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Speaker Pelosi Holds Town Hall with Congressman Bowman



Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi with Congressman Jamaal Bowman at the College of Mount Saint Vincent in Riverdale on the Yonkers border, March 14

Yes its a big deal when the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representaives, the third most powerful position in the United States, comes to your district for an event in an election year. That is what happened on March 14, when Speaker Nancy Pelosi came to the Colleg of Mount Saint Vincent in Riverdale, on the border with Yonkers, to hold a town hall with Congressman Jamaal Bowman.

The event was held to highlight the one year anniversary of the American Rescue Plan-COVID relief package that Congress passed last year as Americans continued to fight through the pandemic. But for both Pelosi and Bowman, the town hall had a more political meaning.

For Rep. Bowman, who is completing his first term and running for re-election in a district that includes more suburban democrats in northern Westchester, it was a feather in his cap to have Speaker Pelosi sit next to him on stage and discuss the importance of keeping democrats, and what they have done over the past two years.

Speaker Pelosi "has always empowered me and allowed me to represent my district in the best way that I know how. Despite the rhetoric and the framing of a party at odds with itself, that is not true at all. It's a space where the diversity of people and ideas are welcome. So there's going to be some disagreement. That's how a democracy works," said Bowman, who also explained his no vote for the \$1.4 Trillion infrastructure bill. Rep. Bowman was one of only a handful of house democrats to vote no; the bill narrowly passed without his support, and Bowman's opponents have highlighted that vote against him.

"I was happy that the bill passed. It was strategic play, hoping to push for my colleagues in both the House and the Senate to get Build Back Better over the hump. We're still fighting to get Build Back Better over the hump," said Bowman.

When asked directly about Bowman's no vote, Speaker Pelosi, said, "I don't think he would have let the bill go down, but I'm not speaking for him.

Pelosi, who for decades has been known as one of the Democratic Party's best campaigners, began the effort to maintain her narrow 11 seat majority, by standing with Congressman Bowman. Although an endorsement was not made, or discussed, the message was clear. The Speaker of the House can work with Rep. Bow-

Yonkers Outraged at Attack on Elderly Asian Woman



Tammel Esco, delivered 125 Punches to Innocent Elderly Asian Victim

On March 14, Yonkers Police and Westchester County District Attorney Mimi Rocah announced that Yonkers resident Tammel Esco was charged with a hate crime after violently attacking a 67-year-old Asian woman as she entered an apartment building in Yonkers.

On Friday, March 11th, 2022, at approximately 6:11 PM, members of the Yonkers Police Department responded to an apartment building in the confines of the 3rd Precinct on several reports of a dispute; information was given that a woman was bleeding at scene and the suspect was in front of the location. Upon arrival officers located the victim, an elderly female, in the vestibule of the building with severe facial injuries; she was transported to a local area trauma center. The suspect was located outside the building and placed into custody without incident.

Detectives from the Major Case Squad and Crime Scene Unit responded to the scene and interviewed subjects and witnesses, recovered surveillance video, and processed forensic evidence. Investigation yielded that the victim, a 67-year-old resident of the City of Yonkers, was returning home and saw the suspect in front of the building. As she walked past him, he called her an "Asian bitch;" the victim is of Asian descent. Ignoring his comment, the victim entered the vestibule of the building and was attempting to open the second door to enter the lobby when, without warning, the suspect approached from behind and punched her in the head, knocking her to the floor; he then stood over her and proceeded to punch her in the head and face more than 125 times with alternating fist strikes before footstomping her seven times and spitting on her. As a result of the beating, the victim suffered multiple contusions and lacerations to her head and face, facial bone fractures, and bleeding on the brain; she is currently listed in stable condition and is recovering in the hospital. The incident was captured on surveillance video.

Mayor Mike Spano stated, "Hate crimes are beyond intolerable in our city. I applaud our Yonkers Police for swiftly apprehending this violent criminal and removing him from our streets. I expect the suspect to be charged to the fullest extent of the law for his heinous actions. I continue to keep the victim and her family in our thoughts and prayers."

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'Social Equity Candidates' to Get the First Marijuana Licenses in New York State

man, and the progressive wing of the party.

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Hey Albany and Washington Repeal the Gas Tax Now!



By Dan Murphy

A wide array of New York elected officals, and candidates for office this year, have come out supporting a temporary repeal of the state and federal gas tax in New York State. The current gas tax for New Yorkers is 48 cents per gallon, which includes a federal tax of 18.4 cents per gallon. For many of us, this would lower the cost of gas to under \$4 per gallon....for now, we understand that the prices will keep going up for a while.

Congressman Tom Suozzi, who is running in the democratic primary for Governor, called for an immediate repeal of the gas tax while campaigning in Westchester last week.

Democrat Robert Zimmerman, who is running to replace Suozzi in Congress, also called for a gas tax reprieve. "I strongly support the suspension of the federal gas tax through the end of the year and call upon our leaders in Congress to endorse the senate and house legislation. The severe increase in gas prices affects every aspect of our lives, and the time to act is now."

State Senate republicans have also introduced legislation, The New York Gas Tax Relief Act, to repeal the state portion of the gas tax until September 1. Republican businessman Harry Wilson supported the gas tax repeal, tweeting, "Kathy Hochul doesn't realize that this is the worst part of the day for most New Yorkers. She thought in an interview this week that the state gas tax was 10 cents/gal instead of the 48 cents/gal it really is."

So far, Governor Hochul has not publicly supported the gas tax repeal. Consideration of repealing the State gas tax is now under review as part of the state budget negotiations. The NY State budget is due on April 1. Legislation currently before Congress in Washington titled The Gas Price Relief Act will eliminate the 18.4 cent per gallon federal tax through the end of 2022



marijuana is already openly being sold in Washinton Square Park in New York City, left

By Dan Murphy

On March 10, Governor Kathy Hochul announced the first-in-the-nation Seeding Opportunity Initiative, which will position individuals with prior cannabisrelated criminal offenses to make the first adult-use cannabis sales with products grown by New York farmers. This farm-to-store initiative makes sales in New York possible before the end of 2022, jumpstarts New York's Cannabis Industry, guarantees support for future equity applicants, and secures an early investment into communities most impacted by the disproportionate enforcement of cannabis prohibition.

"New York State is making history, launching a first-of-its-kind approach to the cannabis industry that takes a major step forward in righting the wrongs of the past," Governor Hochul said. "The regulations advanced by the Cannabis Control Board today will prioritize local farmers and entrepreneurs, creating jobs and opportunity for communities that have been left out and left behind. I'm proud New York will be a national model for the safe, equitable and inclusive industry we are now building."

