

## Troop 12 Celebrates New Eagle Scouts



L-R- Mathew Guerra, Jack Truax, and Viktor Berishaj

Troop 12 proudly held an Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Viktor Berishaj, Mathew Guerra, and Jack Truax on March 15, 2026, in the Sacred Heart School cafeteria. The ceremony honored the remarkable achievements of these three

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## Yonkers Women in Law Enforcement Visit Maria Regina High School



As part of Maria Regina High School's extensive and inspiring celebration of Women's History Month, 19 members of the Law and Justice Club recently learned first-hand from representatives of the Yonkers Women in Law Enforcement (YLWE) what it's like to pursue and become a female police officer, traditionally a male-dominated career.

The YWLE was established in 2018 in recognition that only about 12% of the police ranks of New York State's third largest city were women (it is about 17% today).

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## Happy 100th Birthday Alex Abramowicz

Holocaust Survivor Gets Visit from YPD, YFD & Mayor



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## Mayor Spano Delivers "Revolutionary" State of the City Address



By Dan Murphy

Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano celebrating the upcoming 250th Birthday of our country by touching on Revolutionary themes during his record 15th State of the City address.

Mayor Spano highlighted all of the accomplishments made in the city over the past year and during his term, but also issued a warning about an upcoming budget shortfall, and the need for NY State to step up with additional funding so that Yonkers and the Yonkers Public Schools can continue the progress.

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## It's Official: Yonkers Saint Patrick's Day Parade Now #2, Surpassing Pearl River



L-R- Grand Marshal William Fitzpatrick, Mayor Mike Spano, and Father Brendan Fitzgerald

photos by Donna Davis



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## Enjoy Yonkers Charter School's Restaurant Night April 10



Students in the Charter School of Educational Excellence's training kitchen

The aromas of garlic, lemon, and fresh pastry will waft through the halls of the Charter School of Educational Excellence (CSEE) on April 10, when the school's talented culinary students transform their campus into a premier dining destination.

Starting at 6:00 p.m., the CSEE's Restaurant Night offers the community a chance to experience a dining experience curated and executed entirely by the next generation of chefs.

The student-led kitchen has designed a traditional menu that highlights both technical precision and classic flavors. Guests will enjoy a full three-course meal:

**Appetizer:** A fresh, crisp house salad to cleanse the palette.

**Main Entrée:** Chicken Francese and Pasta Primavera, accompanied by creamy mashed potatoes with gravy and a medley of mixed vegetables.

**Dessert:** Fresh-baked strawberry cheesecake to round out the evening.

The event serves as a live showcase of the rigorous vocational training provided at CSEE. Under the mentorship of professional chefs, students have spent the semester mastering knife skills, flavor profiles, and the high-pressure pacing of a commercial kitchen.

"Our culinary students are incredibly eager to demonstrate the skills they've learned from the professional chefs who lead their classes," said Principal Dwain Palmer. "This night is a culmination of their hard work, discipline, and passion for the culinary arts. It's a proud moment for the school to see them step out of the classroom and into their roles as professional hosts and chefs."

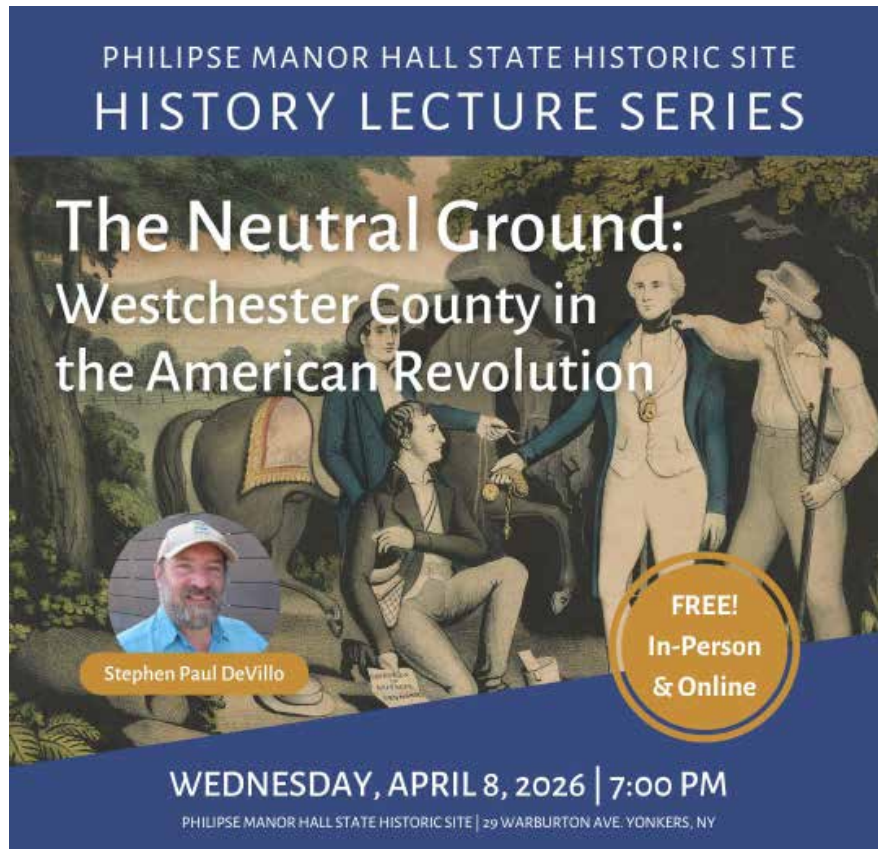
The community can support these aspiring professionals by purchasing tickets online. Tickets are priced affordably to ensure a family-friendly atmosphere:

Adults: \$25

Children: \$15

Proceeds from the event support the school's vocational programs, ensuring that students continue to have access to industry-standard equipment and ingredients.

## Philipse Manor Hall Hosts Talk on Revolutionary War and Westchester's "Neutral Ground"



Philipse Manor Hall State Historic Site and the Friends of Philipse Manor Hall are pleased to present a talk by prominent local historian and author Stephen Paul DeVillo. The talk, entitled "The Neutral Ground: Westchester County in the American Revolution," will take place at the museum (29 Warburton Ave. Yonkers, NY) and online on YouTube Live on Wednesday, April 8, 2026, at 7:00 PM.

After the 1776 Battle of White Plains, Westchester County became known as the "Neutral Ground." But there would be no peace here. Occupied by neither side, it was a place where no one could remain neutral amid clashes by detachments of the contending armies, as well as violence by groups of bandits, vigilantes and partisans. Join historian Stephen Paul DeVillo as he reveals Westchester's divided history from his new book, Westchester County in the American Revolution.

Westchester County in the American Revolution will be available for sale in the Philipse Manor Hall museum gift shop. DeVillo will be available for a book signing after the talk.

