

Majority Leader Stewart-Cousins Funds New Bus at Charter School For Educational Excellence



State Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins today announced the purchase of two minibuses by the Charter School for Educational Excellence (CSEE) in Yonkers, thanks to \$215,000 in discretionary funding she secured for the school. The funds, delivered through the State and Municipal (SAM) Facilities Grant program administered by the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY), enabled the purchase to support the school's extracurricular and athletic programming.

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Double Parking Fines Increased to \$150; Some Upset, But for Safety Reasons It Had to Be Done

The City of Yonkers has raised the fine for double parking of vehicles on City streets to \$150.00 per offense. We have heard from some residents who were upset about the new fine after reading the legal notice in our paper.

But anyone who drives around Yonkers realizes, the problem of double parking is serious.

Double parking, where a vehicle parks alongside another vehicle already parked at the curb, is a significant problem in cities due to its negative impact on traffic flow, safety, and customer experience. It leads to congestion, obstructs traffic lanes, and can create hazardous situations for pedestrians and other drivers.

Here's a more detailed breakdown of the issues:

1. Traffic Congestion and Delays:

Double parking narrows traffic lanes, forcing other vehicles to slow down or even stop, leading to traffic jams.

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How Kayaking Can Be the Perfect Activity For All Ages



Whether you're an twentysomething adventurer or a gray-haired nature lover, kayaking has something to offer everyone. (Image: Tyler Blodgett)

Everyone from kids to seniors can have fun out on the water — if they choose the best kayaking style for them.

By Chevaughn Dixon

When you think of a sport where age doesn't matter, what comes to mind? For me, it's kayaking. Over the years, I've had the privilege of paddling alongside people from every stage of life. In fact, I was introduced to the sport by a 72-year-old man who paddled regularly until his passing at 79. Most of the early paddlers I met were in their 60s, 70s, and even 80s.

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Protestors and ICE Agents Shouldn't Be Wearing Masks



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Residents Raise Concerns Over Proposed Austin Avenue Warehouse Project



The Homefield House was filled to capacity on Monday night as concerned residents gathered to learn more about a proposed warehouse and office development at 79 Austin Avenue. The community meeting was organized by 6th District Councilmember Anthony Merante, who represents the area and has been vocal about ensuring transparency and community input in the development process.

Presentations were given by representatives of the Morris Companies—

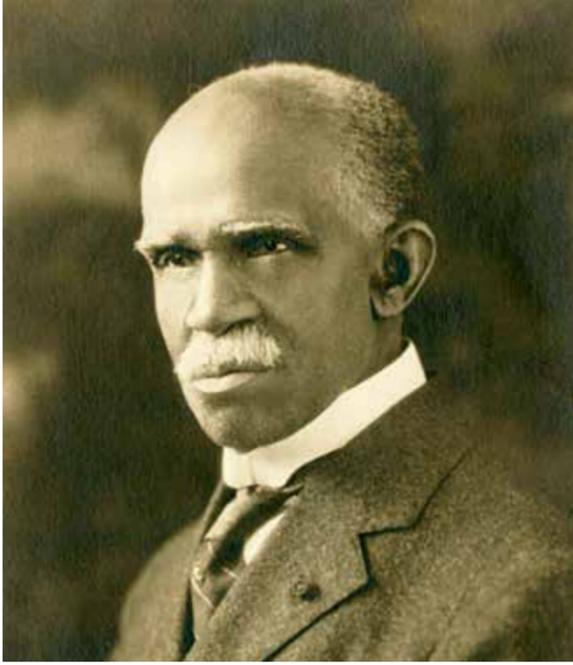
Police Commissioner Sapienza Arrests Hamburglar for Stealing Big Macs



At the grand re-opening of McDonald's at 155 South Broadway. Yonkers Police Commissioner Chris Sapienza and Captain Richard Alaimo stopped a crime when they apprehended the Hamburglar, who was stealing a stack of Big Macs and running out the back door.

Their new restaurant features improvements including relocated dual drive thru lanes, optimized traffic control, and delivery driver pickup windows.

Yonkers to Honor John Edward Bruce with Permanent Headstone After 100 Years



John Edward Bruce

RISEUP (Research Initiatives for the Strategic Empowerment of the Urban Populace) is proud to announce a special ceremony honoring the legacy of John Edward Bruce, a pioneering Black journalist, activist, and intellectual, who was buried in an unmarked grave at Oakland Cemetery in Yonkers for over 100 years.

On Saturday, August 9, 2025, at 11:00 a.m., RISEUP will host a Headstone Revealing Ceremony at Oakland Cemetery in Yonkers to mark the placement of a permanent headstone for Bruce. This event follows last year's temporary marker placement ceremony, where Mayor Mike Spano issued an official proclamation recognizing August 11th as John Edward Bruce Day in the City of Yonkers.

Thanks to the dedication of community partners and generous donors, RISEUP successfully raised the \$5,000 necessary for the headstone, which has now been completed by Minozzi and Sons, and on Friday, August 1st, at 9:30 am, we will be setting the headstone at Oakland Cemetery in Yonkers New York.

A special thank you goes out to our major supporters: the Universal Negro Improvement Association (UNIA-ACL), New York State Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins, New York State Assemblyman Nader Sayegh, the Bezczak Environmental Education Center, the NAACP Yonkers Branch, Symra Brandon, CEO & President of Municipal Housing Authority City of Yonkers Wilson Kimball, and the City of Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano, along with many residents and organizations that contributed.

In addition to the headstone fundraiser, RISEUP's president, Dr. Robert Baskerville has hosted multiple presentations on JEB's contributions and was recently awarded a \$25,000 Digital Justice Seed Grant from the American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) to begin production on History With Grit, a pilot documentary focusing on Bruce's life in Yonkers.

The public is invited to attend this important celebration of Black history in Yonkers.

Protestors and ICE Agents Shouldn't Be Wearing Masks

Mayer Co-Sponsors Bill to Ban Law Enforcement from Masking-We Agree

By Dan Murphy

The debate over whether protestors and law enforcement should be wearing masks has now come to the NYS legislature.

State Senator Shelley B. Mayer announced she has co-sponsored proposed legislation in the New York State Senate to prohibit law enforcement officers, including Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and other federal agents, from wearing masks or personal disguise while on duty or engaged in enforcement activities.

Communities across New York, including Westchester, have recently seen loved ones, friends, and neighbors disappeared and harassed by ICE agents – often in undistinguished clothing, without identification, and with their faces masked. Since the beginning of the year, first-hand videos posted to social media show individuals and elected officials detained by ICE agents with their faces covered, and many often not identified as law enforcement officials.

The Mandating End of Lawless Tactics (MELT) legislation, (S.8462/A.8908), recently introduced by State Senator Patricia Fahy and Assembly Member Tony Simone, will protect New Yorkers from impersonation or intimidation by federal agents, will increase transparency in law enforcement, and ensure ICE's actions are not conducted with anonymity in New York. Senator Mayer joins her colleagues in fighting for ICE to be held accountable to the people.

State Senator Shelley B. Mayer said, "It is absolutely unacceptable for ICE agents to conduct arrests in our communities while wearing masks that conceal their identities and without clearly visible identification. These practices undermine public trust, jeopardize public safety, and threaten the civil liberties that are fundamental to our democracy. In New York, we believe in transparency, accountability, and the rule of law. Our excellent police departments throughout New York State openly show their identification and are recognizable to the public. The conduct that is being promoted by ICE – using masked agents without clear ID – runs directly counter to the best practices of policing and public safety.

"As a State Senator representing diverse communities in Westchester, the granddaughter of immigrants, and someone who believes deeply in due process and the principles our nation was founded on, I stand firmly with our immigrant neighbors who are being unjustly seized and detained. I share in the anger, fear, and frustration felt by families who are targeted by the current practices of this Administration, which far exceed anything that was anticipated. Those who have been convicted of major criminal wrongdoing are rightly subject to deportation. What is not acceptable is the seizure and detention of thousands of people who are not violent criminals, or criminals at all, but simply those seeking a better life here in America. I stand in solidarity with our immigrant neighbors and remain committed to doing everything I can to protect them."

