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Yonkers Force 4-0 ! Beat Brave 42-19 in Superintendent's Cup



Left: Yonkers Forcde Running Back Ty'Shawn Lightfoot from Gorton High School, Superintendent's Cup MVP

By Dan Murphy
Attention Yonkers! The Yonkers Force football team is 4-0 after defeating the Yonkers Brave in the Superintendent's Cup by a score of 42-19 before a sold out crowd at Roosevelt HS. QB Brendan Mulvihill was 12/17 passing for 165 yards and 1Td. He had 11 carries for 128 yards and rushed for 2 TDs. Tyshawn Lightfoot (Gorton HS) won the

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Who Killed Connie Patrono? Person of Interest in custody in NJ Repeat Offenders a Continued Problem



Connie Patrono

By Dan Murphy

Residents of Yonkers and Bronxville have been wondering for five months who it was that killed Connie Patrono. Constance "Connie" Patrono, a 79-year-old psychologist known for her expertise on depression and mental health disorders, was brutally murdered in her garden apartment in the Bronxville Ridge complex in Yonkers, New York. Patrono, who had been a prominent voice in psychological discussions three decades earlier, lived a modest life despite owning a valuable but dilapidated property in nearby Bronxville. Described by acquaintances as intelligent, engaging, eccentric, and notably trusting, she was remembered as "a great person that didn't bother anybody," according to Grego-

rio Inestroza, the building superintendent.

On May 16, 2025, Inestroza discovered her body after concerned friends and acquaintances reported she hadn't been seen for several days. Entering her apartment for a welfare check, he found Patrono lying on the floor, having suffered multiple fatal blows from a blunt object and stab wounds, as determined by the medical examiner. The violent nature of the attack shocked the community, with neighbors leaving

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MGM Empire City – Community Advisory Committee -Votes 5-0 Yes for Full Gaming



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Off the Rails: Inequality, Insecurity, and Unsafe Conditions at Kawasaki's Yonkers Plant



A newly released report from Jobs to Move America and Cornell University's Climate Jobs Institute reveals troubling findings about working conditions at MTA contractor Kawasaki's railcar manufacturing facilities in New York and Nebraska.

Citing low pay, hazardous conditions and widespread experience of discrimination reported by workers, a coalition of NY and Nebraska groups are

calling on Kawasaki to begin negotiating a legally binding Community Benefits Agreement (CBA) that would ensure the public monies the company receives are matched by fair treatment for its workers and neighbors. Kawasaki has received billions of dollars over the past four decades to manufacture railcars for the MTA. In 2018, the NY MTA awarded the company a \$4.5 billion railcar contract – the largest in its history.

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98th Yonkers Columbus Day Parade Sunday Oct. 5



Miss Columbus, center, is 17-year-old Maria Potenza, a graduate of Holy Child in Rye. She will be attending Cornell University in the Fall. For the first time in 17 years, Miss Columbus will have a court! On the left is 16-year-old Julianna Gilmartin, a student at the Ursuline School, and on the right is 20-year-old Hayley Quatrocci, who attends Iona University.



Meet our 2025 Hall of Fame Recipient, Louis (Louie) Natrella of the NYC Vespa Club! Louie has been involved with the Yonkers Columbus Day committee since 2009, through rain and shine.

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For Councilman Anthony Merante, Community Comes First



Anthony Merante never imagined a career in politics. A Certified Public Accountant with a thriving local practice and a kitchen and bath business. His professional life already seemed more than full. But in Yonkers, where he has lived for nearly four decades, civic duty kept tugging at him.

"It really started when my kids were in school," Merante recalled in a recent interview with Yonkers Rising.

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Wall Street Big Shot Howard Rubin Arrested for Sex Trafficking & Abusing Models in Sex Dungeon Westchester Victims Sought

Mayor Spano Calls on U.S Congress to Prevent Devastating Cuts to Homeland Security Funding

Yonkers Expected to Lose Millions as Part of Proposed Cuts by Homeland Security to New York State



Howard Rubin

By Dan Murphy

The arrest of Wall Street financier Howard Rubin reminds us of the Jeffrey Epstein case and raises similar questions about how Rubin avoided justice for so long.

The US Attorney in the Eastern District of New York arrested Rubin, now 70 years old, and charged him with sex trafficking and transporting women to his NYC penthouse, where many ended up in Rubin's Sex Dungeon, where they were violently beaten and abused.

Rubin, like Epstein, had a female accomplice to help

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Today, Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano called on the City's U.S. representatives urging them to help stop proposed cuts by U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to New York State, gutting critical counterterrorism funding by 86%, directly impacting safety and security of its residents. The City of Yonkers joins communities across the State expected to lose millions annually in Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) funding.

"Now is not the time to shortchange the men and women of Yonkers who put their lives on the line every day to keep us safe," said Mayor Spano. "Cutting critical Homeland Security counterterrorism funding would directly undermine the ability of our police officers, firefighters and other emergency personnel to train, respond, and protect. I stand with our first responders as they are our first line of defense — the federal government must stand with them as well and not strip away the resources they need to do their jobs."

In Yonkers, UASI funding is essential for the City to support intelligence operations, training, preparedness efforts across local agencies, impacting the Yonkers Police Department, its Emergency Services Units, Hazmat and SWAT Training, active short response, infrastructure protection, investigation and marine operations. Additionally, potential cuts would impact the Yonkers Fire, Public Works and IT departments, losing crucial resources needed for rescue and Hazmat training, water disaster response and emergency coordination.

Mayor Spano added, "Implementing these cuts just days after the anniversary of the September 11th attacks, the very event that led to the creation of DHS in 2002, is deeply troubling. Yonkers is the third-largest city in New York State, borders the Bronx and lies just three miles north of Manhattan. We remain a potential soft target and now is not the time to weaken our defenses."

Mayor Spano recently submitted a letter to U.S. Senators Chuck Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand and U.S. Congressman George Latimer urging them to take immediate action and advocate on New Yorkers' behalf to prevent a \$189 million decrease in New York's counterterrorism and Homeland Security funding.

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MGM Empire City – Community Advisory Committee -Votes 5-0 Yes for Full Gaming

By Dan Murphy

The MGM Empire City Community Advisory Committee held its final meeting on September 25 to vote on the proposal to expand the existing Empire City Casino in Yonkers into a full gaming casino. All five members of the CAC voted in favor, which means that MGM’s \$2 billion plan to invest in Empire City advances to the New York State Casino Gaming Location Board. The board will make its final decision in December to award three full gaming licenses to applicants in different regions of New York.

At their final meeting on Sept. 25, each member of the CAC explained their yes vote.

Maria Fernandez, appointed by Governor Kathy Hochul, said, “I do want to thank all of the participants who came out and expressed their views. It is great to see your commitment to Yonkers. Based on what I believe, I find that there is established public support for this project and I see amazing opportunities for Yonkers with MGM. I vote yes.”

Larry Wilson, appointed by State Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins. “I want to thank Senator Stewart-Cousins for appointing me. It was an honor to be appointed and she has always shown an abiding concern and it was important to her that their quality of life was not compromised.

“This was a difficult decision for me, and during the final weeks of deliberation with my friends and neighbors, it became clear to me that this was just the beginning of a dialogue with the applicant, the city, the state, and county officials. There was new attention focused on our concerns about flooding, police and noise. I’m proud to have worked with the neighborhood groups, and their presence and resolve. It is with high hopes and optimism that I vote yes.”

Frank Jereis, appointed by Assemblyman Nader Sayegh, said, “I want to thank Assemblyman Sayegh for appointing me. This project is the definition of smart growth. A \$2.3 Billion investment, a Community Benefits Agreement, 6,500 construction jobs, and 2,000 permanent hires. The support of labor spoke volumes. This is going to be a boon to the local economy and great for small businesses and hotels.

“To the small minority who spoke out, my grandparents live one block away and I understand the concerns about the quality of life. But we have a Mayor and an administration who will be there.

“We see how smooth and successful our process is here in Yonkers. We have stability with Mayor Spano, he brought everyone together. Hopefully, MGM gets the license,” said Jereis.

Joe Apicella, appointed by County Executive Ken Jenkins said, “For 19 years a racino has existed in Yonkers and I have lived across the street from the racway when they were getting 30,000 people a night in the 1970’s. So we should look historically at this.

“When I considered all of this, and the impacts, I came to the same conclusion that the public did: 93% were in favor. We have to respond to what we hear from the community, and for that reason, I feel strongly that we should move forward.”

“This facility has been begging for a casino for years. There is a multitude of acres; if any place can make this work, Yonkers can make this work.”

CAC Chair Jim Cavanaugh, appointed by Mayor Mike Spano, said, “I thank Mayor Spano for this great opportunity, and for all of those who came out. We had 110 speakers, with a large majority in support. We also received 221 emails, with 178 in favor of granting a license to MGM.

“It’s been nearly 20 years since Yonkers Raceway was converted to a racino with slots, paying \$22 Million to the City and providing hundreds of jobs. It has been an economic success.

“Now as New York state considers who gets the license, some think the choice is to keep the racino. But no, if Yonkers doesn’t get the full gaming license, it will wither and die. Who will continue to go to an aging slot parlor with gaming casinos nearby.

“Closure would be devastating, including a loss of \$30 Million in taxes, employees out of work and losing out on an additional \$20M in taxes, and a loss to the statewide horse racing industry.

“This casino license is essential to Yonkers. There will be challenges to the infrastructure, but that’s why MGM will be required to pay \$100 Million.

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The Time for Gevura Is Now!

By Eric Wolf Schoen



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We have atoned for our sins on Yom Kippur. Now it is time for us to begin the year with Gevurah, a Hebrew term often translated as "strength" or "might," but also encompassing discipline, self-control and discernment.

