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James Nolan Campaigning Hard for County Board in Yonkers, But He is Not Vaccinated



"I had COVID and beat COVID. I get tested every week for my job and I follow every protocol,"
-James Nolan, republican County Board candidate, 15th District

By Dan Murphy

Last week, we interviewed James Nolan, republican candidate for the Westchester County Board of Legislators in the 15th District, (Bronxville and East Yonkers). Nolan is challenging democratic Legislator Ruth Walter, in a race identified by many as the most competitive of the 17 BOL seats for election Nov. 2.

After our interview we learned that Nolan is not vaccinated for COVID-19. Nolan told us that "I had COVID and beat COVID. I get tested every week for my job in the Yonkers Public Schools. I follow every protocol in the YPS and in my campaign. If I wasn't tested, I wouldn't be let into school for my job."

Nolan, who works for the Yonkers Public Schools and was born and raised in Yonkers, said that his campaign is getting a lot of good feedback from the thousands of people he has met so far in his active campaign. "A lot of people I speak to doesn't know what a county legislator does," said Nolan who says one issue he heard alot about on the campaign trail is the need to help flooding victims from the Bronx River in Bronxville and East Yonkers.

"Seniors are also desparate for a voice and are having problems paying their property taxes during the pandemic. While our country property taxes haven't gone up, they raised the sales tax. I want to make an impact and provide that voice."

Nolan has the endorsement from 9 unions, and from republicans, including former County Legislator in the 15th District Gordon Burrows, Bronxville Mayor Mary Marvin, Yonkers City Council Minority Leader Mike Breen, and County Legislator Margaret Cunzio, the only other non dem on the BOL. "Elected officials and former elected officials like what I'm about," We asked Nolan his thoughts if he were the only republican on

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Yonkers Resident Mariano Montague's Clothing Line Gets 2M Tik Tok Views



By Dennis Richmond Jr.

People of all ages are creating content daily in hopes of becoming famous. Social media is perhaps one of the easiest ways this happens- but it doesn't happen for everyone. Mariano Montague, better known as @Mari Nine4Teen, is a Creative Entrepreneur and the Founder and CEO of Angelic Earthling, a Black-Owned New York-based clothing brand. As of today, Mariano is an internet celebrity.

Mariano "Mari," who has roots in both Jamaica and Trinidad, is a 22-year-old young man who started his clothing brand during the height of the COVID-19 Pandemic. "I was bored, I was jobless, and I wanted to do something," he said. Like many entrepreneurs trying to break into the fashion world, things started off slow for Mari. Despite the snail pace of Angelic Earthling, he didn't give up.

"The type of clothes I make go hand-in-hand with Hip-Hop/Rap music," he went on to say. "That's where the creativity comes from." I was surprised to learn that Mari looks at the world as clothes and colors. I smiled as I spoke with him because it seemed as though he could see things that I couldn't. "The underground rap that's coming up right now is very grunge, dark colors, and oversized. But it could be colorful too." He went on to describe how he sees people based on what they wear.

Mari is a Hip-Hop/Rap music at Roosevelt High School in Yonkers c.2014. One of his biggest inspirations is rapper Lil Yachty, an artist who replied to one of his tweets over four years ago. That tweet garnered well over 100 likes on Twitter. A few days ago, Mari blew up on TikTok after posting a video of rapper and singer SoFaygo wearing his brand. "I had a feeling that [the video] was going to do pretty good. The next day I was just completely shook." In less than a week, the video is creeping up to 2 million views. People would pay for that.

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Gold Star Mothers Honored in Yonkers



Mayor Mike Spano, with Yonkers Gold Star Mothers at Memorial



L-R-Veterans Affairs Dir. Rev. William Norman, member Concerned Female Veterans of Yonkers Mayor Spano, Senator Shelley Mayer



Gold Star Mother Hope Hollinsworth-Coaxum places flowers at the Gold Star Mother monument. Photos by Donna Davis, see story on pg 7-

St John's Riverside Hospital Offers Peripheral Nerve Stimulation (PNS)



Dr. Stephen Erosa, left, shares new alternative treatment for chronic pain management

By Dan Murphy

All of us have experienced some form of pain during our lives from injury or illness. When pain is experienced for longer than 3-6 months, it's called chronic pain, which can affect your physical movements (standing, sitting, walking) and your ability to work. And when you experience chronic pain for months, it can impact your emotional health and lead to excessive use of pain medication.

Dr. Stephen Erosa, an interventional spine and pain specialist with St. John's Riverside Hospital, wants our readers to consider another option: Peripheral Nerve Stimulation (PNS). "I see many patients with chronic pain in their neck, shoulder, spine, hip, and knee, which is nerve-related. Some of this pain is post-surgical; after the surgery to alleviate pain, it seems to continue. Fortunately, St. John's Hospital is the only hospital in lower Westchester that is offering Peripheral Nerve Stimulation," said Dr. Erosa, who explained the process of PNS.

"We electrically stimulate specific nerves, which reprograms them to override the pain, and potentially provide you with long-term pain relief, without the need for a permanent implant, surgery or opiate medication."

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Riding on Tuckahoe Road



Potholes, craters and uneven surfaces dot Tuckahoe Road, Yonkers. More photos online at YonkersTimes.com

By Phil Pepe

I decided to write this report on poor road conditions on Tuckahoe Road not because in my career work I worked in the fields of transportation and infrastructure investment and authored by-lined articles for senior transportation officials on those public policy issues. Not because as a college student I earned money for college working summers as a laborer for the Westchester County Department of Road Maintenance repairing and paving County roads, but simply because I was sick and tired of the jarring sensation of my car bouncing over sunken and lopsided manhole covers, depressed road surfaces, and in one case a large utility grate near Boo Wilson Park that has clearly led a hard life.

Yes, its true that Tuckahoe Road is one of the most heavily trafficked roadways in Yonkers, with average daily traffic in the range of 47,000 vehicles, many of them trucks, which only add to the road's woes. So it is understandable that the road takes a beating, but that only fortifies the case for it to be in better repair. Poor road surfaces are not only uncomfortable to drive on, damaging to tires, suspensions, alignment, etc, but there are safety issues as well. In some spots one has to hold onto the steering wheel to maintain course.

