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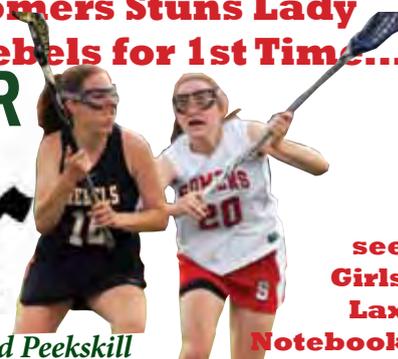
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Mayor Targets City Manager; Corporation Counsel Resigns Battle Lines Drawn at Peekskill City Hall

By Rick Pezzullo

The honeymoon period for Peekskill Mayor Frank Catalina publicly ended last week as the Democratic majority on the Common Council accused him of intimidating and threatening staff at City Hall to force resignations and provide political patronage jobs to supporters.

Catalina denied using any bullying tactics, but admitted he requested that City Manager Anthony Ruggiero and Corporation Counsel Edward Dunphy resign from their positions following several differences of opinion. Catalina said if he had the votes on the council he would fire Ruggiero and Dunphy.

Dunphy chose to resign, effective June 5, while Ruggiero declined. Catalina said he would publicly disclose Ruggiero's shortcomings, something he has refrained from doing until the Democrats decided to take



Frank Catalina

him to task.

"They obviously can't get over that Mary Foster lost the election," said Catalina, who ousted Foster last November. "I didn't run



Ed Dunphy

to serve them. I ran to serve the residents of Peekskill."

Councilman Darren Rigger said the power struggle that has surfaced centers

on who should call the shots at City Hall.

"It's a crisis as to who is running the city," Rigger said. "He envisions himself as CEO of the city. The question is who runs the city. I would argue that we all do. We thought early on there would be clashes over development or policies. We didn't think the clash would be between Frank and the city manager and the staff. I never saw this coming. The mayor has been bullying these guys from day one. He has to learn how to play well with others."

Catalina has been asking for a legal opinion from Dunphy about whether the Common Council violated the City Charter when they hired Ruggiero as city manager last June to a five-year contract at an annual salary of \$163,000. According to the Charter, a city manager is required to have at least three years' experience as a

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Yorktown Paves Way for Fields at Granite Knolls in Shrub Oak

By Rick Pezzullo

With encouragement from many youth sports coaches and officials, the Yorktown Town Board unanimously voted last week to potentially give away a small parcel of open space on Stony Street in Shrub Oak to allow for the construction of a natural gas pipeline that could lead to the development of two all-purpose fields and a full-size baseball diamond on the Granite Knolls site.

The board's action, which followed a lengthy public comment period, was just

the first step in a lengthy process that requires permission from the state Legislature to "alienate" a portion of parkland for a different purpose. If given the okay from the state, the town board would have to take a separate vote.

"This is a golden opportunity that we have," said Councilman Terrence Murphy. "This is a win-win for our town. This is a win-win for our kids."

The Spectra/Algonquin Energy natural gas pipeline project would have a 42-

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The New York State Public High School Athletic Association Class AA State Championship Ossining Girls Basketball team was honored in Albany on May 9 by state Senator David Carlucci. Coach Dan Ricci's squad finished 25-3 and won the title for the second year in a row.



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Auditor Attributes Yorktown Pension Shortfall to Settled Contracts

By Rick Pezzullo

The auditor for the Town of Yorktown told the town board last week the nearly \$1 million shortfall in the town's state pension cost projections last year could be attributed to multi-year retroactive raises in the settled PBA and CSEA contracts.

"If we didn't settle all these contracts this would not have happened," Alan Kassay of O'Connor Davies told the board members in response to published reports documenting a town board approved transfer from general fund balance of \$972,000 on April 1, four months after a \$2.6 million pension payment was

made to the state by town Comptroller Patricia Caporale.

Caporale claimed she informed the town board about the difference during a November 15 public hearing on the 2014 budget, but councilmen Vishnu Patel and Nick Bianco, who publicly criticized Supervisor Michael Grace for not informing the board about the pension cost discrepancy, insisted they were kept in the dark.

"This is wrong. This is fuzzy math," Patel remarked. "The budget passed December 17. The town board wasn't told until April 1. Who knew and why didn't they tell us? This money should have been in the budget. We had the money. This is not the right thing to do. This doesn't add up."

While conceding the pension system is "like a moving target. It's hard to get a handle on," Bianco reiterated the lack of communication from Grace was the bigger issue.

"The question is still why wasn't the town board told earlier about this sum of money?" Bianco said. "We should have been told before we passed the budget. We're looking at how to correct this in the future. It's one of the biggest things in our budget."

Bianco also pointed to a resolution passed by the town board on October 4,

1995 and February 1, 2005 regarding a policy that requires the town comptroller to inform the board about all town financial matters.

In the 2013 budget, approximately \$1.6 million was estimated by Caporale and Grace, but the payment sent to the state on December 13 was more than \$2.6 million.

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.

Caporale explained her office accesses the state pension system website on a monthly basis but only received the rates, not the actual amount due.

"It's a matter of timing. It's a timing difference," said Kassay, who mentioned it was possible the town could receive a credit from the state after everything is recalculated.

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



Smita Mohindra, an eighth grader at Mildred Strang Middle School, was among 30 national finalists at the 2013 Broadcom MASTERS (Math, Applied Science, Technology and Engineering for Rising Stars) competition invited to meet with President Barack Obama at the White House. She participated at the 54th Annual Dutchess County Regional Science Fair in 2013 and competed against 1,700 finalists nationwide. The only science fair student from New York State to win this award in 2013, Mohindra donated her \$1,000 award to the 55th Annual Dutchess County Regional Science Fair. She created an innovative, non-invasive, flexible neck brace to treat Vertebrobasilar insufficiency- a condition that can cause stroke.

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Three New Principals Appointed in Peekskill School District

By Rick Pezzullo

The Peekskill Board of Education appointed three new principals last week as part of the district's reorganization plan.

"We were looking for people who had the right fit for the needs of our district and we believe we have found them," said Peekskill Superintendent of Schools Dr. Larry Licopoli. "In our new reorganization design we've assured that no one is left alone, and we are here to support each other and work together as an administrative team."

Dr. Cassandra Hyacinthe, who has served as an assistant principal in Mount Vernon High School since 2005, was hired as the new principal of Peekskill High School, replacing Fred Hutchinson, who announced he was leaving in June earlier this year.

"I feel like I found a new home," said Hyacinthe. "I welcome the opportunity in the weeks and months ahead to have an open door to listen to the ideas and feedback of the teachers, staff, students and community. I promise to give you my all."

Jamal Lewis, a former teacher in the Ossining School District currently working as an elementary assistant principal in the Newburgh City School District, was appointed to lead Peekskill Middle School.



(L-R:) Rolando Briceno, Dr. Cassandra Hyacinthe and Jamal Lewis.

"It is with great honor and privilege that I accept this appointment," he said. "I do give my complete dedication to you all, not just at the middle school, but also through connecting with the high school and elementary schools as well as with our parents."

Rolando Briceno, a former principal and assistant principal in the New Rochelle school district and currently a house director in the Bedford School District, was tapped as the new principal of Woodside/Uriah Hill.

"I am absolutely humbled and excited to have been selected as the principal at Uriah Hill and Woodside," Briceno said.



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Five Jockey for Three Seats on Lakeland Board of Ed

By Rick Pezzullo

Two members of the Lakeland Education Foundation are looking to expand their contributions to the district by joining the Board of Education when they challenge three longtime incumbents on May 20.

Denise Kness, president of the Lakeland Education Foundation, and Rachelle Nardella are taking on 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. This gives people an option."

Kness said the Common Core standards probably wouldn't have caused such an uproar if they were implemented in kindergarten and students had "a base."

"Lakeland could lose \$60 million if kids don't take the test," she said. "They (state) just have to fix the timing of it so it's not so fast. One size doesn't fit all. This is not a get out of jail free card."

Nardella is a certified kindergarten teacher and has three children attending district schools.

"I've seen some of the good things



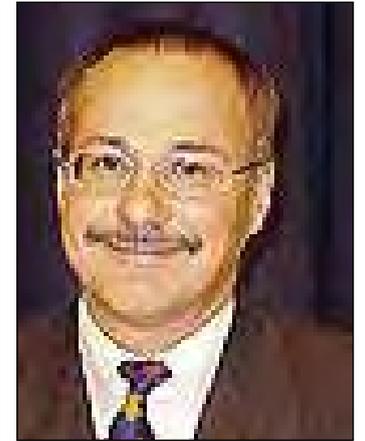
Denise Kness



Glen Malia



Scott Carey



Michael Cherchia

going on and I've also seen some of the challenges that can be made better," she said. "I think the board has done an excellent job with all the challenges we face. I want to continue to see Lakeland focused on students and continue to support teachers."

Malia, an attorney, is running for a fourth three-year term.

"I am most proud of being a member of a board which has brought about improvements to the education provided to our students while consistently working to reduce the yearly tax increase with this year's increase being

only .5%, the lowest in 17 years, while no programs are being cut," he said. "I plan to continue to focus on providing the best education for our students that we can. Our students are the leaders of the future and it is our responsibility to provide them with the education and resources that they need to be ready to lead."

Carey, owner/president of Five M Distribution, a food distribution company, has served a total of 10 years on the board, three in the early 1990s and the last seven years.