In Kabbalistic thought, it represents a divine quality that brings structure and justice to the world, acting as a necessary counterpart to the attribute of loving-kindness (Chesed). For individuals, gevurah brings each of us our own special thoughts.

As we go to press our representatives in Washington, DC have failed to pass a budget leaving the country in a state of flux. The sad part of the equation is that the President and members of Congress receive their salary and the members of the Military do not. The military protects us from danger and put their lives at risk for us and we show them no respect. I hope by the time you read this column this budget mess is over.

A new year brings with it a new diet plan to better help us meet our needs. We have tried so many before but that what the hell, let’s give it another shot in hopes we can get rid of that ugly weight.

Pain and illness must be addressed much of it following us from year to year. We help those with continuous pain to deal with it and hope this will be the year their pain will finally be over..

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Annual gala on Fri Oct 3 at Castle Royal

Meet our 2025 Hall of Fame Recipient, Louis (Louie)Natrella of the NYC Vespa Club! Louie has been involved with the Yonkers Columbus Day committee since 2009, through rain and shine, Louie could not be more proud to have been named the 2025 "Hall Of Fame". It will be something he will always remember and cherish. Louie could not imagine his life without a Vespa and he will continue to ride until he is unable.

Let the festivities begin on Sunday October 5 from Seminary Ave - Midland Ave with a street festival from 12noon - 6pm!

Meet our 2025 Grand Marshal Hon. Susan Cacace who currently serves as the District Attorney of Westchester County, where her leadership is defined by her unwavering commitment to justice, public safety and community well-being. With over 30 years of experience spanning roles as a prosecutor, defense attorney and judge, she brings an unparalleled depth of expertise to her position.

Meet our inaugural Lucia A. Trovato Humanitarian Award Recipient. Dominick Cassanelli Jr. who serves as the Vice President of Teamsters Local 456, where he has

dedicated his career to advocating for workers' rights, fair wages, and safe working conditions.

A proud member of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, he has represented hundreds of

members across Westchester County, standing at the forefront of organizing efforts, grievance

proceedings, and contract negotiations that protect and advance the interests of working families.

Southern Westchester to Receive LGBTQ+ Resources



By: **Dennis Richmond, Jr.**

This October, communities in southern Westchester are set to receive new LGBTQ+ resources through an initiative led by The LOFT LGBTQ+ Community Center.

The White Plains-based center has appointed me as its Southern Westchester Liaison Volunteer. In this role, I will help distribute materials and connect organizations and businesses in Mount Vernon, New Rochelle, and Yonkers to The LOFT's network of services.

"The role will help bring The LOFT's resources directly into neighborhoods where systemic barriers have historically limited access to affirming services, including Yonkers, Mount Vernon, and surrounding communities with large Black and Brown LGBTQ+ populations," said Rickey Richard, the center's chief of staff.

For me, this work is deeply personal. It is important for baby butchqueens and baby trans folx to know that not only are they supported, but that resources exist to help them.

Research underscores the urgency. The New York State Office of Children and Family Services reports on their website that nearly one in five foster care youth identify as LGBTQ+, with many citing their identity as a reason for entering the foster system.

The initiative is also designed with older LGBTQ+ adults in mind. Many seniors do not drive and often face isolation. Expanding access to affirming spaces will help ensure they feel connected and supported.

"By partnering with local institutions and businesses, The LOFT is ensuring that LGBTQ+ people of color, and the wider community, have consistent access to support and resources," Richard said. "This initiative is an important step in expanding visibility and deepening equity across Westchester County."

Stay tuned, Southern Westchester.

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Judge: Indian Point Can Dump Sewage Into Hudson

On September 24, 2025, U.S. District Judge Kenneth Karas in White Plains, New York, issued a ruling in the case Holtec International et al. v. The State of New York (No. 7:24-cv-02929), siding with Holtec International, the owner of the decommissioned Indian Point nuclear power plant. The decision voids a 2023 New York state law (the "Save the Hudson Act") that prohibited the discharge of any radiological wastewater into the Hudson River during the plant's decommissioning process.

Among the key details:

Background: Indian Point, located about 35 miles north of New York City, ceased operations in 2021. Holtec plans to release treated radioactive wastewater (primarily containing tritium) into the Hudson, a method it says is safe, federally approved by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), and similar to discharges during the plant's active years. The state law aimed to block this to prevent potential river contamination, sparking environmental opposition and delaying decommissioning from 2035 to 2041. **Ruling Rationale:** In a 32-page opinion, Judge Karas held that the state law is preempted by federal law, as it "categorically precludes Holtec from utilizing a federally accepted method of disposal" and unduly interferes with the NRC's authority over nuclear safety and radioactive materials management. The judge emphasized that while states can regulate non-radiological aspects, this law oversteps into federal domain.

Implications: The decision allows Holtec to proceed with planned discharges, which it states will be below federal limits and not imminent. Decommissioning can resume on its original timeline. Environmental groups and state Sen. Peter Harkham (a sponsor of the law) expressed disappointment, urging Gov. Kathy Hochul to appeal. New York Attorney General Letitia James has not yet commented on appeal plans. **Reactions:** Holtec welcomed the outcome, reiterating its commitment to environmentally responsible decommissioning in coordination with stakeholders. Activists, including Westchester County Legislator Beth Davidson, rallied against the ruling, arguing it prioritizes corporate interests over community health. This ruling aligns with broader federal preemption trends in nuclear regulation but has heightened tensions over Hudson River safety. No discharges are scheduled immediately, per Holtec.

Westchester County Executive Ken Jenkins said, "I am deeply disappointed by the federal court's decision that federal law preempts New York law, allowing Holtec International to move forward with plans that could result in radioactive wastewater being discharged into the Hudson River. This ruling disregards the intent of New York's law, that directed Holtec to use the tremendous amount of decommissioning funds available and use a more expensive method of disposal to protect both people's lives and our environment."

"The Hudson is the lifeblood of our region – a source of recreation, natural beauty and economic vitality – and we cannot allow it to become a dumping ground for radioactive waste. Westchester residents, and all New Yorkers on both sides of the Hudson River, deserve better."

"I am calling for the NRC to direct Holtec to stop this reckless action, and to protect the health and safety of our communities. The fight to safeguard the Hudson River is far from over."

On This Day in Yonkers History...



Morey Amsterdam

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

Monday, October 6th

October 6, 1945: Rear-Admiral Husband Kimmel, Bronxville Road resident, testified he believed the Army "let down" the Navy with its detection of the Japanese on Pearl Harbor. Kimmel said two Navy enlisted men detected the planes on its radar and immediately reported it to their officers; the Navy officers asked the Army Information Center several times if the Army knew what direction the Japanese came from, but didn't get a response.

Kimmel was Pearl Harbor Naval Commander at the time of the attack, and was relieved of command soon after the attack.

Under Secretary of War Robert Patterson closed the Army investigation, stating the facts did not warrant "punishing" Colonel Theodore Wyman, the Army engineer in charge of Hawaiian defense construction.

Patterson later reported Wyman attended lavish parties given by German contractor Hans Wilhelm Rohl; the pair often were accused of drunkenness and "private and public misconduct." Rohl received many Army contracts in Hawaii, even though he was not always the lowest bidder. Wyman was believed to have lied about knowing Rohl was a German citizen; German citizenship made Rohl ineligible to handle secret Army contracts.

Wyman received the Distinguished Service Medal for his work in Hawaii; later assigned to Alcan Highway construction, he was removed at the request of the Canadian Government because he failed to "enforce safety regulations." This resulted in the death of eleven men.

Tuesday, October 7th

October 7, 1933: Yonkers Firefighters saved the Manor Hall from being badly damaged by a fire; the fire had broken out during a DAR tea held in the mansion. Fortunately, none of the women were hurt.

October 7, 1947: Mount St. Vincent celebrated its centennial with a Pontifical Mass of Thanksgiving, a luncheon and an academic convocation! The school was founded by a small group of nuns led by Mother Elizabeth Boyle, at the request of New York's Bishop John Hughes. The school originally was located at McGowan's Point; in 1855 the sisters purchased Fonthill, Shakespearean actor Edwin Forrest's 70-acre estate in the Town of Yonkers because New York City purchased their McGowan Point home to be part of Central Park. The Yonkers "Mount" property later was annexed to New York City.

Wednesday, October 8th

October 8, 1942: When an enormous number of servicemen appeared at the Yonkers USO, Director Elmer Sheets had a problem. There were not enough women at the USO to help and chat with our boys. He called the Yonkers Li

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

Notice of Formation of OnPoint Home Designs LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 8/28/2024. 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 the LLC, 14 Crosby Court, Cortlandt Manor NY 10567. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of JUST SHIPSHAPE LLC Arts. Of Org. filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on [07/17/2025]. Office location: Westchester county. ENTITY PROTECT REGISTERED AGENT SERVICES LLC is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. ENTITY PROTECT REGISTERED AGENT SERVICES LLC shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 1 ALEXANDER STREET APT 314, Yonkers, New York, NY 10701. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of 155 ROUTE 202 LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 07/10/2025. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 401 Broadway, Suit 1111, NY, NY 10013. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of formation of Create With Vero LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/06/2025. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 16 Forster Ave, Mt. Vernon, NY 10552. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of PRINCE & BROADWAY PROPERTIES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/22/25. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 172 Rockne Road, Yonkers, NY 10701. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of formation of LIQUID ASSET SERVICES LLC. Application for Authority Filed with the SSNY on 12/05/2024. 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 THE LLC, 46 LINCOLN AVENUE, PORT CHESTER, NY 10573. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Super Smart Future LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/20/2023. Office Location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Super Smart Future LLC, 58 Valley Rd, Katonah, NY 10536. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of formation of IT TAKES ALL KINDS PICTURES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/21/2025. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, Republic Registered Agent Services Inc. 54 State Street Suite 804 Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful

Notice of Formation of SteenShots LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/12/2025. Office Location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 343 South 3rd Avenue, Mt. Venron NY 10550. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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.

