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Hen Hud Students Receive Earth Day Honors

Cortlandt Supervisor Linda Puglisi and the Town Board last week recognized 11 Earth Day poster contest winners, all of them were fifth graders from the Hendrick Hudson School District. The winners were: Buchanan-Verplanck Elementary School -- Gabby Burke, Joaquin Candia, Jessie Corbett, Maggie McCluskey, and Emilia Valle; Frank G. Lindsey Elementary School -- Shannon Burke, Madeline Donnelly, Audrey Puente, and Jolie Regan; Furnace Woods Elementary School -- Tatiana Alvarez and Elizabeth McDowell. The winning artists received certificates, water bottles, a seed packet, and a \$20 gift card to the movies.

Cortlandt to Oppose High Voltage Station in Verplanck

By Rick Pezzullo

Cortlandt officials and a task force of residents are planning to strongly oppose a proposed high voltage converter station in Verplanck at a public hearing Wednesday before the New York State Public Service Commission.

The Public Service Commission will be holding an informational and public hearing on West Point Partners' project on April 30 from 2:30 to 3:30 and 6 to 7 p.m. at the Muriel Morabito Community Center on Westbrook Drive.

West Point Partners LLC is looking to construct a 1,000 megawatt high voltage converter station with buried high voltage cables behind Letteri Field on Broadway and 11th Street. The building for the station would be 49 feet high, equal to the size of two Best Buy stores at the Cortlandt Town Center, with lightning rods almost 80 feet high.

The facility, which would only employ four to six workers, also generates a constant buzzing sound that can be heard over railroad and airplane noise, as some Cortlandt employees experienced during a tour of a similar station in Hicksville, Long Island.

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\$1M Mistake in Yorktown: The Sequel? Pension Shortfall Raises Questions About Possible Cover-up

By Rick Pezzullo

Questions were raised last week about a nearly \$1 million shortfall in the Town of Yorktown's state pension cost projections last year.

In the 2013 budget, approximately \$1.6 million was estimated by Town Comptroller Patricia Caporale and Supervisor Michael Grace, but the payment sent to the state on December 13 was more than \$2.6 million. To make up the difference, the Town Board approved a transfer from general fund balance of \$972,000 on April 1, nearly four months after the bill was paid, leaving councilmen Nick

Bianco and Vishnu Patel to wonder why the board was not notified of the discrepancy last year.

"Right now we're trying to figure out what occurred and who knew what and when," Bianco said. "How did we not know that this bill went up? Why didn't somebody say something?"

According to Bianco, the town is first notified about the projected state pension costs in June by email through a link that is sent to the Comptroller's Office and the Supervisor's Office. Two more emails are sent in September and October when the budget for the following

year is being prepared. He said records show someone from the Comptroller's Office accessed the information from the state in September and October.

"I'm not looking to cast dispersions on anyone. I want to make sure it doesn't happen again," Bianco said. "We need to tighten up how we get that information in a timely basis. If these numbers stay true then we have a problem next year."

Patel pointed fingers at Grace, who was handily reelected to a second term in November defeating Bianco, for concealing the information from the Town Board.

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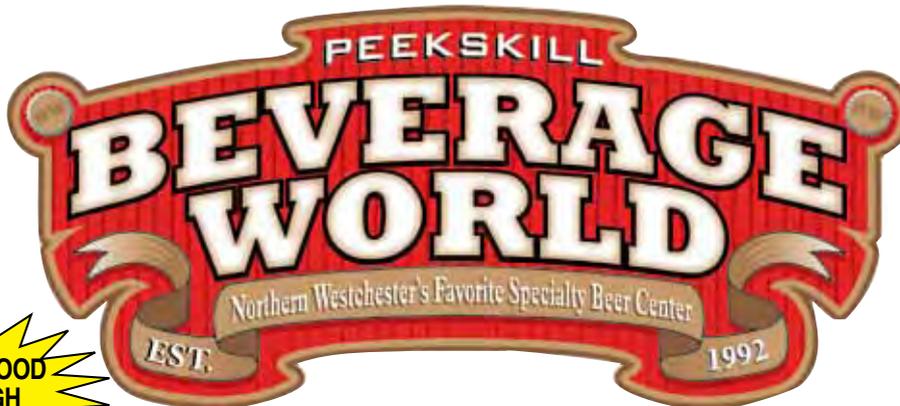
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Cappelli to Remove Disputed Trump Sales Office in Shrub Oak

By Rick Pezzullo

A former sales office at Trump Park Residences in Shrub Oak that has been at the center of a dispute between residents, an environmental group and Yorktown Supervisor Michael Grace will soon be gone.

Developer Louis Cappelli of Yorktown Realty Associates informed The Trump Organization, the management agent of the condominium complex, in an April 23 letter that it "intends to remove the building" following recent litigation by the Westchester Land Trust which has

argued the building in the front of the property on Barger Street is located on a conservation easement.

"At this point, considering the potential legal costs and negative perception of a continued dispute, it is the sponsors intention to settle this matter," Cappelli wrote in his letter that he asked to be shared with the residents of Trump Park. "The sponsor intends to remove this building in compliance with the request from the WLT (Land Trust) and we will provide a time table to the WLT that is mutually acceptable to the par-



RICK PEZZULLO PHOTO

Residents have been lobbying for demolition of former Trump sales office.

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ties."

In recent months, residents have been reminding town officials of a condition of Planning Board approval that the 8,000-square-foot office would be demolished to make room for a walking trail and gazebo. However, Grace would like to keep the facility intact for possible use as a senior center or other town purpose.

When informed about Cappelli's plans on Friday, Grace said he had not seen or heard about the letter but maintained destroying the building would be "foolish."

"It's really simple. I look for resources that can be used for town use that don't cost the town any money," he explained.

"I thought there were ways of the town using it or using it in conjunction with the residents there. We have a lot of demand for an arts center."

Cortlandt Supervisor Linda Puglisi had inquired about using the building for the Cortlandt Croton Center for the Arts, which was left homeless following a fire near Charles Cook Pool, but withdrew her interest after learning of the legal proceedings by the Westchester Land Trust.

Cappelli stated "it is our intention to work with the town and the Board of Managers of TPR (Trump Park Residences) to confirm appropriate treatments for the remainder of this site."

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Local Board of Education Races Take Shape

By Rick Pezzullo

For Denise Kness, running for a seat on the Lakeland Board of Education is a natural progression from her involvement in the district as president of the Lakeland Education Foundation and other school causes.

Kness and fellow Lakeland Education Foundation member Rachele Nardella are vying in the May 20 race for three available seats against three incumbent trustees, Vice President Glen Malia, Scott Carey and Michael Cherchia.

“People do know us and the work that we have done,” said Kness, mother of seventh and ninth grade students in the district. “We have been very involved with the day to day things that go on in school all the time. She’s (Nardella) been my partner in crime in all of this. This gives people an option.”

Meanwhile, in the neighboring Yorktown School District, longtime board watcher Ed Ciffone is stepping forward again, for the 12th time, to vie for one of two available seats incumbents Anthony D’Alessandro and Michael Magnani, both of whom are running for their fourth three-year term.

Ciffone, a 43-year resident, 23-year town court officer and president of the United Taxpayers of Yorktown for the last 12 years, has been known as The Tax

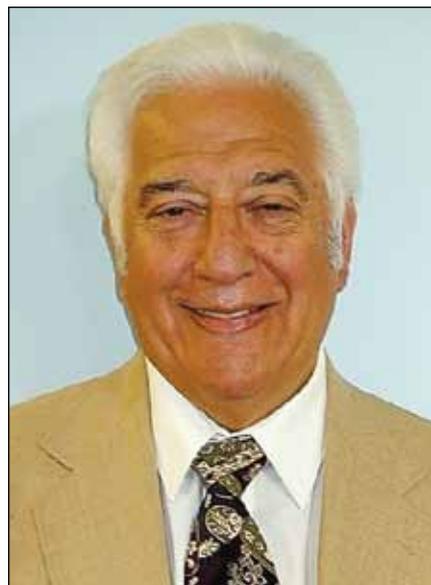


Denise Kness

Watchdog and is relatively pleased with the Board of Education and the superintendent of schools.

“I think I have a chance to beat at least one of those guys,” Ciffone said of his opponents. “I’ve been going to those board meetings more than those people on the board, since 1990. I’m still a tax activist and I’m still an advocate for the kids.”

In other local school districts:



Ed Ciffone

CROTON-HARMON

A decision by two incumbent trustees, Lisa Wolland and Karen Zevin, not to seek reelection apparently sparked a lot of interest in the Croton-Harmon School District as five candidates filed petitions for three available seats.

Longtime member Neal Haber is the lone incumbent in the race. Looking to join the board are Patrice Davidson, Todd Freebern, Carleen Julian and Ann

Marie Sasso.

PEEKSKILL

Petitions in Peekskill are not due until April 30, but two incumbents, board President Douglas Glickert and former president Joseph Urbanowicz, are expected to seek reelection. One challenger that has already announced his intention to run for one of the two available seats is George Ondek, a cable television show host, Vietnam veteran and well known city activist.

HENDRICK HUDSON

Two seats up for election in the Hendrick Hudson School District will be filled again by incumbents as Vice President Barbara Pettersen and Trustee Charles Thompson are facing no opposition.

OSSINING

Three trustees in the Ossining School District, Graig Galef, Frank Schneckner and Steve Wardwell, are also facing no opposition and will be returning for their second three-year terms.

