

Hey Yonkers, Meet Your New City Council for 2026



L-R-Councilman Tim Hodges, Minority Leader Mike Breen, Councilwoman Corazon Pineda-Isaac, Mayor Mike Spano, Council President Lakisha Collins-Bellamy, Councilwoman Deana Norman, Councilwoman Tasha Diaz, Majority Leader John Rubbo

Inauguration day 2026 was held on Jan. 1 in Yonkers at the Riverfront Library auditorium. Yonkers City Clerk Vincent Spano served as the Master of Ceremonies. Elected officials who took the oath of office included:

City Council President Lakisha Collins-Bellamy. "As we step into the New Year, I'm truly honored to begin a new term serving as Yonkers City Council President. Congratulations to Majority Leader John Rubbo and Councilmember Corazon Pineda-Isaac as they continue their service, and a warm welcome to Tim Hodges, representing the 6th District. I also congratulate Alexandra

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Yonkes Actress Leah Janae Appears on New TV Series Best Medicine



Leah Janae, right, on the first episode of Best Medicine

By Dan Murphy

Meet Yonkers native and resident Leah Janae. Leah, 18, is a Park Hill area resident, who attended the Charter School for Educational Excellence.

We noticed that Leah is appearing in new TV show on Fox called Best Medicine, a medical comedy drama that premiered on Jan. 4. Leah will be appearing in a total of 9 episodes of the show.

Before landing her first TV role on Best Medicine, which is set to air in January 2026, Leah Janae Thomas starred in a nationwide Amazon Web Services (AWS) commercial in 2022. The commercial was turned into a digital ad as well, which can be seen online and on various social media platforms.

Leah Janae, managed by Edge Entertainment Management, has been acting and doing voice-over work, as well as print ads, since she was about 4 years

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Inauguration Day in Westchester



County Executive Ken Jenkins takes the oath of office from Judge Anne Minihan, with wife Deborah Hudson-Jenkins, and son looking on

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Three Kings Visit Yonkers for Celebration



Thank you to the Hispanic Advisory Board and Yonkers Public Library for putting together a great citywide event for Three Kings Day at Yonkers City Hall on Jan. 6. Dance performances and songs from the Yonkers Middle High Madrigal Choir were enjoyed by all. Smiles, traditions, and learning filled the day as children left with a toy and a deeper understanding of this special holiday. Three Kings' Day is widely observed by Hispanics around the world and commemorates the biblical story of the Three Wise Men, also called the Three Kings: Melchior of Arabia, Gaspar of Tharsis, and Balthazar of Saba. According to the story, they followed a special star to find the newborn baby Jesus, honoring him with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Melchior brought gold, May the light of the Magi kings guide our paths and illuminate our hearts.

Welcome to New York, Nicolás

Lawler & Latimer Disagree on Maduro Arrest

Outgoing NYC Mayor Eric Adams posted the following: “On January 10, 2025, the Biden-Harris administration put a \$25 million bounty on Nicolás Maduro for information leading to his arrest or conviction. Public safety is not a political game.

“You do not label someone a narco-dictator one year and then pretend he is no longer a threat the next simply because a different president is in office. That is cynical and irresponsible.

“Maduro’s drugs have killed thousands of Americans and continue to endanger our children. Imagine being the parents of 2-year-old Nicholas Feliz Domini, who died from fentanyl poisoning in a Bronx daycare, and watching this political theater.

“America is safer today because Maduro is no longer in power. Welcome to New York, Nicolás,” said Adams.

In 2020, Maduro was indicted on drug and weapons charges. That indictment was updated last week, including four new counts, including narco-terrorism conspiracy, cocaine importation conspiracy, possession of machine-guns and destructive devices, and conspiracy to possess machine-guns and destructive devices.

Based on both indictments, Maduro was a fugitive of American justice.

Accusations that Maduro should not have been arrested by the US because he was a sitting head of state, are deceptive because Maduro stole the Presidential election of 2024. “The presidential election in Venezuela took place on 28 July 2024. It ended with proven fraud: Chavista incumbent Nicolás Maduro allegedly won with 51.95 per cent of the votes cast compared to 43.18 per cent for the opposition candidate, Edmundo González. In a brilliantly prepared process, supported by volunteers in 58,000 volunteer groups, the clever opposition obtained copies of around 85 per cent of the election files (Spanish: ‘actas de escrutinio’), the results from over 30,000 polling stations in the country, digitised them on election night and calculated the true result as an estimate from this huge sample: around 67 per cent for González and just 30 per cent for Maduro, proving clear electoral fraud by the Maduro regime!

“The impending disaster for Maduro had already been foreshadowed months before the election. The extremely popular, charismatic María Corina Machado of the Vente Venezuela party, a member of Liberal International, was denied the presidential candidacy by the courts despite huge success in the opposition

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State Senator Mayer Sponsors Legislation to Require Schools to Teach About Jan. 6 Insurrection



DOJ filing showing Jacob Chansley aka QAnon Shaman in Senate on Jan 6

State Senator Shelley Mayer, Chair of Senate Education Committee, Co-Sponsors Legislation to Require Instruction on the January 6, 2021 Insurrection in Schools

New York State Senator Shelley B. Mayer, Chair of the Senate Education Committee, today announced that she is co-sponsoring legislation introduced by State Senator John C. Liu that would require instruction on the January 6, 2021, insurrection at the United States Capitol and its aftermath as part of the state’s mandated curriculum. The bill, S.6123 (Liu) / A.3966 (Lavine) will ensure students above the age of eight in all public and private schools learn about the events of January 6 alongside other core civic, historical, and human rights events already required by state law.

