

Yonkers Republicans Nominate Candidates for City Council & County Board

Politopolous Nominated for Council President, but Ron Shutte Also Running For Council President Solieri and Pineda to Challenge Rubbo and Tubiolo in Nov.



Dean Politopolous



Ron Shutte

The Yonkers Republican committee held their convention last week and made nominations for City Council and County Board of Legislators.

Retired Yonkers Police Officer Dean Politopolous was nominated by the GOP to run for City Council President. He defeated Ron Shutte at the convention, but Shutte is expected to challenge Dean in a republican primary in June if both collect the 900 valid signatures required to get on the ballot.

City Councilman Anthony Merante was also nominated for City Council in the 6th District. Merante will be seeking his third term and will face off against demorant Tim Hoges.

Local businessman Tony Solieri was nominated to run in the 4th Council District against Councilman John Rubbo. And the Westchester GOP nominated firefighter Michael Pineda to Challenge Westchester County Legislator David Tubiolo in the 14th District.

Petition Process has begun and goes till April 3rd.

The Westchester County GOP also held their convention last week and nominated a slate of candidates county-wide. See story on pg 11-

Circuit & Yonkers Housing Authority Announce Launch of Electric Shuttle Service



Mayor Mike Spano, Council President Lakisha Collins-Bellamy and Municipal Housing CEO Wilson Kimball help kick off a new EV shuttle service

Partnership between Circuit, Business Council of Westchester and Yonkers Housing Authority provides a temporary solution to help Palisade Towers residents cope during gas outage

Residents at the Palisade Towers housing complex who have been without gas service will be able to use a new electric shuttle to do their laundry starting today, thanks to a partnership that is bringing innovative businesses to Westchester.

Circuit, a leading provider of EV mobility solutions, is running the free shuttle thanks to a partnership with the Business Council of Westchester (BCW). The 100 % electric shuttle, which can be ordered through an app, will transport residents to other housing authority sites where they can do their laundry. Because of the gas outage, more than 1,000 residents have been unable to use washers and dryers since August. They are also relying on microwave and convection ovens for cooking until their buildings can be

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Yonkers St. Pats Parade on McLean March



By Dan Murphy

Yonkers is getting in the spirit, and preparing for the 77th Yonkers St. Patrick's Day Parade along the Emerald Mile of McLean Avenue. starting at 1:00pm on Saturday March 22, 2025. Grand Marshal Denis Mulcahy, pictured left with Rory Dolan, alongside Mayor Mike Spano, proudly raised the Irish flag at Yonkers City Hall, bottom left.

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Lesnick Kicks Off Council President Campaign

Gets Endorsements from County Legislator Williams, Councilwoman Pineda-Isaac



Former two-term Yonkers Council President Chuck Lesnick officially launched his campaign last week to retake his former seat. Surrounded by his family, dozens of community leaders, supporters and volunteers, as well as elected officials such as Councilwoman Corazón Pineda Issac and County Legislator Shanae Williams, Lesnick kicked off the petitioning season promising to bring experienced leadership to the Council amid an era of unprecedented political uncertainty and fear.

"As Trump and his allies continue to push policies that threaten our communities, Yonkers needs proven leadership that understands the challenges we face and has the experience to deliver results," said Lesnick. "During my time as City Council President, we made real progress expanding access to affordable housing, revitalizing our downtown, and investing in education. I'm running to continue that work and ensure Yonkers moves forward for

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Yonkers St. Patrick's Day Parade on McLean Avenue, continued from pg 1-



members of the parade committee with Mayor Mike Spano, City Council President Lakisha Collins-Bellamy, County Legislator James Nolan as the Irish Flag gets raised at City Hall

Bio of DENIS P. MULCAHY 2025 GRAND MARSHAL

Denis P. Mulcahy, a native of Rockchapel, County Cork, emigrated to the United States in 1962. He joined the New York City Police Department in 1969. He served with the Tactical Patrol Force, Street Crime Unit, and the 28th Precinct Detective Squad, before joining the elite Bomb Squad in 1983. He retired in 2002 as a First Grade Detective after 33 years of dedicated service to the NYPD. In 1975, Denis was instrumental in founding the Greenwood Lake Gaelic Cultural Society and served as its first President. Later that same year, Denis was also one of the founders of Project Children. Throughout the 40 years of the Project Children program, over 23,000 young Catholic and Protestant children travelled to the US for summer holiday respite from the everyday violence and strife of their homeland. The program continues to this day in the form of an intern program for young college students. The program is both cross community and cross border, and endeavors to give participants the opportunity to immerse themselves in American culture, by living and working in the US.

Throughout Denis' extensive career, he has received numerous awards for his work with the NYPD and with Project Children. Most notably, Denis was twice nominated for the prestigious Nobel Peace Prize, as well as being bestowed the TOP COPS® Award in Washington D.C. Denis was given a Medal of Valor by the NYPD for the extremely dangerous task of defusing a bomb and was the NYC Police Department Emerald Society's Man of the Year. His Holiness, Pope John Paul II awarded Denis the Benemerenti Medal, and he also received the Private Sector Initiative Commendation from President Ronald Reagan. Cardinal John O'Connor awarded Denis the Cardinal Cooke Right to Life, and he received the John F. Kennedy Memorial Award in Louisville Kentucky, the highest award of recognition bestowed by the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Denis holds an Honorary Doctorate degree from both Mount Saint Mary College and Holy Family University and in 2016 Denis received the title of Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (OBE) by Her Majesty the Queen Elizabeth II. In 2017, at the AOH NY State Convention, Denis received the Commodore John Barry medal, and he also received the Presidential Distinguished Service Award for the Irish Abroad from the President of Ireland, Michael D. Higgins. A full list of accolades can be found on the Project Children website. In 2018, the Mulcahy Scholarship was launched by the Aisling Irish Community Center, Yonkers, New York, in tribute to Denis and his family's enormous commitment to Project Children, along with his service as an AICC board member for over 25 years. The scholarship offers American high school students the opportunity to travel to Ireland and participate in educational summer courses, exposing them to Irish culture, heritage, arts, and sport.

In February 2024, the former Taoiseach (Prime Minister) of Ireland, Leo Varadkar, met with Denis and the Monaghan County Council in Co. Monaghan, Ireland to officially announce the cultural partnership between Project Children and the Monaghan Peace Campus, where the history and memorabilia of the Project Children program will be archived, allowing posterity to learn of the accomplishments of this conscientious, volunteer run organization. The official launch of the permanent archive is set for October 8, 2025, at the Monaghan Peace Campus. Project Children is also proudly celebrating its 50-year anniversary in 2025 and to coincide with this milestone,

Denis is proud to be named as the Grand Marshal of the Yonkers St. Patrick's Day parade on March 22, 2025, where he will be greatly honored to lead the community on McLean Avenue for a memorable celebration. Denis is married to Miriam (nee O'Rourke), a native of County Leitrim. They reside in Greenwood Lake, New York and have four children: Denis Jr., a partner with Deloitte and Touche, Maureen, a retired Lieutenant with Manhattan Detectives, Sean, also with the NYPD Bomb Squad, and Tara, a Sergeant with the New York State Court. They have eight grandchildren: Tara-Lynne, Denise, Seana, Kaitlyn, Denis III, Lindsay, Sean, and Jake, and one great grandson, Maverick.

More on the parade next week.



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On This Day in Yonkers History...



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

Monday, March 10th

March 10, 1944: Yonkers Board of Education Trustees refused to seat two trustees appointed by Mayor Curtis Frank and confirmed by the Common Council!

Frank appointed Philip Cornick and Abraham Elkind to replace Abraham Rosenblum and Board President William Crocker. Only one Trustee, John Class, supported seating Frank's appointees. Class made the motion to seat them; no other trustee seconded the motion. Cornick and Elkind left.

The motion was tabled, pending a court decision on the problem. Crocker stated, "Education is a state matter... since a local board operates under the State Education Law... action in educational policies is subject to the advice and direction of the State Department of Education."

The meeting was attended by a large crowd. Westchester Grand Jury Foreman J. Kendrick Noble, Councilman Edith Welty, and many other residents not only filled the room, they overflowed into the hallway.

Tuesday March 11th

March 11, 1922: During a heavy storm, Dr. Elmer Sheets saw a tattered American flag flying from Yonkers City Hall flagpole. He immediately called Mayor Taussig to complain, telling the mayor if the city couldn't replace the flag, he would donate one.

After investigation, Taussig found Yonkers used a special flag during bad weather. Our regular flag was taken down during storms and returned when the weather cleared.

March 11, 1937: The School Fifteen PTA called a special meeting because they disagreed with our Health Department! Twenty students in the school had mumps; parents wanted tighter quarantine restrictions. They wanted children kept home if their siblings had mumps to protect other children from being exposed to the disease.

Health Commissioner John Faiella immediately vetoed their idea, stating it would increase the possibility siblings would get mumps.