Editor's Note: If this bill passes, NY will join California, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania, who have introduced bills that would require federal officers to unmask.

Acting ICE Director Todd Lyons said, "I've said it publicly before, I'm not a proponent of the masks. However, if that's a tool that the men and women of ICE to keep themselves and their family safe, then I will allow it."

President Trump has tweeted, "MASKS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED to be worn at protests," but immigration advocacy groups have pointed to a double standard of seeking to ban protestors masks while allowing law enforcement to wear masks.

Many believe that this issue will end of in the Federal courts under the issue of free speech. Is masking a form of free speech that warrants protection under the First Amendment?

We believe that both protesters and law enforcement should unmask.

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MOVIE & CONCERT SCHEDULE

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DATE	MOVIE	RATING	LOCATION
July 11	Dirty Dancing	PG-13	Rubeo-Cieslinski Park-Edwards Place
July 18	Moana II	PG	Unity Park-Post & Elliot Streets
July 25	Captain America	PG-13	Trenchard Park-Trenchard Street
August 1	A League of Their Own	PG	Schulze Park-St. Eleanoras Lane
August 8	Inside Out II	PG	Sullivan's Oval-Spruce Street
August 15	Dog Man	PG	Wasisko Park-Agar Street
August 22	Beetlejuice	PG	Wakefield Park-Bronx River Road

MUSIC 7:00 - 8:30 PM			
DATE	BAND	MUSIC GENRE	LOCATION
July 3	Uptown Royalty	Pop/Jazz/R&B	JFK Marina-JFK Marina Blvd
July 10	Yacht Lobsters	Classic Rock/Jazz	Waterfront Amphitheatre Water Grant Street
July 17	Fever Records presents Judy Torres & the Cover Girls	Treestyle	E.J. Murrays Skating Center Tuckahoe Road
July 24	McLean Avenue Band	Music & Dance Band	Coyne Park-McLean Avenue
July 31	Steve Maglio	Sinatra Tribute & more	Wetly Park-Barton Road
August 7	El Negro Cato y Dominican Swing	Swing/Bachata/Merengue	Cerrato Park-Riverdale Avenue
August 14	Soul Machine	Soul/R&B/Dance Band	Grant Park-High Street at Park Avenue
August 21	David Cardeno Orchestra	Latin Salsa/Jazz	Lincoln Park-Riverdale Avenue
August 28	Men of Soul	Soul/R&B	O'Boyle Park-Hawthorne Avenue
August 29	Chicago Rewired	Tribute Band	Untermyer Park-North Broadway
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Hudson River Museum Presents: “Connecting with Our Landscape: A Community Circling



Join Native practitioner Táhila Moss for a transformative program this Saturday, August 2, 2pm, at “Connecting with Our Landscape: A Community Circling with Táhila Moss.” Learn more at hrm.org/calendar

Moss will conduct a time-nonlinear cedar circling in the HRM’s outdoor courtyard, honoring our connection with the Earth and each other. Inspired by the cyclical nature of time and the sensory stories embedded in #HRMSmokeinOurHair, she will guide you in a meditative journey of movement, sound, and touch.

As Táhila walks in a circle barefoot, she will drop handfuls of needles from our tree relatives, speaking and singing quietly. You’re invited to observe and engage in the experience barefoot, feeling the Earth beneath you and sharing the memory the circle holds. Support provided by Art Bridge.

Yonkers Man Arrested for DWI with 4 Kids in the Car

On July 27, 2025, State Police of Tarrytown arrested Ruben M. Fernandez Urena, 34, of Yonkers.

On July 27, 2025, at approximately 1:46 a.m., Troopers initiated a traffic stop on a gray Toyota on I-87 southbound near Exit 9 in the village of Tarrytown.

The operator, identified as Fernandez Urena, exhibited signs of intoxication while being interviewed by Troopers. Standardized field sobriety tests were administered, which Fernandez Urena failed. Further investigation revealed four children, ages 12, 11, 7, 5, were also present in the vehicle.

Fernandez Urena was arrested and transported to SP Tarrytown for processing, where he provided a breath sample with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of 0.12%.

Fernandez Urena was charged with the following offenses:

- Four counts of Aggravated Driving While Intoxicated with a Child Passenger (Leandra’s Law) – Class E Felony
- Driving While Intoxicated – 1st Offense
- Operating a Motor Vehicle with a BAC of 0.08% or Higher – 1st Offense
- Vehicle and Traffic Law Violations.

Fernandez Urena was released to a sober third party and is scheduled to appear in the Village of Tarrytown Court on August 20, 2025.

Here Comes the Rain Again!

By Eric Wolf Schoen



I guess Annie Lennox, Dave Stewart and the Eurythmics got it right this summer. Heavens it hasn’t stopped raining out there with a possible break in the storms this weekend. What do we do when the meteorologists put that threat of rain in the forecast. Carry a raincoat ?

No. WITH temps in the morning. at. 79 degree’s reaching 90’s carrying a raincoat as the day goes by can be an awesome task. Try to find a light rain jacket that is easier to carry.

I see it every year and it happens to one of my friends. Just like you should not take cover under a tree in the rain, if you store your bathing suit in mothballs carefully. Wash it before you put it on. If you don’t, you will have the possibility of burning your skin. wash the suit well before you put it away for the winter. Right now is the way perfect time for ladies and gentlemen and children to pick up suits for next tear at a discount.

Water safety should be practiced every time you go swimming .Look at what happened to Stew Leonard’s child.swim in water deep and before you go swimming go over the video Stew Leonard has on the company website about fave swimming practices. Parents make sue to stay with I the swimming as much as you can.we want eveyone to be safe all the time but particularly as summer comes to avoid closel.

If you are out gardening use an unscented soap. Scented soaps rento to attract Buys, the last thing you need is a bug night while enjoying the beautiful weath-er.

Moiturize your skin often and make sure drink plenty of liquids. The sun takes the moisture out of your body and can be very dangerous.

Don’t use cell phones or any electrical device in the water. That includes iPads. You can get seriously hurt using any device either plugged in or with a battery in it it in the poopoo.

Don’t skimp on sunscreen jar at the pool. You want to use a good brand, check to make it’s fresh. ,

Don’t use sunscreen from the dollar tree. cover all exposed parts of the body. Eat a half hour to an hour before and after swimming.

Follow these tips for a wonderful outdoor experience!

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Pelham Cancer Doctor & Researcher Awarded \$400k Grant from Hyundai Hope on Wheels



Pelham resident, Dr. Allison M. Martin, attending physician in the Department of Pediatric Hematology, Oncology, Marrow and Blood Cell Transplantation at Children’s Hospital at Montefiore and Assistant Professor, Pediatrics, Microbiology and Immunology at Albert Einstein College of Medicine, was awarded a \$400,000 Hyundai Hope Scholar Grant from Hyundai Hope on Wheels® in recognition of her research contributions and efforts to improve outcomes for patients with pediatric brain and spinal cord tumors.

Hyundai Hope on Wheels® is a nonprofit organization committed to finding a cure for childhood cancer. They launched in 1998, and today more than 850 Hyundai dealers donate a portion of every vehicle purchase to the quest of ending childhood cancer. In its 27th year, HHOW will donate \$27million through childhood cancer research grants.

Dr. Martin is one researcher selected among colleagues nationwide who are pursuing critical research aimed at improving treatments and saving lives.

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Westchester County Office of Housing Counsel Now Open



The Westchester County Office of Housing Counsel (OHC) is officially open for business to ensure that financially eligible tenants have access to resources and legal representation at no cost to themselves in eviction and related proceedings.

The innovative program is the first of its kind for a county and will help stabilize communities and address housing insecurity. In addition to providing free legal services, the OHC will coordinate access to pre-eviction support and counseling programs under one roof.

The opening of the program was announced at a press event on Thursday in White Plains.

