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Ken Jenkins Endorses Mayor Spano for Reelection in a Quiet Primary 2023 Season



Deputy County Executive Ken Jenkins, left, endorses Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano, right, for reelection.

"Yonkers is on the move and the jobs not done...Mayor

Spano has done a tremendous job,"

Deputy County Executive Ken Jenkins

By Dan Murphy

The biggest endorsement so far in the race for Yonkers Mayor came last week, when Deputy County Executive Ken Jenkins endorsed Mayor Mike Spano for reelection.

"I am proud to endorse Mayor Mike Spano for re-election as the Mayor of Yonkers. Mayor Spano has done a tremendous job at leading the City of Yonkers, and certainly has done tremendous work not only bringing \$5 billion of economic development in the City of Yonkers, but rebuilding all of the public housing and making sure that we are doing great work in our public school system."

"Yonkers is on the move and the jobs not done. I'm proud to support Mayor Spano and I ask that you all join me in voting for him on the June 27th Primary day."

Spano is running for reelection in the democratic primary in Yonkers against City Councilwoman Corazon Pineda-Issac, and educator Margaret Fountain-Coleman.

Pineda-Issac also has a job in Westchester County government, so the endorsement from Jenkins, the 2nd ranking official in county government, for Spano is even more noteworthy. Jenkins has been rumored to be the leading candidate for County Executive in 2025.

The endorsement from Jenkins points to the broad support and recognition of Spano's successful leadership and his dedication to improving the lives of Yonkers residents.

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We Endorse: Shanae Williams for County Legislator 16th District

City of Yonkers Issues Smoke Shop Moratorium



Yonkers Police have been busting illegal smoke shops selling marijuana products

Unanimous Approval By Yonkers City Council Establishes a Temporary Ban on the Issuance of Building Permits and C/O's for New Smoke or Vape Shops

Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano today applauded the passage of a smoke shop moratorium he introduced last week to the Yonkers City Council. The moratorium, approved unanimously by the Yonkers City Council Tuesday evening, establishes a temporary ban on the issuance of building permits and certificates of occupancy for the construction, establishment, and operation of new smoke or vape shops in the City of Yonkers.

"We are not against marijuana, we know it is legal, but no one has obtained the proper license to sell it here in the City of Yonkers," said Mayor Spano. "Until New York State issues adequate regulations regarding the sale of marijuana, we need to prohibit any expansion of these shops in our City. Unregulated cannabis can pose a potential health hazard, it's being targeted toward our children and we need to do our part to safeguard a better quality of life for all our residents."

"I have been actively working with Mayor Mike Spano, community organizations, law enforcement agencies, and concerned citizens to devise effective strategies to ensure the well-being of our residents," said Yonkers City Council Majority Whip John Rubbo. "By imposing this moratorium, we send a clear message that the City of Yonkers is firm in its commitment to upholding the law, promoting public safety, and ensuring that our community remains a desirable place to live, work, and raise a family."

Yonkers City Council Majority Leader Tasha Diaz said, "As the Majority Leader of the Yonkers City Council, I'm proud of this legislation as it protects our children and allows us to maintain safeguards around keeping our community safe."

Yonkers City Council Minority Leader Mike Breen said, "Those that choose to sell marijuana illegally must be held accountable. Many of these bad actors are targeting our children with unregulated products which have been laced with other chemicals or otherwise not subject to any safety measures. It is our duty to protect them."

Yonkers Police Commissioner Chris Sapienza said, "Thank you to Mayor Spano's administration and the Yonkers City Council for taking swift action on this important quality of life issue that continues to be a top complaint from our residents. Until laws and regulations are updated on the State level that is in tune with the current trends in this industry, we will be forced to take the appropriate action locally to protect our community." The moratorium will be in effect through November 1, 2023, after which the Yonkers City Council will need to pass additional local laws, strengthening protections and limiting where the stores can open. In March, Mayor Spano passed legislation updating the City of Yonkers' current public nuisance abatement law to add any offenses involving the illegal sale of marijuana. The revised law enacts a point system, to hold owners accountable. Those in violation would receive a certain amount of points. Any owner with more than six points in a 12-month period would be subject to shutdown by the police along with loftier fines. To report a crime in progress, call 9-1-1. Residents can share anonymous information with the Yonkers Police by submitting a tip online at www.yonkersny. gov/ypd or texting the keyword 'YPD' plus your tip to CRIMES (274637).



One of the most interesting democratic primaries in Westchester is happening in Yonkers, with two popular incumbents facing off against each other. Yonkers City Councilwoman Shanae Williams is challenging County Legislator Christopher Johnson for his Board of Legislators seat in District 16.

We Endorse Williams for County Board and here's why.

Williams has served on the City Council since 2018 and has been a voice for the community. She wanted to stand up for the children in the Yonkers Public Schools to make sure they were getting access to a good quality education. She wanted to help provide more affordable housing for families so they wouldn't be forced out of Yonkers as economic development boomed. She wanted to help the homeless population get access to services and off the streets. She wanted to improve the quality of life for residents in the first district.

Williams has been a fierce advocate for the young people in Yonkers, and each year she has voted to increase funding that the City of Yonkers provides to the Board of Education. As a result, Yonkers Public School children now have access to sports, arts, music, more counselors, psychologists, and safety officers.

The City of Yonkers is the leader in Westchester County in terms of the number of Affordable Housing units being constructed and Williams has been at the forefront of addressing this issue. She was the primary sponsor of the 20% affordable housing ordinance, and she continues to push for and support developments that provide 100% of their units for affordable housing.

