with RSVP of Westchester through Volunteer New York!. RSVP is America’s largest volunteer network for people aged 55 and older who give their time and share their expertise to help solve local community concerns.

Yonkers Police Department Partners with Westchester’s ‘Blue Envelope’ Program

Assisting Motorists on the Autism Spectrum

During Autism Acceptance Month, Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano announced the Yonkers Police Department has partnered with Westchester County’s Blue Envelope Program, designed to help law enforcement better interact with motorists who are on the autism spectrum. The program addresses concerns that motorists on the autism spectrum may have physical movements or verbal responses during traffic stops that officers might misinterpret, potentially leading to unnecessary interactions.

“Every traffic stop interaction is different. The Blue Envelope program reduces stress on the driver and the Officer,” said Mayor Mike Spano. “It can help prevent potential escalation and miscommunication, promoting better community relations and a more positive experience between our law enforcement and those living with autism or other disabilities.”

Yonkers Police Commissioner Christopher Sapienza said, “The Blue Envelope Program is an important step toward improving communication and reducing potential anxiety during police interactions with our community members on the autism spectrum. It equips our officers with the awareness they need to approach each situation with empathy and care. We’re proud to be part of a program that supports both public safety and inclusivity in our City.”

All Yonkers Police Officers have been made aware of the program, in which motorists place their essential documents in a blue envelope, giving Officers a visual cue to modify their approach when communicating with a driver on the autism spectrum.

Drivers are expected to place their driver’s license, car registration, and insurance card inside the envelope. When stopped by a Police Officer, the driver should let the Officer know that there is a blue envelope available. The envelope has directions on both sides for the driver and the police officer.

“We are proud to support the Blue Envelope Program,” said Carole Conklin, Chair of the Mayor’s Disability Advisory Board. “This is a vital initiative designed to foster safer, more understanding interactions between law enforcement and drivers on the autism spectrum. Together, we’re building a more inclusive and compassionate community one envelope at a time.”

The Blue Envelope Program was launched statewide by the New York State Sheriff’s Association in January. Blue envelopes are now available at all Yonkers Police Department precincts.

Operation Prom Dress & Tuxedo Giveaway

May 2-4 County Center White Plains

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May 2-4, 2025

2025 Prom Formal Wear Giveaway!

The Westchester County Center
198 Central Avenue, White Plains, NY 10606

Free Dresses and Tuxedos for HS Seniors!
Must bring valid school ID or report card.

Friday, May 2nd 1pm-5pm
Saturday, May 3rd 10am-3pm

Sunday, May 4th 10am-12pm*
*Dresses Only - tuxedos not available this day.
Public Dress Sale will take place from 12pm-2pm

Please register online at www.PromNationalNetwork.org/events/

Prom season is here and once again Westchester County is partnering with Operation Prom to make sure that every high school senior in Westchester can look fabulous on the big night, regardless of their financial circumstances.

Operation Prom’s Prom Formal Wear Giveaway will be held at the Westchester County Center Friday, May 1 through Sunday, May 4.

Wonderful and stylish dresses and tuxedos, as well as shoes and accessories, will be available to high school seniors who bring a school ID or report card on Friday, May 1 from 1-5 p.m. and Saturday, May 2, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Dresses, but not tuxedos, also will be available on Sunday, May 4, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., after which there will be a public dress sale until 2 p.m.

The County is making available free Bee-Line bus fare to the County Center for the event for students who show their high school IDs.

Friday reservations can be made online at <https://forms.gle/V8jP-SJqqmT7nk4m87>

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Groundworks HV Green Team Youth Choose Restoration Over Relaxation

Spring Break typically conjures up images of beaches and fun in the sun. For the eight youth of the Groundwork Hudson Valley Green Team, there was still fun to be had, just no beaches in sight. The Green Team members instead spent two of their vacation days working on habitat restoration projects at the Lenape National Wildlife Refuge Complex. The first project involved the planting of Atlantic White Cedar seedlings at a wetland on the Wallkill River National Wildlife Refuge in Sussex, New Jersey on April 15th. Atlantic White Cedar is a native coniferous tree species that is only found in Northern New Jersey in a few, isolated locations. The Green Team had assisted refuge staff in the first phase of the restoration project, previously planting over 100 seedlings at the location in 2023. With those seedlings doing incredibly well and natural reforestation occurring at the site as well, the youth came back for phase two and the additional planting of another 100 seedlings. Green Team volunteers did an excellent job choosing the proper placement and planting depth to ensure this second batch of seedlings would thrive just as the first phase had.