"I am most proud of being able to

improve the offerings and educational experiences for our students while keeping the costs low and preserving sports and extracurricular activities," he said. "I want to continue to raise the bar for our students while containing costs. I also am on the construction committee and worked very hard to prioritize what was needed for our safety and security bond issue that was approved in November. I want to oversee the completion of this work."

Cherchia, a podiatrist who practices in Peekskill, did not respond to questions before press time.



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Three Vie for Two Seats on Yorktown Board of Education

By Rick Pezzullo

Two longtime trustees and a longtime watchdog will be vying for two available seats on the Yorktown Board of Education on May 20.

Incumbents Anthony D'Alessandro and Michael Magnani are both seeking their fourth three-year terms.

D'Alessandro, who works for a small marketing business, said his time on the board is simply an extension of his family's belief of giving back to the community.

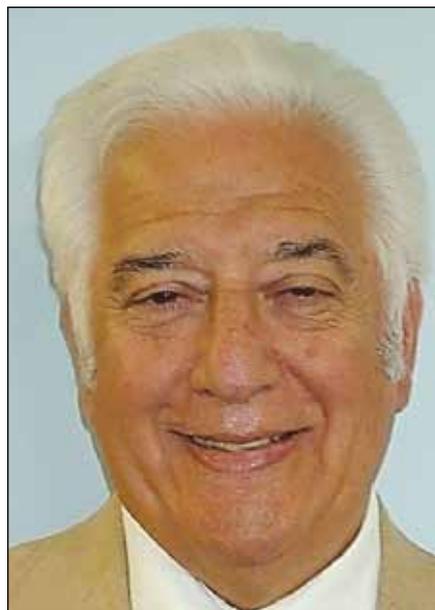
"It's what we're all about," he said. "It's giving back. You just stay with it. You believe in it. It's just something that needs to be done. We have a good superintendent. We have a good board. We're doing a great job."

If reelected, D'Alessandro said he would like to learn more about how the state Education Department operates.

"I want to get more involved with the state and see how they process all the mandates that they're bringing down to the district that we can't afford," he said.

Magnani has served as chairman of the Fiscal Advisory Committee since its inception and is the board representative for the District Negotiating Team.

During his tenure, Magnani said he has been "instrumental in helping guide the district during difficult financial

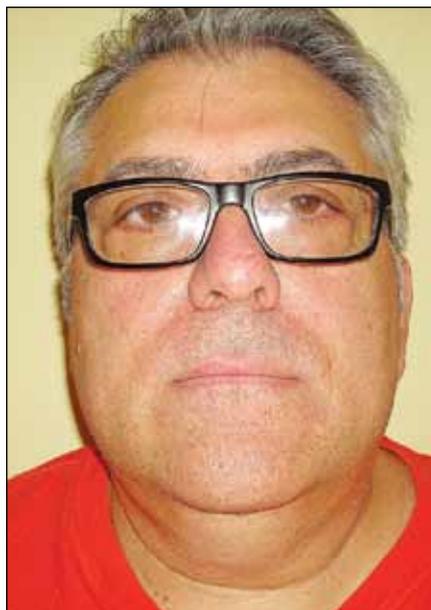


Ed Ciffone

times (and) looks forward to serving the students and families of Yorktown for another three-year term."

The third candidate in the race is Ed Ciffone, known as The Tax Watchdog, who has been keeping tabs on the district for the last 25 years.

Ciffone, a 43-year resident and court officer in Yorktown for the last 23 years,



Anthony D'Alessandro

has run unsuccessfully for the board 11 times and is optimistic the 12th time could be the charm.

"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."



Michael Mangani

Ciffone said he is relatively pleased with the Board of Education and the superintendent of schools but thinks the board could benefit from a fresh perspective.

"I believe I can now work with the district administrators and the other board members because we are now on the same page," he said.

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Incumbents Opposed in Peekskill Board of Education Race

By Rick Pezzullo

The president of the Peekskill Board of Education and his predecessor are being challenged for their seats by two active residents with an eye towards ensuring quality education at an affordable price in the district.

Douglas Glickert, an elementary school teacher in the Bronx, is running for a third three-year term and feels the district has made "great changes in leadership, curriculum and policies."

"Change requires sound leadership and I have tried my best to provide that," said Glickert. "It begins at the top and we are striving to transform this district into a high achieving one that we call can be proud of as well as our surrounding communities. Improving schools is a long term strenuous process and that is why I want to continue to work hard and see us meet our improvement goals."

Former board president Joseph Urbanowicz, director of facilities and transportation for the Ardsley School District for 28 years, is also seeking his third term to continue to "foster an atmosphere of creative thinking and continuous improvement."

"Being on the Board of Education in Peekskill is another opportunity to serve the community I was raised in and love



Douglas Glickert



Joseph Urbanowicz



George Ondek



Richard Sullivan

being a part of," he said. "I have dedicated my life to helping the youth in Peekskill find their way on the journey of life. It will be a major part of my life until the day I die. I want my actions, how I spend my time, and all that I do to reflect that passion."

George Ondek has never held public office but the local cable television show host can often be seen challenging government and school officials. The disabled Vietnam veteran and 25-year resident of Peekskill has vowed to scrutinize district finances if elected.

"I feel I have to be part of the school board to make changes," said Ondek.

"They need a voice to sort of offset the spending. I would be looking to cut the fat out of the budget. And the cheating scandal, that was something that should have been settled out of court, internally, and not made a criminal case of it."

With a background in business and finances, Ondek questioned the district reportedly spending more than \$500,000 on litigation regarding guidance counselors who were suspended for allegedly altering the grades of students last year.

Richard Sullivan, a theatrical engineer/Broadway stagehand, has been PTO President for Woodside and Uriah

Hill schools the last two years and was successful in securing hot food options for students at Uriah Hill.

The 11-year city resident said every decision the Board of Education makes directly affects the children in the district.

"Our common goal needs to be the children while carefully taking into account fiscal challenges and working together, with all stakeholders, to find creative solutions," Sullivan said. "I believe in gathering all necessary information before making decisions. I believe strongly in community collaboration to ensure transparency."

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Peekskill Police

May 7 - 7 p.m. – Officers John Marchioni and Matt Basso stopped a subject operating a motorcycle on the 1300 block of Elm Street for failing to stop at a stop sign. While approaching the subject, Donald Wirag, 58, of Peekskill, they observed him throw two glassine envelopes containing heroin onto the ground. Wirag was charged with criminal possession of a controlled substance in the seventh degree.

7:45 p.m. – Officer Brandon Kruihof and Detective Jon Merritt arrested Ralph Vaiatica, 57, of Verplanck, at his residence after investigating a “road rage” incident that occurred the prior evening. It is alleged Vaiatica cut off another vehicle in the Town of Cortlandt May 6 at 7:20 p.m. The driver of the vehicle and Vaiatica apparently were involved in an argument while traveling on the Bear Mountain Parkway before coming to a stop at the traffic light on Route 9 and the parkway. It is alleged Vaiatica exited his vehicle, approached the driver’s side window of the other vehicle and punched it, causing glass to shatter and land on a one-year-old child who was seated in the back. It is also alleged that Vaiatica struck a pregnant female who attempted to pull him away from her boyfriend. Vaiatica left the scene before police arrived. He was charged with endangering the welfare of a child, criminal

mischief and harassment.

May 8 - 10 a.m. – Detectives Anthony Malfitano and Joe McGann charged Mark Edmonds, 45, of Peekskill, with four counts of criminal sale of a controlled substance and four counts of criminal possession of a controlled substance after he was turned over to them by Westchester County Police who located Edmonds in Alabama. The charges stem from a joint investigation conducted by the Peekskill and County Police narcotics units into Edmonds allegedly selling crack cocaine and heroin throughout the city and surrounding area. Edmonds was remanded to Westchester County Jail.

1:30 p.m. – Detectives Anthony Malfitano and Joe McGann arrested William Maisonet, 65, at his South Street residence following an investigation with County Police where it is alleged Maisonet was selling heroin from his apartment. He was charged with two counts of criminal sale of a controlled substance and two counts of criminal possession of a controlled substance.

4:30 p.m. – Officer Matt Basso was conducting narcotics surveillance in the downtown area based on complaints of suspicious activity. Basso observed a female, Lashon Bailey, 28, of Cortlandt, entering the passenger side of a vehicle after participating in a suspected narcotics transaction. Basso

stopped the vehicle and observed Bailey attempting to hide an item under the front passenger seat. Basso recovered a glassine bag containing heroin from under the seat. Bailey was charged with criminal possession of a controlled substance. She posted \$250 bail.

State Police

April 28 - State Police from Cortlandt barracks arrested Charles Bradley, 24, of Cortlandt, after being dispatched to a local business on a shoplifting complaint. Loss prevention at the undisclosed location alleged Bradley failed to pay for copper fittings that he had concealed in a back pack. Troopers also arrested Bradley on April 29 after investigating a complaint that he had been unlawfully residing in a camper parked on private property.

May 4 - 4:05 a.m. – Hollman Gutierrez, 36, of Croton-on-Hudson, was charged with driving while intoxicated, driving with revoked driving privileges and operating a motor vehicle without a court ordered ignition interlock device after being stopped for speeding on Route 9 in Cortlandt. He had a prior DWI conviction in 2012. He was remanded to Westchester County Jail.