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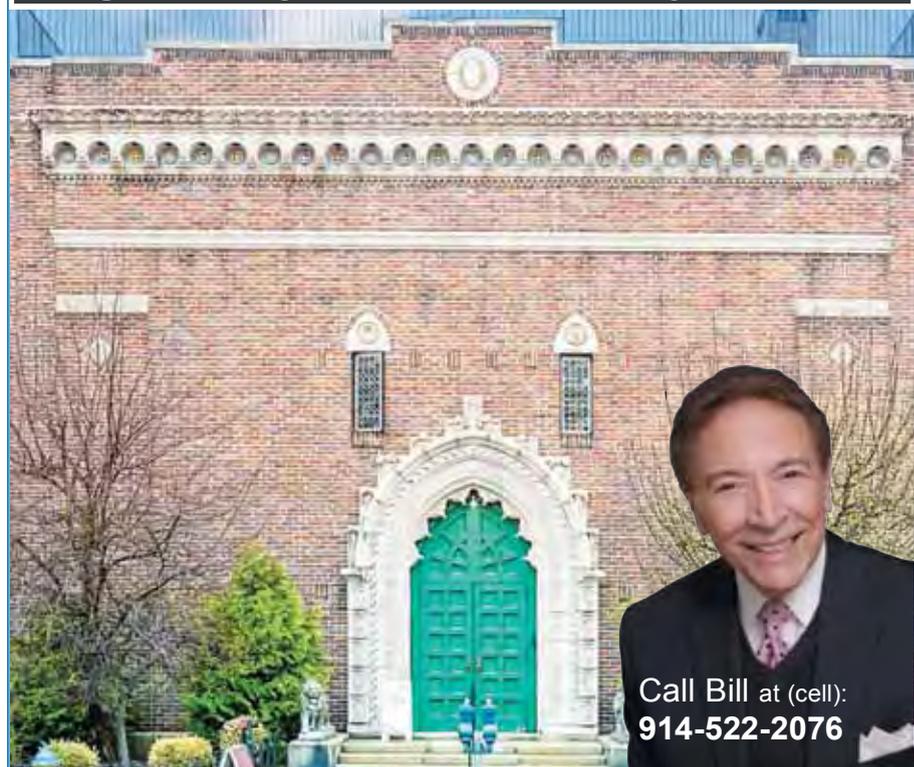


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Attorneys Dominate ZBA Hearing on Sober Home

By Rick Pezzullo

The legal eagles were soaring at Yorktown Town Hall last week as the Zoning Board of Appeals continued its deliberations over a proposed sober living home on Underhill Avenue.

As was the case in March, the ZBA heard a litany of arguments from attorneys for the applicants, Tom McCrossan and Mark McGoldrick, a/k/a Compass Westchester, and two neighbors, Linda Gironda and Al French, regarding the interpretation of the code by Building Inspector John Winter that the facility for recovering alcohol and substance abuse addicts at 482 Underhill Avenue falls under the definition of a "convalescent home."

Michael Sirignano, attorney for Gironda and French, and town officials, maintained there were currently no convalescent homes operating in Yorktown and the sober home does not fit the criteria of either a convalescent home or a nursing home, which are treated the same in the town's Zoning Code. Therefore, it

should not be allowed to be considered for a three-year special permit by the Town Board. (A continuation of the public hearing on the special permit will be held by the Town Board on Tuesday, May 6, at Yorktown Town Hall).

"If a use is not listed as a permitted use, it's prohibited," Sirignano said. "They are trying to make themselves into something they are not."

Al Capellini and Bob Davis, attorneys for Compass Westchester, contended Winter was correct in identifying the sober home residence with a convalescent home since it meets the criteria of having three or more people who suffer from any disease, affliction or ailment and are habitually kept or bordered.

"This is not a public opinion poll. This is a legal matter," Davis stressed. "People are there to convalesce from the disorder that they have. There's no way in the world that this doesn't fit the wording of the code. To argue otherwise is transparent nonsense."

The terms convalescent and nursing

home were added to Yorktown's Zoning Code in 1969 and special permits for such uses were issued by the ZBA. That was amended in 1997 and the special permit authority was transferred to the Town Board.

"I think what this comes down to is if this is a convalescent home," said ZBA Vice Chairman Gregg Buccini. "It's either a convalescent home or it's not. That's what we have to decide."

Meanwhile, Sirignano raised questions about whether Winter wrote his memo about the code alone or received assist-

ance from ZBA member William Gregory, as Shrub Oak resident George Brink alleged he overheard in a conversation.

Town Attorney Jeannette Koster later defended Winter and conceded she helped Winter draft the memo.

"I don't know if anyone looked at the memo but me. I'm the town attorney. I represent town staff," she said. "It definitely reflected my editing."

The ZBA adjourned the public hearing to May 22 to allow Gregory, who was not in attendance, an opportunity to respond to Sirignano's claims.

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Kaplowitz: Housing Stalemate with HUD Will Be Resolved

By Martin Wilbur

County legislators will take a more active role in helping Westchester comply with the affordable housing settlement after officials were informed last week that the federal government could revoke \$5.2 million in grant money.

Board of Legislators Chairman Michael Kaplowitz pledged last Thursday that he and his colleagues would enlist the help of its congressional representatives and reach out to federal monitor James Johnson and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) officials to help satisfy the county's obligation. The county must build 750 units of affordable housing by the end of 2016.

Kaplowitz's announcement came a day after HUD sent the county a letter stating that it would reallocate \$5,227,328 in Community Development Block Grants from fiscal year 2012 unless Westchester resolved the remaining issues pertaining to the settlement by May 9.

The county already lost about \$7.4 million from 2011 when it failed to pass required source of income legislation in time.

Kaplowitz's message was delivered shortly after the Rev. Al Sharpton arrived outside the county building in White Plains to blast County Executive Rob Astorino for attempting to sidestep the settlement agreement, costing Westchester's less affluent

communities millions in grant money.

"We will follow you everywhere until the money flows in Westchester," Sharpton declared.

Kaplowitz, who declined to address Sharpton's comments, said the only remaining sticking point with HUD is to have the Analysis of Impediments -- a report that outlines how local zoning can prevent affordable housing from being built -- submitted and approved.

Six of the 31 mostly white communities that were required to build affordable housing under the settlement are still deemed by Johnson to have zoning that is exclusionary based on race. However, Kaplowitz said that the monitor is working actively with five of those communities to resolve that issue.

"The fact that the funds are being stopped for another year is unacceptable, untenable and requires solutions," Kaplowitz said. "We are asking them to help us craft a legislative solution to this problem. We are in a logjam. It's a situation where the county is not in compliance."

Kaplowitz also called on HUD to extend the deadline for a "reasonable" period of time before the \$5.2 million is reallocated while the county works on a solution.

Ned McCormack, Astorino's director of communications, said HUD's strategy of threatening to withhold millions in grant money is likely being done to force the

county to go beyond the parameters of the settlement.

Westchester remains ahead of schedule with the development of the new units, with funding currently in place for 403 affordable units while 385 building permits have been issued, McCormack said.

"We just don't think it's right because we're complying with the settlement and they're holding us to a standard that doesn't exist," he said.

He also said HUD is not permitted to take away funds from one program because of alleged noncompliance with a separate program.

Kaplowitz said the most unfortunate part of the dilemma is that the communities that stand to lose the grant money, such as Yonkers, Ossining and Peekskill, need the money the most and are not required to build the affordable housing.

However, the chairman remained upbeat that a solution can be reached.

"I'm optimistic that the legislature will, through its efforts, be able to bring a solution," Kaplowitz said. "This is not an intractable problem. It's not an unsolvable problem. This is going to take leadership. That's what we're here today announcing, and this is going to take focus and resolve."



In honor of Arbor Day, state Senator David Carlucci visited Brookside Elementary School in Ossining last week to take part in a tree planting ceremony sponsored by the senator. The entire student body, 800 students in all, joined the senator in the celebration.

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Editorial

Yorktown Town Board Has Not Been Handcuffed by Vacancy

Everyone seems to be chiming in recently about the vacant seat on the Yorktown Town Board as if it's the end of the world that it hasn't been filled since former Councilman Dave Paganelli resigned on December 31 to assume his new elected position as highway superintendent.

Some have suggested progress in Yorktown has come to a screeching halt with only four sitting board members, even though there have been no projects that have been held up to date by any split votes. Others have made a preposterous leap that the board has been unable to function as only a foursome, again with nothing to back up that ridiculous claim.

The only individuals or factions lashing out at the current board are those with some sort of agenda. If

the board can be blamed for anything, it's that they should have had the foresight to start the process about adopting a local law allowing for special elections last year with the possibility of one or more vacancies occurring in the 2013 election.

But to point fingers at councilmen Nick Bianco and Vishnu Patel for standing their ground and not agreeing to appoint replacements suggested by Supervisor Michael Grace who will simply support all of his initiatives is unfair and nothing but political poppycock.

It's also laughable that some have insisted since Paganelli is a Republican his former seat must be filled by another Republican. To his credit, Paganelli was not controlled by Grace and GOP Councilman Ter-

rence Murphy, and no replacement should simply be a rubber stamp.

While it's unfortunate the board can't reach a consensus on a fifth member, it should come as no surprise based on the makeup of the board, and the deadlock will have to be broken by voters, as it should be, since the board represents residents, not their political parties, campaign contributors or close allies.

In the meantime, the board should continue moving forward with getting the law on the books to have the option of holding a special election when necessary, something Grace seriously needs to reexamine his nonsensical position on. After all, with Murphy likely running for state Senate or Assembly in the fall, the board could find itself in the same predicament next year.

Letters

Special Needs Awareness Day May 3 in Brewster

To the Editor,

I am very excited to announce that I have teamed up with Senator Greg Ball to host a "Special Needs Awareness Day," on Saturday, May 3rd at the Hudson Valley Cerebral Palsy Campus. The campus is located at 15 Mount Ebo Road South in Brewster, New York and will run from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Currently, I serve as a board member of the Foundation for Empowering Citi-

zens with Autism, (FECA) and Mental Health News Education Inc. In addition, I am a member of the Westchester County Autism Advisory Committee and serve as the chair of Senator Ball's Special Needs Advisory Council.

As the parent of an adult son with autism, I know the value of researching, networking and lobbying. I invite the entire disability community to attend and take advantage of this opportunity.