Stephen Paul DeVillo is a local historian, author of The Bronx River in History and Folklore (The History Press), The Battle of White Plains: Washington and Howe in Westchester (The History Press) and The Bowery: The Strange History of New York's Oldest Street (Skyhorse Publishing). He is a longtime walking tour guide for the Bronx River Rambles and has given numerous talks and webinars on topics of Revolutionary War and local history. A firm believer in on-the-ground research, his particular interest is the Revolutionary War and its events in the New York area.

In-person tickets are free for everyone, courtesy the Friends of Philipse Manor Hall. To reserve your spot call 914-965-4027 or email philipsemanorhall@parks.ny.gov. Virtual access is free and open to everyone.

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## Yonkers Mayor Spano to Open Three Mobile Tax Locations

*Three Mobile Tax Offices to Open April 6, April 8 and April 9, Providing Easier Payment Method of County Property Taxes for Yonkers Residents*

Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano today announced the upcoming schedule for the City's Mobile Tax Office locations. Staff members from the Tax Department and Constituent Services departments will be in attendance to collect property taxes, water bill payments, and answer any questions on Monday, April 6, from 9AM to 7PM at Coyne Park/Bernice Spreckman Community Center (777 McLean Ave.); Wednesday, April 8, from 9AM to 6:30PM at the Homefield House (911 Saw Mill River Rd.) and Thursday, April 9, from 9AM to 7PM at Grinton I. Will Library (1500 Central Park Ave.). The installment for the 2026 County property tax is due Tuesday, April 14.

"Understanding how important accessible services are to our residents, we're once again bringing Mobile Tax Offices directly into the community," said Mayor Mike Spano. "These sites make it easier for Yonkers residents to pay their property taxes or water bills or simply receive assistance close to home. I encourage anyone who prefers a convenient neighborhood location to visit any of the three mobile offices."

For more information, residents are encouraged to contact the Office of Constituent Services at (914) 377-6010 between 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM or contact the 24/7 Mayor's Help Line at 377-HELP (4357) for assistance.

### *Eagle Scouts, continued from pg 1-*

young men in attaining the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest honor in Scouting America.

Family, friends, and community leaders gathered to celebrate the dedication, hard work and commitment it takes to earn the rank of Eagle. The event featured speeches from fellow Scouts, leaders, and community representatives who shared their admiration for the honorees' service and leadership.

Viktor's Eagle Scout project involved refurbishing the performance area at St. Anthony Church and School, including sanding and painting the stage floor and constructing shelving. He is currently a senior at Iona Preparatory School and plans to attend college in the fall.

Mathew's Eagle Scout project transformed an underutilized grassy area at DiChiaro School into an engaging and functional outdoor classroom. He is a senior at Fordham Preparatory School and plans to attend college in the fall.

For his Eagle Scout project, Jack designed and planted a pollinator garden on Ferris Avenue in White Plains, creating a lasting impact on the community. He is currently a senior at Yonkers High School and plans to attend college in the fall.

Each of these projects required planning, leadership, and the coordination of volunteer teams, demonstrating the skills and values central to Scouting.

Troop 12 has served the Yonkers community for over 85 years, fostering leadership, teamwork, and community service among its members. The achievements of Viktor, Mathew, and Jack add to the troop's proud legacy and inspire younger Scouts to strive for excellence.

The ceremony concluded with a heartfelt recognition of the honorees' accomplishments, symbolizing the perseverance, dedication, and community spirit that Scouting instills in its members.

To learn more about scouting and Troop 12 email Troop12Yonkers@gmail.com or call 914-374-3320.

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## On This Day in Yonkers History...



*Sarah Lawrence College Professor Joseph Barnes, left, was accused by the American Legion of being a Communist in 1952 during the Red Scare*

By Mary Hoar, City of Yonkers Municipal Historian, 1977 recipient of the Key to the City of Yonkers, President Emeritus Yonkers Historical Society, recipient of the 2004 Key to History, Yonkers Landmarks Preservation Board Member, Founder of Revolutionary Yonkers 250 and President Untermyer Performing Arts Council

Monday, April 6th

April 6, 1928: Banker A. R. Martine of 357 North Broadway announced he would finance a three-continent flight with a transatlantic crossing, a tour of Europe and a quick trip to Liberia. Two African American aviators, Lieutenant Hubert Julian and Lieutenant Herbert Wilkie would pilot the excursion. Julian later headed Emperor Haile Selassie's Air Force for a few months.

Martine made one of his planes available and shared the cost with the famous 369th Regiment of Harlem, known as the Harlem Hellfighters. Named "The 369th Rattlesnake," the plane had regimental numerals and a rattlesnake on each side of the plane.

Unfortunately, the flight never happened.

April 6, 1934: Although Herbert, the tame, well-mannered pheasant friendly to strangers seemed happy in his downtown Yonkers pad, SPCA Agent Butler ruled he had to go back to nature. Yonkers Game Warden John Canepi was tasked with taking Herbert from his comfortable Yonkers "flat" to the wilds of Pleasantville.

Herbert never did say why he had dropped by Getty Square.

Tuesday, April 7th

April 7, 1911: "Belvoir," the Lilienthal estate at 615 North Broadway, was sold to the Jesuit Order. After their seminary in Maryland closed, students and faculty moved to Yonkers.

April 7, 1952: After spending the weekend with Elinor Roosevelt in Hyde Park and Scarsdale's Louis Marx family, Netherlands' Queen Juliana was met by Prince Bernhard in Yonkers, then escorted by dozens of FBI agents, New York State Troopers, motorcycle police officers, photographers, reporters and hundreds of fans to the New York City line. Juliana and Bernhard's American aide Admiral Forrestel and Netherlands Consul-General John Simmons met them on the Saw Mill River Parkway and escorted the Royal Couple to a NYC Ticker Tape Parade. The Royal couple relaxed at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel for three days.

Wednesday, April 8th:

April 8, 1944: Habirshaw Cable and Wire Company opened a new plant just north of the City Pier to assemble pipeline for Operation Overlord, what the British called Operation PLUTO, Pipe Line Under The Ocean. The plant assembled miles of pipeline made in Yonkers and company factories in Connecticut and New Jersey.

This pipeline sent millions of gallons of fuel from England to France and Germany and was credited for the success of the Allies D-Day Invasion!

Thursday, April 9th

April 9, 1935: Speaking at the annual Holy Trinity School Alumni Association Communion Breakfast, YPD Captain Dennis Cooper demanded a boycott on newsstands selling indecent and immoral papers and magazines in Yonkers.

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*Happy 100th Birthday, continued from pg 1-*

This is another great idea, and one unique to Yonkers for the moment. Members of Yonkers Finest and Yonkers Bravest have been greeting residents at their homes for their 100th Birthday and beyond.