Notice of Publication of 19 THIRD AVE RENTALS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 08/29/2025. Office: WESTCHESTER CO. SSNY designated agent for process and shall mail process to copy to the LLC 7014 13th Ave, #202, Bklyn, NY, 11228. Purpose: any lawful act.

Notice of Formation of Math Power LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with SSNY On 07/12/2025. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 35 Florence St, Yonkers, NY 10704. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of formation of BLUEPRINTS AND BEYOND LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on February 4th, 2025. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the LLC: 70 Ashburton Avenue, Apt. 7H, Yonkers, New York, 10701. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Latimer on News Nation About Grand Jury Indictment of James Comey

By Dan Murphy

Westchester Congressman George Latimer, on a recent interview on News Nation, called the indictment of Yonkers native James Comey “the weaponization of the Department of Justice.”

“Its hilarious that President Trump says its terrible to weaponize the Department of Justice but that is exactly what he has done. Why is the President angry with Comey, NYAG Letitia James, Adam Schiff and others? Because they tried to hold him accountable. Schiff led and impeachment inquiry and Letitia James prosecuted him. He is using the DOJ as his own personal law firm,” said Latimer.

“He said it clearly duding the campaign that I will be your revenge President, and at the Charlie Kirk memorial he said I hate my enemies.

“It’s clear who this guy is and its cleear that he is going after his enemies. You have never seen anything like this in the history of our republic.”

Rep. Latimer, who sits on the House Foreign Affairs Committee was asked about the Trump administration’s freeze on foreign aid. “This was authorized by Congress and the it was the republican majorities in the House and Senate who approved these.

“This is why we need checks and balances. You don’t want one person making all of the decisions. Foreign Aid helps up to build our position around the world. It is not just with our military.

“Being tough and shooting your mouth off isn’t the best way to influence people.”

When asked about the government shutdown now underway, Latimer said “democrats are willing to work with republicans. But republicans have operated without any effort at bipartisanship. We have been called back to Washington this week to be ready.

When asked what should the public do, Latimer said, “make sure that democrats and republicans sit at the table and negotiate something that both sides can agree on.”

Latimer added that democrats will not support ending the affordable care act tax credits and the tarriffs and everything that makes life less affordable.”

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Notice of formation of Sprites' Hollow LLC, formerly What Are We Making LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/30/2021. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 88 Colgate Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10703. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Elsie Legacy Group LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/26/2025. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 41 Woodland Road, Bedford Hills, NY 10507. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of formation Hinman Hall, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/08/2025. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 9 Landing Drive, Dobbs Ferry NY 10522 Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Publication of 275 VICTORY BLVD LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 08/29/2025. Office: WESTCHESTER CO. SSNY designated agent for process and shall mail process to copy to the LLC 7014 13th Ave, #202, Bklyn, NY, 11228. Purpose: any lawful act.

RELIABLE MEDICAL SERIVES PLLC filed with the SSNY on 07/6/25. Office: Westchester County. Registered Agent Inc. designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 27 Edgewold Rd. White Plains, NY 10607. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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Letters to the Editor:

We Need a New Yorktown Town Board

By: Jennie Sunshine, Yorktown

If you look at the Yorktown town website, www.yorktownny.gov, you'd see countless pictures of trees and greenery and pages touting our Revolutionary War history and our expansive parks and green spaces. On the "Welcome to Yorktown" page, it says that Yorktown is, and I quote, "forty square miles of rolling hills, farmland, residential areas and light industry." This is now - a joke. We were these things. We are supposed to be these things. Yes, we still have some buildings from the 1700s. We have a few forested areas left. And thankfully we do still have a few farms (which are magnificent), but mostly we are increasingly more expensive with frustrating, bumper to bumper traffic, ever more urban, with more polluted air, an overdone sometimes failing infrastructure, a soon-to-be impassable Underhill Road and a Town Board that gives unnecessary tax breaks to builders and developers (over the wishes of its citizens). Our schools and police and fire will soon be stretched thin and the promise of what our Town was supposed to be, almost a figment in the rear-view mirror as more strip mall and way-too-costly housing developments loom over any still-standing trees and green spaces. We've pretty much had the same leadership in Yorktown for the last 10 years. Maybe it's time we make some changes. This November 4, you can choose a better direction for our town, one that is more thoughtful and innovative and focuses on the needs of the people of Yorktown. All are experts in their own fields, parents of Yorktown kids, volunteers in our community and wish only to be your public servants; please vote for Jann Mirchandani for Yorktown Supervisor and Ilan Gilbert and Michael Hickins for Yorktown Town Council.

To Rising and all friends of Bob Stauf!

As the principal, a colleague and friend of Bob, and knowing him for over 50 years I was extremely pleased with your article recording his devotion to many causes that certainly graced the City of Yonkers, his parish, Irish endeavors and mostly the needs all people and every citizen.

Our founding fathers were well aware that our democracy would need an informed citizenry to help legislate, judge and lead - Bob Stauf was such a man! With all respects, he talked the talk, walked the walk and worked unselfishly for the betterment of politics and good government.

And Bob sung the Star-Spangled Banner beautifully with all the respect it conveys and deserves. You are good home friend! Blessed, as we who knew you were blessed with your life and devotion to task.

Eugene C Radko
Yonkers

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

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 October 27, 2025 at 9:30 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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Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale.

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the

Mortgagee's attorney.

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STUART I. BALL, ESQ., Referee

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File # 7777.122

For Councilman Anthony Merante, Community Comes First

"I was concerned about the quality of their education, so I became very active in the PTA at School 8 — the Patricia A. DiChiaro School. Over more than a decade, I came to understand the budgetary struggles our public schools face."

As a new homeowner, he also joined the Sprain Lake Knolls Civic Association, eventually becoming its president. That role deepened his connection to the city's civic life. "Over the years I've been active with many local charities and organizations, including the Yonkers Columbus Day Committee, the Enrico Fermi Scholarship Fund, and the First Precinct Community Council," he said. "For me, it's always been about lending a hand wherever I could." Often, that meant applying his accountant's skills to keep community organizations on solid financial ground.

Politics entered his life almost by accident. Through the civic association, Merante met Richard Barbato, the husband of soon to be Councilwoman Dee Barbato. Mr. Barbato encouraged him to become a 10th Ward district leader, and later ward leader. "That role got me involved with City Hall and gave me insight into how government really works," he said.

Neighbors soon pressed him to run for office himself. "People would say, 'Anthony, you do so much for others — you should run for City Council. We need someone to protect our community and be a voice for the little guy,'" Merante recalled. "They told me too many politicians once elected look out only for themselves, and not for us."

He ran, he won, and for eight years he has represented Yonkers' 6th District.

"My guiding principle has always been to do what's right for the people I represent," Merante said. "I've brought my business ethics of customer service into public service because taxpayers deserve to have their needs addressed. Whether it's a road that needs paving, a tree that needs cutting, or a safety issue that requires attention, I make it a priority to listen.

"I've always believed God gave us two ears and one mouth so we should listen twice as much as we talk. I'm not about lofty promises or empty speeches — I'm a doer. I work hard every day to get results for the residents of the 6th District."

Merante's independent streak has sometimes put him at odds with the administration. "My principled votes haven't always made me popular," he acknowledged. "In fact, City Hall would be happy to see me gone — which is why they handpicked a loyalist to run against me."

The tension grew after the administration terminated his longtime City Hall assistant, a veteran staffer who had served other councilmembers before him. "It was a clear attempt to cripple my ability to serve constituents," Merante said. "But it didn't stop me. I hired my own assistant at my campaign office and pay her out of my own pocket, because serving the people of the 6th District comes first."

Redistricting added another layer of challenge. "City Hall carved out Republican areas and packed the district with apartment-dwelling Democrats to tilt the balance," he said. His opponent, even admitted in a Yonkers Voice interview that he's in a stronger position this time thanks to redistricting.

"The truth is simple," Merante said. "The administration wants another 'yes man' on the City Council. But that's not me. I will never be a rubber stamp."

Despite a cordial relationship with Mayor Mike Spano, Merante has not shied away from opposing him. "I personally like the Mayor, and we've always had a congenial relationship," he said. "But my votes have often put me at odds with his administration."

Merante opposed extending term limits to allow a fourth term for the Mayor and Council — and says he won't support a rumored fifth. He was also the only Councilmember to vote against what he called "outrageous" pay raises for the Mayor and Council. "How can you raise taxes on Yonkers homeowners and then give yourself a raise?" he asked. "I told my colleagues: you knew what the salary was when you ran. If you didn't like it, you shouldn't have run."

To underscore his point, he donates his own raise back to community groups in the 6th District.

Merante is quick to point out what sets him apart. "The administration and developers have no hooks in me," he said. "I have no immediate family members on the city payroll, and since being elected I've refused the City car and free gas that councilmembers are provided at taxpayers' expense. I said, 'No thank you — I'll drive my own car.' I also don't take campaign contributions from developers. That way, I can vote freely, without pressure from special interests — always putting the people of Yonkers first."

His four consecutive 'no' votes on city budgets — which he says were loaded with 'exorbitant' property tax hikes totaling 15% — underscore that independence. "Yonkers is facing an affordability crisis," he added. "Seniors and residents on fixed incomes are being driven out of our city. Even many of our government employees can't afford to live here anymore — they've been forced to move up-county or beyond.