State Senator Shelley B. Mayer said, “January 6, 2021, is one of the darkest days in American history. The violent assault on the United States Capitol was a direct attack on one of the very foundations of our democracy – a peaceful transition of power. On the five-year anniversary of this day, we reaffirm our commitment to teaching the next generation about the gravity of this event. We must ensure that they know the details of what happened that day and the lasting effects it has had on our government and democracy. We also publicly reaffirm our strong support for the brave law enforcement officers who defended our Capitol and the bravery of all those who stood firm in defense of our democracy.

“All Americans should know about - and consider the implications - of January 6, 2021. This bill will make sure our students understand that. I am grateful to Senator John Liu and Assemblymember Chuck Lavine for introducing this legislation.”

Under the bill, instruction about the January 6, 2021 insurrection at the United States Capitol will be taught alongside courses of instruction in patriotism, citizenship, civic education and values, the shared history of diversity, the role of religious tolerance in this county, and human rights issues – with specific focuses to the studies of inhumanity of genocide, slavery, the holocaust, and the mass starvation in Ireland.

Editor’s Note: The events in Washington on Jan. 6, 2021 were an embarrassment to our country. I watched in disgrace, as I saw the Dixie flag being flown in the US Capitol.

Looking back, this was one of the dumbest ideas that supporters of President Trump every had. Congressional hearing were held, and Trump’s opponents were able to label his supporters as MAGA Crazyies.

Five year later, I wonder who instigated this event, and how many members of the FBI were involved. I also question why more police and military law enforcement were not called in sooner.

But I have no problem with Senator Mayer’s bill. If those who committed the crime they have to deal with the history that goes with it.

NOTICE OF SALE
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Ismael Vargas; Morel Carmen; Sonya Quintana

Defendant(s)

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

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Stuart Ball, Esq., Referee.

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

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

On This Day in Yonkers History...

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



Admiral Husband Kimmel, left, of Bronxville Road, Yonkers, was the Admiral in charge of Pearl Harbor December 7th, 1941. He was cleared of having any prior knowledge of the attack.

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

Monday, January 12th

January 12, 1944: The Tarrytown Division of Eastern Aircraft announced they would not hire new women trainees from our School of Aeronautical Manufacturing for at least two months. Many students had completed more than 400 hours of training; they were given the opportunity to apply for jobs at other area war plants. Representatives from Otis Elevator, Habirshaw Cable and Wire, Anaconda Wire and Cable, and North American Phillips Companies interviewed students interested in working at their plants. Yonkers War industries Training Director Dr. Lawrence Ashley announced Otis would hire multiple people immediately. He later revealed students who wanted jobs in aviation would have to work away from our immediate area.

He revealed the school had trained more than 2,000 men and women in 1943; these former students now worked at companies in Yonkers, Manhattan, Brooklyn, Long Island, New Jersey, Connecticut, California, Pennsylvania, and Rome, NY.

Tuesday, January 13th

January 13, 1943: Brigadier General James Doolittle, commander of the North Africa US Air Forces, announced Lieutenant George Eward Jr. of Purser Place received an award for service against the enemy in North Africa. After graduating from the Air Force Advanced Flying course the previous summer, he received commendation for "meritorious conduct and outstanding progress in military training as an aviation cadet!"

January 13, 1945: Captain John Crocker, son of Dr. and Mrs. William Crocker of Argyle Terrace, was reported missing in action in Belgium. Crocker attended Gorton High School and then Phillips Exeter Academy. He was a 1935 Cornell University graduate; at Cornell, he won the Barton Medal for being the "outstanding soldier" in his class. At the time he was called to serve, Crocker was a Pennsylvania businessman. His father John was Director of the Boyce Thompson Institute for Plant Research and a Trustee of the Yonkers Board of Education. His mother Persis was the Civilian Mobilization Chair of Yonkers.

Wednesday, January 14th

January 14, 1864: President Abraham Lincoln and his cabinet sent a letter to the Yonkers' Sanitary Fair Committee to raise money for wounded Civil War servicemen. After being raffled, the winner donated the letter to the people of Yonkers; it now is on display at Philipse Manor Hall, previously Yonkers City Hall.

January 14, 1928: At the annual YMCA meeting, members voted to allow Catholics, Unitarians and members of a few other churches to become voting

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Email us at pathwaysinfo@yonkerspublicschools.org
www.yonkerspublicschools.org/vive

By Thomas J. Stefanchik

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

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

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

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



Every City has quiet leaders making a real impact.
Now is the time to recognize them.

Nominations are open for the 2026 Legacy of Impact Award, honoring African American individuals in Yonkers whose service and leadership continue to strengthen the community.

Submit a nomination by February 6
Yonkersny.gov/legacyawards

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primaries. Only this led to the largely unknown Edmundo González running with the full support of the united opposition – in effect as a kind of proxy for Machado,” writes the Friedrich Naumann Foundation.

Congressman Mike Lawler posted, “Early this morning, our brave American soldiers, sailors, and airmen executed one of the most stunning military operations of this century. The capture of Venezuelan President Nicolás Maduro is an important step toward ending the deadly flow of drugs into the United States and ensuring peace and prosperity for all Venezuelans.

“It is also a stark reminder to terrorists, dictators, and drug lords across the world that there is no safe harbor. This is what the doctrine of peace through strength looks like, and I am thankful for President Trump’s decisive move to strike at the heart of the narco-terror state and illegal drug trade that have been ravaging our hemisphere for decades. With the arrest and prosecution of Nicolás Maduro, a new dawn is upon us,” said Lawler.