The Green Team was back for a second habitat restoration volunteer project just two days later, this time joining refuge staff at the Cherry Valley National Wildlife Refuge in Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. The youth were again assisting on the second phase of a project that they had previous involvement in, this time with the planting of a grove of chestnut trees. Green Team volunteers had previously planted close to two hundred bare root chestnut seedlings in 2024, which had grown from just several inches in height to now close to four feet. With those seedlings thriving, a second location was chosen to establish a new grove of trees and the volunteers planted over one hundred-fifty trees. The restoration work didn't end there, as the youth spent the afternoon planting additional trees and shrubs along the Cherry Creek as part of a riparian corridor restoration project. Green Team members planted a variety of native trees and shrubs, all of which will improve streambank integrity, lessen erosion and sedimentation, improve water quality, and provide habitat for native wildlife.

The experience gained throughout the course of two days provided the Green Team volunteers with knowledge that they will be able to utilize on habitat restoration projects in their home communities. The rest of their Spring Break could now be enjoyed with a sense of accomplishment and pride for their efforts in giving back to nature in celebration of Earth Day.

Visit groundworkhv.org to learn more.

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Nolan first brought this issue to our attention through his social media post, and News 12 coverage of the Homefield Association meeting found residents saying that the proposed facility did not belong in their neighborhood. Councilman Merante and Council President Collins-Bellamy also said they oppose the facility. Last year, the City Council passed a moratorium on any Lithium-ion battery facilities in the city. That one year moratorium is set to expire in July, which is perhaps why the applicant, Saw Mill River Energy Storage, decided to submit an application for development.

Council President Collins-Bellamy told News 12, "Not only are we listening, but we are taking action, and we are in this with you together. There was an RFP sent out for a consultant to provide a study, information that we think we already know about the hazards of having this facility so close to residential."

Councilman Merante said, "I'm appreciative that Yonkers City Council President Lakisha Collins-Bellamy has joined me, along with County Legislator James Nolan, in opposing the construction of a lithium-ion battery storage facility in the Homefield residential neighborhood. A moratorium is currently in place while a comprehensive study is underway. "The dangers associated with these facilities are well-documented, and as I outlined in my proposed City Council resolution, there is no justification for placing such a facility in a densely populated residential community like Homefield. I intend to do everything in my power to protect the safety and well-being of Homefield residents," said Merante.

Legislator Nolan said, "Many are aware of the proposed lithium-ion battery facility in the Homefield section of District 15 in Yonkers. Given the potential risks associated with such facilities, there is a collective concern among our elected officials regarding this development. It is a unique opportunity for us to join forces and express our opposition to this project.

"I have been actively involved in advocating for the community's safety by addressing this matter at the county, state, and federal levels. Yesterday, my office sent a letter to the property owner, respectfully requesting that they reconsider any plans to sell or lease the property to the developer. Our intent is to convey our concerns about the potential impact of this facility on the residents of Homefield, Yonkers, and neighboring areas.

"In the letter, I outlined our community's position and the reasons for our opposition. I look forward to their response and hope to arrange a meeting to discuss this matter further. As your representative, I remain committed to advocating for what is best for our community, as it is essential for the well-being of all constituents in Yonkers and District 15," said Nolan.

In March 2025, a proposed plan to build a massive 116-Megawatt Battery Plant on 95 acres on the Westchester-Putnam Border was withdrawn after opposition from the community.

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Westchester Police Arrest Pair Caught with Stolen Car in Yonkers, Sent to Mass. for Other Crimes



WCPD / Patrol Services Division and Real Time Crime

So what do you do when you've just been arrested for driving a car with a stolen license plate, get processed and released? These two geniuses decided their next move was to steal a whole car.

They were doing okay for a while, making their way from Massachusetts to New York. But then they needed gas and went looking for it in the Land of RTC. You know how that story ends. RTC broadcast an alert about the stolen car possibly being driven on McLean Avenue in Yonkers, and WCPD Patrol officers canvassed the area for it and soon had two in custody at a Yonkers gas station.