Mayor Mike Spano joined in the recent visit. He writes, "Today, I had the profound honor of celebrating a truly extraordinary The City of Yonkers resident, Alex Abramowicz. He turned 100 last month, but the blizzard blanketed his plans.

Surrounded by members of our Yonkers Police Department and Yonkers Fire Department, we gathered at his home to recognize a century of life, resilience, and quiet strength. When we arrived, Alex humbly asked, "What did I do to deserve this?" The answer is simple: everything.

At just 13 years old, Alex's life was forever changed when Nazi forces invaded his hometown of Piotrków Trybunalski in Poland. He endured unimaginable hardship, surviving the first Jewish ghetto of the war, losing family members, and ultimately being liberated from a concentration camp in 1945. His story is one of survival against all odds, of perseverance in the face of darkness.

When he came to America, Alex became a gardener at Montefiore Hospital, and met his wife of 67 years, Laura.

Reaching 100 years old is a remarkable milestone. But reaching it with a story like Alex's, one of courage, loss, love, and renewal, is nothing short of extraordinary.

Yonkers is stronger, richer, and more compassionate because of people like Alex Abramowicz. We celebrate not just his 100 years, but the legacy he continues to inspire in all of us. "

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to law, that the Mayor of the City of Yonkers, New York, will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, April 8, 2026 at 5:20 pm, Mayor's Reception Room, 2nd floor, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York, to hear all interested parties and citizens regarding the adoption of the following Local Law, to wit:

LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 31 TO ADD SECTION 31-30a, TITLED "DYNAMIC PRICING PROHIBITED" OF ARTICLE III OF CHAPTER 31 OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF YONKERS

Said hearing may be adjourned from time to time as necessary. Further information, including access to a copy of said proposed local law, may be obtained at the City Clerk's office, City Hall, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York, and on the City's Website.

MIKE SPANO  
Mayor

Date: March 27, 2026

*Women in Law Enforcement, continued from pg 4-*

The renowned all-girls Catholic high school has contributed to some of the incremental increase more than a dozen of graduates including Theresa Donohue (Class of 2010) over the last 15 years. She was one of the six members of the YWLE who visited the Club in uniform to share their personal experiences and answer questions. The students also gained insight into the training, activities and responsibilities of a law enforcement officer.

In addition to Donohue, the YLWE contingent included Nicole Molinaro, President; Lauren Soto, Ashley Callery, Rachelle Sainten and Courtney McCormack.

Molinaro noted in a post on the school's social media platform: "It was truly special to connect with such a driven and thoughtful group of young women.... Conversations like these matter. Representation matters. Being able to answer questions, offer guidance, and simply be present is something we don't take lightly," adding: "We are grateful for the warm welcome and the opportunity to engage with the youth. The future is bright, and we are proud to play even a small role in inspiring it!"

The Law and Justice Club members who enjoyed the unique learning experience included:

- Alexis Salas, Bronx
- Amanda Iaccarino, Yonkers
- Brianna Bock, Yonkers (President)
- Calli Kazorck, Yonkers (Community Helper)
- Corinne Dunleavy, Yonkers (Secretary)
- Dania George, Yonkers
- Eva Downes, White Plains
- Gabriella Joly, Brewster
- Isabella Ostuni, Tuckahoe
- Ivanna Franco, Yonkers
- Juliette Ianni, Ridgefield, CT
- Katherine Mundo, Bronx
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**Yonkers Mayor Spano & City Parks Department to Host Arbor Day Tree Planting & Old Aqueduct Clean Up in Celebration of Earth Week**

Arbor Day Tree Plantings, April 24, 9:30AM-12PM

Clean Up of Old Croton Aqueduct Trail, April 25, 8:30AM-1PM

In celebration of Earth Week later this month, Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano and the Yonkers Parks Department today announced the City will host its annual Arbor Day tree plantings and clean-up of the Old Croton Aqueduct. Mayor Spano is encouraging community involvement for the purpose of beautifying and cleaning up local neighborhoods in the City of Yonkers as spring approaches.

“Each year I eagerly anticipate our community uniting in celebration of Earth Week—a time when neighbors, friends, and families come together to beautify Yonkers for Arbor Day and rejuvenate the Old Croton Aqueduct through volunteer clean-up efforts,” said Mayor Spano. “When we come together in service, we not only protect the character and vibrancy of Yonkers but also reinforce our shared responsibility to keep our city a wonderful place to live, work, and play.”

Residents are encouraged to join the City of Yonkers for the following Earth Week events:

- Friday, April 24 - Arbor Day Tree Plantings
  - 9:30AM Sullivan’s Oval Park (Spruce Street at Van Cortlandt Park Avenue)
  - 10:30AM Lohrfink Park (Valley and Bolmer Avenue)
  - 11:30AM First Police Precinct (730 East Grassy Sprain Road)

Saturday, April 25 - Clean-Up at the Old Croton Aqueduct

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 at Walnut Street, just north of Yonkers Avenue, at 8:30AM. 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 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.

**Sacred Heart HS Principal Runs Half Marathon to Benefit School**



Sacred Heart High School Principal Kyle O’Donnell successfully completed the United Airlines NYC Half Marathon on Sunday, March 15, finishing the 13.1-mile race in just over two hours.

A 2006 graduate of the University of Mount Saint Vincent, O’Donnell has dedicated his entire career to Catholic education within the Archdiocese of New York. His commitment to Catholic schools and the values they instill in students inspired him to take on the challenge.

As he ran through the streets of New York City, O’Donnell proudly wore a hoodie that asked, “Which Catholic school did you graduate from?” This simple, but powerful message, celebrated the enduring legacy and impact of Catholic education across New York City and beyond.

By participating in the NYC Half Marathon, O’Donnell not only achieved a personal athletic goal but also highlighted the strength and lasting influence of Catholic education. Catholic schools have helped shape New York’s communities since the early 1800s, forming generations of leaders grounded in faith, service, and academic excellence.

Sacred Heart High School has been a cornerstone of the North Yonkers community since its founding in 1923. For more than a century, thousands of graduates have gone on to enrich the City of Yonkers, New York State, and beyond by sharing the values and lessons instilled by the co-educational institution founded by the Capuchin Franciscans.

The Sacred Heart community rallied behind O’Donnell and celebrated his accomplishment. In a book of well-wishes compiled before the race, one student wrote: “Good luck at the NYC Half Marathon, Mr. O’Donnell! That’s an incredible challenge. Have an awesome race! We are cheering you on and thank you for representing our Catholic school.”

