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A Bucket of Cheers

The Lakeland High School Varsity Cheerleading squad recently accepted the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge from the school's soccer team. Members of the cheerleading team are Lauren Buchanan, Sydney Campion, Lauren Clarke, Maria Cristoforo, Auriella Contini, Samantha Liebensohn (captain), Amanda Massotti, Brianna Micelli, Grace Mostafa, Caroline O'Neill, Michela Parisi, Devyn Perotta, Gianna Ronca, Brianna Roy, Taylor Roy, Samantha Rooney, Julianna Shalhoub (captain) and coach Courtney Jennings.

Yorktown Finally Makes Opposition to Pipeline Official

By Rick Pezzullo

With the reaction from some observers being better late than never, the Yorktown Town Board last week became the last area government body affected by the proposed expansion of a natural gas pipeline to officially pass a resolution expressing major concerns about the project.

Upon the insistence of Councilman Vishnu Patel, who, along with Councilman Nick Bianco, introduced a comprehensive

five-page resolution that dwarfed a basic one-page resolution drafted by Supervisor Michael Grace that was later withdrawn, the board jumped on the anti-pipeline bandwagon before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) holds a much anticipated public hearing on the project Monday night in Cortlandt.

"I think it's obvious the level of care this resolution exhibits for our community," Pa-

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Peekskill Bakery Owner Plays Role in Derek Jeter Day

By Rick Pezzullo

New York Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter was showered with gifts and admiration during a star-studded tribute at Yankee Stadium Sunday, and Rose Sanca, owner of Homestyle Desserts in Peekskill, put the icing on the cake, literally.

Since 2009, Sanca has played a behind the scenes role in many special New York Yankees occasions, and Sunday was no exception as she and a handful of employees carefully created a multi-layer blue velvet swirl cake, along with 150 cupcakes and 72 cookies featuring Jeter's face, that she was personally delivering to George Steinbrenner's suite for festivities following the game.

"Everyone in the bakery is in love with Derek Jeter," Sanca said. "I think he's terrific."

Sanca said she was particularly proud of the bottom of the cake that listed memorable moments in Jeter's illustrious 20-

year career wearing pinstripes.

"Having the history right on the cake is something unique," she said. "I think that was what really made it personal."

Earlier this season, Sanca made the cakes and other baked goods for Old-timer's Day, Goose Gossage Day, Tino Martinez Day, Paul O'Neill Day and Joe Torre Day. She also has been hired to make cakes for weddings and showers of relatives of Yankees and Mets players and club officials.

"I think I can have a whole book of just cakes I have done for them," Sanca said. "They have been very good to me."

While she said she doesn't ask for any memorabilia or perks, Sanca said she was able to bring 34 friends to a suite for a game on August 4, received a designer pocketbook from a member of the Steinbrenner family and two autographed Derek Jeter baseballs last year.



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Rose Sanca poses next to cake she created at Homestyle Desserts for Derek Jeter Day.

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27 Days to 20th Annual Support-A-Walk

Walk Ambassador Recalls Help She Received Battling Ovarian Cancer

By Rick Pezullo

When Judy Callahan was diagnosed with ovarian cancer in 1998, at the age of 43, she needed somewhere to turn for help, and she found Support Connection.

The mother of three had never heard of the Yorktown-based, non-profit organization prior to reading about it in a local newspaper, but little did she know that it would become a big part of her life during her treatment and every year since.

"It's 16 years now since my diagnosis, and I can finally say cancer is no longer the first thing and last thing I think about every day," Callahan said. "I never thought I'd reach this point. But it took more than the passage of time. I needed the help I got from Support Connection to bring me to this point. Support Connection gave me coping skills and showed me over and over again that I was not alone."

Callahan's mother and grandmother both developed breast cancer in their 60s and through her research she learned the link between breast and ovarian cancer. Her first sign of a problem was a sharp pain she felt when one of her sons sat on her lap. She then discovered a lump. She later learned she had Stage 1 ovarian



Judy Callahan

cancer.

"I was very lucky to find it, and that it was taken care of right away," she said. "There's a lot of fear. You don't know what is going to happen. Ovarian cancer often time is detected late. That part was

very frightening."

Callahan, who is director of the Putnam Community Action Program, found comfort when she attended her first Support-A-Walk at FDR State Park in Yorktown and listened to the stories of cancer survivors and families of loved ones who lost their individual battles.

"Every time you attend the walk you see how many people really care. It's a great feeling," she said. "Just listening to the speakers it was a nice little dose of medicine. I saw a lot of people all being very kind to one another. And I saw I was not alone. It's very uplifting."

She later joined Support Connection's first support group for women with ovarian cancer and became one of the organization's first hotline volunteers, speaking to other women who called for help just as she did.

"It was so comforting to talk to women who understood," Callahan said. "When I was going through cancer, sometimes I felt like I was jumping out of my skin and it was so helpful to have someone just listen. I wanted to do that for other women. There is no other organization that is specifically there for women with breast and ovarian cancer."

Callahan said she was thrilled to have

been chosen as one of two ambassadors for this year's Support-A-Walk, which takes place Sunday, October 5 at 9 a.m. at FDR State Park.

"The walk has made such a difference for me. It was my introduction to Support Connection," she said. "I want to share the message that participating in the Support-A-Walk is worth anyone's time. It enables Support Connection to continue its mission."

SUPPORT CONNECTION, INC. is a 501 (C) (3) not-for-profit organization that provides free, confidential support services and programs to people affected by breast and ovarian cancer. Founded in 1996, Support Connection is based in Yorktown Heights, but through a toll-free hotline and website they serve people throughout the country. Services include: One-on-one peer counseling and support groups, offering women the opportunity to connect with other cancer survivors; Ongoing wellness classes; Holistic health workshops; Public educational programs; Information and referral services; A toll-free cancer information and support hotline (1-800-532-4290.) To learn more, visit www.supportconnection.org or call (914) 962-6402.



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First Hebrew Congregation Celebrates Renovated Sanctuary

By Rick Pezzullo

First Hebrew Congregation in Peekskill rededicated its renovated sanctuary Friday evening with a ribbon cutting ceremony with local elected officials.

The \$50,000 renovation was made possible, in part, by a donation from the Krantz 50th Anniversary Foundation and support from First Hebrew's Men's Club and Sisterhood.

"This is really a wonderful moment in First Hebrew's history," said Rabbi Lee Pas-

kind. "We hope this new sanctuary will bring renewed spirit and renewed life to our congregation."

The Congregation, which has more than 125 families, was established in downtown Peekskill in 1896. Its location on Route 202 in Peekskill was built in 1957.

Jeremy Krantz, whose father, Rabbi Abraham Krantz, set up a charitable foundation to create a legacy of giving, said First Hebrew has been a part of his family for nearly two decades.



RICK PEZZULLO PHOTO

Local officials joined congregation members in rededicating sanctuary Friday evening.

"My late father's legacy lives on in numerous charitable donations chosen by his children, which include the sanctuary renovation," he said. "We are deeply committed to our congregation's efforts to bring our community together and inspire pride in our Jewish heritage."

Proclamations were presented to First Hebrew by Congresswoman Nita Lowey (D/Westchester), Peekskill Mayor Frank Catalina, state Assemblywoman Sandra Galef (D/Ossining) and Cortlandt Supervisor Linda Puglisi. Westchester County Legislator John Testa (R/Peekskill) also congratulated the congregation.

First Hebrew has also transformed its Hebrew School program into the Jew-

ish Learning Experience, which started on Sunday. The program was developed with support from the Jewish Education Project, a beneficiary of UJA-Federation of New York. The project-based program combines out-of-classroom activities to connect Jewish living and values with real life experiences, such as doing good deeds, known as "mitzvahs." The program is tuition-free for the first two grades and entirely tuition-free for members.

"Think of it as a rebirth of First Hebrew," said synagogue president Marc Intriligator. "It's part of our decade-long plan to meet future needs. We're excited about where we have come and where we're going."

State Senator David Carlucci delivered school supplies to the Ossining School District last week that were donated to his office. Alita Zuber, Assistant Superintendent for Business, and Carriean Sipos, Principal of the Park Elementary School, helped distribute the supplies to students.

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Peekskill Council to Vote on Property Revaluation

By Rick Pezzullo

The Peekskill Common Council was scheduled Monday night to vote on the first revaluation of city properties in 61 years.

Mayor Frank Catalina asked City Manager Anthony Ruggiero to put the somewhat controversial action on the agenda following last week's work session when a member of the New York State Office of Real Property Tax Services spoke about the benefits of reassessment.

"Reassessment is about creating equity and fairness in the assessment roll," explained John Wolman, southern district coordinator for the state. "The city certainly has some issues with its assessments. There's a tremendous amount of variation."

Peekskill City Assessor Michele Jordan has been pushing the Common Council to join Ossining, Greenburgh and Yonkers in approving revaluation. She told

the council earlier this year "inequities" have existed in Peekskill for decades with properties that are either over assessed or under assessed.

As a result, over the last six years, Jordan said tax certioraris have cost Peekskill \$3.2 million and the Peekskill School District more than \$6 million.

"Reassessment is a way of stopping the hemorrhaging," Wolman said, adding municipalities with up to date assessments have higher bond ratings and ex-

perience economic revitalization.

With a revaluation, the rule of thumb is one-third of property owners will see no change to their taxes, one-third will pay less and one-third will pay more. The cost to Peekskill for a firm to study the assessments of all residential and commercial parcels in the city would be \$964,000.

Jordan has said the city could bond the money over five years and would be re-funded over time by the drop in tax chal-

lenges that would occur.

If the city agrees to take part in the study this year, reassessment could be completed in 2016 and would affect the April 2017 tax bills.

Catalina noted a resolution to authorize citywide revaluation would require at least four votes from the seven-member council. However, a separate resolution authorizing up to \$1 million in bonds to finance the study would require a minimum of five votes.

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tel said. "Its strong language shows Yorktown has finally joined the rest of the surrounding communities like Cortlandt, Peekskill, and Somers in passing meaningful health and safety resolutions on the pipeline."

There are currently two existing pipelines, installed in the 1950s, that run through Yorktown. Spectra Energy Partners is looking to replace a 26-inch pipeline with a 42-inch pipe and locate a temporary launcher/receiver station, known as a "pigging" facility, on land off Stoney Street in Shrub Oak. Spectra has already begun preliminary work on a second plan, known as the Atlantic Bridge Project, which would run from Yorktown to Maine.

"For the Town of Yorktown, this is a lose-lose situation," said resident Paul Moskowitz. "This is not something we're going to enjoy."

"This whole project scares me," said Rosanne Brackett, a resident of Colonial Street. "We don't want our town ripped apart. We're all pissed and pissed off moms are not nice."

The resolution prepared by Patel and Bianco, who was not in attendance last week, focused on ensuring safety and health measures for residents by requiring independent air studies for FERC and the state Department of Environmental Conservation to review.

"I cannot in good conscience stand by and allow this company to try to put a 'pigging'"

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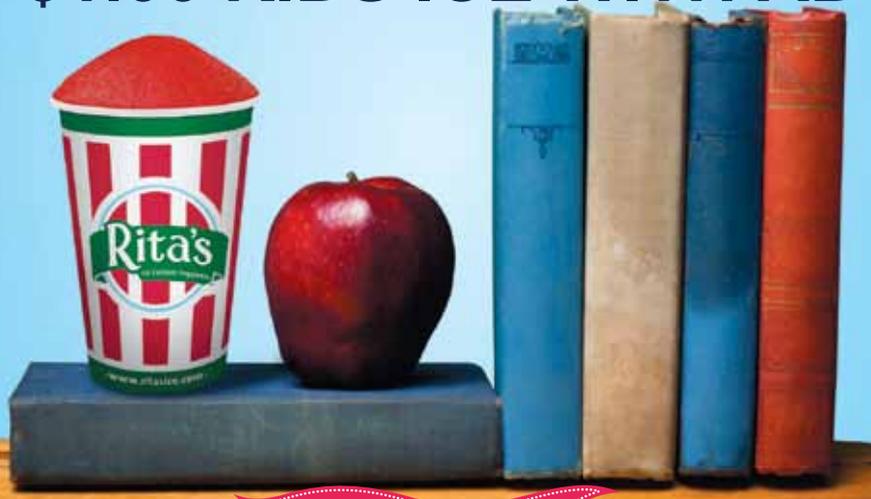


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Obituaries

Lorraine DeSisto

Lorraine DeSisto, who worked in the Town of Yorktown's Planning Department for more than 25 years, died on September 5. She was 65.