Responsibility for road repair is shared. The area from the Bronx River to the Thruway Bridge by the Regency Hotel is Westchester County's to maintain. From there on, the City of Yonkers. takes over to Saw Mill River Road.

For whatever reason the westbound lanes seem most in need of repair. Just past Roosevelt High School by 625 Tuckahoe Road are a couple of sunken manhole covers. Not far away at Wainwright Avenue, there are three such in a cluster. A memorable dip when you hit them.

It's not clear at this writing when these were last inspected by the County or what plans are for repair. If the manhole covers are the responsibility of utilities, they should be notified accordingly. If the County's to repair, well, delaying repair means they will only get worse. Drivers deserve a better ride.

On the City of Yonkers side, a spot in the right hand lane in front of the Regency Hotel is famous for being rutted and depressed. Although this area is New York State DOT owned, City of Yonkers is paid by the State to perform ordinary maintenance. But the 'fix' here is structural and the city's position, and it seems quite fair is that this major repair falls to the State. City officials say they are in touch with NYS State DOT in this regard.

Farther on heading west, a utility grate is in progressively worsening condition. I sometimes fear the entire thing will just drop out of sight with some poor soul's Honda going along for the ride! Yonkers confirms they are working with the utility to address this. Long overdue, but good news.

While political candidates and elected officials like to tout high toned ideals, grand schemes, the truth is some of the most important and 'audible' issues are on the granular level – like maintaining roads. Considered not sexy in the political sense, but touches citizens and businesses in a very fundamental way.

A candidate saying, " I'll conduct a review of local roadways and bring them up to driveable and safety standard," can really resonate. 'Your tax dollars at work', a sign sometimes seen by roadway projects. Citizens 'get it.' Business 'get it.' More important, voters 'get it.'

Well maintained highways and roads keep cities, counties and states competitive for business. When transportation related businesses become too exasperated with traffic delays, overtime costs for drivers, fuel cost, they look for better venues. In the 1980's, New York State lost countless jobs and hundreds of thousands of residents, many following their employment to states known for high quality roadways – the Carolinas chief among them. Then-Governor Mario M. Cuomo seemed to acknowledge that with his 'Rebuild New York Bond Issue.' (By the way a new transportation bond issue for New York State is long overdue.)

In Indiana toll roads are privately owned through arrangements known as PPP – Public Private Partnerships, often known as 'Where Wall Street meets Main Street.' Highly sophisticated investment groups and government agencies enter into detailed maintenance and hiring agreements that run for years. The private entity oversees the highways, or other transportation hub, like an airport, the government gets a regular check and is freed of maintenance responsibilities. The Chicago Skyway, long a sore spot as poorly maintained with endless congestion, was one such. Turned over to a private investment group with transportation experts included, it was soon well maintained and with greatly improved traffic flow.

In working on this article, I found it encouraging where municipal officials, especially in Yonkers, were both interested and anxious to address roadway issues. And just driving around Yonkers recently I see a number of new paving projects going forward. All to the good!

Reminds me of the blazing hot summer days when I was the guy rolling the hot asphalt or swinging a pick to get a pot hole ready to be filled! Little did I imagine then that those experiences would come to play a role in my career work.

Phil Pepe worked as Assistant to the late Yonkers Mayor Angelo R. Martinelli from 1982-86 during which time he oversaw The Special Downtown Development Projects of the Mayor's office including the renovation of the historic Yonkers Main Train Station, writing the successful case for Yonkers' Amtrak stop, and the original Yonkers Farmers Market. In 1986 he formed a public affairs and communications consulting practice with clients in the fields of transportation, economic development, and environmental practice in New York State, five other states, and in eastern Canada.

Yonkers Force Wins City Cup in OT 12-6



above: members of the stingy Yonkers Force defense with the City Cup

left: Force QB Atticus Oelkers, named offensive game MVP

photos by DocWszolek



By Phil Foley-

It was Yonkers version of "Friday Night Lights" on Sept. 24, as the Yonkers Force and the Yonkers Brave faced off for the City Trophy in the YPS' big game of the year, played at Roosevelt High School!

It was a well played, hard-fought, defensive struggle that went to overtime with the Yonkers Force pulling out a 12-6 victory!

I spoke to both coaches after the game, and both were very proud of their teams efforts. Yonkers Force Coach Anthony Fava said, "Our kids played their butts off all game. We came into this game with several key injuries and everyone of our kids stepped up to secure this victory! Hats off to the Brave for fighting to steal the Cup back. They're a tough and well coached team. It was a great night for the City of Yonkers!"

Offensively for the Force Atticus Oelkers had 11 carries for 103 yards and scored the winning TD in OT! Atticus also was 5-10 passing for 45 yards. Atticus was named the game's Offensive MVP.

Ryan Joseph added 13 carries for 73 yards and a TD for the Force Coach Fava told me defensively Bryan Espinal was a Beast up the middle, recording 12 tackles in the game, and 6 of them for losses! He also forced a fumble and recovered a fumble. His effort earned him a nomination for LoHud Player of the Week.

Brave Coach Vic Chiappa wanted to praise three of his players for a real great game: They are Manny Romero who scored on a 1 yard rushing touchdown. Dajour (DJ) Holmes had 170 yards rushing and had a tremendous game at quarterback. Coach Chiappa praised Sherif Tazi for a great game on defense.

Tickets for the game were restricted to family and staff because of COVID, but even with the limits, the crowd was loud and into the game, and the buzz was back at Roosevelt HS field.

This Friday the Brave visit New Rochelle HS. Kick off is 6 pm. The Force travel to Fox Lane this Saturday. Kick off is 6:30 pm. Good luck guys!

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Westchester County Delivers 25,150 Masks to Yonkers Public Schools



County Executive George Latimer, County Legislator David Tubiolo, YFT President Samantha Rosado-Ciriello, staff and students at School 17

Westchester County has partnered with the Westchester County Superintendent's Association to distribute child and adult-sized masks to students returning to in-person classes in the fall. The County latest stop was in Westchester's largest city, Yonkers.