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Aisling Irish Community Center: Doing God's work on McLean Avenue

L-R-Councilman Mike Breen, Justin Tubiolo, Councilwoman Tasha Diaz, Councilman Tim Hodges



Grand Marshal Fitzpatrick, center, with his aides prior to the parade at Mass at St. Barnabas



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## DA Cacace Announces Successful Completion of Safer Streets Initiative

### 30 Arrests, 1,674 Tickets Issued, 2 Guns & Narcotics Seized

Westchester County District Attorney Susan Cacace announced the results of her administration's District Attorney's Safer Highways, or DASH, initiative, conducted in partnership with the New York State Police, Troop K.

Throughout the month of February, our Troop K partners surged personnel and additional resources to crack down on dangerous driving on the Sprain Brook Parkway and I-684, with the aim of restoring a culture of responsibility on the roadways. The District Attorney's Office also assigned two Assistant District Attorneys to coordinate and streamline the prosecution of criminal infractions occurring on these highways.

Month over month, Troop K issued 92% more Vehicle and Traffic Law citations in February 2026. Enforcement was even more pronounced on the Sprain Brook, which has narrower lanes and is a more perilous setting for reckless driving. Enforcement on the Sprain Brook surged by 280% month over month.

Other notable highlights from DASH include:

- 12 felony arrests (up from 0 during the prior month)
- 18 misdemeanor arrests (up from 3 during the prior month)
- 4 DWI arrests
- 16 cars impounded
- 2 firearms recovered
- 269 grams of cocaine recovered
- 59 grams of heroin recovered

Within the first few days of the DASH initiative, Troop K made two significant arrests: on Feb. 3, troopers assigned to DASH engaged in a vehicular pursuit and arrested a parolee from Bristol, Conn., for allegedly engaging in reckless driving.

The following day, another motorist was arrested, with assistance from the DASH team, after he was accused of pointing a loaded gun at a school bus carrying special needs students.

DA Cacace said: "The dramatic surge in enforcement in February is a testament to the success of DASH, which aimed to crack down on the most dangerous driving that puts all our lives at risk. "Like you all, I have seen the complete deterioration of driving etiquette that has taken root during the pandemic: motorists cutting you off for no reason or drag racing on narrow-lane highways. Taking your children to school or making a trip to the grocery store should not involve this sort of constant peril. "I am pleased to see that our DASH program has yielded significant results and had a measurable effect on road safety. We will continue to explore our options for future enforcement surges as the needs of the Westchester community dictate. "I offer my sincere thanks to Major Daniel Smith, Troop K's commander, for his diligent partnership and committed enforcement of our traffic safety laws during this initiative."

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Cooper was head of Yonkers Traffic Division. He stated he had seen these periodicals sold at newsstands near public and private schools; he also believed stage and screen productions were "reservoirs of filth."

April 9, 1943: After Yonkers received five 500-gallon pumps from the National Office of Civilian Defense, Fire Chief William Garvin and Assistant Chief Arthur Spring supervised a demonstration at the Recreation Pier. The pumps were unmounted, so Yonkers Water Bureau employees used five auto chassis from junk dealers to mount the pumps. Seven more pumps were expected, all for any emergency caused by any acts of war.

The demonstration, attended by City Manager William Walsh and other city officials, showed the pump drawing water from the Hudson and feeding two hose lines, pumping 550 gallons per minute!

Friday, April 10th

April 10, 1952: The Westchester American Legion's Americanism Committee charged Yonkers' Sarah Lawrence College with Communist infiltration by a unanimous vote of the 100 delegates. They represented 7,000 Legion members. Five witnesses testified instructor Joseph Barnes at Sarah Lawrence was a Communist and Russian espionage agent.

Barnes, also a Simon & Schuster editor, strongly denied the charges. He stated, "I have denied all these charges under oath before the Senate Committee on Judiciary and the subcommittee on Internal Security. I also denied under oath that I am now a Communist or have ever been a member of the Communist Party."

The Legion called for the House Un-American Activities Committee to investigate the college, and for NYS to activate its Feinberg Law to force the Yonkers college to fire all subversive teachers or lose its tax exempt status. Both resolutions were forwarded to the State American Legion for approval.

Saturday, April 11th

April 11, 1923: The Yonkers Common Council gave Otis Elevator Company permission to build an enclosed bridge over Atherton Street 38 feet above the street. The bridge would connect the manufacturing building with the shipping and storage building.

April 11, 1971: Thirty-year Yonkers resident Philip Bookbinder passed away; his Yonkers home was 309 St. Johns Avenue. A leading foreign language typographer, he recognized the US would become more concerned with the rest of the world. He established a foreign language division of his King Typographic Service Corporation; his company's equipment could handle more than 600 languages and dialects.

During World War II, he worked with the Office of War Information to produce and print pieces in many languages.

Sunday, April 12th

April 12, 1930: US Under Secretary of War F. Trubee Davison told the Yonkers Forum of Gold Star Mothers scheduled to visit France during the summer, they were divided by necessity, not race.

The Yonkers Forum registered a protest when they learned Black mothers would be in separate ship accommodations. Davison said the large number of mothers and widows traveling overseas made it necessary to send the women in more than one group.

April 12, 1976: The Yonkers Parks Board approved and appointed 31 Yonkers residents to the Untermyer Performing Arts Council, celebrating its 50th anniversary this year.

Any questions on this column, email [yonkershistory1646@gmail.com](mailto:yonkershistory1646@gmail.com).

For information on the Yonkers Historical Society, the Sherwood House Museum on Tuckahoe Road or their upcoming events, please visit their website [www.yonkershistoricalsociety.org](http://www.yonkershistoricalsociety.org), call 914-961-8940 or email [info@yonkershistoricalsociety.org](mailto:info@yonkershistoricalsociety.org).

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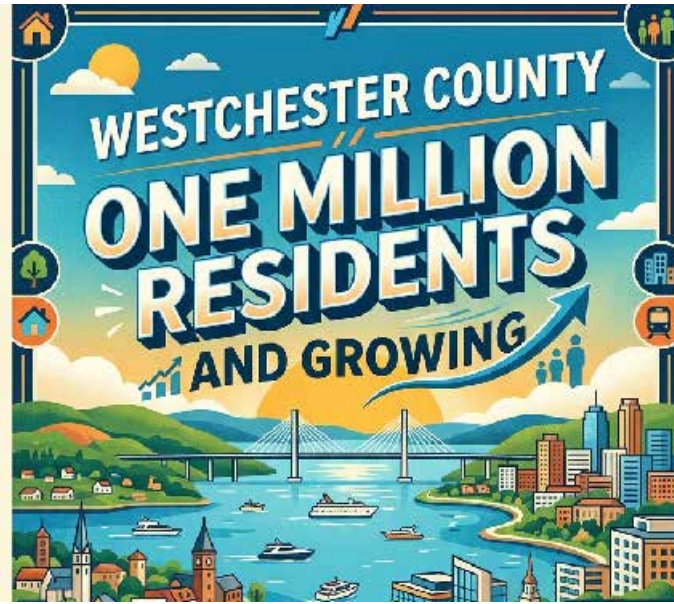

**Step Into Spring with YOM - Yonkers on the Move!**

**Tuesday, April 21**  
11 am-1 pm,  
Riverfront Atrium

Meet at Riverfront Library in the atrium then walk the promenade with our Yonkers Community. After the walk we will celebrate the fitness achievements of YOM members.