We are most impressed with her work, and advocacy for the homeless during her time on the council and in this race for County Legislator. In 2018 she formed a homelessness taskforce so they could be a voice for the homeless, find solutions and make recommendations to Westchester County on how to best serve the homeless. Throughout the years Williams office has been a safe space for many homeless and has hosted several toiletry and clothing drives for them. In addition, Williams worked with Mayor Spano and her colleagues on the Council to fund Project Connect, which is an outreach program facilitated by Westhab. They intentionally work with the street homeless to get them inside a facility so they can get food, showers, beds, and access to caseworkers which has been successful.

Legislator Christopher Johnson has served on the County Board for the past six years. Recently, information has been reported about Johnson's ownership of an

Yonkers Police Make Arrests in Morris Street Homicide and Gang Shootings



On June 12, Mayor Mike Spano and Police Commissioner Chris Sapienza an nounced multiple arrests in relation to a spate of gang-related shooting incidents that have occurred over the last several weeks, including the fatal shooting of 19-year-old Daquon Powell of Yonkers on Morris Street:

On Wednesday, May 31st, 2023, at about 8:20 PM, members of the Yonkers Police Department responded to the area of 55 Morris Street on a report of a shooting victim. Upon arrival, Officers located an unresponsive male with multiple gunshot wounds to his abdomen down on the street next to a black sedan. First Responders rendered CPR and transported the victim to a local area hospital where he was pronounced deceased. A second male victim was also located with a non-life-threatening gunshot wound to his leg. Police cordoned off the scene and initiated a criminal investigation.

Detectives from the Major Case Squad, Gang Unit, Crime Scene Unit, and Digital Forensics Unit responded to the scene and interviewed subjects and witnesses, recovered surveillance video, and processed ballistic and forensic evidence. Investigation yielded that Powell was driving the black sedan with the

Chris Kenny O'Rourke - Rest in Peace "She Loved Life and Loved Yonkers"



Chris Kenny O'Rourke -photo by Donna Davis, was killed walking on North Broadway by an out of control automobile

Yonkerstimes.com has learned that the 70-year old woman struck by an out of control car on North Broadway on June 11 was our friend, Chris Kenny O'Rourke. O'Rourke was a mainstay in many Yonkers traditions, including the St. Patrick's Day Parade and the Yonkers Historical Society. Our prayers go out to her family and more on this story in the days to come.

Yonkers Police are presently investigating a fatal motor vehicle accident in the area of 693 North Broadway. Preliminary information is that a sedan traveling northbound on North Broadway struck a 70-year-old female pedestrian on the sidewalk, killing her. The vehicle then jumped a retaining wall and struck an occupied home; the occupants of the home suffered minor injuries.

The driver and sole occupant of the vehicle, a 54-year-old resident of White Plains, was taken to a local area hospital with non-life-threatening blunt force injuries. Police have initiated both criminal and accident investigations. North Broadway will be closed to vehicular traffic for the next several hours. Additional information may be released as it becomes available.

The City of Yonkers and Yonkers Police Department offer their sincere condolences to the family of the victim. The accident happened around 7pm on June 11. Family members in the home at the time of the crash were not seriously injured.

The driver of the vehicle has not yet been charged; a toxicology test has not yet been released. Published reports claim that first responders said she was in an altered mental state.

Letter to the Editor: Changing Local Elections to Presidential Years

I like the opportunity to vote for candidates from both political parties. And while the fear on the republican side is that if NY Democrats have their way, county elections would be consolidated to be on the same year as Presidential races.

The fear is that as democratic turnout is always higher during a Presidential year, this will hurt republicans.

I am not convinced of that fact. As a voters who casts my vote for every election, it won't matter what year the election is, I will vote for the best person for the position, regardless of political party.

thank you Mirabell Johnson, Yonkers

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First Inflatable Pop-Up Waterpark Makes Debut at Cross County Center's Summerfest



Bounce Playground's Slide City Waterpark Comes to Yonkers June 27-July 16

Cross County Center is bringing the first all inflatable pop-up waterpark to Yonkers this summer as part of its Summer Fest celebration! The Slide City Waterpark will kick off its traveling summer tour at the iconic outdoor shopping mall Tuesday, June 27 through Sunday, July 16 in the North Parking Lot across from Olive Garden and Longhorn Steakhouse. The waterpark features over 15 inflatable slides and 75 inflatable attractions located in three sections including:

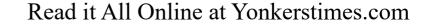
Roaring Waters – Some of Slide City's biggest thrill attractions that features the air defying "Slingshot" and the three-story tall "Green Monster". Splash Zone - Some of Slide City's biggest splashes that features "The twostory tall Hidden Jaguar," and the over 100ft long "Aqua Splash Water Obstacle Course."

Lil Squirts Splashworks - Slide City's dedicated area for smaller kids that features attractions scaled to size such as "The Shark Bite" obstacle slip-in-slide and the "Tropical Aloha" ball pit slide.

Slide City Waterpark was created by Queens, NY native Chris Worthy who came up with the concept during the pandemic. Worthy stated: "Bounce Playground started as a way to stay connected to my daughter as she got older. She always loved inflatables and I wanted to build an experience she would love and others could enjoy as well. Our mission is to bring unique opportunities through fun, exciting and healthy living experiences. We want to create programs and experiences that create lifelong memories. The unique thing about Bounce Playground is that we have something for everyone and we bring the fun to you!"

Entrance to the waterpark will be Tuesday-Sunday June 27 through July 16, with special events being added throughout the summer including Glow In The Park Adult Nights on Fridays and Saturdays featuring Live DJs. Admission is \$35.00 per person (Ages 3+) for a four-hour time slot. Parking at Cross County Center is free, as always!