Last week, DeSisto, who battled ovarian cancer for more than four years, was honored at a Yorktown Town Board meeting and September 3, 2014 was declared Lorraine DeSisto Day in the Town of Yorktown. "I'm not sure I will ever meet a woman like her again," said Town Clerk Alice Roker.

She was married to Michael DeSisto for 32 years. She is also survived by two loving children Phillip (32), who lives in Chicago, and Thomas (29), who lives in Maryland, and two foster siblings - Marsha and Jonathan.

She was a member of the Reform Temple of Putnam Valley where she served in several capacities. In 2009 she attained a lifelong goal when she was bat mitzvah. Mrs. DeSisto was one of the founders of the Putnam Valley Food Pantry in 2004 where she volunteered her time and held several roles including most recent as treasurer. She was a member of the Yorktown Rotary and in 2012 was awarded the "Paul Harris Achievement Award" for

her accomplishments and commitment to her community. In 2012 she was honored by Westchester County for her community service by proclaiming June 10 as Lorraine DeSisto day throughout the county. She raised over a half million dollars in grant awards for both the food pantry and various projects and memorials for the Town of Yorktown. She assisted with many local groups to improve the community, including environmental, social, and other issues. She was an avid reader of mystery novels and a devoted friend and neighbor.

Frank Lemak III

Frank M. Lemak III, a lifetime Peekskill resident, died on September 1. He was 81.

Known to all as Tank, he will be greatly missed. He was born in Peekskill on December 29, 1932. He attended local schools and graduated from Peekskill High School Class of 1951. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army. Mr. Lemak retired from NY Telephone Co., after 40 years of service having never taken a sick day.

He is survived by his two children, Frank IV and Linda Lemak, four grand-

children, six great-grandchildren, and his brother, Donald Lemak. "Tank was a big man who stood at six foot six inches, but it was his heart that was the biggest part of him". A Mass of Christian Burial was held at Assumption Church in Peekskill, followed by interment at Assumption Cemetery in Cortlandt.

Donald Clark II

Don Clark, a more than 40-year resident of Verplanck, recently passed away after battling lengthy illnesses. He was 82.

Mr. Clark was born in Ithaca, NY and was raised by his grandmother, Martha. Athletic, he loved sports and was co-captain of his high school's football team as well as its basketball team that won its first ever Sectional and District Championship. Patriotic, he proudly served 4 years in the U.S. Navy during the Korean Conflict. Blessed professionally, he parlayed his Ithaca College degree and love of sports into a 25+ year career teaching Physical Education to countless Ossining children, mainly at Claremont Elementary. Competitive, his various football and girls' softball teams enjoyed numerous winning seasons.

Mr. Clark is survived by two sons,

Donald III ("DC") of Castaic, CA and Michael (Kelley) of Sharon Center, OH; six grandchildren Michael and Melanie (children of DC) and Ryan, Bailey, Abigail and Bennett (children of Michael and Kelley), and the eventual light of his life, Susan (formerly Savino) his wife of 37+ years, who was also a Claremont teacher.

Chester Babbin

Chester H. Babbin, a resident of Somers, died on September 1. He was 83.

Mr. Babbin was born January 8, 1931 in NYC. He was a retired LT in the U.S. Navy serving during the Korean Conflict. He was an Executive Vice President for Merrill Lynch in NYC for over 50 years. He was twice president of the Katonah Rotary Club.

He was predeceased by his late wife, Susan Schwarz Babbin. He is the beloved husband of Kathleen Roberts Babbin for over 36 years and is the loving father of Elizabeth (Nicholas) Tucker, Douglas (Elizabeth) Babbin and Barbara (Timothy) Mulvey. He is the adored grandfather of eight. He is the brother of Norma Horowitz and the late Malcolm Babbin.

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Oh most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine splendor of heaven blessed Mother of the son of God, immaculate Virgin assist me in my necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary Mother of God, queen of Heaven and Earth! I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in this necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. Oh show me herein you are my mother. Oh Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse in thee (3X). Holy Mother, I place this cause in your hands (3X). Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, light all roads so that I can attain my goal. You who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget all evil against me and that in all instances in my life you are with me, I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things as you confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy toward me and mine.

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Letters

Why Victoria Gearity Should Be the Village of Ossining's Next Mayor

To the Editor:

Election time can be ugly. The run for Ossining's mayor has not been an exception. As I watch the mud-slinging and vitriol on social media – not from the candidates but from community members at large – there are a lot of claims and supposition being made by each candidates' supporters.

For the record, Victoria Gearity has already managed to be successful thus far in creating quality programs, community outreach, transparency, collaboration and a host of other wonderful things that have changed the tenor in which our local government works. I share with you the wonderful things I have had the pleasure to collaborate with her on and know that these initiatives would not have been successful without her drive, ideas, enthusiasm, and dedication all to make Greater Ossining a better place:

- Green Ossining – Ossining's grassroots community-based environmental resource group whose goals are to reduce our community's carbon footprint, make greater use of local resources, and find collaborative solutions to help residents reduce energy consumption in their homes and businesses. Victoria became an enthusiastic member before becoming a Trustee. Her ideas, ownership of responsibilities, facilitation and collaboration with community members helped Green Ossining to create the most successful and meaningful Earth Day event in Ossining's history this past April.

- Ossining Documentary & Discussion Series - this Series serves to bring relevant topics to the community by screening documentaries which are followed by subject matter experts who field questions from the community. The concept and platform for

the Series was fully Victoria's brainchild and her thoughtful assessments, direction, and collaboration have helped us select appropriate films and panelists, and the recognition just earned the Series a grant from Arts Westchester even before our 1st Anniversary this month. Her smart and innovative ideas have created a cultural opportunity and forum for discussion that Ossining has never seen, with a net result allowing for a unique opportunity to get the pulse and feedback of the community on important topics. Discussions that have allowed her the opportunity to understand how to determine paths for certain legislation.

- Energize Ossining – In 2012, Victoria and I offered to become Ossining's liaisons to the community for this state-funded energy efficiency program. The program's objectives were to help homeowners save money and use less energy by offering free home-energy assessments so community members could be better educated about their homes energy usage/waste, and take advantage of the NY State's program to assist homeowners financially. Through Victoria's collaboration, perseverance and availability to have public forums and answer homeowners' questions, tabling at the Ossining Public Library and other events to give the program more exposure, Ossining has become the largest community in Westchester to benefit from the program and is a leader in the number of homeowners that are now more saving money from this program.

- Grow Ossining – A community-based investment fund whose aim is to allow community members to invest in Ossining's historic downtown Main Street Business District.). Victoria became an enthusiastic

supporter and one of the first Founding Members. In recognizing that Ossining's Main Street is such a vital artery to the long-term economic health – Victoria supports this community-based organization in their efforts to build a greater downtown through "locavesting".

I'm certain that there are more municipal-based initiatives and programs for which she's been responsible, worked on or spear-headed, all with a positive affect and all with proof that she's been a wonderful ambassador hard-at-work for this community. Just think of the possibilities with a mayor whose Trustee status has already shown what her administrative and governing principles are.

If what we ask of government is to reflect and represent the people's needs then I assure you that Victoria's ability to willingly listen to those needs, act in the interest of them, take care in thinking about them, weigh the balance needed in making hard decisions, will serve you well. She brings an otherwise unrepresented perspective to government and her young family is what I would imagine we would like to see more of in our great community.

One vote can make a difference so please show up to the polls on September 9th for Mayoral Primary Election. Ossining can do worse. But I don't think it can do better than Victoria Gearity for Mayor.

SUZIE ROSS

**Acting Chair, Green Ossining
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Gearity is Change in Leadership that Ossining Needs

To the Editor:

I am supporting Victoria Gearity for Mayor in the Democratic Primary to be held in Ossining this Tuesday, 9/9 and I urge my fellow Ossining Democrats to come out to join me in voting for Victoria.

We live in a wonderful community that has so much to offer. However, one thing we lack is a revitalized downtown that provides tax relief and needed services to our residents. Victoria believes that we must actively solicit the types of businesses, restaurants, and recreational attractions that we want for our downtown and turn our current "business-unfriendly" reputation around to realize Ossining's yet-untapped potential. We all know Ossining should be an exciting, vi-

brant Hudson River destination.

It has been my experience as a public servant for the past 12 years that most people who run for office do so because they desire to serve their community. I believe that is the motivation of every member currently sitting on the Ossining Village Board.

However, communities grow and evolve, and political leadership must change periodically to meet the new needs of the community. In Ossining, I believe we are overdue for such a change.

Victoria Gearity will bring the refreshed, energetic and open new style to the village government that we need right now. She is a collaborative leader, who values a diversity of opinion to make sure that the needs of

all stakeholders are heard when important community decisions are made.

Accomplishing the important goals we all have for Ossining's bright future requires a leader with intelligence, positive energy, and the skills to work collaboratively with the school district, local businesses, and Town, county and state governments for the benefit of our residents. Victoria Gearity is that leader. Please join me in voting for Victoria for Mayor on Tuesday, Sept 9, 2014.

Very truly yours,

CATHERINE BORGIA

(Editor's Note: Catherine Borgia is a Westchester County legislator who represents Ossining and other northern Westchester municipalities)

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Proposed Group Home for Autistic Men Sparks Debate in Somers

By Neal Rentz

The Somers Town Board scheduled a special meeting for this week to vote on a proposed group home for four young men with autism.

The board voted unanimously on September 4 to hold the meeting following more than two hours of discussion over the proposal from Devereux New York to bring four men with autism to a home it has purchased at 10 Summit Circle.

Several residents who said they opposed the group home said the neighborhood, which has a lake and three homes with swimming pool, could be potentially dangerous for adults with autism because of drowning risks.

In March, the Mount Pleasant Town Board voted 4-1 against a plan by Devereux for a group home for four young adults with autism and the agency withdrew the application and Devereux subsequently decided not to pursue an appeal with the state.

The group home would be located in a nearly 2,350-square-foot house with four bedrooms and three bathrooms on about 1.3 acres.

The four men who would live in the home range in age from 21 to 23. Three of the men have graduated from a school in Red Hook operated by Devereux and one is scheduled to graduate from the



NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

Devereux New York Executive Director John O'Keefe discussed his proposal for a group home for four young adults with Autism at 10 Summit Circle during the Sept. 4 Somers Town Board meeting.

school in the near future

The town board has three options when it votes this week – they can take no action on the proposal and allow it to go forward, oppose it, or propose and alternate site for the group home, according to Devereux New York Executive Director John O'Keefe. Should the town reject the proposal and provide an alternate site, the agency could appeal with the state, he said. It is “extremely rare” for the state to side with a municipality

to side with a municipality in an appeal, he noted.

O'Keefe said he understood town officials and residents had concerns about his non-profit agency's proposal. While there are a few homes with swimming pools, the four young men would not go into the pools and potentially drown, he said. The men are “not wanderers,” he added.

O'Keefe said when the men are home during the day they would be accompanied by two or three Devereux staff and one or two staff would be at the house at night

The proposal was criticized by several residents who live near 10 Summit Circle. Resident Adrian Panek said he and other neighboring residents had many concerns about the proposed group home. Panek said he was concerned that most of the homeowners in the area were not made aware of the August 21 Town Board meeting when the proposal was first publicly discussed.

“They were not aware of the lake,” Panek said, referring to Devereux officials. “We need a safe home for the four adults.”

Resident Gregory Clark said among his concerns was that the homeowners' association could be sued if any the four young men were injured or drowned if they wandered off the group home property. Clark also said residents who live

near the proposed group home were not made aware of the August town board meeting when the proposal was publicly unveiled.

O'Keefe said his agency was aware of the lake in the neighborhood. “I said the home (purchased by his agency) did not have a pool,” he said, adding he was also aware of the three swimming pools in the area.

One of the parents of one of the men would live in the group home said the families all live in Westchester County and would be involved with the men. “Devereux makes a commitment to each family for life,” she said.

Another parent of one of the men who would live in the group home, James Schwab, said the families were seeking “to be part of the community.” Schwab referred to a comment who said approving the group home would be an experiment. “My son is not an experiment, He is a gift,” Schwab said.

Supervisor Rick Morrissey asked O'Keefe if he could extend the 40-day deadline, which would be at the end of the day on September 7, a few more days. Despite calls from Morrissey and his town board members and some residents to extend the September 8 deadline for town board action on his agency's application, O'Keefe declined to do so. O'Keefe said he was willing to speak with neighbors to discuss safety and other issues related to the Summit Circle residence, but those issues should not hold up approval of Devereux's proposal.

Councilman Richard Clinchy said if O'Keefe met with residents they could provide him with information about the area that he previously not aware of. Town Board members expressed disappointment with O'Keefe's refusal to extend the deadline.