Over thirty special needs providers, vendors and government agencies will be there to provide information and resources.

If you would like more information about this event or to reserve a vendor table, contact Senator Greg Ball's District office at (845) 279-3773 or e-mail Suzy Rhodes at smrhodes@nysenate.gov.

TERRY PIRRAGLIA

Dysfunctional Politics in Yorktown

To the Editor,

Welcome to the never-ending world of dysfunctional politics in Yorktown. The town board is still deadlocked regarding the vacant board position and one of the previous candidates has defected to the opposing party. It is becoming more difficult for the voters to assess the philosophies and allegiances of our local politicians. Our local Democratic and Republican parties are playing political games and public trust has eroded.

Switching political parties is nothing new in Yorktown politics. This precedent of self-centered political opportunism has served to benefit the political candidates over the years with little benefit to the citizens. Did these politicians

change their political viewpoints when they switched parties? Are these politicians going to support their new party in the coming elections? Will these politicians support the national platforms of their newly adopted parties or will they be independent thinkers. The public has a right to know where all of our politicians stand on national issues such as war, gun control, taxes, crime, abortion, gay marriage, healthcare, etc., as well as local issues. National issues and party allegiances do affect local politics and vice versa.

The Supreme Court has made it entirely legal for wealthier citizens and corporations to "buy" elections with unlimited campaign contributions. The av-

erage voter has become disenfranchised. There are several contentious issues the board will decide in the coming months. The public has a right to know if any of our current politicians or prospective candidates received campaign contributions from relevant parties such as Costco, Compass Westchester, Depot Square, Attorneys, developers, PR firms, etc. All local politicians, including prospective candidates, need to release their lists of political donors for public scrutiny. Our local politicians need to reaffirm their commitments to the citizens of Yorktown first and foremost and not to their respective political parties or donors.

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Police Blotter

Peekskill Police

April 6 - 6:45 p.m. – Officers Nick Franco and Fabian Gonzalez responded to a residence on the 300 block of Depew Street for a medical call and found an unresponsive 49-year-old male with no pulse in cardiac arrest. The officers immediately started CPR until Peekskill firefighters/paramedics Greg Manfredi and James Brazee arrived. The subject was taken to Hudson Valley Hospital for treatment.



Christopher King

April 17 - 1:50 a.m. – Detective Carl Demarco responded to assist Carmel police at 912 Reynolds Street in Peekskill. Carmel police arrived with an arrest warrant for Christopher King, 29, stemming from pending drug sale charges in Putnam County. While executing warrant, Carmel officers observed King throw a black bag out a window onto the roof. The bag was retrieved and found to contain over 900 glassine envelopes of heroin and more than two dozen assorted pills of methadone, suboxone, clonazepam and dextroamphetamine.

April 19 - 1:30 a.m. – Officer Alvaro Farias stopped a vehicle on the 900 block of Main Street for a traffic violation. During the stop Farias detected an odor of marijuana from the interior of the vehicle. The driver, Lozado Viktoria, 19, of Peekskill, was found to be in possession of marijuana and the passenger, Edward Reeves, 19, of Peekskill, was found to be in possession of 15 individual small bags containing crystal methamphetamine. Viktoria was issued a summons, while Reeves was charged with criminal possession of a controlled substance.

April 22 - 4:30 p.m. – Ernest Wilson, 44, of Peekskill, was arrested on Railroad Avenue for allegedly selling crack cocaine in the Peekskill area during the fall of 2013. He was charged following a joint investigation by the Peekskill and Westchester County narcotics units.

8:30 p.m. – Bruce Conklin, 55, of Peekskill, was arrested by Officer Matt Basso on the 900 block of Washington Street

for drinking in public. At the same time, Conklin was found to be in possession of a small bag containing crack cocaine.



Ernest Wilson

Westchester County Police (Cortlandt)

April 14 - 10:56 a.m. – Police responded to a residence on Paulding Lane after receiving a 911 hang-up call. An officer determined that a person at the residence had dialed 911 in error.

April 16 - 5:11 p.m. – Police conducted speed enforcement along Maple Avenue. Six summonses were issued during the following 90-minute period.

April 18 - 10:57 a.m. – Police responded to a residence on Scenic Drive to assist a 72-year-old man who was injured in a fall. The Cortlandt Volunteer Ambulance Corps also responded.

April 19 - 12:13 p.m. – Police responded to a residence on Furnace Dock Road to assist an 87-year-old woman who was having difficulty breathing. She was taken by ambulance to Hudson Valley Hospital Center in Cortlandt.

3:04 p.m. – Police responded to an activated burglar alarm at a business on Route 202. A cleaning crew had set the alarm off in error.

April 20 - 4:48 p.m. – Police responded to Albany Post Road on a report that youths driving ATVs were trespassing on private property. The vehicles were gone upon an officer's arrival.

Westchester County Police (Ossining)

April 14 - 9:30 a.m. – Police responded to Cedar Lane Terrace after receiving a complaint that a car was illegally parked there. A summons was issued.

1:38 p.m. – Police responded to Bayden Road on a report of an interrupted burglary. A resident told police that he came home to find two men fleeing his house with a jewelry box. A county police tracking canine tracked the suspects to Feeney Road,

where it appears they left the area in a vehicle. An investigation is continuing.

April 15 - 3:33 p.m. – Police responded to Hawkes Avenue on a report of a stray dog. An officer was able to get possession of a pit bull and transport it to the Humane Society shelter.

April 17 - 8:47 a.m. – A resident of Reeback Drive reported that a dead deer was stuck in a fence on her property. Westchester County officers removed the deer from the fence and placed it by the side of the road for removal by the town Highway Department.

April 19 - 6:20 p.m. – A resident of Hudson Watch Drive called county police to report that his ex-wife entered his home uninvited and proceeded to go room to room. He said he did not want to press charges but requested the incident be documented. The woman told an officer that her son stays at the home several days each week and she had never been permitted to see the living arrangements for herself. She was advised that she should not enter the home without permission.

April 20 - 12:20 a.m. – Police responded to Knollwood Drive on a report that six people were in the street and making noise. Upon arrival, an officer was met by another resident who reported that he had guests at

his home and some had been noisy when leaving for the night. No further police action was needed.

Yorktown Police

April 18 - 7:45 p.m. – An unidentified 16-year-old Putnam Valley male was charged with petit larceny after allegedly removing an ice cream machine handle, valued at \$50, from a store display at Twist on April 15.

April 23 - 3:20 a.m. – Police Officer Kaen was on patrol on Commerce Street when observed a vehicle, driven by Gerald Guarino III, 24, of Cortlandt, pass a stop sign at the intersection of Commerce and Hanover Road. Further investigation revealed Guarino was driving with a suspended New York State driver's license and the vehicle's inspection was expired.

2:45 p.m. – William Faint, 57, of Yorktown, was charged with petit larceny for allegedly removing merchandise, valued at \$135.98, from a store display at Sears. He was remanded to Westchester County Jail in lieu of \$3,500 cash bail.

April 24 - 1:20 a.m. – Norman Reid, 28, of Mahopac, was charged with driving with a suspended driver's license and other traffic infractions following a traffic stop on Locksley Road for having a headlamp out.

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Obituaries

Dr. Lawrence Behrman

Dr. Lawrence A. Behrman, a long-time Peekskill resident and Buchanan dentist, died April 16 after a brief illness. He was 88.

For many years he was a Staff Dentist at Peekskill Community Hospital, now Hudson Valley Hospital Center, and The New York Hospital, now New York Presbyterian Hospital. He will be dearly missed by his family, patients, and friends. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Cheryl R. Lindenbaum Cancer Center at Hudson Valley Hospital Center.

He is survived by his second wife Carole, children Susan Pasciolla and David Behrman, and grandchildren Sara Pasciolla, Alexandra Behrman, and Michelle Pasciolla.

Phyllis Harrison

Phyllis Haggerty Harrison, a journalist, a traveler and a lover of fine cooking, died April 23 in Cortlandt of lung cancer. She was 87.

She was born April 14, 1927 in Arlington, MA to Thomas and Henrietta Haggerty. She grew up in Arlington, MA. She went to high school at Mount Ida boarding school in Newton, MA. She studied liberal arts at Radcliffe College in Cambridge, MA for two years but soon realized her passion for journalism. She transferred to Boston University School of Journalism where she graduated with a degree in Journalism. She worked as the Publicity Director for several airlines -including Northwest Orient Airlines and Sabena Airlines- and contributed to numerous travel books.

In 1960, she married Basil Fraser Harrison in New York, NY. They were happily married for 38 years before Basil died in 1998. Mrs. Harrison was an active member of so many organizations, notably the American Association of University Women where for over 50 years she helped empower women through education. She also volunteered at the Twigs Thriftree thrift store of Northern Westchester Hospital, with the Westchester Land Trust, and with the Garden Club of Yorktown.

Those closest to Phyllis remember her as generous person with a big heart who was heavily influenced by the places she visited, by food she ate, and by the

friends she made. Early in her career, she traveled all around the world - and these trips impacted her life forever. She experienced both the luxuries of the finest hotels and best restaurants and the impacts of poverty which made her thankful for what she had. She fell in love with different cuisines and really enjoyed reproducing those flavors for friends and family back at home. Beyond her experiences, Phyllis was a pillar around which many families & groups were built. She believed that what mattered most was being together and helping one another. Her absence will be felt by her family and even more broadly with others she touched.

She is survived by her son Alexander Fraser Harrison and his wife Pamela Harrison of Croton-on-Hudson; her son Scott Fraser Harrison and his wife Bonnie Harrison of Bainbridge Island, WA; and four granddaughters Molly Harrison, Abigail Harrison, Meagan Harrison and Jerilyn Harrison.

William "Bucky" Pope

William "Bucky" G. Pope, a 36-year

resident of Somers, died on April 20, at the Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx. He was 69.