Tickets are now on sale at Slide City Waterpark https://slidecitywaterpark. com/





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PRIMARY DATE: JUNE 27TH

VOTE EARLY FOR MIKE! EARLY VOTING SCHEDULE: JUNE 17TH - 25TH

LOCATION:

GRINTON I. WILL LIBRARY 1500 Central Park Avenue

- Saturday, June 17, 2023 from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.
- Sunday, June 18, 2023 from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.
- Monday, June 19, 2023 from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 20, 2023 from noon until 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 21, 2023 from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.
- Thursday, June 22, 2023 from noon until 8 p.m.
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Deana Robinson Makes Her Case for City Council First District



Deana Robinson

Election day (June 27th) is just a few weeks away! But for those of you who want to vote for me early you can do so this SATURDAY (June 17th- June 25th) right at the Riverfront Library. I am exactly what District 1 needs & I will continue to bring strong and experienced leadership to this city and district.

I am the mother of two amazing boys, a small business owner and the legislative aide to current Councilwoman Shanae Williams. I am a person who is eager to do what is fair and just. I exude positivity and believe in teamwork. I know how to build and keep beneficial community relationships and bridge gaps instead of burning bridges.

Vote for someone who can reach across aisles and work with everyone. I am one who can create her own seat at the table if need be but is also invited to the table to be apart⁻of important community conversations and decisions. My love for my city, my district and for people is evident. I will always stand up for what is right & what matters to this community. Concentrating on creating Affordable housing, bettering our schools, public safety, diversity & equity, job opportunities and working with our small businesses.I am With us and for us, lets work together to keep Yonkers moving forward! Vote Deana Robinson ROW 8A

Shanae Williams Endorsement, continued from pg 1-

affordable condo unit, and the recent purchase of a home outside of his district.

Johnson's explanation about where he is living and why he continues to maintain an affordable housing unit is confusing. We respect Johnson's call to keep his family out of the issue, but we remind him that he used his family as an explanation or an excuse for one media story.

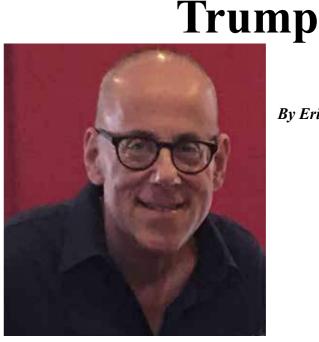
Johnson was also involved in redrawing the county legislative districts, and his new home is included in the newly redrawn 16th district. But those lines are not in effect yet and are being challenged. If Johnson doesn't currently live in the 16th district, he certainly should not be reelected.

We also remind our readers that Westchester County government, and not the City of Yonkers, has a responsibility to care for the homeless. Johnson has represented Yonkers for the past six years, and during that time the issue of homelessness in Yonkers has not improved and may be worse.

Shanae Williams has been an independent voice on the Council. She is the endorsed Democratic candidate for Westchester County Legislator, District 16. She hopes to take her experience to Westchester County to fight for an expansion of affordable housing, improve county services for families and those in need, protect the youth and provide more positive alternatives for them, and address the growing mental health and substance abuse crisis that so many people are struggling with in Yonkers.

Yonkers Rising and Yonkerstimes.com. endorses Shanae Williams for Westchester County Legislator. The Democratic Primary is June 27, 2023. Democrats can vote early from June 17th to the 25th at either the Riverfront Library or the Grinton I. Will Library. To learn more about Shanae Williams' platform for County Legislator visit www.ShanaeWilliams.com.





By Eric W. Schoen

So as we go to press, a motorcade carrying former President Donald Trump is pulling up in front of the Miami Federal court house. The. Former President is pleading not guilty to an indictment accusing him of possession of documents he should not have in his possession.

Why didn't he just return the documents and the whole thing would be over?. I don't care if it's Trump, Biden or Hillary, what are these people going to do with the documents now that they are out of office. What do they need the documents for? Is it an ego trip to show how much power they have? By Trump storing documents in the Mar Largo bathroom is he belittling the documents to show there worth. Is he playing a game with prosecutors?

Is Trump on an ego trip to show the world the power he has?

Are Trump, Biden and Hillary all on ego trips to with possession of these classified documents? What are they going to do with them. Share them with foreign governments in return for monetary or political favors?

Do we really need these documents to be public in the hands of elected officials. Should we forbid elected officials from removing these documents when they leave office. That will solve all our problems.

I don't know about you but I am tired of all these document leaving their place of storage. Let the documents be reviewed under proper security only when and if there is a matter of national security or some other true necessity.

I am tired of all the scandals involving these documents. We need to stop being embarrassed when it is revealed these documents are made public. Our country and its people have been embarrassed for years. What do other countries do with documents that are classified? Do they let their elected leaders take the documents home? Who keeps track of what documents are leaving the National Archives or other secure location?

Until we come up with some clear policies and procedures that apply to everyone involved our country will continue to be embarrassed every time a scandal over documents breaks. I'm tired of this! Are you?

Though I don't agree with Chris Christie politically, I give the man credit for taking on Trump and not just being silent over this document scandal like the other candidates have been. Watch his numbers go up in the polls while the others remain eerily the same. I can't understand why all the Republicans are not following Christie's lead. They sure would score points!

Smoke

So what did you think of all the smoke coming from the Canadian wildfires? At first I thought the smell was caused by a backyard barbecue. When my eyes started to get teary I knew this was something more serious. The folks in California are use to it. We simply are not.

I think our fire squads will need to provide more help to Canada to prevent these wildfires from spreading. Expect to see more smoke from wildfires as long as the land is dry and there is little within our power to stop it.

Meanwhile, if the land is dry be careful when starting a barbecue or campfire or flicking a cigarette out the car windows. In many cases this is how these fires start. Remember, 'Only you can prevent forest fires!'

Pat Sajak

Say it isn't so. After next season Pat Sajak is leaving Wheel of Forture? This is going to be a seat just as difficult to replace as the host of Jeopardy, Alex Trebek. Pat and Vanna are Wheel of Fortune. One can't think of anyone to replace him with.