Wednesday, March 12th

March 12, 1930: Gray Place's Robert Snody wrote and directed the new film just completed at RCA Gramercy Studio. "The Love Kiss" storyline centered around a wager two teens made about which one would kiss their handsome teacher first. Snody later became a director, editor and production manager, working in NY studios. He eventually left Yonkers and moved to California.

March 12, 1936: Yonkers Police Department officers circulated a petition asking the Board of Police Commissioners to grant patrolmen one night off in every 16 days, instead of one night in every 20. The men believed this plan could be put into effect without disrupting the department.

Thursday, March 13th

March 13, 1930: Introduced by Nicholas Lasko, President of the Associate Hungarian Societies of Yonkers, Count Mihaly (Michael) Karolyi, Hungary's first president, spoke in the Masonic Temple on Anti-Fascism. Sponsored

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NOTIFICATION OF JOB OFFER

We are hiring attendants to engage at Honda's Café Corp, (Dobbs Ferry, New York). We are seeking candidates who demonstrate leadership skills, successfully motivating and guiding the team. Additionally, having a passion for coffee culture and a desire to learn and share knowledge with both the team and customers is essential. Excellent communication skills to treat customers with courtesy and respect are indispensable. Experience with Microsoft Excel or Planning will be considered an advantage for inventory management, purchasing, and inventory control. Flexibility in scheduling is required, including weekends and holidays. Proficiency either in Spanish and Portuguese languages is desirable, though not essential. 48 Hours per week. INCOME/YEAR – \$ 46,800/YEAR. Please contact Valnei Honda Soares, CEO, via email at procesohonda@gmail.com

George (in) Washington and Me



By Eric Wolf schoen

George

I was up at 5 in the morning earlier this week, couldn't fall back asleep and thought, 'Who would be up so early today?' Then I remembered my Congressman George Latimer was always up early when he was County Executive. Could he remain on the same schedule? Yes friends he is!

Unlike his predecessor, George is not blabbing his mouth off 24-7-365 about issues he knows nothing about. I see George in a similar vein as Eliot Engel, Nita Lowey, Dick Ottinger and the many others who came before him. Concentration on constituent services with a sharp eye on the goings around the world. George is not joining crazy coalitions.

With his predecessor gone, the National nightmare he represented is over. Hey, let's wish the man all the best in his future endeavors!

So I asked George how he likes his new job. His eloquent response:

"My nine weeks in Washington has been a combination of awe and awful. The awe is to see the historic nature of The Capitol and Congress; the great people that served there and shaped American history. A place of a Lincoln and an FDR. It is amazing.

"The awful is the chaos created by Trump and Musk who want to wreck the system as it is without knowing how or what would replace it - and in the meantime, being cold and heartless to the people that have been hurt and in some cases ruined by their careless actions. There's a way to reform, to reduce costs and root out true corruption, but this ain't it. This is revenge. Pure and simple"

What more can I say? As someone who heard from a friend who got one of those stupid 5 accomplishment letters only to be told by his boss not to complete it, Washington is in a state of chaos. Just like he brought calm to a Congressional district previously occupied by giants, let's hope he can Make America Grown Up again with people who are respected for their service, not treated like children

Me

Many of you know I have been going through hell heath wise lately. I am on the mend, but it's a long way to Tiparary! I need your prayers!

My saga began December 17. I have had scoliosis since my uncle, Dr. Augustus Wolf discovered it as a child. No surgery, but always watching it. At 64 I got Parkinson's which complicates the scenario. Started walking with a walker.

Orthopedist and Neurologist wanted surgery immediately. Successful surgery with lots of complications. Fever. Infection. Pain. To make things worse, surgery was in NJ far away from Yonkers. My doc does surgery there. No Chanukah, Christmas or New Year's Celebrations.


8 weeks later, my incision opens. Rush back to NJ hospital. After 3 operations back at New Jersey hospital (I wouldn't bring my dog there to have his nails clipped.

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Jenkins, Latimer, Lalwer & Westchester Fight to Keep White Plains Social Security Office Open

Following the closure of the Social Security Office in White Plains, Westchester County Executive Ken Jenkins and U.S. Congressman George Latimer stepped in to ensure continued access to vital services. In a proactive move, they offered County-owned space to the federal government to serve as a new Social Security Office, preserving local access for residents. Jenkins said: "Our priority is ensuring that Westchester County maintains access to essential services. We are committed to supporting seniors, individuals with disabilities and many others by finding solutions that keep Social Security resources available in White Plains. I'm grateful to Congressman Latimer for collaborating with me and Westchester County to turn this request and proposed solution into a reality." Latimer said: "The expected closure of the Social Security Administration's White Plains hearing office will mean seniors and people with disabilities will have to drive long distances – as far away as New Haven and Albany – at greater expense, to fight for their rights. But that does not have to happen. I am glad to work with my friend and former colleague County Executive Ken Jenkins to offer County space to keep these important services in White Plains. I will work with officials at all levels of government to try to make this a reality." County officials are now working with federal representatives to explore potential locations and expedite the process of establishing a new office.

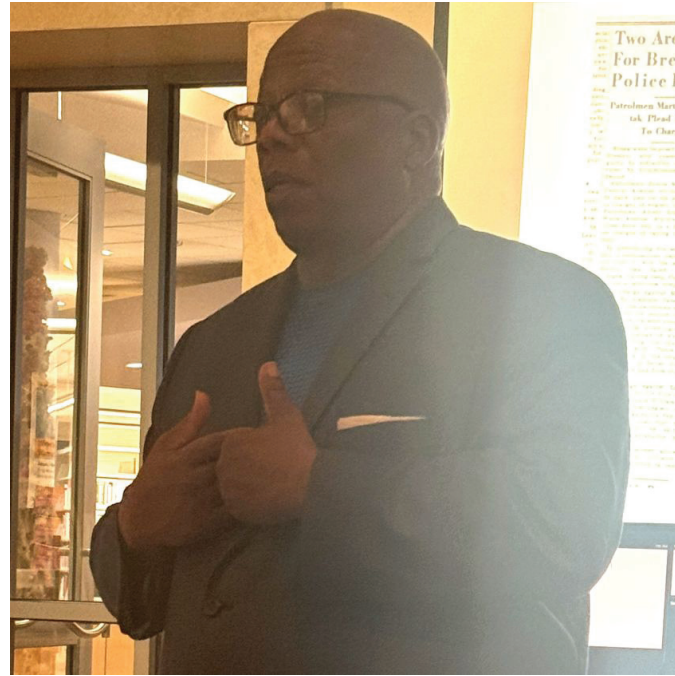
"I have expressed my outrage at the looming closure of the Social Security Administration's hearing office in White Plains directly to both the Biden and Trump administrations," said U.S. Rep. Mike Lawler, a Hudson Valley Republican. "I'll keep working in a bipartisan way to prevent it from happening. While this move may have begun in December of 2024, it should not be seen through — too many folks in the Hudson Valley would be negatively impacted."

They shouldn't have to go to the South Bronx or Albany to get service," Lawler said. "We will do everything we can to open in another location."

The final decision to close the White Plains office was made in December of 2024, in the last month of President Biden's administration.

The Trump administration would have to make a decision to keep open the Westchester office or open one in the Westchester, Putnam and Rockland County areas. Or they can led the decision stand.

Detective Ken Davis Unveils the Hidden History of the Yonkers Police Department



Ken Davis, left

By Dennis Richmond Jr.

On Wednesday, February 26th, 2025, a captivating historical presentation took place at the Yonkers Riverfront Library, where Yonkers native and seasoned police detective Ken Davis shared an insightful exploration of African Americans' legacy in the Yonkers Police Department. The event, well-received by a crowd of nearly two dozen attendees, took a deep dive into the milestones and remarkable figures that shaped the department's history.

Davis, known for his eloquent storytelling and dedication to preserving history, took the audience on a journey through the early days of African American police officers in Yonkers. He introduced the first three Black officers, referred to as "Negro officers" at the time, who blazed trails in a challenging era. These pioneering men—Thomas Brooks, James Martin, and Stewart Freeman—were the foundation upon which future officers would build.

Thomas Brooks, the very first Black officer in Yonkers, is the brother of Frank Brooks. This is the Brooks family of Brooks Funeral Home on Warburton Avenue, a family deeply ingrained in Yonkers' history. Davis also highlighted the contributions of later officers like Lieutenant Lorenzo Paul, whose name resonated with many in the audience, and Victor Mendez, whose legacy remains vital to the community.

The presentation transcended the Yonkers Police Department's boundaries and ventured into broader themes of New York and Black American history. For example, the audience learned the fascinating tidbit that the Messiah Baptist Church of Yonkers once stood on Irving Place before moving to Warburton Avenue, providing a historical context many attendees were unaware of. Additionally, it was revealed that Stewart Freeman, the third Black officer to join the department, once walked patrols along School Street, further deepening the personal connection between the history of the department and the Yonkers community.

By the end of the evening, Davis had not only illuminated the rich history of the Yonkers Police Department but also enriched the understanding of broader African American history, fostering a sense of pride and appreciation among those present. His presentation was a powerful reminder of the often-overlooked contributions of Black Americans to the fabric of America. Especially in Yonkers.