Yorktown Police

May 1 - 12:13 p.m. – Todd Pawell, 45,

of Cortlandt, and Julio Resendes, 35, of Peekskill, were charged with petit larceny for allegedly working in concert to remove assorted merchandise, valued at \$179, from displays at Sears in the Jefferson Valley Mall and exiting without paying.

May 2 - 10:58 p.m. – Officers Mark Rapisarda and Timothy Kolkmann and Lakeland High School Resource Officer Lawrence Paniccia were conducting an undercover drug investigation in the parking lot of Lakeland High School when they allegedly observed a suspicious occupied vehicle. An investigation revealed Sean Coakley, 18, of Yorktown, was in possession of 45 grams of marijuana. He also was allegedly in possession of two forged Pennsylvania driver’s licenses.

Westchester County Police

May 5 - 11 a.m. – Jorge Morales, 20, and Trivante Jones, 17, both of Ossining, were charged with attempted burglary after police received a 911 call from a resident who reported a man was climbing through a window at her home on Samstag Avenue in the Town of Ossining. The woman screamed at the intruder and he fled with an accomplice. Officers Willie Saez and Scott Forsythe located the two suspects and took them into custody.

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Editorial

Contested Board of Education Races Give Voters a Choice

It's encouraging to see that the majority of local Board of Education races this year are being contested.

In four of the seven school districts in the area, voters who head to the polls next Tuesday (May 20) will not only be able to make their feelings known about the proposed budgets, but they will have a say in who makes the decisions regarding how money is spent and on what programs.

It is not often emphasized by school officials, but school taxes represent two-thirds of a property owner's total tax bill, so it just as important what type of individuals sit on these boards and decide how to allocate money as it is the teachers in the classrooms shaping the minds of students.

In Lakeland, where incumbents are often given a free ride, two active members of the Lakeland Education Foundation, Denise Kness and Rachelle Nardella, have stepped forward to pose what appears to be a formidable challenge to trustees Glen Malia, Scott Carey and Michael Chercia.

In Peekskill, two active board watchers, George Ondek and Richard Sullivan, are vying for the seats currently held by President Douglas Glickert and former president Joseph Urbanowicz in a district that has seen a lot of administrative upheaval and negative publicity over grade tampering in recent years.

Meanwhile, in Yorktown, where the board seems to be smoothly operating, the town's longtime Tax Watchdog Ed Ciffone is trying, for the 12th time, to win a seat. Even if he fails again, Ciffone should be applauded for forcing three-term incumbents Anthony D'Alasandro and Michael Mangnani to fight for their positions.

The Croton-Harmon School District has five residents vying for two seats, four of whom have never

served before. It's democracy in action, something that school races haven't always experienced. It's defi-

nately a positive sign, and hopefully will motivate others to seek public office in the future.



Danielle Ruggiero, a 2010 graduate of Walter Panas High School, is graduating with honors from Hofstra University with a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting. She is being recognized for her academic achievement at the Latin Honors Convocation. She will be continuing her education at Hofstra University to pursue her Master's Degree in Accounting. Danielle is the daughter of Robert and Mary Ruggiero of Cortlandt.

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Obituaries

Antonio Mareno

Antonio Mareno, a resident of Yorktown Heights, died on April 18. He was 87.

He was born in New Haven, Connecticut, on October 16, 1927, to Lillian and Peter Mareno. He graduated from Yonkers High School in 1945 and received a Bachelor of Arts from Livingston College, Salisbury North Carolina in 1949 where he graduated valedictorian. While he attended college he also pledged for the well know Omega Psi Phi Fraternity of the Lambda chapter and became a lifetime member. He went on and received his High School teacher's certificate and taught social studies in the North Carolina public schools for five years. He went on to further his education and took an interest in law where he studied at Fordham University and earned a Juris Doctorate degree in 1956.

On September 21, 1957, he married his beloved wife Kathleen C Mareno and they stayed committed to marriage for 56 years up to his passing. Antonio and Kathleen started their family by having three beautiful children whom were their gifts to this world.

Some of Mr. Mareno's accomplishments after college included being a practicing minister for a short period of time while he taught high school and being a chauffeur. His biggest supporter financially and socially was his late step sister Juanita S. Brooks, who died in 2005.

Mr. Mareno passed the NY State bar exam in 1959 and started practicing law which was his passion in life. During his professional career he was admitted to the NY State Court Of Appeals in 1963, United States Court of Appeals to the third circuit and fifth circuit and made many appearances to argue his cases in front of the United States Supreme Court in Washington D.C. .

Mr. Mareno served his community well by being a member of the Board of



Antonio Mareno

Trustees for many years at the United Methodist Church in Shrub Oak, and making many contributions to this institution. He also was part of his local community where they established a neighborhood park and raised money from the town to plant trees, build a ball park and playground for the neighborhood children, and install park benches around the pond so that the environment was pleasurable and enjoyable. He loved his community and whenever asked for legal direction he was always present to advise people without any hesitation. He said one day, "I'm probably the only lawyer around who will sell my service for free but I felt it was my duty to protect and serve the innocent when I took my oath as a lawyer".

He began his career as a law assistant to the late Judge Scovel Richardson, where he was employed by the United States Court of International Trade, also known as The U.S. Customs Court in Manhattan. While employed with the United States court system he received a Certificate of Service in recognition of outstanding service for 15 years in 1977 and continued his employment until 1985 where he served for 23 years until he retired.

After retirement, Mr. Mareno went on to build his private practice where he

served his community and friends in the legal profession for many years until the late 199's when he started to enjoy his permanent retirement.

In addition to his beloved wife, he is survived by one son Antonio Mareno Jr., daughter Elena Mareno Moore, son-in-law Joshua Moore, daughter Dr. Anita Mareno English and son-in-law Dr. Lars English. He is also survived by six grandchildren, Elias Narvaez Mareno, Antonio Mareno III, Vanessa Chelsea Mareno, Anya English, Chelsea English and Nilda English.

Mr. Mareno led a balanced life where he always made time for his family, and took many trips, especially ski trips to Europe, Canada and the Rockies in the west. Skiing was his number one passion which he and the whole family participated in for years. His second passion was camping where he purchased a motor home and took his family to visit almost every state in the United States and Canada. He also visited the Virgin Islands with the entire family. His resilience to life's challenges characterizes him as a man of true honor and dignity for mankind and that his remaining family and friends who still reside can live out his legacy as being so fortunate to have shared life with him. He was laid

to rest at Rose Hill Park Cemetery in Putnam Valley.

Mildred Adams

Mildred R. Adams, a lifelong Peekskill resident, died on May 8. She was 93.

Daughter of the George and Bessie (nee List) Waters, she worked as a beautician at Joseph's Beauty Salon in Peekskill for many years, until retiring in the 1950s. She was an active member of the United Methodist Church of Peekskill, where she was part of the Methodist Women group. She was also a member of the Peekskill Senior Citizens.

She is survived by her son and daughter, Robert (Ann) Adams and Nancy J. Kaplan; and her granddaughter, Ola Kaplan. She is also survived by her two nieces and nephew, Alexis Cavallo, Jacqueline Vogel and Eugene Adams. She was predeceased by her brother Alexander Adams.

Jean Clark

Jean E. Clark, a lifelong resident of the Peekskill/Cortlandt area, died on May 8. She was 88.

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Daughter of Thomas and Marion (nee Scofield) Gilbert, she lived on Gilbert Street in Peekskill-Cortlandt Manor since 1974. The street was named for her family. She worked for 22 years at the Peekskill Savings Bank as a loan manager, until retiring in May 1983. She was a member of the United Methodist Church of Peekskill for over 60 years.

She was predeceased by her husbands, James Donnelly and George Clark. She is survived by her step-son, George H. Clark; her step-daughter, Maureen Lent; and also her close friend, Helen Beuchert; her two cousins; and many friends and neighbors.

George Murphy

George Joseph Murphy, a resident of Peekskill, formerly of Cortlandt, died on May 8. He was 93.

He was born in Manhattan to George Murphy and Theresa McDonald on June 5, 1920. He attended public schools in the Bronx and is a graduate of Lehman College. He married Cecilia Ryan on June 22, 1946 in the Bronx. During World War II, he was a member of the NYC Board of Water Services Police, patrolling the aqueducts and reservoirs on foot and horseback. After the war, he

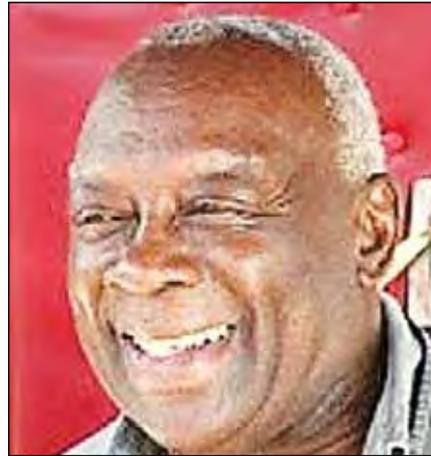
joined the New York City Fire Department. He retired from the fire department after 38 years, rising to the rank of captain and acting battalion chief. He was a member of both St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and Assumption Churches; and was a member of the Knights of Columbus LaFarge Council #412. He was also active in the Ladycliff Academy PTA and school board.

He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Cecilia; one son James (Sue) Murphy; five daughters, Patricia (Terry) Hayes, Joan Zestar, Virginia Romano, Susan (Jim) Walsh and Laura Winch; 11 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his son William.