He was born September 6, 1944 in Binghamton, NY to Raymond G. and Katherine Bowman Pope. He is survived by his beloved wife, Sandra, of 42 years. He was the proud father of Cindy Gagliano (Chris) of Arlington, VA, Brian Pope (Jennifer) of Southport, CT, and Missy Green (Mark) of Seattle, WA and the cherished grandfather of Katherine, Marie, Sebastian, Anthony, Owen, and Finley. He is also survived by many cousins, including Gail Dombosky and Melanie Vaughn of Binghamton, NY.

Mr. Pope earned business degrees from SUNY Binghamton and a doctorate from Pace University. He worked at the TJ Watson Research Center in Yorktown, and retired in 2000 after 34 years with IBM. During his career, he spent a year at the CERN Laboratory, living with his family in Geneva, Switzerland. After retirement he remained active in consulting and teaching while he developed the Beacon Business Simulation, a labor of love bringing together his combined computing and educational passions. Mr. Pope was an avid traveler, loved learning and humor, and was a long time member of the Somers Lions Club.

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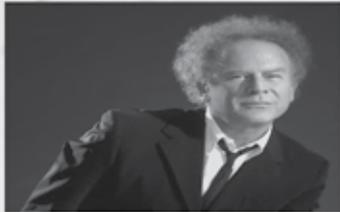
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Elder Law Attorney Elected President of the Westchester County Bar Foundation

Elder law attorney Anthony J. Enea, managing partner of Enea, Scanlan & Sirignano, LLP in Somers and White Plains, has been elected president of the Westchester County Bar Foundation. For the past 30 years, the Foundation has served as the charitable arm of the Westchester County Bar Association, contributing to the improvement of the administration of justice and encouraging a better public understanding of the law.

A strong leader in Westchester County's legal community, Enea has been a member of the Foundation for many years and was previously vice president. He is also a past president of the Westchester County Bar Association and co-founder of its Elder Law Section.

"It's truly an honor for me to serve in this role," said Enea. "I believe strongly in the work of the Westchester County Bar Foundation. Through our public interest law fellowship, for example, we provide legal help to the county's underserved residents as well as training to new lawyers who otherwise might not have the opportunity to do public interest work."

Named Westchester County's Leading Elder Care Attorney at the 2013 Above the Bar Awards, Enea has spent three decades protecting the rights of seniors, the disabled and their families. He is the immediate past chair of the New York



Anthony Enea

State Bar Association's Elder Law Section. Enea's practice areas include elder law; Medicaid planning and applications; special needs planning; wills, trusts and estates; guardianships and estate litigation.

Enea is a member of the Council of Advanced Practitioners of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys and is a

past president of the organization's New York Chapter. He has been recognized with numerous peer-review designations including Westchester County's Top 25 "Super Lawyers," "Best Lawyer" (Best Lawyers in America, 2011-2014), and is an "AV" Rated Preeminent Attorney (Martindale-Hubbell, since 2002).

Enea, Scanlan & Sirignano, LLP is

located at 245 Main Street in White Plains, with additional offices in Somers. Elder law attorney Anthony J. Enea can be reached at 914-948-1500 or a.enea@esslawfirm.com. For the latest news, visit Enea, Scanlan & Sirignano online at www.esslawfirm.com or the firm's blog, westchesterelderlawblog.wordpress.com.



Ossining High School students Dan Cavanagh and Julie Fuzessery, both of whom attend programs at Putnam/Northern Westchester BOCES, were presented with certificates of achievement last week in recognition of their "outstanding leadership skills, academic progress and community spirit." The students also received medals of honor for their accomplishments.

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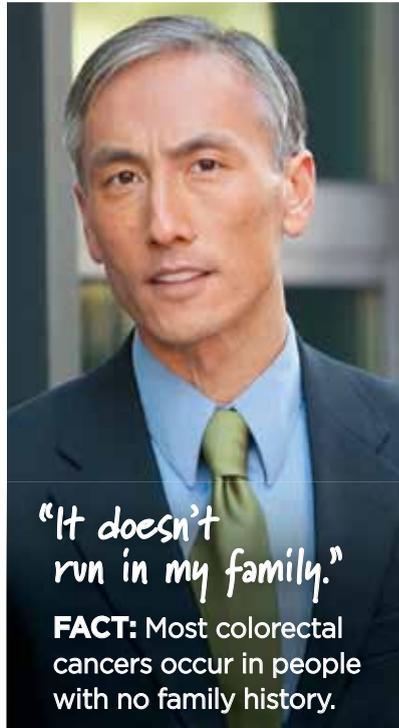
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Fischer 100th Hen Hud Athlete to Win Con Ed Award

Hendrick Hudson High School senior Justin Fischer, currently undefeated on the varsity #1 doubles tennis team, recently became the 100th athlete in the school's history to win the Con Edison Scholar Athlete of the Week award.

Fischer, who will be attending Lafayette University in the fall, has been a member of the varsity tennis team since the seventh grade and has earned All-League and All-Section honors. He has also been a three-year member of the varsity football team where he has achieved All-League and All-Section status as a middle linebacker and fullback. In the winter, he participates on the varsity winter track team.

In the classroom, Fischer has also excelled with a 92 overall average.

"Winning the Con Ed Award is a very prestigious honor and Justin Fischer represents the very good here at Hen Hud," said Athletic Director Tom Baker. "He is very deserving of this honor. For him to tear his ACL in September and then come all the way back and win this Con Ed Award exemplifies the type of character and perseverance Justin Fischer has. We are all very proud of



Justin Fischer

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\$1M Mistake in Yorktown: The Sequel?

Pension Shortfall Raises Questions About Possible Cover-up

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"We need to find out what went wrong with the 2013 budget process and we need to know now if there's going to be a second shortfall in the 2014 budget. This can't happen again," Patel said. "I also want to know why the supervisor tried to hide the million dollar shortfall in a long list of routine budget transfers instead of coming right out and telling the board about the problem which he knew about last December."

The shortfall conjured up 20-year memories of the infamous \$1 million mistake in the Yorktown School District in 1994 when a clerical error in the school district resulted in a tax warrant being sent out for \$1 million less than what was required. The Town of Yorktown bailed out the school district by taking \$1 million from its water fund that year but the mistake was not made public for several months after the fact.

Grace downplayed the state pension shortfall, explaining the town had sufficient funds in its general fund balance to make up the difference.

"There's no monumental mistake being made here. This is the nature of the beast," he remarked. "To try to pull out a whipping boy is utter nonsense. If my colleagues feel they have to (call) someone out and tar and feather them over this, let them be my guest. We're very careful so we don't get caught shorthand-

ed on things like this. We always err on the side of caution."

Grace attributed part of the shortfall to the settlement of a PBA contract last year that was retroactive for three years, along with fluctuating rates by the state that make it difficult for municipalities to get a true picture of their pension expenses.

He didn't recall receiving any emails from the state but mentioned if he did he

would have just forwarded them to the Comptroller's Office.

"You're trying to get it as right as you possibly can. They're working on projections and we're working on projections," Grace said. "We always buffer for that. We rely on accurate information coming from the state Comptroller's Office. We should be getting a credit back. The fund balance is still near \$5 million. As I have

been advised, we're in very good shape."

Bianco maintained Grace should have been up front with the board about the actual pension costs.

"If we would have known we could have dealt with it," he said. "This surprise that your pension goes up has happened before and we dealt with it. I'm not satisfied as to how do we make sure this doesn't happen again?"

Cortlandt to Oppose High Voltage Station in Verplanck

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be the energy capital for all of New York State, especially when new energy proposals are being considered?" Cortlandt Supervisor Linda Puglisi remarked. "We have had to fight the Millennium Pipeline and Riverbank, USA, which wanted to drill for hydropower in Verplanck. We were successful in stopping these two dangerous impacts for our community and we will continue to fight the West Point Partners, LLC project, as well."

The same 100-acre former quarry site in Verplanck is also being considered for a gas transmission line, which the town also opposes.

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Silk Studio Somers

By Neal Rentz

Somers resident Shari Silk received a Kodak camera at the age of eight and it changed her life forever.

Silk recalled last week how she began to document her life through photography in her childhood.

A good part of her professional life is devoted to documenting the lives of other children through Silk Studio, which she co-owns with her husband, Joshua.

Though Silk Studio is based in Manhattan, Silk is branching out to clients in Westchester County.

Silk Studio, which opened in 2003, specializes in portraits and taking photos of weddings and events. Portraits of children are Silk's specialty. "I have been photographing children for over 20 years," she noted. "I have a passion for documenting life's moments."

Silk herself is a parent of two boys, Benny, 7, and Aden, 2. She said she comes to a family's home, park or other location of their choosing to take children's portraits. She maintained that she has a knack for working with youths. She speaks with the children from the moment she comes to a home or another



studio she has taken photos of children from the same families for many years. It is something they look forward to on an annual basis, she said.

Earlier this year the web site silkstudiokids.com was created for her end of the business, Silk said. "My goal would be for people to visit my web site" to view examples of her children's portraits and learn more about her work.

The new web site includes several

photographs of youngsters shown by themselves or with the parents in both color and black and white.

Through her work, Silk said childhoods have been captured and preserved through photographs "for generations to come."

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location in an effort to put them at ease for the photo shoot.

As stated on her new website, silkstudiokids.com, "My goal at our session is to make everyone feel comfortable and relaxed so that I can capture real moments in an authentic way. For this reason, we will be at your home or a nearby park, any environment that is familiar so that the kids can just be themselves and most importantly, have fun."

Silk said one of her aims in photographing children is to obtain "natural reactions" rather than poses. "I encourage them to be very natural," she said.

Silk said through her Manhattan



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A Psychic Medium Does a 'Reading' of The Home Guru's Home

You've heard of psychic mediums doing "readings" with people, like the Long Island Medium on TV, but did you know they can be done with houses too?

I had never considered the notion, but then I never knew that Bob Buchanan was a psychic medium. I had known him only as a professional photographer I've engaged in my public relations work.