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Well, it might be easier with Wheel of Fortune. It's a much simpler game and doesn't require the brainpower of Jeopardy. Will Vanna White replace Pat Sajak. She has done it before. I hope we don't lose Vanna. Who can walk and turn letters like her.

By the way, Vanna really doesn't 'turn' the letters. Basically she touches them and they light up. Probably in the early days of the show she turned letters before all the electronics got involved.

The Beatles and Artificial Intelligence

AI has gotten out of hand. Now we hear the Beatles will create their last long using AI, a a song the remaining Beatles were given to by Yoko Ono. Is it something you will take seriously? Will you consider it a real Beatles song. I guess we are all so hungry for Beatles music we will take anything.

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NOTICE REQUIRED BY CPLR 316

Notice to WESTAIR REALTY, CORP., LAWRENCE MARTIN BELL, ROBIN BELL KALB, LEONARD OTIS BELL, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF HAROLD K. BELL, MICHELLE ANN SILVERMAN, WENDY JOY SILVERMAN, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF HARRY SILVERMAN, LORRAINE LINARZ, MIRIAM WOLFSON AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF MINNIE FEINBERG and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF LEO FEINBERG AND THE CITY OF YONKERS NEW YORK:

An action has been filed in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Westchester under Index No. 55337/2023 seeking a declaration pursuant to RPAPL Article 15 that the Plaintiff The Zee Zee Goup LLC is the owner in fee simple of the strip of land described on Schedule A hereto and that any persons claiming ownership be barred from all claim to an interest in such property.

interest in such property.

A copy of the Summons and Complaint is attached hereto.

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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 Attorney(s) within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded herein.

Dated: January 10, 2023

MARCUS, GOULD & SUSSMAN, LLP Attorneys for Plaintiff

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Early Voting Times and Locations

Early Voting for June 27th 2023 Primary Election: Schedules, Locations

Westchester County registered voters in the village of Mamaroneck, towns of Harrison, Mount Kisco, Pelham, and cities of Mount Vernon, New Rochelle and Yonkers are eligible to cast an early voting ballot. Registered voters will be able to cast their ballot at ANY of the eleven designated early voting locations listed below.

There are Democratic Party primaries in the village of Mamaroneck, towns of Mount Kisco, Pelham, and cities of Mount Vernon, New Rochelle, and Yonkers.

There are Republican Party primaries in the town of Harrison and city of Yonkers. To view the 2023 Primary Election Candidate List, visit

https://citizenparticipation.westchestergov.com/images/stories/pdfs/2023/2023primaryel ectioncandidatelist.pdf

June 27, 2023 Primary Election Early Voting Hours Saturday, June 17, 2023 from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Sunday, June 18, 2023 from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Monday, June 19, 2023 from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Tuesday, June 20, 2023 from noon until 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 21, 2023 from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Thursday, June 22, 2023 from noon until 8 p.m. Friday, June 23, 2023 from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday, June 24, 2023 from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Sunday, June 25, 2023 from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Yonkers Early Voting Locations:

Grinton I. Will Library, 1500 Central Park Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10710 Nodine Hill Community Center, 140 Fillmore Street, Yonkers, NY 10701 Riverfront Library, One Larkin Center, Yonkers, NY 10701

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195 in Philly

Remember the explosion under the bridge on Central Avenue where the Thruway passes over Central Park Avenue. That's all I could think of when a truck caught fire and knocked out a piece of I95 in downtown Philadelphia. Two busy roadways. The state set up a temporary roadway that allowed cars to pass.

It took a while to repair it, and the U-Turn underneath was close permanently. Thank got at press time no one was killed or injured.

Cars and Tickets

Why is the city paying tickets on a Councilwoman's private car. Why is the city allowing a city vehicle to be used for personal business? Councilwoman Pineda Isaac's unpaid tickets from a city car and personal care are costing taxpayers thousands of dollars.

Aren't city cars supposed to be used for city business. It's nice work when you can have the benefit of a city car at taxpayers expense for your personal business and have the city vehicle you use filled up with gasoline at government expense. This has got to stop!

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6. Upon information and belief, none of the Defendants was named or served in the

Tax Foreclosure and thus title to the Premises to The City of Yonkers in 2018 as hereinabove

described may have been defective.

7. The property subject to the Tax Foreclosure for Tax Lot Section 6, Block 6250 Lot 28 was incorrectly described therein as a 7-foot strip of land but that strip had been previously conveyed by Westair to Charles Catteneo by deed dated November 15, 1955 and recorded December 20, 1955 in Liber 5538, page 32.

7. Plaintiff seeks a declaration pursuant to Real Property Actions and Proceeding Law Article 15 that it is in fact the owner of the Premises and that the reason for its exclusion from the several decds and from the Tax Foreclosure proceeding, including the deed to Plaintiff was a mistake or error going back to the conveyances described herein.

8. Upon information and belief, Defendant Westair, the last record owner of record or its shareholders, the heirs of the individual Defendants, have no interest in or valid claim to ownership of the Premises and no basis upon which to claim or assert ownership and they will

Plaintiff, THE ZEE ZEE GROUP LLC, by its attorneys, Marcus, Gould & Sussman,

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Defendants.

LLP, complaining of the Defendants, alleges:

 Plaintiff, with offices at 3145 Albany Crescent, Bronx, New York 10463, is the owner of real estate known as 189 Scott Avenue, Yonkers, New York, known on the Tax Map of the City of Yonkers, New York as Section 6, Block 6250, Lot 28, and described in Exhibit "A" (the "Premises"), having acquired it by deed from the City of Yonkers dated April 8, 2021, recorded on April 28, 2021 in the Westchester County Clerk's Office, Division of Land Records as Control No. 610953293, Exhibit "A". The Premises is also described as part of Lot 164 on "Map No. 2 Supreme Court, Valentine v. Brady and others for partition sale of that part of Hyatt Farm and Cedar Lot near Woodlawn in the City of Yonkers", made by H.H. Spindler, Surveyor, and filed in the Office of the Clerk of Westchester County, Division of Land Records on June 14,

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1889, as Map Number 904. A survey of the Premises prepared by All County Land Surveyor,

P.C., dated April 2, 2021 is attached at Exhibit "B."