Congressman George Latimer posted, “Today, the President announced his unilateral military action – circumventing congressional authorization – to carry out what he declares is a war. The Constitution establishes three co-equal branches of government for a reason: to ensure a check and balance that prevents one entity from dictating policy for the whole country. As a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, I heard details about this military action at the same time everyone else did. The fact that the Republican leadership in the House is not incensed over the President’s unilateral act of war screams volumes about their lack of fitness to lead both Congress and our nation. This action does not keep us “safe” from drugs. If that was our top reason, then why did the President pardon the convicted drug trafficker who was President of Honduras who dumped tons of drugs into American homes? This action weakens us with allies around the globe. What moral standing do we lean on now to oppose Russia’s intervention in Ukraine or China’s likely takeover of Taiwan, when we do the same thing for our reasons? Maduro is a bad guy, who held on to power illegally despite losing the election. But Trump has aligned us with other dictators – if they have friendly relations with Trump. In the President’s address this afternoon, he admitted the real reason for this illegal military action – control of Venezuela’s oil. That’s why the President did nothing to inform the Congress since we would ask these questions before any action was taken. The administration must immediately brief Congress on their plan for stability in Venezuela, their legal justification for these actions, and what America’s role will be in all of this, and Congress must then act appropriately according to our nation’s laws and the constitution,” said Latimer.

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

Please send resume and video links to Rev. Dr. Nigel O. Cole at revnigelocole156@gmail.com.

Yonkers Mayor Spano to Re-Establish Muslim Advisory Board

Applications Available and Accepted through February 6 at yonkersny.gov/MAB

Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano today announced the re-establishment of the Mayor’s Muslim Advisory Board, reaffirming the City’s commitment to inclusion and engagement with Yonkers’ growing Muslim community. The announcement comes ahead of the holy month of Ramadan, underscoring the importance of faith, service, and community. Applications are available online at yonkersny.gov/MAB through February 6.

“The Muslim Advisory Board will serve as an important bridge between the City and our Muslim residents,” said Mayor Spano. “As Yonkers continues to grow and diversify, it is critical that we listen and work together. Announcing this ahead of Ramadan ensures timely dialogue with a growing population across the City.”

The Board consists of six members representing each council district and one member to serve at large. Members of the board must be residents of Yonkers. Those interested in becoming a board member can apply at yonkersny.gov/MAB. Members will be chosen and convened by Mayor Spano.

Responsibilities of the Yonkers Muslim Advisory Board include:

Serving as a liaison between the City and Muslim community-based organizations

Providing recommendations on programs, services, and policies affecting the Muslim community

Assisting in addressing community concerns and issues

Offering input on matters such as cultural inclusion, public safety, education, and community relations

Strengthening connections between the City and Yonkers’ Muslim residents

Mayor Spano will accept applications today through Friday, February 6. The Mayor’s Muslim Advisory Board joins nine other advisory boards created by Mayor Spano since 2012, many of which have implemented policies, recommendations, special events, and employment opportunities.

A Note From Eric Schoen:

Dear Readers,

I’m coming along on a long process of recovery. Your prayers are greatly appreciated. I can’t wait to see you in the streets of Yonkers again.

When I get depressed and lonely I turn on Channel 2 to see my dear friend Mary Calvo and her smiling face. There’s someone who lives close to Yonkers taking care of me at the hospital. She’s a lovely young lady from Mt Vernon.

If you don’t smoke, don’t start. If you do, stop. I see all these people around me suffering from what smoking has done to them. The anti-smoking TV spots are upsetting to me, but now I really don’t need to see it in real life.

Please take care of yourself and your families and have a safe and healthy New Year.

Love Eric

Reach Eric Wolf Schoen at ewschoen@icloud.com.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Yonkers Man Who Strangled Partner to Unconsciousness Gets 5-Year Prison Term

Westchester County District Attorney Susan Cacace announced today that Jorge Garcia, 42, of Yonkers, was sentenced to 5 years in state prison Tuesday for strangling his partner to unconsciousness, in front of their then-2-year-old son, in 2023.

Judge Robert Prisco further sentenced Garcia to undergo 3 years of post-release supervision and provided permanent orders of protection for the victims.

Following a bench trial in November, Judge Prisco convicted the defendant of Strangulation in the Second Degree, a class D felony, Assault in the Second Degree (two counts), a class D felony, Unlawful Imprisonment in the First Degree, a class E felony, Assault in the Third Degree, a class A misdemeanor, and Endangering the Welfare of a Child, a class A misdemeanor.

DA Cacace said: "The defendant's callousness towards his partner, the mother of his child, can hardly be put into words. But the only thing stronger than his depravity is the victim's will to persevere, for herself and her son. I am inspired by her remarkable courage in not only surviving this attack, but reporting her abuser and seeing this case all the way through trial and conviction.

"I will never stop advocating for those fleeing abusive relationships. Survivors of domestic violence will always have a champion in this office."

On Oct. 10, 2023, the victim knocked over a coffee machine in the kitchen. Enraged by this, the defendant tore down a camera that had been set up in the kitchen and dragged the victim to the bathroom, leaving their then-2-year-old son lying alone on the hallway floor.

The defendant then guided the victim's body, while firmly grasping onto her neck, into the space between the toilet and the bathtub and placed his hands around her neck, strangling her until she lost consciousness.

The victim suffered permanent injuries from this attack, such as a fractured cheek bone, which required the insertion of a permanent titanium plate in her face.

In a victim impact statement read aloud at sentencing, the victim stated: "Before this happened, I wasn't someone who lived with fear or anxiety. But now, every day, I relive what happened on Oct. 10. Every day, the memories interrupt my thoughts and my peace. My quality of life has changed immensely. I can't enjoy simple things anymore, watching a movie, playing with my child, driving, sleeping, or even having a normal conversation, without that day or the question of 'why I stayed so long' coming back to me."