"Yonkers needs affordable rents, not more luxury high-rises on the waterfront. When property taxes go up, landlords raise rents, and working families pay the price. Young couples, where both husband and wife are working, depend on grandparents to help with childcare — especially now, with daycare costs hitting record highs. We need policies that support long-time Yonkers families."

If there is a through line to Merante's political career, it is the test he says he applies to every decision.

"I've always supported our Capital Budgets that rebuild and strengthen the city," he said. "I'll always stand with the men and women who protect us, and with the teachers who guide our children's education. And I'll support any operating budget that is fair and doesn't overburden taxpayers.

"At the end of the day, I'm guided by one simple question: Is this right for the people of Yonkers? I will never cast a vote just to go along or for political expediency. Nobody owns me — I answer to one boss only: the residents of the 6th District.

DA Cacace Announces Formation of Hate Crimes Advisory Board



Members of the Hate Crimes Advisory Board, pictured above, will convene quarterly to discuss trends in prevalence of hate in Westchester County

Westchester County District Attorney Susan Cacace announced today a first-of-its-kind initiative within her office to build partnerships with community stakeholders in furtherance of rooting out hate and bias in Westchester County.

The Hate Crimes Advisory Board is composed of 13 members who will meet quarterly with DA Cacace and members of the Hate Crimes Unit to bring to their attention concerns from their respective constituencies. This direct feedback will allow the office to more closely monitor trends in the spread of hate-fueled incidents, both criminal and non-criminal, in Westchester. Members of the Board do not receive compensation and volunteer their time and expertise for the benefit of the office. The inaugural meeting of the Board was Monday, Sept. 29, 2025.

DA Cacace said: "Building an advisory board solely devoted to eradicating hate was a promise I made to Westchester residents on the campaign trail, and yesterday's meeting is the realization of that promise. The surge in hateful incidents over the past several years has alarmed all of us in this county, but it has especially concerned those who bear a disproportionate share of the hate dispensed by violent offenders.

"The communities represented on this board are broad and diverse, and board members will be able to provide me with direct input from their constituents so that

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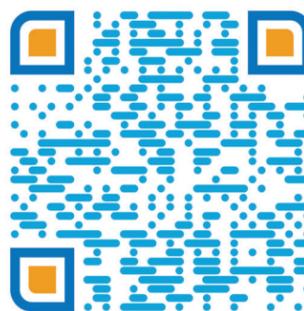
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Westchester Board of Legislators Celebrates Hispanic American Heritage Month



County Legislator and Vice Chair Jose Alvarado with Brother Luis E. Hernandez Rivas, left. Right, Alvarado, BOL Chair Vedat Gashi and Legislator Emiljana Ulaj with the Dominican Cultural Association of Yonkers Dance Group

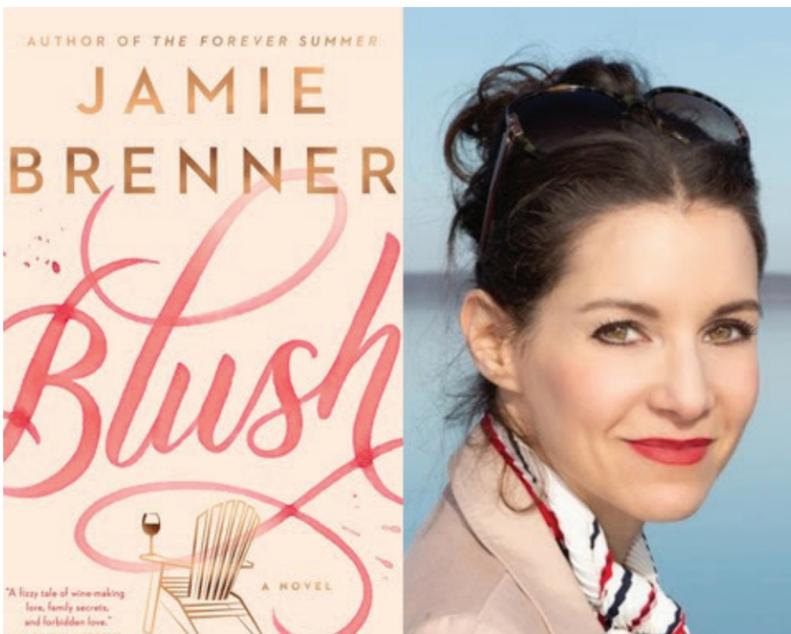
The Westchester County Board of Legislators celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month on Monday night with a ceremony recognizing two exemplary honorees: San Andrés Episcopal Food Pantry, a critical community nourishment source for generations of Yonkers residents, along with Chief Louis “Fredo” Sanchez, Ossining’s first Hispanic American fire chief, a lifelong public servant and tireless community leader.

The evening began with the Dominican Cultural Association of Yonkers Dance Group joyfully performing two traditional folkloric dances on the chamber floor, their vibrant blue and red skirts flowing as they moved.

Board Chairman Vedat Gashi (D- New Castle, Ossining, Somers, Yorktown) opened the ceremony by welcoming guests and the Board’s honorees to the celebration. He said, “Our Hispanic community doesn’t just live in Westchester—they are Westchester. From our firehouses to our halls of government, from our small

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Free Wine-Tasting & Talk by Best Selling Author Jamie Brenner Oct. 15



Opening Centennial Celebration Supporting Crestwood Library

To open the year-long celebration of the Crestwood Library Centennial, Friends of Crestwood Library present An Evening of Wine & Words to Support Crestwood Library on Wed Oct 15, from 7-8:30pm at the library in Yonkers NY. A free wine & cheese tasting and a special talk by best-selling author Jamie Brenner will highlight the evening. In addition, a limited number of free signed copies of Brenner’s book, Blush, will be available first-come, first-served. The event is for those 21 and above.

Jamie Brenner, acclaimed author of Blush, will start the evening with a spirited talk about the insights and inspirations she uses when writing. She is known for her fiction writing in the popular “beach read” genre. Blush is a novel about three generations of women who find the key to saving their family Long Island winery—and to finding the love that’s eluded them all—might be in the romance novels of yesteryear that have shaped generations of women. Blush, published in 2021, received recognition from People magazine, USA Today, Real Simple and Good Morning America.

In keeping with the wine theme, attendees will be treated to tastings of a selection of wines—including the book’s namesake also known as rose—coordinated by Friends member Manika Ghose, a longstanding Library patron. Ghose is involved with the ONEHOPE, a Napa California winery. ONEHOPE produces its wines under the mission “Pour with a Purpose.” ONEHOPE has donated more than \$11 million to education, hunger and clean water causes since 2014. The library will receive 10% of bottle sales at the event and sales continue online for those who can’t attend.

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OPEN/CONTINUED HEARINGS

5855 – Area Variance – Andrew M. Romano, Esq. on behalf of 160 Stanley Avenue LLC, owner, on premises known as 160 Stanley Ave, Block: 184, Lots: 68, Zone: A (B00033778) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1sBCFaH0Iubtvx_DMeIZGYwbaUBYOPlzH?usp=sharing

#5852a. - Area Variance - Andrew M. Romano, Esq. on behalf of 94 St. Andrews Place, Block: 133, Lot: 3, Zone: A, (B0033786), Pleasure Home Improvement LLC, owner, on premises known as 94 St. Andrews Place. <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1-WAnk-6N6D-BLNUSRFpIEp6VBcZd6V80?usp=sharing>

#5895 – Area Variance— Andrew Romano Esq. on behalf of Pjeter Vukaj, owner, on premises known as 9 Abner Place, Block: 6163, Lot: 32.34 (A0000269) Zone: T <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1tk5Ikd1ViaM48Mj-4fhB2-WYpSUEBsiU?usp=sharing>

#5900 – Area Variance – Andrew Romano Esq., on behalf of WAG America LLC, on premises known as 38 Hunt Ave, Block:3137, Lot:16 (B0035424) Zone: S-50. https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1N-HiBBAFqe09tTtPWOCeh4OC1_expReA?usp=sharing

#5790 – Area Variance - James Veneruso, Esq., on behalf of Mehranco Limited Liability Co., owner, on premises known as 1999 Central Park Avenue, Block: 4385, Lot: 42.43, (B30132) Zone: BR . https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1luztII09IzkF1bUNhKvFBj6CNy_bLXR5?usp=sharing

#5903 – Area and Use Variance - Andrew Romano Esq. on behalf of 329 WSY LLC, owner, on premises known as 329 Walnut Street, Block: 453, Lot: 3 (B0032469) Zone: M. https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Gxn8_x0Zg5W-K_VEg1ofG8uEl9mwZe2b?usp=sharing

#5764- Area Variance - Andrew M. Romano, Esq. on behalf of Woodycrest Yonkers LLC, owner, Block: 2207, Lot: 21 (B0024208), on premises known as 37 Woodycrest Avenue, Zone: T. https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1TS9_F9jAFdMVLmrRI-47Z7vWeraW1h1P?usp=sharing

#5763 – Area Variance - Andrew M. Romano, Esq. on behalf of Woodycrest Yonkers LLC, owner, Block: 2207, Lot: 23 (B0024199), on premises know as 33 Woodycrest Avenue, Zone: T. <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/13ZXZ25vr0exLhnUzHnm7ewIVyOkQEHVP?usp=sharing>

#5905- Appeal from an Interpretation/Decision/Order of the Commissioner of Buildings- Jonathan D. Kraut on behalf of Scott Sall of 106 Bronxville Road LLC, on premises know as 106 Bronxville Road, Block:5322, Lot:13.14 (Complaint2025-0471) Zone: S-50. https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/10s6_nqQBTCy-ZqKHvVVX_Ect7Nc6fetx?usp=sharing