Westchester County Executive George Latimer said: "We are committed to minimizing COVID-19 exposure to keep students safe while they continue to stay in the classroom. Masks are a key component, especially for our most vulnerable population not yet eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine."

Yonkers Schools Superintendent Dr. Edwin Quezada said: "Since the onset of the pandemic in 2020, County Executive Latimer, Deputy County Executive Ken Jenkins, Dr. Sherlita Amler and the Health Department team have been dynamic partners. Together, with my team in Yonkers, we relentlessly work and find solutions to diminish the spread COVID-19 in our schools and community. Our common goal is clear, to keep all schools open for students and staff safe for in-person instruction, that is what our children, families and community require."

The County has procured more than 200,000 specifically designed child-sized masks for students up to 12 years old. The Yonkers School District received 14,000 child-sized masks and 11,150 adult-sized masks.

Masks have already been delivered to: Rye Neck UFSD, Croton-Harmon UFSD, White Plains CSD, Somers CSD, Pleasantville UFSD, Dobbs Ferry SD, Yorktown CSD, UFSD Tarrytowns, Greenburgh-North Castle UFSD, Pelham Schools, Ossining UFSD, Mount Pleasant CSD, Byram Hills CSD, Bedford CSD, Blind Brook Schools, Elmsford UFSD, Port Chester UFSD, Bronxville School District, Scarsdale Schools, Mamaroneck Union Free School District Harrison Cent Harrison Central School District and the Boys and Girls Club of New Rochelle.

Yonkers Teen Receives Scholarship from 100 Hispanic Women of West.



Congratulations to Yonkers student Yuddy Fermin

Yuddy Fermin, 18, of Yonkers, recently received a scholarship from the nonprofit 100 Hispanic Women of Westchester, which will be used to further her education and support her career aspirations.

The Dominican American and her close-knit family were excited because they made their culture and education a priority in their household. Fermin was chosen by the organization due to her high grade-point average, socio-economic needs, and her willingness to succeed. The organization seeks to empower Latina women and support their aspirations for higher education.

Fermin and nine other scholarship award winners in Westchester are now part of the network of women who can help them achieve their future dreams. The organization also fights for fair pay and higher positions for Latinas in the workplace.

Fermin says she will continue her education at Baruch College and looks forward to learning from other Latina professionals.

For more information on the 100 Hispanic Women of Westchester, visit <http://100hispanicwomenofwestchester.org/>

James Nolan, Stop Campaigning Door to Door!



By Eric Schoen

I want to start out by asking you a question. How would you feel if in the middle of a pandemic, an unvaccinated candidate for public office knocked on your 80 year old parents door asking them to support him/her for office? The candidate did not tell them he was unvaccinated. Ringing the downstairs doorbell if it was an apartment building to get in, walking the halls, wringing doorbells and meeting your parents face to face.

If you are like me you would be pretty upset. This, my friends is what is going on in Westchester County Legislative District 15, the race between Incumbent Democrat Ruth Walter and newcomer Republican James Nolan. Mr. Nolan has chosen not to receive a Covid vaccine. He must stop campaigning door to door immediately.

I believe everyone should receive a the Covid vaccine unless they have a medical reason authenticated by a doctor who is knowledgeable about the virus, the vaccine and its side affects or a religious reason for not doing it. The Journal News did an excellent piece over the weekend regarding religions opposed to vaccination. There aren't many of them.

If you don't want to take the vaccine it's your choice. No one likes injecting a foreign substance in their body, particularly something so new. It's all we have at this point to stop people from getting very ill and potentially dying. Dying like 2330 Westchester residents as of September 26. 2522 fatalities in Westchester as of September 26. This according to the Westchester County Dashboard.

If you don't want to take the vaccine, I really do not want you in my company. Particularly not in the close quarters of a radio station studio. I have family and friends and don't care to get ill and pass anything on to them. Yes, some who have taken the vaccine have come down with Covid. But the vast majority of people who are getting very sick and dying have not been vaccinated.

What upset me most about the Dolan case is how I found out that he was not vaccinated. I think I was the last person in Westchester to know. I had messaged him on September 20 at 9:06 a.m. that I would like him and his opponent, incumbent Ruth Walter to appear on the Westchester Rising Radio Show on WVOX on October 7 to discuss issues affecting the district he was running for. At 9:59 he messaged me back that he would appear.

On September 23, the date of our first very successful discussion with Lakisha Collins Bellamy and Ron Matten, Candidates for City Council President, at I got a message from Nolan asking 'Do we have to show a negative Covid test to get into the WVOX studio. I messaged him back that you have to be fully vaccinated. He responded, 'and if we aren't?' Now I would have much more respect for him. If he came out and said he wasn't vaccinated, is that a problem, and how can we deal with the problem in terms of the radio show. He didn't. While it is preferable and better for the show and our audience if both candidates are in studio, we would make accommodation.

He then asked if there was any way he could show a negative Covid test the day of or before the program. I told him station policy is you must be fully vaccinated. In fact that is my policy, even if it wasn't the station policy.

The forum will go on. October 7, 10 a.m.-11:00 a.m. on WVOX 1460 AM, WVOX.com and click on listen live or via the fine WVOX app for download free from the App Store. We hold our elected officials to a high standard. Who would have thought there was a problem with the vaccination status of a candidate when most elected officials are out there beating the drums for people to get vaccinated. Speaking of beating the drums, I asked the Mayor of Yonkers, Mike Spano and Bronxville Mayor Mary Marvin to comment on an unvaccinated individual going door to door campaigning in their respective city/village. As of press time, I have heard from neither Spano nor Marvin. This worries me, but if they want to allow this activity to go on it's on their shoulders god forbid someone gets sick or some-

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I Caught COVID You Should Get Vaccinated



By Dennis Richmond, Jr.

My name is Dennis Richmond, Jr., and I'm a 26-year-old New Yorker. Since March of 2020, I've been doing good. I made sure to wear my mask indoors and outdoors, I was socially distant, and I received both shots of the Pfizer COVID vaccine. I ran around New York City earlier this month, hitting everywhere from the Burnside Avenue section of the Bronx to the East New York Section of Brooklyn and from the Howard Beach section of Queens to Midtown Manhattan. I did most of this running around- maskless. On Saturday, September 18th, 2021, I tested positive for COVID-19.