Light snacks will be served. All are welcome to join.

## Westchester County Hits 1 Million Residents in Latest Census Data



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County Executive Ken Jenkins said: "People are choosing Westchester – not just to visit, but to live, build families and invest in their future. When we create housing opportunities and vibrant neighborhoods, people come – and they stay. This jump underscores the County's continued growth and strength as a place to live, work and raise a family."

Overall, the County's population is now approximately 1.1% higher than its 2020 Census count, signaling sustained growth over the past five years.

The population increase comes at a time when many counties across New York State are experiencing declines. Recent data shows that 24 counties gained population while 38 lost residents, further highlighting Westchester's position as a leader in regional growth.

The estimates, released as part of the Census Bureau's annual Population and Housing Unit Estimates program, track population changes from April 1, 2020

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
COUNTY OF NEW YORK

Index No.: 51109/2025  
Summons filed on: 12/05/2025

Plaintiff designates New York County as the place for trial.  
The basis of venue is: Plaintiff's residence.

**FILED**  
DEC 05 2025  
SUMMONS WITH NOTICE

Anabel Cruz Garcia, Plaintiff,  
- against -  
Erick Figueroa Gonzalez, Defendant.

TIMOTHY C. IDONI  
COUNTY CLERK  
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

Plaintiff resides at:  
60 Clarendon Ave, Apt. 2  
Yonkers, NY 10701

### ACTION FOR A DIVORCE

To the above named Defendant:

**YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED** to serve a notice of appearance on the Plaintiff 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.

Dated: 12/05/2025

Anabel Cruz Garcia, Plaintiff  
60 Clarendon Ave, Apt. 2  
Yonkers, NY 10701  
(914) 498-3770

**NOTICE:** The nature of this action is to dissolve the marriage between the parties, on the grounds: Irretrievable Breakdown in Relationship for at Least Six Months - DRL § 170(7)

The relief sought is judgment of absolute divorce in favor of the Plaintiff dissolving the marriage between the parties in this action. I am not requesting any ancillary relief.

AND any other relief the court deems fit and proper.

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
COUNTY OF NEW YORK

Index No.: 51109/2025  
VERIFIED COMPLAINT  
ACTION FOR DIVORCE

**FILED**  
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Anabel Cruz Garcia, Plaintiff,  
- against -  
Erick Figueroa Gonzalez, Defendant.

TIMOTHY C. IDONI  
COUNTY CLERK  
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

**FIRST:** Plaintiff herein, complaining of the Defendant, alleges that the parties are over the age of 18 years and;

**SECOND:** The Plaintiff has resided in New York State for a continuous period of at least two years immediately preceding the commencement of this divorce action.

**THIRD:** The Plaintiff and the Defendant were married on February 1, 2023 in Yonkers, Westchester County, NY.

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

**FOURTH:** There are no children of the marriage under the age of 21.

The Plaintiff resides at 60 Clarendon Ave, Apt. 2, Yonkers, NY 10701.

The Defendant resides at 60 Clarendon Ave, Apt. 2, Yonkers, NY 10701.

**FIFTH:** The grounds for divorce is Irretrievable Breakdown in Relationship for at Least Six Months – DRL § 170(7):

That the relationship between Plaintiff and Defendant has broken down irretrievably for a period of at least six months.

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

**WHEREFORE,** Plaintiff demands judgment against the Defendant as follows: A judgment dissolving the marriage between the parties AND I am not requesting any ancillary relief.

DIY Form

AND any other relief the court deems fit and proper.

Dated: 12/05/2025

Anabel Cruz Garcia  
60 Clarendon Ave, Apt. 2  
Yonkers, NY 10701  
(914) 498-3770

I, Anabel Cruz Garcia, the Plaintiff in the above action for a divorce, affirm this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2025, under the penalties of perjury, under the laws of New York, which may include a fine or imprisonment, that I have read the foregoing complaint and know the contents thereof. The contents are true to my knowledge except as to matters alleged on information and belief, and as to those matters I believe them to be true, and I understand that this document may be filed in an action or proceeding in a court of law.

Anabel Cruz Garcia

File#: 48643 (V-02381-25)



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FAMILY COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
COUNTY OF BROOME

In the Matter of an Article 6 Custody/Visitation Proceeding

File #: 48643

Docket #: V-02381-25

Kylie J. Luckie-Klenovic (Petitioner)

Johnnie D. Evans (Respondent)

Gianni Evans (DOB: 02/01/2020)

SUMMONS - PUBLICATION  
(VIRTUAL)

To: Johnnie D. Evans  
Address is Unknown

A petition under Article 6 of the Family Court Act has been filed with this Court requesting the following reliefs: Custody.

**YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED** to appear VIRTUALLY before this Court on:

Date/Time/Part: May 12, 2026 at 03:00 PM in Part G for 15 minutes.  
Purpose: Initial Appearance and Virtual Courtroom - TEAMS  
Presiding: Hon. Brett S. Noonan

to answer the attached petition and to be dealt with in accordance with the Family Court Act.

Virtual appearances may be held via video or phone. To update your contact information, e-mail or call the court and provide your name, phone, e-mail address, docket number(s), and date/time of court appearance.

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If you fail to appear as directed, a warrant may be issued for your arrest.

Dated: March 20, 2026

Anne M. Simms, Chief Clerk

**TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:**

The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Hon. Brett S. Noonan of the Family Court, Broome County, dated and filed with the petition and other papers in the Office of the Clerk of the Family Court, Broome County.

Notice of formation of Senara & Co, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/29/2026. NY office location: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served is 455 Tarrytown Road, Suite 1307, White Plains, NY 10607. Purpose/character of LLC: Any lawful purpose.

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 JJ VILL, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/29/2025. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 64 Mountindale Road, Yonkers, NY 10710. Purpose: Any lawful activity

## Mayor Mike Spano Delivers 2026 State of the City Address to Yonkers

On March 25th, Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano delivered the 2026 State of the City address, noting the city's history as well as remarking on current and future development.

After mentioning the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence and discussing Yonkers' place in the country's history, Mayor Spano spoke about how the city planned to honor its past while making improvements for the future.

"Yonkers is leading the pack in creating more homes for New Yorkers," he said. "In the last

year, we've approved or started the approval process for 3,000 new housing units. Three hundred of those will be reserved as moderate-income, affordable homes. That's in addition to the thousands of units we've built in recent years."