Milford, Mass. PD wants them back, so they were booked here and remanded to the County Jail. Job well done by Real Time Crime and POs Peluso and McGloin!

On Wednesday, April 9th, 2025, at 7:23AM, the Milford Public Safety Communications Center received an emergency phone call reporting a stolen vehicle from the Holiday Inn Express, located at 50 Fortune Blvd. in Milford. The caller relayed to communications personnel that he had started his vehicle to warm it and while heading back into the hotel, noticed two white males acting suspiciously in the area.

Milford Police Detectives and patrol units conducted a search of the area with negative findings of the reported stolen vehicle. A review of hotel CCTV footage showed the suspects in question entering and stealing the vehicle at 7:17AM. In checking additional video evidence, Detectives discovered the two suspects were transported to the hotel by a Hopkinton, MA Police Department marked unit prior to the theft. In communicating with Hopkinton Police, MPD Detectives were able to identify the two males as Anthony Carter, 46, of Wichita, Kansas and Christopher Carter, 40, of Cleveland, North Carolina.

In addition to providing the suspect's identities, Hopkinton Police advised MPD Detectives that the two were criminally summonsed in their town for driving a vehicle with stolen plates attached, before being courtesy transported to the Milford hotel where the crime occurred.

At 3:00PM, through use of multi-agency, crime-tracking technology, the suspects were apprehended by Westchester County Police Department while driving the stolen Honda Accord.

Both suspects are charged with the following crimes and are believed to be tied to another vehicle larceny in the area.

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Weekend Events in Westchester County Parks

Saturday April 29, 2025

Lenoir Preserve, Yonkers: (914) 968-5851. Migratory Bird Watch, 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Join us to learn about bird identification and migration. We'll start at the feeders and then stroll around the preserve to observe all of its birds.

Cranberry Lake Preserve, North White Plains: (914) 428-1005

Earth Day Giveback, 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. Celebrate Earth Day by volunteering and giving back to the trails you love! Pre-registration is recommended. Please call the nature center at (914) 428-1005.

Westchester County Center, White Plains: (914) 995-4050. The 2025 Fair & Affordable Housing Expo, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Participate in workshops on affordable housing, grants for first time homebuying, fair housing, eviction prevention and more (offered in English and in Spanish). Details: <https://countycenter.biz/event/2025-fair-affordable-housing-expo/>

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April 30, 1931: New York Engineering Company officials announced they were delaying "Visitors Day" on Sir Hubert Wilkins' Nautilus submarine; the sub needed other work in addition to the manufacture and installation of the vessel's ice cutters. Not only was departure from Yonkers delayed, its Arctic expedition was postponed indefinitely. The Nautilus was moored at the Yonkers' Mahlstedt Lumber Company dock almost a month.

Thursday, May 1st

May 1, 1924: The Warburton Theater held Military Night; Manor Hall players entertained Company G, Tenth Regiment, N.G.N.Y., Fourth Separate Company. Mayor Lennon made a short speech, as did Colonel John Shotts and Florence Rittenhouse.

May 1, 1935: Westchester County Health Department shut down the investigation of the poison custard and announced it would turn everything over to Federal agencies to pursue prosecution. Test results showed dangerously high bacteria level in the frozen canned eggs used by Cushman's Sons White Plains bakery to make 4,000 pastries the previous week. These contaminants sickened more than 1,200 people in the New York area, with seven-hundred-seventy-six victims in Westchester.

May 1, 1939: The Central Avenue Police Station sent officers to check out the Hillview Reservoir after its superintendent complained about the many cars parked along its eastern side.

Officers immediately investigated... and found people watching the lights of the World's Fair! The Long Island Sound and Long Island were clearly visible from that spot by the reservoir.

Friday, May 2nd

May 2, 1889: A dynamite factory near Shaft 16 of the new Croton Aqueduct exploded, uprooting trees and destroying four buildings on Sprain Road

May 2, 1918: Colonial Heights' Rexford Shilliday lost his life in an aerial accident over France. Rex attended Yonkers High and Columbia University; he went to France to drive ambulances May 1917, and was transferred to the Fourth Provisional Aerial Squadron of the US Aviation Corps eight months Later.