Only recently did I learn about his second career when he volunteered for a charity event I'm doing with William Raveis Real Estate. He handed me two business cards, one saying "psychic medium."

At first, I considered it amusing and smiled. But he looked at me very seriously and reported that, "Yes, I was born with a caul, a veil and I've known all my life that I've had psychic gifts, but I just kept them to myself until recently."

"What changed?" I asked.

"A friend, another psychic, told me that I had to help other people, and it was time for me to do it," Buchanan responded.

A short while later, I was speaking with him by phone and an idea popped into my head. I asked him if he ever did readings on houses. He said he never did, but he could, and he could do it telepathically,

just as he does with people. He told me not to tell him anything about my house, but to just give him the address.

After a few moments of silence, he began speaking slowly in a monotone. "I see a two-story house and in a front room of the second story, there are noises that you can't explain, right?" Good first guess, I thought.

For more than 40 years, my wife and I have enjoyed the sitting area of our oversized main bedroom of our early 18th century home. There is an original built-in cabinet next to the fireplace that produces a strange swooshing noise, and we have never figured out what causes it.

Then he said that on the north side of the house, he sees a one-story structure where a past owner had cut into people's bod-

ies. Without my having told him anything about the house, that far northwest corner is where the original saltbox wing of the house becomes one story, and while pure speculation, it might well have been the place that Ebenezer White, a physician and surgeon, had used as his operating room.

I have always been a skeptic about psychic mediums, but judging from these two projections, I thought it warranted

an invitation to Buchanan to come to the premises to experience the house in person. A couple of days later he arrived, and I invited my videographer to come along.

When the video was rolling, Buchanan introduced himself and explained how he worked, saying that his visions were revealed to him much like a black and white movie. Then he closed his eyes and started speaking again in a measured voice revealing many presences and their experiences in the house through the centuries that would require several columns to report.

At one point, suddenly, his eyes popped wide open and he proclaimed, questioning at the same time, "George Washington has been here? Yes, I see it in color! I am always certain when I see it in color!" Indeed, a descendent had told me that Washington had visited Dr. White in this house. Then, the skeptic in me thought, yes, but that might have been seen someplace online, because I have written about it several times.

But Buchanan shared something unreported that might make any skeptic wonder. More than 40 years ago when I had first moved into this house, I was visited by a 90-year-old woman named Elsie Curry, a descendent of Ebenezer White, who shared with me many memories of

having visited my home as a child.

She brought photographs with her and one of them was of her sitting on the front porch at the turn of the last century with three other little girls. She pointed to one, a cousin who lived here, who she said was a tomboy and was killed when she was only seven by falling from a tall tree on the property.

Buchanan's last revelation was that we were in the presence of a mischievous little girl who lost her life on the property by falling from a tall tree. I don't recall ever having shared Elsie Curry's story with anyone.

If you would like a psychic reading for yourself or your house - or a really great photographic session--call Bob Buchanan at 914-879-1115. His website is www.Bobbypsychicmedium.com.

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Is Fine Wine Produced in the Vineyard or in the Winery?

By Nick Antonaccio

"Ninety percent of wine is made in the vineyard."

"The winemaker's role is to let the wine make itself."

I am frequently reminded of these words from wine merchant and author Neil Rosenthal. As an agricultural product, the essence of a given wine is steeped in its origins. It stands to reason that the more suitable an environment is for a grapevine, the more likely it is that the grapes will produce a wine of great expression and high quality.

Rosenthal's maxims are widely accepted in the wine world today. Whether the winemaker be from the prestigious and highly acclaimed vineyards of France or is a small producer in the foothills of the Napa Valley, most will state some form of these quotes when asked to describe the secret of their success.

These precepts imply that the quality of the finished product is largely out of the hands of the winemaker. Which it is--except when the hands of the winemaker are skilled, experienced hands able to reasonably deal with whatever obstacles nature may place before him or her.

Certainly an outstanding wine is the product of outstanding grapes, and outstanding grapes are the product of a combination of outstanding soil, climate, sun exposure and elevation.

But what of vineyards that don't sport

an elite pedigree? Are the resulting wines doomed to second class status? Can the skilled and experienced winemaker coax a fine wine from the matrix of factors influencing grapes? Is it possible to produce exceptional wine from a mediocre vintage?

What happens if a particular vintage suffers from adverse conditions in the vineyard? What happens if the same factors that produce a great wine one year are not present--or worse, are adversarial--in another vintage? What if the forces of nature produce frost in the springtime, thus diminishing the number of grape clusters; or torrential downpours in the spring and summer, thus diluting the concentration of grape juice; or hail in the summer, thus destroying ripening grape clusters; or an infestation of insects, thus threatening the very life of a grapevine; or a prolonged period of rain in late summer, thus causing mildew and fungus growth, threatening the vitality of the entire harvest?

In these circumstances, the 90 percent axiom would intimate a "lost vintage," one that would either be abandoned or perhaps sold in bulk to be made into a lesser wine by a mass producer.

However, there are steps that can be taken in the winery if a lost vintage is harvested.

The mass producers resort to investments in the latest technology available for processing grapes with finite precision: exacting fermentation techniques, precise temperature controls and highly sophisticated monitor-

ing instrumentation in the aging process.

The small producers don't possess the same financial wherewithal to invest in technology. However, they typically have a legacy of family practices that may salvage a lost vintage. Organic vineyard practices provide vigor to grapevines to withstand adverse conditions better than the non-organic practices of mass producers. Hand selection of each cluster of grapes at harvest--crushing the best and discarding the lesser ones--assures the best harvest possible. Watching over each developing barrel, as one would a child, aids in shaping the wines to a winemaker's exacting standards.

Whether employing the latest technology or the oldest family practices, masterful winemakers are able to salvage a lost vintage, producing acceptable wines.

Nature will continue to influence the production of wine. Whether through the quality of historic vineyard sites or the fickle finger of weather patterns, man must be ready to adapt and persevere. And man has indeed been successful in making wine in the winery as well as in the vineyard. Simply stroll through the wine racks in your local wine shop. Never have so many exceptional wines been consistently produced than in the last 10 years, come rain or shine.

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Tuesday, April 29

Treating Springtime Ailments: Mount Kisco Medical Group and Dr. David J. Resnick are presenting "Treating Springtime Allergies & Asthma," a community education seminar, at 6 p.m. on the third floor of his Poughkeepsie office at the Oakwood Commons (2507 South Road Route 9). This seminar will discuss the latest therapies for springtime nasal and eye allergies and treating springtime asthma as a part of Mount Kisco Medical Group's Community Education Series. Dr. Resnick specializes in adult and pediatric allergy and immunology, and will be providing great information for those affected by springtime allergies and asthma. For more information or to RSVP, call 845-471-3111 or visit www.mkmg.com. Also, follow Mount Kisco Medical Group on Facebook and Twitter by searching 'MKMG' for the latest news, events and updates.

Somers Library Exhibit: Alice Walsh is exhibiting "Ex Libris: Found Art from a Public Library" at the Somers Library, located in Reis Park, off Route 139, during April. Any questions please contact somersartgallery@wlsmail.org. Visit Alice's website at www.alicewalsh.com. Call the library 914-232-5717 for viewing times in the Program Room.

Adult Education: A series of class for adults are being held at the York town Jewish Center, 2966 Crompond Rd .Mishneh Torah--Every Tuesday, between 7:30 and 9 p.m. there will be a discussion for those who want to delve deeply into Jewish practice, philosophy, history, culture and related matters. The test used will be Maimonides' MISHNEH TORAH, in English.Pirkei Avot--At 11 a.m. on the first and third Monday of every month, Rabbi Urbas will teach a classic text on ethical thinking, combined with practical tips on Jewish living. This Talmudic test is a popular work for everyone. Understanding Hebrew Prayer--- On Mondays, at 7 p.m. Cantor Isabel Kopstein will explore the Siddur. She will help students already somewhat familiar with Hebrew to advance in the knowledge of the meanings of prayers. almod and the Law--- On Thursdays, at 10:30 a.m., Wendy Segal will discuss Ethics, Talmud and Jewish law. Cases from a text book, the news, and even Judge Judy will help in understanding the wisdom of the Jewish sages and how to apply that wisdom applies to today's problems. Info: 914-245-2324 or info@yorktownjewishcenter.org.

Free Medicare Counseling: Get help understanding your Medicare benefits and coverage on Tuesdays year-round (except holidays) at the John C. Hart Memorial Library in Shrub Oak, from 10 a.m.to 1 p.m. and on Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Field Library in Peekskill. No appointments

are necessary for the free service. Meet with a trained counselor for information about Medicare Parts A, B and D, Medicare Advantage Plans, Medicare Savings Plans, Extra Help and EPIC .You can also call the Senior Benefits Information Center helpline with your questions at 914-231-3260 and a counselor will return your call within two business days. For a listing of all eight SBIC centers in Westchester libraries, go to <http://www.westchesterlibraries.org/senior-benefits-information-centers/>.

Farmers' Market: The Putnam Valley Grange Farmers' Market is held every Tuesday from 3 to 7 p.m. at the corner of Mill Street and Peekskill Hollow Road (Adams Corners).

Senior Benefits Information: Trained volunteer counselors help older adults and their caregivers find information about government benefits to help them stretch their budgets every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the John C. Hart Memorial Library, 1130 E. Main St., Shrub Oak. Get information on Medicare health and prescription plans, nutrition assistance, the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), tax relief programs, and much more. Info: 914-245-5262 Ext.227 or <http://www.westchesterlibraries.org/sbic>.

Checkmate: A chess program is held every Tuesday at 4 p.m. at the Ossining Public Library, 53 Croton Ave. It is held in the second floor conference room. Info: 914-941-2416 Ext. 336.