The first thing that I had to do was let everybody I was around, know that they were exposed to COVID. Why were they exposed? Because of me. Even though I didn't expose people on purpose, reaching out to people was an experience. One person asked me, "Is this a joke?" It wasn't. Somebody else had told me "Thank you for telling me." That was a nice response, considering I just furthered the pandemic because I didn't want to wear a mask.

After hearing some interesting responses, things got crazy. One person who I was around told me that if they tested positive for it, they wouldn't tell anybody. Wait. If you catch the Rona, you're not telling anybody around you? Somebody else dared to tell me after I told them my diagnosis, "that explains why I haven't felt good all week." Are, you, serious? For real? Don't tell me that. I wasn't glad to know that I had to let my relatives, who are seniors, know that they were exposed to COVID too. I had seen an uncle of mine who's 81. I had to let him and my aunt know.

I felt the urge to post my diagnoses on social media. I did, and I got a myriad of reactions and comments as a result. The amount of love that people showed me from social media and elsewhere was beautiful. This person lives in Queens, this one lives in Virginia, this one lives in Harlem, and this one lives in Pennsylvania. It was something. Things got crazy yet again when I started to have conversations with people around my age about getting vaccinated. Young adults are so quick to smoke something and get high but hesitant to take a vaccine. It doesn't make sense. You don't know what's in that loud, gelato, sour, or kush, but you'll smoke it. God, forbid you have to take a vaccine so you won't spread a deadly virus.

Since COVID-19, I lost weight, I slept a ridiculous amount of time, and I had to quarantine in my room, in my house. If I had to say anything at all, it would be to please, just get vaccinated. For real. Get vaccinated

Dennis Richmond, Jr., from Yonkers, will be joining Yonkers Rising and YonkersTimes.com as a journalist. Look for more of his stories in the weeks to come

Hey Yonkers, It's Time to Get Flu Shot

Westchester County Executive George Latimer, rolled up his sleeve and got a flu shot at Westchester County Department of Health clinic in White Plains. Urging residents to follow his lead, Latimer said: "Schedule your flu shot today, don't wait. The flu can be miserable and it should be taken seriously. This vaccine will help keep you and your family healthy well into 2022."

Flu shots are available for a fee from many area pharmacists and medical offices. The County Health Department is on track to provide up to 2,000 flu vaccines this fall, mostly to County employees. A public flu clinic will be announced at a later date.

Health Commissioner Sherlita Amler, MD, said: "Everyone six months and older should get an annual flu shot. Flu can make otherwise healthy adults and children very ill and it can be deadly. The sooner you get vaccinated, the better. Flu symptoms can be confused with COVID-19, so your flu shot can help your doctor treat you if you do become sick. Vaccines for flu and COVID-19 offer the best protection we have to fight these diseases. And you also help your community by protecting people around you who are more vulnerable to flu complications, such as infants too young to be vaccinated, seniors and people with chronic health conditions."

Flu activity is usually highest between December and February, but can last into May. One flu vaccine now provides protection all season long and can prevent illness or reduce the severity of flu symptoms. The vaccine becomes fully effective after about two weeks.

Dr. Amler said that anyone who does get a respiratory infection should consider COVID/influenza testing. To avoid spreading germs to others, it is recommended that residents wear a mask; cough or sneeze into their elbow; wash their hands frequently with soap and water; stay home until 24 hours after their fever subsides to avoid spreading germs; clean surfaces they touch frequently, such as doorknobs, water faucets, and telephones.

Yonkers Police Impound ATV, Motorcycles for Traffic-Safety Violations



From the YPD: Car and motorcycle enthusiasts: we are not your enemy. Drive and ride legally and responsibly, and we won't bother you. But if you run red lights, stop signs, wheelies, speeding, etc., we are going to take your toys just like these five riders from New Jersey found out this weekend (only three in photo, one discovered stolen). Enhancing traffic safety and quality-of-life for our residents remains a top priority for the #YonkersPD.

ATV's don't belong on City streets and sidewalks – this one was impounded last night on Lake Avenue. Please be respectful of your neighbors – drive legally, responsibly, and in approved parks and trails or private property.

Two Killed in Suicide Jump from Apartment Roof



77 Locust Hill Avenue

On Sept. 20, Yonkers Police Officers and Detectives investigated an apparent suicide incident at 77 Locust Hill Avenue. Preliminary information is that a distraught 25-year-old male jumped off the roof of the building, falling twelve stories on to the concrete parking garage roof below and striking a 61-year-old male; both men died at scene. Investigators are interviewing witnesses and family members at this time and reviewing surveillance video.

The incident appears to be a tragic situation and the investigation is ongoing. The City of Yonkers and Yonkers Police Department offers its sincere condolences to the families of both men.

Yonkers Couple Pulled Over with Guns



On September 25, 2021 at approximately 7:30 p.m., the New York State Police arrested Nicholas G. Villanueva, age 26, and Diana Villanueva, age 25, of Yonkers, New York, for Manufacture, Transport, Disposition and Defacement of Weapons and Dangerous Instruments and Appliances, and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree – both class D felonies.

Following a traffic stop in Rockland County, N. Villanueva and D. Villanueva were arrested after a search of their vehicle resulted in the discovery of numerous illegal high-capacity firearm magazines and an illegally possessed loaded firearm.

N. Villanueva and D. Villanueva were charged with multiple counts of Manufacture-Transport-Disposition and Defacement of Weapons and Dangerous Instruments and Appliances and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree. Additionally, N. Villanueva was separately charged with Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree – a class C felony and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 4th Degree – a class A misdemeanor. The suspects were arraigned in the town of Chestnut Ridge Court and remanded to Rockland County Jail. They are scheduled to appear back in court on October 27, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

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On This Day in Yonkers History...