May 2, 1936: Joseph Cumming of James Street, attending the NY State Normal School at Cortlandt, received notification he had been selected to be one of 27 students to attend the Olympics in Berlin. The special invitation came from the German Olympic Committee.

Saturday, May 3rd

May 3, 1931: Sir Hubert Wilkins, owner of the Nautilus, was notified by the Norwegian government it might ban his planned trip to the North Pole since it was "an unnecessary risk to human life." At the time Wilkins was informed, the Nautilus was making practice dives in the Hudson, off the coast of Yonkers.

May 3, 1932: After being closed by Yonkers Police for three nights, the New York Supreme Court decided the Columbus Hall Marathon Dance was an "exhibition, and not just a dance;" this restrained YPD from closing it. Promoter Edwin Coronati immediately reopened the event and had the police watching it closely.

Sunday, May 4th

May 4, 1919: The Victory Liberty Loan Campaign exhibited a German submarine captured by Americans, along with several highly decorated helmets made especially by the enemy for their anticipated "victorious march into Paris."

May 4, 1942: Seventy women began training in the Aviation Defense School housed in the old School Ten; the ten-week intensive course would qualify them for vital war industry skilled labor jobs.

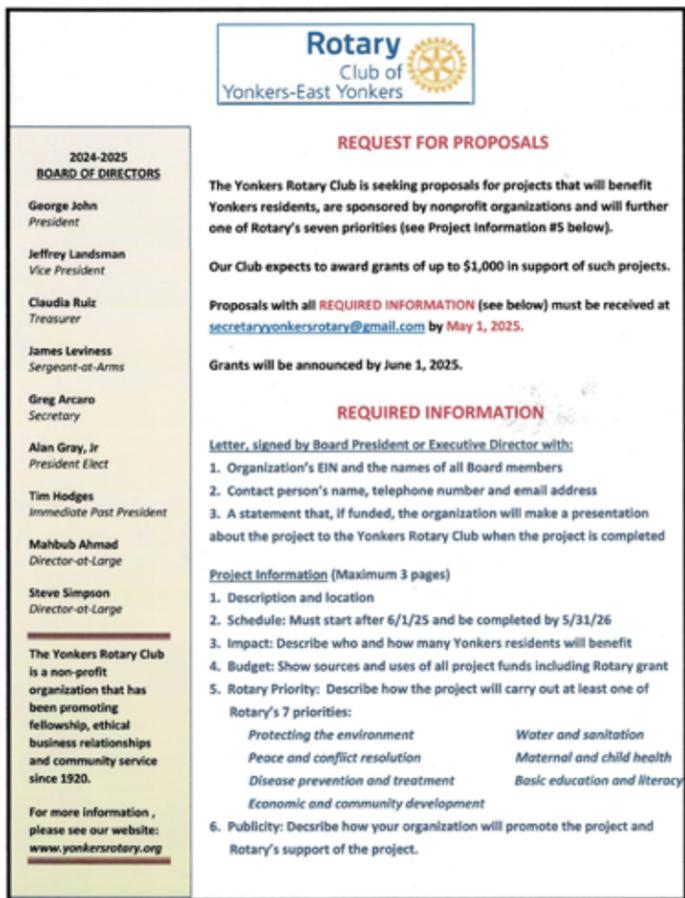
Most women signed up for the day 7:30 am to 4 pm shift, but others wanted the 4:00-11:30 pm or the 11:30 pm to 7 am section. Assistant Principal Earl Carroll said the women were "keenly interested" and fully aware course work was "not a child's play or game but a serious thing."

The course was an eight-hour-a-day, five-days-a-week commitment. And yes, there was homework!

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.

**Yonkers Rotary Club Announces Grant Requests
from Non-Profits-Deadline May 1**



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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
 The Yonkers Rotary Club is seeking proposals for projects that will benefit Yonkers residents, are sponsored by nonprofit organizations and will further one of Rotary's seven priorities (see Project Information #5 below).
 Our Club expects to award grants of up to \$1,000 in support of such projects.
 Proposals with all **REQUIRED INFORMATION** (see below) must be received at secretary@yonkersrotary.org by **May 1, 2025**.
 Grants will be announced by **June 1, 2025**.