Residents who are facing eviction, having trouble paying their rent, in a rent dispute with a landlord, facing a loss of essential services like heat and hot water, or are facing other problems, can reach out to the OHC to be connected to legal representation, counseling, financial assistance and other programs, provided through one of nine service providers that the County has contracted with.

Residents can call 2-1-1, where specialists at United Way 211 Helpline of the Hudson Valley will be available 24-hours a day, 365-days a year, to assess callers’ needs and connect them with appropriate providers. Alternatively, residents can reach out online by completing the OHC intake form at <http://housingcounsel.westchestergov.com>, which OHC staff will review before connecting them with relevant services.

Under Westchester’s Housing Counsel Law, tenants are entitled to free legal representation in eviction and related proceedings if their gross household income is 300% of the federal poverty level for a household of their size, or 60% of the County’s average median income for a household of their size. That means a family of three with a gross annual household income of \$91,800 -- \$1,765 a week -- would be eligible for legal representation.

The Office of Housing Counsel does not directly provide representation. It functions as a clearinghouse to connect residents with one of the following contracted legal service providers: Legal Services of the Hudson Valley, Human Development Services of Westchester, Hudson Valley Justice Center and the Law Office of Tracy Forrest, Esq.

To fulfill the advocacy, counseling and financial assistance portion of the office’s mission, OHC has contracted with the following service providers: Community Housing Innovations, Community Resource Center, CLUSTER, Westchester Residential Opportunities, Mount Vernon United Tenants and Human Development Services of Westchester.

Westchester County Executive Ken Jenkins said: “When the Westchester County Board of Legislators and the administration created the OHC, it was a promise to address housing insecurity head on, and it is a promise kept. The

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

We, the Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary and our associates, feel compelled to respond to the terror and confusion being experienced by immigrant communities in our country today. With many Catholic bishops who have written pastoral letters and op-eds, or who have taken direct action to appeal at ICE offices, we join the call to advocate for a humane solution to our very broken immigration system.

At this time of crisis and anger, we must decide what kind of country we want to be. Most of us, regardless of political affiliation, agree that our borders must be protected and that criminals or people intending harm be kept out. But most who are here without documentation have jobs and families, pay taxes, and contribute to the community as good neighbors, not “vicious criminals.” Many were considered “essential workers” during COVID.

Let us put our time and energy into working together to fix our broken immigration system, rather than spending millions annually on demonizing, arresting, and detaining our neighbors in inhumane centers like “Alligator Alcatraz.”

Finally, let us pray for Congress, that they may do “the work of the people” in a way that our own hope-filled immigrant ancestors would approve.

Sister Mary Catherine Redmond, President of the Congregation New Windsor

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On This Day in Yonkers History...

Congressman Latimer Talks Colbert Show, CBS & Trump



President George Washington was General George Washington during his last visits to Yonkers



Rep. George Latimer

By Dan Murphy

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

Monday, August 4th

August 4, 1886: Samuel J. Tilden died at his Yonkers' Graystone estate. Tilden purchased the estate in 1879, three years after his run for the presidency. He loved living in Yonkers, making it his main home; he only returned to his Manhattan home in the winter.

August 4, 1926: Supervisor James Sullivan, Democratic Minority leader of the county board, had a major clash with the other members on the board when the once again delaying paving Yonkers Avenue for another year. Sullivan strongly reminded them that Yonkers paid 27% of the county tax, yet did not get nearly its share of improvements.

August 4, 1935: Native Americans pitched a teepee on the shores of the Hudson to relive the days when their tribe ruled the area; this was in commemoration of the 296th anniversary of the transfer of the Yonkers area land to Europeans.

Tuesday, August 5th

August 5, 1916: Reverend Richard Hughes, pastor of St. Denis Church, rose to defend striking trolley men, declaring in a sermon "\$18 a week is not a living wage," adding no man should be forced to work more than eight hours a day. He paid tribute to the conduct of strikers, asserting they had "behaved well."

August 5, 1927: The trial of Yonkers Alderman and President of the Westchester County Building Trades Council William McGeory and others began before Federal Judge Jacob Trieber in New York City on government charges of conspiracy. The government alleged the defendants did not "permit others to set any cast stone manufactured outside the district," stating this purported monopoly cost NYC builders more than \$1,000,000 a year. Boston attorney James Vahey represented McGeory.

August 5, 1946: Thousands of Yonkers residents listened to Councilman Edith Welty being interviewed on CBS national radio about our tercentennial celebrations. Mrs. William Gibbs McAdoo, widow of the former Yonkers resident, interviewed her in an informal chat.

Wednesday, August 6th

August 6, 1781: George Washington wrote in his diary he reconnoitered the land between the Bronx River and the North (Hudson) River to the Philipse home, including Valentine's Hill and the deep ravines between our hills created by the Saw Mill River. He noted Widow Babcock's home, the St. John's Glebe, now the site of St. John's and Oakland Cemeteries on Saw Mill River Road.

August 6, 1927: Contractor Thomas Larkin accepted the designation as the Democratic Mayoral nominee. He declared himself a "free agent with no promises asked or made."

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As Congress is about to depart Washington DC for its summer recess, Congressman George Latimer took to the House floor to deliver his weekly one minute address to his constituents.

Rep. Latimer effectively gave us a bit of levity, combined with a serious message, and a theme of "Meanwhile."

"The news today is louder than a toddler with a kazoo at a Metallica concert. So while the headline scream, the internet screams louder, with a monologue known as meanwhile.

"Meanwhile, Paramount settles a suit with President Trump over a dispute that could have easily been dismissed and defended as freedom of the press...or not.

"Meanwhile, Paramount-CBS is seeking a multi-million dollar merger with Skydance media that requires the approval from the very same Trump administration. Coincidence? Surely Not.

"Meanwhile, the Trump administration calls for media fairness, the kind perhaps shown on Fox, OAN and Newsmax, maybe.

"Meanwhile, Steven Colbert, the host of show Late Night, ranked #1 among hosts in his time slot and a Trump critic, has his show cancelled by CBS. A financial decision it is said.

"Meanwhile, CBS news great Edward R. Murrow rolls over in his grave," said Latimer.

Editor's Note: Congressman Latimer is well aware that Edward R. Murrow, recently portrayed by George Clooney on Broadway and a hero in my world of journalism, while not cancelled, has his wings significantly cut back after confronting Senator Joseph McCarthy in the 1950's.

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Kelley Brosky, Atty. for the Plaintiff
122 N. Elm St., Suite 900, Greensboro, NC 27401

Notice of Formation of FUSE WORKS LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/11/2025. Office location: Westchester County, NY. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: 54 Brosnan Pl, Tuckahoe, NY 10707. Purpose: 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 LCS Advisers LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 7/11/2025. 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, 260 Garth Road, Apt. 2d4, Scarsdale, NY 10583. Purpose: any lawful 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 PRINCE & BROADWAY PROPERTIES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/22/25. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 172 Rockne Road, Yonkers, NY 10701. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of formation of LIQUID ASSET SERVICES LLC. Application for Authority Filed with the SSNY on 12/05/2024. 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, 46 LINCOLN AVENUE, PORT CHESTER, NY 10573. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

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.

Notice of formation of IT TAKES ALL KINDS PICTURES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/21/2025. 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, Republic Registered Agent Services Inc. 54 State Street Suite 804 Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful

Notice of Formation of SteenShots 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.

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.

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-7499 – Opening date: 08/15/2025: Furnish and Install Glass Entrance Doors and Curtain Wall at City Hall (MM).

2) Bid No. RFB-7494 – Opening Date: 8/15/2025: Purchase of 500 WaterSentry Bottle Filing Stations or Yonkers approved equal (MM).

3) Bid No. RFB-7503 – Opening Date: 8/22/2025: Twelve-month contract to provide daily breakfast, lunch, and dinner to detainees at the City Jail (KAS).

4) Bid No. RFB-7502 – Opening Date: 8/22/2025: Twelve-month contract for Universal & Hazardous Waste Removal & Disposal (KAS).

5) Bid No. RFB-7504 – Opening Date: 8/22/2025: Twelve-month contract to Furnish and deliver up to 1,500 tons of 3/4" crushed stone (KAS).