Ernest L. Osborne

Ernest L. Osborne, a 22-year resident of Somers, on May 1 at his home in Heritage Hills after a lengthy illness. He was 81.

He was born in Harlem to Ernest L. and Alma Chatman Osborne. He played many distinguished roles in public service, holding major positions of importance and influence. He was a visionary who helped renew urban neighborhoods, directed philanthropic organizations and foundations, exerted leadership in educational and social services, assisted



Ernest Osborne

business, government and community organizations, and worked with organizations devoted to solving problems and affecting social change. Mr. Osborne pursued three fundamental goals that exemplified his life-long commitment to give back to the community: to help people to live with dignity at work, in their homes and in our country. Even as a teenager, he and his friends pulled together a series of dances for the youth in his Harlem neighborhood, helping to provide a healthy environment where youngsters could meet and mingle, out of harm's way.

He served as a senior executive at Yale University, where President Kingman Brewster appointed him Director of the Yale Council on Community Affairs. Working initially for the New Haven Redevelopment Agency and then for Yale, he brought many different community factions together to help rejuvenate New Haven's inner-city neighborhoods and gain recognition for the city by the federal government and urban planners as one of the premier urban renewal programs in the nation.

In another career milestone, Mr. Osborne was appointed Executive Director of the Sachem Fund, a private family foundation focused on supporting cutting-edge organizations. Under his trailblazing leadership, Sachem supported organizations and causes that addressed social, economic and environmental issues, as well as education, women's rights, regional planning, health and housing advocacy. His most important contribution as head of the Sachem Fund was to provide funding to establish the first community-based Hospice initiative in the U.S., located in Branford, Connecticut. He was only the second African American invited to become a member of the Council of Foundations. He was

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Battle Lines Drawn at Peekskill City Hall

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city manager and reside in the city. Ruggiero, who lives in Fishkill, had worked for the city for 13 years, mostly in planning, before leaving in January 2013 to become Putnam County's commissioner of planning. Peekskill had been operating without a permanent city manager since December 2011 after Rick Finn left.

Catalina criticized Foster and the Common Council at the time for not seeking public input in selecting a new city manager. He said Dunphy was stalling from responding to his request regarding the Charter.

Rigger argued five of the last 10 city managers in Peekskill didn't have the qualifications of a titled city manager when they were hired.

"Over the last 50 years there has been a precedent set where you can promote someone who was acting or assistant manager," said Rigger, who noted Ruggiero served as an assistant city manager under Brian Havranek. "He was extremely well thought of by city staff. He's doing a terrific job."

Deputy Mayor Drew Claxton also defended Ruggiero at a recent meeting, saying, "Anthony Ruggiero is one of our best city managers. He is doing an excellent job."

Not according to Catalina, who criti-

cized Ruggiero for hiring outside legal counsel, without the authority of the Common Council, to represent Peekskill Police Sergeant Ray Henderlong in an investigation that involved the District Attorney's Office and FBI, according to Rigger. No details of the investigation have been revealed publicly or to the Council. A settlement was recently reached where Henderlong will remain out on sick leave until he retires in August 2015, according to Catalina.

"The Charter says you can't hire outside counsel unless approved by the city manager and Common Council," maintained Catalina, an attorney who campaigned against the city hiring outside counsel. "I'm not going to beat Mary Foster and then have the city manager slap us around. We're a \$35 million corporation. It's not a joke. You can't hire a 10-year-old and give them 10 years to come of age."

"He's not the Derek Jeter of city managers. Quite the opposite. He's totally incompetent," Catalina said about Ruggiero, who

did not return a phone message seeking his side of the story. "The guy doesn't meet the qualifications of the Charter. His actions since I have been in office have showed a lack of professionalism running the city and I'm not going to put up with it."

The Democratic majority lumped Police Chief Eric Johansen into the group of department heads they claim Catalina has been targeting since Johansen also hasn't satisfied all the terms of the Charter which state he must reside within city limits. He currently lives in neighboring Cortlandt.

Catalina said he has no problems with Johansen and the police chief echoed those sentiments when asked about his relationship with the mayor.

"I have a good working relationship with the entire city council," said Johansen, who added he plans to abide by the Charter by either moving into Peekskill or asking for a waiver from the council. "I have deep respect for the mayor and the council. I enjoy working with them."

In regards to political patronage jobs,

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Businesses of the Week

Whitaker Garage Doors Croton Falls

By Neal Rentz

It has been a family tradition for generations and is still going strong.

Garrison residents Casarra and Jonathan Cover are the current owners of Henry B. Whitaker Inc. garage door business, which was opened by her grandfather in 1949 in Yorktown. The company now operates in Croton Falls, near the border of Westchester and Putnam counties. Whitaker is now 91 years old.

Casarra Cover said the company has been a major part of her life since childhood. "I tell everybody I didn't go to pre-school, I came to Whitaker," she quipped.

Cover's mother, Fay Gatto, took over the business the year her daughter was born in 1988. "She'd put me in the front seat of her van and I'd go all over Westchester and Putnam counties with her," Cover recalled. "(I) have great memories of that. My mom installed doors. She did it all."

Cover said she answered telephones for the company during her middle and high school years. She was a political justice major at Fordham University but after two years she left college because



NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

Casarra Cover, who co-owns the Henry B. Whitaker Inc. garage door company in Croton Falls with her husband, Jonathan.

she felt "I was wasting my money." From then on she devoted herself to the family business, which moved from Yorktown to the more centralized location in Croton Falls in 2008.

The company sells garage door that are made on the Croton Falls premises for both residential and commercial clients. The company also repairs and services

both garage doors and garage door openers. "If it has to do with your garage door we can handle it," Cover said. "We specialize in custom wood garage doors that we build right here in our shop."

Cover said customer service is a key to her company's success. "My grandfather and my mom, forever, have instilled in us honesty and great customer service," she said. "Make sure you always answer your phone. Make sure you always get back to the customer. Make sure you're always on time. And you're always open and honest in everything you do. And we just continued that."

Cover said her company's reputation has paid off with both longtime and new customers. "We just started doing some advertising, but 90 percent of it is word of mouth," she said, adding that many of her customers have had family histories of being her company's clients. "We have whole families, three generations that have used us."

Most of the company's customers come from Westchester and Putnam counties and Fairfield County in Connecticut. The garage door business has changed over the years, according to Cover. "When my grandfather started it was wood, wood

and more wood," she said. "Then a lot of people started buying steel doors, more energy efficient doors. We have doors now that are just as insulated as the walls in your home."

Another change is people can now open their garage doors with a Smart phone rather than a traditional remote control, Cover said.

Cover said she and her husband wanted to maintain the standards of their business instilled by its founder. "We really just want to grow it. We want just want to make sure that the name that my grandfather built stays around for another 70 years," she said.

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Correction

In last week's Business of the Week profile on GYM GUYZ, it was incorrectly printed that appointments for personal trainers are from 5 a.m. to 10 a.m. The correct hours are 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. The Examiner regrets the error.

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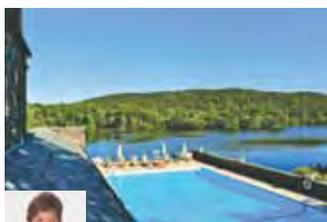
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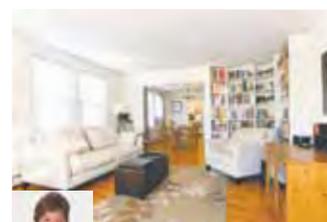
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Yorktown Paves Way for Fields at Granite Knolls in Shrub Oak

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inch transmission line run underground from Pennsylvania to Maine, including a connection from Verplanck to Stony Street. Yorktown Supervisor Michael Grace explained Spectra approached the town about utilizing some land on the Granite Knolls parcel for a temporary construction and staging area.

In exchange, Spectra would construct an access road from Stony Street to the land designated for fields and a 114 space gravel parking lot. The Granite Knolls site

was acquired by the town for \$2.7 million following a public vote several years ago.

"The criticism that we're working too fast I don't care. This has been no secret, nothing hidden," Grace remarked. "This thing has been in discussion since 2013. Delay is death. Don't tell me I'm rushing this. Sometimes as representatives we have to look at things quickly."

Fully behind Grace was Yorktown Youth Soccer Club President Rick Romanski. "This is a hidden gem. This is something that only comes around once in a lifetime," he

said. "We all talk about the ants and frogs we want to save. What about our kids?"

Yorktown Athletic Club President Bob Cole agreed, saying, "This is a win-win for everyone. This needs to be done for the future kids of this town."

Not everyone shared that viewpoint, including Paul Moskowitz.

"Alienation of parkland is a serious issue and should not be handled in a cavalier manner," he said. "My fear is if we allow an easement on that one acre we risk establishing an industrial area in one

of our parks and who knows what they will do to it."

Councilman Nick Bianco explained he asked that the resolution be delayed two weeks ago to learn more details and is satisfied the town will have the final say in any use of the land.

"I am pretty certain that I will get a second bite of the apple at a later date," Bianco said. "We're not just giving up this land for a business or a baseball bat. They're going to have to give us in-kind contributions for any land they use."

Obituaries

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also one of the founders of the Association of Association of Black Foundation Executives (ABFE), which celebrated its 40th anniversary several years ago.