The investigation was conducted by the Yonkers Police Department and the Special Prosecutions Division. The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Daniela Pisahov and Domestic Violence Deputy Bureau Chief Janelle Armentano, of the Special Prosecutions Division.

Cannabis Sales in New York State Reach \$1.6 Billion

The New York State Cannabis Control Board issued its 2025 Annual Report. Below is the summary of the report, which can be found at https://cannabis.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2025/12/ocm-annual-report_final-2025.pdf

Expanded the Retail and Supply Markets Through Continued Licensing: OCM continues to provide economic development opportunities across the state through its licensing operations. In 2025, as of November 30, OCM has processed 2,362 licenses and 798 license renewals across all programs. This trend reflects a consistent ability to process large volumes of applications, keeping pace with program growth across adult-use, medical, and cannabinoid hemp programs, maintaining the required support for market development. The adult-use dispensary footprint grew from 261 in 2024 to 519 dispensaries open to date in 2025.

OCM also continues to consistently exceed the Marihuana Regulation and Taxation Act (MRTA) equity licensing goal with 55% of adult-use licenses issued to social and economic equity businesses.

Total cannabis retail sales in NYS grew sharply as the adult-use market expanded. Combined adult-use and medical sales reached roughly \$1.6 billion year-to-date in 2025, up from \$1.0 billion in 2024 and up from \$317 million in 2023, driven almost entirely by growth in the adult-use market. To date, the cannabis industry has created thousands of jobs across the state and continues to grow NYS's workforce.

Fostered Social and Economic Equity: OCM continues to foster social and economic equity work that is both innovative and governed by the communities served through many of its projects, including the Microbusiness Pro-forma Project, the Cannabis Hub and Incubation Program Academy, and the Technical Assistance Providers grants. In 2025, OCM launched the first conditional adult-use retail dispensary (CAURD) Grant Program in partnership with Empire State Development (ESD). The initiative, totaling \$5 million, provided grants of up to \$30,000 to 159 CAURD awardees across the state to help cover critical startup costs like commercial rent, security equipment, and regulatory compliance improvements to open and operationalize their dispensaries.

In addition, in 2025 OCM worked with the Cannabis Advisory Board (CAB) to award the first Community Grants Reinvestment Fund (CGRF) awards, totaling a \$5 million reinvestment of revenue earned from cannabis taxes back into communities that were most harmed by past drug laws. Fifty youth-focused community-based organizations received \$100,000 grants for programs that support housing, workforce development, and mental health. Over 82% of the grants were awarded to organizations serving ZIP codes containing one or more Communities Disproportionately Impacted (CDI) by prior cannabis prohibition. The first round of awards shows a commitment to equity in both urban and rural communities. Applications for the second round of CGRF grants will begin in early 2026.

Expanded the Medical Cannabis Program and Cannabis Research: The CCB licensed two additional Registered Organizations (ROs) to expand the Medical Cannabis Program bringing the total number of ROs to 19. To date, seven cannabis research licenses have been issued and OCM continues to create tools and opportunities to advance cannabis research in NYS. OCM partnered with Northwell Health for the 2nd annual NYS Medical Cannabis Symposium. The two-day event was held on Long Island the first week of November and featured several educational activities about medical cannabis for clinicians and healthcare providers. Day one of the event featured a certifying practitioner course that allowed participants to fulfill the two-hour training requirement to certify patients for medical cannabis in NYS.

Protected Public Health and Safety: OCM led statewide efforts to educate and empower New Yorkers with clear, evidencebased information about cannabis. In 2025, OCM partnered with community organizations across the state to host interactive conversations with youth, parents, and trusted adults. These sessions created welcoming spaces where participants shared their experiences, questions, and concerns about cannabis. OCM will continue hosting these sessions with community members and school officials through early 2026 to inform ongoing public education efforts.

OCM ensures that education remains accurate, culturally responsive, and grounded in the real needs of New Yorkers. OCM launched the "Higher Education" campaign on April 17, 2025, a statewide initiative to raise awareness about the Cannabis Education Library, which provides New Yorkers access to over 35 different educational resources, including information about the Medical Cannabis Program, safer and responsible cannabis consumption for adults 21 and older and key public health messages. Printed copies of these resources are available to order for free. A QR code to access the Cannabis Education Library is also posted near the point of sale at licensed cannabis dispensaries across the state.

Kept New Yorkers Safe: OCM has numerous teams that work together to ensure consumers in NYS are safe from illegal practices, illicit cannabis, and untested products. This past year, OCM established the Trade Practices Bureau (TPB) to safeguard the integrity of NYS's cannabis market and protect the state's social and economic equity framework. Since its inception, TPB started comprehensive reviews of brand licensing, management services, financing, and ownership agreements to ensure that contractual arrangements comply with state law and uphold equity ownership rights.

The Enforcement and Investigations Division continued to conduct regulatory inspections, executed Court issued access orders, assisted local law enforcement during search warrants, and conducted undercover operations in an effort to stem the trafficking and sale of illicit cannabis. Through these efforts, OCM completed 2,017 enforcement actions in 2025, resulting in over \$20 million worth of illicit cannabis product seized.

The Laboratory Team also continued to protect public health and safety. From January 1, 2025, through November 30, 2025, 27,173 adult-use and medical cannabis products were tested by third-party laboratories permitted by NYS. Results from certified testing reports, known as a Certificate of Analysis (COA), revealed 97% of tested lots passed state-mandated testing. Lots that fail to meet laboratory testing standards are not allowed to be sold to the public.