Wednesday, April 30

Torah Studies Course: Chabad of Yorktown has announced that season three (12 classes) of the Torah Studies course will be held every Wednesday from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. from April 30 to July 16 at the Yorktown Community Nursery School, 247 Veterans Rd. The lessons probe the depth of contemporary Torah thought. The fee for the full season is \$36 and includes the cost of the textbook. Each class is independent. For more information or to register visit: www.ChabadYorktown.com, call 914-962-6600, or email info@ChabadYorktown.com.

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Thursday, May 1

Somers Library Events: A series of events are scheduled for the Somers Library. The Westchester Writers Workshop will be held on May 1 and 15; June 5 and 19;

and July 3 and 17. This workshop is for writers and aspiring writers. We offer a safe, supportive, creative and honest environment in which members can share their works in progress—fiction or non-fiction, prose or poetry. You do not have to be a writer to join us. Whether you are a writer or simply looking to improve your writing skills, you are welcome. The workshop is open to all persons 18 years of age or older, and is free of charge. Seating is limited and registration is required. To register call the library at 914 232-5717 or register online at www.somerslibrary.org. Getting Started on Social Media with Facebook for Business will be held on May 3 from 10:30 am to noon. It is a free, informational presentation for business owners and entrepreneurs, presented by "Feeling the Vibe Web Design & Digital Marketing." Also see May 17 for a presentation on "Twitter for Business." Both presentations are free but seating is limited and registration is required. To register call the library at 914 232-5717 or register online at www.somerslibrary.org.

House Tour: Tickets must be purchased by May 1 for the 2014 Historic House Tour of Yorktown, which will be held from 11 am. to 3 p.m. The program is being sponsored by Douglas Dill and Houlihan Lawrence Yorktown Brokerage. All proceeds will go to the Relay for Life of Yorktown. Tickets are \$50 for adults and \$25 for children under 12. Tickets can be purchased at the Lorese Salon, 350 Downing Dr., Yorktown (914-3733). It is open Tuesdays through Saturdays. Tickets can also be purchased at the WISHES Boutique, 1811 Commerce St., Yorktown (914-962-9472). It is open Tuesdays through Saturdays. You can contact Gina Miller at originalmiller@optonline.net for more information. Registration opens at 10:30 a.m. at Soundview on the day of the event.

Somers Library Drive: The Friends of the Somers Library has kicked off its annual membership drive. Membership forms can be picked up at the Somers Library, in Reis Park on Route 139, or you can send your check to - Friends of the Somers Library, PO Box 443, Somers, NY 10589, include your name, address and e-mail address, which will assure timely notice of events. The Friends are a fully tax deductible~501(c3) organization. Annual dues are \$20 (\$50 Patron, \$100 Sponsor) and donations in any amounts will be accepted The Friends is also requesting those with matching funds to remember it.

Friday, May 2

Free Play Dates: A free play date program is being held every Friday from 11 a.m. to noon at the Rosenthal JCC Early Childhood Center at the Yorktown Jewish Center, 2966 Crompond Rd. The program is intended for children between the ages of 16 and

36 months and their parents or caregivers. Children can play, do art and socialize all under the direction of an experienced early childhood teacher .Pre-registration is suggested. Contact Jennifer at 914-962-8430 or e-mail her at Jennifer@rosenthaljcc.org.

Spring Services: During the spring months, Sabbath services will begin at 8 p.m. on Friday evenings and at 9:15 a.m. on Saturday mornings at the Yorktown Jewish Center, 2966 Crompond Rd. Info: 914 -245 -2324 or www.info@yorktownjewishcenter.org.

Saturday, May 3

World Of Quilts: The North Star Quilter's Guild will present "A World of Quilts XXXV" on May 3 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on May 4 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at John F. Kennedy High School on Route 138 in Somers. The two-day event includes an exhibition of traditional and art quilts, lectures by Sue Nickels and Mark Lipinski, an invitational exhibit of modern quilts by Cherri House, demonstrations, a silent auction of small wall hangings, and over 30 vendors. For more information, including parking and directions to John F. Kennedy High School, visit NSQG's website: <http://northernstarquilters.com/quiltshow/2014-quilt-show>.

Fence Show: Dain's Lumber will hold its annual outdoor Deck- Fence Show & Sale show on May 3 and 4 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 2 N. Water St., Peekskill. Info: 914 737 2000 or www.dainslumber.com.

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- 21. Chickens' home
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- 27. "Thanks ____!"
- 28. Bathroom fixture
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- 30. Pear-shaped tropical fruit
- 34. Keyboard with pipes
- 39. Up and about
- 40. Razz
- 41. Broke a bronco
- 42. African republic

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- 1. Pump output
- 2. Applesauce
- 3. Stumble
- 4. Seventh Greek letter

- 5. Incendiary fuel in "Apocalypse Now"
- 6. Oasis member, Gallagher
- 7. Philosophy, for short
- 8. Dr. Frankenstein's workplace
- 9. Manage, with "out"
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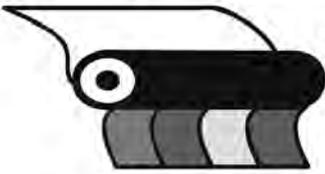
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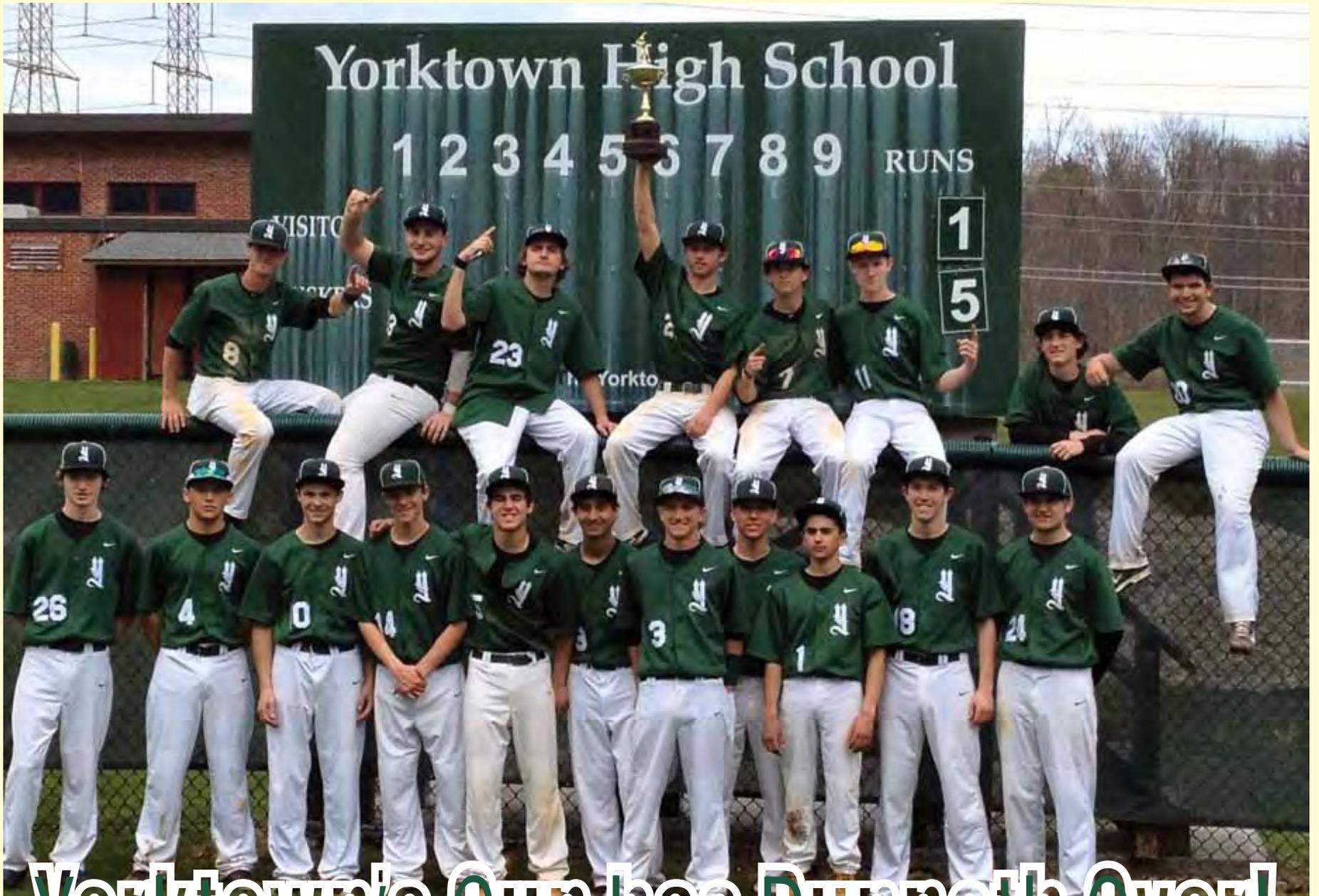
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SPORTS SECTION



Yorktown's Cup has Runneth Over!

Huskers Defeat Lakeland,
 Win Sorrentino Cup for 10th Time in 13 Tries

For the 10th time in the last 13 years under Husker Coach Sean Kennedy, the Yorktown baseball family proudly hoists the Sorrentino Cup trophy after defeating rival Lakeland, 5-1, last Saturday behind a sterling effort from P Anthony Robinson, who returned from Tommy John Surgery to fan 12 over 6 1/3rd innings... see Baseball Notebook

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Baseball Notebook

Yorktown Retains Sorrentino Cup in 5-1 Win over Lakeland

Corrado, Valentinetti Tearing it up for Yorktown, Carmel

By Ray Gallagher
Examiner Sports Editor

When Yorktown senior Anthony Robinson went down in October of 2012 with an arm injury that required Tommy John Surgery to repair it, he knew darn well that he would do the necessary rehab to get back on the mound before his high school career expired. What he didn't forecast, though, was toeing the rubber in the annual Sorrentino Cup game against heated rival Lakeland, but fate has a strange way of playing out and the kid delivered the goods in the host Huskers' 5-1 triumph of the Hornets last Saturday.