1909 Hudson Fulton Arch , downtown Yonkers

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

Monday, October 4th

October 4, 1909: Colonel Matt H. Ellis was Chief of Staff for the Yonkers Hudson-Fulton Parade. Reviewed by Governor and Mrs. Hughes with mayors and presidents of Westchester cities and villages on the reviewing stand, the parade was the “largest and finest procession” in the history of the city. Thirteen thousand people marched and rode in eleven divisions, with the added attraction of a few of the historic floats from the NYC parade, the procession was almost three miles long and took more than two hours to pass the Washington Park reviewing stand. One thousand students from the Yonkers Public Schools wore red, white and blue costumes and were arranged on a stand in front of Yonkers High School to form a living flag. The four-mile parade route went from McLean Avenue and South Broadway, up Broadway, past the reviewing stand in front of the new City Hall, through Getty Square, and continued up North Broadway to Shonnard Place past the Grand Marshall’s reviewing stand at the end of the parade. That evening, young Jennie Mooney, held up by her mother, pressed the button that turned Yonkers into a dazzling blaze of electric glory; thousands of white electric bulbs were strung along the streets and buildings of Yonkers. The NY Herald estimated “upwards of 200,000 strangers” visited Yonkers during the celebration week, pretty much without an incident!

Tuesday, October 5th

October 5, 1909: Yonkers’ Automobile Parade continued the Hudson-Fulton Celebration. Dozens of cars from Yonkers and neighboring communities drove from Lawrence Street and Broadway through Getty Square. Led by Grand Marshall Dr. Clarence Buckmaster and the Yonkers Motorcycle Police, the cars were organized in four divisions. Albert Reeves’ car took first place; his two sons were dressed as Admirals Peary and Cook; Colonel Brown of Dobbs Ferry took first for out-of-town division for decorating his car as a replica of Henry Hudson’s ship the “Halve Maen.” Otis Elevator took first for commercial cars, with young ladies dressed as living pictures.

October 5, 1955: Sixteen-year-old Dan Miller of Sunlight Hill was responsible for Post Street’s Mrs. Armand Nadaski receiving Rosh Hashonah greetings from son Private Kenneth Nadasdi, stationed someplace in Korea! Dan, an amateur radio operator was more than happy to assist, and to return New Year greetings from his mom back to Kenneth.

Wednesday, October 6th

October 6, 1909: Yonkers held a Hudson-Fulton Civic Parade, with one thousand municipal city employees from all departments and elected officials marching behind Grand Marshall Matt Ellis and Mayor Nathan Warren. The parade was followed by a banquet at Philipseburgh Hall, catered by the Park Hill Inn; each guest was given Hudson-Fulton Manor Hall medals and a papier-mache globe with two figures at the North Pole—Cook and Peary—with an American flag.

October 6, 1942: Former Mayor William Walsh was sworn in as Yonkers’ second City Manager; he immediately plunged into reorganizing the government and working on the 1943 budget. He pledged himself to do everything “in his power to meet the expectation” of the community. .

Thursday, October 7th

October 7, 1909: Band concerts were held at St. Mary’s Church, the City Pier and parks around Yonkers to continue Old Home Week and the Hudson-Fulton celebration.

October 7, 1943: J. Howard Falk, Executive Director of the Community and War Chest, vowed he would pay \$100 each time anyone saw him smoking his pipe, having a cocktail or eating candy during the duration of the Yonkers Chest campaign. His reason? He listened to the presentation by Private Bernard Murray at the JCC; Murray was badly wounded during the Battle of Sicily. Falk said hearing the speaker made him realize that his small sacrifices were nothing compared to ones made daily by our men in battle.

Friday, October 8th

October 8, 1909: Schools in Yonkers held special historic exercises to celebrate Hudson-Fulton Week.

October 8, 1944: St. John’s Church, Getty Square, celebrated its 250th anniversary with a community evensong service. Keynote speaker was the Most Rev. Henry St. George Tucker, presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church and President of the Federal Council of Churches in America. Also taking part of the service were Rev. Lang, rector of St. Peter’s Westchester in the Bronx and Rev. Weigle, rector of St. Paul’s Church Eastchester in Mount Vernon, the National Shrine of the Bill of Rights. Both churches had been part of the original Parish of Westchester, Eastchester, Yonkers and the Manor of Pelham, organized by the Assembly of New York. Reverend Warham Mather conducted the first service in 1694; the good reverend added Yonkers to his other duties in the very large Parish.

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Tuckahoe Mayor Accused of Facebook Trolling of Local Deli Owner



Editor’s Note: This story from our Westchester Rising paper last week (Sept 24) was our #1 story on YonkersTimes.com and was picked up in Empire Report NY.

A Tuckahoe Deli owner and Tuckahoe Mayor Omayra Andino squared off at a Village Board meeting on September 13 that is worth 20 minutes of your time on YouTube, after you read this story.

Pasquale Santelli, the owner of Pasquale’s on 26 Columbus Avenue, complained that Mayor Andino had shared posts from his personal Facebook account. The mayor explained that she had been getting numerous complaints about Pasquale’s personal posts and that she wanted to make sure that no Village employees were involved, and no employees were involved.

But Pasquale wanted to know why the democratic Mayor of Tuckahoe was looking at the private Facebook posts of a local businessman.

Here’s our best guess why Pasquale got on the radar of some. At his deli, Pasquale like to have Fox News on the TV in the background. A few customers have complained about Fox News and asked him to change the channel. Pasquale’s response was, “this is my tv and my store, I will watch what I want to. If you don’t like it, you can go somewhere else.”

Last month, Facebook posts were shared and forwarded regarding Pasquale’s personal Facebook page and some of the posts that he shared. At this point, it appears that an effort was made to try and “cancel” Pasquale’s and boycott his establishment.

Westchester Rising has received copies of Facebook posts that were forwarded by Tuckahoe Mayor Andino about Pasquale’s personal page postings. And that is why Pasquale was at the Village Board meeting, and a lively debate ensued.

Pasquale: “I was informed that some people want to boycott me for posting things on my private Facebook page, not my business page. This is a free country -nobody every told me what to do and the way to live.”

Pasquale then raised a sheet of paper, apparently a Facebook share from Andino, of one of Pasquale’s posts. “Who did this to me -your name is on my Facebook page.”

Mayor: “When residents call and inform me that they are going to boycott you, I make sure its not a village employee and I have all of the information. Everyone has a right to do that and I have a right to do that. That doesn’t mean that I’m saying that you should be boycotted—I was getting information

Pasquale: Your name is on my Facebook. You’re supposed to take care of the town and not people’s Facebook

Mayor: I can look into anyone’s Facebook page.

