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Honoring Veterans

The annual Veteran's Day Parade in Shrub Oak Sunday was one of many events in the area held to honor those who have served the United States over the years. Ceremonies also took place in Cortlandt, Peekskill, Ossining and Somers.

Yorktown High Grad Makes History Being Elected to Congress

By Rick Pezzullo

A Yorktown High School graduate became the youngest woman ever elected to Congress last week.

Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, 29, a member of the Huskers 2007 graduating class, received 78% of the votes cast on Election Day in defeating Republican Anthony Pappas and will represent New York's 14th Congressional District, which covers the eastern Bronx and portions of northern Queens.

"We made history tonight," Ocasio-Cortez said in her victory speech. "This is what is possible when everyday people come together in the collective realiza-

tion that all our actions, no matter how small or how large, are powerful, worthwhile and capable of lasting change."

On June 26, Ocasio-Cortez upset Congressman Joe Crowley in a Democratic primary. Crowley has been a congressman since 1999 and for the last two years has served as the Democratic Caucus Chairman of the U.S. House of Representatives, the fourth highest leadership position in the House Democratic Caucus.

Ocasio-Cortez won 57% of the votes cast in the primary in her first bid for elected office and reportedly spent less

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Private Boarding High School Proposed for Former IBM Site

By Neal Rentz

A private boarding high school is being proposed for the 723-acre site that formerly housed IBM in Somers.

The plan being proposed by Evergreen Ridge LLC for property owned by 294 Route 100 LLC was presented at the November 8 Town Board meeting.

The Somers STEM Academy would be in IBM's five interconnected buildings totaling 1.2 million square feet. The interiors of the existing buildings would be renovated and the proposal calls for the creation of several other facilities, including an arts center, an athletic center, dormitories, a home for the head administrator of the school, several athletic

fields, jogging and hiking trails and gardens.

Though the school would be for high school students in grades nine through 12, the school would open in the fall of 2020 with students in grades nine and 10 only.

The school would prepare students for such fields as biomedical engineering and physics, artificial intelligence, computer science and information technology, robotics, aerospace and manufacturing technology. The maximum student enrolment would be 1,800.

The project's development team consists of 11 companies. At last week's

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The 723-acre site formerly used by IBM in Somers is being proposed to be converted to a private high school campus mainly for boarding students. The proposal was discussed at the Nov. 8 Town Board meeting.

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than \$200,000 in the campaign, as compared to \$3.4 million spent by Crowley.

"Words cannot express my gratitude to every organizer, every small-dollar donor, every working parent and dreamer who helped make this movement happen," Ocasio-Cortez said in her speech last week. "And that's exactly what this is. Not a campaign or an election day, but a movement, a larger movement for social, economic and racial justice in America."

From 2003 to 2007, Ocasio-Cortez attended Yorktown High School, where she

won second prize in the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair with a research project on microbiology. As a result, the Lincoln Laboratory at MIT named a small asteroid after her: 23238 Ocasio-Cortez, according to www.nasa.gov.

After high school, Ocasio-Cortez attended Boston University and worked as an intern in the immigration office of U.S. Senator Ted Kennedy. She graduated in 2011 with a bachelor's degree in economics and international relations.

Ocasio-Cortez worked as an educator at the nonprofit National Hispanic Insti-

tute after college and created a publishing company that specializes in children's literature painting a positive picture of the Bronx. In 2016, she worked as an organizer for Congressman Bernie Sander's presidential campaign.

During her term in office, Ocasio-Cortez said she plans to pursue abolishing Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), student loan debt, universal Medicare, \$15 minimum wage, and federal legalization of marijuana.

Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez



Private Boarding High School Proposed for Former IBM Site

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meeting, Mark Weingarten, an attorney representing the developer, said about 85 percent of the students would live on campus with the rest being day students.

Tim DiScipio, the founder of Evergreen Ridge, said the school would provide instruction in the STEAM subjects of science, technology, engineering, mathematics and the arts. There would be an estimated 750 students on campus in 2020 and the number of students would rise every year until hitting the maximum of 1,800 students in about

2022, he said. There would ultimately be 125 teachers and administrators and a 110-person support staff.

The annual cost for each boarding student would be \$49,000 per school year and \$37,000 for day students, DiScipio said.

Weingarten said the first step in the approval process would be to have the Town Board declare itself the lead agency for the environmental review of the project.

Supervisor Rick Morrissey asked what the developer was doing to get the state

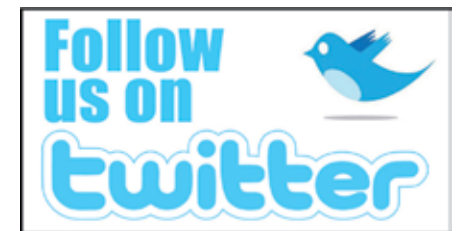
Education Department approval for the school. DiScipio said his company has begun the process of speaking with SED officials to seek accreditation for the school.

DiScipio said about 20 percent of the students would be residents from outside the United States.

Councilman Richard Clinchy asked if the high school would provide programs for students who need special education services. DiScipio said the school would do so. Morrissey asked if the high school would be co-ed. DiScipio said the stu-

dent population would be a 50-50 ratio of males and females.

A special meeting about the project, which will include the Town Board and other boards, has been scheduled for November 29 at 7 p.m.



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Q: What's behind the trend toward later parenthood?

A: Women in the U.S. are waiting longer than ever to have children, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. In fact, the average age of first-time mothers is now 26, up almost two years since 2014. In the last 10 to 15 years, we've seen the average age of first-time mothers increase greatly, mainly because women are pursuing careers and education first.

Q: I'm turning thirty. Should I be worried about my "biological clock" ticking?

A: The best time for a woman to get pregnant is between the ages of 20 and 35. In this age range, you are most fertile and least likely to experience complications. Though there is a slight risk of declining fertility by the age of 35, it's only about 5 percent. Egg quality and quantity decline after age 35, and good ovulation cycles become less frequent. Eggs of poorer quality are released, making it more difficult to get pregnant.

Q: Will older moms-to-be face risks?

A: A mere twenty to thirty years ago, the maternal age of 35 was considered advanced for childbearing; it was also considered the age at which a woman became – virtually overnight and automatically – a high-risk pregnancy. Today we know that if you're a healthy 35-year-old woman

who is pregnant, you may often have the same degree of risk in pregnancy as that of a younger mom-to-be.

If you're over 35 and considering pregnancy, you may have to visit your physician more frequently to ensure that the pregnancy is proceeding smoothly. I recommend scheduling an appointment for both preconception counseling and genetic counseling. This will help your physician identify and minimize any risk factors so you can improve your chances of a healthy pregnancy. Women over 35 can deliver healthy children and have a safe pregnancy. It's all about taking care of yourself, knowing your risks and coming up with a plan that is right for you and your family.

Q: I'm worried that when I do decide to have children, I won't be able to. What are my options if I can't get pregnant?