The Compliance Team continued to conduct inspections to monitor licensees' adherence to legal cannabis market rules. From October 2024 to the end of September 2025, 16 compliance field staff conducted 401 inspections, double the number of the prior year.

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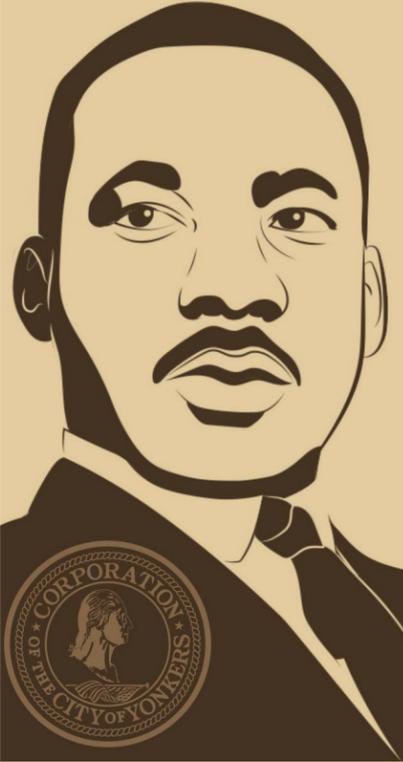
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Friday, January 23, 2026, 5:00 AM – 10:00 PM Location: St. Joseph’s Seminary, 201 Seminary Ave, Yonkers, NY 10704 Join us in advocating for the sacred dignity of every human person at the national March for Life in Washington, DC on Friday, January 23. Come, stand with us in prayerful, public witness on behalf of the most vulnerable. Let us testify to the goodness and beauty of life! You are welcome to join the Sisters of Life and other pilgrims on this year’s day bus pilgrimage sponsored by the Archdiocese of New York. We will arrive in time for the New York Pilgrim Mass at St. Patrick’s Church in Washington, DC and there will be the option to attend the March for Life Rally on the National Mall. Tickets are \$60.00, register at <https://secure.archny.org/site/Ticketing?via>

**TAX SALE NOTICE
CITY OF YONKERS**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

FURTHER OR ADDITIONAL TAX SALE NOTICE

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

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

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

**John Liszewski
Commissioner of Finance and Management Services**



City Court Judge Bisesi with her family and Mayor Spano

Bisesi on her appointment as City Court Judge and wish her much success. Here’s to a year of teamwork, progress, and continued commitment to the people we serve,” said Collins-Bellamy, who is now serving her second, four-year term as Council President.

City Councilman and Majority Leader John Rubbo. Real progress. Real results. I’m proud of the legislative wins we achieved in Yonkers in 2025 and the momentum we’re building for a stronger future. But our work isn’t done and I’m counting on your continued support and engagement in 2026. Wishing you a happy New Year, and I look forward to continuing to represent this incredible city we all call home.

City Councilman Tim Hodges. Happy New Year! As we welcome in 2026, I wish everyone a successful and happy year ahead. Today I will be sworn-in as Councilman for Yonkers’ 6th Council District. A true honor of a lifetime. Please feel free to watch the ceremony on the City of Yonkers Facebook page. Thank you!

City Councilwoman Corazon Pineda-Isaac took the oath of office for her fourth, four-year term representing the 2nd council district.

City Court Judge Alexandra R. Bisesi, who was appointed by Mayor Mike Spano last year, will begin her first year on the Yonkers bench after taking the oath of office on Jan. 1.

On Jan. 2, at the Council’s reorganization meeting, City Councilman Mike Breen, now the sole republican on the council, was re-elected Minority Leader. “I am deeply honored and grateful to my colleagues on the City Council for placing their trust in me by re-electing me to serve as Yonkers City Council Minority Leader. This responsibility is one I do not take lightly and I am committed to representing our caucus with integrity and dedication. I want to extend my sincere congratulations to Majority Leader John Rubbo on his re-election as Majority Leader as well as offer a warm welcome to my friend, Councilman Tim Hodges, as he joins the City Council. As we begin this new term, I am optimistic that through open dialogue and a shared commitment to our constituents we can find common ground and deliver real results for the people we serve. I look

STATE SENATOR SHELLEY B. MAYER

2026 Constituent Opinion and Priority Survey

I want to hear from you! Please let me know your opinions by completing my 2026 constituent opinion and priority survey. The survey is confidential and you can complete either digitally or by completing a paper copy that I mailed across the district. In order to maintain the accuracy of the survey, please only complete it once and only if you reside in my district.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

-----X Index No.
Date Summons Filed:
LAZIZI KHAMIDOV,
Plaintiff,
-against-
TONYA DAZIAH JAMES,
Defendant.
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Plaintiff designates Westchester County as the place of trial.
The basis of venue is Defendant's residence.

SUMMONS

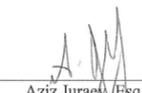
Defendant resides at 185 Riverdale Avenue, Apt. 81, Yonkers, New York 10705.

ACTION FOR DIVORCE

To the above named Defendant:

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

Dated: 03/12/2025


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

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VERIFIED COMPLAINT

ACTION FOR DIVORCE

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Plaintiff resides at 515 E 7th Street, Apt. 3S, Brooklyn, New York 11218. The Defendant resides at 185 Riverdale Avenue, Apt. 81, Yonkers, New York 10705.

The parties are covered by the following group health plans:

Plaintiff
Group Health Plan: NOT APPLICABLE
Defendant
Group Health Plan: NOT APPLICABLE

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

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

SEVENTH: Neither the Wife nor the Husband needs maintenance.

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

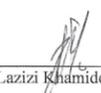
That the parties do not require maintenance and no claim will be made by either party for maintenance.