2. The City of Yonkers had acquired the Premises as the result of a real estate tax foreclosure proceeding filed in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Westchester as Index No. 3643-14 (the "Tax Foreclosure"). A deed resulting from that proceeding dated May 3, 2018 to the City of Yonkers and recorded May 11, 2018 as Control No. 581293254, Exhibit "C", purported to vest title in The City of Yonkers, which in turn conveyed the Premises to Plaintiff.

 Upon information and belief, the actual last owner of record of the Premises was Defendant WESTAIR REALTY CORP. ("Westair"), having acquired the Premises from Marianne Steffen by deed dated September 13, 1955 and recorded October 7, 1055 in Liber 5513, page 161.

4. Upon information and belief, the individual Defendants are the heirs of Harold K. Bell, the heirs of Harry Silverman, the heirs of Minnie Feinberg and the heirs of Leo Feinberg who were, upon information and belief, the shareholders of Defendant Westair which corporation was dissolved at some point in the 1980's and its assets, including the Premises would have been distributed to its shareholders.

5. Westair also had owned property adjoining the Premises, known as Lots 162, 163, 188 and 189 on Map 904 and, by deed dated June 6, 1984, Harold K. Bell, Harry Silverman, Minnie Feinberg and Minnie Feinberg and John Schleimer as Trustees under the Trust under the Last Will and Testament of Leo Feinberg conveyed those lots to 77 Bronx River Road Owners Inc., a cooperative corporation in a conversion in which some or all of them were "sponsors" of the conversion. not be damaged in any way by a judgment granting ownership of the Premises to Plaintiff.

9. No personal claim is made against any Defendant unless such Defendant shall serve an answer to this Complaint asserting a claim adverse to the claims of Plaintiff as set forth

herein.

 Upon information and belief, no unknown other party has any interest in the Premises.

11. Plaintiffs are entitled to a judgment and declaration pursuant to RPAPL Article 15 that they are the fee owners of the Premises and that it be decreed that Plaintiff is vested with

title to the Premises in fee simple, free and clear of any liens or other interests of any other parties hereto.

12. None of the individual Defendants nor to Plaintiff's knowledge and belief, any

other person or party has ever claimed ownership of the Premises.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff request judgment as follows:

That Plaintiff be declared the owner in fee simple of the Premises free of any liens, claims or interests of the Defendants and every person claiming ownership under them and any other person or party and that such persons be barred from all claim to an estate or interest in the property described herein as the Premises and with the legal metes and bounds description contained in Exhibit "D" and that this Court grant such other, further and different relief as it deems just and proper, together with the costs and disbursements of this action.

Dated: White Plains, New York January 10, 2023

> MARCUS, GOULD & SUSSMAN, LLP Attorneys for Plaintiff

Arc Abold By:

Kepheth J. Gould 222 Bloomingdale Road White Plains, NY 10605 (914) 683-0090 KJGould@mgs-nylaw.com

Title Number: ALORT-25537W

SCHEDULE A DESCRIPTION Amended 4/8/21

ALL that certain plot piece or percel of land, situate, lying and being in the City of Yonkers, County of Westchester and State of New York, and known and designated as part of Lot Number 164 on a certain map entilled, "Map Number 2 Supreme Court, Valentine V. Brady and others for partition sale of that part of the Hyst Farm and Cedar Lot near Woodiawn in the City of Yonkers", made by H.H. Spindler, Surveyor and filed in the Office of the Clerk of Westchester County, Division of Land Records, on June 14, 1889, as Map Number 904.

SAID parcel being more particularly described as follows

BEGINNING at a point on the northeny side of Scott Avenue distant 50 feet eastery, Deed, 57 feet actual, from the intersection of the eastery side of New Avenue and the northeny side of Scott Avenue;

RUNNING THENCE northerly on a course North 46 degrees 43 minutes 26 seconds East 107.06 feet to a point;

THENCE easterly on a course South 43 degrees 16 minutes 34 seconds East 43 feet to a point;

THENCE southerly on a course South 46 degrees 43 minutes 26 seconds West 107.06 feet to the northerly side of Scott Avenue;

THENCE westerly along the northerly side of Scott Avenue on a course North 43 degrees 16 minutes 35 seconds West 43 feet to the point or place of BEGINNING.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY: Premises known as 189 Scott Avenue, Yonkers, NY.

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Letter to the Editor: Lifeguards

Mr. Murphy: I am an avid swimmer and love spending my time visiting the various Westchester County pools and beaches. I have read that other communities are having great difficulty filling their vacancies for lifeguards. I am hoping that will not be the case in Westchester. Could you please look into this for me?

Śincerely, Evelyn Lincoln, Ossining Editor's Note:

We forwarded your question to a Westchester County Employee-Official who told us "right now we only have two beaches open, so for the time being we are ok. But at the end of June we will have an additional four pools open. We are doing well filling our Lifeguard positions, and we have more candidates getting certified. We are also ahead of our pace for Lifeguard recruitment from last year.

Third Precinct Police Community Council to Meet June 21

Third Precinct Police Community Council monthly meeting will take place on Wednesday, June 21 at 7:30 PM at the Chema Community Center, 435 Riverdale Avenue. Usual quality of life concerns will be addressed. Merchants and residents of the southwest Yonkers area are strongly urged to attend this important community meeting. For further information please contact Bob Stauf, President at 914 476-2284 or Captain Mike Mulvey at 914 377-7427.