REQUIRED INFORMATION
 Letter, signed by Board President or Executive Director with:
 1. Organization's EIN and the names of all Board members
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 3. A statement that, if funded, the organization will make a presentation about the project to the Yonkers Rotary Club when the project is completed

Project Information (Maximum 3 pages)
 1. Description and location
 2. Schedule: Must start after 6/1/25 and be completed by 5/31/26
 3. Impact: Describe who and how many Yonkers residents will benefit
 4. Budget: Show sources and uses of all project funds including Rotary grant
 5. Rotary Priority: Describe how the project will carry out at least one of Rotary's 7 priorities:
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 6. Publicity: Describe how your organization will promote the project and Rotary's support of the project.

The Yonkers Rotary Club is a non-profit organization that has been promoting fellowship, ethical business relationships and community service since 1920.
 For more information, please see our website: www.yonkersrotary.org

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tion in Yonkers. It is part of the long tradition of Prince Hall Freemasonry, which began in 1784 when Prince Hall and other free Black men received permission from the Grand Lodge of England to start African Lodge No. 459 in Boston. That moment helped create many Black Masonic lodges across the country, including James H. Farrell Lodge in Yonkers.

A Rich Heritage of Leadership

Prince Hall Freemasonry boasts a legacy that includes prominent members such as Thurgood Marshall, Booker T. Washington, Medgar Evers, Louis Armstrong, Shaquille O'Neal, Nat King Cole, Nelson Mandela,

A Lodge Built on Hope and Hard Work

During the Great Migration, many Black families moved from the South to cities in the North, including Yonkers. In 1876, seven Black men from Yonkers traveled to Troy, NY, to receive their Masonic degrees. One year later, on December 27, 1877, they received permission to start a new Lodge, named after District Deputy Grand Master James H. Farrell.

The Lodge's first leaders were John B. Jones (Worshipful Master), Daniel Webb (Senior Warden), and John Thomas (Junior Warden). Over the years, the Lodge has produced three Grand Masters and has remained committed to the values of brotherhood, charity, and integrity.

Giving Back to the Community

Although the Lodge has ceremonial traditions, its true mission is to help people. Through the Luther V. Garrison Sr. Masonic Foundation, the Lodge supports thousands of Yonkers residents every year.

Luther V. Garrison Sr., born in 1905, gave more than 75 years of service to the Lodge. He stayed active in the church and community until he passed away at age 103 in 2007. The foundation named after him continues his work with these programs:

Scholarship Program – Helps college students pay for books, supplies, and travel. Students have gone on to schools like Yale, NYU, SUNY Albany, Hampton, and John Jay. Some years, up to 25 scholarships have been given.

Thanksgiving Basket Giveaway & Luncheon – For more than 10 years, the Lodge has given Thanksgiving baskets to over 600 families and served a hot meal to the community.

Adopt-a-Family Christmas Program – Each year, the Lodge supports over 600 families during the holidays with food and gifts. They've given out more than 6,000 toys, books, and games.

Feeding the Community – The Lodge has served more than 1,800 hot meals to anyone in need—no questions asked.

Easter Egg Hunt – This yearly event gives kids a fun and safe way to celebrate Easter with games, prizes, and food.

Mother's Day Breakfast – A special event to thank and honor local seniors and widows for their role in the community.

Support for Youth Sports – The Lodge sponsors local Little League teams and youth clubs like the Pacoy and Pelton Boys & Girls Clubs.

The Lodge's members include teachers, veterans, ministers, activists, and public leaders—including Westchester County Executive Ken Jenkins, who is a proud member of the Lodge.

"This Lodge has been part of Yonkers history for almost 150 years," said Harold Mckoy II, Sr Master of Ceremonies. "We're here to keep helping people, just like the brothers who came before us."

As Yonkers grows and changes, James H. Farrell Lodge No. 34 continues to be a symbol of faith, unity, and service—a place where generations of Black men have come together to lead, serve, and inspire their community.