#5906 – Appeal from an Interpretation/Decision/Order of the Commissioner of Buildings- Jonathan D. Kraut on behalf of Scott Sall of 1 Bronxville Lane LLC, on premises know as 1 Bronxville Lane, Block:5320, Lot:23 (Complaint2025-0471) Zone: S-50. https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1ME2b_OZFZjtnzVTKNkeodSWFI3RrqM72?usp=sharing

NEW HEARINGS

#5907 – Area Variances – James G. Dibbini & Associates, P.C., on behalf of Pashke Ukaj, on premises known as 44 Stevens Ave, Block: 6293, Lot: 18 (B0037211) Zone: T. <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/12i0zaCd5DPyfhG-dQfOWWBFmtBOE94b?usp=sharing>

#5908 - Area Variance & Appeal from an Interpretation/Decision/Order of the Commissioner of Buildings – Angel M. Sanchez on behalf of 185 Murray Avenue , on premises know as 185 Murray Ave, Block:5088 Lots:55&56 (B0033628) Zone: T <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/12nKpQVuD4ON9b5DOfD-kfnTS223civ?usp=sharing>

#5909 – Use and Area Variances – Mark Blanchard, on behalf of Vark Street Realty, LLC., on premises known as 125 Vark Street, Block: 508, Lot: 12 (B0037237) Zone: UR-MD. <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1584b82TmYrnyTYv44pXb35OmfpEccYWh?usp=sharing>

#5910 – Area Variances – Mark Blanchard, on behalf of Hudson Pointe, LLC., on premises known as 1205 Warburton Ave., Block: 3570, Lot: 1 (B0037131) Zone: MG. https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1IPdzRuXEqvqyXwEFvD0_sZTxaGZPPSx?usp=sharing

#5911 – Area Variance – Gabriel E. Senior, P.C., on behalf of Ramon H. Espinal, on premises known as 140 Sweetfield Circle, Block: 6050, Lot: 96 (B0032517) Zone: S-50. <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1scjvr0r5TCJLm-MLPdNHtuKrqrGdWDu?usp=sharing>

#5912 – Area Variances – Andrew Romano, on behalf of Centro Cristiano Jehova es Mi Bandera, Inc. on premises known as 27 Glenwood Ave., Block: 2121, Lot: 30 (B0035776) Zone: M. https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1eMQdFJtmqR4YVvkLU3LNxL_jJ6Ez4BbTo?usp=sharing

#5913 – Area Variance – Janet Giris, on behalf of Morris Westchester Upper Site Associates, LLC., on premises known as 79 Austin Ave., Block: 3285, Lot: 210 (B0034334) Zone: CM. <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1X9-XU8voN3LaCu4nsfuEMCr8tvWjew6?usp=sharing>

#5914 – Area Variances – Stephen A. Veneruso, on behalf of AVL Homes, LLC., on premises known as 69 Spruce St., Block: 430, Lot: 58 (B0036935) Zone: A. https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1o_5iOmj08xCEPt6r-4_d-P1D4mE0WEk3?usp=sharing

Connie Patrono, Contined from pg 1--

flowers outside her door amid ongoing crime scene tape.

The Yonkers Police Department launched an immediate investigation, but as of late May 2025, no arrests had been made, and no specific suspects or motives were publicly identified. Authorities described the case as active and pledged to pursue justice diligently, though details remained limited to protect the probe. The tragedy highlighted vulnerabilities in everyday trust, leaving Patrono’s loved ones and the local community grappling with the loss of a woman whose professional insights had once helped countless others navigate their own darkness. The investigation continues without further public updates as of October 2025.

We have received emails from residents in Yonkers and Eastchester but also all over Westchester, who knew Patrono professionally. Her office was in Eastchester, but no information has been forthcoming, and we were unable to find her obituary.

Westchester Medical Examiner Dr. Aleksander Milovanovic, Westchester’s chief medical examiner who determined that Patrono died as a result of blunt force to her head and all over her body.

But now law enforcement sources, and a recent story in the Journal News, points to a likely suspect. His name is David Britt.

Britt lives in New Jersey. He is a career criminal and has been arrested several times for burglary. He is a contractor and law enforcement believes that he was working on Patrono’s co-op on the day of her death.

Shortly after Patrono’s death, Britt was arrested in New Jersey for a home invasion, and has been in custody ever since.

Now according to LoHud.com, a warrant for his arrest in the death of Patrono has been issued.

Westchester law enforcement and DA Cacace’s office have not commented on the case or Britt. An announcement may be forthcoming soon.

Britt was arrested several times in New Jersey and served five year jail sentences on two occassions for burglary. His recent arrest is his third burglary conviction.

We wanted to alert our readers about the latest update concerning this case. Among the emails we received were from senior citizens who live near the building where Patrono was killed.

Patrono, who had been a prominent voice in psychological discussions three decades earlier, lived alone since her husband’s death in 2015.

If Britt is arrested and charged in Patrono’s death, it will be another example of a repeat offender committing another serious crime, this one a homicide.

It is also interesting to note that more than 4 months after her death, there has been no memorial service or public remembrance for Connie Patrono, despite her connections to Yonkers, Bronxville, Eastchester and Carmel.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT Docket: 24-CV-09750-PMH

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
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DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR SECURITIZED ASSET BACKED RECEIVABLES LLC TRUST 2007-BR5, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-BR5, Plaintiff,

-against-

SHARON LUCAS A/K/A SHARON BLACKWELL; KYLE LUCAS; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; ADVANCED OXY-MED SERVICES, INC.,

Defendant(s).
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NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Amended Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, filed in the office of the clerk on July 14, 2025, wherein DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR SECURITIZED ASSET BACKED RECEIVABLES LLC TRUST 2007-BR5, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-BR5 is the Plaintiff and SHARON LUCAS A/K/A SHARON BLACKWELL, ET AL. are the Defendant(s). I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, 300 QUARROPAS STREET, LOBBY, WHITE PLAINS, NY 10601, on November 5, 2025 at 11:00AM, the premises in said Amended Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale described and therein directed to be sold, to which Amended Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale reference is made for the terms of sale and for a description of the premises which may be briefly described as follows: 8 VAIL AVENUE, PEEKSKILL, NY 10566; and the following tax map identification: Section: 23.14; Block: 7; Lot: 13.

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Dated:

Melissa D. Mohan, Esq.
Court Appointed Referee

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brary across the street and asked for HELP! The women came over in shifts of twos and threes to help with the large crowd of men; later the library staff volunteered to be regular volunteers.

October 8, 1940: Forty-one Yonkers men and women, twenty-nine non-Yonkers residents and two Yonkers corporations were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury in New York City on charges they conspired to defraud the government by operating a huge illicit liquor ring, headquartered in Yonkers. Their huge still at 1 Lawton Street was the largest ever uncovered in this city.

Thursday, October 9th

October 9, 1924: Literacy tests for potential voters were held at Yonkers High School. Before citizens could register to vote, they had to prove they were literate.

October 9, 1974: Herve Filion, a French-Canadian driver, won his 5,000th lifetime victory with pacer Lovin Time at Yonkers Raceway. To commemorate the occasion, Filion was presented with a king size trophy!

Friday, October 10th

October 10, 1945: Arthur Doran, attorney for New York City's Associated Filmmakers, Inc., ordered a contract written to purchase City of Yonkers property on Central Park, just north of Roosevelt High School. The company planned to build a movie studio on the site, to be run by Broadway Producer Horace Schmidlapp, who married Carole Landis two months later.

October 10, 1949: Stage, radio, television star and soon-to-be Yonkers resident Morey Amsterdam, with radio commentator Walter Kiernan, appeared at the Jewish Community Center to raise money for the Yonkers Community Chest.

Amsterdam had just bought a home on Valentine Street in Dunwoodie Heights!

Saturday, October 11th

October 11, 1943: Movies of the "tomato-growing" employees at the Yonkers Refined Syrups and Sugars plant went international! The film, made by the US Army Signal Corps, showed Sugar House workers caring for thousands of plants grown on top of a company warehouse at the foot of Vark Street. The movie was sent to Army camps all over the world to show our fighting forces "what the folks on the Homefront were doing!" Shortly after a Signal Corps officer read about the company efforts to support their employees in The Herald Statesman, photographers appeared to film their story.

The rooftop gardens were created to ensure fresh vegetables were available to Sugar House workers. During the war, an estimated 30,000 pounds of food were produced and given to the workers.

Sunday, October 12th

October 12, 1942: Former child movie star Miriam Batista, then starring in a Broadway play, helped sell War Bonds at the Yonkers Columbus Day ceremonies at Columbus Park.

October 12, 1942: Mrs. Herold Robinson of Pondfield Road West and Chief Petty Officer Bert Rothing, US Navy, shared the honor of donating the first bumpers in the "Bumpers for Victory" drive held in Larkin Plaza. Mechanics from Otis Elevator removed the bumpers and replaced them with wood bumpers!

Thanks to the cooperation of the Yonkers War Salvage Committee, The Herald Statesman and the City of Yonkers, just about all the major newsreel companies and most of picture services filmed this project, showing the world how Yonkers had taken leadership of an important patriotic program.

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.

Rubin Arrested continued from pg 1-

him in his crimes. Also arrested was Jennifer Powers, Rubin's personal assistant, who helped Rubin secure the models for his abuse and profited and was paid handsomely by her boss to look the other way.

Rubin was arrested in Fairfield, CT, and a 10-count indictment against him was unsealed in federal court in Brooklyn.

"As alleged, the defendants used Rubin's wealth to mislead and recruit women to engage in commercial sex acts, where Rubin then tortured women beyond their consent, causing lasting physical and/or psychological pain, and in some cases physical injuries," stated United States Attorney Nocella. "Today's arrests show that no one who engages in sex trafficking, in this case in luxury hotels and a penthouse apartment that featured a so-called sex 'dungeon,' is above the law, and that they will be brought to justice. Human beings are not chattel to be exploited for sex and sadistically abused, and anyone who thinks otherwise can expect to find themselves in handcuffs and facing federal prosecution like these defendants."