Jenkins Endorses Spano, continued from pg 1-

So far the democratic primary campaign for Mayor has been quiet, in our view. Perhaps that is because the voters are satisified with Mayor Mike Spano. Or they are less enganged that in prior years in local politics.

The two other democratic candidates for Mayor, Corazon Pineda-Isaac, and Margaret Fountain-Coleman, have had to combat a popular Mayor and voter apathy.

Pineda-Isaac has used whatever political she had with the voters to push forward a narrative about Spano family nepotism. Yes the Spano's have a large family, and yes many members of the Spano family work for the city of Yonkers, most as civil servants.

But despite Pineda-Isaacs claims of corruption, both the Westchester DA and the NYAG have passed on any criminal probe...because it is not a crime to have a large family and have those family members work in civil service.

And in our travels around Yonkers, people we speak to either already knew about the Spano family and their work for the city, or they are more concerned about crime, education and taxes.

Margaret Fountain Coleman has used her experience as an educator to discuss the Yonkers Public Schools and other issues. Her problem is that many voters don't know her. A lack of funding has hampered both Pineda-Isaac's and Coleman's campaign.

But we are not sure that even if one or both had more campaign funds that it would make a difference.

Ken Jenkins endorsement of Spano tells us what many Yonkers democrats are feeling. That overall, the City of Yonkers, and the people of Yonkers, have fared well under Mayor Mike Spano.

Another problem for Coleman and Pineda-Isaac is that the republican candidate for Mayor, Councilman Anthony Merante, has started his campaign early; too early in the view of many.

Merante is not on the primary ballot, only in November. Yet he came out with an endorsement from former Mayor Phil Amicone and other positions, that as one Yonkers democrat told us, "just takes away any political oxygen that was out their for Corazon or Margaret. It benefits Merante if he lets them both of them make it a contest against Spano."

In his Op-Ed response, Mayor Spano said, "Councilwoman Pineda-Isaac doesn't mention her own sister went to work for the city of Yonkers well after she was elected, or that her mother also has a government position. Pineda-Isaac herself holds a patronage position in the Westchester County Department of Economic Development in addition to her council member job in Yonkers. That's four government jobs in her own immediate family. Is this really a basis to criticize others?"

We also take note of the fact that both Merante and Pineda-Issac worked with and supported most of Mayor Spano's initiatives and budgets. Now that both are running for Mayor, they have tried to distance themselves from the successes that they both voted for on the council in support of Spano.

And that is the other dilemna facing all three of Spano's opponents. Do they acknowledge the improvements and steps forward the city has taken under Mayor Spano? Or ignore the positive and go all negative?

Another Yonkers democrat said, "What they should have said is Mayor Spano, you have done a great job, but its time to move on. I

On This Day in Yonkers History...



Aldermen, William Slater, with a Yonkers Police Officer, continued his campaign against seeing girls with bare knees in 1935

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

Monday, June 19th

June 19, 1950: Two men from the Ninth Ward Civic Association managed to do what "couldn't be done," settle the six-month strike by Local 456 Teamsters and Chauffeurs Union against E. Rabinowe & Company! Association President Stanley Carpenter and Director William Henry, 1949 Labor candidate for Yonkers Mayor, acted as mediators; they led both sides to make concessions and reach an agreement to end the rancorous strike marked by violent clashes between workers and management. Carpenter and Henry announced, "Joint pledges were given by all parties that relations will be resumed on a harmonious basis. Normal operations will commence immediately." Rumored circulated both sides would drop the multiple criminal complaints lodged because of the violence resulting from the job action; some charges resulted in indictments, while others were pending in Special Sessions Courts.

Tuesday, June 20th

June 20, 1947: Dubbed the "Hero of Nodine Hill," former GI John D'Ambrosio saved two four-year-olds from certain death from a fire they started at 331 Walnut Street! D'Ambrosio, who ran a stationery store in the building, saw the flames and heard the boys screaming in terror. He fought his way back into the building; the smoke was so dense, he couldn't see, but followed the sounds of their screams. He reached the crying boys, grabbed and removed them seconds before that spot burst into flames. After giving the children to adults watching the fire, he ran back in to ensure everyone was out.

Wednesday, June 21st

June 21, 1907: The German Odd Fellows purchased the Tuckahoe Road home of James Courter, first Mayor of Yonkers, to use as a residence for old people for \$41,000. The building later became Hebrew National Orphan Home.

June 21, 1945: The Yonkers War Finance Committee announced our men and women in the Armed Forces purchased war bonds totaling \$157,760, and credited the sales to Yonkers.

Thursday, June 22nd

June 22, 1939: After raiding a dentist's suite in the First National Bank Building at 20 South Broadway, Yonkers Police Chief Edward Quirk and his YPD team discovered a "clearing house for a big New York City policy ring." More than 1,000,000 policy slips, adding machines, record books, a telephone and other equipment were removed for evidence. Four arrests were made, people from the Bronx or Manhattan. Captain Monson, superintendent of the building, had become suspicious and tipped off Quirk. The ring had sublet a small room in the dental office and operated after the dental practice was closed.

June 22, 1940: The Yonkers Kiwanis Club quartet tied for second place and qualified for the finals of the National Barbershop Quartet! Held on the plaza outside the New York City Building at the World's Fair, the competition was attended by more than 200 Yonkers people led by Kiwanis President Frank Wartur. Clad in clothing from the 1890s, the competitors vying to bring the title back to Yonkers were Patrick O'Hara, Merritt Cline, Fred Thom and Edward Burstell.



Friday, June 23rd

June 23, 1906: The Hollywood Inn opened its roof garden; highlights of the garden were soft drinks, ice cream and outdoor furniture.