The Cannabis Control Board at its meeting March 10 advanced two components of the Seeding Opportunity Initiative. Before any applications are accepted and licenses provided, a public comment time period will take place on the proposed regulations. Starting March 15, hemp farmers can apply to grow cannabis starting this spring.

Cannabis Control Board Member Jen Metzger said, "The Seeding Opportunity

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AMVETS Make Donation to Veterans at Montrose VA Hospital



In both photos, pictured are left to right: Nicole Embry Chief of Volunteer Services Hudson valley VA for Montrose and Castle Point VA hospitals , with Commander Sam Riti Post 40 Yonkers, and Ellie Schaffer Voluntary Specialist, accepting donations of 6 cases of hooded sweatshirts and 6 cases of healthcare travel kit including socks.

Thanks to the Department of NY AMVETS Service Foundation for the donations. Photos by Ed Whitman.



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Notice is hereby given that a license, # pending has been applied for by Dazzles Restaurant & Lounge, Inc to sell liquor at retail in a restaurant under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 130 132 S. 4th Ave. Mt Vernon NY for on premises consumption.

Free Concert, The Ladies Day Jazz Ensemble at Will Library March27



Celebrate Women's History Month with the Ladies Day Jazz Ensemble, playing tunes by classic and contemporary female jazz composers, including Abbey Lincoln, Peggy Lee, Marion McPartland and many more. The performers are MJ Territo, vocals; Linda Presgrave, piano; Iris Ornig, bass. The concert will take place on Sunday, Marcy 27 from 2pm-315pm, at the Will Library, 1500 Central Park Avenue. Visit YPL.org for more information.

Registration Open for Westchester County Parks Learn to Swim Program

Westchester County Parks' Learn to Swim program returns this summer at all four county-owned pools with registration opening Tuesday, March 15 at noon.

Learn to Swim is available for children ages three through 13 and will be held in two sessions, with session one running from Tuesday, July 5 through Thursday, July 21 and session two from Tuesday, July 26 through Thursday, Aug. 11. Class times to choose from are 9 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Each session is \$80 per child.

Westchester County Parks Commissioner Kathy O'Connor said, "Our Learn to Swim program is a great way to introduce swimming to young children and also provide them with the skill set to later on become a lifeguard."

Learn to Swim will be held at Saxon Woods Pool in White Plains, Sprain Ridge Pool in Yonkers, Tibbetts Brook Pool in Yonkers and Willson's Woods Pool in Mt. Vernon. For additional questions call (914) 231-4556.

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Notice of formation of Aiyana's Creations LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/20/2021. Office: Westchester County. United States Corporation Agents Inc., 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY, 11228 designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. US Corporation Agents Inc shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 127 Ramsey Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10701. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a license, Number 1339572, for Beer, Liquor, Wine & Cider has

Notice of Formation of HSKickz Company LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/09/2021. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 3 Bainton Street, Yonkers, New York 10704. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. been applied for by the undersigned to sell Beer, Liquor, Wine & Cider at retail in a Restaurant under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 188 Waverly Street, Yonkers, NY 10701, NY, Westchester County, for on-premises consumption. JESMYR CORP. d/b/a EL CALVARIO COCINA MEXICANA

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Notice of Formation of BARK BARK BROTHAS LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State (SSNY) on 02/09/2022. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 50 Riverdale Avenue, 2H, Yonkers, NY 10701. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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RXR Announces New Retail Leases at Sawyer Place in Yonkers



RXR, a leading real estate owner, operator and developer in New York City and the surrounding region, announced a number of new retail tenants who will join the growing community at Sawyer Place in Yonkers.

The businesses include:

Globally-renowned coffeehouse chain Starbucks, which will occupy a 2,539-square-foot space at 50 Nepperhan Street and fronting Larkin Plaza. The location will debut an updated layout and consumer purchase model, the first of its kind in Westchester, and should be ready to serve the Sawyer Place community later in 2022.

Chic coffee and wine bar Mon Amour, located in a 968-square-foot space at 16 Nepperhan Street, offering grab-and-go and sit-down options for the community, opening this summer.

Trendy nail salon Pop Color, which will occupy 1,533-square feet at 45 Main Street. Pop Color will be opening this spring.

Fitness Factory, a 15,670-square foot space located at 30 Nepperhan Street that currently serves the community. Fitness Factory offers state-of-the-art equipment integrated with proprietary coaching software, locker rooms with private steam showers and saunas, group classes and personal training, a smoothie bar, and childcare onsite.

Located just blocks from the Hudson waterfront, Sawyer Place is a mixeduse residential building offering 438 rental units in two connected towers, featuring panoramic views of Manhattan's skyline, the Hudson River, and the Palisades. Residents have access to amenities including a 24/7 concierge, landscaped roof terrace, indoor theater, state-of-the-art fitness center, resident lounge, on-site valet parking, and a 533-space parking garage.

"We are pleased to introduce these varied and exciting new businesses to Sawyer Place, and are confident that their presence will be a popular amenity to residents, the workforce, and visitors alike," said Whitney Arcaro, EVP, Head of Marketing & Retail Leasing at RXR.

"With a thriving and walkable atmosphere and easy access to Manhattan via Metro-North, living at Sawyer Place is the best of both worlds. Downtown Yonkers truly offers something for everyone," said Reed Zukerman, VP, Retail Leasing at RXR.

Sawyer Place is within a three-minute walk to Yonkers Station and plays an integral role in the continuous evolution of Downtown Yonkers. For more information, please visit https://sawyerplaceny.com/.



RIP Judge Gil, Meeting Congressman Bowman, and a Note to Mr. Astorino



By Eric Schoen

R.I.P Judge Gil Rabin

People would tell me all the time, 'I had Jury Service and you will never guess who I ran into. (Judge) Gil Rabin from Yonkers.' I attended the funeral service for Judge Gil on Tuesday morning at Riverside Funeral Home. The place was packed as it should be. Before I get into some of the beautiful memories of Gil, I want to tell you how you can best remember Gil whether you knew him or not.

After his retirement as Chief Judge for the Yonkers City Courts, Gil was the guy in charge of Jury selection and much of the Jury process in Westchester County for many years. We constantly hear complaints that the reason why so many criminals are running through our streets is because of backups in the Court System. The backups are caused by you guessed it..Covid. People are turning down Jury Service and getting medical excuses in record numbers out of fear of catching the coronavirus.

I spoke to several judges at Gil's funeral (my friend Chief Judge Janet DiFiore unfortunately was not there) and I was told that ever so slowly the courts have put into place procedures to keep Judges, their staffs and most importantly jurors safe from contracting or being in a situation where they could catch the coronavirus. The 6 foot distance rule has recently been changed to 3 feet as it has in schools and many other situations.