"Anthony can beat anyone," said Husker boss Sean Kennedy after Yorktown won the Sorrentino Cup for the 10th time in the last 13 tries on his watch. "Anthony is just a great story for a kid coming off of Tommy John."

Robinson, who had brief stints this season while he found his touch, finally had his motor revving on all levels, whiffing 12 Hornets in 6 1/3 innings of work before yielding to reliever Chris Henry.

"It feels so rewarding to get this win," Robinson admitted. "Missing out on playing my junior year really made me appreciate playing more and to be able to win the Sorrentino Cup, a huge game every year against our rival Lakeland, is a huge win for us. This win definitely gave us a lot of momentum."

Something about this game; perhaps the presence of the family, raises the level of play each and every year for the Huskers.



Carmel RHP Chris Palmiero, a sophomore, toyed with Panas last week in 7-2 Ram victory.



RAY GALLAGHER PHOTOS

Panthers Mike Perrone and RJ Lyman converge on ball in Panas' 7-2 loss to Carmel last week.

The Sorrentino Cup is named after Joe Sorrentino, Jr. who was born Jan. 4, 1965 and died Dec. 12, 1981, shortly after a three-sport career -- playing football, basketball and baseball -- at Yorktown.

"We have been pretty successful against Lakeland in my 15 years," Kennedy said. "It's such a good rivalry that our kids really enjoy playing in."

SS Jordan Bichler provided the offensive support for Robinson, driving in three runs while going 2-for-3. Teammate Alec Iurato crushed two doubles of Hornet hurlers. Lost in the shuffle was a vintage effort from Lakeland P Joe Tuccito. The victim of three Lakeland errors, Tuccito fanned eight over six innings and had a WHIP of 0.83 (walks plus hits per inning pitched).

Lakeland got a similar effort out of sophomore RHP Rick Burrioni in the Hornets' 9-2 win over the Huskers last Wednesday. Burrioni whiffed six and stroked a pair of hits in the win. Lakeland's Matt de Marte, who is having some kind of year, and Ryan Arena each knocked in a pair of runs,

as did Yorktown's Jack 'The Ripper' Kelly...

The weather has been dreadful but the games go on despite the cold, wet and windy elements that make baseball a nightmare. As local coaches and players bundle up in layers, the bats are just starting to get hot, unless you go by the name of Yorktown's Ricky Corrado or Carmel's Matt Valentinetti, who have been tearing it from Jump Street.

While the Huskers have struggled at times for consistency, Corrado has done anything but, going 17-for-his-last-18 before going 0 for 1 and being hit by two pitches Saturday against Lakeland. The Cortland-bound senior is mashing to the tune of .673 through 10 games.

"He's been automatic," Huskers boss Sean Kennedy said after the hulking 1B went 3 for 3 against an impressive Lakeland staff in last

Wednesday's 9-2 Hornet win. "He's as hot as anyone I've ever seen."

Valentinetti has been driving the ball with authority, leading the 5-3 Rams in every major offensive category, including RBI and average. He ripped Panas chuckers in a 7-2 rout last Tuesday and has done nothing but hit in the clutch for a Carmel club that has posted quality wins over Arlington and East Fishkill.

For Carmel, it's going to boil down to how many clutch hits they get against No.1 pitchers. Like many teams, the Rams mash the mush. You throw puss at them, they make you bleed. You throw an ace at them and they are mortal, just like every team on the planet. It boils down to "clutchness" and Valentinetti will need help when he's sees fewer and fewer pitches to hit.

"He's going to Western Connecticut to play for good reason, he can flat-out hit," said Rams boss Bob Shilling, who was quite content to see his club paste Panas pitchers before struggling against Beacon's Anthony Romanelli in a 9-2 loss in which the Rams made three late errors to give the game away.

MAHOPAC's Dan Pagliuca had three singles and a ribbie, upping his average to .379, in the Indians' 4-2 win over **SOMERS** last Thursday, backing LHP Kevin Kernan to the win. The Stony Brook-bound senior fired six frames of four-hit ball, whiffing seven, before reliever Chris Dellademaglia shut the door on the Tuskers (4-4) with two K's of his own in a scoreless seventh. Mahopac 1B Chris Aquina added his team-best eighth RBI of the year, while working his average to a team-best .500 for the 5-4 Indians, who will end this week with a double-dip against the loathsome Carmel Rams.

The two pose fairly contrasting styles in that Mahopac does it with pitching and Carmel has stroked it pretty good



Croton 2B Brian Colombini tries to turn two with PV's Frank Brescia bearing down in him in Valley's 6-2 win last Wednesday.

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(at times). These two non-league games should tell us a lot about whether or not either has the goods to compete in big, bad Class AA against the likes of two-time defending champion Arlington and undefeated, state-ranked (No.3) RCK, which appears to be in a class by itself this season, regardless of classification.

Don't bet against RCK to be the last team standing, but just about anybody in AA can be there next to them at Dutchess Stadium the last week of May if, indeed, state-ranked (No.6) Fox Lane (7-2) is as vulnerable as its 5-4 loss to Rye suggests. It's been a long time since either Carmel or Mahopac were the last ones standing (Carmel went back-to-back in 1990 and Mahopac did likewise in 1997).

PUTNAM VALLEY (9-1) has come out flying but we're going to reserve judgment for two reasons: 1. they haven't really hit a lick yet; 2. the quality-win factor is



Croton's Mike Hrycko slides in ahead of tag from PV's Elvz Belen in the Valley's 6-2 win.

low. May 12th and 14th will tell us quite a bit about Coach Joe Natalie's Tigers, who will take on a two-game set with undefeated North Salem (9-0) as the two



Husker 1B Ricky Corrado makes put-out on Hornet Anthony Fava in the recent split between the Huskers and Hornets.



PV chucker Eddie Lent carries an ERA well under 1.00 and earned the 6-2 win over visiting Croton last Wednesday without giving up an earned run over six frames.

state-ranked clubs do battle for some regular season Class B supremacy. PV is ranked No.14 in NYS while North Salem checks in at No.4, with both teams sporting some impressive pitching numbers. PV's team ERA is 0.85 but the Tigers haven't really faced many tough lineups as they've gone about this terrific start. The heat will be hotter in the days ahead and we'll see what the Valley is made of with Lourdes, Arlington B and North Salem coming up.

In the meantime, junior RHP/OF Eddie Lent is quietly putting up MVP numbers on the mound (3-1, 0.78 ERA, 34 K's) and at the plate (.464 BA, 7 runs). Lent was on the hill in the Tigers' 6-2 win over visiting Croton when he fanned eight over six innings. 1B Frankie Brescia drove home two runs in the come-from-behind win over the suddenly-slumping Tigers (6-4), who have lost three in a row after a torrid 6-1 start.

NWE/Putnam Examiner GREAT 8 BASEBALL POLL

(Includes only teams in the coverage zone)

No.1 LAKELAND – Coach Knapp's Class A Hornets (5-1-1) may have the best 1-2-3 punch in Class A with ace Chris DiDomizio, Rick Burroni and John White (once White gets it going this week), and they can hit with anyone in A. Shout out to Coach Knapp as he heals up from a heart/stress-related situation in a hurry after missing last two games, a loss and a 12-12 tie with Jay.

No.1A CARMEL – Coach Bob Shilling's Class AA Rams (5-4) can punish puss pitchers but they need to find their stroke against the aces of the section if they intend to win this very winnable league title that they SHOULD win.

No.3 MAHOPAC – Coach Chris Miller's Class AA Indians (5-4) will find out a lot about what they are made of in the days ahead, which includes a rough 8-game stretch against Carmel and the Dutchess County powers that be (Jay EE, Arlington and RCK). Wins in 3 of last 4 is promising.

No.4 PANAS – Coach Fata's Class A Panthers (5-4) secured a quality W against Beacon but got whacked 7-2 by Carmel. Very tough team to get a read on, but they still got head-to-head wins over PV and Somers as well and then went out and took care of business with a sweep of struggling Hen Hud over the weekend, 2-0 and 10-2. RJ Lyman doubled home a run in the 2-0 win. Mike Perrone and Brandon Castillo (2B) each knocked in two runs in the other out.

No.5 YORKTOWN – Coach Kennedy's Class AA Huskers (6-4) have two superb wins to their credit (vs. Lakeland and Carmel), so it's about time we give them their due.



Lakeland's Matt de Marte has been among the most consistent hitters in the Hornet attack.



Hornet Ryan Arena tracks a laser in win over Yorktown last Wednesday.

No.6 PUTNAM VALLEY – Coach Joe Natalie's Class B Tigers (9-1) are the talk of the Valley, but expectations must be tempered until we see the quality W's start to build up. A split with North Salem would do wonders to change all that.

No.7 SOMERS – Coach Wootten's Class A Tuskers (4-4) have a 4-game stretch that will tell us if they are pretenders or contenders as they face Beacon and Carmel twice.

No.8 CROTON – Two-time reigning Class C champ Haldane is struggling to find its footing, Brewster has just two W's in 10 tries, Peekskill is way down, so, by default, Coach Rosen's Tigers, who have dropped 3 in a row now, earn the last spot in the poll, but they best turn it around in a hurry with a slew of tough league games on the horizon. We suspect Haldane will get it going this week and string a bunch of W's together to close it out.

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Boys' Lax Notebook

Yorktown Poised for National Notoriety After defeat of Chaminade

By Ray Gallagher
Examiner Sports Editor

I have friends who keep telling me to temper my expectations for state-ranked (No.1) Yorktown lacrosse. To wit, I ask, why would I temper hopes for a six-time NYS champion who has the pieces in place for yet another historic run at a wide open NYS Class B field?

Largely shunned by national pollsters at the start of the campaign, Coach Dave Marr's Huskers (9-2) put their stamp on the nation last Saturday in a convincing 5-3 win over nationally-ranked (No.5) Chaminade, the long Island-based Catholic powerhouse, who were ranked No.1 in NYS in Class A before the setback.