Councilman William Faulkner said he was not convinced by the assurances of Devereux representatives. He said he lost a relative, a youth with autism, who died from drowning when he went unattended into a neighbor's swimming pool.



Adrian Panek was one of several residents who opposed a proposed group home for four young men with Autism that would be located at 10 Summit Circle at the Sept. 4 Somers Town Board meeting.

Auditor Says Somers Budget in Solid Position

By Neal Rentz

The 2013 Somers town budget received an outstanding review from its outside auditing firm at the September 4 town board meeting.

Domenick Consolo, a partner of O'Connor Davies, discussed his firm's audit of the budget. Consolo said his firm reviewed the \$13.2 million 2013 general fund budget. The town generated \$788,000 in additional fund balance. In a sign that the economy was improving in

2013, the town received much more than originally anticipated in several revenue categories, including sales and mortgage taxes and cable television fees, he said.

Bond rating

In a related matter, Supervisor Rick Morrissey said the town was recently told by the Moody's Investors Service upgraded its bond rating from Aa2 to Aa1.

“This affirmation confirms that our fiscally conservative, proactive approach to budget management is working,” Morris-

sey said last week. “It is reassuring to see our techniques recognized as prudent by the financial market.”

In announcing the upgrade the rating agency cited “improved financial position following several years of growth in available reserves,” Morrissey said.

“I am pleased that Moody's has seen fit to confirm our strong rating,” said Robert Kehoe, Somers Director of Finance. “A credit rating in the ‘Aa’ category translates to a low interest burden on our residents.”

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Montrose Man Charged with Assaulting Two State Troopers

By Rick Pezzullo

A Montrose man was charged with assaulting two New York State troopers last week after he was involved in an altercation in the parking lot of a deli on Route 9A in Cortlandt.

Carlos Rosario, 48, was taken into custody on August 30 at about 5:45 p.m. after he resisted arrest and had to be tased when pepper spray proved to be ineffective. He was charged with three counts of assault, all felonies, two counts of criminal possession of a weapon, one count of obstruction

of governmental administration and one count of resisting arrest. He was remanded to Westchester County Jail with no bail due to four prior felony convictions.

Police were notified about a fight in progress outside the Post Road Deli. Investigation revealed Rosario had been involved in a fight and had hit the subject in the head and face with a piece of wood and menaced him with a knife.

After one trooper attempted to speak to him, Rosario allegedly became bel-

ligerent and threatened to fight the trooper. He subsequently assaulted the two troopers at the scene by kicking and punching them. Both troopers were treated at Hudson Valley Hospital, one for a contusion to the head and one for a contusion to the arm.

Rosario and the unidentified victim were taken to Westchester Medical Center where Rosario was treated for a laceration to his left temple suffered in the original fight at the deli, while the victim suffered a broken nose and required stitches behind his ear.



Carlos Rosario

Police Blotter

Yorktown Police

August 26 - 2:30 p.m. – Kahlee McMillon, 29, of the Bronx, was charged with criminal possession of a forged instrument for a December 19, 2013 incident at MeMe's Bakery in Shrub Oak during which she allegedly made a purchase with a counterfeit \$100 bill. McMillon was arrested at Dutchess County Jail where she was being held on an unrelated charge.

11:05 p.m. – Police Officer Noone was on patrol on Route 6 when he observed a vehicle, driven by Stephen Flora, 27, of Danbury, CT, traveling 60 miles per hour in a 45 miles per hour zone. During an investigation it was determined Flora possessed metal knuckles (a fourth class weapon), a hypodermic needle, heroin and three Vyvanse caplets, a schedule II controlled substance. It was also determined Flora did not have a driver's license. A passenger, Jessica Kohler, 20, of New Fairfield, CT, was found to be in possession of a hypodermic needle and a small amount of marijuana. They were both arrested and charged at Yorktown Police headquarters.

August 27 - 7:45 a.m. – George Hernandez, 64, of Mohegan Lake, was charged with operating a vehicle with a suspended registration following an accident at the intersection of Broad Street and Route 35.

6:55 p.m. – Stephen Bauer, 19, of Granite Springs, was charged with criminal mischief and criminal possession of a controlled substance after being stopped on Moseman Avenue for a violation of the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law. Following an investigation, it's alleged Bauer damaged another vehicle's windshield with a metal object and possessed a quantity of cocaine. He was remanded to Westchester County Jail in lieu of \$5,000 bail.

August 30 - 3:53 a.m. – Edward Seaboldt, 32, of Wappinger Falls, was charged with assaulting his girlfriend following a call of a disturbance on Wild-

wood Street.

September 1 - 8:03 p.m. – Wanda Jones, 47, of Waterbury, CT, was charged with driving a vehicle with a suspended registration and two traffic infractions after being stopped on Route 202.

September 3 - 1:22 p.m. – Easton Blake Osteen, 21, of Yorktown, was charged with menacing in the third degree after police received a call from a female resident on Wharton Drive reporting a domestic dispute. Officers Angel Garcia and Timothy Kolkman responded to the scene and it was deter-

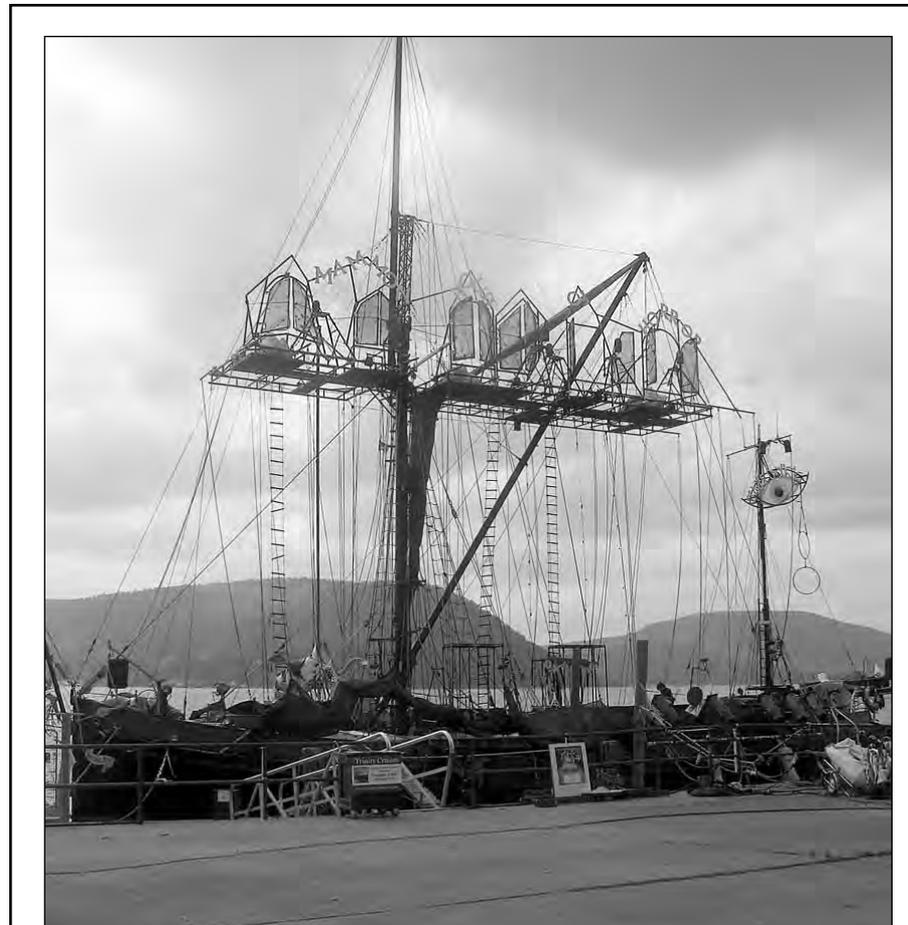
mined Osteen physically menaced the female. A temporary order of protection was issued by Judge Sal Lagonia.

September 4 - 4 p.m. – Yuanli Zhang, 46, and Xianfeng Zheng, 49, both of Queens, were charged with performing massages without being licensed at the newly opened XIN SPA on Old Yorktown Road in the Brookside Plaza. Both women were ordered held on \$10,000 bond or \$5,000 cash bail.

10:10 p.m. – Robert Loftus, 22, of Yorktown, was charged with stealing a credit card from the purse of a Central Street resident.

State Police

August 24 - 5:10 p.m. – Austin Fry, 25, of Ossining, was charged with several counts of criminal possession of a controlled substance and unlawful possession of marijuana as a passenger in a vehicle that was stopped for speeding on Route 295 in Canaan, NY. Police allegedly found cocaine, MDMA (a hallucinogen commonly called Molly), LSD and marijuana on Fry. He was arraigned in Town of Canaan Court and remanded to Columbia County Jail in lieu of \$10,000 cash bail or \$20,000 bond.



RICK PEZZULLO PHOTO

The Caravan Stage Company, a non-profit organization, performed four shows aboard the Tall Ship Amara Zee on the banks of the Hudson River at Riverfront Green in Peekskill last week.

Mrs. Westchester Charged with Stealing from Group Home

Jennifer Czarniecki, 31, of Mohegan Lake, was arrested by the New State Police in Somers on September 5 on charges of Falsifying Business Records 2nd Degree and Petit Larceny (Class A misdemeanors).

According to police, Czarniecki, while employed at a group home in Somers, made false entries in the bookkeeping for the group home in an attempt to conceal personal expenses she incurred while using client funds over a short period of time.

She was processed and released on an appearance ticket for the above charges returnable in the Town of Somers Court on September 15.

Czarniecki was named Mrs. Westchester County earlier this year and is scheduled to represent Westchester at the Mrs. New York America Pageant in Rochester October 26.

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Local Country Singer "Takin' Over" Paramount to Benefit Troops

By Janine Bowen

Local country music artist Jessica Lynn Calamera is slowly becoming a household name, with her second television special scheduled to film in her home county this month.

Calamera, a singer songwriter and musician, grew up in Yorktown and her first television special "This Much Fun-Live at the Winery at St. George" aired nation-wide on PBS in May of this year. Her next televised concert, entitled "Takin' Over," will film at the Paramount Hudson Valley Theater in Peekskill on September 27 at 7 p.m. and will serve as a benefit for United for the Troops.

Calamera explained that she had been hoping to incorporate a charitable cause into her second televised special, and came across United for the Troops thanks to a "happy accident." Earlier this year, Calamera returned from a year long, cross-country tour and upon her return, held a performance at Bull and Barrel in Brewster, where she met a man from the organization.

"We just really connected. He just was really inspiring to me," she said.

United for the Troops is a Westchester and Putnam based organization that aims to improve the lives of men and women serving overseas by sending care packages containing food and goods that the military does not provide. That night at Bull and Barrel, Calamera hosted a raffle of Jessica Lynn



Country singer Jessica Lynn

merchandise to benefit the organization and realized quickly that she wanted her concert special to benefit United for the Troops.

"There are so many good causes out there and then when I met them, it was just like yes, these are the people; this is the organization. They're so passionate about what they do...it's just great to be a part of something like that," said Calamera.

Ten percent of all ticket sales for the concert filming, as well as 10 percent of sales of a special printed program for the event, will benefit United for the Troops. In addition, Bull and Barrel will debut their new beer at the event and have agreed to donate ten

percent of their sales from that night to the organization as well. Calamera expressed excitement about supporting United for the Troops and said that she wished she was able to give even more to the organization, but is restricted due to the cost of producing the show.

Calamera explained that she expects the Paramount performance to be bigger than anything her local fans have ever seen. Unlike her performance at the Pleasantville Music Festival in July, which was limited by stage space and the need to allow for quick set up, "Takin' Over" will be a true stage show, with dancers, visual effects, and possibly even a few special guests.

"It's just going to be a really big and very well produced event this time around because when you have a stage like the stage at The Paramount, how could you not take advantage of it?" she said.

Filming her concert special at The Paramount has a special significance for Calamera, because it was the first venue she ever played with her first band at the age of 14. She assembled the band after seeing a poster at Lakeland High School, where she was a student, for a battle of the bands at the venue. In a way, The Paramount is the reason she began to perform in the first place, she said.

"It's very special for me to be able to do this show there," said Calamera. "The Para-

mount is just such a beautiful theater, right near my hometown, so it's coming all the way around. It's very, very exciting."

Although Calamera has performed a few local gigs this summer, including an August appearance at The Winery at St. George in Mohegan Lake, she assured fans that this concert will feature entirely new songs, some of which she wrote on a recent trip to Nashville, where she was able to write alongside some of the biggest songwriters in the industry.

"That's one of the most exciting things for me; to just lay everything new out on the table," said Calamera.