During the administration of President Jimmy Carter, he was appointed Deputy Undersecretary for Intergovernmental Affairs. He was an active member of the agency team that worked with Congress to enact regulations ensuring quality day care regulations for infants and children in homes, schools and institutions. After visiting the Thailand Refugee Resettlement Camps, he became a driving force within HHS to elevate to the Office of the Secretary, the responsibility of refugee resettlement for Southeast Asian refugees, which led to an historic and successful program.

He also held senior positions at Travelers, in the Koch administration in New York City, and SEEDCO. His "give back to the community" philosophy brought many opportunities to serve in volunteer roles. He was president of At Home in Somers, a member of the board of directors of the Katonah Museum of Art, and a trustee of more than 20 other non-profit organizations over the course of his illustrious career.

Mr. Osborne was the recipient of many awards, including the prestigious Distinguished Service Award from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the Outstanding Service Award from the White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities. He was the first person named Philanthropist of the Year by the Connecticut Chapter of the National Society of Fund Raising Executives.

He was predeceased by his son, Warren and his first wife, Edith Elizabeth Kimbro. He is survived by his wife, Barbara Miller Osborne; sister, Christine Hammond (R. Vincent); sisters-in-law, Kay Miller and Marilyn Ward; daughter, Elizabeth Osborne; stepchildren, Richard Brinser (Monica), Teresa Clas (Victor del Pozzo), Susan Pelletier (Claude) and Steven Brinser (Sally); 11 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews and cousins; and a multitude of friends. A memorial service will be held in the near future.

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When It's Time To Buy a Carpet, Some Things To Consider

When I rented my first apartment on my own, without roommates, my first purchase for it, even before I bought a bed, was a rug, a beautiful Karastan with a tree of life pattern in predominantly blue and red. I bought it as a hand-me-down from an eccentric friend who was a window dresser for Saks Fifth Avenue who decorated and re-decorated his apartment frequently, and I was a beneficiary of his discards.

In the many years since that impulsive purchase that ate up a month of my salary, impulsive because I had to sleep on that carpet until I could afford a bed, I've purchased many rugs as my digs grew from that first studio in the city to a large home in the suburbs, and I always bought oriental and privately, second-hand, until now when my wife and I wanted all new for an all new home.

When asking around for a good place to buy, I was referred to Kalaydjian Oriental Carpets in Bedford Hills where mother/daughter team Alice and Lisa Kalaydjian hold sway and, I was told, offer the greatest experience and service in oriental rugs.

"Yes my family has been in the business for more than 185 years," mother Alice of Armenian descent told me, whose

father had factories throughout Iran that manufactured fine quality rugs and other facilities that cleaned them. "In those days, the industry there was quite different," added daughter Lisa, "but since the revolution in the 80s, production has moved to other countries, including China which does a good job in replicating Persian rugs."

If my shopping experience has anything to do with the home, I always ask questions, and this time around, we talked about current trends in rug buying. "We used to see hand-made purchases of heirloom quality, works of art that could take five or six years to make," said Alice, "but today, people are more price oriented toward rugs that may have a certain look but lack durability because buyers feel that in five or 10 years they are going to want to change their décor anyway."

"A major part of our business has become the restoration, cleaning and repair of fine quality rugs," Lisa said. Lisa explained that their facility, which had housed her father's car dealership before they set up shop 17 years ago ("We went from 'cars' to 'car - pets,'" Lisa said with a grin) now accommodates a major operation devoted to rug sales, restoration and



By Bill Primavera



BILL PRIMAVERA PHOTO
Lisa and mother Alice Kalaydjian, proprietors of Kalaydjian Oriental Carpets in Bedford Hills, with The Home Guru.

cleaning. "As far as I know, we are the only rug dealer in the region that does hand cleaning on our own premises. And, we don't use any harsh chemicals," Lisa said.

"Also we have a restorer who does magnificent museum quality restoration work," Lisa said, "And if a fine rug has been too badly damaged, we can salvage it for runners or pillows."

What impressed me most about Kalaydjian was the service offered, which I needed because of my own little quirk that my taste in oriental carpets is contrary to popular preferences which are now trend-

ing toward neutral tones, the browns, while I still like the traditional bright reds and blues, a leftover from that first carpet I slept on.

I did find one such carpet in a smaller size among the racks in the store, and Lisa is now on a search to find larger carpets for me from that color palette and in a tree of life pattern. When she finds it for me, this time around, I won't be sleeping on it. Then again, because I will be placing it in front of one of those incredible new electric fireplaces which I defy anyone to guess is a fabulous fake, so you never know. I just may stretch out on a plush rug in front of it and doze off.

To experience many generations of rug expertise for either purchase, cleaning or repair, visit Kalaydjian at 761 North Bedford Rd., Bedford Hills. Telephone: 914-666-7571.

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Sampling Wines for Acclaimed Virtual Vineyards

For the past two weeks we've been exploring the various means by which entrepreneurs have been pursuing their love of wine and winemaking. Some have purchased vineyards, harvested their crops and then created their unique brand and profile of wines. Others have not been as adventurous or as capital-rich, instead opting to buy grapes and processing them in their wineries. Still others have gone the investment banking route: invest other people's money in virtual vineyards, basically having no capital investment in vineyards or winery facilities.

Last week I focused on an entrepreneur engaged in a labor of love in winery ownership, largely outsourcing the essential steps in producing a wine; a wine which is unique to his standards and preferences. This individual is Charles Banks, an investment banker in California who has been involved in various aspects of investing in, and marketing, wines over the past eight years.

21st century technology and deep financial pockets have created a new breed of entrepreneurs like Mr. Banks: those who have a passion for wine but not the

desire to soil their hands; they prefer to stain their hands writing checks.

So how has Mr. Banks fared?

He started out with a tried and proven plan executed in many industries prone to consolidation: buy market share. After selling his stake in his first venture – the cult winery Screaming Eagle – in 2009, he laid low for four years before acquiring highly acclaimed but under-recognized brands in California. Then last year, in quick succession, he purchased highly regarded Wine Gap, Qupé, Leviathan and Mayacamas wineries in California, Evening Land in Oregon, and additional wineries in select international wine region

In a short period, he catapulted himself back into the rarefied air of high-end wines. Mission accomplished. Kudos flowed in; brand recognition skyrocketed; his trophy properties were the buzz of the wine industry – as well as the entrepreneurial financial industry.

Then he ventured into a new business plan: offer premier examples of wines from around the world at moderate prices. Forming Cultivate Wines with several partners, he is producing acclaimed

wines from vineyards in the United States, South Africa, New Zealand, Argentina, Italy and Chile.

I liken Cultivate's offerings to a sampler case of wines compiled from a wish list of the world's hottest wine regions, with prices to attract American wine consumers.

Here is a sampler of the uniquely named wines of Cultivate, with tasting notes from third party sources. I've sampled each of the wines and found them to be excellent representations of the best offerings in select wine regions – at prices generally under \$20.

2010 Dream Walking: Carries classic California Chardonnay aromas of toasted almonds, melon, pineapple, green apple and jasmine blossom. A gentle but bright mouthfeel rounds out towards the finish with a nice lift and notes of candied lemon peel.

2010 The Feast: A blend of Sonoma and Napa wines (66% Merlot, 34% Cabernet). The Merlot provides a soft, velvety textured base with aromas of incense, cinnamon and blue fruits, while the Cabernet offers structure, length and focus to the wine.

2011 The Gambler: A broad, brawny, and powerful Argentinean red wine with intense flavor and texture. Ripe Malbec is counterbalanced with a touch of Bon-

arda to create a forceful and full mouthfeel of blue and black fruits, leather and spice.

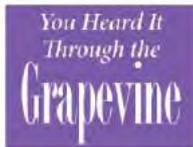
2011 Copa Cabana: A smooth, easy-drinking red wine from the Curico region of Chile. Full of juicy red fruits and with a peppery spice on the finish, Copa's balance and finesse come from a blend dominated by Cabernet Sauvignon, balanced with Carmenere and Syrah.

Charles Banks is on a mission to win you over, whether you are a devotee of high-end, acclaimed wines or are simply seeking to experiment with high quality wines from around the world at affordable prices. It's easy to endorse these wines.

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- 14. San Francisco Bay city
- 15. The annual Shakespeare Festival is held here
- 17. Shakespeare's players
- 18. Stage solo
- 22. Beehive
- 23. Vereen and Franklin
- 24. Cable network sports award
- 25. Goes off
- 27. Italian city or Shrub Oak Pizzeria
- 29. Product selection tool
- 32. It'll never fly
- 33. U-235, e.g.
- 34. Moviedom's Mineo
- 35. Haunted

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- 1. Igneous rock
- 2. Opens, car door eg
- 3. Precursor to the fox-trot
- 4. Track of a wild animal
- 5. Casbah residents
- 6. Plunder
- 7. Spiced hot milk with rum or

wine

- 8. "Born in the ____" Springsteen song
- 9. Black-and-white set pieces?
- 10. Calculate
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PARAMOUNT EVENTS

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Kim Russo
The Happy Medium
 May 16th, 8pm



Kim is the host of the popular TV Show, "The Haunting Of..." currently airing on A&E's Lifetime Movie Network Channel. For two astonishing hours, Kim will bridge the gap between the worlds of the living and the departed. After introducing the audience to her gift, Kim will walk the room, feeling the energy and listening to the spirits of the deceased.