These changes are part of the city's Downtown development initiatives, which also include revitalizing the Waterfront area. Additionally, the mayor discussed development in other parts of the city, including Ridge Hill and the former Domino Sugar building in southwest Yonkers.

"The City Council has already expanded the Downtown Mixed-Use zoning there to include this property, where the City's greatest potential lies," he said, referring to the 33-acre Domino Sugar site. "New retail, dining, and deep-water docking all could make for a successful project, where residents have access to their own Metro North stop, just 17 minutes from midtown. There, we will encourage much-needed housing."

Mayor Spano continued to discuss the need for new housing in Yonkers, where high demand and low affordability have long contributed to a housing crisis.

"Working with Council President Collins Bellamy and the rest of the City Council, we are expanding the Yonkers Affordable Housing Ordinance to include 12 percent of all new units," said Mayor Spano. "That's up from the previous 10 percent. We are also doubling down on that commitment with a new provision that facilitates affordable housing for ownership, so our residents can take root in our city for decades to come."

Another affordable housing initiative includes Westchester Residential Opportunities, which helps residents become moderate-income, first-time homebuyers.

"Using federal HOME funds and our own Housing Trust Fund, qualifying applicants can receive up to 19 percent off the down payment of a single-family home," the mayor explained. "With additional help with closing costs, that's money in hand for families ready to build generational wealth in Yonkers."

The former site of Mulford Gardens will also be transformed into the Park Square development.

"This will soon become home to over 300 families with direct access to retail at street level—along with a brand-new grade school," Mayor Spano continued. "This community school will serve the entire neighborhood, providing access to a pool, gymnasium, auditorium, and medical offices."

On the subject of school innovation, the mayor also spoke about the city's investment in technology.

"Our Yonkers Public Schools continue to innovate," he said. "In 2025, we launched a new one-to-one learning initiative for our youngest students, investing in more than 11,000 iPads for kindergarten through fifth grade. Regardless of income level, these students have access to high-quality digital tools necessary for success in the 21st century."

The mayor also congratulated the city's My Brother's Keeper (MBK) program, and Yonkers Middle High graduate Cameron Williams, who was named one of 18 nationwide MBK ambassadors.

He then turned his focus to improving the city's athletics programs.

"We know that a good education should also include athletic opportunity—something that had been sadly neglected in the past," said Mayor Spano. "But no more. Over the last ten years, we've reinstated many of our sports programs, encouraging sportsmanship, teamwork, and good old exercise. The investment is paying off. Middle school intramural programs have expanded, and teams in nearly every sport are making headlines for their victories."

He then congratulated the Yonkers Montessori Academy's women's basketball team, which just became the first girls' team in any sport to win a state title in Yonkers Public Schools history.

Although the mayor spoke positively of recent achievements in the city's public schools, he also noted that a lack of funding could halt this progress in the future.

"Together, we have fought hard over the years to build the District back—that includes our 90 percent graduation rate and programs like sports, music, and art," he said. "But all this progress is severely threatened. We've lost critical federal dollars that once helped stabilize our schools in the aftermath of COVID-19."

Mayor Spano suggested updating the Regional Cost Index to better show the city's needs.

"It's time to update the Regional Cost Index so it reflects the District's location in Westchester County, instead of being compared to places 100 miles north of here," he said. "Yonkers borders New York City, so why are we compared to Newburgh when it comes to cost reimbursement from the State? Why isn't our wage base compared to Manhattan instead of Monticello?"

State funding was not the only challenge the mayor referenced in his speech.

"We are also facing real pressure in this year's municipal budget—healthcare and pension costs are rising, demand for services is growing, and that limits our ability to find meaningful savings," said Mayor Spano. "We will work closely with the City Council to soften the impact on our taxpayers, but the truth is, while we've managed tough budgets before, this may be one of the toughest yet."

Still, the speech continued on a hopeful tone, as the mayor returned to discussing development projects that would help revitalize the city. After asking residents to advocate for better city funding, he went on to discuss several projects, including renovations at the North Yonkers Community Center and improvements at the JFK Marina Boathouse.

The Mayor also spoke about plans to improve the Nepperhan Community Center.

"One of the most revolutionary projects this year will be at the Nepperhan Community Center," he said. "For generations, the Nepp has been a cornerstone for families on the west side. A few years ago, some in the community were afraid it would close, but there's no chance we'd let that happen. Working hand-in-hand with a local developer, the City is undertaking a comprehensive renovation to modernize the fa-

cility from top to bottom — upgrading gathering spaces, installing a commercial kitchen, a gym, and enhancing accessibility. Nonprofits will be interviewed in the coming months to manage the enhanced programming the neighborhood so richly deserves. I look forward to the ribbon-cutting next spring."

He also expressed dedication to improving the city's parks.

"Our parks are truly urban sanctuaries, and none more so than Untermyer Gardens, which has blossomed into a regional attraction," Mayor Spano said. "Its Persian gardens transport us to a bygone era. This year, with the guidance of the Untermyer Gardens Conservancy, the park pays tribute to the untouched beauty of the Hudson River. On your next visit to the Gardens, be sure to stop by the new bronze sculptures of the Hudson River School painters who depicted the majesty of the River dating back to the early 1800s. And as the Gardens grow in popularity, we must ensure that visitors are welcomed in a way that reflects the beauty and significance of this place. So, I'm pleased to announce that we will move forward with plans to build a new Visitors Center and café as part of a Cola Center expansion."

The mayor went on to discuss the city's improved crime rates.

"The numbers tell a powerful truth," he said. "In 2025, Yonkers recorded one of the lowest overall crime totals in city history. More impressively, the crimes that affect most residents, like auto theft and shoplifting, are on average down nearly 30 percent in the last three years."

"How are we doing this? Police are getting real-time information and identifying patterns, trends, and emerging hotspots—and as a result, they deploy their resources proactively."

One such resource is the D.F.R., or Drone as a First Responder.

"What was a pilot program just two years ago is now fully operational," Mayor Spano explained. "Today, we have two strategically placed launch sites on the east and west sides of the City. Able to get eyes on any location in under three minutes of launch, these drones are groundbreaking technology as they safely maneuver the rough Yonkers terrain and offer faster incident resolution across the city."

Mayor Spano also recognized the Yonkers Fire Department for its high-level training and accreditation.

"In 2025, Yonkers Fire completed the rigorous standards for New York State's Advanced Rescue Training that includes structural collapses and confined space rescues. This enables us to respond to statewide advanced mutual aid when neighboring municipalities are in need of expert help," he said.

The mayor added that the city will invest in two new engines, a heavy rescue truck, and a rescue pumper for the department.

Yonkers will also make efficiency improvements to reduce energy bills for residents.