Unlike Calamera's last PBS special, a live CD of the performance will not be released to accompany the DVD release of the show. Instead, Calamera will be releasing a studio album featuring songs from the concert, which she is currently working on and expects to release around Christmas. Although an airdate for the concert has not been fixed yet, she expects that the program will hit the airwaves around the holiday season as well.

Tickets to attend "Takin' Over" at The Paramount Theater are currently available at JessicaLynnMusic.org as well as at ParamountHudsonValley.com. Tickets are priced at \$35, but are free for any active member of the military who presents a valid photo ID.

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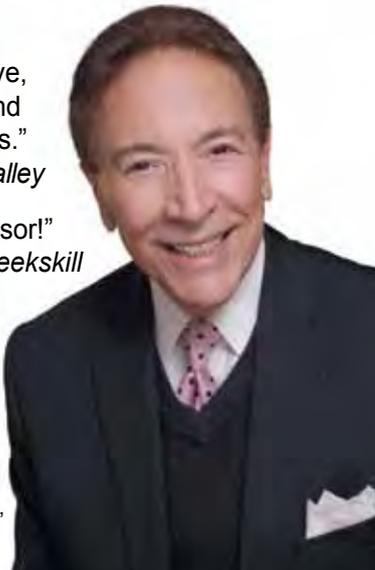
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Businesses
of the Week

Fat Sal's Bar & Grill Buchanan

By Neal Rentz

Just in time for the new football season, Fat Sal's Bar and Grill opened in Buchanan on September 2.

More than 100 customers came to the new establishment on opening day.

Fat Sal has two meanings. Fat Sal is a happy cow that wears an apron featuring the Autism Speaks logo and serves as the eatery's mascot

Matt Camerino, a Mahopac resident who is one of the owners of the restaurant, said last week Fat Sal also refers to one of his partners, Sal Barone, who owns Augie's Prime Cut restaurant in Mohegan Lake. Barone's wife, Audrey Hochroth, is also one of the owners.

Camerino said he has had a passion for the restaurant industry for years. "I've been in this business for over 12 years. It's all I know," he said. "It's fun. I like when people have a good time"

Camerino said Fat Sal's was created "because we wanted something a little more low key, a little more casual" than Augie's, and Buchanan needed a new restaurant.

"They haven't had a new place in a long time," he said.

Camerino said he wanted "a rustic, old



NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

Matt Camerino, left, one of the owner of Fat Sal's Bar & Grill, which opened on Sept. 2 in Buchanan. Also shown above is Ossining resident. Benny Lajqi, one of the new restaurant's employees.

school bar" look to the establishment, which features several paintings of horses.

One of the features of Fat Sal's is its bar, which has 20 beers on tap. The drink menu is printed on replicas of old fashioned milk bottles that are on each of the tables.

"The theme of the menu is bar and grill type food, bar bistro," Camerino explained. Two of the specialties of the house are Grandma's Homemade Meatballs and the Slow Roasted Baby Back Ribs. "Our meatballs went like crazy last night," he said.

Other menu options include burgers, pasta, sandwiches, steaks and chicken dishes.

All proceeds from sales of bottles of steak sauce created for the new restaurant will be donated to Autism Speaks. The charity has a special meaning for Barone. His daughter, Nikki, has autism.

Camerino said his establishment plans to start serving Sunday brunch, which would tie in with NFL games, possibly within a month. The eatery has seven large screen televisions, with a potential for a separate NFL game on each, he said. "This is going to be great for the football season and the World Series," he said.

Camerino said he and his partners chose the day after Labor Day to open because it would coincide with the start of the new pro football regular season on September 4.

"I was waiting for this football season to start so we're busy right off the bat," he said. "Everybody's coming to watch football"

Fat Sal's Bar & Grill is located at 265 Tate Ave. in Buchanan. For more information, call 914-930-1770 or visit salsbarandgrill.com.

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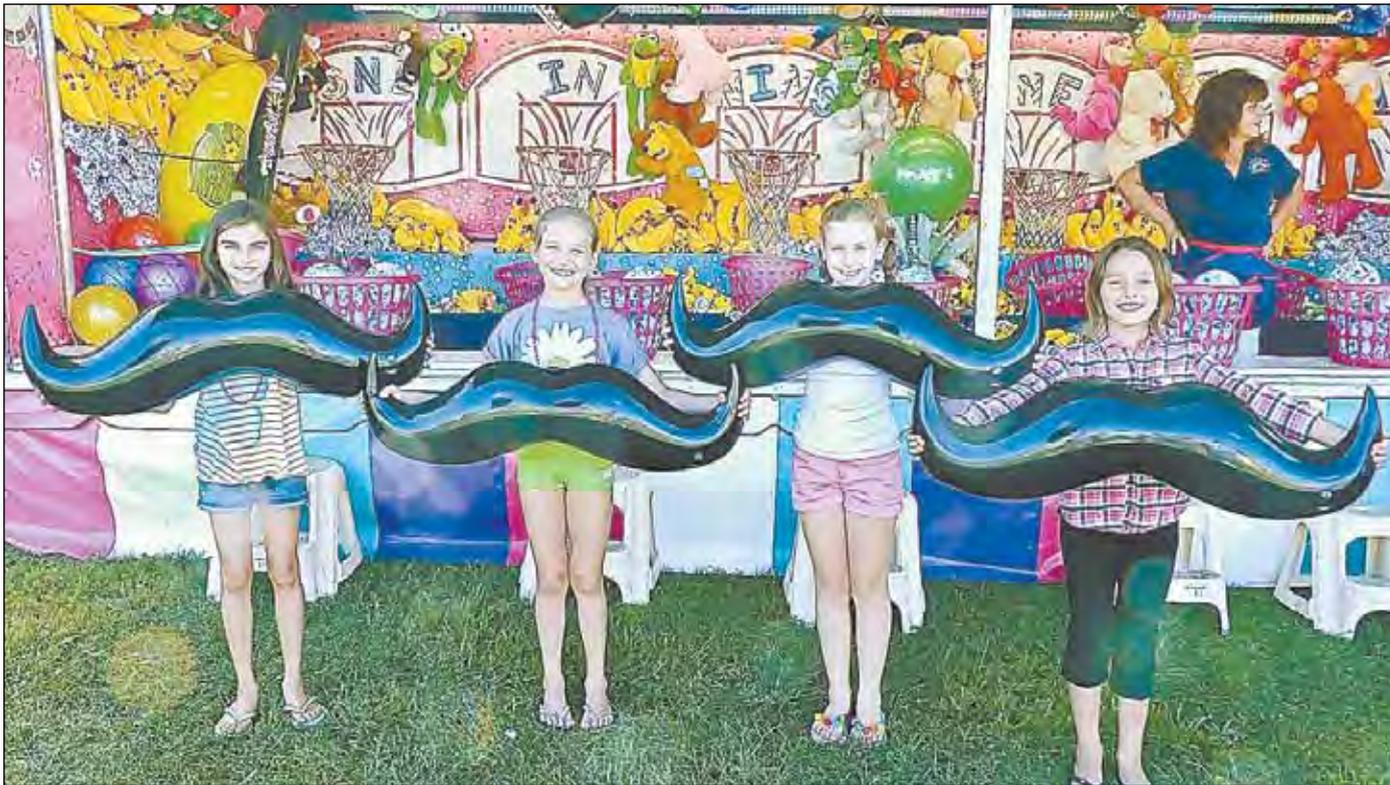
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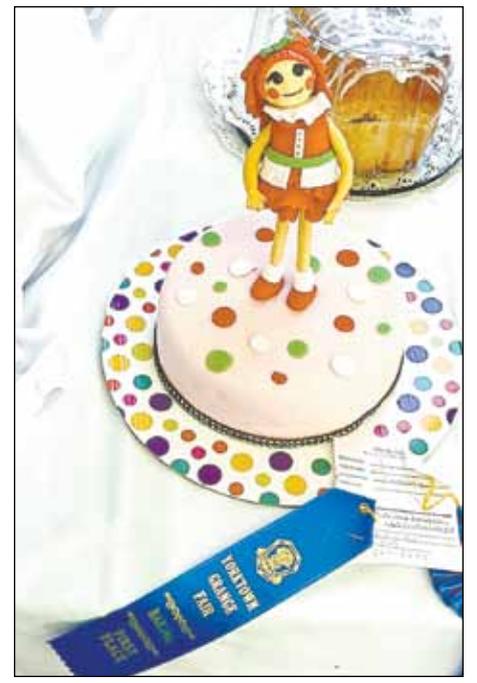
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Design: Vishnu Patel, Yorktown

Dahlia/Red Empire:

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Jerry Frost, Shrub Oak

Rose Section 4:

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Perennial Coreopsis:

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Cactus More Than One:

Carol Schultz, North Carolina

Miniature Dahlia:

Cabbage Hill Farm, Mt. Kisco

BEST OF SHOW YOUTH

Sunflower: Nathan Strauss, Mahopac

BEST OF CLASS YOUTH

Cactus Dahlia: Cabbage Hill Farms, Mt. Kisco

Miniature Dahlia: Cabbage Hill Farms, Mt. Kisco

Dahlia: Elizabeth Gould, Yorktown

Sunflower: Nathan Strauss, Mahopac

Cactus Dish Garden: Alyssa Ortiz, Wappinger Falls

Cultivation Station: Brookside Elementary, Yorktown

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Crochet:

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LEGO SHOW

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Junior: Robert Gaudio, Amawalk

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Youth 2: Aidan Larabee, Cortlandt Manor

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Adult: Nancy Hanson, Yorktown

Best Character Junior:

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BAKING SHOW

BEST OF SHOW

Adult: Pies: Marilyn Fitzgerald, Cortlandt Manor

Cheesecake: Carol Schulz, North Carolina

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Civic Organization: Children's Garden at Muscoot Farm, Katonah
Summer Squash: R. Capsuto & C.J. Lee, Yorktown

Veggie Creature: Molly Sue Wedding, Mohegan Lake
Youth: Brookside Elementary Cultivation Center, Yorktown
Plate: Cabbage Hill Farm, Mt. Kisco
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Landscape: Andrew Turco, Granite Springs
B/W Portrait: Debbie Gaudido, Amawalk
B/W: Mark Cooperman, Corlandt Manor
Landscape: Ashley Moran, Briarcliff
Farm: Deborah Gaudio, Amawalk
Youth:
Character Design: Chris Lomgro, Mt., Kisco
Portraits: Eva Dwyer, Katonah
Landscape: Samantha Soriano, Fishkill
Pen & Pencil: Juliana Seaboldt, Granite Springs
Landscape: Ashley Moran,

Yorktown
 Farm: Robert Gaudio, Amawalk
**BEST OF SHOW
Fair Scene:** Pamela Schienle, Yorktown

**ART AFTER 55
Best of Show:** Oil Painting: Susan Shaiken, Mahopac
1st Place Acrylic: Marguerite Kerrigan, Yorktown
2nd Place: Monoprint: Tracy Smith, Tarrytown
3rd Place: Water Color: Millie Masi, Yorktown

**POULTRY SHOW
BEST OF SHOW
Production Chicken:** Tara

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Pigeons: John Tandy, Yorktown
Chickens: Bantam: Sara Spadaro, Yorktown
Chicken: Standard: Andrea Roessle, Yorktown
Waterfowl: Amanda Immerblum, Somers

**RESERVE CHAMPIONS
Chicken Bantam:** Sara Spadaro, Yorktown
Chicken Production: Cerrone Family, Somers
Chicken Production: Jackson Casseday, Putnam Valley
Chickens Standard: Roy Delduco, Katonah

LIVESTOCK SHOW

**COW SHOWMANSHIP
Senior:** Josh Tetro, Somers
 Kim Teves, Yorktown
Junior: Eric Teves, Yorktown

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 Niki Melnick, Katonah
 Josh Tetro, Somers

Open Tryouts Scheduled for Westchester Knicks' Inaugural Season

By Janine Bowen

Local basketball players may soon get the opportunity to play for one of the most iconic names in New York sports.

The Westchester Knicks, the official Development League affiliate for the New York Knicks, will be kicking off their inaugural season this fall, and will hold open tryouts at House of Sports in Ardsley on Saturday, September 20.

"It's an exciting time for the Westchester Knicks as we begin to assemble a team for our inaugural season," Westchester Knicks General Manager and former Knicks star Allan Houston said in a prepared statement. "This event gives us a chance to look for new talent to help us compete in the NBA D-League, and, for the players, makes an impact on their professional careers moving forward."

The Westchester Knicks will essentially be a minor league basketball team that will give players who are drafted by the Knicks but aren't ready to play at the NBA level or aren't getting enough playing time a chance to improve their skills. In addition, it will give some accomplished local players an opportunity to play at a professional level.

"It's really good basketball. It's the next best level of basketball next to the NBA," said Katie Hatch, the team's director of marketing and public relations.