Art Garfunkel
 June 14th, 8pm



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Tuesday, May 13

Peekskill Art Exhibit: Return to Peekskill: 1930's Paintings by Arthur Frischke is being held through May 31 at the Field Gallery, which is located in the Field Library at 4 Nelson Ave., Peekskill. For further information call 914-737-1212, e-mail Alicia Morgan, gallery curator at amorgan@wlsmail.org, or visit the library's website at www.peekskill.org.

Somers Library Exhibit: Judika Lieberman will be exhibiting her artwork of abstracts, florals, and impressionism pen and ink during the month of May at the Somers Library, located in Reis Park, off Route 139. For more information you can visit Judika's website at www.judika.com or contact her at judelowering@gmail.com. Call the library 914-232-5717 for viewing times in the Program Room.

First Hebrew Event: The Choreography of the Siddur, a free workshop, is for people curious about Conservative Judaism's prayer service will be held at 7 p.m. at First Hebrew, 1821 Main St., Peekskill, just west of Beach Shopping Center. The workshop explores the movements associated with the "siddur," the prayer book, for example when do we stand or sit and why do we bow? RSVP: at 914-739-0500 or fhc@firsthebrew.org. Visit www.firsthebrew.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, May 14

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.

Bingo Wednesdays: Come to First Hebrew for \$2,000 in total guaranteed bingo prizes, plus an average of \$1,000 awarded in specialty games. Doors open 5 p.m. and games begin 7:15 p.m. every

Wednesday (except holidays – check First Hebrew's website calendar.) First Hebrew is just west of the Beach Shopping Center at 1821 Main St., Peekskill. Info: 914 -739-0500 of www.firsthebrew.org.

Thursday, May 15

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 16

DAV Mobile Office: The DAV Mobile Office will come to the parking lot of the Jefferson Valley Mall, on Lee Boulevard, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The office will provide free professional guidance about

the rights of and benefits for veterans. For more information call 212-807-3157.

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.

Happy Medium: The popular TV host Kim Russo, The Happy Medium, will bridge the gap between the worlds of the living and the departed. Come be astonished by her gift at 8 p.m. at the Paramount Hudson Valley, 1008 Brown St., Peekskill. Tickets are available at <http://paramounthudsonvalley.com/> or by calling 914-739-0039.

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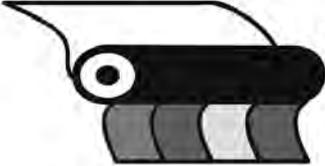
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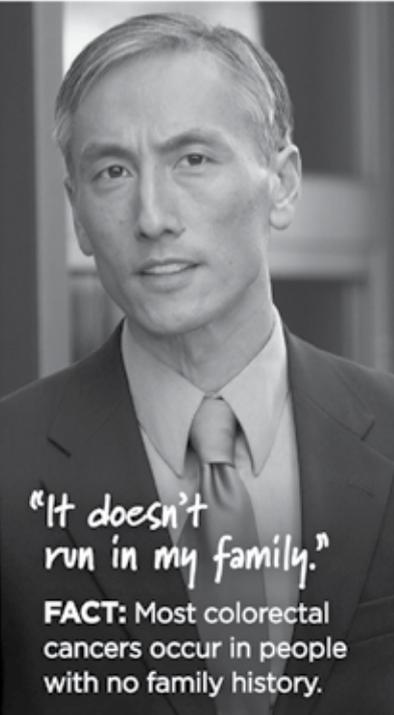
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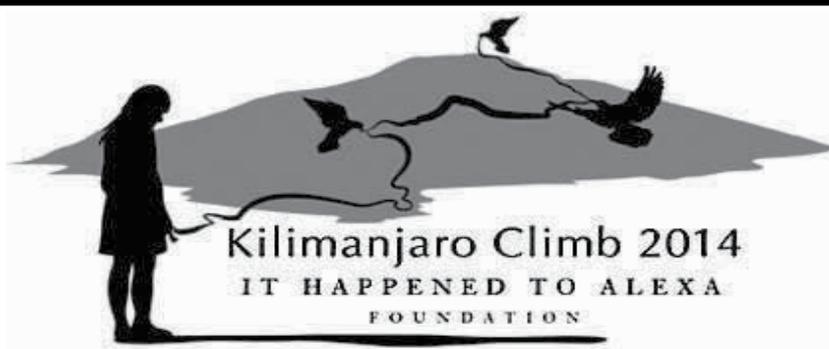
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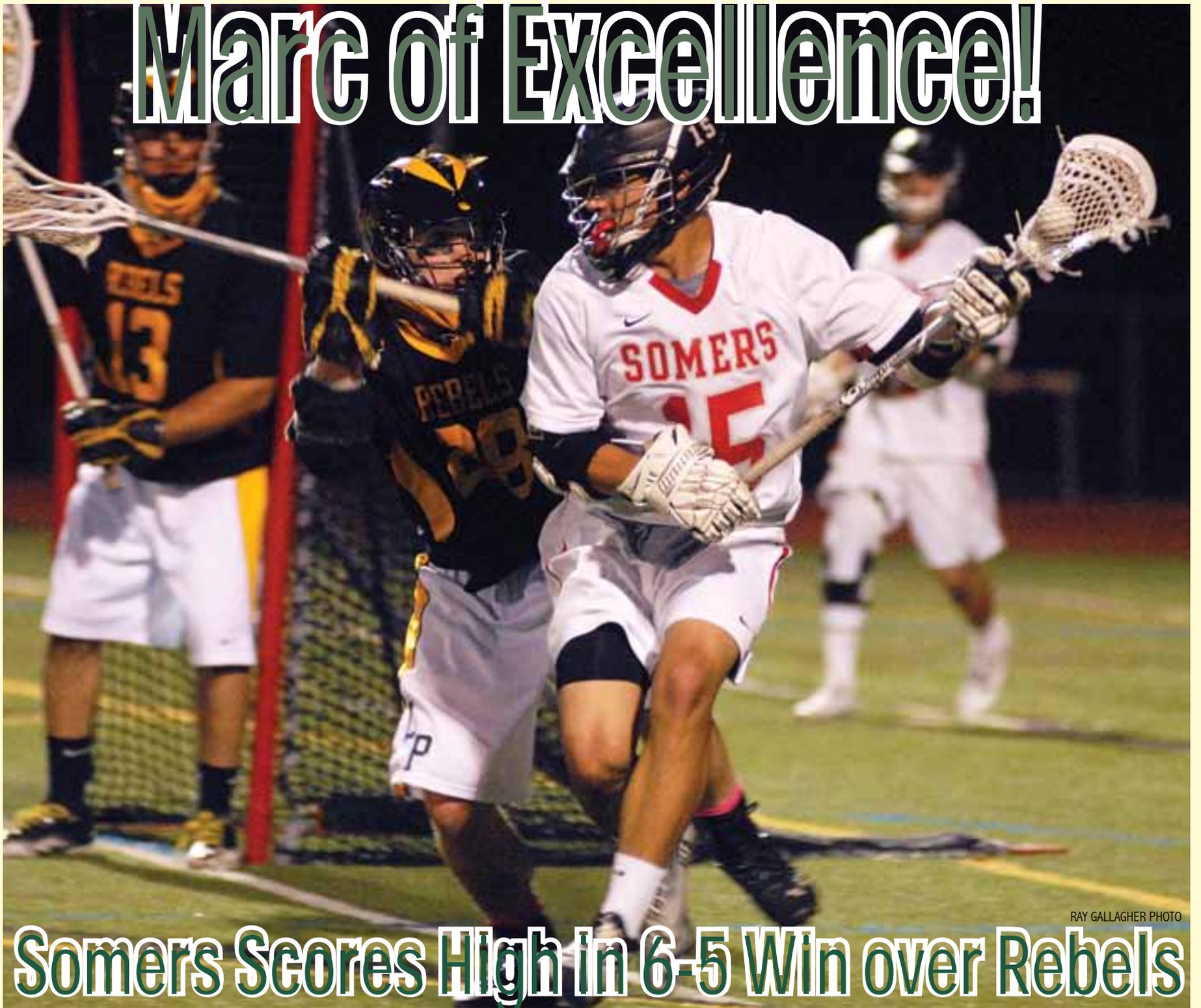
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Somers Scores High In 6-5 Win over Rebels

Somers A Marc Fiocco and Lakeland/Panas M Jim Flaherty would collide head-to-head on this Fiocco run to the cage in the Class B Tuskers' 6-5 triumph over the visiting Class A Rebels, who could not end Somers' seven-game win streak last Saturday on "Senior Night" in Tusker Nation. Fiocco drew a 4th-quarter, 2-minute unreleasable penalty on the play for lowering his head, but the stingy Tusker D killed it off... see Boys' Lax Notebook

Sports

Boy's Lax Notebook

Yorktown, Somers on Class B Collision Course

Mahopac Turning it Around, Could Make Class A Splash

By Ray Gallagher
Examiner Sports Editor

The first step in beating 36-time Section 1 champion Yorktown High is believing you can do it. The second step – actually succeeding – has only been done five times since 1967 when the chip is on the line. Somers High, winners of seven-straight games after the Tuskers knocked

off visiting Lakeland/Panas, 6-5, last Saturday, is of the collective mindset that they can indeed be the fourth team since 1997 to do so; joining L/P (2010, 1997) and John Jay (2006).

“You guys all blow Yorktown up and we understand that,” said Somers senior Tim Cousin, who scored twice, including the game-winner, and assisted on another.