A: Advances in technology help many women over 35 get pregnant and give birth to healthy babies. In vitro fertilization is a process by which a woman's eggs are extracted and combined with a sperm sample, creating an embryo that is transferred to the woman's uterus. In vitro fertilization now includes a procedure called pre-implantation genetic diagnosis that helps identify chromosomal and genetic abnormalities, ensuring physicians are implanting healthy embryos.

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Protestors Gather in Peekskill to Oppose Sessions Firing

By Anna Young

More than 100 demonstrators gathered outside Sen. Chuck Schumer's office in Peekskill Thursday night protesting President Donald Trump's controversial firing of Attorney General Jeff Sessions.

Following Trump's decision to remove Sessions Wednesday afternoon and install Matthew Whitaker as acting attorney general, residents hastily scheduled the protest alarmed that special prosecutor Robert Mueller's investigation into a possible Russian interference in the 2016 presidential election would be halted. They demanded Mueller's protection and that Whitaker recuse himself from overseeing the investigation based on hostile public comments he has made against it.

"Our goal is to not have any interference with the Mueller/Russia investigation," Peekskill resident Marianna Stout said. "And given the changes that took place yesterday our goal is to have the acting attorney general Matthew Whitaker recuse himself."

Throughout the 30-minute protest residents in attendance carried signs reading, "Trump is Not Above the Law" and "Protect Mueller." They also chanted several slogans including "We deserve the truth" as they marched along the streets of downtown Peekskill.

Protesters believe the president's deci-



ANNA YOUNG PHOTO

Some of the protestors who rallied outside Sen. Schumer's office in Peekskill.

sion to install an acting attorney general is an obstruction of justice and will end or curtail the investigation.

Cortlandt resident Christine Button said those in attendance believe in the rule of law and Trump doesn't. With similar rally's taking place nationwide, including ones in Armonk and White

Plains, Button said Trump's decision is a blatant effort to interfere and shut down Mueller's investigation. She added that it's the peoples' responsibility to hold him accountable as he attempts to protect himself, his family and associates.

Button stressed that the investigation must continue unimpeded because the

American people deserve the truth. She said that whoever is permanently appointed to the position should publicly commit to letting the investigation to continue without interruption or interference. Loyalty is to the rule of law, not personal loyalty to Donald Trump, she said.

"The American people deserve an independent investigation to get the truth and get accountability," Button said. "Any attempt by the Trump administration or his allies in Congress to interfere in the investigation is unacceptable and it must be stopped."

South Salem resident Robert Kesten urged for change, stating that Trump is a symptom of problems that have perpetuated throughout the country for several years. He said the country can no longer rely on elected officials to make change, adding that it's the peoples' duty to take charge of the nation's future and ensure the government is responsible to the people.

"We are making history tonight, and we will continue to do so every single day until the Mueller investigation is completed fairly and justly and until every American can feel like they have a place in this country," Kesten said. "Right now, we are fighting for our freedom and we will not stop until we have it."

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Gearity Defeats Herrera to Earn Third Term as Mayor

By Rick Pezzullo

Ossining Mayor Victoria Gearity convincingly defeated Trustee Omar Herrera on Election Day to earn a third two-year term leading the village of almost 30,000 residents.

According to results from the Westchester County Board of Elections, Gearity, who carried all 30 election districts in the village, received 4,087 votes (68%) to 1,958 (32%) for Herrera.

"This is a mandate," Gearity declared to a throng of supporters at Sing Sing Kill Brewery on Spring Street that included State Assemblywoman Sandra Galef, Ossining Town Supervisor Dana Levenberg and Westchester County Legislator Catherine Borgia. "What this shows is this community wants to work together to keep doing great things for Ossining."

Gearity narrowly defeated Herrera in September in a Democratic primary but Herrera opted to continue his quest to unseat Gearity by running on the Working Families line. The mayoral seat in the Village of Ossining carries with it an annual salary of \$15,000.

Speaking to about 100 supporters at



Ossining Mayor Victoria Gearity addresses supporters at Sing Sing Kill Brewery on Election night.

Karma Lounge and Restaurant on Main Street, Herrera said his "One Ossining" effort led to the highest voter turnout in the history of Ossining.

"This has to be celebrated. We changed politics as usual and we did it on a third-party line," Herrera said. "We started a movement that challenged the institutionalized Democratic Party in Ossining. You can't say we're united until we address what divides us. This is the

new Ossining normal today. A community that is going to be asking questions, that is going to want explanations."

Deputy Mayor John Codman III, who did not seek reelection after being snubbed by the Democratic Committee and will be replaced on the board by former Trustee Manuel Quezada (who was elected in an uncontested race with Trustee Rika Levin), said, "Omar inspired

all of us."

"What has happened is he changed politics forever in Ossining," Codman said.


At Gearity's victory celebration, Levin said, "I'm looking forward to working in a more civil tone."

One clear difference between Gearity and Herrera was their positions on the Emergency Tenant Protection Act

(ETPA). Herrera, along with Codman and Trustee Quantel Bazemore, supported the adoption of EPTA in the village a few months ago, while Gearity and Levin opposed the measure.

"ETPA is about giving Ossining residents freedom to stay," Herrera said. "I freely admit that ETPA is not a perfect solution by any means. We need to do more, much more, to ensure that Ossining remains a great and affordable place to live. But I know that ETPA is one important step in the path to creating the stable Ossining that we will all benefit from. ETPA will give some of our current residents the freedom to stay here in the community that they love. That's never a bad thing."

"The intentions of this program are good for Ossining—keeping the village affordable and protecting tenants. Unfortunately, in practice, ETPA has too many unintended consequences that will be detrimental for the majority of Ossining residents—homeowners, small businesses and tenants alike," Gearity said. "It also undermines the progress we've been making on upgrading substandard housing—which is one of our greatest housing challenges."

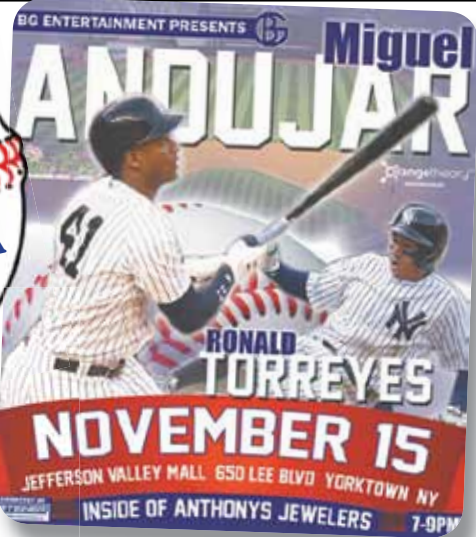


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Election 2018

Harckham Defeats Murphy to Help Dems Take Over State Senate

By Martin Wilbur and Anna Young

The wave of Democratic dominance in elections across Westchester surged again last Tuesday night helping to propel former county legislator Peter Harckham to victory over two-term Republican Terrence Murphy in the 40th state Senate District.