Westchester Knicks General Manager and former New York Knicks star Allan Houston with children at his basketball camp this summer showing off towels of the new developmental league team. The team will debut in November and play its home games at The County Center in White Plains.

Hatch explained that trying out for the Westchester Knicks could be a way for young players who didn't get drafted by an NBA team to get a second chance as well as for others with former professional experience to continue to play.

She noted that if a member of the New York Knicks gets injured during the season a D-League player could be called up to the big team from Westchester.

"If there's a roster spot open, we're the first place that the Knicks are going to look to fill that spot," she said.

The Westchester Knicks are owned and operated by The Madison Square Garden Company, owners of the New York Knicks, Rangers and Liberty of the WNBA. The introduction of the team is part of an NBA initiative for the league's 30 teams to have developmental league affiliates.

Although this is the first year for the developmental league, the New York Knicks have had a presence in Westchester for more than two decades. The team's training center is located in Tarrytown,

so the decision to bring the minor league team to nearby White Plains was an easy one.

"The Knicks have been a part of Westchester County; they've been a tradition for a long time so it just kind of made sense," said Hatch.

"Westchester is a basketball community," she added. "You hear about Mount Vernon all the time, you hear about all the great high school basketball teams, so there are a lot of reasons why White Plains made sense."

The Westchester Knicks season will begin in November. Although the team's schedule has yet to be released, season tickets are on sale beginning at \$250. Each D-League team will play 24 games in the regular season as well as one pre-season game. Home games will be played at The County Center, located at 198 Central Ave.

All players who are interested in trying out must register in advance at House of Sports or online at www.WestchesterKnicks.com and pay a \$150 fee. All players must meet NBA Development League requirements and be at least 18 years old. Registration will be limited to 75 applicants. Participants who compete in the open tryouts will vie for an invitation to the team's training camp this fall.

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Yorktown Finally Makes Opposition to Pipeline Official

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station in our community," Bianco stated in a release. "There are radioactive and carcinogenic bi-products which can become airborne at those facilities. Never mind what an industrial accident might look like in the New York City watershed."

Although they agreed to approve the resolution, Grace and Councilman Terrence Murphy insisted on removing some passages. One paragraph taken out pertained to Spectra not having any eminent domain authority. Another, which was not well received by some members of Keep Yorktown Safe, had stated, "The Town of Yorktown opposes any new construction of maintenance facilities or expansion of existing maintenance facilities, including but not limited to launcher/receiver sites, M&R stations, and MLV sites, located on environmentally sensitive land near

Community Day at JV Mall to Feature Everything Local in Yorktown

Jefferson Valley Mall has teamed up with Yorktown Organizations United to host the second annual Community Day, a program that brings local residents together to discover opportunities in the area, on Sunday, September 14 from noon to 4 p.m.

"We are thrilled to work with Yorktown Organizations United and present the public with an event that is tailor made for them," commented Alexa O'Rourke, director of marketing and business development for Jefferson Valley Mall. "There are a multitude of benefits to knowing the various resources, businesses and organizations that are present in your own backyard along with the unique opportunity to make local connections."

Visitors will have a chance to learn more about the local emergency services teams in the area including Mahopac Fire Department, Putnam ERT Team and police departments representing Yorktown and Carmel. The public can view live demonstrations and safety presentations as well as participate in vehicle tours. Yorktown and Carmel Police Departments will also showcase their K9 Units. Other organizations that will be on-site include Support Connection, Friends of Jaclyn, Yorktown Love in Action and more.

Family entertainment will abound and includes a giant bounce house for kids, sidewalk chalk contest, face painting and interactive games as well as delicious nibbles and music.

For more information about Community Day at Jefferson Valley Mall, visit www.facebook.com/JeffersonValley.

schools, parks, houses of worship, business or in residential districts or any other population centers."

Lisa Mackay of Keep Yorktown Safe questioned Grace's reasons for removing what she described as "very key" sections of the document.

"He would not sign the resolution unless sections were removed about protections against eminent domain, protections against parkland alienation and the wish of our community to NOT construct and install gas infrastructure facilities. These

maintenance facilities can include compressor stations, Metering & Regulating stations and pigging stations. This is troubling," she said. "The Supervisor should be protecting the residents who elected him. Not remove key provisions that could offer us protection. Who is he really working for?"

Grace maintained the town has been "adamant from day one" that it opposed any "pigging" station being in Yorktown, but also stressed the town's hands were tied in trying to block the pipeline.

"We don't have the power to stop a

pipeline from getting through Yorktown. New York State can't stop it," Grace said. "I think it's irresponsible for elected officials to jump on bandwagons. Nobody is looking to jeopardize the health and safety of anyone in Yorktown. We will make our voice and your voice abundantly clear. It's a much bigger issue than we can deal with on a local level."

FERC's hearing on Monday, September 15 begins at 6:30 p.m. at the Muriel Morabito Community Center on Westbrook Drive in Cortlandt.

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Historically, Peekskill is known as an American industrial center for its iron plow and stove products and for Binney & Smith Company, now makers of Crayola crayons, as well as Fleischmann's Yeast, not to mention the notorious 1949 Peekskill riots.

Today, Peekskill is poised for a long awaited re-gentrification, promise after promise that it would come, with a spate of artists' lofts and galleries, a colony of musicians, some really good restaurants, a beautiful park by the Hudson River and a number of housing opportunities that are moderately priced. Those include modest single-family homes, but others that are surprisingly upscale, along with several condo developments, co-ops and rental complexes.

There are some grand secrets tucked in among commercial and multiuse buildings along its byways and alleys, the provenance of one, which is occasionally debated with County Legislator John Testa: the "Yellow Brick Road," just over the railroad tracks near the river, behind the historic Standard House that now houses Dylan's Wine Shop. Is this the yellow brick road that inspired L. Frank Baum in "The Wizard of Oz?" Testa said it's doubtful. I say, let us have our fun with it. In our last debate, I think he won.

Peekskill claims its oldest business as Dain's Lumber, founded in 1848 on the waterfront and today run by Jeff Dain, great great-grandson of founder Nathaniel. And a fascinating building directly across from City Hall on Main Street, now being magnificently restored, housed a theater in the 19th century where renowned actors Edwin and John Wilkes Booth performed.

But an interesting secret that I never knew was revealed to me recently when I listed a mixed-use building at 650 Central Ave., owned by Bob Frissora, where he and his son, Steven, run Arcanna Marketing Group, famous for the development of the NASCAR logo and several prominent PepsiCo brands.



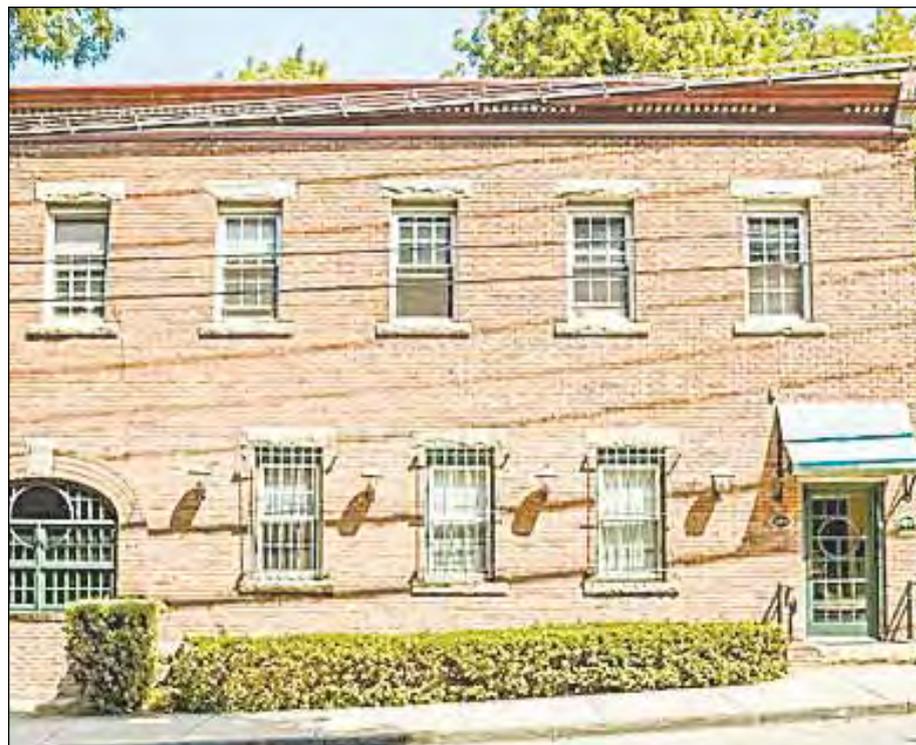
By Bill Primavera

Aesthetically, the Frissoras' offices create a perfect commercial space on the lower floors, stripped to the brick walls and huge hand-hewn beams. On the second floor is a large, loft-like one-bedroom apartment, which provides rental income. Behind the building is the very active McGregor Brook running gingerly down to the river, giving the back area a feeling of the country even though the front is very much a city scene.

What I didn't know is that this building was part of a thriving industrial complex in the late 1800s that covered the now visible brook that wends its way through the urban sprawl of the city. At that time, Binney & Smith Company used this area as its main distribution and warehousing facility. In 1864, John Binney started Peekskill Chemical Company to manufacture products containing red iron oxide particles that acted as a preservative. This was the product used for painting out buildings and also became the standard color for barns that dotted farmland across the American landscape.

Built in 1870, this building could also have been the plant for the production of carbon black used on tire tread on early cars, increasing its life by four to five times. The company that owned the building was a leader in developing pigments used to protect wood from decay and strengthen the composition of vulcanized tires while adding the consistent black color and white wall tires of the day.

In time, the Binney family expanded their product line by including shoe



JANE HASLAM PHOTO

The Crayola Building in Peekskill where dye was mixed in the 19th century to color the paint for red barns that dotted America's landscape. Now, it's both an office and residence.

polish as well as printing ink and the famous Crayola Crayon.

So the next time you open a box of crayons, know that its origins are very close to home. And when you drive across America and see all those red barns dotting the farmland, know that their siding might likely have been protected originally from iron oxide dye mixed in this building.

If you have a fancy to own a piece of history as an investment property, one with a bit of "color" to it, give me a call.

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A Short History of America's Rise to the Top of the Wine World

In the long history of wine production and consumption, the United States has played a very minor role.

Cultivated grapes have been grown, and wine produced, for millennia. Recently discovered remnants of a winery in Armenia are believed to be over 6,000 years old.

In the continuum of time since the Greeks and Romans spread wine production throughout Europe 3,000 years ago, local growers and producers steadily plied their craft, enhancing their wines and reputation across the wine-consuming world.

Here in the United States, the beginnings of the production of wine date back a mere 450 years to a French Huguenot settlement in Florida. And this relatively short-time continuum has been fragmented. The wine industry languished for centuries; it wasn't until Western European immigrants settled in the Midwest and West in the 19th century that wine production, followed by wine consumption, began to flourish.

But then Prohibition brought the industry to a screeching halt for 13 years (1920 to 1933), effectively wiping it out across the entire country. It wasn't until the early 1970s that Americans finally began to build a head of steam in producing and consuming wine.

As with many other entrepreneurial endeavors that spawned successful industries in the United States, so too did intrepid winemakers and marketers in the 1980s and 1990s build a successful and highly regarded wine industry.

As a result, the wine world in 2014 has been turned upside down. The mighty are losing their influence and the upstart has surged. With only 80 years of continuous winemaking expertise and experience since Prohibition (a blink of an eye in the world timeline of wine production and consumption), the United States is now 1) the largest consumer of wines in the world, 2) the third largest producer and 3) home of a world-class wine cognoscenti.

How did we accomplish so much in

such a short period of time?

1. Winemaking Culture. American winemakers are an ambitious lot, constantly seeking the next great product/trend, coupled with a willingness to experiment. Since they are relatively new to wine, there are no allegiances to particular grapes or wine styles.

American winemakers are not burdened by the stringent regulations of Western Europe for growing specific grape varieties in specific regions. (In France, you may only grow Cabernet Sauvignon in the Bordeaux region and Sauvignon Blanc in the Sancerre region.) This provides the freedom to experiment, seeking the best grapes to suit a particular wine region or a specific plot of land.

2. Consumer Enthusiasm. Americans are much more apt to experiment with different wines from different regions than their European counterparts. If you travel in Europe you will typically be offered local wines in restaurants. In Paris, French wines; in Rome, Italian wines. Rarely will American wines be on a wine list. However, in New York or Los Angeles, many wine lists offer a broad range of international wines. This provides American consumers a means to expand their horizons and their ap-

preciation (and consumption) of diverse wines. And catapult us to the top of the list of wine-consuming nations.