"For many years, Howard Rubin and Jennifer Powers allegedly spent at least one million dollars to finance the commercial sexual torture of multiple women via a national trafficking network. The defendants allegedly exploited Rubin's status to ensnare their prospective victims and forced them to endure unthinkable physical trauma before silencing any outcries with threats of legal recourse," stated FBI Assistant Director in Charge Raia. "The FBI will continue to apprehend any trafficker who sexually abuses others for twisted gratification."

"It's alleged Rubin directed a sex trafficking enterprise, exploiting women who were transported from across the country to his Manhattan penthouse that was equipped with a soundproof sex room filled with BDSM equipment, including a device used to shock the women," stated Special Agent in Charge of IRS-CI Chavis. "This was not a one-person show. While Rubin dehumanized these women with abhorrent sexual acts, Powers is alleged to have run the day-to-day operations of the enterprise and got paid generously for her efforts. IRS-CI and FBI partnered to see fit that all the facts are detailed in this case and ensure that this pair realizes the full consequences of their ghastly behaviors."

Rubin, now retired, built his wealth in New York City working in finance. Powers became his personal assistant around 2011 and managed the logistical aspects of their commercial sex operation. As alleged in the indictment, between 2009 and 2019, Rubin and Powers recruited multiple women to travel to New York City to engage in commercial sex acts with Rubin involving bondage, discipline, dominance, submission and sadomasochism, referred to as "BDSM" sex, and some of the women were trafficked. The commercial sex acts initially took place in luxury hotels, and then later in Rubin's two-bedroom penthouse apartment (the "Penthouse") in midtown Manhattan where he and Powers converted one of the bedrooms into what they referred to as a sex "dungeon" that was painted red, soundproofed and furnished with BDSM equipment and devices, including a device to shock or electrocute the women. Rubin also used force, fraud and coercion to traffic another woman in 2018 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

As alleged, Rubin and Powers, together with others, recruited women to engage in commercial sex acts with Rubin. Powers frequently arranged the women's flights to New York and then transported them to the Penthouse. During many of these encounters, Rubin brutalized women's bodies, causing them to fear for their safety and/or resulting in significant pain and injuries.

As further alleged in the indictment, Rubin and Powers required the women to sign non-disclosure agreements (NDAs), which purported to require the women to assume the risk of the hazards and injury of the BDSM encounters with Rubin, prohibit the disclosure of information about the BDSM sex with Rubin, and require the payment of damages in the event of a breach. Rubin used the NDAs to threaten the women with legal consequences and public shaming if they sought legal recourse.

After the sexual encounters, Rubin and/or Powers used Rubin's money to pay the women by wire transfer or a payment service such as PayPal or Venmo. At times, Powers structured the payments to avoid sending a single transaction of \$10,000 or more, thereby avoiding triggering reporting obligations by the bank. The indictment alleges the defendants spent at least \$1 million of Rubin's money operating and maintaining the trafficking network.

The charges in the indictment are allegations, with both Rubin and Powers facing a mandatory minimum of 15 years in prison for sex trafficking. Rubin was held without bail because he is a flight risk.

If you believe you have been victimized by or have information about Howard Rubin or Jennifer Powers, please contact the FBI at fbi.gov/HowardRubinVictims, HowardRubinVictims@FBI.gov or 212-384-3600.

Most of the crimes in the indictment occurred between 2009 and 2019, more than 6 years ago. Why did it take so long for Rubin to get arrested?

In 2017, six women filed a civil suit against Rubin, accusing him of beatings, rape, and trafficking violations under the Trafficking Victims Protection Act. The plaintiffs won a \$3.85 million judgment, which Rubin has appealed and has not yet paid amid disputes over funding.

Some of the accusations in the civil suit allege that Rubin screamed, "I'm going to rape you like I rape my daughter."

Incriminating texts between Rubin and Powers spanning a decade are additional evidence.

Rubin's wife filed for divorce shortly after the civil suits were filed.

Prosecutors allege that Rubin would set up a "safe word" for the women to stop the encounter, but then he'd ignore it, or be unable actually to say it because they were bound and gagged.

Editor's Note: We have been contacted by a Westchester resident who claims that Rubin abused them. That person has now contacted the FBI and wanted us to highlight this story for other possible victims in Westchester.

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*Rebate checks continued from pg 1-**Visit ny.gov/inflationrefund for More Information*

Governor Kathy Hochul announced that New York State's first-ever inflation refund checks up to \$400 are now being sent to 8.2 million households statewide. Starting today, checks will be mailed directly to eligible New Yorkers, with deliveries to continue throughout October and November. There is no need to apply, sign up or do anything to receive a check. Governor Hochul secured and enacted this initiative as part of her ongoing commitment to putting money back in the pockets of New Yorkers. Earlier this year, the Governor also secured and enacted initiatives to cut taxes for the middle class to their lowest levels in 70 years, expand New York's Child Tax Credit to up to \$1,000 per child and ensure universal free school meals to save families around \$1,600 per child.

"Starting today, we're sending inflation refund checks to over 8 million New Yorkers because it's simple — this is your money and we're putting it back in your pockets," Governor Hochul said. "I'll never stop fighting to help your family address the rising cost of living — and that's why I also delivered on my promise to cut taxes for the middle class, expand the child tax credit and ensure free school meals for every student."

Inflation has driven the costs of everyday necessities higher and as a result, the State's revenue from the collection of sales tax has also increased. Governor Hochul believes that money belongs to hardworking New York families and should be put back in their pockets as an inflation refund — and that's why 8.2 million households statewide will receive a check this fall.

During a time when costs are high due to inflation and the Trump Administration's tariff policies, smaller expenses can be a hardship on families across the United States. The latest reports from the Federal Reserve show that approximately 37 percent of adults across the nation would have to borrow money or sell personal belongings to pay a \$400 emergency expense using cash or its equivalent. The inflation refund checks can offer hardworking New Yorkers a cushion for smaller expenses, providing them with a sense of relief for unexpected repairs or emergencies.

Who's Eligible for an Inflation Refund Check?

You are eligible for an inflation refund check if, for tax year 2023, you:

Filed Form IT-201, New York State Resident Income Tax Return;

Reported income within the qualifying thresholds below; and

Were not claimed as a dependent on another taxpayer's return.

Joint tax filers with income up to \$150,000 will receive a \$400 check.

Joint tax filers with income over \$150,000 but no greater than \$300,000 will receive a \$300 check.

Single tax filers with income up to \$75,000 will receive a \$200 check.

Single tax filers with incomes over \$75,000 but no greater than \$150,000 will receive a \$150 check.

There are no age restrictions. Filers do not need to do anything to receive an inflation refund check. If you filed a tax return, are below the income thresholds, and no one else claimed you as a dependent, you will receive a check.

When Will Checks Be Delivered?

Checks will be mailed across the state starting today and deliveries will continue throughout October and November.

Your check may arrive earlier or later than your neighbors, as mailings will not be based on zip code or region.

Additional information from the New York State Tax Department can be seen at ny.gov/inflationrefund.

State Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins said, "Thanks to Governor Hochul and our strong partnership with the Assembly, we're delivering meaningful relief to New Yorkers at a time when they need it most. As families continue to feel the strain of rising costs, these inflation refund checks of up to \$400 for over 8 million households will put money directly back into their pockets. This is what it looks like when we put working people first and use our budget to reflect

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SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

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 October 27, 2025 at 9:30 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

Said premises known as 10 SUNNY WAY, CORTLANDT MANOR, NY 10567

Approximate amount of lien \$432,385.27 plus interest & costs.

Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale.

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the

Mortgagee's attorney.

Index Number 53628/2017.

STUART I. BALL, ESQ., Referee

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SUMMONS-SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER – GITSIT SOLUTIONS, LLC, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS SEPARATE TRUSTEE OF GITSIT MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST BBPLC1, Plaintiff, -against- DEBORAH ANN SCHINKEL, JESSICA ELAINE GARCIA, KRISTAL MARIE LAMANNA, ASHLEY NICOLE LAMANNA, AS HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTEES OF THE DECEDENTS PATSY LAMANNA A/K/A PATSY LA MANNA A/K/A PASQUALE LAMANNA AND SARAH LAMANNA A/K/A SARAH LA MANNA ; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW, NEXT-OF-KIN, DISTRIBUTEES, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, TRUSTEES, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS AND SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST AND GENERALLY ALL PERSONS AND PARTIES HAVING OR CLAIMING, UNDER, BY OR THROUGH THE DECEDENTS PATSY LAMANNA A/K/A PATSY LA MANNA A/K/A PASQUALE LAMANNA AND SARAH LAMANNA A/K/A SARAH LA MANNA, BY PURCHASE, INHERITANCE, LIEN OR OTHERWISE, ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN AND TO THE PREMISES DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (SOUTHERN DISTRICT); WESTCHESTER COUNTY CLERK; "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #10" inclusive, the names of the ten last name Defendants being fictitious, real names unknown to the Plaintiff, the parties intended being persons or corporations having an interest in, or tenants or persons in possession of, portions of the mortgaged premises described in the Complaint, Defendants - Index No. 65738/2025 Plaintiff Designates Westchester County as the Place of Trial. The Basis of Venue is that the subject premises is situated in Westchester County. To the above named Defendants- YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your Answer or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a Notice of Appearance upon the Plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the date of service or within thirty (30) days after the service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York. If you fail to so appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. That this Summons is being filed pursuant to an order of the court dated September 8, 2025. NOTICE-YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME – If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (GITSIT SOLUTIONS, LLC, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS SEPARATE TRUSTEE OF GITSIT MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST BBPLC1) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Honorable Charles D. Wood J.S.C. Dated: September 8, 2025 Filed: September 11, 2025. The object of this action is to foreclose a mortgage and covering the premises known as 171 Fairfax Avenue, Hawthorne, NY 10532. Dated: June 20, 2025 Filed: June 24, 2025 Knuckles & Manfro, LLP, Attorney for Plaintiff, By: Mark R. Knuckles, Esq., Of Counsel, 120 White Plains Road, Suite 215, Tarrytown, New York 10591 Phone: (914) 345-3020

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Although Kawasaki committed to providing good jobs for the duration of the contract, specific details about wages and benefits have been withheld from the public by the MTA, citing the company's concerns that such information may "unnecessarily agitate" its workforce.