Harckham ran up vote totals in Westchester (46,488-36,133) offsetting about 6,000- and 2,000-vote margins in the Putnam and Dutchess portions of the district, respectively, according to unofficial Board of Elections totals.

"We said many times, this election was about values and today the Hudson Valley spoke," Harckham said at his election headquarters at the Holiday Inn in Mount Kisco. "It wants to be more tolerant, more accepting and a more inclusive and a more civil place to live."

A Harckham victory ends 104 years of Republican dominance for the seat representing much of northern Westchester and Putnam. Harckham acknowledged that he has work to do to gain the trust of constituents and local officials who may be unaccustomed to having a Democratic state senator represent them.

"To the people who did not vote for me, I just want to say, I work for you too



MARTIN WILBUR PHOTO

Peter Harckham speaks to his supporters last Tuesday night in Mount Kisco after he declared victory in the 40th state Senate District race.

and over the coming weeks and months I will work hard to gain your trust," he said. "I represent you."

Harckham, 57, a Lewisboro resident who served on the Board of Legislators from 2008 until June 2015, pledged to work with Murphy to ensure a smooth transition. Since leaving county governments, Harckham worked in Gov. Andrew Cuomo's administration until he announced his candidacy in the spring.

The outcome helped the Democrats pick up eight seats in the Senate, easily giving them an advantage for the

first time in a decade. It also will give Westchester's Andrea Stewart-Cousins (D-Yonkers) the powerful position of Senate Majority Leader, the first time a woman will hold that post.

While Murphy didn't officially concede the race at his Election Night headquarters in Jefferson Valley, he acknowledged the prospects weren't promising. After a sometimes divisive campaign, he struck a conciliatory tone last Tuesday night.

"I wish Peter Harckham the best, and may he have as much success as I did because it's been an honor and privilege," Murphy said.

Many of the senator's supporters were downcast as Harckham's advantage in Westchester built up. But Murphy did his best to reassure them.

"It's going to be okay," he said. "It was about me representing you, the people. We were awesome."

He said the difference in the race was the efforts of the legions of volunteers who worked on his behalf knocking on thousands of doors, making thousands of phone calls and sending out about 25,000 postcards.

With the state Senate in the hands of the Democrats come January, Harckham said key legislation that had



ANNA YOUNG PHOTO

State Senator Terrence Murphy addresses crowd with his wife and daughter following his loss.

previously passed the Assembly but had been held up in the Senate, such as the Reproductive Healthcare Act, the red flag bill and the Child Victims Act, will be passed, probably in the first 30 days of the new session.

But there are issues that everyone can agree on such as keeping taxes in check.

"The days of the old Democrats coming in and raising taxes on everybody, that's just not going to happen," Harckham said. "We can't let that happen and there's some good fiscal policy and good legislation we want to get passed."

Longtime and Freshman State Lawmakers Keep Seats

By David Propper

While the two New York State Senate seats that encompass parts of Putnam County came down to the wire last week, the two state Assembly members that represent part of the county clinched reelection with relative ease.

Longtime Assemblywoman Sandy Galef and freshman Assemblyman Kevin Byrne both triumphed last Tuesday with the Democrat and Republican, respectively, winning with ease. Galef defeated Republican challenger and college student Lawrence Chiulli with an impressive 61 percent of the vote and Byrne beat Democrat and attorney Vedat Gashi with 54 percent of the tally.

Byrne, in an email to supporters, thanked them for their vote and called serving another term a "tremendous honor." A campaign that knocked on more than 5,000 doors and spoke to voters across the political spectrum helped to secure the victory, Byrne said. In the email, it noted that Gashi outspent Byrne by nearly three times as much, with many donations coming from New York City donors.

"I'd also like to thank all the other candidates who ran for office this year,



DAVID PROPPER PHOTO

Assemblyman Kevin Byrne, with his wife Brianne, celebrate an Election Day win.

those who won and those who came up short, including my opponent," Byrne stated. "It takes a lot of courage to stick your neck out and run for public office, especially in today's polarizing political climate."

Byrne, in an interview, said the win is a reflection of the success his office has had in his first two years as a state lawmaker. When asked about any trepidation of a blue wave among Democratic voters,

Byrne said he didn't pay much attention to that.

"I focus on what I can control which is meeting the people in this district," Byrne said. "At the end of the day, hoping their votes will reflect the work that we've done. As far as a blue wave it certainly didn't happen in this district."

Gashi, who was a first-time candidate, thanked his supporters and stated he enjoyed every part of the process, just

not the final outcome.

"Losses are painful, but I am overwhelmed by the gains of the past few months. I've gained lifelong friends and an increased faith and appreciation of our community and the democratic process," Gashi said. "I'm going to use the lessons from this race to make sure that I win my next one."

As for Galef, she'll be entering her 14th term when she is sworn in again in January. She called the upcoming year both exciting and difficult. The state will continue to battle the federal government over the deduction limit on property taxes and possibly the reduction of education aid, Galef said.

But Galef said she looks forward to having more bills pass through the state Senate that she authored and co-sponsored with a Democratic majority running every branch of state government. Property tax reforms, improved voting measures, and stronger foundation aid for schools could be hashed out next year, Galef noted.

"I'm really excited it's kind of like a new beginning," Galef said. "I'm hoping that this will be good for New Yorkers."

Easing the Process for a Certificate of Occupancy

Whether you're planning a simple home improvement job like the addition of a shower stall or an entire new wing to your house, the process of obtaining a Certificate of Occupancy (C.O.) can be a daunting experience. However, there's a service that can greatly ease the pain. In fact, it can do all the work for you.

Called GET MY C.O. (I love it when company names express what they do) the Pleasantville-based company offers a one-stop service to obtaining a C.O. Run by brothers Michael and Tim Lener and Tim's wife JoAnn, it boasts the expertise of two architects (Tim and JoAnn) and the experience of businessman Michael to get the job done seamlessly.

In a recent conversation with the trio, I learned the ins and outs required to obtain a Certificate of Occupancy, which can be formidable, and hence making the service of GET MY C.O. a godsend for those homeowners, like I had always been, who want to streamline procedures when making improvements or legalizing past work.

"We have a lot of clients who go to the building department of their municipalities and find such things as their basement being recorded as finished storage space and not habitable when, in fact, it may have a finished bedroom and bath," said Michael, adding, "If the building department says it's unfinished, then that is what it is, and they have to go through the whole process of getting a C.O."

In such cases, Tim said they must put in drawings, get a building permit to bring things up to code, have final town inspections and submit paperwork. "Towns have extra fees, sometimes called legalization fees," said Tim, "and they can be steep, as high as \$1,000 per item. So if an attic and a basement don't have C.Os, it can be costly to the homeowner. Plus, the town might triple the building fee

that should have been paid in the first place."