Notice of Formation of Math Power LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with SSNY On 07/12/2025. 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, 35 Florence St, Yonkers, NY 10704. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of formation of BLUEPRINTS AND BEYOND LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on February 4th, 2025. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the LLC: 70 Ashburton Avenue, Apt. 7H, Yonkers, New York, 10701. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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 155 ROUTE 202 LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 07/10/2025. 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, 401 Broadway, Suit 1111, NY, NY 10013. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Beautifully Hauled LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 07/15/2025. 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 28 Chestnut Street, Yonkers NY 10701. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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 Tuesday, August 12th, 2025 at 5:00 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:

A LOCAL LAW AMENDING PARTS OF ARTICLE IV OF CHAPTER 15 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF YONKERS ENTITLED "SALES AND USE TAX" TO CONFORM TO THE 2025 AMENDMENTS OF THE NEW YORK STATE TAX LAW.

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.

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Hi Mr. Murphy,

This is Abdullah Ar Rafee from the Empire Center. I oversee our SeeThroughNY website. I hope I'm not too late in getting back to you regarding your pension-related questions.

We verified Kara Bennorth's pension eligibility with the Office of the State Comptroller, and the reported figure is accurate. Looking into her past compensation on our website, we found that her highest total pay for three consecutive years prior to retirement, while serving as EVP and Chief Administrative Officer, was consistently above \$700k from 2019 to 2021. Based on approximately 32 years of service and the state's pension formula, it appears plausible that she is eligible for a pension exceeding \$500k.

Of course, the specific portion of her pay that qualifies as pensionable may vary, but given the magnitude of her earnings, the figure seems within the realm of possibility.

It's also important to note that nearly half of her pension is paid through the Excess Benefit Plan, which allows retirees to receive the full benefit they're entitled to once they exceed the federal pension cap.

These kinds of high pension payouts raise serious sustainability concerns and, in our view, highlight deeper inefficiencies within the state's compensation and pension systems. Loopholes in the definition of "pensionable pay," end-of-career salary spiking, the absence of pension caps, and a generously structured pension formula have enabled many high-earning employees to retire with disproportionately large pension benefits.

Hope that helps.

Westchester County and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Host Partnership Kickoff Event

Westchester County and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) recently hosted an official kickoff to their partnership, gathering nearly 100 local professionals at Captain Lawrence Brewing Co. in Elmsford for an evening of conversation and connection. The event was an opportunity to learn more about the top-tier STEM education and workforce development programs available to Westchester County professionals through RPI's Rensselaer atWork programs. Among the highlights were an insider's perspective on how this collaboration will expand access to accredited education in engineering, science, and business for residents, support workforce growth in fields like quantum computing and advanced manufacturing, and drive regional innovation.

Westchester County Executive Ken Jenkins said: "We were thrilled by the turnout for Westchester County and RPI's first networking event. Our local workforce is highly skilled, and the programs offered through this exciting partnership will only amplify the talents of our local STEM workforce, giving employers access to the talent needed to advance their organizations."

Westchester County Director of Economic Development Bridget Gibbons said: "The response to the Westchester County partnership with RPI illustrates the demand for highly educated STEM talent who can support our growing life sciences, advanced manufacturing, and quantum sectors. It was encouraging to see the enthusiasm among local employers, RPI alumni, and county residents for this exciting collaboration."

RPI's Rensselaer at Work Dean Aric Krause shared, "We were honored to be joined by Westchester County Executive Ken Jenkins and Director of Economic Development Bridget Gibbons, and special guests from SUNY Westchester Community College, IBM, Regeneron, PTI, and other innovation-focused organizations across the region. Area RPI alumni added great energy to the conversations as we forged new connections and laid the foundation for future impact."

Through its Rensselaer at Work programs, RPI offers online, project-based professional development led by industry experts. These programs prepare the workforce for high-demand sectors, including life sciences, advanced manufacturing, technology, clean energy, and quantum computing. To learn more about the Westchester County partnership with RPI, visit: <https://westchestercatalyst.com/rpi/>.

Op-Ed: When Allegations Become Ammunition—And Truth Gets Left Behind

In a time when trust in politics is already near rock bottom, the recent allegations circulating in Putnam County deserve a closer look—and a strong dose of skepticism.

The story goes like this: a staffer for Congressman Mike Lawler allegedly infiltrated a private Signal chat group organized by Fight Lawler, using a fake name to encourage disruptive behavior at a town hall meeting. But here's the problem: no concrete evidence has been provided to back this claim. No screenshots, no IP logs, no third-party validation—just the word of political activists with a known agenda.

One of the main voices pushing this story is Maureen Morrissey, a leader in the anti-Lawler group Fight Lawler and reportedly affiliated with Indivisible, a progressive organizing network known for opposing Republican lawmakers. Morrissey is said to have passed the allegations to David McKay Wilson, a columnist with a long record of criticism toward Lawler.

Let's pause here. A partisan group makes a serious allegation against a congressional office. That allegation is handed to a partisan columnist. It gets published—without forensic evidence—and then picked up by a local political candidate, Lenny Harrington, who just so happens to be running against the staffer named in the story: Erin Crowley.

Coincidence? That's asking a lot.

Harrington's letter to the editor in Mid-Hudson News used loaded language, accusing Crowley of a "shocking lack of integrity." But where's the integrity in making explosive claims with no hard proof? Harrington's call for transparency rings hollow if he's willing to amplify unverified accusations in the middle of an election campaign.

It's not just about one race. This is about how we handle information—especially in local politics, where reputations can be ruined in a day and the facts often get lost in the noise.

If the accusation is true, let's see the evidence. If it's not, then the damage being done is political theater at best and character assassination at worst. Either way, voters deserve better than whispered rumors dressed up as righteous outrage.

There is a difference between holding officials accountable and weaponizing accusations for political gain. Until verifiable facts come to light, this story remains what it is: a claim without proof, promoted by people with something to gain.

And that should concern all of us.

Robert Jowaiszas
Resident, NY-17

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A LOCAL LAW AMENDING SECTION 15-141 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF YONKERS, IN RELATION TO EXTENDING THE CITY OF YONKERS MORTGAGE RECORDING TAX TO CONFORM TO THE 2025 AMENDMENTS OF THE NEW YORK STATE TAX LAW.

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: July 30, 2025

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A LOCAL LAW AMENDING SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 15 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF YONKERS ENTITLED "TAXES" IN RELATION TO THE IMPOSITION OF A CITY OF YONKERS INCOME TAX SURCHARGE TO CONFORM TO THE 2025 AMENDMENTS OF THE NEW YORK STATE TAX LAW.

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Yonkers Public Library Unveils Vibrant New Mural Celebrating Life in Downtown Yonkers



Yonkers Public Library (YPL) formally unveiled a stunning new mural at the Riverfront Library, “Everyone Belongs Downtown,” at a ribbon cutting ceremony today. The mural was created by the Yonkers-based artist VASH (Victor A. Saint-Hilaire). Funded by a grant from the New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA), the mural is a tribute to the joyful spirit of life in downtown Yonkers.

Located in the Children’s Room on the second floor of Riverfront Library, the mural bursts with bold colors and energy, portraying the diverse community that lives, works, and thrives in downtown Yonkers. It features prominent local landmarks, including the Riverfront Library, the Yonkers train station, and the Yonkers City Pier. The word “Nappeckamack” is also visible, an acknowledgment that Downtown Yonkers occupies land that was formerly an Algonquin fishing village of the same name.

“This mural is a love letter to Yonkers,” said Victor A. Saint-Hilaire (VASH). “I wanted to capture the beauty, the rhythm, and the hope that you feel walking through downtown. It’s a celebration of the neighborhood’s culture, community and resilience.”

YPL Director Jesse Montero emphasized the library’s goal of making art more accessible and reflective of the people it serves. “We wanted visitors to Riverfront Library to see themselves and their home reflected in a positive and joyful way,” said Montero. “Thanks to NYSCA’s support and VASH’s incredible vision, this mural gives the library and the city a lasting visual symbol of that spirit.”