Want to remember Judge Gil Rabin? Want to keep America safe. Next time you get called to Jury Duty, go! It's your civic duty. We live in a country where everyone is innocent until proven guilty. If the Jury system which Gil so heartily respected and managed brilliantly can't function, don't expect Crime numbers to go down or our Civil Courts to operate efficiently. And if there should be anything that makes you feel unsafe, you raise your hand, you ask to speak privately to the judge and you voice your complaint. If things don't improve you walk out of the courthouse and tell them that this columnist from WESTCHESTER Rising Newspapers told you to do so.

When one mentions Gil, one thinks of Gil and Zita, his beloved wife who passed away in 2016. They were an inseparable couple. I would run into them having dinner at Charlie Brown's on Central Avenue. With close friends they did so much for the hearing impaired as their youngest daughter, Marni was born with a hearing impairment. One of Marni's first jobs was working for me in a summer youth employment program I ran. She was an exemplary worker!

Gil was remembered by family and friends including the former Rabbi of Lincoln Park Jewish Center, Rabbi Solomon Sternstein's son, also a Rabbi. Everyone remembered Gil smoking a pipe. When he did it in a private room at the Courthouse, the head judge at the time got complaints. But Gil and the pipe were inseparable. Not much the Chief Judge could do.

He worked for the Court System at times for no pay when budgets were tight. Can't ask a Jurist doing such important work pro bono to to give up a thing he enjoyed doing.

Rabbi Sternstein referred to Gil as a 'Shul Mensch.' This is someone always on call to help the synagogue in good times and times of need. Rabbi Sternstein and his father, longtime Rabbi at Lincoln Park Jewish Center as all who knew him valued his Gil's advice, calmness, and the fact he was always willing to and would go out of his way to help others.

His daughter Jill talked about how her father wanted her to live life in the spirit he law. He would always ask people what he could do for them. She joked that people who didn't know about her fathers life could refer to the extensive, no expensive obituaries that ran in the Journal News and New York Times. It's amazing how in the newspaper business (except this distinguished weekly you are reading) they charge so much for obituaries. This tradition goes, sadly back a long time. That's how the daily papers like the Journal News and the New York times stay afloat, reporting on the deceased. A sad state of affairs. Jill, a gynecologist said that after her moms death she was charged with her dad's health, brother Corey was charged with his legal affairs and her sister Marni handled the Human Resources side of things. She joked that every 99 year old man should have a gynecologist in charge of his medical affairs! The funeral ended with a video of a most beautiful song sung by singer Jason Mraz. The theme of the song: Not a Sad Goodbye. It sure wasn't a sad goodbye to Judge Gill Rabin 3 months before he turned 100 years young. I will always remember his kind smile and Zita's warm greetings. I will remember our briefs chats about life and of course things Yonkers, a city he loved. Honorable Justice Gil Rabin. He, Too was Yonkers, Westchester, a lover of public service, a true gentle man and a friend to me and so many others. His wit and wisdom will be missed!

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Former Gov. Pataki in Ukraine: They Want us to "Close the Sky"



former NY Governor and Peekskill native George Pataki in Hungary before cross the boder into Ukraine By Day Murphy

By Dan Murphy

Here's another great way to make a donation which you can be sure gets to the people of Ukraine: Give it to George Pataki. The former NY Governor from Westchester is telling Americans two things about his experiences on the Hungarian-Ukraine border. He is worried that a continued flow of refugees will result in an inability to help, and the one thing that Ukrainians tell him again and again is for the United States to "Close the Sky" and give Ukraine the weapons it needs to fight against the Russian Air Force.

Pataki said that the United States "needs to do more" for the Ukrainian refugess fleeing their country. Pataki, whose family comes from Hungary, flew to Hugary last week and is now in the Ukraine.

Pataki met with refugees at a center in Ukraine from Kharkiv and other eastern cities, and with volunteer doctors for Ukraine. "They are asking for more doctors. The biggest problem is Covid currently. Only 30 percent of Ukrainians are vaccinated," tweeted Pataki.

Pataki was able to bring over a planeload of medical supplies for the refugees. "Special thank you to the Greater New York Hospital Association for working with me and the Pataki Center to get three plane loads of medical supplies to Hungary for the #Ukraine refugees," Tweeted Pataki. 200,000 Ukrainian refugees have fled to Hungary.

Pataki is working with the Appeal of Conscience Foundation to bring donations to the refugees. The Pataki leadership center in Peekskill also has a donation link. The people of Westchester are praying for Pataki and the people of Ukraine. "Amazing how some people just automatically step right up to the plate," said one of our readers.

To donate visit -appealofconscience.com/donate or www.georgepatakicenter.com

THE CITY OF YONKERS/YONKERS PUBLIC SCHOOLS, BUREAU OF PURCHAS-ING, One Larkin Center, 3RD Floor, Yonkers, New York 10701 (Located in the Yonkers Riverfront Library Building across from the Metro-North train station) will receive sealed Bids for the following projects until 2:00 PM, on the dates below.

However, due to the COVID-19 Pandemic and in line with the directives issued by the Mayor of Yonkers regarding public safety, there is limited access to One Larkin Center. The building is open from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM for receiving packages via courier services and in person. If delivering bids in person, individuals must wear face coverings and see the Public Safety Officer in the library atrium, who will clock in the bid and then contact Purchasing to pick up the bid. Sealed Bids will continue to be opened and read on the dates below, however, there will not be a public opening of bids. Those interested in listening to the bid opening and the reading of bids can dial Conference Call number 1-701-802-5221 and enter Access Code 1354203 when prompted.

Solicitation documents are available for downloading from the Empire State Purchasing Group website at http://www.empirestatebidsystem.com/. The City welcomes and encourages participation by local and minority and women owned business enterprises.

1. Bid 6724A - Opening date: 4/1/2022: Purchase of two (2) model year 2022 Ford Transit Connect Van XL FWD or City approved equal (FB).

Bid 6752 - Opening date: 4/1/2022: Purchase of Under Armour, or Yonkers approved equal, football pants and jerseys, 400 of each (FB).
Bid 6753 - Opening date: 4/1/2022, Total Science of Content of Content

3. Bid 6753 - Opening date: 4/1/2022: Twelve-month contract, with option to renew for 12-months, for the maintenance and landscaping of the riprap along the JFK Marina and Esplanade Park on the Yonkers waterfront (AS).

Tom Suozzi Brings Democratic Campaign for Governor to Westchester



By Dan Murphy

Long Island Congressman Tom Suozzi campaigned in Westchester and Rockand Counties last week and brought his message of change to suburban democratic voters. Suozzi is challenging Goveernor Kathy Hochul in a democratic primary in June, and has given up his seat in Congress to try and fix the problems in New York.