Sometimes it's not worth the effort to get a C.O., as Michael explained. "I had a case in Briarcliff Manor where a third-floor attic space required sprinklers all the way down to the front door to get a C.O., and they decided to rip out the space rather than go through that expense." However, Michael added that, with a similar case in Pleasantville, where the sprinklers were added, the value of the home was increased when the owners decided to sell.

Certainly, there are hurdles, according to the Leners. These include building department fees, architect/expeditors fees, as well as those from licensed electricians and plumbers. "It could end up costing \$5,000 to legalize a basement space," said Tim. "What we do is take all these aspects of the process and put them under a one-stop umbrella so that they can make one phone call, rather than talking to maybe five or six people."

Another aspect of GET MY C.O., according to Michael, is detective work. "If owners don't have paper work or pictures from when the work was done, we have to investigate when the construction was done to know which code to go by. 'In New Castle, we had a client with a big basement and half of it was finished in the 1960s,' he said. 'To prove that the work was done under a less restrictive code at the time, we took some electric outlet covers off to expose older wiring.'" Tim gave another example of detective work in Cortlandt Manor where he was able to produce dated photographs showing the pre-existence of room. "If you can prove the date and it is acceptable to building department, you can use an older code," he said. "Sometimes that code is less restrictive or more restrictive. But, you have the



By Bill Primavera



The Get My C.O. crew, from left, Michael, JoAnn and Tim Lener

option of considering which is the best code to use."

Michael offered another example of their work by describing the case of a woman in Briarcliff Manor who wanted to add a shower in the bathroom. "Although it was just adding a fixture, the town required that she present a drawing and a licensed plumber and electrician to certify that the work was done properly. We were able to handle everything from the drawing and submission for the building permit to recommending contractors to bring it up to code."

When asked what the GET MY C.O. process costs, Tim said that their service offers a free 30-minute consultation which features an assessment of the scope of work and what homeowners can expect in terms of cost. "We recently went to a client's house to inspect the basement, walked around and took measurements and asked questions. We consider such factors as to whether it has the proper ceiling height for an additional bedroom, the proper ventilation, and is it on septic or sewer which allows for an extra bedroom and bathroom. We went back to our office and sent them a detailed email with the scope of work and all fees."

"Maybe a project requires only a drawing for a C.O., or it can be more involved to bring the space up to code," he said.

The Leners' work, besides drawings, includes presenting the application and fee, contractor's license and insurance information, sometimes a survey, and scheduling inspections with the town.

The Leners work on C.O.s for finished basements, decks, porches, bathrooms, turning garages into family rooms, and attics.

When asked to run through the process of getting a CO, Tim responded without missing a beat. "Hire us, and we'll give advice and produce a drawing. Then we'll make the application with the town and provide the contractor's license and insurance information. Sometimes we need to provide a survey as well. Each town takes a different amount of time to respond, sometimes it's a matter of days, or it can be weeks. Then Michael will schedule inspections with the town to verify that the work was done properly. The application fee is small, about \$50, after the building permit is received. The town will issue an inspection report. Assuming that all goes well with the site inspection, GET MY C.O. will then fill out the Certificate of Occupancy application on the owners' behalf and submit it and follow up until the C.O. is issued to the owner."

Said Michael Lener, "We're truly a one-stop source for obtaining a C.O." Contact GET MY C.O. through their website, www.getmyco.com or call at 914-727-0980.

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Obituaries

Carol McClane

Carol McClane, a longtime resident of Peekskill, died November 6. She was 78.

She was born in Brooklyn to Albert and Florence Locke Bienvenu. On September 13, 1958, she married William McClane in Yonkers. She was a secretary for the Peekskill School District. She is survived by her husband William and her son William Jr. She was predeceased by her son, Richard.

Michael Mahon

Michael J. Mahon, a resident of Mohegan Lake, died November 5. He was 94.

He was born August 27, 1924 in Kinvara County Galway Ireland to Patrick and Mary Mahon. He married Mary Martyn on April 26, 1945 in Ireland and together they came to the United States on June 28, 1957. Mr. Mahon worked as a warehouse manager for Bush Terminal, owned by Leona Helmsley.

He is survived by three sons, Michael, Gerry and Partrick Mahon and his wife Patti; four daughters, Esther Marks, Eileen Feely, Anna Metichcchia and Rose Mahon; three sisters, Bernie Taylor, Kathleen Gardiner and Helena Fahy; 13 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild. He was predeceased by his beloved wife Mary, two brothers and three sisters.

Walter Macie

Walter Richard Macie, a resident of Yorktown, loving husband, mechanical engineer, inventor and entrepreneur, died November 6 in the arms of his wife Kathleen. He was 72.

He was born in 1946 and raised in Yonkers. He graduated with a degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Rhode Island, and attended an extension location of the Graduate School of the University of Southern California.

During the Viet Nam War he worked in quality control on the F-14 fighter jet project for Teledyne Hydra-Power. He later worked for United Technologies Hamilton Standard design team for the EMU Life Support for the NASA Apollo Back Pack - life support for the Astronauts. From outer space, he advanced to design of the sea water valve for the U.S. Navy's deepest diving submarine, the NR-1, at General Dynamics, Electric Boat Division. His design advanced capabilities of U.S. Naval fleet submarines. His entrepreneurial spirit was realized with his Xerlith Corporation, xerographics and lithography combined. From concept development through site location and implementation of all aspects, Mr. Macie created a financially successful business in NYC.

He sold his successful entrepreneurial business and moved back to Westchester County to return to engineering and in-

ventions. In his career with Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co., he managed the creative design, production methods and attaining UL and Factory Mutual approvals for residential fire protection sprinklers, now sold and saving lives worldwide. He was recruited by Swingline, the famous stapler manufacturer. There he designed a new modern product and setup the production line in Mexico in less than a year. Truly an adventure.

He is survived by his loving wife, Kathleen Main Macie, married in 1975; Also his dear brother-in-law and wife, Stephen and Katharine Main and their children Jennifer and Jeffery and wife Susan, and his sister Gail's children, nieces and nephews.

Mr. Macie was a faithful supporter of the United Way and Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton RC Church and School. He loved the Yorktown community and the outstanding individuals serving. He advocated for accessibility for all folks in wheel chairs to retail stores, restaurants, bathrooms and offices. Much progress has been achieved and more is needed. He was thankful and grateful to those whose efforts made a difference. He leaves with thanks to the Yorktown Police Department, The EMS services, the Yorktown Highway Department, and all those who keep us safe. He was grateful for the wonderful area physicians and medical professionals who kept him well. He was predeceased by his parents, Walter and Olga Drosdowski Macie, and his sister, Gail Lenahen.

Eleanor Abruzzese

Eleanor "Cissy" Abruzzese, formerly of Yorktown and currently of Shirley, Long Island, died November 1. She was 67.