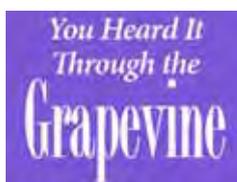
3. Consumer Knowledge. From Baby Boomers to Millennials, American palates are evolving. Unlike the 1970s approach to wine (cheaper is better), today's wine consumer is more likely to seek wine with a high quality/price ratio. Millennials are becoming especially astute wine consumers, purchasing more wine than previous generations and willing to spend more for a well-researched wine.

Once again, American fervor and ambition have catapulted us to the top of an industry and a culture. What is next on the horizon? Will we be challenged by the growing interest in wine by the Chinese? Will our tastes shift to other alcoholic beverages? Only (a split second in) the time continuum will tell.

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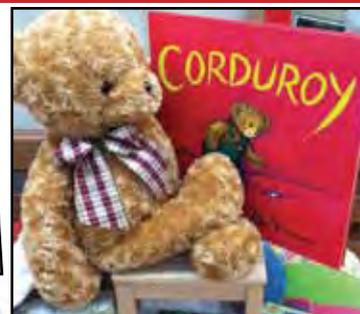
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Tuesday, Sept. 9

Open House: Support Connection is holding an Open House from 4 to 8 p.m. at its Yorktown offices at 40 Triangle Center, Suite 100. Everyone is invited to meet Support Connection staff and volunteers, enjoy light refreshments, and receive hands-on help getting ready for the 20th Anniversary Support-A-Walk. For more information, contact Support Connection at 914-962-6402 or walk@supportconnection.org. To learn about the Support-A-Walk, visit www.supportconnection.org.

Library Card Signup: Every parent wants their child to succeed, and one of the simplest ways you can ensure your child's academic success is by making a quick trip to the library. September is Library Card Sign-up Month, a time when the Somers Library joins with the American Library Association and public libraries nationwide to make sure that every student has the most important school supply of all – a free library card. For more information on how to sign up for a library card, visit the Somers Library in person or visit the library online at www.somerslibrary.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, Sept. 10

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 or www.firsthebrew.org.

Thursday, Sept. 11

Paper Boat Flotilla: Come join in an event to strengthen community and applaud our resilience. A flotilla of paper boats will be paddling downstream at 6:30 p.m. from the Ossining Boat & Canoe Club; 1 Westerly Rd., opposite the Metro-North station. Info: <http://www.riverkeeper.org/news-events/events/other-events/seachange-2014-paper-boat-flotilla-at-ossining-boat-and-canoe-club/> or <https://www.facebook.com/events/1454178378187575/>.

Choirs: The First Presbyterian Church of Yorktown, 2880 Crompond Rd., invites all who love music to join the church choir or handbell choir. The adult choir is open to all who love to sing, and rehearses on Thursday evenings at 8 p.m. in the Board/Music room. Previous choral singing experience is not required, but a basic ability to read music is a help, and singers are encouraged to participate as their schedules allow. The adult choir sings each Sunday at the 10:45 a.m. worship from September through May, as well as at special services throughout the year. Small groups and soloists from the adult choir provide music at the 8:30 a.m. worship and in the summer months. The adult bell choir is open to older youth and adults, and rehearses on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. The youth bell choir rehearses on Sundays at noon from October through May. Children and youth from the third to the 12th grade are invited to learn and practice musical skills, and form new friendships through music. Both choirs participate in spring and fall concerts as part of the church's concert series. Info: 914-245-2186.

Helping Homeless Veterans: The Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter 21 and My Brother Vinny need your help in assisting homeless veterans. Once a homeless veteran is approved by the government for apartment living, the veteran needs all the furnishings, linens, towels, cooking, eating utensils to set up his new apartment. One item that is desperately needed is window air conditioners. Anyone who wishes to

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Friday, Sept. 12

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.

Jewish Center Services: During the summer 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.

Job Hunting Help: Free drop-in, hands-on assistance with online applications, resume writing, e-mail accounts and more is held on Fridays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the second floor conference room at the Ossining Public Library, 53 Croton Ave. Assistance is offered on a first-come, first-serve basis. This is not a computer class. Info: Cheryl at 941-2416 Ext. 315.

Saturday, Sept. 13

Craft Beer Festival: "The Best and the Worst 2014" craft beer festival presented by the Rotary Club of Yorktown, will be held from noon to 5 p.m. at Yorktown Fireman's Field, Veterans Road, Yorktown. Enjoy the best of lower New York's craft beers from local independent brewers like Broken Bow Brewery, Captain Lawrence, Defiant Brewing, Finback Brewery, Greenport Harbor, Jonas Bronck's, Keegan's Ales, Six Degrees, Singlecut, Westtown Brew Works and Yonkers Brewing. Admission for beer lovers is \$30 and \$10 for designated drivers and children if paid in advance. Admission is \$40 and \$15 at the door. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit www.TheBestAndTheWorst.com.

Square Dance: A full square dance to benefit the Sierra Club and Yorktown Smart Growth will be held at 7 p.m. at Faraway Farm, 1307 Baptist Church Rd., Yorktown. Info: HarvestDance.myevent.com.

Oktoberfest: It will be Oktoberfest Time at the German American Social Club, 11 Kramers Pond Road, Putnam

Valley this weekend. The event will be held from 3 to 10 p.m. on Sept. 13 and from 1 to 8 p.m. on Sept. 14. Come to a relaxing country setting in Putnam Valley to enjoy live music and a variety of German and American foods, along with imported beers, a Viennese Café and Oktoberfest pretzels. There will be activities for the kids and a free bouncy tent too. There will be free ample parking and an ATM is on the premises. Cost: \$10; children under 14 free with an adult. Info: www.gac1936.com or 845-528-5800. Please bring no outside food, drink or coolers

Free Yoga: Celebrate National Yoga Awareness Month with gentle flow yoga led by Kendra Rossney of the Dragonfly Wellness Yoga Studio in September at Market Square. Bring your mat to Market Square and prepare to enjoy the many benefits of this great mind/body practice in the fresh air during Ossining's Down to Earth Farmers Market. The sessions are being sponsored by the Village of Ossining's Downtown Events Committee. Additional dates are Sept 13 and 27. All ages are welcome to the free sessions, which will be held from noon to 1 p.m. Market Square is located at the intersection of Main and Spring Streets. Info: 914-941-3554. or www.villageofossining.org/economicdevelopment.

Lunch & Learn: A Shabbat service/Lunch & Learn, a lively discussion of the weekly Torah portion led by Rabbi Fred Schwalb, will be held at 9:30 a.m. at the Hebrew Congregation of Somers, located at Cypress Lane and Mervin Drive. Info: 914-248-9532.

Ossining Farmers Market: The Ossining Down to Earth Farmers Market is held year-round on Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the corner of Main and Spring Streets. Info: 914-923-4837 Ext. 202.

Overeaters Anonymous: Worried about the way you eat? If food rules your life, Overeaters Anonymous may have the answer for you. There is no weigh-ins, dues or fees. The group meets on Saturdays from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. at the fourth floor conference at the Graymoor Spiritual Life Center, 1350 Route 9, Garrison. Info: call/text Lisa at 917-716-2488.

Sunday, Sept. 14

High Holiday Services: High Holiday services will be held from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Hebrew Congregation of Somers, located at Cypress Lane and Mervin Drive. Info: 914-248-9532.

Travis Tritt Concert: The Travis Tritt 25th Anniversary Tour will continue at 8 p.m. at the Paramount Hudson Valley Theater, 1008 Brown St., Peekskill. Tickets are \$54, \$69 and \$79. To purchase tickets or receive more information call 914-739-0039 Ext. 2 or visit <http://paramounthudsonvalley.com/events/event/travis-tritt>.

Crossword

ACROSS

1. Type of green, plus small appliance maker equals this Irish Dance School (goes with 6 across)
6. See 1 across
11. Avoid doing
12. "The Republic" writer
13. Salami style
14. Goose egg
15. Church song
17. Stains with perspiration
20. Chant by some Olympic spectators
23. "Wham!"
24. Feminine side
26. Hawaiian wreath
27. Intimidate
28. TV show featuring a blood spatter analyst
30. Gaggle group
32. Rhonda, madness, or Mohegan Lake hair stylist, _____ Designs
35. Simile or metaphor
39. Trail walker
40. Lung related
41. Cobbler's stock

DOWN

1. Barrel
2. December 24, for example
3. PC linkup
4. Parkinson's drug
5. Frothy, as dough
6. Whitish gem
7. Kind of lord
8. Make it
9. Old verb ending
10. Go bad
16. Note to the audience
17. Bathroom installation
18. Bowl over
19. Ram's mate
20. Last: abbr.
21. Recognize
22. Ambience
25. Get cozy
29. Duplicate
30. A Celt
31. Screws up
32. "Put a lid on it!"
33. Make haste
34. Barely manage, with "out"
36. Kimono belt
37. Trusted friend
38. Earlier than, to poets

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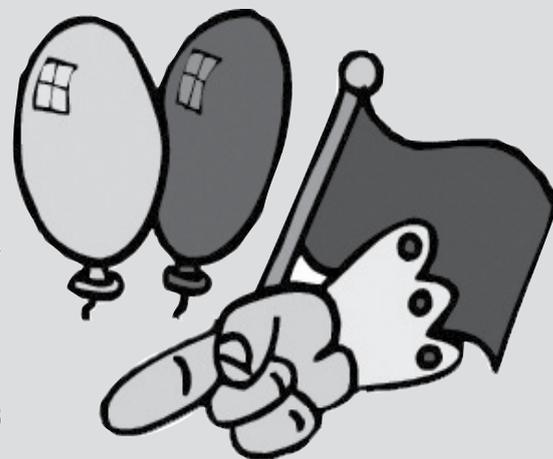
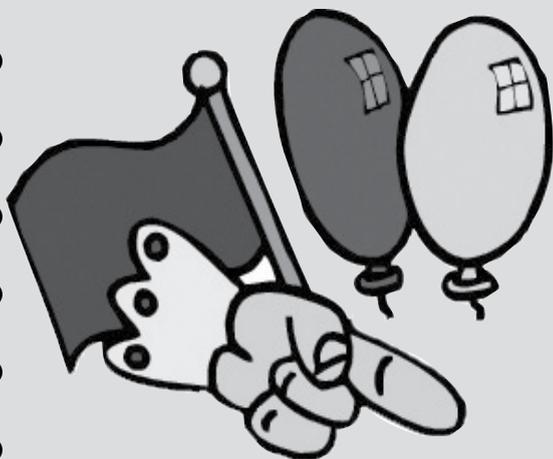
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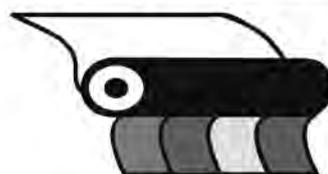
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Kittle House to Host Fundraiser for Kids With Brain, Spinal Cord Tumors

The next event in the ongoing Sparkle for a Cause fundraiser program conducted weekly at Crabtree's Kittle House in Chappaqua is scheduled for tonight (Tuesday) at 6:30 p.m.

For each Sparkle for a Cause event, a charitable organization is picked to receive 30 percent of the restaurant's proceeds (excluding tax and tip). The recipients benefiting from this program change from weekly.

For this week's event, the beneficiary is the Making Headway Foundation, headquartered in Chappaqua. This foundation helps children receiving treatment for brain and spinal cord tumors and it offers financial support if needed to their families.

The event will take place outdoors on the patio in Amy's Garden, named after John Crabtree's wife who passed away from brain cancer four years ago.

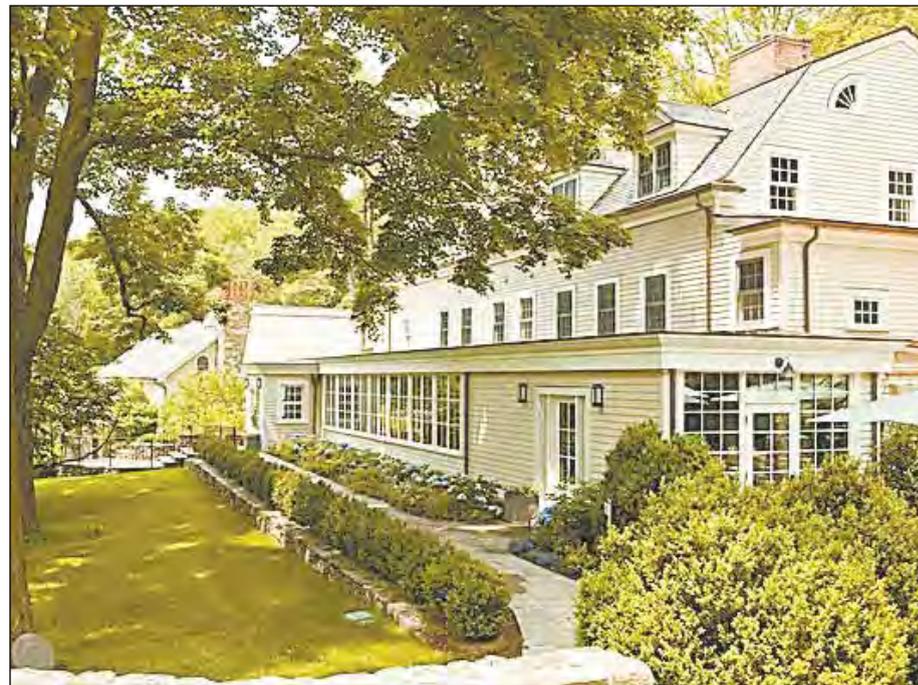
The events in this program are held under the auspices of the Amy Marie Crabtree Foundation (www.teamamy-foundation.org).