Dennis Richmond Jr. is on Twitter @NewYorkStakz. He is a journalist focused on Black, Latinx, and LGBTQ+ Communities.

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Mount Vernon Man Charged in Bee Line Bus Shooting in Yonkers



Levar Dimmie

An argument between two passengers on a Bee Line Bus in Westchester got out of control on March 3, resulting in one man pulling out a gun and shooting the other. The bus had stopped at Yonkers Avenue and Vernon Avenue in Yonkers, when Levar Dimmie, 48, of Mt. Vernon, and Daniel Pena, 36, got off the bus to continue their argument.

Dimmie pulled out his gun and fired a single shot, hitting Pena in his arm. Dimmie then ran off, but was apprehended by Yonkers police shortly thereafter on Bronx River Road. Police found a handgun on Dimmie and he was arrested for first degree assault and criminal possession of a weapon.

"I commend the swift and professional actions of our patrol officers in apprehending this suspect and securing the scene. The collaborative efforts of our patrol officers, detectives, and Crime Scene Unit were crucial in this investigation. We will continue to work tirelessly to hold those who commit acts of violence accountable," says Yonkers Police Commissioner Chris Sapienza.

Residents and witnesses on Yonkers Avenue, saw Pena bleeding and calling out "I just got shot."

Others were concerned, but not surprised that Dimmie had a gun.

Yonkers Charter School Honors Former Governor Pataki and Founders at Annual Gala



*Former NY Governor
George Pataki*

The Foundation in Support of Educational Excellence (FSEE) will honor former New York Governor George E. Pataki alongside the school's visionary founders, Eduardo LaGuerre and Sobeida Cruz, at its May 1 gala.

This year's event will commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Charter School of Educational Excellence (CSEE), a K-12 public charter school that opened its doors in 2005 in a defunct supermarket on Warburton Avenue.

Governor Pataki's leadership was instrumental in the establishment of charter schools in New York. In 1998, he successfully championed the state's first charter school law, which created more educational choices for families.

"Governor Pataki's foresight and determination fundamentally reshaped New York's education landscape by making charter schools a reality," said Elizabeth Bracken-Thompson, Co-Chair of FSEE. "His efforts provided thousands of children with access to high-quality education, including the students of CSEE. We are also thrilled to recognize Eduardo LaGuerre and Sobeida Cruz, who faced immense challenges in founding and growing CSEE. Their unwavering commitment has transformed the lives of countless students and families."

LaGuerre, Founder and Chair of the Board of Trustees of CSEE, played a pivotal role in securing funding and overseeing the development of the school's first facility. He formerly collaborated with the New York City Board of Education on the Charter High School for Sports Management. Cruz, a dedicated board member, has a distinguished career in public service, including leadership roles with the New York Power Authority and the South Bronx Community Planning Board.

Since last year's gala, CSEE has continued to achieve remarkable milestones. The school opened a state-of-the-art fitness center; celebrated a state championship victory by the girls' volleyball team; began rehearsals for its spring production, *Seussical the Musical*, set for May 16 & 17; and welcomed the NBA and the Hospital for Special Surgery, which filmed a national high school sports training safety video featuring CSEE student-athletes.

The May 1 gala starts at 6 p.m. at Kanopi in White Plains. The evening will feature an exquisite dining experience crafted by acclaimed Chef Anthony Goncalves at Kanopi, offering guests a memorable culinary experience while supporting FSEE's mission to enrich student opportunities at CSEE.

For sponsorship opportunities and ticket information, please visit the CSEE's website or email scruz@cseeschool.org.

Disbarred Real Estate Attorney Brian Schmidt

Charged with Grand Larceny

Westchester County District Attorney Susan Cacace announced that a former Westchester-based real estate attorney was taken into custody and charged with one count of Grand Larceny in the Second Degree in connection with an alleged theft of client funds.

DA Cacace said: "Members of the bar are entrusted with a great deal of responsibility on behalf of the people they represent. Brian Schmidt is accused of abusing that trust to enrich himself at the expense of his client. My office stands ready to assist the victim in this case and will work toward obtaining restitution for her and anyone else harmed by his conduct."

As alleged in the felony complaint, Brian Schmidt, 49, of Warwick, N.Y., represented a home seller at a real estate closing between August and November of 2022 and unlawfully retained over \$50,000 of the proceeds from the sale.

He surrendered to law enforcement and was arraigned Tuesday night before Judge Gary Raniolo of the Yorktown Justice Court. Schmidt pleaded not guilty and was released. In June 2024, Schmidt was disbarred from the practice of law in connection with this incident and other alleged acts of misconduct. Attached is the decision from the Appellate Division, Second Department, ordering Schmidt's disbarment.

The case was investigated by the Westchester DA's Criminal Investigators Squad and the Economic Crimes and Public Integrity Bureaus. The case is being prosecuted by Emily Rowe-Smith of the Economic Crimes Bureau.

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484 SAW MILL LLC - Notice of formation of 484 SAW MILL LCC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/05/2025. Office: 7 Burkewood Road, Hartsdale NY 10530 Westchester County. SSNY designated Ciaran Rogers as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 7 Burkewood Road, Hartsdale NY 10530. Purpose: Real Estate

Notice of formation of Break Bread Not Hearts, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/26/2024. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Break Bread Not Hearts, LLC PO Box 36 Valhalla, NY 10595 Purpose: any lawful activity.

Name of formation of THEOAK LLC. Date of filing Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State (SSNY) 6/14/24. The LLC is located in Westchester County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against it served is to the principal business location at c/o 669 Main Street, Unit 605, New Rochelle NY 10801. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

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Notice of formation of 1M Consulting LLC filed with the SSNY on 11/05/2024 with the existence date as 01/01/2025. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whole processes against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of processes to the LLC, 3 Ward Street, Hastings-on-Hudson, NY 10706. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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converted from gas to electricity.

“We are grateful to the Business Council of Westchester and its Westchester Innovation Network (WIN) for connecting us with Circuit to come up with this innovative solution. This will be a tremendous help to Palisade Towers residents who have been coping admirably while we work to convert their buildings to electric service,” said Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano.

Circuit CEO Alexander Esposito said that he hoped this pilot program with the Yonkers Housing Authority would lead to additional services in Yonkers, similar to other programs already operating in cities like New Rochelle.

“We’ve received interest from Yonkers residents since we began service in New Rochelle over 4 years ago,” said Alexander Esposito, CEO at Circuit. “We’re grateful for MHACY’s vision and support. We are honored to be working alongside such dedicated community partners. With the launch of this service, Circuit is eager to enhance sustainability in the City of Yonkers, and to continue to provide essential first/last-mile connections for the New York metro area.”

Circuit has provided an all-electric, on-demand shuttle service within downtown New Rochelle since 2019.

Marsha Gordon, President and CEO of the Business Council of Westchester, said that WIN was designed to create matches like those between Circuit and the Yonkers Housing Authority: ones that meet a need and create economic development opportunities for innovative business to come to Westchester.

“MHACY is a forward-thinking organization that has repeatedly welcomed collaboration with WIN,” said Marsha Gordon, President and CEO of the Business Council of Westchester. “The authority’s partnership with Circuit demonstrates an outstanding commitment to helping its residents overcome a challenging time, making it a model for how organizations can better serve their communities.”

The program will offer an electric van and a GEM, which is a low-speed neighborhood electric vehicle, for trips between Palisade Towers and Calcagno Homes. Vehicles will operate on a regular loop within a geo-fenced coverage area. The Circuit service will be available to request for residents via flag down and through the Ride Circuit app during the following times:

Wednesday, 10AM-2PM, Thursday, 6PM-10PM, Sunday, 7AM-12PM

Wilson Kimball, President and CEO of the Yonkers Housing Authority, said the fact that the shuttle is 100% electric was a perfect fit for the YHA, which has been a leader in sustainable, affordable housing.

“Equity is a pillar of MHACY’s mission to build a more sustainable Yonkers and equip our residents for success,” said Kimball. “Because of this, we are proud to partner with Circuit to offer an innovative e-shuttle program, allowing the Palisade Towers community to utilize the service at no cost.”

In addition to providing sustainable transportation options and reducing congestion, the Circuit shuttle service will provide local employment opportunities. Circuit prioritizes hiring a team of driver ambassadors based locally around Yonkers to operate this service.

CORPORATION NOTICE
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING POSTPONEMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the City Council of the City of Yonkers, New York has postponed the Public Hearing previously scheduled for Tuesday, March 11 at 6:30 PM in the City Council Chambers, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York on the following ordinance:

SPECIAL ORDINANCE 60-2024
A SPECIAL ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE ACQUISITION

OF THE FOLLOWING LEASEHOLD INTEREST AT 76 FERNBROOK STREET REQUIRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE WATERFRONT PARK AT FERNBROOK STREET

This Public Hearing will be rescheduled for a later date and corresponding notices will be published in this periodical.