She was born in Queens on August 27, 1951, to Dr. Louis and Eleanor Redding Sirica. While living in Yorktown, she worked in banking including Mahopac National Bank and Gold Dome. After Yorktown, she lived for a time in Maryland where she was an office manager for an HVAC firm prior to relocating back to New York, settling in Shirley, Long Island.

She loved music, especially the Beatles. She was a child actress and singer who sang with Guy Lombardo and appeared on the "Ted Mack Show" singing "Gary, Indiana." She loved reading and studied Egypt and archeology. She truly had an eclectic personality. She had many varied interests and friends. She loved motorcycles and animals were dear to her heart. She often would donate to the "Defenders of Animals" organization which works as an animal rescue.

She is survived by her husband, Roy Abruzzese of Shirley, her daughter, Dr. Eleanor DeThomas of Yorktown Heights, her step children, Megan Weber and Patrick Abruzzese, her step grandchildren Margo Abruzzese and Lincoln Weber and her former husband, Patrick DeThomas. She was predeceased by her sister, Dorothy

Sirica.

Robert Reidy

Robert Abell Reidy, a resident of Montrose, formerly of Somers, died October 10. He was 95.

He was born on August 22, 1923 in Weehawken New Jersey, to the late Gerald W. Reidy and Florence Abell Reidy. After high school, he attended Cornell University and earned a degree in civil engineering. He went on to serve as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy serving the majority of his tour in the Pacific Islands. At times under enemy fire, his unit was responsible for building airstrips, bridges, roads, hospitals, and housing for our troops during the second World War. His patriotism and love for his country never faltered and he remained an active member of the Somers VFW into his 90s. In 2017, together with other WWII veterans residing at the Montrose Veterans Home, he went to Washington D.C. where he and other WWII veterans were honored at a ceremony hosted by former U.S. Senator Robert "Bob" Dole. After the war Mr. Reidy worked as a civil engineer for Westchester County, Exxon, and other private companies. He also loved to paint old barns and historic buildings. His oil paintings adorn the walls of many homes and local businesses.

He was married for 62 years to Jean McClellan Reidy, who preceded him in death. They lived on Lee Road in Somers for nearly 60 years. Both were founders and remained active in the Deans Pond Association, which recently threw a block party in honor of Robert's 95th birthday. He is survived by his son Daniel Reidy of St. Helena California, his sister Muriel Francella of Somers, and his grandchildren, Daniel D. Reidy of St. Helena, and Alana Jean Reidy of Tusculumbia, Alabama. He was preceded in death by his daughter Dianne Miller.

Rudolph Joenk

Rudolph John Joenk, Jr. Ph.D., of Boulder, Colorado, a former mayor in Ossining, died November 5 of natural causes. He was 86.

Dr. Joenk was born Aug. 17, 1932, in St. Louis, Missouri to Rudolph John Joenk, Sr. and Hannah Daisy O'Bannon. He graduated from Beaumont High School in St. Louis.

He graduated from Washington University in St. Louis with a bachelor's degree in physics in 1953 and the University of Washington in Seattle with a master's degree in physics in 1957. He earned a Ph.D. in physics from the University of Pittsburgh in 1962.

He was married to Carolyn K. Wimber from 1953 to 1985. They had five children.

Dr. Joenk served in the Ordnance Corps of the U.S. Army Reserve, rising to the rank of captain before his honorable discharge

in April 1964.

He had a long and illustrious career with IBM, starting with the company in Yorktown Heights, in 1962 and retiring in 1993 in Boulder. He served as editor of the IBM Journal and the IBM Journal of Research and Development for many years.

Dr. Joenk served for many years as the company's representative to the International Electrical and Electronic Engineers' Professional Communications Society, where he was editor of IEEE Transactions on Professional Communication from 1977-84, served as president from 1990-91 and received the IEEE's Outstanding Service Award in 1991. The IEEE created the Rudolph J. Joenk, Jr. award for best paper in his honor.

He had numerous publications and public presentations to his credit, ranging from "A Sense of Humor in Technical Communication" to "An Engineer by Any Other Name" and user's guides for Workstation software.

He was elected mayor of Ossining, and served two terms from 1971 through 1974. He also was a long-time active member of Trinity Episcopal Church and the president of the Inter-Faith Council for Action (IFCA) in Ossining from 1970 to 1972.

He is survived by his sons Steven M. Joenk and his wife Susan of New York City, Brian T. Joenk (Jacqueline) of Chicago and David A. Joenk of Burbank, Calif.; daughters Donna M. Arkush and her husband Daniel of Vernon Hills, Ill. and Linda C. Bellitt (Mark) of Louisville; a brother, Paul Joenk and his wife Chris of East Longmeadow, Mass.; and Carolyn K. Joenk of Vernon Hills, Ill.

John Consorti

John Joseph Consorti, a resident of Ossining, died November 8. He was 88.

He was born on October 19, 1930 to the late Carlo and Nicolina (nee Sabatini) Consorti in Atri Teramo, Italy. He proudly served two separate tours of duty in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Korean War. He was predeceased by the love of his life Dolores (nee Venier) Consorti in 2012. He was a mail carrier for the USPS in Briarcliff Manor for 32 years. He was an associate member of the Ossining Fire Dept. Independent Hose Company, a member of the Ossining Leather Necks and an Umpire and Official for NYS/ Westchester County baseball and football. He was an avid sportsman who loved the Green Bay Packers.

Mr. Consorti is survived by his loving children John C. Consorti of Ossining, Susan (Stephen) Policello of Putnam Valley, Gina Consorti of Ossining, and Karen Consorti of Ossining. He is also survived by his cherished granddaughter Elizabeth Policello. He was predeceased by his sister Josephine Cappozzuchi in 2007 and his brother Luigi Consorti in 1978.

Pines Bridge Monument to be Unveiled at Railroad Park

On Saturday, November 17, at 2 p.m., the Pines Bridge Monument Committee, the Yorktown Historical Society, and the Town of Yorktown will together unveil the Pines Bridge Monument at Railroad Park in Yorktown. The public is invited to join in the momentous unveiling of this statue.

The monument, in the form of a heroic sculpture by nationally noted sculptor Jay Warren of Oregon, pays tribute to the members of the Rhode Island Regiment who died defending the Pines Bridge crossing of the Croton River. It depicts Colonel Christopher Greene, the legendary commander of the regiment. Two soldiers fight beside him, an African American and a Native American, all doomed to perish in the brief and desperate battle.

The history of the Rhode Island Regiment embodies the racial and ethnic melting pot that represents America's greatest strength and her greatest trials. The mixed fighting unit, made up of men of European, African, and Native Ameri-

can descent, was rare until the American military officially integrated nearly two centuries later.

This grand sculpture illuminates the exceptional diversity of our nation; conveys the nobility and tragedy of these soldiers of the American Revolution and represents and honors ALL American veterans of every race and ethnicity who followed them.

Planned for May 14, 2019 is an anniversary celebration of the Battle of Pines Bridge. At that time the brick pavers that were donated in support of the monument will be unveiled and dedicated.