In the absence of this data, report authors spent a year surveying 180 Kawasaki workers and conducted in-depth interviews with current and former workers to independently assess working conditions at the company's manufacturing facilities in Nebraska and New York.

Many described a culture that prioritizes speed and profit over safety and well-being, contributing to low morale and serious injuries.

Key findings from the report

Pay Inequities

Surveyed women earned \$3.49 less per hour on average than surveyed men.

Temporary workers hired through staffing agencies represented over half of survey respondents and earned \$4.66 less per hour on average than workers directly hired through Kawasaki.

Unsafe Working Conditions

Workers reported witnessing a coworker get injured (40%) or being injured themselves (17%) at their worksite.

Widespread Experience of Discrimination

Half of workers reported witnessing unfair treatment based on race (24%), gender (24%), immigration status (10%), and other protected categories.

Toxic Workplace Culture

Workers reported witnessing supervisors use slurs or derogatory language about a group of people (16%) and make offensive comments or jokes (27%) in the workplace.

"Kawasaki has benefited from billions in public contracts while the very workers who build the trains for our transit systems struggle with low wages, dangerous conditions, and disrespect on the job. Our union stands with these community leaders to demand accountability. If the MTA changed course

and became a positive force in this equation, workers in New York and Nebraska could win the safe, stable, and family-supporting jobs they deserve." – John Samuelsen, International President, Transport Workers Union

"We applaud investments to keep New York's world class transit system at 21st century standards, but only if those standards include dignified, safe, family-sustaining jobs for working families. We urge the MTA to do everything in its power to hold the companies building our rail cars – Kawasaki and any others awarded contracts in the coming years – accountable to values of respect, transparency and fair wages in treatment of their workers."

Theodore A. Moore, ALIGN Executive Director.

"Our congregation and community are proud to host the makers of New York's famous subway cars, but we're also shocked by Kawasaki workers sharing their experiences with below-average wages, temp labor, race and gender discrimination, and injuries on the job. Yonkers residents insist on good, career-track jobs for our people, and we're eager to partner with Kawasaki to turn it into a model, high-road employer." – Rev. Margaret Coleman, Messiah Baptist Church of Yonkers

Read the report at file:///C:/Users/djmya/Downloads/JMA_Report-v4-digital-FINAL.pdf.

Editor's Note: We received the following statement from a spokesman for Kawasaki. "Kawasaki is proud to be a leading employer in the communities we serve, offering good jobs with competitive wages and full benefits. The well-being of our employees is a priority and our workplace environments are safe, clean and organized. Our commitment to our very diverse workforce has fostered a strong and loyal team that consistently delivers best-in-class rail cars at fair prices for our customers.

"We are always looking for ways to improve our operations. However, the recent survey promoted by the JMA provides little meaningful insight into our Kawasaki facilities — a fact even acknowledged by its own authors. This effort appears to be driven by an organization with a clear agenda, one that our employees have repeatedly rejected in the past. We trust our workforce to see through these tactics and remain confident they will continue to stand with us in both Nebraska and New York." end of statement.

Kawasaki also underscored this piece from the report. **METHODOLOGY:** To evaluate working conditions at Kawasaki's U.S. railcar production facilities, researchers from Jobs to Move America and the Climate Jobs Institute at Cornell University conducted a survey and in-depth interviews between May 2024 and May 2025. A total of 180 workers from both locations participated in the survey. Due to differences in facility sizes – 2,700 workers in Nebraska compared to 400 in New York – the Nebraska facility accounted for 139 respondents (77%), while 41 respondents (23%) came from the New York facility. Given the small size of the New York sample, these results are not considered representative or generalizable for that location.

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“Not everyone is satisfied, but what will happen if it closes? Will it becomce an Amazon warehouse? or an AI facility? Or a Soccer stadium?”

“This is a good deal for New York State, and Westchester, and especially for Yonkers,” said Cavanaugh who voted yes, and the application was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Mayor Mike Spano said, “New York State’s local advisory board has recommended Yonkers for a full gaming license. That’s big news because it means millions of dollars to help offset the cost of education, millions of dollars to help improve our roads, keep our streets clean and improve our quality of life. Now it’s up to New York State to give us full gaming. But we are ready to go. It’s a sure bet right here in Yonkers.”

Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins today applauded the Community Advisory Committee’s unanimous 5-0 vote in favor of granting a full casino license to MGM Empire City in Yonkers, marking an important step toward expanding opportunities for the city and surrounding communities.

“MGM Empire City has been part of the fabric of Yonkers for generations, providing good jobs and vital revenue that supports our city,” said Senator Stewart-Cousins. “This vote brings us closer to building on that foundation, unlocking thousands of new jobs, new investments, and greater opportunities for the people of Yonkers and Westchester. I am proud to see our community move forward together in support of a project that will deliver lasting benefits for our families and our future.”

Senator Stewart-Cousins appointed Larry Wilson, President of the Hyatt Community Association of Southeast Yonkers, to the Community Advisory Committee to ensure that residents’ interests were represented. Mr. Wilson voted with “high hopes and unbridled optimism” to grant a full casino gaming license to MGM Empire City of Yonkers.

Westchester County Executive Ken Jenkins said, “I applaud the Community Advisory Committee’s unanimous 5-0 vote in favor of granting a full casino license to MGM Empire City in Yonkers. This decision marks an important step toward immeasurable growth for the City of Yonkers and the surrounding communities.

“A full casino license will bring thousands of good-paying permanent jobs, attract new investments, generate significant tax revenue and create greater opportunities for the people of Westchester. I am excited that we are now one step closer to seeing MGM Empire City realize its full potential.

“At the same time, we remain committed to monitoring the quality of life for residents in the neighborhoods surrounding Empire City. Increased development must deliver positive change for the community, and that will continue to be our priority.”

The final licensing decision will be made in December by the state’s Gaming Facility Location Board.

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MVP of the game with 15 carries 143 yards and 4TDs and a pair of 2Pt Conversions. Tyshawn also had a 35 yard TD reception.

Jerome Boyd has a big 4th quarter scoop and score. Justin Vavrica, TJ Meyers, Josiah Green led the way with defensive tackles and huge stops.

Force Coach Joe Venice said, “Moving onto 4-0 is great and our kids are working hard. The Superintendent’s Cup was a great event for Yonkers. Both teams are doing well and playing hard. The culture is changing around Yonkers high school football and that is a great thing for our community.”

Upcoming games for the Force include this weekend against AP Randolph, Ramapo, White Plains and Ketchum. Could the Force run the table and become the first undefeated Yonkers football team in a long time?

“We are just taking this one week at a time. We have a big game this weekend,” said Coach Venice.

businesses to our houses of worship, Hispanic Americans have shaped and strengthened every corner of County life. Their energy, values, and commitment to family and community enrich us every day.”

Vice Chair José I. Alvarado presented a proclamation to Brother Luis E. Hernandez Rivas, the pastoral leader of San Andrés Episcopal Food Pantry. Alvarado said, “As the Vice Chair of the Board of Legislators and a representative of District 17, I am delighted to honor the San Andrés Episcopal Food Pantry for its service to our community during our Hispanic American Heritage Month celebration. For more than a century, San Andrés has been a vital thread in the fabric of the City of Yonkers. With gratitude, the Board marks this occasion by recognizing them for their dedication and service in providing nourishment to both the body and the spirit.”

Legislator Emiljana Ulaj who presented a proclamation to Chief Sanchez, said, “It’s clear that we are fighting for the soul of our country. This is a critical time for us to lift up the contributions of Hispanic Americans. There’s no greater way to resist divisive narratives than to lift up stories that wholly defy them. In Westchester, we celebrate diversity and honor each of our immigrant roots. Chief Sanchez is a local hero. He works for the Village of Ossining professionally and dedicates his free time to the volunteer fire department. Public service is a family affair for Chief Sanchez—his wife and son are also volunteer firefighters. Throughout his decades of volunteerism within the OVFD, Chief Sanchez has held many leadership posts and spent valuable time mentoring new recruits. We are so lucky that Chief Sanchez and his family have made the Village of Ossining and Westchester County their home.”

SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF CWMBS, INC., CHL MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH TRUST 2005-14, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-14, Plaintiff, -against- IRYNA DELAROSA AS HEIR TO THE ESTATE OF SALVADOR DELAROSA; UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF SALVADOR DELAROSA; any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; D.D. AS HEIR TO THE ESTATE OF SALVADOR DELAROSA c/o IRYNA DELAROSA; CAVALRY SPV I, LLC; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA- INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; JOHN DOE, Defendants. INDEX # 68449/2022 Original filed with Clerk 11/22/2022. Plaintiff Designates Westchester County as the Place of Trial. The Basis of Venue is that the subject action is situated Westchester County. Premises: 718 Scarsdale Rd Yonkers, NY 10707. TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff’s Attorney(s) within 20 days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); the United States of America may appear or answer within 60 day of service hereof; 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. This supplemental summons and amended complaint are being filed pursuant to court order dated August 27, 2025. NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT The OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage recorded on May 17, 2005, at Control No. 451220706, in the Office of the Clerk of Westchester County, New York, covering premises known as 718 Scarsdale Rd, Yonkers, NY 10707. Said mortgage was modified by a Loan Modification Agreement dated September 17, 2019 and recorded in the Westchester County Clerk’s Office on December 5, 2019 at Control No. 593363299. The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above. NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME If you do not respond to this Summons and Complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF CWMBS, INC., CHL MORTGAGE PASSTHROUGH TRUST 2005-14, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-14 AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. Dated: Uniondale, New York, August 6, 2025. Respectfully submitted, Pincus and Tarab, Attorneys at Law, PLLC. By: George J. Weissinger, Esq. Attorneys for Plaintiff 425 RXR Plaza Uniondale, NY 11556 516-699-8902.

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*Hate Crimes Advisory Bd, continued from pg 16-***Members of the Hate Crimes Advisory Board, pictured above, will convene quarterly to discuss trends in prevalence of hate in Westchester County**

Westchester County District Attorney Susan Cacace announced today a first-of-its-kind initiative within her office to build partnerships with community stakeholders in furtherance of rooting out hate and bias in Westchester County.

The Hate Crimes Advisory Board is composed of 13 members who will meet quarterly with DA Cacace and members of the Hate Crimes Unit to bring to their attention concerns from their respective constituencies. This direct feedback will allow the office to more closely monitor trends in the spread of hate-fueled incidents, both criminal and non-criminal, in Westchester. Members of the Board do not receive compensation and volunteer their time and expertise for the benefit of the office. The inaugural meeting of the Board was Monday, Sept. 29, 2025.

DA Cacace said: "Building an advisory board solely devoted to eradicating hate was a promise I made to Westchester residents on the campaign trail, and yesterday's meeting is the realization of that promise. The surge in hateful incidents over the past several years has alarmed all of us in this county, but it has especially concerned those who bear a disproportionate share of the hate dispensed by violent offenders.

"The communities represented on this board are broad and diverse, and board members will be able to provide me with direct input from their constituents so that my office may more readily address their concerns. I am grateful to the members who have volunteered their time to help make Westchester a safer place for all of its residents, and I look forward to getting this necessary work done."

BOARD MEMBERS

Michael Sabatino has been a resident of Yonkers for the last four decades. Having previously served as a councilman, he is now director of the city's Human Rights Office. Michael is also a member of the Westchester County LGBTQ Advisory Board and the Governor's Hate and Bias Council. Michael is a longtime advocate for human rights and LGBTQ rights. He and his husband Robert Voorheis were litigants in a marriage equality case that helped bring LGBTQ marriage recognition to New York.

Maureen "Moe" Blackmore has spent over two decades working in camps, classrooms and communities alongside people with disabilities, first-generation youth and folks who often get left out of the story. She currently serves as director of Respite Programs at Wagon Road Camp, where she focuses on creating spaces where young people with disabilities feel safe, seen and free to grow. Maureen lives in Pleasantville with her wife, Emily, a teaching artist.

Awilda Alvarado is a lifelong resident of Westchester County. In 2024, she retired after over 35 years as a Spanish-speaking probation officer in Westchester County. Currently, she is a deputy communications director within the District Attorney's Office. Awilda is a dedicated resident in the Town of Greenburgh, where she is active in the community. She serves on the executive board of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Pi Iota Omega Chapter, the Westchester Rockland Guardians Association, the African American Heritage Festival Celebration Coalition and the National Pan Hellenic Council.

Luis Armando Muniz Jr. is a lifelong resident of Yonkers and a former member of the White Plains Police Department, where he retired at the rank of sergeant. Luis is currently president of the Yonkers Hispanic Cultural Foundation. He is one of the founding fathers of the Westchester Hispanic Law Enforcement Association and also served as chairman for Yonkers Mayor's Hispanic Advisory Board under Mayors Spencer, Amicone and Spano. Luis also served on the Westchester County Hispanic Advisory Board under County Executives Andy Spano, Robert Astorino, George Latimer and Ken Jenkins. He was also a responder to the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

Hon. Justin Brasch has lived in White Plains with his wife and three children since 2003. He is currently a city council member, serving on the Budget Management and Advisory Committee. He has over 30 years of public service experience, beginning at the age of 17. He is a former member of the White Plains Planning Board and served for over 10 years on the Westchester County Legislature's Citizens Budget Advisory Committee. Justin is a former member of the Executive Committee of the New York State Democratic Party and has served in numerous leadership positions as a volunteer for a variety of organizations, including the Sierra Club and the NAACP. He is a member of the Hebrew Institute of White Plains and the Young Israel of White Plains.

Zead Ramadan is a longtime Westchester resident and civil rights advocate. He is the founding chair of the Malcolm X and Dr. Betty Shabazz Memorial and Educational Center, an important venue for conversations and exhibitions on the history of human and civil rights in the United States. He was also a longtime chair

SUMMONS-SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER – GITSIT SOLUTIONS, LLC, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS SEPARATE TRUSTEE OF GITSIT MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST BBPLC1, Plaintiff, -against- HOPE T. COCCHI, ROBERT J. MORZILLO, AND MICHAEL A. MORZILLO, AS HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTEES OF THE DECEDENT ANGIE MORZILLO A/K/A ANGIE K. MORZILLO; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW, NEXT-OF-KIN, DISTRIBUTEES, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, TRUSTEES, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS AND SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST AND GENERALLY ALL PERSONS AND PARTIES HAVING OR CLAIMING, UNDER, BY OR THROUGH THE DECEDENT ANGIE MORZILLO A/K/A ANGIE K. MORZILLO, BY PURCHASE, INHERITANCE, LIEN OR OTHERWISE, ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN AND TO THE PREMISES DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (SOUTHERN DISTRICT); "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #10" inclusive, the names of the ten last name Defendants being fictitious, real names unknown to the Plaintiff, the parties intended being persons or corporations having an interest in, or tenants or persons in possession of, portions of the mortgaged premises described in the Complaint, Defendants - Index No. 65454/2025 Plaintiff Designates Westchester County as the Place of Trial. The Basis of Venue is that the subject premises is situated in Westchester County. To the above named Defendants- YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your Answer or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a Notice of Appearance upon the Plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the date of service or within thirty (30) days after the service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York. If you fail to so appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. That this Summons is being filed pursuant to an order of the court dated August 27, 2025. NOTICE-YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME – If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (GITSIT SOLUTIONS, LLC, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS SEPARATE TRUSTEE OF GITSIT MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST BBPLC1) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Honorable Robert S. Ondrovic J.S.C. Dated: August 27, 2025 Filed: August 27, 2025. The object of this action is to foreclose a mortgage and covering the premises known as 40 Newkirk Road, Yonkers, NY 10710. Dated: June 16, 2025 Filed: June 18, 2025 Knuckles & Manfro, LLP, Attorney for Plaintiff, By: Mark R. Knuckles, Esq., 120 White Plains Road, Suite 215, Tarrytown, New York 10591 Phone: (914) 345-3020

and board member of CAIR-NY (Council on American Islamic Relations-NY), advocating for victims of discrimination and violence and for the fair treatment of all communities and peoples, no matter their faith. He is the Hudson Valley Islamic Community Center public relations trustee and representative member of the Peekskill Area Pastor Association (PAPA), Yorktown Heights Clergy Association, Muslim American Civil Liberties Coalition and NYC Muslim Leaders Coalition.

Talia Pierson is in her senior year at Yorktown High School. She is a leader of multiple clubs, organizations and initiatives in her school and community. This year, she started a nonprofit, Lights of Tomorrow, which is dedicated to building community among Jewish youth and their allies and to combating antisemitism. She has written articles and has been a speaker at events throughout Westchester concerning issues related to antisemitism, Holocaust remembrance and the Oct. 7 massacre.

Mayo Bartlett is the principal attorney at the Law Offices of Mayo Bartlett, PLLC. He worked for the Westchester County District Attorney's Office for more than 10 years, serving as chief of the Hate Crimes Unit. Mayo has served as an adjunct professor of law at Pace Law School, and he was an active member of the New York State Hate Crimes Coalition in support of passage of the Hate Crime Act of 2000, the first comprehensive hate crime legislation in New York State. He is a former vice president and director of the Westchester County Bar Association, where he served as co-chair of the Criminal Justice Section, as a member of the Judiciary Committee and as a delegate to the New York State Bar Association. Mayo is a former director of the Westchester County Black Bar Association and former chair of the Westchester County Human Rights Commission. Mayo was selected as a Super Lawyer, as one of the Top 100 Trial Lawyers by the National Trial Lawyers and as a member of the Westchester Power 50 by City and State.

Joanne Dunn is a passionate advocate for criminal justice reform. She serves as executive director of the Youth Shelter Program of Westchester, which provides community-based diversion services and a residential facility for youth aged 16 to 25 who are awaiting disposition or who have been sentenced for various criminal convictions. Through innovative and compassionate strategies, Joanne is committed to reducing recidivism and offering justice-involved individuals a pathway to a brighter future. Beyond her professional responsibilities, Joanne is deeply engaged in her community, contributing her expertise to several local initiatives that promote equity and social progress. Her work has been widely recognized. She has received numerous awards for her leadership and service, including the 2024 President's Award from the Westchester Black Bar Association.

Harry Singh is a licensed real estate broker with over 30 years of international real estate experience and is originally from New Delhi, India. Harry has been honored and awarded for his community involvement and philanthropy, receiving awards from various organizations such as The Universal Peace Federation,

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