June 23, 1945: Earl Browder of Highland Place was stripped of his power as President of the Communist Political Association, replaced by a three-man secretariat. Browder had fallen into disfavor by members because not only had he led in the "dissolu-

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Westchester Cultural Heritage Celebrations Continue June 25

African-American, Sunday, June 25, Noon to 6 p.m., Kensico Dam Plaza, Valhalla

Hispanic, Sunday, July 9, Noon to 6 p.m., Kensico Dam Plaza, Valhalla

Irish-American, Sunday, July 16, Noon to 6 p.m., Ridge Road Park, Hartsdale

Italian, Sunday, July 23, Noon to 6 p.m., Kensico Dam Plaza, Valhalla

India, Sunday, Aug. 6, Noon to 6 p.m., Kensico Dam Plaza, Valhalla

Jewish, Sunday, Aug. 20, Noon to 6 p.m., Kensico Dam Plaza, Valhalla

Muslim Heritage, Sunday, Aug. 27, Noon to 6 p.m., Kensico Dam Plaza, *Admission: \$5 adults; free for ages 14 and under

Notice of formation of My Mind Is Magic, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 3/14/2023. 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, 50 Hawthorne Ave C3-1, Yonkers, NY 10701. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of formation of Cake Bar By Charlene, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/08/2023. 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, 1 Glenwood avenue, 18E, Yonkers, NY 10701. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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Notice of Formation of LIVE LONG LIVE STRONG FITNESS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/07/22. Office location: Westchester. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 33 Sherwood Ave, apt. 3w, Yonkers, NY 10704. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of formation of Peek Holdings LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 4/8/2023. 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, 43 Nob Ct, New Rochelle, NY 10804. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Motives Thru Fabric LLC. Filed with Angel Luis Morales III. Office: Westchester County. Angel Luis Morales III designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Angel Luis Morales III Shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 35 Montague Street, Yonkers, NY 10703. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Kate Kloset LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 02/21/2023. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 27 Brook Street, Croton on Hudson, New York, 10520. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of AADNYS TECHNOLOGIES LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/30/2023. 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, 6 Lewiston Ct, Briarcliff Manor NY, 10510. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of FITT 4 LIFE PRO GYM LLC. Arts. of Org. Filed with the SSNY on 03/29/2023. Office location: Westchester. SSNY designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 444 South Fulton Avenue, Mt. Vernon, NY 10553. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

CORPORATION NOTICE

CITY OF YONKERS-NEW YORK

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to law, that the City Council of the City of Yonkers, New York will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, June 28, 2023 at 6:30 P.M. in the City Council Chambers, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York on the following Resolution and Special Ordinance, to wit:

(i) RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF YONKERS ASHBURTON AVENUE URBAN RENEWAL PLAN AND ASHBURTON AVENUE MASTER PLAN OF THE CITY OF YONKERS AFFECTING THE REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS 50 ST. JO-SEPH AVENUE, 56 ST. JOSEPH AVENUE, 1 CAVALLI CIRCLE, 7 CAVAL-LI CIRCLE, 36 ST. JOSEPH AVENUE, 6 CAVALLI CIRCLE, 55 VINEYARD AVENUE, AND 10 CAVALLI CIRCLE, YONKERS, WHICH PROPERTY IS ALSO DESIGNATED ON THE TAX ASSESSMENT MAP OF THE CITY AS BLOCK 2081, LOTS 1, 2, 3 AND 4 AND BLOCK 2082, LOTS 1, 2, 3 AND 4, RESPECTIVELY (COLLECTIVELY, THE "PROPERTY").

(ii) SPECIAL ORDINANCE DISCONTINUING CAVALLI CIRCLE AS A PUBLIC STREET PURSUANT TO SECTION 29 OF GENERAL CITY LAW.

VINCENT SPANO

City Clerk

Cellco Partnership and its controlled affiliates doing business as Verizon Wireless (Verizon Wireless) proposes to collocate wireless communications antennas at a top height of 83 feet on a 109-foot building at the approx. vicinity of 139 Valentine Lane, Yonkers, Westchester County, NY 10705. Public comments regarding potential effects from this site on historic properties may be submitted within 30 days from the date of this publication to: Trileaf Corp, Conchita Jones, c.jones@trileaf.com, 1395 South Marietta Parkway, Building 400, Suite 209, Marietta, GA 30067, 678-653-8673 ext. 659.



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tion" of the Communists as a political party, he also committed the group to supporting the US "free enterprise system." According to Jacques Duclos, head of the French Communist Party, Browder had "swerved dangerously" from Communist dogma. Saturday, June 24th

June 24, 1928: The County Park Commission announced it would keep the name Tibbetts Brook Park since the name was "established thorough long usage." It had been considering a request to change the name back to Tippets, the correct original spelling of the family name as found on official maps of Yonkers in the 1700s. The Tippets family had purchased the land from Elias Doughty, Adriaen Van der Donck's brother-in-law, and later lost it because they were loyalists.

June 24, 1954: The Alexander Smith Carpet Mill closed forever and moved to Greenville, Mississippi. In 1956 Smith Carpet merged with Mohawk Carpet; the newly formed company was named the Mohasco Corporation. Two years after leaving Yonkers, Alexander Smith and Sons Carpet Company was no more.

Sunday, June 25th

June 25, 1932: Firefighter John Moore climbed an 85-foot ladder to rescue a scared cat, stuck high in a tree on Highland Avenue.

June 25, 1935: Although the recipient of kidding from the other Aldermen, William Slater continued his campaign against seeing girls with bare knees. He claimed his observations at Tibbetts Brook Park and streets in Yonkers led him to announce the situation was "much improved," but he intended to continue his efforts to rid Yonkers of "the evil." He would question residents in his district, the Ninth Ward and continue speaking about his views on the subject, addressing the Ninth Ward Democratic Club. He planned to bring the topic to the next Common Council meeting, supported by a large number of Ninth Ward residents. When questioning his constituents, he also would ask their feelings on the sanitation of the pools at Tibbetts and the park in general.