The Pines Bridge Monument Committee wishes to thank the Yorktown Historical Society, the Town of Yorktown, the many donors to the monument, and the entire Yorktown community for your generous support and contributions to the Pines Bridge Monument Fund. This support recognizes this significant event in our town's history and ensures that the sacrifice, valor, and allegiance of our predecessors will never be forgotten.



Rendering of monument that will be unveiled Saturday.

Yorktown Chamber of Commerce Celebrates 17 New Members

At the last "Business Social" gathering of members of the Yorktown's Chamber of Commerce at Savannah & Co. in October, Eric DiBartolo, Chamber president, announced 17 new members who have joined the group, underscoring the town's continuing commercial vibrancy.

"Considering that the Chamber is 73 years old, we take pride in the fact that there is no slowing down in our quest to assist and promote new businesses coming into town," said DiBartolo. "The mission of the Chamber is to forward the economic development and growth of the town's five business hamlets through a coordinated program of promotional activities and membership benefits."

Activities in which members participate include: monthly networking meetings, seminars, educational support, promotion of members and special events,



New members, Dr. Monica Grover & Teresa Mangual of Beauty Scripts, Inc. and Nicholas and Sandra Guarriello of Iconic Lash Lounge with Councilman Ed and Carol Lachterman.

such as the Home Lifestyles and Family Show, and capped by the Annual Festival and Street Fair where local vendors in-

troduce their products and services to as many as 15,000 visitors.

The 17 new inductees include: Erin

Bhoorasingh, GrandLens Photography, Dr. Monica Grover, Beauty Scripts, Inc., Nicholas and Sandra Guarriello, Iconic Lash Lounge, Andrew Wuench, Empire Inspectors, Allen Randolph, Servpro, Mary Capoccia, Civic Member, Melanie Borden, Mercedes-Benz of Goldens Bridge, Robert C. Calilli, Merchant Lynx Services, Sabrina Capone, Orange Theory Fitness, Tricy Cushner, Yorktown United, Inc., Darren Brody, Yorktown Fit Body Boot Camp, James J. Bernitt, Westchester Fencers, John Stevens, Verizon Cellular, Loredana Scorsone, Taconic Carting and Hauling, Inc, Kevin Clemmons, Storage Post, Rashan Moore, Staples of Yorktown, and Dan Wasserman, Camel Video.

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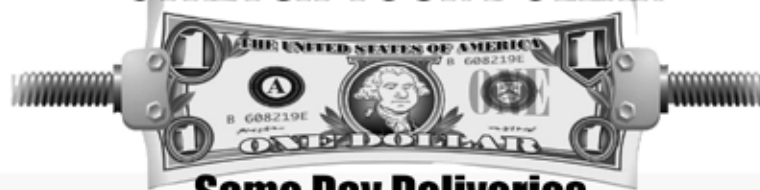


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Yorktown High School Names Valedictorian, Salutatorian

Yorktown High School has announced Diane Yang as the valedictorian of the class of 2019 and Kevin Fink as salutatorian. Both students recently credited much of their success to their experiences in the Yorktown Central School District.

"I love all the classes that I am taking and the teachers at Yorktown are amazing. There were times when I was struggling and they were always there to give me a hand," said Yang. "My parents were really hands-off when it came to my grades, which gave me the freedom to explore my love of learning and all the opportunities Yorktown offers."

Yang, who hopes to study aerospace engineering, praised the course selection at Yorktown High School, which allowed her to take accelerated math classes as well as AP physics. Yang said she was drawn to aerospace engineering because it "combines math and science with the magic of getting a vehicle in the air."

Yang said Yorktown's Science Research Program was also a critical part of her high school experience. "I created self-sustaining wind energy harvesters at the City College of New York, and the experience gave me a real-life view of what engineering is truly like," she said.

When not pursuing academics, Yang



Kevin Fink was named the 2019 salutatorian.

is on the Yorktown High School tennis team and participates in Midnight Run and the high school chapter of Amnesty International. In addition, she serves on the Teen Board of Audubon Greenwich, interns with U.S. Sen. Charles Schumer, and plays cello in the school orchestra. She is also secretary of the orchestra and section leader for cello.

Fink, who hopes to pursue a career in music, credited his music teachers in



Diane Yang was named the 2019 valedictorian.

Crompond Elementary and Mildred E. Strang Middle School, with nurturing his interest in performing at a young age and encouraging him to work hard at it. "I wouldn't be pursuing music if it wasn't for them," he said.

Although he didn't set out to be one of the top scoring students at Yorktown High School, Fink said he was nonetheless excited and happy to be named salutatorian. He praised the course selection

at the high school and noted the excellence of the math and science teachers, in particular.

"The teachers at this school are great, and for someone with an interest in math and science, I would have to say those teachers were especially excellent," he said.

Fink serves as president of the Yorktown High School Orchestra, plays classical double bass in the school orchestra and also performs with the jazz band.

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Business of the Week

UnWined Winebar & Kitchen Baldwin Place

By Neal Rentz

Stephanie Small of Waccabuc and her business partner, Brian Moss of Somers, opened UnWined Winebar & Kitchen, Baldwin Place on June 30.

Though their restaurant is new, wine is something they are very familiar with. They also co-own UnCorked Wines & Spirits, which is located next door to their new eatery and that was the inspiration for why the duo decided to open UnWined, Small said last week. They opened UnCorked on November 11, 2015.

"What ultimately ended up happening was just meeting the clients and the customer base here, we just realized there was a need for something new in cuisine and food in the area," Small said.

The name of the new restaurant is a play on words on the name of the partner's wine store, Small said.

Small described the restaurant's menu as "American eclectic." UnWined does not offer tapas selections, she said. "We're not Spanish or Portuguese," Small said. "But we are really trying to adapt kind of a new menu concept for folks who want to come in and either get a small plate and enjoy some wine or have



PHOTO BY NEAL RENTZ

UnWined Winebar opened in the Somers Commons Shopping Center in Baldwin Place on June 30.

a full dining experience."

The restaurant specializes in small plates and composed dishes, which Small described as "petite entrees."

Small said "hands-down," the most popular small plate is the tiny tuna tacos. "They are done with a sushi grade tuna and avocado puree and they're done open faced" on a crispy wonton shell made in-house, she said. Another

signature small plate is the caramelized pears and chorizo. "We cook that actually with a spirit that is distilled locally here in Mahopac called Kas," which a honey spiced liqueur, she explained. Kas is also used in some of the restaurant's other dishes and in some cocktails, Small said.

Two of the restaurant's signature small entrees are the pan seared scallops that are served over pureed cauliflower with

some black truffle oil, crispy shallots and wild mushrooms and a five-ounce dry-aged New York strip steak with smashed potatoes, wilted arugula, lardons and chimichurri sauce.