"Our government is corrupt," "our government is so badly run. I ran Nassau County government, which is larger than the state of Arkansas. I know how government works and doesn't work. If you are hard working you should have a decent life. That should be our goal in our country and in New York State. Let's do everything we can to make our government work again," said Suozzi in comments made during a Facebook live Town Hall to Westchester and Rockland County democrats.

In his meet and greet at the Coach Diner in White Plains last week, Suozzi said, "We need 600,000 votes to win the democratic primary. I'm running against the establishment, and I need your help." The event was attended by more than 100 voters, who were either supporters of Suozzi or who wanted to hear why he was running for Governor.

Suozzi has identified three key issues that New Yorkers are concerned about and has made them the focal points of his campaign.

I-Crime and Safety- With 74% of New Yorkers saying that crime is a serious problem in New York City, and 65% say they personally worry about being the victim of a crime and want more cops on the streets-(69%), stricter gun control laws-(58%), Suozzi has discussed what he calls "common sense solutions."

Suozzi pointed to his leadership when he served as Nassau County Executive on Long Island, (the 12th largest PD in the country), "we had the lowest crime rate in the United States.

"We need to make changes to bail reform," said Suozzi, who agreed with County Executive George Latimer and other democrats that "crime is down in the suburbs and here in Westchester," but added " crime is bad in New York City."

Suozzi has released a 15-point plan to fix bail reform that includes giving judges the discretion to take violent and repeat offenders off the street, and to remove any DA that refuses to enforce the law. Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg has refused to prosecute certain criminal cases. Suozzi said that "it's not up to the DA to determine what laws to enforce. If you want to change the law, then run for Assembly."

Last year, Suozzi endorsed NYC Mayor Eric Adams and was offered the job of Deputy Mayor of NYC after his election. "I support his (Adams)positions on bail reform and reducing crime in New York City. We have to hold people accountable; they can't get arrested and re-arrested."

Suozzi also recognized that homelessness and mental illness has become a large piece of the crime problem in New York City. 83% of New Yorkers said that homelessness is a serious problem. "75% of our prison population has a mental health or drug and alcohol problem. We have to give people the power to take someone off the streets, who is a danger to themselves and others, and get them health care and housing," said Suozzi.

Suozzi is talking about another issue that you seldom hear from today's progressive New York Democratic Party: property taxes. Suozzi represents and lives on Long Island, which together with Westchester County pays among the highest property taxes in the United States. One of Suozzi key issues while serving as a member of Congress, was to repeal the \$10,000 SALT (State and Local Taxes) tax cap imposed under former President Donald Trump. Suozzi pushed for its repeal and got it passed in the House, but it died in the Senate, so no changes have been made. Another way in which Suozzi is a different type of Democrat, is how he believes that many of the problems in New York State can be resolved with good management, and without the need for more taxes and spending. "Our state government is poorly managed, and we already spend so much. I'm running for Governor because of property taxes. 300,000 people left New York State last year, and taxes and crime are the reasons why they are leaving. I want to bring common sense, and my experience to get things done, to Albany. I know how to run a government.' Suozzi also acknowledged that education in the suburbs is uneven. "Some school districts in Nassau and Westcheter county are great, while others are struggling. We need to help those schools that are underperforming.' A proud, lifetime democrat, Suozzi touts his environmental record. "95% of our existing green spaces should stay as they are, and any new development should be close to train stations. But we can't have our utility rates go through the roofs. We need common sense." At the White Plains Diner event, which was well attended by more than 100 people, Suozzi called for an immediate repeal of the gas tax in New York State, to

4. Bid 6754 - Opening date: 4/8/2022: Twelve-month contract, with option to renew for 12-months, to provide on-call maintenance & repair services for US Pipe Smith Travel Cutters & accessories (AS).

5. Bid 6755 - Opening date: 4/1/2022: Twelve-month contract, with option to renew for 12-months, to provide on-call water main line stopping services (AS).

6. Bid 6756 - Opening date: 4/1/2022: Twelve-month contract to provide on-call roof main-tenance and repair services (AS).

7. Bid 6757 – Opening date: 4/22/2022: Twelve-month contract to provide on-call voice and data cabling installation services at City facilities (SR).

8. Bid 6758 – Opening date: 4/22/2022: Replacement of electrical panels at the Hudson River Museum (SR).

9. Bid 6759 - Opening date: 4/8/2022: Maintenance and landscaping of the three Daylighting locations from 4/15/2022 through 10/15/2022 with option to renew for 2023 (DC).

10. Bid 6760 - Opening date: 4/1/2022: Twelve-month contract, with option to renew for 12-months to provide on-call window and door glazing replacement services for Yonkers Public Schools (AS).

11. Bid 6761 - Opening date: 4/8/2022: Twelve-month contract, with option to renew for 12-months, to provide maintenance and repair services of emergency and exit lights for the Yonkers Public Schools (KS).

12. Bid 6762 - Opening date: 4/22/2022: Capital Improvement Rehabilitations - Phase 3" at Gorton High School for roofing systems replacement, replacement of ceilings and lights for the school's cafeteria & kitchen, new ADA elevator structure and requisite asbestos abatement. (AS).

13. Bid 6763 – Opening date: 4/8/2022: Twelve-month contract to purchase EZ Max clamps and Hymax couplings as needed (KS).

14. Bid 6764 – Opening date: 4/22/2022: Twelve-month contract to purchase specialty gases as needed for the Water Treatment Laboratory (KS).



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Obituary: Gilbert Rabin



On March 11, 2022, Judge Gilbert (Gil) Rabin passed away peacefully, surrounded by his loving family at his Yonkers home where he lived for more than 67 years. An exceptional man, sharp of mind, always generous with his time, expertise and attention, Gilbert always maintained a fundamental desire to be of real help to others. He worked tirelessly for fairness in the law and believed to his core that everyone deserved an equal chance at the promises our nation and our communities offer.

Judge Rabin was born in North Tarrytown, NY on June 10th, 1923 to Charles and Jeannette (Kalman) Rabin. He was a member of the 1941 graduating class of North Tarrytown High School. He attended City College before World War II began and answered his nation's call in 1943.

Gilbert served as a Sergeant in the Signal Corps as US forces leapfrogged across the Pacific for more than three years, completing his tour in Osaka, Japan. He was awarded the Philippines Liberation Ribbon and Asiatic Pacific Service Medal for distinguished service and later served as First Lieutenant, Judge Advocate General Department, Reserves.

During the war, Gilbert and his future wife, Zita Lorraine Segall, began their romance through V-Mail correspondence and, upon his return from service, Gilbert married Zita on June 18, 1950 and began a love affair which lasted more than 66 years.