Further information may be obtained at the City Clerk’s office, City Hall, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York and on the City’s Website.
VINCENT SPANO
City Clerk

**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 Tuesday, March 25 at 6:30 PM in the City Council Chambers, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York on the following ordinance to inform the public and review the public purpose, pursuant to Eminent Domain Procedure Law, of the proposed acquisition of the leasehold held by All County Bus ,LLC, located at 76 Fernbrook Street, also known as a portion of Section 1, Block 615, Lot 1 designated on the Official Tax Map of the City of Yonkers, for the development of a waterfront park, to wit:

**SPECIAL ORDINANCE 60-2024
A SPECIAL ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE ACQUISITION OF THE FOLLOWING LEASEHOLD INTEREST AT 76 FERNBROOK STREET REQUIRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE WATERFRONT PARK AT FERNBROOK STREET**

All persons having an interest in the leasehold, which acquisition is required for the development of the waterfront park, are invited to attend the hearing to give oral or written statements concerning the proposed acquisition,

**Further information may be obtained at the City Clerk’s office, City Hall, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York and on the City’s Website.
VINCENT SPANO, City Clerk, February 27, 2025**

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Yonkers Mayor Spano Puts Spotlight on Achievements at School 30



School 30 Students, Mayor Spano's School Spotlight Award (Photo Credit: Maurice Mercado/ City of Yonkers)

Yonkers Deputy Mayor Susan Gerry joined Associate Superintendent, Rose Anne Collins-Judon to present the Mayor's School Spotlight Award to the deserving administration, faculty, staff, parents, and students at School 30. Under the leadership of Principal Michael Shapiro, School 30 has made notable strides in three pivotal areas: Academic Excellence, Student Engagement and Leadership, and Community and Innovation.

"As the Mayor of Yonkers, I am incredibly proud of the tremendous achievements of School 30. Under the dedicated leadership of Principal Michael Shapiro, our students have excelled academically and demonstrated exceptional engagement and leadership," said Mayor Spano. "Their impressive accomplishments, including significant improvements in state exams and the successful launch of initiatives like the Newcomers Program, highlight the commitment and resilience of our students, educators, and community. I commend School 30 for their outstanding efforts and look forward to witnessing their continued success."

Principal Michael Shapiro and his team at School 30 have worked tirelessly to meet the needs of their learning community in the past year. Their dedication has resulted in significant improvements in the school's performance.

Some of the initiatives that have contributed to the school's success include:

Academic Excellence – School 30 students achieved a 20% increase in Mathematics and an 18% increase in English Language Arts on state exams between 2019 and 2024. In addition, 56% of the students increased their proficiency levels. 100% of 8th-grade students passed the Algebra Regents in June 2024, with the opportunity to earn three high school credits in Algebra, Biology, and Spanish.

Student Engagement and Leadership – The school boasts a student-elected government that collaborates with administrators, as well as thriving MBK and MSK chapters with over 60 students. Their first joint initiative, a Holiday Toy Drive, resulted in 75 wrapped presents for children in need.

Community and Innovation – School 30 launched a Newcomers Program to support Spanish and Arabic speaking families, providing designated teachers who assist with school-related matters. The school also enjoys a strong partnership with Sarah Lawrence College, where college students work in classrooms to support academics

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Project-Based Voucher and Public Housing Waiting List is Open for Multiple Senior and Family Sites

The Municipal Housing Authority for the City of Yonkers (MHACY) announces that the Family/Senior waiting list for the Project-Based Voucher (PBV) and Public housing sites listed below will open for pre-application on **Thursday, March 27, 2025 (9:00 AM ET), and close on Friday, March 28, 2025 (11:59 PM ET).**

All pre-applications **MUST BE** submitted electronically on mhacy.org.

*****Please note that submission of an online pre-application does not guarantee placement on the waiting list, and placement on the waiting list does not guarantee eligibility or an offer of housing.*****

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- The family must be eligible for a studio, one, two-bedroom, three-bedroom or four-bedroom unit according to MHACY’s occupancy standards. The definition of elderly/senior is at least 62 years of age at the time of application.
- Eligibility is based on household income, citizenship, and the ability of the family to meet screening requirements.
- MHACY does not discriminate based on race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, familial status, or disability.

HOW TO APPLY

1. **Only one** (1) application per household, per waiting list will be accepted.
2. **Complete & Submit Online Pre-Application at mhacy.org.**
3. **For Phone Assistance:** Please contact the Admissions Department at **(914) 793-3247**.
4. **In-Person Assistance:** **Please see below and/or consult mhacy.org.**
5. If you are an individual with **disabilities or need translation services** to complete the online application process, please contact MHACY’s Admissions Department at **(914) 793-3247**.

PLACEMENT ON THE WAITING LIST

- Only pre-applications with families that **meet the qualification criteria AND were received in a timely manner** will be added to the waitlist.
- After being placed on the waiting list you will receive a letter of confirmation.
- The waiting time is determined by applicant order on the waiting list; the bedroom size required; and unit vacancy.

ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION

- MHACY does not discriminate based on race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, familial status, or disability.
- All sites have available units for people with mobility, hearing, or visual impairments.
- Reasonable accommodation and modifications may be requested.

INCOME LIMIT PER FAMILY SIZE

- All income-eligible households may submit an application. To meet U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development requirements families’ incomes must not exceed the following 2024 income limits.

1 Person	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person	5 Person	6 Person	7 Person	8 Person
\$32,800	\$37,500	\$42,200	\$46,850	\$50,600	\$54,350	\$58,100	\$61,850

IN-PERSON ASSISTANCE LOCATIONS

If you need assistance completing online applications, we have computers available and people who can help at the following locations:

Yonkers Office of the Aging
 435 Riverdale Avenue
 Yonkers, NY 10705
 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Calcagno Gymnasium
 10 Brook Street
 Yonkers, NY 10705
 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM



PROPERTY NAME, LOCATION, SITE TYPE, NUMBER OF BEDROOMS

Property Name	Location	Site Type	Bedrooms
PBV Palisade Towers	1– 8 Schroeder St	Family Site	1– 4 Brs
PBV Hall Homes	10– 20 Kenmore St, 15– 25 Dunbar St	Family Site	1– 4 Brs
PBV Loehr	10– 80 Western Ave	Family Site	1– 3 Brs
PBV Calcagno	10 Brook St, 55 School St, 80 School St	Family Site	1– 4 Brs
PBV Seven Townhomes	Shoreview Dr, Helena Ave, Wrexham Rd, Midland Ave, Trenchard St, Gaffney Pl, Loring Ave, Clark St, Central Park Ave	Family Site	1– 3 Brs
PBV Riverview	47 Riverdale Ave, 34 Prospect St, 50 Hawthorne Ave	Family Site	1– 4 Brs
PBV Parkledge	220– 250 Yonkers Ave	Family Site	1– 4 Brs
PBV Jackson Terrace	100 Herriot St	Family Site	0– 3 Brs
PBV Point & Ravine	60 Point St, 56 Ravine Ave, 69 Ravine Ave	Family Site	1– 3 Brs
PBV Westhab	Knowles St, Livingston Ave, Elm St, S Waverly St, Elliott Ave, Lawrence St, Bruce Ave Locust Hill Ave	Family Site	1– 3 Brs
PBV Grant Park	1 Whelan Pl, 5 Whelan Pl, 9 Whelan Pl, 9 Vinyard Ave, 1 Whetstone Ave, 5 Whetstone Ave	Family Site	1– 3 Brs
PBV Park Vista	193 Ashburton Ave	Family Site	1– 2 Brs
PBV Ridgeway	172 Warburton Ave, 178 Warburton Ave, 188 Warburton Ave, 10 Willow Pl, 20 Willow Pl, 33 Ashburton Ave	Family Site	0– 4 Brs
PBV66mn	66 Main Street Lofts	Family Site	0– 2 Brs
PBV Dorado	160 Warburton Ave	Family Site	0– 3 Brs
PBV Father Finian	1 Fr Finian Sullivan Dr	Near Senior Citizen (Age 55+)	1 Br
PBV La Mora	23 Mulberry St	Senior Citizen (Age 62+)	1– 2 Brs
PBV School House Terrace	43 Ashburton Ave	Senior Citizen (Age 62+)	1 Br
PBV Park Terrace	110 Ashburton Ave	Senior Citizen (Age 62+)	1 Br
PBV Walsh	57-97 Walsh Rd	Senior Citizen (Age 62+) and/or Disabled	0 & 1 Brs
PBV Curran Court	1– 4 Curran Ct	Senior Citizen (Age 62+) and/or Disabled	1 Br
PBV Martinelli	21 Ellison Ave	Senior Citizen (Age 62+) and/or Disabled	1 Br
PBV Troy	200 Willow St	Senior Citizen (Age 62+) and/or Disabled	1 Br
PBV Kristensen	45 Seymour St	Senior Citizen (Age 62+) and/or Disabled	1 Br
PBV Flynn	334 Riverdale Ave	Senior Citizen (Age 62+) and/or Disabled	0 & 1 Brs
Public Housing	1 Whelan Pl, 5 Whelan Pl, 9 Whelan Pl, 9 Vinyard Ave, 193 Ashburton Ave, 33 Ashburton Ave	Family Site	1– 3 Brs

Women Judges Gather to Celebrate Female Leadership in the Judiciary



The World Mission Society Church of God (WMSCOG) in Scarsdale, NY hosted the Women in Justice Seminar & Forum for the UN International Day of Women Judges. This event was to celebrate and recognize the women in the New York State Unified Court System who have made great strides towards gender equality in the judicial system. It also helped raise awareness about the continued struggles women face in the judiciary.