A key to the success of the restaurant is its wine, Small said. "We have an extensive wine selection," she said. The eatery offers wine by the glass in 33 selections. "We're constantly searching for new wines," Small said. "We worked very, very, very long and hard to curate a wine list that we thought from a price standpoint would not be offensive to people."

Customers can order individual items one at a time when they desire to accompany their wine or four beers that are on tap, Small said. "The most amazing thing about this restaurant is there are no rules," she said.

UnWined Winebar and Kitchen is located in Baldwin Place in the Somers Commons Shopping Center, 80 Route 6 (next door to UnCorked Wines & Spirits). For more information, call 914-519-6190, send an e-mail to unwinedny@gmail.com or visit <https://www.unwinednewyork.com>. The business is also on Facebook and Instagram.

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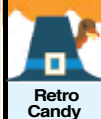
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Barnes and Nobles Names Peekskill Rotary's Literacy Lovers Children's Project the 2018 Holiday Book Drive Recipient

The Peekskill Rotary - Literacy Lovers Project was selected as Barnes and Noble's nonprofit recipient for its 2018 Holiday Book Drive occurring from November 1 through December 31. Books donated to the Literacy Lovers project through the Barnes & Noble book drive is vital to sustaining our goal of providing free children books to families in need.

The Peekskill Rotary Club created the Literacy Lovers project in 2017 to inspire young children, and their parents, to read and be read to. The goal, besides increasing literacy skills, is to encourage children to form a life-long love of reading by providing free books for children to keep.

"Words cannot express the appreciation of this amazing partnership between Barnes & Noble, Mohegan Lake and our Club's literacy project. The underlying beauty of this generosity going right back into the local community, serving our local children is what it is all about!" said Lisa Montalto, Project Co-Chair.

Five "Golden Bookshelves" were built by the Club and stocked with age appropriate, new and gently used children's books in both English and Spanish and strategically placed in Peekskill community facilities serving children in need. The Golden bookcases were initially filled with more than a thousand books donated by Penguin/Random House and the Westchester Library System and 2,500 books donated through the 2017 Barnes & Noble's Holiday Book Drive. In

the eleven months since the project began, more than 15,000 books have been distributed to children.

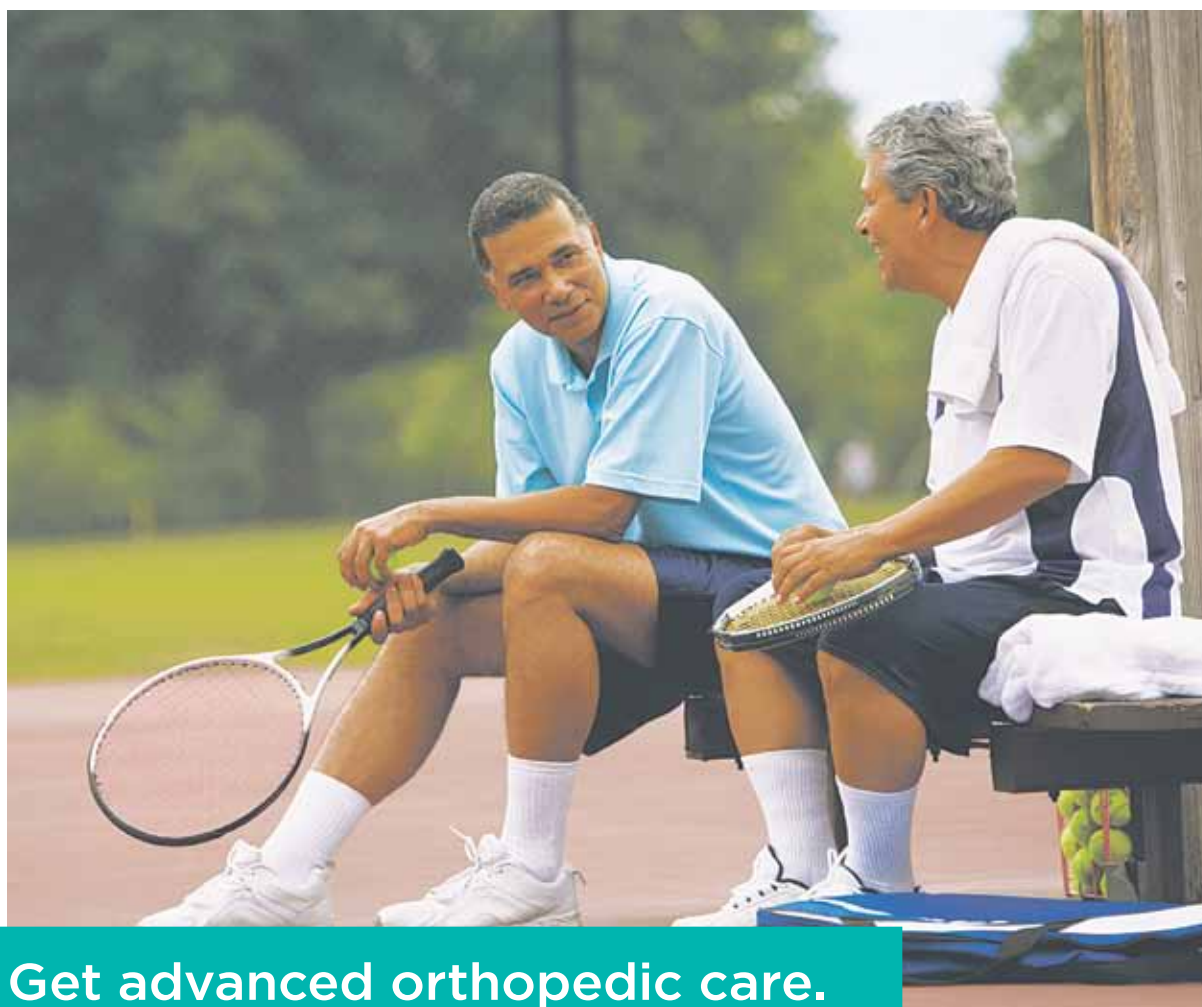
The Peekskill Rotary Club's Literacy Lovers project supports the community initiative, Peekskill Basics (modeled after a similar program in Boston) which seeks to foster parenting skills that will help children achieve their educational potential and to promote literacy in our community where access to books in low

income areas is limited.

Diane Newman Kahn, Project Co-Chair, added, "When we heard the statistics from www.bostonbasics.org that "80% of brain growth happens in the first three years after birth," our Club knew that our work needed to begin at the grassroots level-- getting books into the hands of children." The research is clear. Young children must have access to books to be successful readers and

productive members of society. Books need to be in their homes, not only in the schools. Children need to have easily accessible libraries for their own use and to enjoy bedtime stories read by others. There truly is nothing like holding a book in hand, enjoying the excitement of each page and the anticipation of much more to come as the next page is turned.