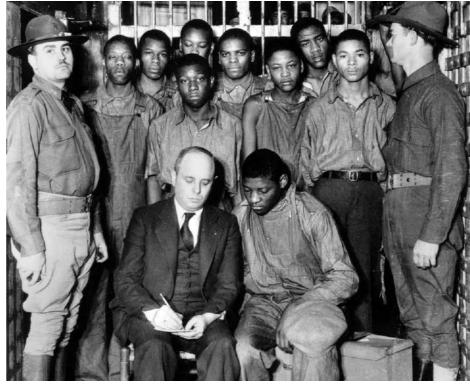
Judge Rabin earned his Juris Doctor, LLB and LLM degrees, Cum Laude, from New York University in 1948 and served as Decisions Editor for the NYU Law Review. Upon graduation, he immediately began trying cases in NYC, working at the firm of Sidney O. Raefield, a decade at his own NYC firm, Rabin and Green, followed by establishing his own law practice in 1966 on McLean Avenue in Yonkers, NY.

"The Judge", as he became affectionately known by everyone, was elected as a City Justice in 1969 serving in that office for 12 years. In 1982, he was sworn in as a Yonkers City Court Judge. Unfalteringly diligent and fair-minded, he continually received endorsements from all political parties until his retirement as Chief Judge of the Yonkers City Court in 1993. His retirement was short lived when in 1993 he was appointed as a Judicial Hearing Officer in the Westchester County Supreme Court, an appointment which continued each year until 2019, when he retired from the bench. The Judge wore many hats but was best known for overseeing jury selection for Ninth Judicial District. Rabin's Rules for Jury Selection are used in courts around the State of New York and have widely become the model for the jury selection process. His daily speeches to groups of prospective jurors were poignant, profound, inspiring, and often humorous.

Gil was a longtime member of the NYS Bar Association, the Yonkers Lawyers Association, Westchester County Bar Association, and served as its Ethics Chair in the last decade. Gil received an honorary Doctor of Laws from Mercy College. He was admitted to practice before the US Supreme Court, Southern and Eastern Districts. Gil served on many committees and had many roles during his long career, including the Board of Immigration and Appeals, US Treasury Department; Committee of Law Reform, Bronx County Bar Association; Special Assistant Attorney General, Election Frauds Bureau; Special Referee, Supreme Court, State of New York; Arbitrator, American Arbitration Association; Pace University School of Law, Moot Court Judge; Faculty of Judicial Seminars in NYS. Early in his career, he worked tirelessly for the United Givers Fund, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and UJA, all in various capacities.

With his beloved wife, Zita, and lifelong friends Rochelle and Norman Kessler, Judge Rabin co-founded the charitable organization, CHEAR, Inc. (Children's Hearing Education and Research) to raise awareness for the hearing impaired and nerve deafness research. Their indefatigable efforts created the first NYS deaf relay

On This Day in Yonkers History...



Yonkers attorney Irvin Klein joined Chief Defense Attorney Samuel Leibowitz pictured, representing the Scottsboro Nine.

By Mary Hoar, President Emerita, Yonkers Historical Society, recipient of the 2004 Key to History and President Untermyer Performing Arts Council

Monday, March 21st

March 21, 1943: Because of the large number of complaints to City Manager William Walsh, Police Chief William Kruppenbacher instructed all policemen, whether in uniform or not, whether on duty or off duty, to strictly enforce the "No Smoking" ban on all Yonkers trolleys and buses.

March 21, 1946: Public Safety Commissioner Patrick O'Hara ordered shops selling limited items, like nylon stockings, to have customers line up only in front of their stores, and not lines go around the corners.

March 21, 1956: Beatrice Matala, known professionally as Bea Patrick, was appointed Women's Program Director for the Kingston Broadcasting Company. She was director, producer, writer, musical arranger and star of her own daily radio and TV show!

Tuesday, March 22nd

March 22, 1933: Yonkers attorney Irvin Klein joined the defense team to vindicate the Scottsboro Nine. The nine young African American teens faced death in the electric chair, accused of raping two white women, although at least one witness swore to the boys' innocence. The previous year, the Supreme Court had found they had a poor defense and other irregularities in their trials and sent the case back to the original court to be reheard.

March 22, 1936: Working with his master Patrolman Peter Sullivan, Fritz, the Belgium police dog, escorted children crossing South Broadway by Radford Street.

March 22, 1936: The Surdna Foundation announced it distributed more than one million dollars, with about 80% going to Yonkers organization. Surdna was founded by the late John Andrus; the name is Andrus backwards.

Wednesday, March 23rd

March 23, 1906: Six children playing firemen in Herriott Street so alarmed a resident, a fire alarm was turned in. Chief Mulcahey with two companies answered the call; they succeeded in convincing the tykes to "abandon their fire duty."

March 23, 1965: Both houses of the New York State Legislature saluted the amazing career of Yonkers own Joe Lapchick on his retirement! A joint resolution sponsored by Assemblyman Thomas McInerney and Senator Royden Letsen stated, "He exemplified the highest standards of sportsmanship and fair play. And he transmitted to all those young men whom he taught and coached those high standards of sportsmanship.... The Legislature congratulates Joseph Lapchick on his successes as a coach and player and extends appreciation for his services rendered to the youth of this state. And it further extends to him its hopes and wishes for his continued enjoyment of life and the blessing of the Almighty in his well-earned retirement."

service allowing hearing impaired individuals to communicate by telephone and contributed substantially to many other developments in deafness research.

Judge Rabin was a devoted member of the Lincoln Park Jewish Center Community in Yonkers. He served as President of the Synagogue and began an annual tradition of celebrating the legal profession at a Lawyer's Sabbath, shining a proud light on how Lawyers and Judges of all faiths contribute to our Westchester community.

Gil loved going to Yankee Games with his children and grandchildren, and he was honored as the "Veteran of the Game" by both the Yankees and Mets in recent years. He was always in the audience cheering for his grandson, Abraham, watching him perform in school and community productions. Even nearing his 99th birthday, he could still beat Corey at Gin Rummy!

Judge Rabin is survived by his three adoring children, Dr. Jill M. Rabin (Barbara), Corey B. Rabin, Esq, (Nancy) and Marni Rabin-Marron (Thomas), their four grandchildren Erick Rabin, Casey Rabin-Feldman (Andrew), Aaron Rabin, and Abraham Marron, his loving nieces and nephews, as well as his sisters-in-law, Audrey Segall and Doris Rabin. Gil was predeceased by his wife, Zita in 2016. Our family is grateful for the angelic care provided to him by his caregivers in recent months, with special thanks to Joan Parris who was with him since Zita's passing.

We are saddened by our loss but are grateful for all of the gifts Gil provided to us-his wisdom, support, perspective, insight and love. For now there are tears, later there will be fond rememberings. May his memory be for a blessing.