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Conor Park and Welty Park Get Renovations



Mayor Mike Spano, Council President Lakisha-Collins Bellamy and Council Majority Leader John Rubbo joined with parks officials and community leaders last week for the ribbon cutting celebrations for renovations at Conor Park and Welty Park.

Campers were also on hand to join in the celebration.

Conor Park and Welty Park are just the latest neighborhood parks to get some much-needed renovations. They are full of color, safety surfacing, a new basketball court and playground.


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In case of rain, please call 914-375-3435 or check our website
www.untermeyerperformingarts.org
 after 3 pm the day of the performance.
 Our rain site this year is Saunders High School, 183 Palmer Road, Yonkers

Our events are admission free and open to the public.
 Please bring lawn chairs or picnic blankets, as we do not provide seating.

This program is one in cooperation with Mayor Mike Spano, and the Yonkers Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation. Funding is received from Arts Westchester with support from Westchester County Government, the City of Yonkers, Senator Shelley Mayer, Assemblymember Nader Sayegh, Empire City Casino by MGM and our loyal arts patrons.









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4TH PCT – JFK MARINA Warburton Avenue/JFK Memorial Drive

"Honoring Law Enforcement and Community Partnership"

Mohansic Golf Course Celebrates 100 Years With Hickory Stick Outing

By Dan Murphy

This reporter had the pleasure of joining with about 40 other golfers who participated in the celebration of Mohansic Golf Course's 100th anniversary Golf scramble. July 25, 2025 marked exactly the 100th anniversary of Mohansic Golf Course, located in Yorktown.

The golf outing included a throwback flair, with participants playing with vintage Hickory Stick golf clubs, courtesy of Connecticut Hickory Golf, and retro style golf balls.

The vintage golf clubs and balls made the usual challenge of Mohansic even more challenging. This reporter had never played with Hickory clubs, and together with my partner, Ian Black, we were able to work our way around the front 9 at Mohansic.

The 9th hole at Mohansic is one of the longest and most difficult holes out of the six county owned courses.

A dinner after included awards for the lowest score, with one pair shooting a 38 on the par course.

Joining the golfers at Mohansic were County Executive Ken Jenkins and Parks Commissioner Kathy O'Connor. "For 100 years, Mohansic Golf Course has been a treasured part of our parks system and a favorite spot for generations of golfers. This celebration is not only about honoring its rich history but also about looking ahead to the next century of recreation and community," said Jenkins.

O'Connor added: "Mohansic is more than just a golf course. It's where memories are made. From first swings to family outings, it's played a special role in Westchester's story. We're thrilled to mark this milestone with a fun, inclusive event that golfers can enjoy."

As part of the celebration, golf rates for Westchester County residents were rolled back for the week of July 21- 24 to (\$19.25 for Park Pass holders to walk)

The course was in great shape, congratulations to the maintenance staff for their work.

Playing with a set of Hickory clubs is a challenge, including a small wooden face driver and a vintage putter-

I would recommend this challenge to any golfer, and if Westchester County decides to hold this event again, at any of their courses, give it a try.

For a Yorktown native, and Yorktown HS grad, Mohansic was always my favorite course. I consider it the most challenging of the county courses, and a layout that can be matched to some of the private courses in the county.

Whoever thought of this idea in county government, congratulations. It was indeed a great day of golf history that myself and all who played will never forget.

heart of the Housing Counsel law is the assurance that all financially eligible tenants have access to legal representation at no cost to them in eviction proceedings. The OHC will do that, but it will also do more. The Office is be a place where every tenant, regardless of financial means, can seek preventive services before a situation escalates to the point of an eviction proceeding. Our goal is to stabilize families and communities by keeping people in their homes and out of the shelter system."

OHC Director George Asante said: "The OHC was created to fill a crucial need. The vast majority of tenants facing eviction go into court with no legal representation despite the outcomes being far better when tenants appear with an attorney. We want to make sure tenants' rights are protected. But most of all we want to keep families in their homes. That's why we are implementing a holistic approach to eviction prevention. We want you to reach out to us if you're facing eviction, but just as importantly, we want you to reach out before you're in trouble."

Westchester County Department of Social Services Commissioner Leonard Townes said: "Our goal is to keep families in their homes whenever possible. The economic and social toll when a family becomes homeless is enormous -- in both the short term cost to the County of sheltering a homeless family and in the long term consequences of housing instability on children's' development and future opportunities for adults. Not every eviction is preventable. But having eviction prevention and legal representation access centralized at the Office of Housing Counsel, with a continuum of services, will make it much easier for Westchester residents to access these life-saving supports."

Hudson Valley Justice Center Executive Director Jason Mays said: "By expanding access to counsel in eviction proceedings, Westchester County's Office of Housing Counsel will allow tenants to access their protections and defenses under the law, ensuring that the law operates in the courtroom as the legislature intended. HVJC commends this new program and hopes to help the County ensure it remains successful long into the future."

United Way of Westchester and Putnam President and CEO Tom Gabriel said: "Housing is a fundamental human right, something that the County's new Office of Housing Counsel will ensure for all Westchester County residents. The United Way, through its 211 Helpline, is honored to support this new initiative and serve as an entry point to assistance for people facing eviction or dealing with housing insecurity."



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Index Number 64049/2021.

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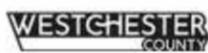
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Yonkers History, continued from pg 5-

August 6, 1941: Alderman Robert Goodwillie's "Little Hatch Act," his attempt to take politics out of Yonkers government by preventing political activity by city employees, was voted down by the Council.

Thursday, August 7th

August 7, 1941: Thomas Tobin, Chairman of Yonkers Defense Council's Enrollment Committee for Auxiliary Police and Air Raid Wardens, announced 268 people signed up for one of the two. Eleven of those who registered were assigned special duties as they were over the maximum age but really wanted to help.

August 7, 1943: "Little Jack" Little of 700 North Broadway, "someplace in the South Pacific," was busy entertaining "our boys in service" with Broadway comedian and dancer Ray Bolger! A widower, orchestra leader Little had two children, a five-year-old daughter and a four-year-old son; his parents were taking care of the children and his North Broadway home. Little sold his restaurant on Tuckahoe Road, the former Grassy Sprain Golf Clubhouse.

August 7, 1943: Betty Jane Blair, ten-year-old daughter of Arthur Blair, Blair Shipyards President, christened the 108-ton, 68-foot diesel powered Port Ewen, the first of four ships built for the US Maritime Commission at the Blair Alexander Street Shipyards. The ship was launched with great fanfare; hundreds cheered as it slipped into the Hudson. In Yonkers for little more than a year, Blair, operated seven days a week, 24-hours a day. With more than 1500 employees on its payroll, it could quickly repair ships damaged in combat by enemy submarines and air forces... and build new ones.

Friday, August 8th

August 8, 1923: The owners of four leading Yonkers theater companies banded together to form a new company to bring their theaters under one management. The newly incorporated Terrace City Amusement Company officers were Michael Walsh, president and co-owner of the Strand Building; Guy Graves, Secretary and co-owner of the Strand; and Harry Roth, Treasurer and co-owner of the Strand Mathew Chrystmos, Vice President and owner of the Hamilton, Broadway and Orpheum Theaters.

August 8, 1942: Roosevelt High graduate Ensign Robert Dudley of Normandy Road survived the Japanese attack on his ship, the transport USS George F. Elliott, destroyed in the Solomon Islands. He lost all personal effects when the ship went down.

Saturday, August 9th

August 9, 1908: An unidentified man marched up to Second Precinct Police captain Hugh Brady and demanded a pail of beer; he thought the Precinct was a saloon!

The gentleman promptly was told the saloon was next door.

August 9, 1914: Inspector J. Sims Bartley received sketches of the six-story building Masonic Temple to be built at South Broadway and Guion Street.

Sunday, August 10th

August 10, 1929: Westchester County union delegates went on strike because of the employment of New York steamfitters; this temporarily halted construction of the new Park Building on South Broadway and Longfellow Junior High School on North Broadway.