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF JEFFERSON SUMMONS WITH NOTICE --X Index No. EF2025-00000794, Date Summons Filed: 02/17/2025 JESSE FELDMAN, Plaintiff, -against- JACOB WARREN a.k.a. JACOB WARREN-NAGER, a.k.a. JULIAN WARREN, Defendant –X Plaintiff designates Jefferson County as the place of trial. The basis of venue is CPLR Sec. 509. Plaintiff resides at 50 Richmond Ave., Buffalo, NY 14222. ACTION FOR DIVORCE To the above named Defendant: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to serve a notice of appearance on the Plaintiff's Attorneys within twenty (20) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within thirty (30) days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the notice set forth below. David Centeno, Esq. David Centeno Law, PC, Attorneys for Plaintiff, 767 Third Ave., Suite 2400, New York, NY 10017, (866) 830-2064 NOTICE: The nature of this action is to dissolve the marriage between the parties, on the grounds: DRL Section 170 subd. (7) - the relationship between the Plaintiff and Defendant has broken down irretrievably for a period of at least six months. The relief sought is a judgment of absolute divorce in favor of the Plaintiff dissolving the marriage between the parties in this action. The nature of any ancillary or additional relief demanded is: That the parties do not require maintenance and no claim will be made by either party for maintenance. Neither party is seeking maintenance as payee as described in the Notice of Guideline Maintenance. That the parties do not require payment of counsel and experts' fees and expenses. That both parties may resume the use of any prior surname.

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. NOTICE OF ENTRY OF AUTOMATIC ORDERS (D.R.L. 236) Rev. 1/13 FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE ORDERS MAY BE DEEMED A CONTEMPT OF COURT PURSUANT TO the Uniform Rules of the Trial Courts, and DOMESTIC RELATIONS LAW Section 236, Part B, Section 2, both you and your spouse (the parties) are bound by the following AUTOMATIC ORDERS, which have been entered against you and your spouse in your divorce action pursuant to 22 NYCRR Section 202.16(a), and which shall remain in full force and effect during the pendency of the action, unless terminated, modified or amended by further order of the court or upon written agreement between the parties: (1) ORDERED: Neither party shall sell, transfer, encumber, conceal, assign, remove or in any way dispose of, without the consent of the other party in writing, or by order of the court, any property (including, but not limited to, real estate, personal property, cash accounts, stocks, mutual funds, bank accounts, cars and boats) individually or jointly held by the parties, except in the usual course of business, for customary and usual household expenses or for reasonable attorney's fee in connection with this action. (2) ORDERED: Neither party shall transfer, encumber, assign, remove, withdraw or in any way dispose of any tax deferred funds, stocks or other assets held in any individual retirement accounts, 401k accounts, profit sharing plans, Keogh accounts, or any other pension or retirement account, and the parties shall further refrain from applying for or requesting the payment of retirement benefits or annuity payments of any kind, without the consent of the other party in writing, or upon further order of the court; except that any party who is already in pay status may continue to receive such payments thereunder. (3) ORDERED: Neither party shall incur unreasonable debts hereafter, including, but not limited to, further borrowing against any credit line secured by the family residence, further encumbering any assets, or unreasonably using credit cards or cash advances against credit cards, except in the usual course of business or for customary or usual housing expenses, or for reasonable attorney's fees in connection with this action. (4) ORDERED: Neither party shall cause the other party or the children of the marriage to be removed from any existing medical, hospital and dental insurance coverage, and each party shall maintain the existing medical, hospital and dental insurance coverage in full force and effect.