A special menu will be available in addition to the restaurant's regular tap room and dining room menus. The evening's special fare includes small bites, sparkling wine and a martini menu.

Reservations can be made by calling 914-666-8044. Seating is

available from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; however, the entertainment will end at 9:30 p.m. Music will be provided by Cold Spring's Rich Kelly, a singer/songwriter, bassist and guitarist.

Crabtree's Kittle House is located at 11 Kittle Rd. in Chappaqua. For more information, call 914-666-8044 or visit www.kittlehouse.com.



The Barn at Bedford Post Inn

The Barn Reopens at Bedford Post Inn for Informal Dining

By Jerry Eimbinder

The Barn will reopen this week at the Bedford Post Inn, said Katherine Teodosic, general manager for the restaurant complex at the inn.

The Barn joins The Grill, an al fresco (patio) dining restaurant that opened seven weeks ago. The Barn will be open seven days a week with Chef Devin Bozkaya in charge of the kitchen.

Still coming, Teodosic said, is the flagship Italian restaurant "Campagna at the Bedford Post Inn," scheduled for opening in October to replace The Farmhouse. The Grill, which will close for the season soon, offers outdoor-grilled, light-dining dishes on Fridays and Saturdays from 4 to 10 p.m., weather permitting.

The kitchens for the restaurants are under the supervision of Chef Michael White, a co-owner of the Altamarea Group. Jeremy McMillan, the former executive chef at the Bedford Post Inn, left earlier this year to become executive chef at Talula's Garden and its neighboring sister-spinoff, Talula's Daily, on Washington Square in Philadelphia.

Other restaurants owned by the Altamarea Group are Al Fiori, Al Molo, The Butterfly, Chop Shop, Costata, Due Mari, Marea, Nicoletta, Osteria Morini and Ristorante Morini.

Typical dishes on The Barn's menu: Breakfast

1. Seven-grain Toast. With smashed avocado, extra virgin olive oil, basil and espelette
2. Country White Toast. With smoked trout, sour cream, trout roe and dill
3. Baked Eggs. Local hen eggs baked in house-made tomato sauce, finished with parmesan and served with grilled country

bread

Lunch

1. Cappelletti. House-made pasta filled with ricotta, parmesan, marscarpone, wilted arugula and aged balsamico
2. Lobster Salad. Served with charred corn, fennel, old bay and brioche

Dinner

1. Whipped Ricotta. Accompanied by pickled peaches, pistachios and prosciutto with toasted brioche
2. Spaghetti. House-made pasta with shrimp, fine herbs and bread crumbs
3. Marinated Zucchini Steak. With parmigiano, pine nuts, basil and lemon juice
4. Chicken. With beans, charred onions and fregola
5. "White Label" Burger. With bacon marmalade, pickles, mustard, mayonnaise and American cheese. (Also offered on The Grill's menu.)

Operating hours

Breakfast, Monday-Friday, 8 to 10:30 a.m.
Lunch, Monday-Friday, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Dinner, Sunday-Thursday, 5 to 9 p.m.
Dinner, Friday and Saturday, 5 to 10 p.m.
Brunch, Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

The Altamarea Group has signed a long-term lease with actor Richard Gere and Russell Hernandez, the co-owners of the Bedford Post Inn.

The Barn and the Grill are located at 954 Old Post Rd. in Bedford. For more information, call 914-234-6386 or visit www.campagna-bedford.com. Reservations can be made through OpenTable.

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Lakeland Striker Scores 7 Goals In First 2 Wins

Lakeland's All-NYS senior Captain Molly Fitzpatrick sliced and diced her way to the cage for seven goals and an assist in a pair of wins for the five-time reigning NYS champion Hornets, who put the pedal to the medal in a 9-0 win over John Jay last Thursday after opening the season with a ho-hum 3-0 season-opening win over visiting Greeley last Wednesday... see Direct Rays

Sports

Class A Grid Notebook

Panas, Brewster, Somers, Yorktown, Hen Hud all Win

Friday Feature: Get Your Popcorn Ready, Somers vs. Yorktown in Week 2

By Ray Gallagher
Examiner Sports Editor

If Lakeland's 27-20 season-opening loss to visiting Rye did anything last Friday night, it probably opened our eyes to one thing: a Rye vs. Somers rematch is anything but a sure thing. Certainly, Somers should still be there; its 34-7 victory over visiting Tappan Zee last Friday having done nothing to dispel the notion that the two-time reigning Section 1 champion Tuskers are still the team to beat this November.

Though Yorktown, a 33-6 runaway winner over Eastchester last Friday, shall surely try to throw a monkey wrench into that thinking when the Tuskers visit the Huskers this Friday; @Tusker_Nation vs. @THE_CROP, the battle has already begun on Twitter.

#EASTCHESTERWHO #WEWANTSOMERS, cried @THE_Crop account. #WEWANTYORKTOWN @Tusker_Nation shot back. This scribe started touting the hype for this game as far back as July when we got Tusker FB Tim Fazzinga to admit; "This is football... not lacrosse. We can't wait for Yorktown."

Well, the waiting is over, my dude. Half of Yorktown will be out in full throat this Friday (7:00 p.m. kickoff), and Tusker Nation, which always travels well at the insistence of legendary Coach Tony DeMatteo, will ride a wave of Tusker red into Charlie Murphy Field. This is one of those high school games we live for in this neck of the woods; perhaps the two most storied football programs in Northern Westchester/Putnam County region since the inception of the NYS football tournament. The former two-time NYS champion (1993-94) Huskers qualified for

the state playoffs four times since 1993. Yorktown last did so in 1998 under former boss Dan Callahan after winning the first two state jewels under former boss Ron Santavicca, whose nephew Nick, a junior RB, had nine rushes for 73 yards and a TD against the Eagles, will be in uniform.

Somers has reached the state tourney three times since 2000, including each of the last two years, and hopes to become the first team in Class A to three-peat since Nyack did so in 2004. Somers will stop at nothing to ensure that, and Yorktown is simply a blip on their radar, as far as the Tuskers are concerned.

Somers held a 21-7 lead at the half against TZ en route to the eventual thrashing, getting touchdown runs of 29 yards by Matt Morgante, nine yards by Matt Senzamici (45 yards rushing) and five yards by shifty Chris Abatecola (36 yards rushing). Morgante added a defensive 18-yard TD in the second half. RB Andrew Gross capped the scoring from seven yards out. Somers FB Tim Fazzinga led the attack with 87 yards rushing, including a 42-yard jaunt. DL Tom Castelluccio led the defense with five solo sticks and a sack.

"I thought our offense looked pretty good," Fazzinga said. "We still have to fix a bunch of little things, but we looked pretty good."

Coach Mike Rescigno's Huskers are good, but they may not be deep enough to contain the goring Tuskers, who are as deep as any team in the section. Get their early because chances are there won't be a seat to be had...

YORKTOWN utilized great balance to overwhelm the Eagles. Senior RB Tim Forbes had four rushes for 83 yards and



RAY GALLAGHER PHOTOS

Lakeland QB Anthony Capozzi rushed for more than 100 yards in season-opening loss to Rye.

two TDs (1 defensive). Junior RB Nick Santavicca had nine rushes for 73 yards, including a TD.

Senior QB Ryan Baker had four rushes for 52 yards and Senior Mike Dedvukaj added 14 yards and a TD.

PANAS junior Joey DeLuca broke off a dazzling 74-yard rushing TD in the Panthers' 24-19 upset of host Harrison Friday. We mentioned DeLuca last week, and we're here to tell you the RB is a hot prospect. There wasn't a kid on Harrison who could catch him on the TD jaunt; even if he had allowed them an angle to do so. Get him on your radar. Panas QB Justin Lee (8-of-15, 160 yards) was ridiculous, striking for three TD passes to Emeka Carranza (22-yard score), Jared Reyes (30-yard strike) and Nayquan Harris (25 yards).

We told you not to sleep on **LAKELAND** and we still mean it. Hornet QB Anthony Capozzi had 18 carries for 112 and a TD pass. He also had a 76-yard TD called back; one of several crucial mistakes the Hornets would make. Hornet Sean Chatman, possibly the fastest RB in the section, had 15 carries for 100 yards and two TDs. Keir Maley added 43 rushing yards and a TD grab.

The defense led by Mike Cortese and Kevin Petriccione with 10 tackles each and Ryan Thomas had 2 sacks.

"Silly mistakes on special teams cost us," Lakeland Coach Rob Cappelli said! "And we were short two big guys up front, starters that were hurt."

BREWSTER survived Saturday's brutal heat and came up with a big road win, 21-6

over Pearl River.

"It was crazy hot," Brewster Coach Ed Mulvihill said. "I was proud of the boys. We made some mistakes in the first half and didn't execute like I thought we could but we settled down in the second half. Due to the heat we rotated our backs."

That rotation produced effective numbers with Joe Petrogallo (7 carries for 63 yards and 2 TD's) leading the way. RB Joe Buonadonna (9 carries for 45 yards) and Kyle Catalano (4 carries for 25 yards and a TD) were also effective.

"I thought we did a good job defensively of getting three or more guys to the ball consistently," the coach said. "Our conditioning was a factor as we did not have one player cramp up the entire game. It was a nice start and nice win to build on. We will need to get better quickly because Jay comes to town Friday night."

JOHN JAY cruised on opening day, defeating Spring Valley 42-12 and looked every bit the part of a Class A title contender. Brewster's defense had best be up for the task or it will be a long, long night. Bring your track shoes, boys, and get ready to chase.

HEN HUD posted a 14-13 win over visiting Pelham, getting first-quarter score from Peter McGowan (on a 38 yard counter). Late in the third quarter, Sailor RB Jordan Artope went into Beast Mode when he trounced through a safety then cut back for a 55-yard TD. TE Carson "Gronk" Jacobs hauled in the game-winning two-point conversion from QB Ryan Tandy, who found Jacobs in one-on-one coverage, which, at 6'5", he out-jumped.



Lakeland RB Sean Chatman lines up a block before scoring one of two TDs in 27-20 loss to Rye.

Sports

Class AA Grid Notebook

Mahopac Distributes Wealth, Strikes 30-8 Win over Fox Lane

Carmel, Ossining Fall Big, Face Each Other in Week 2

By Ray Gallagher
Examiner Sports Editor

Mahopac High looked about as bad as it hopes it will all season throughout the first half of its season-opener against visiting Fox Lane. Fox RB Lucas Beni was gashing them for huge chunks of yardage, and the Indian offense seemed out of synch and discombobulated as they trailed 8-6 at the half.

But something clicked at halftime and the Indians reeled off 22 unanswered points in a 30-8 league win. The transformation from the fake Indians to



Mahopac QB Dan Foley on the go in 30-8 win over Fox Lane last Friday.



Mahopac's Christian Donahoe follows the lead block of Matt Quigley.

RAY GALLAGHER PHOTOS

the real Indians actually began just before the half when Mahopac stuffed Fox Lane deep in Indian territory, providing some momentum going into the break.

"I think there were some opening-game jitters, but that was to be expected," Mahopac Coach Tom Doanhoe admitted. "(Fox) Coach Quinn prepared his team very well, and they executed well on both sides of the ball. We calmed down in the second half, and our conditioning worked to our advantage. We expect a total team effort each game, and that's what we had against Fox Lane."

Another key turning point for Mahopac was John Vellek's 35-yard field goal, which gave the Indians their first lead in the third, 9-8. Mahopac junior QB Dan Foley then connected with Zac Carlin for an 11-yard TD pass on third down shortly thereafter and the Indians were up 16-8. Good looking HB Joey Cavaciuti (a 42-yarder) and bullish FB Max Littleton (43 yards rushing, 4 tackles), who recovered a fumble to set up his own TD, added second-half scores for Mahopac.