June 25, 1941: The three biggest companies in Yonkers— Smith Carpet, Otis and Habirshaw— announced they would restrict production for the next week to allow employees to take their annual vacation. Otis and Habirshaw gave workers the option to work and accept additional vacation pay if they chose to work instead of taking a vacation.

Questions or comments? 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.



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the second male victim, an 18-year-old resident of Yonkers, sitting in the front passenger seat. The sedan was driven eastbound on Morris Street and stopped in front of house number 55; as the front passenger exited the vehicle, an armed assailant ran up to the driver's window and fired six gunshots through the window, striking Powell six times and the passenger one time. The gunman, along with two accomplices, then fled the scene; investigators determined that the three of them had been lying in wait in the house's driveway for Powell to arrive, and believe that the shooting is related to gang violence and that Powell was targeted for assassination.

Detectives quickly identified several persons of interest and over the next several days worked to build a case in support of criminal charges and arrest. Further investigation yielded that the suspected gunman was not local and resided out-of-state; his two suspected accomplices were also implicated in a shooting incident along with a third person that occurred on Saturday May 13th in the area of 100 Livingston Avenue, where a 42-year-old male Brooklyn resident was shot one time in the chest and survived albeit in critical condition.

As the investigation into these incidents continued, Yonkers Police responded to another shooting incident on Sunday June 4th at about 4:10 PM in the area of 77 Riverdale Avenue. A gunman allegedly fired at least seven shots at two individuals riding dirt bikes; the shots missed their targets but struck a random vehicle across the street occupied by two brothers in their 30s; fortunately, no one was injured. Police determined that this shooting was also related to the on-going gang violence. Investigators also discovered that the gun used in the Riverdale Avenue shooting incident was likely the same weapon that was used to murder Powell.

As additional information and evidence was collected, Detectives identified the perpetrators in all three incidents and developed a search warrant and arrest plan. Working with the Westchester County District Attorney's Office, the FBI's Westchester Safe Streets Task Force, and the City of Danbury, Connecticut Police Department, members of the Yonkers Police Department effected the arrests of four individuals on the night of Tuesday June 6th and morning hours of Wednesday June 7th:

Matthew QUINONES, 20-year-old resident of Danbury, Connecticut; charged with Murder 2, a Class A-I Violent Felony in the New York State Penal Law, for the alleged killing of Daquon Powell.

Three adolescent teenagers from Yonkers were also charged with Attempted Murder 2, Assault 1, Criminal Possession of a Weapon 2, and Conspiracy 2 for their alleged actions in the Livingston Avenue shooting incident. Also present with QUINONES during the Morris Street homicide. In addition to the above arrests, the Yonkers Police have identified Adolescent Offender 4 as the alleged perpetrator in the Riverdale Avenue shooting incident, and Detectives are actively working to locate and arrest him.

During the execution of search warrants on Riverdale Avenue, two semiautomatic 9mm pistols were recovered: one was thrown out a window as police approached, and another was recovered from the person of Adolescent Offender 3. Both were unlawfully possessed, and investigators are awaiting ballistic testing to yield further information.

Mayor Mike Spano stated, "Yonkers remains one of the safest of the big 5 cities in New York state, thanks to the hard work, skills, and training of our Yonkers Police Department. Far too many young people are following the wrong path and if they become a threat to public safety or themselves, they will be arrested. I applaud the Yonkers Police Department on this investigation, and I hope these juvenile offenders are swiftly brought to justice to avoid any repetitive crimes in our City."

Commissioner Chris Sapienza stated, "Public space gun violence is an outrageous threat to the safety of our residents and community members and elicits the strongest response from law enforcement. As these incidents were unfolding in a short period of time, our investigators were quickly piecing everything together to make these arrests and put an end to the violence. Yonkers is a very safe City for our size, and the YPD will always stand watch at the vanguard of public safety to ensure that crime or the fear of crime will never be allowed to degrade our communities – now it is up to the Courts to make sure that these individuals, regardless of age, are held fully accountable to the maximum extent of the law. As always, I thank our partners in the Westchester County District Attorney's Office, the FBI's Westchester Safe Streets Task Force, and the Danbury, Connecticut Police Department for their assistance and collaboration in keeping Yonkers safe."

The Yonkers Police at the direction of Mayor Mike Spano has increased motor and foot patrols in those areas of the City where many of these incidents have occurred Anyone with information regarding these incidents is encouraged to contact the Yonkers Police Detective Division at (914) 377-7724 –or Text Key Word YPD to CRIMES (274637) all calls may remain confidential.

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YONKERS AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE COMMITTEE

2023 JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION THEME: KUJICHAGULIA: SELF-DETERMINATION

FRI JUNE 16

3pm-5pm Pan-African Flag Raising Ceremony @ City Hall Plaza

6:30pm Tribute to Black Music Month with Yonkers Downtown BID Live Concert Series @ Waterfront Amphitheater (Next to Dolphins/X*0)

8pm Family Affair Open Mic @Bougie Brews 52 Main Street

MON JUNE 19

12pm -4:00pm Juneteenth Education Conference Guest Speaker: Dr. Alexandria Connally @ Nepperhan Community Center 342 Warburton Avenue

SAT JUNE 17

9:00am-11:00am Unity Worship Service @ Trevor Park

1:00pm - 3:00pm African Heritage Parade (From Cerrato Park to Trevor Park)

3:00pm-8:00pm Juneteenth Festival Summer Stage Vendors/Arts & Crafts @ Travor Park

4:00pm-6:00pm Softball Game The Westchester/Rockland County Guardians Association vs

The Vulcan Society of Westchester County @ Trevor Park

6:00pm Juneteenth Support Raffle Drawing @ Trevor Park

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