(5) ORDERED: Neither party shall change the beneficiaries of any existing life insurance policies, and each party shall maintain the existing life insurance, automobile insurance, homeowners and renters insurance policies in full force and effect. IMPORTANT NOTE: After service of Summons with Notice or Summons and Complaint for divorce, if you or your spouse wishes to modify or dissolve the automatic orders, you must ask the court for approval to do so, or enter into a written modification agreement with your spouse duly signed and acknowledged before a notary public. NOTICE CONCERNING CONTINUATION OF HEALTH CARE COVERAGE (Required by Section 255(1) of the Domestic Relations Law) PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that once a judgment of divorce is signed in this action, both you and your spouse may or may not continue to be eligible for coverage under each other's health insurance plan, depending on the terms of the plan. NOTICE OF GUIDELINE MAINTENANCE If your divorce was commenced on or after January 25, 2016, this Notice is required to be given to you by the Supreme Court of the county where your divorce was filed to comply with the Maintenance Guidelines Law ([S. 5678/A. 7645], Chapter 269, Laws of 2015) because you may not have counsel in this action to advise you. It does not mean that your spouse (the person you are married to) is seeking or offering an award of "Maintenance" in this action. "Maintenance" means the amount to be paid to the other spouse for support after the divorce is final. You are hereby given notice that under the Maintenance Guidelines Law (Chapter 269, Laws of 2015), there is an obligation to award the guideline amount of maintenance on income up to \$228,000 to be paid by the party with the higher income (the maintenance payor) to the party with the lower income (the maintenance payee) according to a formula, unless the parties agree otherwise or waive this right. Depending on the incomes of the parties, the obligation might fall on either the Plaintiff or Defendant in the action. There are two formulas to determine the amount of the obligation. If you and your spouse have no children, the higher formula will apply. If there are children of the marriage, the lower formula will apply, but only if the maintenance payor is paying child support to the other spouse who has the children as the custodial parent. Otherwise the higher formula will apply. Lower Formula 1. Multiply Maintenance Payor's Income by 20%. 2. Multiply Maintenance Payee's Income by 25%. Subtract Line 2 from Line 1 = Result 1 Subtract Maintenance Payee's Income from 40% of Combined Income* = Result 2. Enter the lower of Result 2 or Result 1, but if less than or equal to zero, enter zero. THIS IS THE CALCULATED GUIDELINE AMOUNT OF MAINTENANCE WITH THE LOWER FORMULA. Higher Formula 1. Multiply Maintenance Payor's Income by 30% 2. Multiply Maintenance Payee's Income by 20% Subtract Line 2 from Line 1 = Result 1 Subtract Maintenance Payee's Income from 40% of Combined Income* = Result 2 Enter the lower of Result 2 or Result 1, but if less than or equal to zero, enter zero. THIS IS THE CALCULATED GUIDELINE AMOUNT OF MAINTENANCE WITH THE HIGHER FORMULA. * Combined Income equals Maintenance Payor's Income up to \$228,000 plus Maintenance Payee's Income. Note: The Court will determine how long maintenance will be paid in accordance with the statute. (Rev. 3/1/

St. Mary's Friends Launches Major Fundraising Campaign

The campaign will commence May 1, 2025 with the goal of initially raising \$50k

St. Mary's Friends has announced the launch of a campaign to raise funds to repair, renovate and restore St. Mary's Church. The campaign will commence May 1, 2025 with the initial goal of raising \$50k.

St. Mary's Friends is a non-profit organization formed in the State of New York. St. Mary's Church (Church of the Immaculate Conception) is located in Yonkers, New York, and was founded in 1848. The mission of St. Mary's Friends is to ensure the preservation of St. Mary's Church and to ensure the integrity of the buildings and the sacred objects located within the Church.

The announcement to raise money for the church comes on the heels of a major victory. The appeal made to the Vatican for St. Mary's Church to remain an independent parish has been successful. The Holy See has revoked the decree issued last year by Cardinal Timothy Dolan, which had merged Immaculate Conception Parish with two other parishes in Yonkers. Also, at the behest of St. Mary's Friends, on July 16, 2024, the Yonkers City Council voted unanimously to grant landmark status to both the external as well as internal physical structures of St. Mary's Church.

St. Mary's Friends is asking parishioners, both past and current, to donate whatever they can to help. Other interested donors include people who care about saving Sacred Spaces. Large or small, all donations will make a difference. Donations can be sent via check to a secure mail box.

St. Mary's Friends, Inc. PO Box 288, Yonkers NY 10703-0288

Donations can also be made via Zelle, using the email address: stmarysfriendsorg@gmail.com.