Mahopac RB Christian Donahoe, the son of Coach Tom Donahoe, got the Indians on the board in the second quarter,

12 yards out. The Indians rushed for 264 yards on 40 carries, rotating seven different rushers, including Cavaciuti, who rushed for a team-best 98 yards, while Tommy Murray went for 62 yards. Charles Heady led the defense with six solo tackles (8 in all), including two for loss.

Foley, a three-sport junior with more grit than gravel, was quick to credit his O-line for its second-half dominance and the play of FB Littleton, who admitted the Indians were engulfed by the moment during a rocky first half where some of the newbies battled butterflies.

"We've got stay confident," Foley said. "It started with our D-line and linebackers stopping the run. From there our O-line started dominating the line of scrimmage

and it took off from there."

The Indians know that a similar effort next Friday (7:00 p.m.) against John Jay EF (1-0) will surely spell doom, as they will need to play all four quarters to prove that they belong among the big boys of Class AA.

CARMEL had no such luck proving it belonged with the big boys in Class AA after being handed a 28-0 loss at the hands of perennial powerhouse North Rockland. Surely, it was a tough way to open the season, but Coach Todd Cayea's Rams (0-1) are hoping to put that behind them in the home opener against OSSINING, a 55-27 loser to Class A Sleepy Hollow.

Ossining's defense has been porous in its last three games, surrendering 166 points:

Carmel is licking its chops at the prospect of facing the Pride. However, Carmel QB Joey Rodriguez left the North Rockland game early with a left shoulder injury. The Rams were hopeful he would play in Week 2 in what could either be an eventful track meet or a wayward scrum, depending on which teams show up at Ossining this Friday (7:00 p.m.) and whether or not Rodriguez can return from a bum left shoulder that knocked him out of the game in the first series. Should J-Rod return at full health, the Rams will be looking to get its passing attack on track with at least three big receivers in Quinn Willman and recent transfers Ryan Sullivan and Isiah Santana.



Mahopac RB Joey Cavaciuti breaks off one of several long gainers he had in rout of Foxes.



Indians Matt Quigley (12), Chris Howard and Ryan Delahanty (66) converge on Fox QB Will Wortmann last Friday night in Mahopac's 30-8 win.

Sports

Class B Grid Notebook

Putnam Valley off & Running; Croton Falls at B'Cliff

By Ray Gallagher
Examiner Sports Editor

Seven Putnam Valley rushers combined for 223 yards on the ground, averaging nearly six yards per pop en route to a decisive 22-12 victory over visiting Albertus Magnus last Friday.

Led by senior RB Dean D'Alessio (106 yards rushing, 1 TD), who went for 7.1 yards per carry, the Tigers took a 14-0 lead into the break and never looked back.

"We should have put up more points but penalties killed us on both side of the ball," PV Coach Matt Mello said. "We racked up 281 yards of offense, but three drives

were killed by penalties. If we clean up a couple of things and continue to develop our depth we should be very successful.

On a night where temps were soaring and humidity was high, Mello's rotation worked to his benefit, as PV's depth (39 on a Class B roster!) prevailed.

"Our guys are tough," Mello exclaimed! "The heat and humidity was brutal and we kept rolling new players out that kept contributing on both sides of the ball."

QB Zack Nolan tossed a six-yard TD pass to newbie WR Ryan Basso, a senior playing varsity football for the first time. Senior RB Elviz Belen added a six-yard TD trot off tackle for the Tigers.

"We had seven different guys run the ball effectively," Mello said. "Defensively we were tough! Elviz Belen, Mike Dellabate, Ryan Mello, Constantine George, Jake Reyes, Eddie Lent, Alex Velichko and Zack Nolan pounded the opposition. These guys bring it and battled all night."

With an opening-day tune-up in the rear view



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Putnam Valley RB Zach Girvalo chugs for tough yards in Tigers' win over Magnus Friday.



Croton's Michael Harris tries to ditch a Briarcliff defender in the Tigers' 14-7 opening-day loss to the host Bears.

mirror, the Tigers will need to turn it up a notch in a Week 2 showdown at Nanuet, a 35-14 loser to Our Lady of Lourdes in Week 1. If Putnam Valley is going to end a playoff drought, which extends back to former Coach Frank Heitman's final year (2009), and get back to the four-team Class B playoff tournament, Nanuet is essentially a must-win game. The Golden Knights were the only team to beat

Pleasantville in the regular season last year. Defending champion Pleasantville, Ardsley, Lourdes, Nanuet and Irvington are all within the Class B pecking order, so PV needs this win to prove it belongs in the same breath. Go get some breath!

CROTON gave its all but suffered a 14-7 season-opening defeat at the hands of host Briarcliff. The Tigers will host Westlake Saturday.

Sports

Boys Soccer Notebook

Lakeland Splits to Open; Yorktown, Mahopac Reach Tourney Finals

By A.J. Martelli

The Lakeland Hornets had a stupendous offseason, but right out of the gate were faced with the task of playing Arlington, the defending Class AA champs this past Thursday. The Hornets were stung 4-0 on the road by the always-powerful Admirals, but Coach Tim Hourahan wanted nothing more than to square off with a formidable opponent, and be met with a challenge from the get-go.

"We put Arlington on the schedule for a reason as our first match of the season," he said. "We want what they got - back-to-back Class AA champions, who also won a state title in 2012. Our program at Lakeland has not won a section title since 2011, so we wanted to put ourselves out there in our first game.

"Especially, we wanted to play at their campus, because that's the site of the section finals the first week in November. We didn't play our best game, and Arlington is an impossible team to

play if you're playing poorly. We only played well in spurts, and we were able to see how a champion plays for a full 80 minutes."

The Hornets had a difficult time trying to muster some offense, but were helped out in the net by Javier Gonzalez, who made four saves, and Marcos Andrino, who stopped one shot on goal.

The loss to Arlington, however, only made Lakeland's 4-1 win over host **OSSINING** on Saturday morning sweeter. Junior captain Johnny Denis unloaded with three goals and one assist, while senior captain Devin Flanagan capped off the scoring with one goal and one assist. Matias Prando and Lirik Brucaj each distributed an assist apiece.

"Against Ossining, our best few players were the best players on the field," Hourahan said. "Johnny, our returning League MVP and All-State player had a hat trick and was involved in all four of our goals. Our senior captain Devin

added one goal and one assist. This team is built to score multiple goals a game, so it was nice to get the ball moving in the final third; creating numerous scoring opportunities."

Gonzalez put on a clinic in the crease, making six saves against the Pride.

The Hornets will travel to Middletown on Saturday for their next game.

The season started nicely for both **YORKTOWN** and **MAHOPAC**, as both the Huskers and Indians competed in the Yorktown Tournament last Wednesday. In the opening round Mahopac duked it out with Arlington B, and won 1-0 on the strength of a goal off the foot of Kris Nikprelaj.

Yorktown faced off with **SOMERS** in round one, winning 4-2 on penalty kicks; the two teams staying deadlocked at 1-1 after overtime. Marciello Spiniello stood out on the Huskers side, and Scott Colombo was on point for the Tuskers.

The tourney finals and consolation

match were set to take place this past Saturday at Charlie Murphy Field, but bad weather put the games on hold for the time being, with no makeup date yet announced.

It was quite an inauspicious start for reigning Class C champion **HALDANE**, Coach Ahmed Dwidar's Blue Devils starting off with a 1-0 win over rival **HEN HUD** last Tuesday, claiming the victory with a goal by Peter Hoffman, a player that proved to be clutch in last year's run.

Yet, Haldane soon followed with consecutive losses to **PANAS** and North Salem. The Panthers edged Haldane 3-0 last Thursday, and Saturday the Blue Devils were knocked down 4-2 by N. Salem.

Matt Kelly paced Panas with two goals in the win over Haldane, and Rohan Rochester supplied the last of the offense with a goal. Rochester also provided the Panthers' lone goal in Panas' 3-1 loss to Beacon on Saturday morning.

Sports

110% at All Times Because You Never Know Who's Watching



By Ray Gallagher
Examiner Sports
Editor

As has been its rite of passage the last decade or so, the Lakeland High field hockey program began its quest for a sixth-straight NYS championship in earnest, depriving visiting Horace Greeley so much as a sniff of victory in a 3-0 whitewashing last Wednesday at The Hive.

But, truth be told; my ladies seemed to have taken a rare day off. Sure, the five-time reigning NYS Class B champion Hornets knew minutes in – make that seconds in -- that they would win this game and increase their precious streak of 110 wins against NYS foes. But they never seemed to put the pedal to the medal that afternoon, which was awkwardly surprising; almost as if Yankee Hall of Famer Joe DiMaggio hadn't run out a rare grounder to short.

Remember what DiMaggio said about why he never loafed on a play during what might have been the second greatest career in the history of MLB (2nd only to the Babe)? He said (and I paraphrase); "because it might be the first and last time some kid ever gets to see me play."

And we didn't have cameras and video rolling 100% of the time back in the Yankee Clipper's day like it is today, but he still gave 110% on every play, no

Haters, please don't stop reading on account of the field hockey pictures on the page; there's a message in here.

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matter what the circumstances were.

Lakeland took that mindset into Thursday's 9-0 rout of John Jay, putting the pedal to the medal after grinding gears the day before; getting a monumental five-goal effort from senior Captain Molly Fitzpatrick, who also scored two of the three goals against Greeley and assisted on another.

Good Golly, Miss Molly isn't slacking.

Lakeland Coach Sharon Sarsen admitted she expected more of her team on opening day, but also chalked

it up to opening-day jitters. So I watched until halftime and then raced home to get my little ones down on their first night of school, but I probably would have watched a little longer if I had gotten the sense Lakeland cared as much that day about the Hornets' season opener as I did at the time.

"I wasn't thrilled with the second half," the coach said. "We played well in the first half but we've got to get better. We talked about it as a team the next day, though. We spoke about playing with a sense of urgency, about putting the pedal to the medal."

And so the matter was settled: Lakeland won't be taking any more days off as they prep for a challenge from Rye or whatever Class B foe steps in its way. #PedalToTheMedal

Remember, even though DiMaggio passed away some 15 years ago, you can bet the soul of this sporting deity is always

watching. So don't take a play off or mess around the night before game day: Joltin' Joe sleeps with one eye open. And nowadays everyone has game film, so if you're one of those bubble athletes hoping to play at the next level you better not

get caught loafing, or when it comes time for a scout or a coach to make his final decision, you might get labeled a slacker for one poor performance.

And nobody likes a slacker, if even for one game.

Trust me, I'm not picking on the Lakeland field hockey program. I've got more respect for Sarsen and her Hornets than I do for just about any program I've covered in my 25 years on the local scene. They have maintained a utopic existence since Sars came on board back in 1982, winning eight NYS championships overall. The same holds true for the Somers football team; the two-time running Section 1 Class A champions. And the seven-time NYS champion Yorktown lacrosse program: Nobody gets a day off on Game Day! #NotOnMyWatch!

FLEASH FOR FANTASY – If season-long suspended Browns WR Josh Gordon gets a reprieve for recurrent roasting and toasting, as is widely speculated, I could be eating the carnage of my fantasy

Direct Rays



Lakeland's Brianna Muniz pushes the pace in 3-0 win over Greeley last Wednesday. She has 2G, 2A through two.

brethren with the squad I've compiled this season. Barring injury or other bad fortune, I could be in for a nice run; what with Shady McCoy, DeMarco Murray, Julius Jones, Vincent Jackson, Matt Stafford (all 1st 5 picks), Marques Colston, DeSean Jackson, Vernon Davis and the Carolina Panthers D fronting my squad. You put "Green Bud" Gordon in that PPR lineup and I smoke the field, so picking up "Puff-Puff-Pass" with my last pick is something akin to striking Columbian Gold, eh. (Showing my age, there).

Disclaimer: In no way, shape or form does the derisive mock of Josh Gordon condone the use of marijuana.



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Lakeland sophomore Cameron Lischinsky looks like she can be an impact rookie in 3-0 win over Greeley.



Lakeland All-American Dana Bozek rips shot in 3-0 win over Greeley. She has 1G, 4A through the first two games.

Rye on the Rocks!



Lakeland Falters in 2nd Half, Garnets Prevail

RAY GALLAGHER PHOTO

Lakeland QB Anthony Capozzi (6) and the upstart Hornets held a 13-7 third-quarter league on visiting Rye last Friday night before the 2013 Class A runner-up Garnets spoiled the upset bid by scoring the next 20 points in a 27-20 season-opening win over the Hornets at the jam-packed Hive... see Class A Grid Notebook

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