"Over the next two years, we will roll out the new Yonkers Energy Savings Program or YES," said Mayor Spano. "The energy conservation program targets 37 city facilities that will reduce energy costs by thirty-one million dollars over 20 years -- making it the largest municipal energy performance program in Westchester. This investment will immediately relieve us of over six million dollars in urgently needed city building improvements like roofing replacements and HVAC systems."

He added that current sustainability efforts have already reduced the city's greenhouse gas emissions by 23 percent, putting Yonkers ahead on its reduction goals for 2030.

Mayor Spano went on to talk about job growth in the city, noting that the film industry has produced about \$12 million in total earnings for the area.

"People often ask, how many of the jobs are going to Yonkers residents?" he said. "The answer is, a lot of them. A survey showed that 60 percent of all job holders at Great Point or Lionsgate live or are from Yonkers."

The city is also investing in future film industry professionals.

"Partnering with the local film studios, we plan to give residents a bite at the industry apple," said Mayor Spano. "The Mayor's Office of Film and Photography will offer a Creative Innovators and Filmmakers Scholarship to budding Yonkers film producers. This scholarship would enable our local talent to produce authentic stories that might be stalled due to any financial barriers. We know there are future Spielberg's amongst us — we just need to unleash that talent and bridge the gap, from concept to career."

Job growth has improved in other industries as well.

"I am happy to report our unemployment rate continues its downward trend as we create employment opportunities," said the mayor. "It's even eclipsing New York's other Big 5 cities."

Mayor Spano went on to affirm the city's commitment to diversity and inclusion for all its residents.

"This administration considers it a priority to ensure every community has a seat at the table," he said. "We created and appointed ten community advisory boards that reflect the voices and experiences of our residents — appointing another four this year alone. We've also worked hard to diversify our municipal workforce, so it better reflects the community we serve. When residents walk into City Hall, they should see people who understand their neighborhoods, their challenges, and their aspirations."

The mayor wrapped up his speech by returning to the city's revolutionary history and speaking about how those values are still alive today, as evidenced by the city's planned Bicentennial celebration.

"Revolutionary Yonkers Two-Fifty is a challenge to each and every one of us, because we decide what our future holds," he said. "And Yonkers will meet that challenge, the way we always have, because we are revolutionary in resilience. Because if 1776 was about declaring independence, then 2026 is about declaring our future. A future that is strong, that inspires. A future that is — in every sense of the word — Revolutionary."

**Read it all Online at  
Yonkerstimes.com**

## PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

THE CITY OF YONKERS ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2026, AT 6:00 PM, WILL BE HELD IN YONKERS CITY HALL, 40 SOUTH BROADWAY, 4TH FLOOR (building is handicapped accessible).

PLEASE BE SURE TO CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR INFORMATION AND UPDATES WWW.YONKERSNY.GOV .

## OPEN/CONTINUED HEARINGS

#5900 – Area Variance – Andrew Romano Esq., on behalf of WAG America LLC, on premises known as 38 Hunt Ave, Block:3137, Lot:16 (B0035424) Zone: S-50

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#5910 – Area Variance – Mark Blanchard, on behalf of Hudson Pointe, LLC., on premises known as 1205 Warburton Ave., Block: 3570, Lot: 1 (B0037131) Zone: MG.

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#5912 – Area Variance – Andrew Romano, on behalf of Centro Cristiano Jehova es Mi Bandera, Inc. on premises known as 27 Glenwood Ave., Block: 2121, Lot: 30 (B0035776) Zone: M.

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#5913 – Area Variance – Janet Giris, on behalf of Morris Westchester Upper Site Associates, LLC., on premises known as 79 Austin Ave., Block: 3285, Lot: 210 (B0034334) Zone: CM.

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#5914 – Area Variance – Stephen A. Veneruso, on behalf of AVL Homes, LLC., on premises known as 69 Spruce St., Block: 430, Lot: 58 (B0036935) Zone: A.

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#5494 & 5667 – Area Variance – Andrew Romano Esq. on behalf of 581 Development Corp, owner, on premises know as 581 Saw Mill River Road, Block:3100, Lot: 200, (B0011017) Zone: I

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#5915 – Area Variance – Shahin Badaly, P.E on behalf of Ian Kim Ramos owner of 66 Pembroke Drive, Block:4468, Lot: 10 (B202406280) Zone: S-60

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#5916 – Area Variance – Steven A. Accinelli, on behalf of Tameshwar Kallicharan owner of 25 (aka 27) Hyatt Avenue, Block: 6245, Lot:25.26 (B0036837) Zone: T

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#5917 – Area Variance – Steven A. Accinelli, on behalf of Constantinos D. Kavas, owner of 26 Hyatt Avenue, Block: 6417, Lot: # 60 (B0037471) Zone: T

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#5919 – Area Variance – Shahin Badaly, P.E., on behalf of 231 Lockwood Ave LLC c/o Jagdish Mitter, owner of 139 Mile Square Road (aka 231 Lockwood Ave), Block: 2290, Lot: 20.25 (B0037342) Zone: T

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#5921 (5895) – Area Variance – Steven A. Accinelli, on behalf of Pjeter Vukajs, owner of 9 Abner Place, Block: 6163, Lot: 32.34 (A0000269) Zone: T

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## NEW HEARINGS

#5922 – Area Variance – 76 Rutland Road, Block: 5412, Lot: 37. Zone: S-200, Detached Single-Family Dwelling on 200' Lot.

To Allow For: A new one-story place of worship with 81 paved parking spaces.

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#5923 – Area Variance – 101 Warwick Road- S-200 -(Detached Single-Family Dwelling on 200' Lot). Ana Soto, Architect, on behalf of the 101 Warwick Owners LLC, Owner (B0037179)

To Allow For: A new pool house, swimming pool and the pool patio to be constructed in the front yard fronting Devon Road.

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#5924 – Area Variance – 67 Ridge Road (Block:258 Lot:10.11). S-50(Detached single-family on 50-foot lots). James G. Dibbini, Esq., on behalf of JSR Holding Group LLC, Owner (B0037668)

To Allow For: A new detached one family dwelling, 2 story frame on a vacant lot.

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#5925 – Area Variance – 73 Ridge Road (Block:258 Lot: 8.9). S-50(Detached single-family on 50-foot lots). James G. Dibbini, Esq., on behalf of JSR Holding Group LLC, Owner (B0037656)

To Allow For: A new detached one family dwelling, 2 story frame on a vacant lot.

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## CORPORATION NOTICE

CITY OF YONKERS-NEW YORK

## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to law, that the Mayor of the City of Yonkers, New York, will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, April 8, 2026 at 5:10 pm, Mayor's Reception Room, 2nd floor, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York, to hear all interested parties and citizens regarding the adoption of the following Local Law, to wit:

LOCAL LAW – AMENDING ARTICLE IX OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF YONKERS IN RELATION TO PRIVATE CONNECTION WITH WATER SUPPLY

Said hearing may be adjourned from time to time as necessary. Further information, including access to a copy of said proposed local law, may be obtained at the City Clerk's office, City Hall, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York, and on the City's Website.