Pasquale: This should be brought to attention of law enforcement. They invaded my privacy.

Mayor: Sir if you have an open Facebook page, there is no invasion of privacy. I have gotten people’s concerns about your posts. They have a right to respond.

Pasquale: You are supposed to defend me. I’m a business in Tuckahoe. Why did you do this to me? My ideas are my ideas. Nobody is going to cancel me! If you don’t want me to be in business, tough, I’m going to be here for a long time. Some of the other speakers questioned whether Pasquale’s First Amendment rights were violated. Others wondered how the mayor forwarded the Facebooks posts and harm a local business. And if the Facebook posts were offensive, then why share it with others?

An email to Mayor Andino that we have received said, “I found your treatment towards Mr. Santelli arrogant and pretentious.” Others say that the mayor was trolling

This story will likely fuel a greater discussion, perhaps on Fox News, and will also likely increase customers to Pasquale’s deli, which is exactly the opposite of what his opponents wanted to do.

Perhaps a future story could include the other people involved in sharing Pasquale’s personal Facebook posts, and those who called for a boycott.

You can look at Pasquale’s personal Facebook posts and determine for yourself what response, if any, there should be.

The YouTube link of the is https://m.youtube.com/watch?fbclid=IwAR29t8K4VWvEfQkBOY5plvr2UUZjGos7TOKgMNmdXM5pFf_JQzSPejNbc-E&v=VWgIn7YSKGg&feature=youtu.be 1 Hour and 32 minutes into the meeting is when Pasquale speaks.

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK –
 COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER
 INDEX # 65171/2020 FILED: 8/11/2021
 SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS

Plaintiff designates WESTCHESTER County as the place of trial. The basis of venue is: The location of the real property being foreclosed. BANK OF AMERICA, NA, Plaintiff, against UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF MARY A. DAVIS A/K/A MARY DAVIS A/K/A MARY A PICKNEY A/K/A MARY PICKNEY A/K/A MARY PICKNEY DAVIS A/K/A MARY TEMPLE DAVIS, if they be living and if they be dead, the respective heirs-at-law, next-of-kin, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, devisees, legatees, assignees, lienors, creditors and successors in interest and generally all persons having or claiming under, by or through said defendant(s) who may be deceased, by purchase, inheritance, lien or inheritance, any right, title or interest in or to the real property described in the Complaint, NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA – INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, Defendant(s). To the above named Defendant(s): YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to Answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your Answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a Notice of Appearance on the Plaintiff's attorney(s) within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within thirty (30) days after service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Honorable David F. Everett, a Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, Westchester County, granted on the 3rd day of August, 2021, and filed with the Verified Complaint and other papers in the office of the County Clerk of Westchester County. The object of this action is to bar and forever foreclose of and from all right, title, interest, claim, lien and equity of redemption in and to real property situated in the County of Westchester being known as and by 12 RISLEY PLACE, NEW ROCHELLE, NY 10801, bearing tax map designation Section: 4 Block: 1320 Lot: 0038, which is more fully described in the Schedule "A" attached to the Verified Complaint. Aldridge Pite, LLP. Attorneys for the Plaintiff, 40 Marcus Drive, Suite 200, Melville, NY 11747 Our File 1395-241B

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) #2021-08
 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
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The Municipal Housing Authority for the City of Yonkers ("MHACY") hereby solicits proposals from qualified firms for Rent Reasonableness Analysis/Study for MHACY as specified in this Request for Proposals ("RFP").

This RFP package contains submission requirements and terms and conditions and other pertinent information for submitting a proper and responsive proposal. This RFP is the only information provided to prospective bidders (hereinafter "Responders") and is available online starting October 4, 2021 at www.mhacy.org/about/procurement.

THE CONTRACT IS A NON-EXCLUSIVE CONTRACT FOR THE SERVICES DESCRIBED.

Selection may be made of one (1) or more Respondents deemed to be fully qualified and best suited among those submitting proposal. The RFP questions deadline is October 15, 2021 at 3:00 PM Eastern Standard Time (EST). Any and all questions must be emailed to Marcie Ciuffetelli at mciuffetelli@mhacy.org by the deadline. No telephone calls and/or written communication sent via mail will be accepted.

Proposals must reach MHACY no later than 3:00 PM (EST) on October 27, 2021. Late submissions will be handled in accordance with the provisions in Form HUD-5369B. Proposals will be evaluated on the criteria stated in the RFP. Negotiations may be conducted with contractors who have a reasonable chance of being selected for the award. After evaluation of the proposal revision, if any, the contract will be awarded to the responsible firm(s) whose qualifications, price and other factors are considered to be the most advantageous to MHACY.

MHACY reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and waive any irregularities or informalities if it is in MHACY's best interest to do so. MHACY reserves the right to cancel this RFP or to reject, in whole or in part, any and all proposals received in response to this RFP, upon its determination that such cancellation or rejection is in the best interest of MHACY.

MHACY is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, sexual orientation, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, disability, or family status. MHACY solicits and encourages the participation of minorities and small businesses in procurement.

Contact, related to this procurement, with members of MHACY's Board of Commissioners, or MHACY's officers and/or employees other than the contact person shown above, during the procurement process could result in disqualification of a proposal.

Wilson Kimball, President & CEO
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thing worse happens.

I also asked the New York State Department of Health, yes the outgoing Dr. Harold Zucker's office for comment on whether they thought an unvaccinated candidate should be campaigning door to door. Did I expect a response? If you think I did I have a bridge in Brooklyn to sell you. His office is probably to busy defending the many lawsuits brought by his order to return Covid positive patients to nursing homes. What a shanda (disgrace in Yiddish).

There are many ways for candidates to campaign other than going door to door. To be honest, I probably would ask a candidate who comes to my door to show in the window of the door to my apartment or house or through the peep hole or under the door their vaccination card before I opened the door for my safety. Candidates can call on the phone, send mail, lawn signs on their supporters lawns, posters in the window of businesses that support them, bumper stickers, sound trucks with local jurisdiction permit, the list does on and on. Skip the flyers on car windows. People get annoyed with them and if they get wet while on the windshield can lead to a major scraping job.