Keynote speakers included Hon. Kathie Davidson, Dean of the New York State Judicial Institute, and Hon. Bianka Perez, President of the National Association for Women Judges. Opening the night's events, Hon. Kathie Davidson delivered a powerful keynote address about the profound changes women's roles have undergone. "You've heard about many women's leadership roles here this evening. Probably 10 or 15 years ago, these [roles] just didn't exist," Davidson explained. She continued to encourage discourse during Women's History Month. "We must continue these conversations. One of the most powerful things we judges have is the power to convene, the power to bring everyone around the table. That's not political, that's how we do our work."

In a follow-up keynote address, Hon. Bianka Perez spoke of the progress that has been made in gender equality within the judiciary. "There are more women judges in the Bronx than in any other counties in the state of New York," Perez said. Perez concluded with divine encouragement, saying, "If God saw fit to appoint Deborah as a judge in the Old Testament, by serving as judges today, we are continuing to fulfill God's will by having women judges like us on the bench. History is still being written. We must continue the challenges, support one another, and ensure that the path we have forged is strengthened for those who will follow us."

The evening proceeded with a forum discussion with Hon. Janet Malone, Hon. Marissa Soto, and Hon. Lisette Fernandez, led by moderator Victor Lozado. The women discussed their motivation toward the judiciary path, struggles navigating a male-dominated field, and how motherhood has shaped their judgements for the better. After the panel discussion, a seminar was conducted showcasing Biblical prophecies that highlight the rise of women to prominent positions as we see today. The event concluded with a three-course dinner to recognize the accomplishments of the attendees.

Other attendees included Westchester and Bronx Supreme Court justices, family court judges, court attorney referees, and lawyers, among others. This event supported the Sustainable Development Goals, including "Reduced Inequalities" and "Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions." For more information about the World Mission Society Church of God, please visit newyorkwmscog.com.

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Westchester Republicans Pick Christine Sculti to Run For County Executive in November

Trump Names John Sarcone -US Attorney Northern NY

By Dan Murphy

The Westchester Republican Party held its convention last week and nominated Christine Sculti for Westchester County Executive. Sculti will now run against Democrat County Executive Ken Jenkins on November 4.

Jenkins defeated Sculti in February in a special election to replace George Latimer, who was elected to Congress. This election on Nov. 4 will be for a four year term.

The Westchester GOP's Slate of candidates include:

Judy Jakab-Derocco from New Rochelle for Westchester County Clerk
Edward R. Mevec from Buchana, for Westchester County Surrogate Court Judge
Joseph I. Farca New Rochelle, for Westchester County Court Judge
Jeanmarie A. Marquardt from Cortlandt Manor, Westchester Family Court Judge
Kevin R. Byrnes, Jr., from Yorktown, for County BOL District 1
Braille A. Diaz, Mt. Kisco, County BOL District 2
County Legislator Margaret A. Cunzio BOL District 3
Kevin O'Keefe, Baldwin Place, County BOL District 4
Joseph R. Devita Port Chester, County BOL District 6
Khristen M. Kerr, County BOL, District 8
Laurie Abbate-Ryan Cortland Manor, County BOL District 9
Edwinna Herrera New Rochelle, County BOL District 11
Michael Pineda Yonkers, County BOL District 14
County Legislator James Nolan, District 15

"We have a terrific slate of candidates," said Westchester GOP Chair Doug Colety. Christine is running again and we are going to fight tooth and nail in all of our elections. We are going to run on the issues that voters are concerned about. The democrats are trying to destroy the country, and locally there is a lot we can do and run on. \

"We have candidates for County Board of Legislators and County Executive. If we win both of those races, republicans in Westchester are ready. We're back," said Colety.

Colety pointed out that Sculti had three weeks to campaign for the special election last month, "I give her credit for running a good campaign and now with more time we can reach out to more people and work hard for all of our candidates. "We want voters in Westchester to take a closer look at Christine for November. And all of our candidates."

Several Westchester republicans we spoke to said that they had hoped that Assemblyman Matt Slater would run for County Executive. We hear that Westchester Democrats did a poll, with Jenkins handily defeating Slater for County Executive.

"I thought Matt was going to run for County Executive this year, not only to help the party, but to get his name recognition out there for the future," said one Yonkers Republican. "But I applaud Christine's decision to run. She's a fighter."

In another development for a Westchester Republican, John Sarcone was appointed by US Attorney General Pam Bondi to be the US Attorney for the Northern District of New York.

"Attorney General Pamela Bondi has appointed John A. Sarcone III as the United States Attorney for the Northern District of New York. Mr. Sarcone will start on March 17," read the release from the United States Department of Justice.

"As United States Attorney, Mr. Sarcone will serve as the Northern District of New York's chief federal law enforcement officer, supervising an office of 49 Assistant U.S. Attorneys, 4 Special Assistant U.S. Attorneys, 41 support staff members, and 9 contract support staff members. He will be responsible for prosecuting federal criminal offenses and representing the United States in civil litigation in the Northern District of New York and in the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

"Mr. Sarcone stated: "Coming from a humble, blue-collar background – growing up in Croton-on-Hudson, having the same teachers at Croton High School as my parents had, and with my grandmother and children also graduating from that school, and having worked full-time while going at night to the Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University– I am deeply humbled and honored to have been named U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of New York.

"I shall carry out my duties faithfully and with steadfast dedication to our nation, community, and the citizens of the Northern District of New York.

"Thank you, Attorney General Bondi, for trusting me to carry out this important mission and most importantly thank you President Trump for once again having faith and confidence in me to do my part to accomplish one of your most important tasks – to restore public confidence and trust in our government and the Department of Justice."

"Mr. Sarcone, who will be based in Albany, has been a dedicated public servant and lawyer for many years. From 2018 to 2021, Mr. Sarcone served as Northeast and Caribbean Regional Administrator for the U.S. General Services Administration, overseeing a large team responsible for federal buildings and facilities, procurement, and IT initiatives, and working with dozens of federal agencies and courthouses, including in the Northern District of New York. Earlier in his career, he served as Town Attorney in Eastchester, New York, and General Counsel to the United Federation of Special Police Officers, Inc. and to the Association of Commuter Rail Employees.

Mr. Sarcone also founded and built a general practice law firm, providing advice to small businesses and family-owned corporations, handling large real estate transactions, and litigating and arbitrating in areas including business and construction disputes, insurance defense, and toxic torts.

Sarcone has run for Westchester District Attorney and State Supreme Court Judge. He was also interested in running for NY Attorney General two years ago.

But clearly, it was Sarcone's ties to President Trump, dating back to 2016. "John has been with Trump since 2016," said Colety. "He did a good job here in Westchester running for DA and now we have a Westchester republican serving as US Attorney. He put his heart and soul into Trump's campaign."

Majority Leader Stewart-Cousins Champions Legislative

Package to Cut Costs and Enhance Price Transparency

Continuing their efforts to make life more affordable for New Yorkers, Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins and the State Senate championed a slate of five bills to protect consumers, tackle hidden fees, and target deceptive pricing practices for prescription drugs, energy bills, grocery shopping, and subscription services. These comprehensive measures will increase transparency and lower costs.

"At the State Senate, we are looking at every possible way to make New York more affordable for everyone. With this legislation, we are protecting the wallets of families and seniors across Westchester and New York State," said Majority Leader Stewart-Cousins. "Whether it's addressing the cost of prescription drugs and groceries, fighting to lower utility costs, or safeguarding against abusive practices that take advantage of hardworking New Yorkers, I will continue fighting for policies that make life more affordable, fair, and prosperous for all. I thank my Senate colleagues for their support for this package."

The package directly addresses financial burdens that impact families every day by:

Cracking down on prescription drug price manipulation, requiring drug manufacturers to report anti-competitive "pay-for-delay" agreements, which cost American consumers \$3.5 billion per year by keeping lower-cost generic drugs off the market for months.

Simplifying subscription cancellations by requiring mobile apps offering subscription services to provide an easy option to cancel directly within the app.

Increasing transparency in energy billing, mandating that Energy Service Companies (ESCOs) provide a clear, side-by-side price comparison between their rates and standard utility rates on customer bills.

Enhancing oversight of the prescription drug supply chain by requiring pharmacy service organizations and rebate aggregators to register and disclose financial information, ensuring fairer drug pricing.

Expanding access to fresh, local food for SNAP recipients, allowing low-income families to earn additional purchasing power when buying nutritious, locally grown produce.

Ensuring honest grocery pricing for online shoppers, requiring grocery stores and food retailers to disclose when online prices are higher than in-store prices.