August 10, 1943: Lucy Monroe, "Star Spangled Soprano," visited Otis Elevator on her nationwide tour of war plants on her quest to entertain "soldiers of the industrial army." She sang "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" with Frank Clark, winner of an Otis employee song contest.

Questions or comments on this column? Email YonkersHistory1646@gmail.com.

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Senator Harekham: We've Lost 30% of our Bird Population Since the 1970's

By Dan Murphy

State Senator Pete Harekham said something on Earth Day in April that I have been thinking about since. "Today is Earth Day and day when we all stop and think how we can make the earth a better place. We do roadside cleanups, park cleanups, plantings, all very beneficial things. But we've got to get serious. Our planet is in serious trouble.

"We've lost 30% of our Bird species in North America, over 3 billion birds since the 1970's."

The Cornell Lab, (www.birds.cornell.edu) reports, "If you were alive in the year 1970, more than one in four birds in the U.S. and Canada has disappeared within your lifetime.

"According to research published online in September by the journal Science, wild bird populations in the continental U.S. and Canada have declined by almost 30% since 1970.

"We were astounded by this net loss across all birds on our continent, the loss of billions of birds," said Cornell Lab of Ornithology conservation scientist Ken Rosenberg, who led an international team of scientists from seven institutions in the analysis of population trends for 529 bird species.

The study quantifies for the first time the total decline in bird populations in the continental U.S. and Canada, a loss of 2.9 billion breeding adult birds—with devastating losses among birds in every biome. Rosenberg, who leads joint research initiatives by the Cornell Lab and American Bird Conservancy, says these study results transcend the world of birds.

"These bird losses are a strong signal that our human-altered landscapes are losing their ability to support birdlife," he said. "And that is an indicator of a coming collapse of the overall environment."

Forests alone have lost 1 billion birds. Grassland bird populations collectively have declined by more than 50%, or more than 700 million birds. Habitat loss is likely to be a driving factor in these declines, say the authors, particularly agricultural intensification and development.

"I think this analysis shows that we're eating away at the foundations of all of our major ecosystems on the continent," said Arvind Panjabi, study coauthor and avian conservation scientist at the Colorado-based Bird Conservancy of the Rockies. "These numbers show that the world has changed a lot since 1970."

For Adam Smith, the Environment and Climate Change Canada biostatistician, the numbers call out for a radical shift in conservation strategy.

"It's really a wake-up call for the importance of moving beyond just a single species, endangered species conservation framework," Smith said. "We rescued the Trumpeter Swan and the Peregrine Falcon, and we should be proud and happy about those successes. But we're at a stage where, given these extreme declines in so many species, we need to move beyond that framework.

"These are systems and biomes in serious trouble. I think we need to approach conservation of these endangered systems at a much more holistic level."

Double Parking, continued from pg 1-

This is particularly problematic on busy streets and during peak hours, significantly increasing travel times.

Buses and emergency vehicles can be severely delayed, impacting public transportation and emergency response times.

2. Safety Hazards:

Pedestrians are forced to walk into the street to navigate around double-parked vehicles, increasing the risk of accidents.

Double parking can obstruct visibility for drivers and pedestrians, making it harder to see oncoming traffic and potential hazards.

Emergency vehicles may have difficulty reaching their destinations, potentially endangering lives.

3. Customer Frustration:

Long wait times for deliveries or pick-ups due to double parking can frustrate customers and create a negative impression.

Blocked driveways or access points can make it difficult for customers to enter or exit businesses, further adding to the frustration.

4. Legal Issues:

Double parking is often illegal and can result in hefty fines for drivers who violate parking regulations.

Enforcement can be challenging, and some drivers may perceive a lack of consistent oversight, leading to a cycle of violations.

5. Other Issues:

Double parking can create a sense of lawlessness and disregard for traffic rules.

It can discourage public transportation use and contribute to a reliance on personal vehicles, exacerbating traffic congestion.

Double parking can lead to altercations between drivers and create a stressful driving environment

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Weekend Events in Westchester County Parks

SATURDAY, AUG. 2

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

Ancestral Trailways, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. Wear sturdy shoes as we take a 3-mile hike on some rough terrain to visit historical and archaeological sites from the archaic to the 17th century. For ages 10 and up.

Hilltop Hanover Farm & Environmental Center, Yorktown Heights: (914) 862-5050. Tea with the Animals, 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Adults and kids 6 and older can join us for a mid-morning "cuppa" while they meet and learn about the animals on the farm. Harvest and make some scrumptious treats for ourselves and the animals to enjoy together for a tea party. \$15. Also: Sept. 6. Get details and pre-register: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tea-with-the-animals-tickets-1374334434289?aff=oddtcreator>

The Merestead Estate, Mount Kisco: (914) 864-7958

Naturalist's Choice Hike, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. Join us for a stroll through the estate's forests and meadows to learn about a variety of the park's natural wonders. Meet at the carriage house parking area on the south side of 455 Byram Lake Road in Mount Kisco. Program will run in light rain, but worse weather will cancel.

Miller House, White Plains: (914) 428-1005

Open House, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Drop in to visit the former home of the Ann and Elijah Miller family, an average colonial Westchester family whose lives were changed forever when George Washington and his army fought for American independence. Located at 140 Virginia Road. Also: Sept. 13.

Glen Island Park, New Rochelle: (914) 813-6720

Family Fun Day & Sand Art Competition, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Join us for a day with our sand art competition, music, games and more for the entire family. Participation is free; admission and parking fees apply. Westchester County residency is required; weather permitting. Rain date: Aug. 3. Get details and register for the Sand Art competition: <https://parks.westchestergov.com/family-fun-days>

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

Beach Is Open, 11 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Weekends through Monday, Sept. 1; weather permitting. No admittance after 6 p.m. Parking and admission fees apply. Westchester County residency is not required for admission. Get details: <https://parks.westchestergov.com/swim>

Hilltop Hanover Farm & Environmental Center, Yorktown Heights: (914) 862-5050. Old Time Music Jam, 11:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. This monthly gathering of local, acoustic musicians plays traditional Appalachian fiddle music. Play or listen to enjoy the community that music can create! Musicians of all levels are welcome. Also: Sept. 6.

Lasdon Park, Arboretum & Veterans Memorial, Katonah: (914) 864-7268

Lasdon Green Squad, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Every Saturday from April to November join the Lasdon Green Squad to keep Lasdon, Westchester's Public Garden looking beautiful. Volunteers will work with Lasdon staff on tasks such as invasive species removal, planting, watering, weeding, trail maintenance, mulching, trash clean up, and other tasks. For those age 14 and older. Get details and register: <https://www.lasdonpark.org/event/lasdon-green-squad-2-2/2025-08-02/>

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

Alfred B. DelBello Muscote Farm, Somers: (914) 864-7282. Muscote Farmers Market and Barnyard Beets, 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. The market supports farmers and sustainable efforts in our area, featuring over 30 local vendors every Sunday until Nov. 16. Shop while listening to a live performance from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. by indie, folk and rock musician Fenton Lio. Get details: <https://www.muscotefarm.org/markets/>

Lasdon Park, Arboretum and Veterans Museum, Katonah: (914) 864-7263

Gardening Sundays and Tuesdays, Weekly, 10 a.m. - noon Enhance your gardening skills and plant knowledge by working side by side with the gardeners at Lasdon Park. Tasks include planting, watering, weeding, pruning, staking, deadheading, potting up and more! Through November. Also: Tuesday, Aug. 5. Get details and register: <https://www.lasdonpark.org/event/gardening-sundays-2/2025-08-03/>

Kensico Dam Plaza, Valhalla: (914) 231-4033 Indian Heritage Festival, 12 p.m. - 6 p.m. Experience a multitude of cultures this summer without leaving the country. Gather your family and friends, leave your passport at home and enjoy traditions from around the world. Get details: <https://parks.westchestergov.com/heritage-festivals>

Alfred B. DelBello Muscote Farm, Katonah: (914) 864-7282. Guided Farm Tour, 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. Join one of our guides on a tour around the farm to visit to learn about our animals and a few of our historic buildings. Also: Aug. 24; Sept. 7. Register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/guided-farm-tours-tickets-1395304686879?aff=ebdso_porgprofile

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Summer Garden Tour, 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. Join the head gardener for a free stroll around Lasdon's grounds to see what's in bloom this time of year. Get details and register: <https://www.lasdonpark.org/event/summer-garden-tour/2025-08-03/>

Cranberry Lake Preserve, North White Plains: (914) 428-100. The 50th Anniversary of Cranberry Lake Preserve, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Celebrate its five decades with a history presentation, work by local artists and a hike. For more information, call (914) 428-1005.