Funeral Services were held at Riverside Memorial Chapel, 21 W. Broad Street, Mt. Vernon, N.Y. 10552 on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 9:30 am. Interment will follow at Temple Israel Cemetery in Hastings on Hudson, NY. Shiva will be observed at the Rabin home in Yonkers, NY. Family members wish to thank all their good friends for their loving expressions of sympathy. If you would like to make a gift in Judge Rabin's memory and in lieu of flowers, please direct donations to UJA Federation of New York, 6900 Jericho Turnpike, Suite 302, Syosset, NY 11791, ujafedny.org.



Thursday, March 24th

March 24, 1940: Edward Freeman, president of a new million-dollar corporation, confirmed the corporation would take over the Yonkers operations of Refined Syrups and Sugars, Inc., and segregate it from the rest of the company.

March 24, 1940: Testing agents from the New York State Bureau of Weights and Measures condemned the city's scales were inaccurate.

March 24, 1945: Not only did the New York State Junior Chamber of Commerce

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SENATE MAJORITY LEADER ANDREA STEWART-COUSINS & SENATOR SHELLEY MAYER



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My Friend Congressman Bowman

I read on our informative website, yonkerstimes.com that Congressman Jamaal Bowman, a man I have sharply criticized in this newspaper more than any other politician was having a Town Hall Forum at Mt. St. Vincent College with the Speaker of the House, Nancy Pelosi. It said nothing about registering in advance or press information, so I just showed up early.

Despite the fact that I was not on the official list his kind and sharply dressed aide saw me, said we know who you are and brought me into the press area easily filled with 50-75 journalists including cameramen with their video equipment, photographers with their long lenses, and reporters with computers and phone cameras. I took a seat at the head of several long banquet tables.

The Congressman walks in, says hello to the journalists, introduces one of his students from the day he was a Principal, sees me from afar, says, 'Eric Schoen' and embraces me like a long lost brother telling me he was so glad to meet me. He didn't remember that I met him at a fundraiser, he was standing by himself, I introduced myself to him, he told me he was running against my long time friend Eliot Engel, and I didn't laugh out loud but indicated my amusement at his choice of office to run for.

As they say, the rest is history. I would have liked to have seen a Town Hall Forum with the intelligent Mount St. Vincent students asking him unfiltered questions, but that was not the case. Aides brought questions to the Congressman and Speaker on topics from the economy to Ukraine, everything sort of pre planned or orchestrated. Those in attendance had apparently been vetted. A forum with diverse questions from students. That's what I expected.

My colleague David Propper from the Journal News asked Speaker Pelosi the question sitting on the tip of my tongue. He said many people in the Westchester and Bronx district that Congressman Bowman represents were unhappy with his vote against the Infrastructure Bill, a bill that would fix our pothole laden roads, crumbling bridges and infrastructure falling apart like Humpty Dumpty falling down over the wall. She said clearly she too was unhappy with his vote against the infrastructure bill. That was music to my ears, very sad music indeed.

Not many Yonkersites were at the event. Legislator Chris Johnson and his lovely guest, Councilperson Shanae Williams, former Councilpersons Symra Brandon and Robert Stauf were present as was a close supporter of the Congressman, activist Eileen O'Connor. Our Mount Vernon Neighbor and friend Ruth Hassell Thompson was also introduced. Mayor Spano, the guardian of Yonkers was not there. Unfortunate. Apparently at a recent event the Congressman would not shake Mayor Spano's hand, I truly hope Jamaal gets over the Spano is racist thing!

So what does this mean. Am I changing my opinion on the Congressman. No. Do I feel he should be elected in his new District? No. Did his vote against the Infrastructure Bill take away good Union jobs from black, brown and white people. Yes it did. But his warm welcome and kind staff certainly showed a different side of him than I expected, and it was refreshing! In conclusion, ROB ASTORINO take down those campaign signs which are illegal and on public property and are sign pollution Yonkersites and Westchesterites don't want to see! **Reach Eric Schoen at thistooisyonkers@aol.com. Follow him on Twitter @ ericyonkers. Listen to Eric Schoen on the Westchester Rising Radio Show alternating Thursday's from 10-11 a.m. On WVOX 1460 AM, WVOX.com click listen or download the WVOX app from the App Store free of charge.**

PUBLIC NOTICE

March 17, 2022

Oty of Yonkers 87 Nepperhan Avenue Yonkers, NY 10701

Tellephone: (914) 377-6000

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Yonkers (the "City") and/or the Municipal Housing Authority for the City of Yonkers (Authority).

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about April 11,2022 the City will authorize the Authority to submit a request to HUD for the release of HOME Investment Partnership Funds and Section 8 Project Based Vouchers. The request will provide for the construction and operation of 60 senior rental units with HOME funds in the amount of \$650,000 of and 60 Project Based Section 8 Vouchers.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City has determined that the proposed redevelopment will have no will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1963 ("NEPA") is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Neview Record ("ERR") on file at the City of Yonkers at 87 Nepperhan Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10701. where the ERR may be examined or copied weekdays 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Yonkers responsible for receiving and responding to comments. All comments received by April 12,2022 will be considered by the City prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City certifies to HUD that Mile Spano in his capacity as Mayor of the City of Yonkers consents and accepts the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows Authority to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City, (b) the City has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient has committed funds or incurned costs not authorized by 24 CFR, Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58) and shall be addressed via e-mail to: NYPHDirector@hud gov. Objectors shauld contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Mike Spano, Mayor City of Yonkers 87 Nepperhan Avenue Yonkers, NY 115701

Notice of formation of Love Jones 360 Experience LLC Articles of Organization filed with the SSNY Office on 9/23/21 Office Location: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to : C/O Love Jones 360 Experience LLC, 41 Ridgeview Terrace Elmsford, NY 10523 Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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LEGAL NOTICE

The ordinance, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted on June 23, 2021, and approved by the Mayor on July 7, 2021, and the validity of the obligations authorized by such ordinance may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the CITY OF YONKERS, in the County of Westchester, New York, is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this Notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the publication of this Notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Vincent E. Spano, City Clerk City of Yonkers, New York

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO.36-2021

BOND ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF YONKERS, NEW YORK AUTHO-RIZING FUNDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECTS INCLUDED IN THE CITY'S 2021-2022 CAPITAL BUDGET, AS AMENDED; STATING THE TOTAL ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$60,118,513; APPRO-PRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR; AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSU-ANCE OF BONDS OF SAID CITY IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$60,118,513 TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION

The bonds are authorized to finance various capital projects included in the City's 2021-2022 Capital Budget, as amended.

The amount of obligations to be issued is \$6,118,513.