These reforms will bring immediate financial relief and long-term protections for consumers, in keeping with Sen. Stewart-Cousins' longstanding commitment to affordability, transparency, and fairness for consumers in Westchester and all New York.

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and student projects.

"Strong governance and leadership are essential to the success of our schools, and School 30 is a shining example of what can be achieved when educators, students, and families work together with a shared vision. The Board of Education is proud to support initiatives that drive academic excellence, foster student leadership, and strengthen community engagement. Congratulations to Principal Shapiro and the entire School 30 community for their dedication and remarkable achievements," noted Board of Education President Dr. Rosalba Corrado Del Vecchio.

Superintendent of Schools Anibal Soler, Jr. added, "At Yonkers Public Schools, our students are at the heart of everything we do, and School 30 is a perfect example of what's possible when they are empowered to succeed. Their academic achievements, leadership initiatives, and commitment to community engagement show the strength and potential of our young people when given the right support. This recognition is a testament to the hard work of the students, educators, and families who make School 30 such a special place. Congratulations to Principal Shapiro and the entire school community on this well-deserved honor."

Mayor Spano's School Spotlight Award highlights four Yonkers Public Schools within the academic school year for their significant academic success, extracurricular achievements and community involvement.

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Congressman Latimer Statement on President Trump's Address to Congress



Rep. George Latimer

U.S. Representative George Latimer (NY-16) released the following statement after attending the Presidential Address to Congress tonight:

“President Trump, in his first major address of his second term, could have given a reason to all Americans to welcome his new term.

He could have described in detail how he planned to lower the cost of living for everyday Americans.

But rather, he defended his decision to levy tariffs that will raise everyday prices, and stifle economic growth. The stock market continued its slide, showing that Wall Street and Main Street reject tariffs. All economic indicators are now below what they were on Election Day in 2024.

He could have described how he would help secure a better life for seniors and veterans. But he did nothing to dispel plans for major cuts to the Social Security Administration or Department of Veterans Affairs, meaning deserving seniors and veterans will get fewer benefits than they have earned. There was no pushback against Elon Musk's ‘Ponzi Scheme’ slur against social security.

He could have described how America will take the lead in the Free World, defending democracy on every continent, as did Dwight Eisenhower, Gerald Ford, Ronald Reagan, and George H.W. Bush, as well as all Democratic Presidents. Instead, he punishes Canada, Mexico, insults Denmark, ignores Britain and France, and sacrifices Ukraine to appease Russia.

The massive, erratic cuts to government departments does not show a rational, business-like strategy. It shows an ideological desire to throw the baby out with the bath water, systemic cuts rather than well-planned, strategic cuts.

This is no way to run a government. I know. I ran one well for seven years. It appears this speech is a terrible roadmap for the next four years.”

Letter to the Editor:

SOCIAL SECURITY—Who is stealing our benefits?

According to a major governmental watchdog, Musk's DODGE team has uncovered the fact that over 25 MILLION People, ages 100 to 360 are Receiving Social Security benefits. !!!

A partial listing follows:

Age:110-119:\$3,627,007 total benefits paid out

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“” !30-139: \$3,936,311 “ “ “ “

“” 150-159: \$1,345,083 “ “ “ “

“”” 160-169: \$121,807 “ “ “ “

Jumping further down the ladder;

Age: 240:\$249 -- 1 person

“” 360:369 -- 1 person

Sounds ridiculous, but numbers do not lie-but some S/S administrators and others in the S/S administration are stealing our savings BIG TIME!

Joe Pettit
Yorktown HTS, NY
Source: Truth Staff

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MANUFACTURERS AND TRADERS TRUST COMPANY A/K/A M&T, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER WITH HUDSON CITY SAVINGS BANK, Plaintiff -against- MICHAEL FRITH, LAURA DESHON, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein and dated March 5, 2020, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at public auction in the Lobby of the Westchester County Courthouse, 111 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., White Plains, NY on April 3, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Cortlandt, County of Westchester and State of New York, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the easterly side of Sunny Way, where the same is intersected by the division line between Lot Nos. 266 and 267 on Map No. 6584; being a plot 100.00 feet by 200.00 feet by 100.00 feet by 200.00 feet.

ALSO, situate, lying and being in the Town of Cortlandt, County of Westchester and State of New York, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the dividing line between Lot 37 and Lot 38 on the above mentioned map where the same is intersected by the northerly line of Lot 267 as shown on Map entitled, as filed Map No. 6584 and which point is distant 99.58 feet southerly as measured along said dividing line between Lot 37 and Lot 38 from the southerly boundary of Red Oak Lane as same is shown on Filed Map No. 25985; RUNNING THENCE South East, 24.00 feet; South West, 89.53 feet; South West 13.64 feet; THENCE North East, 100.00 feet. Section: 34.17 Block: 1 and Lot: 14

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by the Yonkers Committee of the Anti-Horty League, it was Karolyi's second visit to Yonkers, visiting first in 1914.

March 13, 1931: One person was killed and 36 injured when a runaway one-man trolley car plunged down Palisade Avenue and crashed into a building near the corner of New School Street. Mayor John Fogarty, hearing of the accident, announced he would seek an injunction against one-man trolley car operation in Yonkers. It was Friday the 13th.

Friday, March 14th

March 14, 1921: After hearing the proposal to annex part of Yonkers to Bronxville, Mayor William Wallin came up with his own; he suggested Yonkers annex the entire Town of Eastchester!

March 14, 1944: Eighty-eight year old George Kittredge dispelled myths about pigeons while speaking to Yonkers Rotarians about raising pigeons. He revealed it wasn't true pigeons mated for life; it took about 30 minutes before they sought a new mate. He also explained pigeons were fighters and their coo was a "cuss word!"

Rotarian Sam Hayward disclosed Kittredge family members were multi-generational Yonkers residents; their family home, 592 North Broadway, had remained in the family since it was built in 1784.

Saturday, March 15th

March 15, 1930: Silent Screen heroine Anita Stewart attempted a comeback here through vaudeville! She debuted at Loew's theater as a "speaking stage actress" in a "musical diversion" created for her by playwright Edgar Allen Woolf. Woolf later coauthored the screenplay for "The Wizard of Oz!"

March 15, 1944: John Wenzel, former owner of Yonkers White Cross Milk Company, arrived here on the Swedish exchange ship Gripsholm. He had been held in a German internment camp.

After selling his company, he moved his family to France to run the Grand Café de la Rotond in Dijon. Although he was captive for 18 months at the Compiègne Internment camp, his American wife and daughter were not interned. Germans did not detain mothers with young children.

On arrival here, he praised the Red Cross, saying he didn't know what he would have done without them. Internees received four Red Cross packages a month, needed because of the poor quality of internment camp food. Wenzel stated, "They saved us. The Red Cross did a tremendous lot for all internees."

After a brief stay in Yonkers, he moved to his sister's Waterbury home to recover from the ordeal.

Sunday, March 16th March 16, 1928: Ruth Elder, first female to attempt flying the Atlantic Ocean, was made an honorary member of the Yonkers Aero Club at a ceremony held at Loew's Theater. The "Miss America of Aviation," Elder attempted transatlantic flight in 1927 with pilot George Haldeman on a plane named "American Girl." They ditched the plane 360 miles from land but set the over-water endurance flight record of 2,623 miles, the longest flight made by a woman.

March 16, 1930: Westchester County Historical Society members chose a ten ton boulder to mark Thomas Valentine's homestead on Valentine's Hill, a site used multiple times by General George Washington and the Continental Army. Yonkers' Keskeskick Chapter of the DAR provided the large plaque to be attached to the huge stone. *Questions or comments on this column? Email YonkersHistory1646@gmail.com. For information on the Yonkers Historical Society, Sherwood House and upcoming events, please visit our website www.yonkershistoricalsociety.org, call 914-961-8940 or email info@yonkershistoricalsociety.org.*

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“Justice Has No Expiration Date”

Two Fugitives Returned to Westchester

Mexican National Extradited to NY and Arraigned on 2008 Indictment Charging Rape and Sexual Assault

On Feb. 25, Westchester County District Attorney Susan Cacace announced that a Mexican national, who has been a fugitive from justice since his 2008 indictment on rape and sexual assault charges, was apprehended by the Mexican authorities, extradited to Westchester County and arraigned in County Court Monday afternoon.

Galo Herrera, 52, was arraigned before County Court Judge Sheralyn Pulver and remanded to the custody of the Westchester County Department of Correction pending further proceedings. He pleaded not guilty to all of the charges.

DA Cacace said: “Justice has no expiration date. The defendant’s horrendous conduct, as alleged in the indictment, is no less shocking nearly two decades later. I am grateful to our law enforcement partners in Mexico and the U.S. who brought Mr. Herrera to answer for these charges. This multi-jurisdictional effort exemplifies my commitment to working with any and all agency partners in furtherance of community safety.”

In 2008, Herrera was indicted on one count of Predatory Sexual Assault Against a Child, a class A-II felony, two counts of Rape in the First Degree, a class B felony, and three counts of Endangering the Welfare of a Child, a class A misdemeanor.