Edith G. Read Wildlife Sanctuary, Rye: (914) 967-8720. The Fascinating World of Chipmunks, 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. We will explain how they survive in the wild using their biology, behavior and reproductive strategies. We'll then observe their outdoor actions.

Kayaking, continued from pg 1-

At first, I assumed kayaking was primarily a sport for older adults — until I saw teenagers and twenty-somethings launching themselves off 100-foot waterfalls. I've witnessed elite athletes train relentlessly for Olympic and world championship gold, and I've taken children as young as 4 out on the water for the first time.

That's the beauty of kayaking — it's a sport for all ages. It offers a variety of disciplines, each with its own unique appeal and accessibility. Which styles of kayaking are best suited for different age groups and locations, and is kayaking more age-friendly compared to other outdoor sports? If you're new to kayaking, the first step is finding a discipline that suits your body, goals, and environment. From recreational paddling to whitewater thrills, there's something for everyone. Let's explore matching kayaking styles to age and lifestyle.

Sea Kayaking

Sea kayaking appeals to a wide range of ages, but it's especially popular among paddlers between 40 and 80 years old. It's relatively easy to learn, particularly on calm rivers and lakes. The discipline emphasizes endurance, navigation, and grace over brute strength or risk, making it less intense than whitewater kayaking. However, at advanced levels, especially in open ocean or rough weather, it can be incredibly demanding.

The cost of gear and the logistics of storing and transporting sea kayaks can be a barrier, which might explain why more seasoned paddlers dominate this space. Still, programs like the Hudson River Riders, based out of the Yonkers Paddling and Rowing Club, are working to change that by introducing teens and young adults to sea kayaking. Thanks to them, the average age at clubs like Yonkers (once around 55) is slowly dropping.

Greenland Kayaking

Often called the "mother of all kayaking," Greenland-style paddling has roots in Indigenous Inuit traditions, originally developed for hunting whales and seals. Today, this graceful, low-impact discipline attracts an older crowd — many in their 50s, 60s, and even 80s.

I've been to several Greenland kayaking festivals over the years, and the community is filled with experienced paddlers seeking longevity and a deeper connection to the water. One veteran once told me, "The blade is better for my joints. The older I get, the less impact I want to feel — and Greenland paddling does that for me."

Whitewater Kayaking

Think of whitewater kayaking as the mountain biking of paddling — fast, risky, and full of adrenaline. The typical whitewater paddler is in their 20s or 30s, and the sport's culture reflects that energy. I regularly travel to Asheville, N.C., to train with my friend Shane Benedict, and the community there is overwhelmingly young.

If you travel around the country and stop at any whitewater gathering, more specifically standout events like the Green River Race in Saluda, N.C., or the GoPro Mountain Games in Vail, Colo., you'll see a showcase of elite paddlers in their teens and 20s. Two paddlers that come to mind are Nauria Newman, a former freestyle medalist from France who became the first woman to kayak off a 100-foot waterfall. Another is Dane Jackson, widely regarded as one of the greatest whitewater kayakers of all time, known for tackling some of the world's tallest falls. They are both in their 20s and 30s. It is safe to say whitewater kayaking is predominantly for a younger audience.

Recreational Kayaking (Sit-on-Tops)

For families with young kids or beginners looking for something easy and fun, recreational kayaking — especially in a sit-on-top kayak — is an ideal starting point. SOTs are stable, hard to capsize, and often come in tandem or triple-seat models, so no one gets left behind. They're especially great if you live near calm lakes or beaches. Older paddlers often prefer SOTs for their simplicity and ease of entry and exit, making them one of the most age-inclusive styles of kayaking.

Olympic and World Championship Kayaking

In disciplines like sprint kayaking, slalom, canoeing, and rowing, most competitors are under 40, with a majority in their 20s and 30s. These are high-performance sports that demand rigorous training and quick reflexes, drawing younger athletes at the peak of their physical capabilities.

Now that we've connected the different disciplines to age groups, it is time to raise the big question: Is kayaking more age-friendly than other outdoor sports? I'd say depends on who you ask. Loyalty plays a role in these kinds of answers.

While all outdoor activities have physical and mental benefits, not all are sustainable over time. Hiking and walking are great low-impact exercises, but as mobility decreases, challenging trails can become difficult. Trail running is exhilarating but hard on the joints long-term. In contrast, various kayaking styles — particularly recreational, sea, and Greenland — offer a full-body workout with minimal impact.

Other activities that offer similar longevity include swimming, cycling, bird-watching, fishing, gardening, and Tai Chi — each gentle on the body while deeply nourishing for the mind and spirit.

Kayaking is one of those rare sports that evolves with you. Whether you're chasing waterfalls in your 20s, exploring coastlines in your 40s, or quietly gliding across lakes in your 70s, there's always a place for you on the water. No matter your age or experience level, kayaking offers a path to adventure, peace, and connection — with nature and with others. And that's something worth paddling for.

Chevaughn Dixon is a professional sea kayaker with 12 years of experience guiding and teaching. He is director of the Hudson River Riders, a program providing youth and people of color with outdoor access in Yonkers, and he has introduced more than 5,000 people to paddle sport in the NYC area.

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Dr. Michael Steiper Appointed as the Seventh President of Purchase College



Dr. Michael Steiper

The State University of New York Board of Trustees voted today to name Michael Steiper, Ph.D. as the seventh president of Purchase College. Dr. Steiper currently serves as Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs at CUNY's College of Staten Island. The appointment is effective August 11. During today's meeting, SUNY Chancellor John B. King Jr. and the SUNY Board of Trustees thanked Dr. Milly Peña for serving as Purchase College's president and recognized her service to the Purchase community.

"Purchase College is a leader in accessible and extraordinary arts and arts-adjacent education and is an outstanding liberal arts institution," said SUNY Chancellor King. "This storied college has a proud history of supporting students and helping them grow, create, and inspire, and SUNY looks forward to working with Dr. Steiper as he leads Purchase through the institution's next chapter."

The SUNY Board of Trustees said, "We commend Dr. Steiper on being appointed to serve as Purchase College's new president, and are confident that he will help take Purchase College to new heights. As an academic, administrator, musician, and lifetime New Yorker, Dr. Steiper's experience on-and-off the campus will help support a strong future for Purchase College."

Dr. Michael Steiper said, "I am honored and thrilled to be selected as the next president of Purchase College, SUNY. With its renowned conservatories and outstanding liberal arts and sciences programs, Purchase is a rare gem in higher education where both critical thinking and creativity thrive. Throughout the search process, I have been inspired by the dynamism of the Purchase community. It is a campus where deeply engaged faculty and dedicated staff nurture the aspirations of exceptionally talented students. I am committed to building on Purchase's vibrant culture to advance its mission of access and excellence, enhance student success and opportunity, and expand Purchase's impact across New York and beyond. I am grateful to the SUNY Board of Trustees, Chairman Tisch, Chancellor King, the Purchase College Council, Chair Glazer, and the Search Committee for their confidence and support."

Dennis Glazer, Purchase College Council Chair and Presidential Search Chair, said, "After a comprehensive nationwide search, Purchase College has a terrific new President in Dr. Michael Steiper. Dr. Steiper's intellect, experience, and highly collaborative leadership style are an excellent match for our campus. Our College Council, Foundation Board, faculty, staff and students were all part of the selection process and we very much look forward to partnering with President Steiper as we build on the special community that is Purchase College."