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

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

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

Dated: 03/12/2025

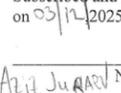

Lazizi Khamidov

STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF Kings, ss.

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


Lazizi Khamidov

Subscribed and sworn to before me on 03/12/2025


Aziz Juraev
Notary Public

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

My commission expires on 09/21/2028

Kenneth W. Jenkins was officially sworn in as Westchester County Executive during an Inauguration Ceremony held at Purchase College, marking the start of a new three-year term in office.

The ceremony reflected both continuity and transition, celebrating the County Executive's leadership over the past year and setting the stage for the work ahead. Jenkins took the oath of office administered by the Honorable Anne E. Minihan, pledging to uphold the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of New York and the Charter of Westchester County.

The Inauguration also included the swearing-in of County Clerk Thomas Roach and County Legislators Jennifer Puja and Anant Nambiar, along with invocations and benedictions representing the County's diverse faith communities, congratulatory messages from state and federal leaders, and a year-end video highlighting accomplishments across Westchester County government.

In his inaugural remarks, County Executive Jenkins reaffirmed his commitment to fiscal responsibility, public safety, infrastructure investment, environmental stewardship and delivering results for residents in every community across Westchester.

Jenkins said: "In my first year as County Executive, I've been guided by a simple principle: leadership that listens, acts and delivers for the people of Westchester County. We've strengthened our financial footing, invested in housing and infrastructure, expanded educational and economic opportunities, and made real progress on public safety — all while staying true to the values that unite us. This is just the beginning. Together, we will continue to build a Westchester where opportunity is real, government is responsive, and every community thrives. We've proven that responsible leadership works."

Roach said: "I am honored to have been sworn in as Westchester County Clerk and grateful to the residents of Westchester County for placing their faith and trust in me to serve our community."

Puja said: "It is an incredible honor to serve as a Westchester County Legislator for the district I've called home my entire life. I'm grateful for the trust that residents have placed in me. Together, rooted in shared history and united by a common future, we will move this district forward and in unity."

Nambiar: "I am very honored to be elected to represent District 7 on the Westchester County Board of Legislators. I'm also very proud to be the first South Asian and Hindu elected, and look forward to working with my colleagues and the County Executive and team to solve the difficult, important problems that our residents prioritize."

The ceremony concluded with a reception celebrating the newly sworn-in officials and their continued service to the people of Westchester County.

Jenkins previously served a one-year term following a special election. This swearing-in begins a full three-year term, rather than the traditional four-year term, as a result of changes to New York State election law that adjusted the County Executive election cycle. Under the revised law, the 2026–2028 term aligns Westchester County's executive elections with the State's updated voting calendar.

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Try to Give Back Like “The Chicken Man”

By Angel Gomez

“The Chicken Man ... here comes Jake the Chicken Man,” Carlton Tatum sings out 15 minutes before closing time at BJ’s Wholesale Club in Colonie. As he does every night, a thin man in his 70s is steering a shopping cart carrying four large cardboard boxes toward the back of the store.

All the store’s employees, including Tatum, expect him at the same place at the same time. Soon they will all be asked if they’d like to take home a treat.

“Would you like a chicken tonight, Aaron?” the shopper asks another employee nearby. Meet Warren Earnest Cornwell Jr., better known in these parts as Jake “The Chicken Man” — a oneman charity who has made it his mission to purchase unsold rotisserie chickens and deliver them to shelters across the Capital Region.

When you meet Jake, his preferred name, he might stop to tell you a riddle, share a piece of trivia or ask for your three favorite words — and then share his: epiphany, serendipitous and synchronicity. But if you catch him at BJ’s Wholesale Club, he’s more likely to offer you a rotisserie chicken from the dozens he buys every night.

“I didn’t actually realize how much fun it is to give until I started doing the chickens,” Jake said. “Then you’re really giving to people who have nothing.”

Jake’s particular kind of philanthropy began by chance at a Sam’s Club circa 2018, when he saw a shopping cart filled with hot, packaged poultry being pushed toward the exit.

“I asked, ‘Where are you going with that?’ and he said, ‘We’re going to the dumpster.’ And I said, ‘OK, all right, call me, call me.’”

Dumping perfectly good chicken made Jake angry. Thus began the nightly routine of collecting unsold chickens, first at Sam’s Club and then at BJ’s.

BJ’s deli employee Traci Gardineer says roughly 120 chickens are cooked each day. Without Jake purchasing the surplus at the end of the night for \$4.99 a bird, they’d be thrown away. After rescuing the chicken dinners from the fate of the dumpster, Jake, 75, drives them in his 2008 Toyota minivan to either the city missions in Albany or Schenectady; Albany’s Emmanuel Baptist Church; or Ballston Spa’s Christ Episcopal Church.

“I try to alternate,” Jake said. The specific destination for his “chicken runs” is not always planned, but Jake is the kind of man who likes to keep things loose. “Sometimes they’ve got 12 [chickens], then I get here an hour later and they’re all gone. I like to call ahead of time, but occasionally I’ll come in to socialize. That’s the highlight,” he said.

A Colonie native, Jake wears many hats in the community. At All Saints Episcopal Church, he’s an altar server, a lay eucharistic minister and a clergy member. When not picking up and delivering chickens, he owns and runs Cornwell Appliance, an appliance repair and retail business his father started in 1948, two years before Jake was born. He belonged to St. Michael’s Episcopal church in his formative years, which Jake says gave him his first taste of giving. “We would take gifts to people’s houses, leave them on the front step, and then ring the bell and run,” Jake recalled. Now, he leaves chickens. On the recent evening, with the chickens loaded into the cardboard boxes, Jake exits the store and pushes the loaded shopping cart toward the back of his gray minivan. Minutes later, the Toyota is filled with the unmistakable aroma of rotisserie chicken. The haul this evening is not as much as he’d hoped, so he swings by his former childhood home, which is also the current Cornwell Appliance headquarters, to pick up some cold chickens. “This is the home of origin,” he said, pulling into a driveway that leads to an appliance graveyard of refrigerators, ovens and washing machines.