MIKE SPANO

Mayor

Date: March 27, 2026

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

**Notice of Formation of YureeshStyle LLC, a domestic LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secy of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/10/26. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC at 35 S Broadway, K6, Irvington, NY 10533. Purpose: Any lawful activity.**

Notice of formation of DoubleStripe Associates LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 2/7/2026. 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, 23 Mt. Joy Ave., Scarsdale, NY 10583. Purpose: Any lawful activity

Notice of formation of Supreme Site Safety, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/28/2026. 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, 318 Mile Square Road, Yonkers, NY 10701. Purpose: Any lawful activity

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

Notice of formation of Rat Attack Snacks, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 3/2/2026. 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, 516 Park Avenue Yonkers NY 10703. Purpose: Any lawful activity

Notice of formation of Monte Builders Group, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/18/2026. 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, 23 Bronxville Ln Yonkers, NY 10708. Purpose: Any lawful activity

Notice of formation of METROMEN MUSIC LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/26/2026. 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 Entity Protect Registered Agent Services LLC. 447 Broadway, 2nd Fl. - #3000, New York, NY 10013, the designated registered agent of METROMEN MUSIC LLC. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

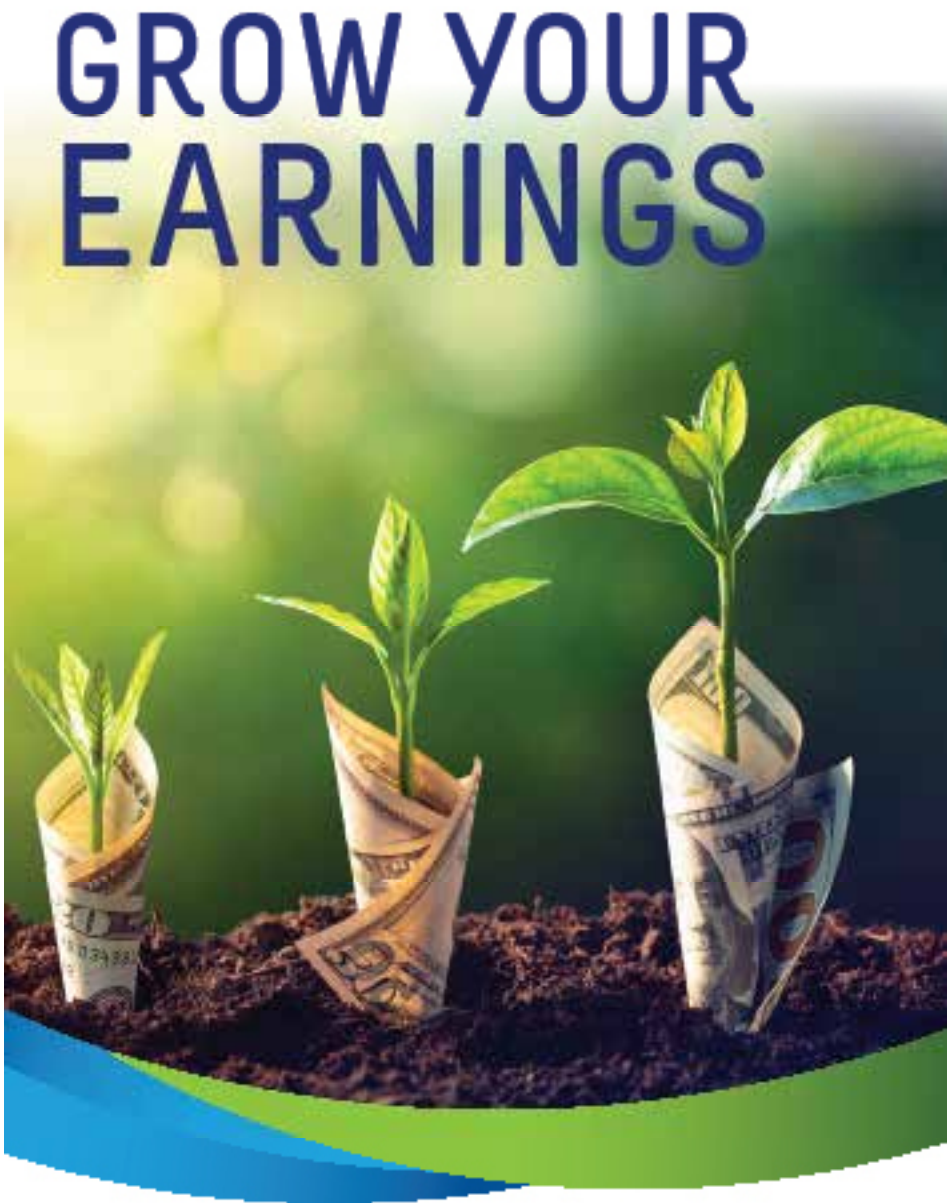
Notice of formation of Digital Infrastructure Services LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 10/22/25. Office: Westchester County. NY DOS designated as agent for service of process; DOS shall mail copy of process to 7 Ridgeway Cir White Plains, NY 10605. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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

Notice of Formation of Infinity Strategies Group LLC. Arts of Org. Filed with SSNY on September 1, 2025. Office location: Westchester County, New York. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 255 Huguenot Street, Apt 913, New Rochelle, NY 10801. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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## St. John's Getty Square Celebrates Holy Week



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St. John's Church in Getty Square celebrated Holy week with a blessing of the Palms and a walk through Getty Square singing. "As we process into Jerusalem with Jesus this Holy Week we contemplate his procession from heaven into our flesh and from the cross to the resurrection. Come join us as we walk with Jesus this week!"

May the joy of the risen Christ fill your heart and home this Easter season.  
 Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

## Happy Passover Yonkers!



Rabbi Mendy Hurwitz, Chabad of Yonkers, visited Yonkers City Hall with some Passover staples. His daughters gave Deputy Mayor Steve Levy some matzah and challah.

Mayor Spano said, "As Passover begins, I extend my warmest wishes to all in Yonkers celebrating this special holiday. Passover is a time to gather with loved ones and reflect on the enduring story of freedom, resilience, and faith. The values at the heart of Passover inspire and strengthen our community. May your holiday be filled with peace, joy, and meaningful moments with family and friends."

In 2026, Passover begins at sundown on Wednesday, April 1, and ends at nightfall on Thursday, April 9. The eight-day festival (seven days in Israel and for some Reform communities) features a ceremonial Seder on the first two nights (April 1 and 2), commemorating the Exodus from Egypt.

Wishing all of our readers a Joyous Holiday.