“But we’re not backing down from anything or anybody this year.”

Somers showed the necessary balance to knock off Yorktown against L/P but six goals won’t do the trick, against the Huskers’ the three All-Americans – Austin Fusco, Connor Vercruyse and Luke Palmadesso – who are in the running for Player of the Year. Truth be told: Somers doesn’t have one player of the ilk; not Cousin, not M Justin Corpolongo (2G), M Manny Mendoza (1G), A Mike Cegielski (1G), lethal M Marc Fiocco, pole Luke Roediger (5 GBs) and/or G Nik Genualdo (10 saves).

But each plays a vital role in what has truly been a T-E-A-M effort, according to Coach Lew Janavey.

“When we play the way we did in the second half tonight, we can give anyone a game,” said Janavey, who, admittedly, gets up to play his old school (Lakeland) more than most. “Our defense really stepped up tonight; Erik Carnazza, Roediger and Sean Wagner. The kids bought into what we knew we had to do to win this game, especially defensively. (Mike) Zingaro (15 saves) was unbelievable, I love the kid. I’m his biggest fan, he’s an All-American in my book, but we just had to keep peppering him because he’s a

game-changer. You have to hope you get a break against him and that’s kind of what happened.”

To a man, the Tuskers are convinced that they can be that rare Section 1 team that can live in Yorktown infamy; making the 2014 Huskers an afterthought in Yorktown lore.

“Seven wins in a row makes us a real force going in,” Corpolongo said. “If people don’t think that we’re going to take it to them, they’re absolutely wrong.”

And he’s not alone in his belief. Roediger has his back.

“We’re on fire lately and we’re going hot into the playoffs,” Roediger said. “We think we got this thing.”

Without putting the cart before the horse, Somers vs. Yorktown just might be a game; should we be so lucky to pair them up at White Plains on May

Who knows what to make of Class

A? Seriously, much as we have loved following Lakeland/Panas and Mahopac over the last quarter century, they have made 2014 tough to bear for those of us that cut our teeth on All-Americans like Lakeland’s Ric Beardsley and Mahopac’s Merrill Turnbull.

We have to figure Lakeland/Panas as the Class A favorites based on the fact that they have not lost to a Section 1 Class A team this season and two-time reigning champion Mamaroneck plays a second-fiddle schedule that includes no Section 1 teams north of Pleasantville; the Tigers are good but we simply can’t trust their schedule.

L/P boss Jim Lindsay knows his Rebels are staring straight down the

barrel of their ninth sectional title, first since 2010.

“We’ve heard people allude to the fact that we’re the favorites,” Lindsay said before the Somers scrum, “but we’ve got a lot of work to do before we can be considered the team to beat, including tonight.”

Which brings us to Mahopac... the Jekyll and Hyde of Section 1. Having lost four games by one goal and another by two, the Indians have suffered their share of heartache, but after losing 8-7 to Putnam Valley last Tuesday, Mahopac has reeled off consecutive wins against



Mahopac senior A Glenn Janick (R) were beaten by Ryan Dunphy's (L) Put Valley Tigers, 8-7, last Tuesday but they recovered with a 6-5 win over Jay.



Mahopac senior Eric Donahoe had a big week for the Indians, including the game-winner against John Jay last Thursday.



Mahopac's Max Littleton tries to shake the ride of PV's Rich Denike.



Four Tuskers converge on Rebel M Jim Flaherty in Somers' 6-5 win.

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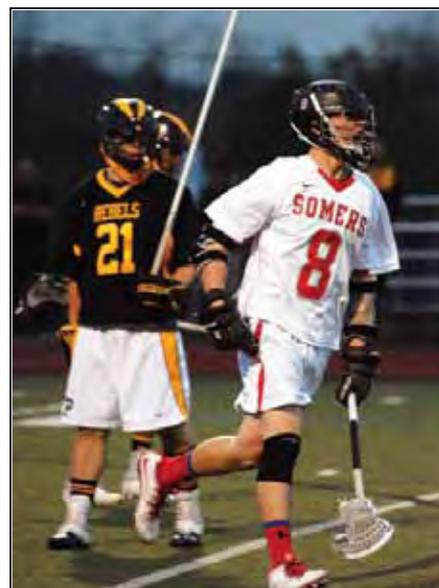


Somers A Marc Fiocco cranks shot in Tuskers 6-5 win over Rebels.

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Rebel LSM Andrew Sofroniou, among the most versatile poles in the section, carries in 6-5 loss to Somers.



Somers M Justin Corpolongo celebrates one of two goals scored in 6-5 win over Lakeland-Panas.

Haddeland said. "I think pride finally kicked in as the seniors realized that their high school career was almost up and they refused go out the way we had been playing. Also, the fact that our goalie (sophomore) Mikey Aurisicchio has been playing well along with the defense finally clicking. There is no quit in this team. We just kept pushing them and kept preaching a no-quit attitude. The team defense has been outstanding the past two games; best I have seen since 2012. We are a totally different team and I have been telling these guys all season that we will be there in the end and to believe."

As one thousand coaches have said since Chief Jay Strongbow first strung his stick on the plains of the Onondaga Nation: It's now how you play in April, it's how you play in May...

L/P's Zingaro has to be in the All-American discussion if you ask this scribe: "Total respect for Zingo, he's easily the best goalie in the section... next to our goalie," a wise Cousin said. "He stands on his head to make saves."

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 (10-5) have heard the growing whispers about Somers having closed the gap in recent weeks and they loath the gossip. Recent losses to Darien and St. Anthony's have tarnished the luster some, but state-ranked (No.2) Huskers head into the tourney as the clear favorites.

No.2 SOMERS - Coach Lew Janavey's



PV's Rich Denike pesters Mahopac's Nick Schiera in Tigers' 8-7 win last Tuesday.



Somers sophomore Joe Hasmall eyes a shot in 6-5 win over Rebels.

Class B Tuskers (12-4) are going to have to prove that an entire roster is better than three Yorktown All-Americans and a handful of All-Section talents if they are going to hoist for the first time since 2009. State-ranked (No.11) Tuskers stick and stay at No.2; right where we had them BEFORE beating L/P.

No.3 LAKELAND/PANAS - Coach Lindsay's CLASS A Rebels (11-5) have now lost to Class B's Yorktown, Greeley and Somers and Class C's Putnam Valley; is it any wonder we can't hail them as the clear-cut Class A favorites to Mamaroneck's throne? Lax IQ has to increase in crunch time to hoist hardware. Rebels M Jim Flaherty had four goals and two assists in a 10-6 win over Suffern, whom the Rebs could see again in the upcoming Class A semis, with Lakeland/Panas going into sectionals next week as a slight favorite to win its first title since 2010, despite the helter-skelter nature of the team. Not one team from Section 1 ranked in Class A top 20.

No.4 PUTNAM VALLEY - Coach Kuczma's Class C Tigers (10-6) had

the kind of week every coach would love to have heading into the post season, including wins over Mahopac, Wappingers and Brewster. Have to admit, lefty-cranking senior M Mike Benvenuti has been impressive of late, hitting 14 of his 29 tallies in last 4 games. Kid was a beast against Mahopac and the Tigers hope to avenge state-ranked (No.8) P'Ville in playoffs and get a sniff of No.10 Bronxville.

No.5 MAHOPAC - Coach Haddeland's Class A Indians (6-9) understand that a poor April won't mean a thing if they can muster a run to the finals in May.

No.6 BREWSTER - Coach Honey's Class B Bears (8-7) are going to need their defense and goalie to step up if they are going to make the stated goal: Class B Final 4.

No.7 HEN HUD - Coach Solomon's Class B Sailors (8-8) put an end to 3-game skid with W's over Arlington and Harrison, which isn't enough to make a move in this poll... bet the Sailors would love another crack at Brewster in the playoffs.



Rebel Andrew Sofroniou puts a check on Somers senior Tim Cousin.

Sports

Girls' Lax Notebook

Undefeated Tuskers Beat Rebels for First Time, Then Beat PV, Magnus L/P Ties with Town; 'Pac Fights JJ-CR to Stalemate

By A.J. Martelli

Many fans of area girls' lacrosse may have been asking themselves if the Somers Tuskers would be a perennial contender again, as they were Class B section semifinalists last year. The question they need to be asking themselves now is, will the Tuskers ever lose again?

After beating the Lakeland/Panas Rebels 11-10 for the first time in program history last Wednesday, the Tuskers followed up with a 15-10 statement win on the road over defending Class C



L-P sniper Molly Fitzpatrick was held to goals in loss to Somers after averaging nearly 5 per game all season.

champion Putnam Valley Friday. Somers then put another notch in its collective belt Saturday morning, beating Albertus Magnus 14-4.

To Head Coach Jaime Irving, the unprecedented success this season has been a product of all-around effort.

"We have a very balanced team," she said. "We really try to focus on everyone



With sister Tara looking on, Somers' Emma Schurr looks to unload shot against defense of L-P's Ellie Dineen-Carey in Tuskers' first win ever over Rebs.

being a threat, everyone doing the little things, and the big things happen when you do the little things well. I know that you obviously can't reflect every stat, but it's definitely the little things that help us be successful."

In last Wednesday's historic win over Lakeland/Panas, Tara Schurr came alive with four goals; Nicole DeMase backed her up with three, while Somers was able to withstand a five-goal outing from sniper Katie Bradbury.