The current board members of St. Mary's Friends are Yonkers residents who represent the constituency of the parish:

Anthony Kunny, Domini Pisculli, Dr. Matel Hassan, Dr. Sandy Hattar, Miguelangel, Lucas Avila,

Stand tall for St. Mary's Church and give today! Give whatever you can! In the coming months, St. Mary's Friends plans to host special events that will serve the St. Mary's greater community and raise awareness for its renovation projects. If you have questions that you would like answered, then please email your questions to St-MarysFriendsOrg@gmail.com. For more information, please see: <https://stmarysfriends.org/> Updates can be found on our website <https://stmarysfriends.org/news-room/>

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Westchester Parks Events, continued from pg 13-

Lasdon Park and Arboretum, Katonah: (914) 864-7263. Gardening Sundays, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. at Lasdon Park. Tasks include planting, watering, weeding, pruning, staking, deadheading, potting up, and more. Get details and register: <https://www.lasdonpark.org/event/gardening-sundays-2/2025-04-27>.

Hilltop Hanover Farm and Environmental Center, Yorktown Heights: (914) 862-5050

Citizen Science: Getting Started with iNaturalist, eBird, Merlin and Seek, 12 p.m. - 2 p.m.

During this indoor-outdoor class, ages 13 and older will learn about citizen science through applications you can use right on your phone! They will help you identify plants, animals and insects, and the data collected can be used for research.

Free; registration required: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/citizen-science-getting-started-with-inaturalist-ebird-merlin-seek-tickets-1291301671059?aff=oddtcreator>

Alfred B. DelBello Muscote Farm, Katonah: (914) 864-7282

Vernal Pool Exploration, 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

What's a vernal pool? Learn how to identify a vernal pool, what the species are that need these areas and ways to protect these important areas. Afterward, we'll hike out to visit our vernal pools here at the farm.

Free; registration required: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/vernal-pool-exploration-tickets-1267470140309?aff=oddtcreator>

Croton Point Park Nature Center, Croton-on-Hudson: (914) 862-5290

Archaeology! Exploring the Past, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

NYS Archaeological Association's Lower Hudson Chapter presents an informative and fascinating lecture and event about the archaeology of our area and around the world. Free.

Cranberry Lake Preserve, North White Plains: (914) 428-1005

History Hike, 2:30 p.m. - 3 p.m. Learn about the preserve's rich history during a 3-mile hike. Hiking shoes are recommended.

Edith G. Read Wildlife Sanctuary, Rye: (914) 967-8720

Squirrels Foraging, 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Squirrels exhibit fascinating foraging habits that vary significantly throughout the seasons. We'll talk about various resources that they find, such as buds, nuts, seeds and insects.

U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCAF ACQUISITION TRUST,

Plaintiff,

vs.

RANJIT PERSAUD, if living, and if she/he be dead, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.; THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK; THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

"JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint,

Defendants.

Plaintiff designates WESTCHESTER as the place of trial situs of the real property

SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS

Mortgaged Premises:

337 NORTH 7TH AVENUE, MOUNT VERNON, NY 10550

Section: 165.45, Block: 1100, Lot: 23

To the above named Defendants

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above entitled action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days of the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service of the same is complete where service is made in any manner other than by personal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service. Your failure to appear or to answer will result in a judgment against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. In the event that a deficiency balance remains from the sale proceeds, a judgment may be entered against you.

NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT

THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of \$440,000.00 and interest, recorded on January 29, 2007, in Control Number 463380234, of the Public Records of WESTCHESTER County, New York., covering premises known as 337 NORTH 7TH AVENUE, MOUNT VERNON, NY 10550.

The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above.

WESTCHESTER County is designated as the place of trial because the real property affected by this action is located in said county.

NOTICE

YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME

If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home.

Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property.

Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action.

YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.

Dated: March 28th, 2025

ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC
Attorney for Plaintiff Matthew Rothstein, Esq.
900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310, Westbury, NY 11590
516-280-7675

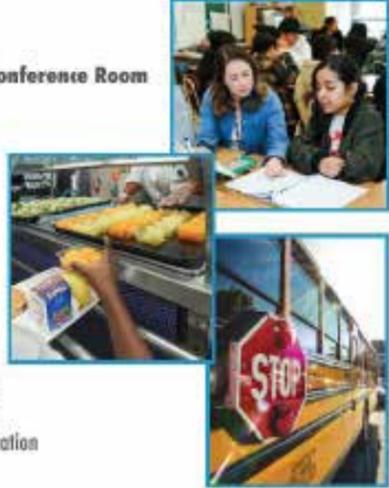


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MAYOR MIKE SPANO