The periods of usefulness are various periods between 3 and 40 years.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 17 of the Special Local Finance and Budget Act of the City of Yonkers, constituting Chapters 488 and 489 of the Laws of 1976 of the State of New York (herein called the "Act"), the City is authorized and directed to include the pledge and agreement of the State of New York (herein called the "State") contained in said Section 17 of the Act, in the ordinance, and the Act provides that upon payment for the bonds or notes by the original and all subsequent holders thereof the inclusion of such pledge and agreement shall be deemed conclusive evidence of valuable consideration received by the State and City for such pledge and agreement and of reliance upon such pledge and agreement by any holder and that any action by the State contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of such pledge and agreement shall be void.

A complete copy of the Bond Ordinance summarized above shall be available for public inspection during normal business hours at the office of the City Clerk, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York 10701.

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YONKERS RISING FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 2022- PAGE 7

Hudson Valley Restaurant Week Returns March 21-April 3; \$29.95 Lunch, \$39.95 Dinner

Spring 2022 Hudson Valley Restaurant Week runs from Monday, March 21 – Sunday, April 3, 2022. Restaurants will be offering 3 course, prix-fixe lunches at \$29.95 and dinners at \$39.95.

Hudson Valley Restaurant Week is a popular bi-annual event taking place each Spring and Fall. Past participating restaurants served an estimated quarter of a million patrons and reported an average 25% increase in business, collectively generating an estimated economic impact of \$10.2 million in sales revenue. Participating restaurants span eight counties in the Hudson Valley (Westchester, Rockland, Putnam, Ulster, Orange, Sullivan, Dutchess and Greene counties) and offer a wide variety of cuisines.

For more information on HVRW, visit www.hudsonvalleyrestaurantweek.com or call (845) 463-0542.

Speaker Pelosi, continued from pg. 1-

"Democrats care about people. Our mission is to help people get into the middle class. That is the backbone of our democracy," said Pelosi, who at 81 still has the fire in her belly to elect democrats this November across the country. Bowman tweeted after the event, "Today @SpeakerPelosi and I held a town hall at the College of Mount Saint Vincent to speak to members of our community about the American Rescue Plan, Ukraine, and more. It's an honor to serve our community and continue delivering for you."

Suozzi for Governor, continued from pg. 4-

help New Yorkers keep their gas tanks full, with a current price of \$4.50 a gallon and rising.

Suozzi stood on a chair to speak to the crowd saying, "We need 600,000 democrats to vote for us on primary day, and we are going to do it."

According to the polls, Suozzi's campaign for Governor has not yet picked up any steam. He sits at 9% in most polls, with Governor Hochul at 41%, and NYC public advocate Jumaane Williams at 13%. Even disgraced former Governor Andrew Cuomo sits ahead of Suozzi in the polls.

But his campaign team says to give it time. The TV ads are now running, criticizing Governor Hochul for her refusal to make changes to bail reform and attempt to tie her to a vote while in Congress to weaken gun laws. Suozzi is well funded, with \$5 Million in his campaign coffer and he continues to raise money in the suburbs.

Suozzi is running with Lt. Governor candidate Diana Reyna, a former New York City Council member and ex-deputy Brooklyn borough president. Reyna was the first Dominican American woman elected to public office in New York State.

John Zogby, Founder and Senior Partner, Zogby Strategies said, "While Governor Hochul is posting impressive numbers and the GOP candidates may draw blood before their primary, New Yorkers are in a sour mood this year. No lead is in the bag."

Outrage Over Attack on Elderly Asian Woman, con't from pg. 1-

Commissioner John J. Mueller stated, "This is one of the most appalling attacks I have ever seen; to beat a helpless woman is despicable and targeting her because of her race makes it more so. This defendant must be held to the maximum punishment allowed by law to send a clear message that hateful, violent behavior will not be tolerated in our communities. Our thoughts and prayers are with the victim and her family, that she may make a full recovery."

Westchester District Attorney Mimi Rocah said, "Our hearts are broken for the victim. The District Attorney's Office will continue to work with the Yonkers Police Department to investigate and secure justice for her and to support her and her family through this difficult time. We also understand that many in the community may experience fear and trauma as a result of this incident. We will continue our work with our community and government partners throughout the County to provide support for the community, by offering training and outreach on hate and bias offenses in local schools, senior centers and other community organizations."

State Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins said, "Acts like this despicable assault will not be tolerated in our city, county, state or nation. Hate and violence have no place in our society. My prayers go out to the victim of this assault, who faces a long road to recovery, and her loved ones. It is my hope that the proposed AAPI Equity funding in the Senate's Budget will help address violence toward Asian-Americans and other issues facing this community." County Executive George Latimer said,"Westchester County is known for tolerance and unity - not for hate and violence. The conduct seen in the video footage released by the Yonkers Police Department is abhorrent, and we pray for the victim and her family. Any form of hate will not be tolerated in our County, and I applaud Yonkers Police and the Westchester County District Attorney's office for their swift action." Esco is scheduled to appear again in Yonkers Criminal Court on March 25, 2022. The video of the incident can be found at YonkersTimes.com but is graphic in nature. Editor's Note: Mayor Mike Spano held a press conference on March 15 to express his outrage at the attack. Joining him at City Hall was Congressman Jamaal Bowman, and members of the Asian-American community. More on this part of the story at YonkersTimes.com

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Board of Directors approve John E. Flynn's presentation on the School for Civic Service the Yonkers branch would inaugurate in two weeks, they adopted it as a statewide project. Following the outline Yonkers President John E. Flynn presented at the annual state meeting, several chapters volunteered to follow the Yonkers plan to start their own schools.

Friday, March 25th

March 25, 1935: Seventy-five Yonkers police officers, acting under secret orders, prepared for a month for a quick, simultaneous strike on illegal liquor dealers. The officers, led by Police Chief Edward Quirk arrested 33 people in the city-wide intensive drive to rid Yonkers of liquor law violations.

March 25, 1956: The Yonkers Council of Churches announced it was attempting to "hold up the hands and encourage the spirit" of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King's passive resistance movement during the Montgomery bus boycott.

Saturday, March 26th

March 26, 1935: Acting on instinct, Riverdale Avenue furniture dealer David Schwartz purchased a framed manuscript. The appraiser valued it between \$2000 to \$5000, and believed it was an original Ludwig von Beethoven composition, written in the Prussian composers own handwriting!

March 26, 1946: City Manager Montgomery officially advised the Common Council that the quietly made payment of more than \$15,000 from the city to the State Employees' Pension Fund on behalf of former Mayor Loehr on his last day in office, actually was not illegal, event though it had not been authorized by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

March 26, 1955: Yonkers Building Department began canvassing all Yonkers multi-family dwellings to insure all houses complied with the new NYS Multiple Dwelling Law. They began on Buena Vista Avenue and found 90% of the buildings were in violation of the new act!

Sunday March 27th

March 27, 1911: Service on the McLean Avenue trolley line was stopped cold by a cow! Bossy had wandered from a nearby farm, and found she liked standing on the tracks. Despite pleading and tugging by the trolley crew and the passengers, she refused to move.