"It was huge, it's what we need - we need to get our confidence up," Irving said of the historic win over the Rebels and her former coach, Sharon Sarsen. "We need to be able to perform in those big games and pull it out. We knew it would be a scrappy, close game; a game of runs, who's on top, who's on bottom, back and forth. We pulled through it and I'm proud of them."

The big win only bolstered the Tuskers' confidence even more, allowing them to duke it out with Put Valley this past Friday. Somers' balanced attack was on full display, as Tara (three goals, three assists), Emma Schurr (three goals, one assist), and DeMase (three goals, two assists) redefined the concept of the hat trick.

At halftime the Tuskers were up 11-6 on the Tigers, and never gave up the lead they took with 16:10 left in the first half when Livy Rosenzweig scored on a goal



L-P's Krista Sawler puts a point-blank shot Ally Martone, who makes save in win over Rebs last Wednesday.

assisted by her sister Gabby.

Emma knew Put Valley was going to give her team a hard time, but mentioned that her team is improving with each game; Somers maintaining an eye on the prize mentality.

"I think it's a nice win for us," she said. "Every game is always chippy with them (Put Valley), it's always a battle. I think we've all been playing with each other for so long now; we didn't lose too many people last year, everybody else is rising to



Tuskers Livy Rosenzweig (L) and Nicole DeMase look to put clamps on Rebel D Kayla Moore.

the challenge, and that's why we just keep getting better.

"We're taking it one game at a time, but (a section title) has been one of our goals the entire season. Hopefully, we can keep improving and get that goal at the end."

Putnam Valley put together a nice game too, with Eva Rabson at the forefront of the scoring attack with four goals. Manhattan-bound sharpshooter Sam Cunningham, who was honored before the game, finished with three goals and assist on her senior day.

Tigers' Coach Kurt Worell mentioned how impressed he was with his girls keeping up with a team of Somers' ilk.

"Defensively we're always looking to work and make adjustments," he said. "Last year we had a lot of strong senior leaders, this year we have Samantha and a wave of juniors behind her. We have a tough league this year and it's a great place for us, because we've learned to play better as a team.

"We had to play outside of our comfort level, and to be in the games we've played in, it says great things for us, heading into the back end of our season and into sectionals."

Put Valley will go into the Class C playoffs hoping to defend the Class C chip. Somers, in the meantime, went to 13-0-1 with its victory over Magnus Saturday morning.

LAKELAND/PANAS recovered from its loss to Somers this past Saturday night, dueling with visiting **YORKTOWN** to a 13-13 tie.

Rebels' boss Sharon Sarsen thought her team did well, playing evenly with the always-powerful Huskers.

"Yorktown swarmed Molly Fitzpatrick every time she touched the ball and our other players stepped up, most notably

sophomores Dana Bozek and Valerie Perkins," she said.

Bozek finished with four goals and an assist, while Perkins threw in four goals of her own.

"Our defensive unit did a great job clearing the ball, generating transition attack," Sarsen added. "Gianna Paglia, Courtney Araujo, Kayla Moore, Ellie Dineen-Carey and Brianna Muniz were strong in our clearing game. Although we gave up a late lead, I'm proud of the way we battled."

The Rebels were leading the Huskers 13-12 late in the second half, until Yorktown ace Emily Concialdi netted a goal to knot it up, forcing a stalemate.

It was a huge week for **MAHOPAC**, who not only posted an 11-4 win over Put Valley last Wednesday, but battled defending Class B champion John Jay-Cross River to a 7-7 tie on the road Friday night.

Kim Harker had seven goals in the win over PV, and tacked on four goals and an assist in the tie with John Jay, but the real story lately has been goalie Anna Raymond. She made four saves against the Tigers and was honored along with fellow seniors Daniella Martins, Erin Moloney and Carly Weiss before picking up the win over Put Valley.

"These four girls," Head Coach Jim Lieto said, "have given their heart and soul to Mahopac lacrosse for years, and I'm extremely excited we sent them off with a bang."

Raymond followed the stonewall-like performance vs. the Tigers by holding Cross River scoreless for the first 11 minutes before finishing with 11 saves. She also committed to play DI lacrosse at Lafayette next year - and has been a key part of 'Pac's late season surge. Lieto had no doubt John Jay was going to be a tough opponent, yet is as confident as ever now heading into the postseason.

"We knew coming in that this was going to be a back and forth battle with one team having the opportunity at the end to win it," he said. "John Jay got that final opportunity but our defense held strong and didn't allow them to get a quality shot off.

"I am really pleased with the girls' play over the last week of the season; we are primed and ready to go for sectionals."

Mahopac finished the regular season 9-6-1, going 2-0-1 over the last three.

Sports

Baseball Notebook

Section 1 Baseball Tough to Figure this Season

By Ray Gallagher
Examiner Sports Editor

Due to its seemingly unpredictable nature, it's hard to envision a scenario where someone, even the great Kreskin, could predict a Section 1 baseball bracket in just about any classification this season; upsets are a certainty as parity prevails.

Perhaps Class AA has the most obvious



RAY GALLAGHER PHOTOS

Lakeland C Anthony Fava's Hornets had an up-and-down week, which concluded with a 5-3 extra-inning win over Somers when Fava went yard Monday.

favorite in state-ranked (No.2) RCK, but two-time defending champion Arlington is right on its tail and state-ranked (No.17) North Rockland has the look of a serious contender.

A look at Class A reveals a state-ranked (No.18) Lakeland team that struggled to put away Hen Hud and even lost to a sub-par Brewster outfit, 8-7; which means it's beginning to look a lot like a Dutchess sweep in Class AA and A, if state-ranked (No.4) Beacon is all it appears to be.

But this is Section 1 baseball, land of the unknown; where an Arlington can rally from six runs down in the seventh to knock off Fox Lane for a 2013 Class AA title; where Class A John Jay Cross River can rise from the depths of mediocrity to



RAY GALLAGHER PHOTOS

Yorktown's Jack Kelly and Mahopac Chris Aquina (R) are hoping their clubs have the stuff to contend in Class AA.

win it all last season.

We have come to expect the unexpected on this baseball beat and it should ring true once again next week when the seeds are released and the 2014 post season gets herself going.

NWE/Putnam Examiner GREAT 8 BASEBALL POLL

(Includes only teams in the coverage zone)

No.1 LAKELAND – Coach Knapp's Class A Hornets (11-4-1) have lined up quality W's over Somers (5-3 Monday), Beacon, Arlington and Tappan Zee and has the ace in the hole in Chris DiDomizio, which is more than enough to justify their position atop this poll. Still, losses to Brewster, Pearl River and a rough go with Hen Hud last week is an indication that the Hornets could be one-and-done just as easy as they could be Final 4 or more if the Fava kid gets hot and stays hot like he did Monday with extra-inning, walk-off yard bomb.

No.2 MAHOPAC – Coach Miller's Class AA Indians (8-8) can beat anybody with ace chucker Kevin Kernan on the hill, so there isn't a team in Class AA that wants to open up against the Indians. However, they haven't fared well in their league (swept by Arlington and Jay EF with RCK to go), which is among the toughest in the state, and those 3 Dutchess teams will be tough to avoid in any bracket.

No.3 YORKTOWN – Coach Kennedy's Class AA Huskers (11-6) had their 5-game win streak snapped by Panas but Monday's loss to Mt. Vernon is a real head-scratcher... not sold!

No.3A PANAS – Coach Fata's Class A Panthers (9-6) have quality W's over Yorktown, Putnam Valley, Beacon and Somers, but man oh man when the

Panthers lose, nobody does it better. In six losses they have been outscored 64-17. Once they stop throwing in the towel, this team has upset potential.

No.5 PUTNAM VALLEY – Coach Joe Natalie's Class B Tigers (9-2) saw junior

RHP Eddie Lent chuck a doozy in a 6-2 win over Arlington B, but the thorn in all of Class B's side is Rye Neck and North Salem, who handled the Tigers in Monday's 3-1 setback when the Tigers could not get the clutch hits they needed.

No.6 SOMERS – Coach Wooten's Class A Tuskers (8-9) took care of business in a sweep of Carmel but got swept by John Jay CR; a split would have won us over, but we're just a tad skeptical still. Wooten, however, will get the most from this club, which always puts its best foot forward in the post. Pat Badia, Ryan Nealon, Stephen Danko and ace Takoda Sitar.

No.7 CARMEL – Coach Shilling's Class AA Rams (6-10) have hit a massive snag they can't seem to untangle from. The bottom seems to have fallen out on a unit that began the season with a ton of promise.

No.8 HALDANE – Yes, Coach Rosen's Croton Tigers (10-8) beat Pleasantville ace Drew Marino, 2-1, but they've gone 3-7 over last nine. Coach Virgadamo's Blue Devils (8-8), on the other hand, have gotten it going again behind guys like Johnny Rotando, who now has 102 career hits.

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Somers Beats Lakeland/ Panas for 1st Time, 11-10



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Somers junior Christine Olert (R) hunts down Lakeland/Panas sophomore Valerie Perkins in the Tuskers' 11-10 triumph last Wednesday over the visiting Rebels. Somers, who had never beaten the Rebels previously, put Section 1 on alert as Tuskers Tara Schurr (4G, 1A) and Nicole DeMase (3G, 1A) led the Red Storm to the program's biggest regular-season win... see Girls Lax Notebook

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