During the colder months Jake uses his garage for poultry storage. “Mother nature’s been holding the fort for me,” he said, picking up four more cooked birds.

Twenty minutes later, he’s en route to the City Mission in Schenectady with 25 chickens in the back. “Hey, Siri,” he says. “Call Schenectady.” A worker, Lawrence, picks up the phone. “I’ve got some chickens for ya, are you interested?” The answer is yes. Minutes later, Jake is backing up the minivan to the doors of the City Mission. “I don’t have a big load today,” he tells Lawrence. “It’s OK, everything’s appreciated. ... If you had one chicken, I’d be happy to see ya,” Lawrence replies. The chickens are brought out of Jake’s van and onto a trolley lined with Chiquita banana boxes. His own boxes stay in the trunk to be reused for future runs. He says goodbye to Lawrence with a hug and a “see you tomorrow night.”

Delivery complete. Following another successful chicken run, Jake heads home to his partner of 35 years, Bonnie, and their two Irish Setters. He will do it all over again the next day. Gladly. For the thank you’s, for the feeling of community and for the personal rewards. “This one guy,” Jake recalls as he drives home toward Bonnie, “came out and grabbed a couple of boxes of chickens, and as the door was closing he said, ‘thank you.’ But his voice was so sincere. It wasn’t just ‘thank you,’ it was ‘Thank you.’ His tone of voice was powerful. I can’t even tell you that story without feeling the same energy I had the night I received that.” Jake said he long ago gave up the idea that he could save the world. But he has learned that everyone can make a difference in their own little patch of the it, and for him that’s the Capital Region. “If at my funeral people show up at the church and want to say a few words, all they’re gonna be able to say is ‘He gave me a chicken!’” says Jake. “ ‘Everybody who got a chicken from Mr. Cornwell, please just raise your hand. We don’t have time for all of you to come on and say the same thing over and over again.’ ”

Angel Gomez is a University at Albany journalism student participating in the SUNY Institute for Local News initiative.

Read this story online at Yonkerstimes.com for a photo of Jake-God Bless.

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

INDEX NO. 62448/2025

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

SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS

Mortgaged Premises:
421 MOUNT HOLLY ROAD, KATONAH, NY 10536

Section: 0014, Block: 10533, Lot: 041

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
Plaintiff,
vs.

LAURA LAUDON, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF ELLEN MARSHALL A/K/A ELLEN F. MARSHALL; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTEES OF THE ESTATE OF ELLEN MARSHALL A/K/A ELLEN F. MARSHALL, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE,

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

To the above named Defendants

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

NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT

THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of \$435,000.00 and interest, recorded on August 01, 2005, in Control Number 452030784, of the Public Records of WESTCHESTER County, New York., covering premises known as 421 MOUNT HOLLY ROAD, KATONAH, NY 10536.

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

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

NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME

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

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

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

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

Dated: November 24th, 2025

ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Attorney for Plaintiff

Matthew Rothstein, Esq., 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310, Westbury, NY 11590, 516-280-7675

members and to serve on the board of directors of the organization.

Thursday, January 15th

January 15, 1934: Modern dance pioneer Hemsley Winfield of 24 Wolfe Street passed away from pneumonia; he was 26 years old. The first African American under contract to the Metropolitan Opera, he danced the role of the Congo Witch Doctor in the premiere of The Emperor Jones opera in 1933, he founded the New Negro Art Theater. He was the first African American to appear on the concert dance stage.

Winfield graduated from School Thirteen and Yonkers High School; he studied at Columbia University before entering the world of dance and drama.

January 15, 1943: Brigadier General James Doolittle, commander of the US Air Forces in North Africa, presented twenty-year-old Yonkers resident George Ewald Jr. of Purser Place an award for meritorious service against the enemy in North Africa.

A graduate of Yonkers High School, after completing the Air Force Advance Flying School at Mather Field, California, Ewald received commendation for his "meritorious conduct and outstanding progress in military training as an aviation cadet."

Friday, January 16th

January 16, 1947: Admiral Husband Kimmel of Bronxville Road, Yonkers, revealed to a joint Senate-House Committee he received death threats when he returned to the U.S. after the Pearl Harbor attack; he told the committee he had asked the Navy to do nothing more to inflame the public against him.

Kimmel was the Admiral in charge of Pearl Harbor December 7th, 1941; three weeks later, Admiral Chester Nimitz was appointed commander of the Pacific Fleet. A month later, a five-man commission headed by Associate Supreme Court Judge Owen Roberts claimed Kimmel's and (Army Commander of the Hawaiian Department) General Walter Short's errors of judgment "were the effective causes for the success of the attack."

Kimmel, made no public statements at the time, later said at his Court Martial he had received no intelligence reports on impending danger. The two men also were accused of not cooperating and communicating, a premise both strongly denied.

Kimmel later was cleared of the charges.

Saturday, January 17th

January 17, 1942: Yonkers Police Office Peter Dankowitz and Saunders Trade School electronics instructor Edward Madden were designated to conduct a remote-control test on one of the air raid warning sirens; the hope was this would determine if all Yonkers sirens could be operated by short wave radio signals.

January 17, 1945: Yonkers Civilian Protection Director George Bell announced a special elongated two-to-three minute "blue air raid siren" would warn people if Yonkers was being hit by a robot bomb attack. Hearing the blast, all civilian protection volunteers were to report immediately to their stations to await orders.