Two questions came up from the many people who answered the door when Nolan knocked. Should you just to be sure have a Covid test. I spoke to a doctor friend of mine who said that is a decision between the patient and his/her doctor. Lots of stories about people getting price gouged for Covid tests. Make sure you know the price before the place you go to administers the test.

The other question that came up is if Nolan is unvaccinated, how can he be working as a custodian in the Yonkers Public Schools. New York City is making all school employees be vaccinated. At press time New York City has set a 5:00 pm Friday, October 1 deadline for employees to receive their first shot. Yonkers is not. The Yonkers policy according to the districts website is:

Yonkers Board of Education employees and students must continue to wear masks at all times regardless of vaccination status while at school. On or before September 1, 2021, all employees of the Board of Education must be vaccinated or tested on a regular basis. All employees must provide proof of vaccination or proof of a negative COVID-19 test result based on a COVID-19 test administered within the prior seven-day period on a regular basis in accordance with the procedures and protocols implemented by the Superintendent of Schools and/or his designee.

If you are a parent of a Yonkers Public Schools student or a citizen of Yonkers and you have any questions regarding this policy, email the Trustees of the Yonkers Board of Education at trustees@yonkerspublicschools.org or call the district at 914-376-8000. To contact the Superintendent of the Yonkers Public Schools either use that phone number or follow the directions on this page from the districts website: https://www.yonkerspublicschools.org/Page/1487

Some good news. A report came out at press time that as Vaccine rates rise Covid cases fall 8% statewide. Keep up the good work New Yorkers.

And please James Nolan, Stop Campaigning Door to Door in Yonkers and Bronxville!

Reach Eric Schoen at thistoosyonkers@aol.com. Follow him on Twitter @ericyonkers. Listen to Eric Schoen and Dan Murphy on the Westchester Rising Radio Show Thursday's from 10-11 a.m. On WVOX 1460 AM, go to WVOX.com and click the arrow to listen to the live stream or download the WVOX app from the App Store free of charge.

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Liberty Lines Faces Bus Driver Shortage for Bee-Line Westchester County Bus Service

With many bus drivers across the country deciding not to go back to work, a shortage of both school bus drivers and transit bus drivers has landed in Westchester County. Liberty Lines Transit, who operates the Westchester County Bee Line buses, issued the following statement on Sept. 22.

“Over the past 18 months transit systems throughout the country have faced unprecedented challenges. Liberty Lines, like all other transit operators, is facing a shortage of bus drivers due to the pandemic. We are taking this shortage seriously and are actively recruiting new Bee-Line bus drivers daily, currently running three classes to train new drivers.

“We recognize the impact this is having on our ridership and are constantly adjusting drivers’ schedules to minimize disruptions. The proactive management of the operation has resulted in less than three percent of trips that have been impacted.

“Currently, the impact of the shortage is resulting in some passengers needing to wait extra time for a bus. We are working hard to limit the amount of wait time between buses and are minimizing it as much as possible. We are trying not to impact routes where we have a high volume of passengers and, for the most part, we have been successful.

“The primary goal of Liberty Lines is to provide the best service possible to our riders. The Bee-Line Bus System is safe and reliable. We apologize for this inconvenience. We are working to remedy the issues as soon as possible.”

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“This procedure is performed under ultrasound guidance, like any other knee injection, shoulder injection, or nerve block procedure. But instead of injecting medication into the area, we place a small, strand-like hair-size wire that blocks your pain electrically. I know this might sound daunting, but this procedure is minimally invasive, reversible, and repeatable. And it can get you feeling better for longer.”

Patients are awake during the procedure to make sure that the electrodes are properly placed so that Dr. Erosa can identify what level of stimulation the patient is comfortable with during a testing period. The electrode delivers rapid electrical pulses that feel like mild tingles and are placed near a nerve in the part of the body in pain. These signals can block and alter the pain signals that typically reach the brain.

No surgery is required and the patient goes home same day with a remote control to adjust the level of stimulation as needed. Temporary discomfort after the PNS procedure is minimal and treated with over-the-counter medication

Dr. Stephen Erosa is a dual board-certified pain physician who focuses on rehabilitation and advanced interventions to help manage chronic pain. He offers a unique approach using his osteopathic, psychiatric, and interventional knowledge to create a comprehensive, holistic, personalized treatment plan for all his patients.

“It is my mission to identify the cause of your pain and provide a treatment that has the potential to provide the longest-lasting pain relief without the need for long-term oral medications. As a born and raised New Yorker, I have a passion for helping my community thrive.”

PNS has been more commonly used in recent years for neuropathic pain and migraine headaches after several stimulation devices received FDA approval.

“For many of my patients, PNS is a game changer. It’s low risk and high reward. It is a non-opioid therapy that is not a narcotic and provides up to a year in pain relief. In the world of pain management, we are always looking for new modalities that don’t have the risk of medication abuse. Many of my patients have tried other methods but they still have pain. This gets them feeling better,” said Dr. Erosa.

Andrea C. is one of Dr. Erosa’s patients that has benefitted from PNS. She had the procedure at St. John’s Riverside Hospital after experiencing chronic back pain for more than 10 years. “I’ve had two spinal surgeries and tried other things including medications before Dr. Erosa told me about PNS and recommended it for me. For many patients experiencing chronic pain it is worthy trying. It has worked wonders for me.”

Andrea has 2 implants placed in her lower back and buttocks area in May and July of this year. The first implant worked and reduced her pain, but Dr. Erosa found another location on the other side of her lower back and buttocks which was suitable for another implant. Since the second implant, Andrea says that her pain level has gone from an 8 to a 3, which allows her to lead an active life once again. “Anyone with chronic back pain should consider PNS and go see Dr. Erosa. What do you have to lose in trying something else? Dr. Erosa has changed my life.”

Dr. Erosa wants to make sure all our readers know about the different options available to them to alleviate chronic pain. “PNS is a treatment that not many people know about. I’m not just a pain medication doctor. This therapy can offer you relief and improve your function. That’s why I want to get the word out, because if there is someone in the community who doesn’t know about this, it’s a disservice.”