Between December 2006 and January 2007, the defendant is alleged to have forcibly raped a young girl who was under the age of 13 years old. Herrera fled the jurisdiction before he could be apprehended on these charges.

The case is being investigated by the Mount Vernon Police Department, the Westchester DA’s Office and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The Westchester County Department of Labs and Research and the New York State Police Crime Lab were utilized in the course of the investigation.

The case is being prosecuted by Senior Assistant District Attorney Charlotte Gudis and Christine Hatfield, Chief of the Child and Elder Abuse Bureau.

SECOND WANTED SUSPECT IN A WEEK EXTRADITED TO WESTCHESTER FROM FOREIGN SHORES

On two days this past week, Westchester County Police Warrant-Fugitive Unit detectives were waiting at JFK to “welcome” two international fugitives back to the USA. These international extraditions do not occur often.

Both suspects are accused of committing serious crimes in Westchester before fleeing to avoid arrest.

WCPD coordinated extradition efforts with the U.S. Marshals and FBI agents who brought these suspects back to the United States. Upon arrival at JFK, the suspects were turned over to the Warrant squad detectives, who transported them to headquarters for booking and then lodged them at the Westchester County Jail.

In the most recent arrival, a man indicted on Robbery, Burglary, Grand Larceny and other charges was returned to the United States from Colombia on Thursday. Juan Cuartos Bustos, 25, was wanted since 2023, fleeing prior to the unsealing of an indictment against him. He is suspected of being a member of a South American Theft Group that targeted Asian American business owners through burglaries and home invasion robberies.

The charges against him were the result of a successful investigation by the Tarrytown Police Department, White Plains Police Department, Westchester County Police and other law enforcement partners. When a Westchester County Court warrant was issued for his arrest following indictment, the warrant was assigned to the Warrant-Fugitive Unit. Detectives determined Bustos had fled to Colombia.

Last week, a fugitive wanted on a 2008 sealed indictment charging him with Rape 1st Degree and Predatory Sexual Assault of a Child was also returned to the United States from Mexico. The Mount Vernon Police Department successfully investigated the initial complaint, leading to the indictment, and WFU also absorbed that case once a County Court warrant was issued for his arrest. The open warrant was investigated regularly over the years, but WFU detectives found no indication that Galo Herrera, 52, had ever returned to the U.S. and most likely was still in Mexico.

Public Safety Commissioner Terrance Raynor said, “We salute all the law enforcement agencies involved for their great work, from the departments that investigated these crimes initially, to the Mexican and Columbian police agencies that located them, to the federal agents that brought them back to this country. These suspects tried to elude justice by fleeing, but now they face prosecution by the Westchester County District Attorney’s Office.”

The Westchester County Police Warrant-Fugitive Unit is tasked with locating and apprehending persons wanted on warrants issued by Westchester County Supreme Court, Westchester County Court and Westchester County Family Court. It also handles extraditions when a defendant is apprehended in another state and is wanted by Westchester County or any of its municipalities.

In 2024, the Unit made 231 arrests of suspects wanted on warrants, including for Attempted Murder, Assault 1st Degree and various sex crimes, robbery and weapons charges. The Unit executed warrants in virtually every municipality in Westchester, in every borough of New York City and throughout the metropolitan area. In addition, detectives also traveled to multiple states across the nation to return suspects to Westchester to face justice.

“Were it left to me to decide if we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter.

-Thomas Jefferson

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everyone.”

Lesnick enters the race as the most impactful City Council President of the last 35 years. In office from 2006-2013, Chuck restored City funding for arts, music and sports in the Yonkers Public Schools. He created the city’s first voluntary affordable housing ordinance which has since led to the creation of thousands of units of new affordable housing in Yonkers. Chuck was instrumental in commencing the original Saw Mill River Daylighting project, securing funding in partnership with the State Legislature and passing the required approvals to break ground. Today, the Saw Mill River Daylighting project has catalyzed an unprecedented boom in economic development and housing creation in downtown Yonkers.

Beyond his tenure on the Council, Chuck has worked at all levels of government, including with New York Governors Mario and Andrew Cuomo, Congresswoman Nita Lowey, the City of Yonkers, and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development working on housing development and economic revitalization. He also served as Deputy Counsel & Assistant Commissioner for Homes & Community Renewal protecting the rights of both tenants and landlords in the preservation of affordable, safe and sanitary rental units particularly for senior citizens and less able individuals.

In the private sector, Lesnick is an attorney who has built and managed affordable housing and job generating economic development projects, furthering his expertise in economic policy, urban planning and law.

Lesnick remains the only City Council President ever to be re-elected to a four-year term. He has consistently prioritized fiscal responsibility, never voting to give himself a raise, never breaking the state’s 2% property tax cap and never extending term limits. He never allowed for any cuts to the Yonkers Schools budget and restored \$10 million for arts, music and sports which remained each year during his tenure.

“Yonkers is a great city with enormous potential, but we need leadership that understands how to get things done,” Lesnick continued. “I have the experience, the relationships, and the vision to move our city forward. I’m ready to get back to work for the people of Yonkers.”

Chuck is the only City Council President since 2006 to be reelected. He never voted to give himself a raise and never broke the State’s 2% cap on property taxes.

Over the course of his career, Chuck has worked with New York Governors Mario and Andrew Cuomo, Congresswoman Nita Lowey, the City of Yonkers, and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. He retired from NYS government as Deputy Counsel & Assistant Commissioner for Homes & Community Renewal. In the private sector, he has held executive positions at several property management and affordable housing development corporations, in addition to starting several successful Qualified Opportunity Zone Funds and Businesses in NY & NJ.

Chuck has also served as Director of Economic Development for the City of Yonkers, where he advocated for funding the waterfront redevelopment and restoration of the historic Yonkers Recreation Pier.

Lesnick recently received the endorsement from County Legislator Shanae Williams and Councilwoman Corazo Pineda-Isaac.

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1. Bid No. IFB-7357A – Opening date: 04/04/2025: Plumbing contract for Water Mitigation of Fuel Tank Room and Other Improvements at Cesar Chavez School located at 20 Cedar Place, Yonkers, NY 10705 (FB).

2. Bid No. IFB-7347 – Opening date: 03/28/2025: Moving services from 160 Saw Mill River Road, Yonkers NY to 60 Fullerton Avenue, Yonkers, NY (CA).

3. Bid No. RFB-7406 – Opening date: 03/28/2025: Purchase of Spacesaver, or Yonkers approved equal shelving system that includes dismantling old system and moving from 160 Saw Mill River Road to 60 Fullerton Avenue, and then reassembling old system and assembling new system (MM).

4. Bid No. RFB-7412 – Opening date: 03/21/2025: Twelve-month contract, with option to renew for 12-months, to purchase EBAA Iron, Inc. series 1100 and 1000DEC Megalug, or Yonkers approved equals, mechanical joint restraint systems as needed, 18 items (AC).

5. Bid No. RFB-7413 – Opening date: 04/04/2025: Furnish and install Atlas Copco GA11 125T AP rotary screw air compressor, or Yonkers approved equal, in the mechanical room at the DPW Service Center, 1130 Nepperhan Avenue (AC).

6. Bid No. RFB-7414 – Opening date: 03/28/2025: Furnish and install two City provided compressors at the E. J. Murray Memorial Skating Center at 348 Tuckahoe Road (VB).

7. Bid No. RFB-7415 – Opening date: 03/28/2025: Furnish and install Shaw Hook Up carpet tile, or Yonkers approved equal, in Yonkers Fire Department Head Quarters, at 470 Nepperhan Avenue (FB).

8. Bid No. RFB-7416 – Opening date: 03/21/2025: Twelve-month contract, with option to renew for 12-months, to provide maintenance and repairs, as needed, for Cummins emergency back-up diesel engines throughout the Yonkers water distribution system (FB).

9. Bid No. RFB-7417 – Opening date: 03/21/2025: Twelve-month contract to purchase up to ten Motorola TT3901A, or Yonkers Approved equal, cameras and accessories. The initial purchase will be two units (KAS).

Local Dems Silent on Cuomo Run for NYC Mayor Progressives and Women's Groups Say #HellNoCuomo



Andrew Cuomo greeting voters in his campaign for New York City Mayor

By Dan Murphy

Former Governor Andrew Cuomo is riding high in the polls in his quest to return to political power in the Empire State, this time as Mayor of New York City. Cuomo has a 20-point lead on the current Mayor, Eric Adams, and several other announced Democrats.

But something strange or missing was in Cuomo's announcement last week. No prominent Democrats supported Cuomo, and no prominent Democrats opposed his return. Cuomo was forced to resign as Governor four years ago due to a report from NYSAG Letitia James that Cuomo sexually harassed 11 different women and employees. In his recent 17-minute announcement for Mayor, Cuomo waited until the end to acknowledge his mistakes, saying, "Did I make mistakes, some painfully? Definitely, and I believe I learned from them and that I am a better person for it and I hope to show that every day."

Granted, Cuomo was never charged for the sexual harassment allegations made against

him. But if he did nothing wrong, why did he resign?