Sunday, January 18th

January 18, 1924: Dr. Leo Baekeland, creator of Bakelite in his Nepera Park plant, was named an officer of the French Legion of Honor.

January 18, 1944: John Doherty, First Aid Director for Yonkers Red Cross, spoke proudly of all the teenage girls who volunteered to donate blood. He had to refuse their generous contributions as they were too young to donate blood; the age limit was eighteen... and eighteen-year-olds had to have their parents' consent to donate.

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

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

INDEX NO. 69477/2025
Plaintiff designates WESTCHESTER
as the place of trial situs of the real property

SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS

HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR WELLS
FARGO HOME EQUITY ASSET-BACKED SECURITIES 2006-1 TRUST,
HOME EQUITY ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-1
Plaintiff,

Mortgaged Premises:
7 JAMES STREET, VERPLANCK, NY 10596
Section: 43.18, Block: 5, Lot: 11

vs.

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

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

To the above named Defendants

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

NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT

THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of \$284,000.00 and interest, recorded on April 21, 2006, in Instrument Number 461050440, of the Public Records of WESTCHESTER County, New York., covering premises known as 7 JAMES STREET, VERPLANCK, NY 10596.

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

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

NOTICE

YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME

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

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

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

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

Dated: December 10th, 2025

ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC
Attorney for Plaintiff Matthew Rothstein, Esq.
900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310 Westbury, NY 11590
516-280-7675 -0109

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

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

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

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

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

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old. As a young child, Leah Janae appeared in Good Morning America, and in Maybelline and Culturelle commercials. She has also done print ads for Hasbro Toys, Really Good Stuff catalog, and Scholastic's Dr. Seuss issue, just to name a few. More recently, she did voiceover work for The Queen's Gambit (on Netflix) and For Life (on ABC), and appeared in a holiday TV commercial for retailer 5 Below.

The AWS commercial, however, was the first time Leah Janae played the principal actor for a job. The Amazon Web Services commercial, filmed in Cape Town, South Africa in 2022, gave Leah the opportunity to work with producer Jake Scott, a well-known British film producer, and learned a lot about the industry.

In her free time, Leah loves to bake and started her own at-home baking business, Delites by Leah (IG @delitesbyleah). She is also a social media influencer with almost half a million followers across all platforms. She attends college full time at Hampton University, and is a Marketing major, so she has put her baking business on hold for now.

Congratulations to Leah, and for making Yonkers proud. We will be watching Best Medicine and looking forward to your future.

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
 COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER
 SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS
 INDEX NO: 66684/2025
 D/O/F: 07/10/2025
 Property Address: 10 Tall Tulip Lane, Yonkers, NY 10710
 Plaintiff designates Westchester County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the property is situate.
 AVAIL 3 LLC, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS ADMINISTRATOR OF RESTORATION III TRUST,
 Plaintiff,

-against-

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

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

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 TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS:

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

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

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

NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME

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

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

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

PLEASE BE AWARE:

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

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

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

1. Supplemental security income, (SSI);
2. Social security;
3. Public assistance (welfare);
4. Spousal support, maintenance (alimony) or child support;
5. Unemployment benefits;
6. Disability benefits;
7. Workers' compensation benefits;
8. Public or private pensions;
9. Veterans' benefits;
10. Federal student loans, federal student grants, and federal work study funds;

and
 11. Ninety percent of your wages or salary earned in the last sixty days.
 TO THE DEFENDANTS: The Plaintiff makes no personal claim against you in this action.

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

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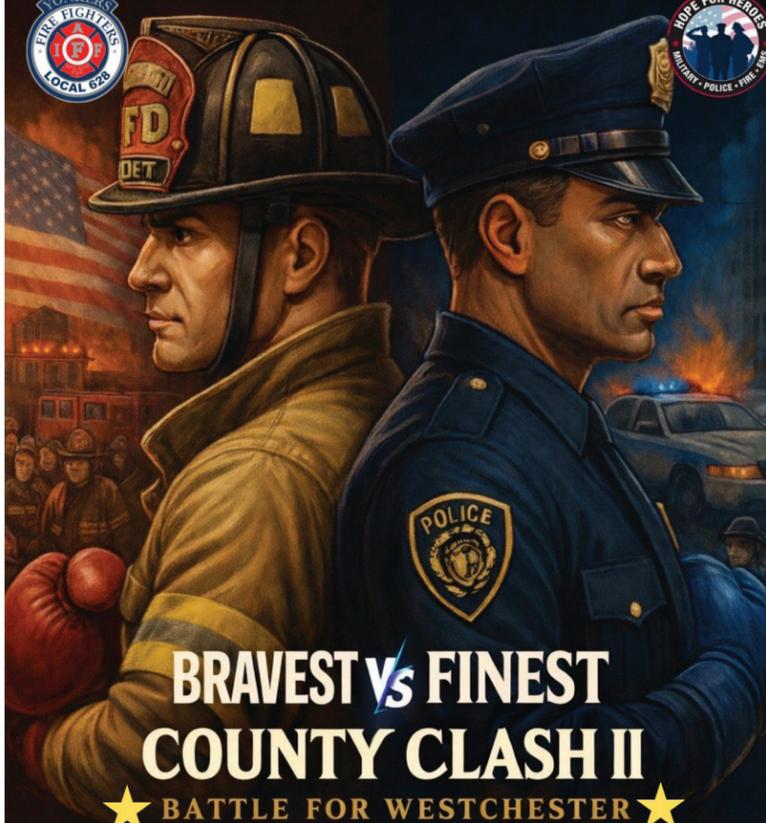
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