If you are a candidate for peripheral nerve stimulation for your chronic pain, contact Dr. Stephen Erosa at 914-964-4DOC, or visit or visit <https://bit.ly/2X5Kiv3> for more info.

Dr. Stephen Erosa completed his residency and fellowship training in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and Interventional Pain Medicine at the prestigious Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York City.

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Saturday, October 9th

October 9, 1909: Yonkers held a water parade of floats accompanied by Native Americans; this was followed by a festive fireworks display, beautiful decorations and rgw illumination of public buildings, parks, businesses, homes, and main streets, creating a truly festive air to Yonkers Hudson-Fulton Celebration.

October 9, 1934: Police Chief Edward Quirk received a subpoena to testify at a Philadelphia murder trial. Quirk had caught the alleged murdered in a Yonkers hotel.

Sunday, October 10th

October 10, 1899: Noted portraitist and Hudson River artist Bayard H. Tyler moved to 31 Belmont Terrace; he later bought a home in Park Hill on Marshall Road.

October 10, 1943: More than thirty thousand people came to the US Army’s opening of their two-day “Action Overhead” Aerial show at Empire City Racetrack and experienced a simulation of a dreaded air raid attack. US Army Air Corps warplanes flew over the track, dropping flares, missiles and mock bombs on structures especially built for the demonstration. The audience was enthralled with the simulation of an actual air assault, with fires, fury and “bombs” igniting and exploding.

Our Civilian Protection forces came through brilliantly, dealing with the debris and destruction, showing how necessary their squads, wardens, first aiders and auxiliaries were to our safety and survival.

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.

Yonkers Gold Star Mothers Honored

The City of Yonkers held its annual Gold Star Mothers Ceremony at the Gold Star Mother memorial in Van der Donck Park on September 29. Gold Star Mother’s Day is observed to recognize and honor those who have lost a son or daughter in the service of the U.S. armed forces.

“I’ll never know our Gold Star Mothers’ feelings after losing their child, nor do I wish that upon any parent. May you find some solace in knowing here in Yonkers, we support you, salute you, and honor you for your commitment to our nation and your children who paid the ultimate sacrifice,” said Mayor Mike Spano.

Hope Hollinsworth-Coaxum, a Gold Star Mother from Yonkers, made comments, as did Rev. William Norman. Also in attendance was State Senator Shelley Mayer, Councilwoman Shanae Williams and members of the Yonkers concerned female Veterans.

The Yonkers Police Honor Guard presented the colors, and Boy Scout Troop 47 performed a flag folding ceremony and presented the American Flag to the Gold Star Mothers.

Junior Idol Carly Tauber sang God Bless America. Linda Pineda led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Minister Jim Antonucci delivered the opening prayer. Nicole Toro sang the National Anthem.

The Gold Star is presented to mothers who have lost a son or daughter in service and comes from the story of Michael the Archangel, who flew from the Heavens toward the Earth to comfort a mother who had lost her son.

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Now that Angelic Earthling has garnered global attention, people are reaching out from places like Canada and Germany. Young men across Yonkers are singing Mariano’s praises. Devon Hossack, 22, said that Mariano’s recent success “is a good feeling. He’s motivated and determined.” As far as his ambition, he stuck with his gut, and he kept grinding.” As far as Angelic Earthling, Devon said, “It’s different.” Marcus Heron, 19, said that Mariano’s shorts were “good comfortable shorts.” Both Marcus and Devon are Angelic Earthling customers.

I asked Mari if he’d be willing to share any advice. He did, and what he said was short and sweet.

“If you have an idea, just go for it.”

He also shared something exclusive with me. He’s working on Angelic Earthling masks.

Follow Mariano on Social Media: @Mari_Nine4Teen

Make A Purchase Today: www.angelicearthling.com

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the board elected come 2022? “I would embrace it because all voices need to be heard.”

“People want change. They don’t want the same song and dance about just showing up for ceremonies. They have concerns and those concerns matter to me. Public safety is one issue, with crime going up. Affordability is another issue, and people want to see where their tax dollars are going. And our infrastructure problems needs to be addressed.”

“They want someone who is not a politician but wants to serve the public. I’m a member of the blue collar workforce. That’s why I’m getting such a positive response. During the pandemic there were a lot of us out there helping people, and there were others who were not around and people didn’t know who to turn to. You need to be seen in the most desparate times,” said Nolan, who lost his brother Michael Nolan, who was shot and killed in Yonkers in 2015.

Since his brothers death, James has created and worked on community causes through the Michael Nolan foundation. “It always hard to remember, but it motivates me. I want his legacy to continue and to make our district better for everyone. I’m a Yonkers guy through and through. I want to stay here and raise my family here.” Nolan also said that he is honored that his race is the #1 race for the BOL. “Our campaign is out there, knocking on thousands of doors and meeting people. This is a serious race,” said James Nolan.

Editor’s Note:

After our interview, we found out that James Nolan was not vaccinated for COVID-19, and that several residents had raised concerns about the fact that he was campaigning and knocking on doors while not vaccinated.

We contacted Nolan who said, “I’m not vaccinated and I have consulted with my doctor and due to my medical history I am waiting on my doctors advice to take it. I encourage people to get the vaccine if their doctor gives them the green light. I wear mask when required and socially distance myself!”

While on the campaign trail, Nolan knocked on a door of a nurse in Yonkers, who asked if he was vaccinated. She raised her objection to others and her concerns we have heard from other residents and voters in the district.

While on the campaign trail, Nolan knocked on a door of a nurse in Yonkers, who asked if he was vaccinated. She then spoke out against the fact that he was campaigning, and knocking on doors without a vaccination.

Nolan was also invited to a debate on WVOX radio 1460 AM, but because he is not vaccinated, would have to call in and cannot come into the studio.

Nolan’s non-vax also raises the question, should we now ask all elected officials, and their opponents, if they are vaccinated? What about those who endorsed Nolan? Does this fact change their view?

The other question is if elected, would Nolan be welcome in the county board chambers if he is not vaccinated? Another county legislator from Yonkers, Legislator David Tubiolo, tested positive for COVID last year.

All of these questions will be up to the voters on Nov. 2, and next week we interview Legislator Ruth Walter.

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