Almost all prominent democrats who called for him to resign in 2021 are silent about his run for NYC Mayor. What gives?

When U.S. Senator Kristen Gillibrand was asked by a reporter in a video about Cuomo for Mayor, the pained expression on her face indicated the comments we received from several Westchester Democrats about Cuomo.

Gillibrand said, "It's up to New York voters; it's not up to me. He has a lot of talent as an executive, and he's been a very strong governor ... but he has admitted and said he's made mistakes ... serious mistakes."

State Senator Gustavo Rivera, one of the few elected democrats to come out against Cuomo, called out Gillibrand. "I'm sorry @SenGillibrand, but this lack of courage ain't it. You were around when he was Governor and can attest to, not only, his brutish, abusive behavior, but how his actions actively hurt New Yorkers. New Yorkers deserve better, and you know that." And, "@andrewcuomo was a horrendous, abusive Governor, and I'm proud to say I had a role in getting him to resign. New Yorkers do NOT need a narcissistic, petty man who tried to convince us his toxically abusive management style was "competence" while making PLENTY of decisions that actively hurt the city to this day.

One Westchester Democrat agreed with us that there was a disconnect between Cuomo's run and the many NY Democrats who called for him to resign just a few years ago. "Nobody will step forward to stand against Cuomo because there is no other viable option. All of the Democrats who are running can't be Cuomo. But there is one Democrat that many are waiting for. It's the other Adams, NYC Council Speaker Adrienne Adams. If she announces, then you will see the democratic power-houses come out for her. It's easier to support Adams than to oppose Cuomo.

Cuomo's accusers have also come out against his run for Mayor. "After spending years of talking about how Trump is so corrupt, so monstrous, so misogynistic, to have anyone in our party suggest that Andrew Cuomo has a role to play basically makes our leaders look like cynical do-nothings who have no morals," said Lindsey Boylan.

Former Westchester resident Charlotte Bennett recently dropped her lawsuit against Cuomo after Cuomo's attorney requested her gynecological records.

The harassment suits against Cuomo cost NY taxpayers \$28 million in legal fees, which we were forced to pay to defend Cuomo.

"Cuomo's TAXPAYER FUNDED lawyer, who is using YOUR MONEY to harass the victims of sexual harassment by demanding their private gynecological records. This is diabolical. They will never see heaven."

Posted @DreamNYC-Don't Rank Eric or Andrew for Mayor, one of several groups working against Cuomo's run for Mayor.

The New York Working Families Party also came out against Cuomo. "Just four years ago, everyone agreed: Cuomo was unfit to lead because of his abuses of power and serial sexual harassment. We refuse to return to the days when this was the norm."

Former candidate for Governor Cynthia Nixon posted, "Andrew Cuomo himself is a walking crisis. If you thought Adam's corruption made him vulnerable and beholden to Trump, you can't begin to imagine what Trump will have on Cuomo, who already had to resign once from office in disgrace."

"Leaders of an advocacy group for nursing home residents who blame ex-Gov. Andrew Cuomo, for the COVID-related deaths of thousands of relatives, urged New York City voters to reject his expected comeback bid for Mayor." Writes the NY Post.

NY Indivisible posted, "Andrew Cuomo is a serial sexual predator, nursing home resident killer, opportunist book deal scamming, corporate puppet, failed Governor who resigned in disgrace. He should not be on anyone's dance card for Mayor of NYC."

State Senator and NYC Mayoral candidate Jessica Ramos posted, "There has to be some misunderstanding. Andrew hasn't lived in NYC for nearly three decades. Shouldn't he be running for office in Westchester, where he lived after resigning in disgrace?"

Andrew Cuomo lived in Westchester over three decades. Cuomo and his three daughters lived in Bedford during his marriage to Kerry Kennedy.

After he resigned, Cuomo lived in New Castle with

One of the larger groups working against Cuomo is New Yorkers for Better Leadership, which sent out a memo shortly after his announcement.

Subject: What New Yorkers Need to Know About Andrew Cuomo

New Yorkers for Better Leadership is a coalition of concerned citizens dedicated to shedding light on Andrew Cuomo's record in office. While many New Yorkers know that Cuomo resigned to avoid impeachment over a sexual harassment scandal involving 13 women, many do not know that the former Governor lied about his Covid record, wrecked our subways, wasted our tax dollars on bad business deals, and increased homelessness on our streets. In short, Governor Cuomo is not just a bad man; he was a bad governor. New Yorkers deserve better leadership, not more of the incompetence and chaos that got us here."

In an opinion piece for the NY Daily News, Michael Bocian writes, "Several recent polls show former Gov. Andrew Cuomo leading the 2025 race for New York Mayor. News reports have called Cuomo "an early frontrunner" and said he would "handily win" in a race he has not yet entered. As a pollster who has worked on hundreds of races, I would offer a note of caution on the prognostications.

Our own poll of 800 likely New York City Democratic primary voters, conducted for United for a Brighter Tomorrow, an advocacy organization that works to educate Americans about the need for honest leadership, shows the following: New Yorkers have mixed feelings about Cuomo (45% favorable/47% unfavorable)... Cuomo's ratings are even worse among those who say they will definitely vote in the primary (43% favorable/50% unfavorable).

Cuomo is vulnerable, and his support erodes quickly when voters are reminded of his actions. After voters hear a series of negative messages about his record, Cuomo's favorability falls precipitously. He ends the survey at a stunning 66% unfavorable. Moreover, Cuomo's vote share drops from 31% initially to 18% after the messages.

The most troubling aspect for a potential Cuomo campaign is the fact that the largest drop-off in support comes from his base: Black and Latino working-class voters. After messaging, Cuomo's support among these voters drops by nearly 20 points... It is remarkable that a candidate as well-known as Cuomo loses support this quickly just by reminding voters about his record. New Yorkers are clearly unhappy and looking for a change. Cuomo's high name recognition boosts him in public polling at this stage, but his support is incredibly soft. This race is up for grabs," writes Bocian, a founding partner at GBAO, a Democratic polling firm whose client, United for a Brighter Tomorrow, is running anti-Cuomo ads

The NY Post blasted Cuomo on a recent front-page headline: "Behold! The Biggest Liar in New York wants to be Mayor. One of Cuomo's most memorable charades was when he pretended to be the Hero of Covid. He built paper mache mountains, pontificated about the science, then sent scores of elderly parents to die in nursing homes, where the virus ran wild. Sir! Don't be fooled! He will try to claim the federal government told him to do it. More of his lies! Congress actually suggested he be criminally charged. Yes, for perjury! "Oh, he'll tell you that (the sexual harassment allegations) was all a witch hunt, suggesting that he's allowed to fondle women because he's Italian. But now that an eight-month investigation by the Assembly found "overwhelming evidence" he sexually harassed women. The Attorney General found the same. Who signed the justice "reforms" that means you can't lock up criminals? Who changed the discovery laws so more cases are thrown out? Who is the reason the clerk at Duane Reade needs to unlock the toothpaste for you?" writes the NY Post.

One Westchester Democrat we spoke to said that Cuomo was using his run for Mayor and apparent victory "to lay the groundwork for a run for President. He sees no other Democrat out there who can win against VP JD Vance in 2028."

I have always applauded Governor Cuomo's implementation of the Property Tax Cap in NY. It was his most outstanding achievement, but that was in 2011. Other candidates running in the Democratic primary include Zellnor Myrie, city Comptroller Brad Lander, state Assembly Member Zohran Mamdani, ex-Assemblyman Michael Blake, former city Comptroller Scott Stringer, and financier Whitney Tilson.

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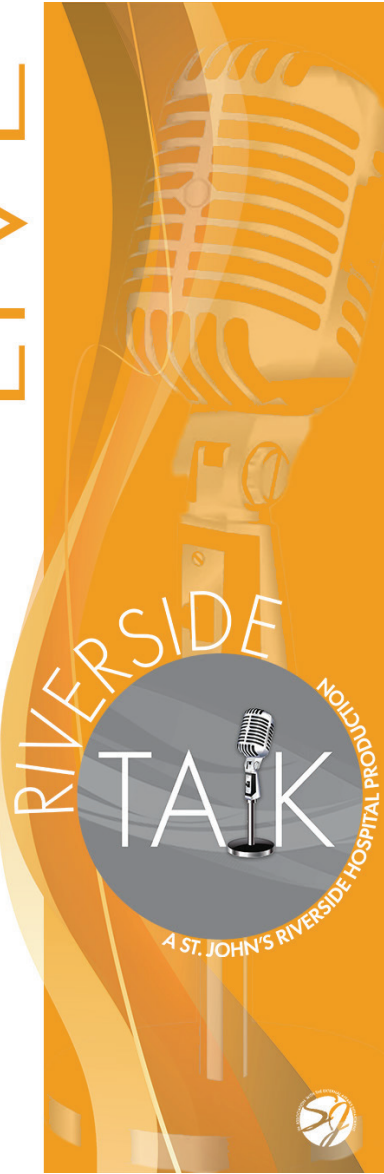
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