March 27, 1936: A party was held for City Clerk William McCabe at the Arrowhead Inn in Riverdale. Why the celebration? He was feted because the State Court of Appeals upheld his continuance as City Clerk. The Council members had elected Francis Heafy to the position; McCabe had refused to accept the election. The NY Supreme Court had decided 9 days earlier that he was entitled to stay in the position because City Council President Frank Cotter had voted illegally for Heafy to break a six-six tie.

March 27, 1940: The State of New York formally rejected Samuel Untermyer's bequest of Greystone, his five-million-dollar Yonkers estate, because it would be too expensive to maintain.

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 yhsociety@aol.com.

Marijuana Licenses, continued from pg. 1-

Initiative truly sets New York's program apart from other states that have legalized adult-use, by starting out of the gate with an equity- and sustainability-led program that will supply equity entrepreneur-owned dispensaries with sun-grown cannabis products, It is a great start to building a new industry in which small businesses can thrive and generational wealth can be created."

Adam Perry, Cannabis Control Board Member said, "Shaping the New York cannabis industry and putting social equity entrepreneurs at the forefront is a historic opportunity to address the harm caused by cannabis prohibition and fully implement the goals of New York's Cannabis Law. This is the right start for the industry and I look forward to continuing to work with our team to support all license types to ensure we're not only delivering licenses to social equity entrepreneurs, but also setting them up for success over the long-haul."

Senator Liz Krueger said, "The initiatives announced by the Governor today will help to ensure that the equity and justice goals of the MRTA will be met, and that New York farmers and small businesses will serve as the foundation of the legal cannabis market. The MRTA was designed not only to end the failed war on drugs in New York, but specifically to take positive action to help rebuild those communities that were most harmed by prohibition. Offering the first retail licenses to people who have been convicted of marijuana-related offenses is a big step in the right direction, and will set the marketplace on a path where social equity applicants can compete successfully."

Notice of Formation of Jovanna Realty LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/14/2021. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Jovanna Realty LLC, 100 Riverdale Ave., Apt. 8C., Yonkers, NY 10701 Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of formation of Will On Wheels Transport Services LLC Articles of Organization filed with the SSNY Office on 02/18/2022 Office Location: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to : C/O Will on Wheels Transport Services LLC, 519 Locust Street 1B Mount Vernon, NY 10552 Purpose: Any lawful purpose.





The Seeding Opportunity Initiative provides a Conditional Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License to eligible equity-entrepreneur applicants, putting them at the front-end of the adultuse market. This first-round, equity-licensing opportunity will be supported with renovated or renovation-ready retail locations and wraparound services with dispensaries sited in hightraffic areas.

Applications for these priority licenses will open in the Summer of 2022. The first licenses are expected to be distributed by late summer or early fall 2022. This positions equity-entrepreneur-owned dispensaries to make the first adult-use cannabis sales in New York State by the end of 2022, while speeding the delivery of investments into communities across the state that were most impacted by the disproportionate enforcement of cannabis prohibition.

Under the proposed regulations, to be eligible for this initial license, applicants must: Have a cannabis-related offense that occurred prior to the passage of the Marijuana Regulation and Tax Act (MRTA) on March 31, 2021, or had a parent, guardian, child, spouse, or dependent with a pre-MRTA cannabis offense in the State of New York.

Have experience owning and operating a qualifying business in the State of New York.

The New York Social Equity Cannabis Investment Program: Governor Hochul proposed this \$200 million program in her FY 2023 Executive Budget, the nation's first to make funding available for equity entrepreneurs at the forefront of the adult-use cannabis market. Under the proposal, the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY) would provide support with its leasing and construction services to site dispensaries at prime locations and renovate them to meet health, safety, and security requirements. The proposal remains under discussion with the Legislature.

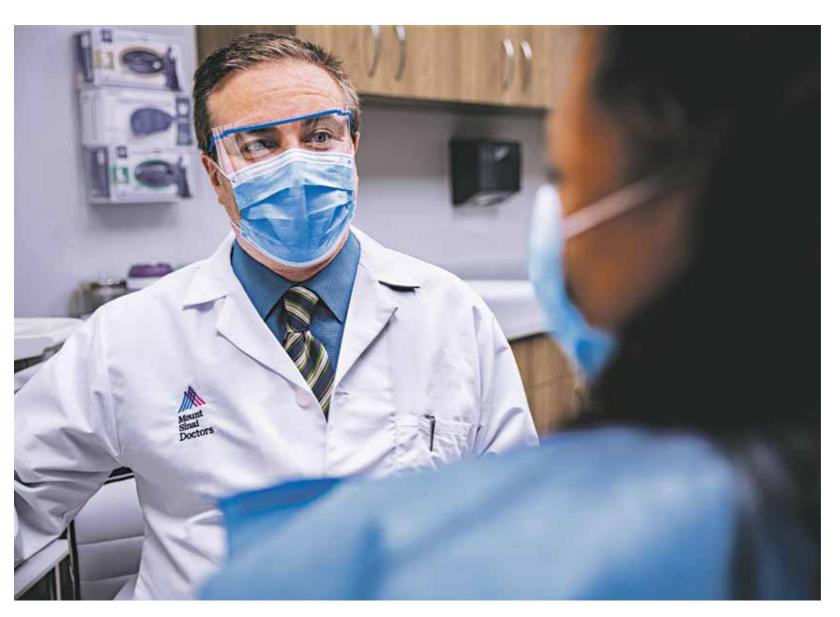
Office of Cannabis Management (OCM) Executive Director Chris Alexander held a press conference on March 10 to discuss the initiative, adding that the state was looking for people with small business experience, who were arrested for small amounts of marijuana, and because of that arrest had either their education aid denied, or had job or other opportunity taken away. Applications must be owned by equity-entrepreneurs with a prior cannabis-related criminal offense who also have a background owning and operating a small business. They will be the first to open and make sales in New York State,

Drug related convictions must have occured before March 31, 2021. The approval of a license can also include family members of an applicant who was convicted of a marijuanarelated offense, or those who have a parent, guardian, child, spouse, or dependent with a pot conviction. Non-profits can also qualify for a license if they can prove that they "serve justice involved individuals and communities with historically high rates of arrest, conviction, incarceration or other indicators of law enforcement activity for [marijuana]-related offenses;" have an established track-record of creating jobs for returned convicts; and if they employ "justice involved" New Yorkers on their boards or in their executive leadership.

Republicans in Albany opposed the plan, and especially the \$200 Million in seed money proposed by the Governor. Republican State Senate Minority Leader Rob Ortt said this plan "hands out hundreds of millions in taxpayer dollars to those who have broken the law."



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