Yorktown still hadn't cracked the national rankings going in to the contest: Did anyone take note of the fact that the 36-time Section 1 champion Huskers had three returning All-Americans in senior sniper Connor Vercruyse, middle "Cool Hand" Luke Palmadesso and long stick Austin Fusco? Did they not understand that LSM Tomas Rodriguez, Nicky B, Eric Meyreles, Michael Dedvukaj, Ryan Baker, Kristopher Alvarado, Austin Graham and the Del Bene brothers were simply waiting their turn? Well, the Huskers are sure to crack the national scene this week after Vercruyse put a four-spot on the Cham' and Palmadesso went 11-for-11 at



RAY GALLAGHER/BILL KENNEDY PHOTOS

Hen Hud sophomore M Mike Smith has 51 career goals to his credit already, including five in a recent loss to Yorktown.

DeWitt in the fourth quarter of a 10-6 championship win, the last of its kind in Yorktown.

Super 7 Lax Poll

NWE/Putnam Examiner-area Super 7 poll includes the top teams from its coverage area

No.1 YORKTOWN - Coach Marr's three-time defending Section 1 Class B champion Huskers (9-2) are ranked No.1 by NYS Class B pollsters and we're guessing that national pollsters will pay some attention for the first time this season after knocking off previously unbeaten No.5 Chaminade on Long Island.

No.2 SOMERS - Coach Lew Janavey's Class B Tuskers (9-4) have won 5 of last 6 and will battle state-ranked (No.8) John Jay CR today for what could be the No.2 seed in the upcoming playoffs. Mike Cegielski, Tim Cousin and Marc Fiocco each scored twice in 9-7 win over Kellenberg for the surging Tuskers, who have won 5 of last 6.

No.2A LAKELAND/PANAS - Coach Lindsay's Class A Rebels (8-3) has seen LSM Andrew Sofroniou emerge as among the best at his position in the section. Curious to see how Rebels will hold up this week in a pair of monster tests, including a Mahopac team that is hell-bent on earning some respect and Saturday's Murphy Cup game against Yorktown. Would love to have the stones to pick the upset here for Brian Prunty and Co., but we just don't see it happening. Palmadesso owns the dot, Huskers maintain possession and post

when Ryan Tandy and middle Mike Smith each had three goals for the Sailors. Smith, a super soph and 3-sport stud, has now scored 22 goals in last four games, including 5 against Yorktown, and has 38 for the year. Smith, dare I say, is the best athlete at Hen Hud since All-American Robbie Bosco bolted for Colgate, where he became a two-time captain. With 51 career goals already, Smith could be on pace to eclipse Joe Variano's Sailor mark of 144 career tallies.

No.5 PUTNAM VALLEY - Coach Kuczma's Class C Tigers (6-6) have lost 3 of the last 5 and barely got by Croton-Harmon in an 11-9 win thanks to a career-high 5 goals from A Kevin Fitzsimmons; what's that all about?

No.6 BREWSTER - Coach Honey's Class B Bears (7-5) can make significant gains in this meaningless poll over the next two weeks with games against Hen Hud, Mahopac and Put Valley.

No.7 MAHOPAC - Coach Haddeland's Class A Indians (3-7) have now suffered some inexplicable losses this season, but we're going to need some help digesting a 12-5 loss to Class B Rye, owners of a 4-6 mark. Not quite sure what to make of this season but it is far from over and still redeemable. It ain't how you're playing in April, it's how you're playing in May. May I please see the REAL Mahopac, owners of 9 Section 1 titles, the most of anyone in Class A outside of Yorktown, or is that asking too much?



Though he's had a good season, Andrew Neillis and the Indians don't have much time to figure out what's gone wrong during a 3-6 start to the 2014 season.

the dot; better late than never.

This team reminds me a lot of that 2003 club that last won the state title for Yorktown, a unit -- led by All-American goalie Ethan Vedder and seniors Rob Lenseth, Doug Brown, Bob Catala and the O'Connor twins, plus youngins like Matthias McCall and Paul Santavicca. Nobody believed in that club either; until they were beating up on Jamesville



Yorktown A Connor Vercruyse has played at a level that will make him a sure-fire two-time All-American; as have teammates Austin Fusco and Luke Palmadesso.

Sports

Girls' Lax Notebook

Yorktown, Somers Tie, but Keep Winning Otherwise

L/P Beats Hen Hud, Nyack; Carmel's Murphy Makes History with 100th Goal

By A.J. Martelli

Class B has historically been dominated by the YORKTOWN Huskers, but this year SOMERS has emerged as a top contender – and a real threat to win it all. Last Tuesday, the Tuskers met the Huskers for the first time since last year's semifinals, and it proved to be as evenly matched as advertised. Yorktown and Somers gutted it out to a 13-13 stalemate in Tusker country.

"It was a really good game, we started out really strong," said Tuskers Head Coach Jaime Irving. "It being our first really challenging game of the season, I thought we did well. Obviously, the girls were a little disappointed and had put a lot of pressure on themselves. We tried to look at the positives: it was a tie, there's a chance we could see each other again, and I think it's going to keep us hungry. I think it was a little bit of a wakeup call; not as good as a win, but we didn't lose."

Somers was out in front 12-8 early in the second half, being led on offense by Tara Schurr and Nicole DeMase. Both aces finished with four goals apiece, with Schurr netting her 100th career goal in the process.

"I'm happy for her, she works extremely hard," Irving said of the landmark goal. "Tara does all the little things and is so unselfish. It was such a big milestone, so I was very happy for her; really proud of her."

Irving also tipped her cap to DeMase, who has been as balanced as they come all season.

"She's always very solid for us, always knows how to put the ball away," she said. "Nicole is agile, has great stick skills, and we look to her to lead our team just by playing. She just understands the game really well and brings a lot to the field."

For Yorktown it was Katie Comerford who stood out, finishing with a team-high four goals. She was helped by returning sharpshooter Emily Concialdi (three goals) and Emalee Mongno (two goals).

The Huskers (6-2-2) rebounded from the tie with Somers nicely, posting an 18-5 win over Rye last Thursday and a 14-9 win over previously undefeated Hackley this past Friday.

"We played a lot of solid teams this week," said Jenna Gammer, who notched a hat trick to help disrupt Hackley's perfect season. "That gave us the opportunity to prove to ourselves how well we can play if we play together. I thought our draw control was great, especially towards the end of the week. That allowed us to have



RAY GALLAGHER PHOTOS

Somers senior Tara Schurr bagged her 100th goal in a 13-13 tie with Yorktown last week, joining Claire Roediger, Nicole DeMase, Katie Marasco and her sister Emma in the milestone club.

long scoring possessions in which we could use the time to our advantage. On defense, we were able to mark up on our key players and crash on open players in front of the goal, preventing them from shooting. I believe if we keep playing the way we do, there are great things to come for Yorktown lacrosse in the future."

The Tuskers (8-0-1) on the other hand, following the deadlock with 'Town, kept their heads about them with an 8-7 win over MAHOPAC this past Friday; the Tuskers receiving a game-winning goal from the stick of DeMase with just 37 seconds left to break a 7-7 tie. DeMase once again paced Somers on offense with three goals, with Emma Schurr providing the reinforcements this time with two goals and one assist.

Mahopac was led by Kim Harker (three goals, one assist) and Carly Weiss (three goals, two assists).

"We played our hearts out, but again we came out on the wrong side of a close game," said Indians boss Jim Lieto. "We're going to brush ourselves off and get right back to work."

Mahopac (6-5) can get back on the plus side tomorrow when it hosts Arlington.

LAKELAND/PANAS has been playing

some incredible lacrosse lately, beating HEN HUD 15-5 this past Friday, and then knocking off Nyack 13-11 Saturday morning.

Sniper Molly Fitzpatrick has been absolutely stellar this season and continued her attack with six goals in the win over the Sailors. The Rebels won on the field but lost Kim Monteferante to a knee injury, causing her to sit the Nyack game out.

"It was tough playing such a respectable foe, only 17 hours after Friday's Hen Hud game," Rebels Coach Sharon Sarsen said. "But once again we gave everything we had. One of the strengths of this team is the way we prepare ourselves, and it was great to see

them ready to go. We got off to a good start offensively, scoring nine first half goals. Nyack made some adjustments and held down our second half attack, however Valerie Perkins, Emily Power and Dana Bozek stepped it up in the second half to secure the win."

Perkins and Power finished with one goal apiece, while Bozek finished with two. The Rebels will face defending Section 1 Class C champion PUTNAM VALLEY tomorrow – the Tigers coming off a 14-2 thrashing of Wappingers last Wednesday on the heels of a five-goal, one-assist outing from marksman Eva Rabson.

CARMEL's girls' lacrosse program saw some history this week, as Caitlin Murphy netted her 100th career goal in a 19-9 Ram loss to North Salem last Wednesday. Murphy became the first player in Carmel girls' lacrosse history to reach 100 career goals – and the feat was nothing that really crossed her mind until she inched her way closer to the milestone.

"Reaching 100 goals was never something I thought about achieving until I came close," she said. "But, to accomplish this goal by doing something I love, is an amazing feeling and I couldn't be happier."

The Rams came back from the loss to North Salem, beating Wappingers 15-9 this past Friday.



Yorktown's Katie Comerford scored four goals in the 13-13 tie with Somers.



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Bangers & Mashers

Corrado, Valentinetti

Tearing it Up

Yorktown banger Ricky Corrado and Carmel masher Matt Valentinetti have been anything but a sure out for the Huskers and Rams, respectively, as they continued their assaults on Section 1 pitchers last week. Corrado was last seen going 17 for his last 18 while mashing to the tune of .673 through 10 games while Valentinetti had banged out a hearty 11 RBI and gone 13-for-24... see baseball Notebook

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