Dr. Michael E. Steiper is a mission-driven academic leader dedicated to faculty and student success who currently serves as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at CUNY's College of Staten Island (CSI). At CSI, Dr. Steiper coordinated the campus' vision for student success, contributing to strong increases in student retention and growth in enrollment.

Prior to his time at CSI, Dr. Steiper spent two decades at Hunter College, where he had roles as a faculty member and administrator, most recently as Associate Provost for Academic Success.

As a biological anthropologist, Dr. Steiper's research centers on human and primate evolution, with particular emphasis on primate molecular evolution, the relationship between genetic and fossil records, and the interplay between skeletal and genetic variation. His work primarily utilizes genetic and bioinformatic techniques, and he has participated in paleontological fieldwork across three continents. Dr. Steiper is a lifelong New Yorker and current Westchester resident who earned his Ph.D. and MA from Harvard University and his bachelor's from New York University.

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Westchester Children's Association Announces New Executive Director



*Adam
Rabinovitch*

The Board of Directors of the Westchester Children's Association (WCA) is proud to announce the appointment of Adam Rabinovitch as its new Executive Director, effective Monday, July 14. Rabinovitch succeeds Allison Lake who is stepping down after seven years serving as Executive Director and over 25 years of service to the organization.

Rabinovitch has more than 30 years of experience in the private and public sectors, most recently serving as Executive Director of COPE in Melville, Long Island, a nonprofit organization supporting children, parents and families living with the death of a loved one. Known for his dedication in building mission-driven organizations that drive meaningful impact, he is deeply committed to child advocacy, equity, and data-informed policy change.

"We are thrilled to welcome Adam Rabinovitch to WCA," said Ann Umemoto, Board Chair of Westchester Children's Association. "His passion for building sustainable mission-driven organizations and his deep connection to community make him the right leader to guide WCA into its next chapter."

In his new role, Rabinovitch will lead WCA's efforts to improve outcomes for children and youth across Westchester, continuing the organization's legacy of research, advocacy, and cross-sector collaboration. "I'm honored to join with WCA's dedicated board, team, partners, and supporters to build on this powerful legacy and help shape a more equitable future for all Westchester's children," stated Rabinovitch.

Outgoing Executive Director, Allison Lake, was celebrated earlier this year for her transformational leadership and long-standing commitment to children's wellbeing. The WCA Board has also launched the Action Fund in Honor of Allison Lake, which will sustain and grow the organization's data and advocacy capacity for years to come.

VICTORY FOR WESTCHESTER COUNTY IN PLAYLAND

ARBITRATION DISPUTE

WINNER! Westchester County won a significant legal victory in the longstanding dispute with Standard Amusements, LLC over the management of Playland Amusement Park. In a ruling issued by a three-member arbitration panel, Standard's motion for reconsideration was denied in full, reaffirming a previous ruling in the County's favor and solidifying the County's legal position and stewardship of the historic park.

Westchester County Executive Ken Jenkins said: "Playland is the people's park – now and always. This ruling reaffirms what we have said all along: Westchester County has honored its commitments and acted in good faith to revitalize and protect Playland for future generations. The panel's decision not only upholds the integrity of our agreement—it sends a strong message that Westchester will not be bullied. We remain committed to the continued enhancement of Playland which is a crown jewel of Westchester."

The Arbitration Panel—comprised of Hon. Jonathan Lippman (Chair), Hon. Shira A. Scheindlin, and Hon. Anthony J. Carpinello—concluded that Westchester County acted within its rights under the Playland Management Agreement and that Standard's attempt to terminate the agreement was invalid and void. At the heart of the decision was the County's legal right to cure any alleged failure to complete 70% of capital projects by a specified date—an essential protection that Standard ignored in its termination notice.

In a previous June 26, 2025 decision, the arbitration panel sided with the County on cross motions for summary judgment, affirming that the Management Agreement provided the County the right to cure and that Standard's January 21, 2025 termination notice was legally deficient. Despite the clear outcome, Standard filed a motion for reconsideration—arguing a new interpretation of the contract and attempting to introduce extrinsic evidence—both of which were swiftly rejected by the panel.

Now, the panel noted that: "Standard's instant motion improperly attempts to 'present arguments different from those originally presented' and seeks 'successive opportunities to reargue issues' that the Panel previously decided—just not how Standard wanted."

Jenkins said: "Today's decision is more than just a legal win—it's a victory for good government, accountability, and the residents of Westchester County – especially the children for whom this park is for. We are grateful to the Panel for its thorough and impartial review, and we are ready to move forward."

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Convicted Killer Robert McCain Busted in Westchester for Forcible Touching Asking to be Released on Bail



*Accused of Groping a
Woman at Town of Cort-
land Dog Park*

By Dan Murphy

Last week, Westchester County Police reported on the arrest of Robert McCain, 64, of Verplank, on the charge of forcible touching. McCain is charged with groping a woman on July 5 at the Town of Cortlandt's dog park on Sprout Brook Road.

An unidentified female contacted police after accusing McCain of unwanted advances and touching at the Cortland Dog Park. McCain and his accuser are identified as being

"fleeting acquaintances" who knew each other somehow before the incident. An investigation by Westchester County Police resulted in McCain's arrest and detention at the County jail pending a \$25,000 bond.

Robert McCain has a serious criminal history in our area. In 1981, he was convicted of the 1980 murder of 16-year-old Paul Bohovesky in Rockland County.

McCain and another man, Richard LaBarbera, attacked Bohovesky as she was walking home from a library in Pearl River. Paula was brutally killed and abused by both men, who were found guilty of 2nd degree murder and given life sentences in 1981. They were eligible for parole starting in 2005 after serving 25 years.

McCain's attempts at parole were denied for years until the New York State Parole Board released him in 2021, despite pleas from the Rockland community to keep him behind bars.

McCain's first court date on this recent charge was on July 28, where County Court Judge Robert Pricso presided. McCain appeared remotely from the county jail, where he has remained since his arrest.

McCain's attorney, Robert Nachamie, said his client is not happy after being returned to prison and has stated that he is innocent of the latest charges. But McCain also declared his innocence time and again before the parole board in the death of Bohovesky.

Legendary Rockland County Detective Peter Modafferi recalled that McCain confessed to the murder of Bohovesky during an interrogation in the State of Arkansas in 2021.

The calls for McCain to be denied parole were loud in 2021, and calls for the parole board to resign were loud after McCain's release.

Now those same calls are back. County Executive Ed Day said, "We fought tooth and nail to keep this egregious killer, Robert McCain, behind bars — where he belonged — for the brutal and unspeakable murder of 16-year-old Paula Bohovesky. The decision by the New York State Parole Board to release him ignored the pleas of our entire community and disregarded the irreversible devastation caused to Paula's family, turning its back on justice itself."

"Now, this monster — as predicted — committed another crime, underscoring how the system failed. The crime McCain stands accused of is on the hands of every Parole Board member who voted to free him."

"If any of the individuals responsible for that disgraceful decision remain on the Parole Board, I am again calling on them to resign immediately."

"Their actions put the public at risk, and I will never stop fighting for justice — not just for Paula, but for every Rockland resident who expects safety, accountability, and a system that values the lives of victims over the comfort of criminals," said Day.

Congressman Mike Lawler said, "This disgraceful and utterly predictable incident highlights precisely why Robert McCain never should have been granted parole. The entire Parole Board should resign in disgrace immediately — their constant release of child rapists, cop-killers, and the worst criminals has made New York less safe."

McCain previously met all the conditions of his parole; he never failed a drug test, and probation officers never found any contraband during several unannounced searches of his home, according to court officials.

Judge Robert Pricso ruled that McCain could be released from jail if he could post his bail.

Legally, his only option is because he has not demonstrated that he was a "substantial risk" to the community.

Pricso also denied a request for an electronic monitoring device

Right now, McCain's bail is \$25,000, a number he likely cannot raise, but his attorneys are looking to lower the bail.

Note: McCain's case has been Adjourned to Aug. 7 and his bail will be reviewed.

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is finding the optimistic stories
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-Pete Seeger-

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