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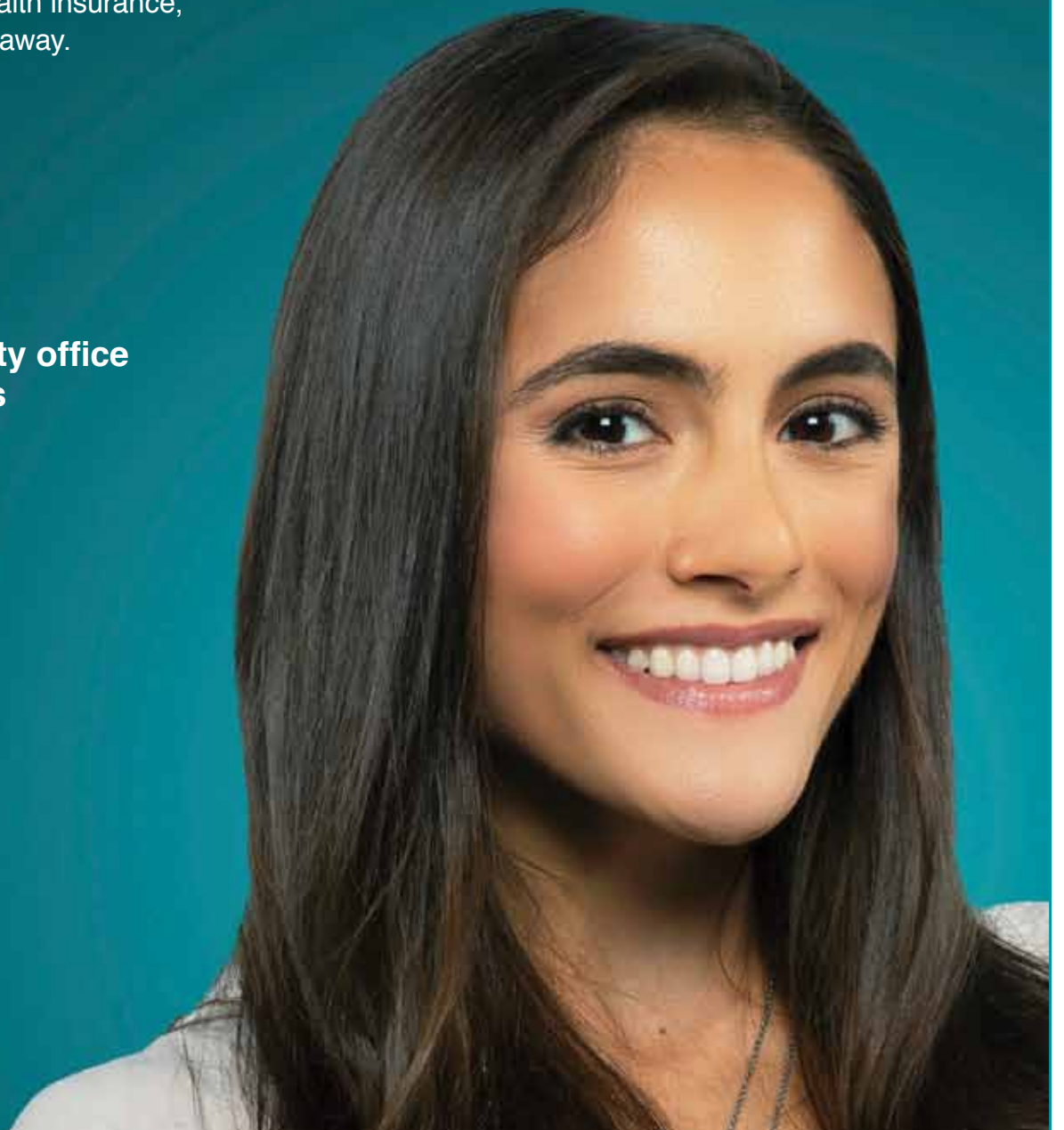
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- 4. Denver clock setting, abbr.
- 7. One ____ million
- 8. Black Sea port
- 11. Where to get a delicious flattened beef patty in Cortlandt Manor
- 13. Stellar musicians
- 14. JFK posting
- 15. "You ____!"
- 18. Item in a photog's file
- 19. S.American tuber
- 21. Recover
- 26. Croton "south of the border" restaurant, ____ To Go
- 27. Antiquated
- 29. Triangle description
- 32. "Hollywoodland" star, Robin
- 33. Opposite of safe
- 34. Top exec
- 35. Compass point

- 3. Time gone by
- 4. Additive in many processed foods
- 5. Compass point
- 6. Driveway surface
- 8. The duck in "Peter and the Wolf"
- 9. Bunny-forming dirt
- 10. Clapton or Burdon
- 11. Cinematographer Nykvist
- 12. Center of activity
- 16. Dramatic game winner
- 17. Transparent sheet
- 20. Figure skating jump
- 22. Enter
- 23. Experienced
- 24. "My word!"
- 25. "____ to worry"
- 28. Musician Redbone
- 29. Catchall abbr.
- 30. Canada's largest prov. in area
- 31. Card game akin to crazy eights

DOWN

- 1. Source of restrictions
- 2. Fit to be tied

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Wednesday, Nov. 14

Seniors' Fitness Classes: Free fitness classes are being offered to seniors who reside in Peekskill. The schedule is: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday – The WorkOut – 10 to 11 a.m. Thursday – Fall Prevention Class – 10 to 11 a.m. Friday – Zumba Gold – 11 a.m. to noon. Call Terri Dean at 914-734-4250 Ext. 1 for more information. Classes are conducted at 4 Nelson Ave., downstairs from the library.

Senior Exercise: We offer the Workout M-W from 10-11 a.m. and Zumba Gold on Friday 11 a.m. to noon. The programs are free to all seniors in Peekskill. Call Terri Dean to register at 914-734-4250 Ext. 5.

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Veatch Fund Event: A fund-raiser for the Justin Veatch Scholarship Fund Musical Scholarships will be held from 6 to the 8 p.m. at the Wilkens Fruit & Fir Farm, 1335 White Hill Rd., Yorktown. The program will feature music and refreshments. RSVP to Bob Giordano at 914-874-4347.

Somers Library Programs: A series of programs have been scheduled for the coming days at the Somers Library. Video Editing 101 will be held on Nov. 14 from 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. Space is limited to 12, so registration is required. A Race Amity Day Discussion Group will meet on Nov. 18 from 2 to 4 p.m. The group will discuss the second part of the PBS series "Race: The Power of an Illusion: The Story We Tell." All are welcome to attend; registration is not required.

New York -Presbyterian Events: Several events have been scheduled at New York-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital, 1980 Crompond Rd., Cortlandt, in the coming days. The Bariatric Support Group meets on Nov. 14 from 6 to 7 p.m. Call 914-734-3966 to register. "Shine a Light on Lung Cancer" Vigil will be held

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Thursday, Nov. 15

Art Exhibits: A series of exhibits are being held at the Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art, 1701 Main St., Peekskill. "Between I & Thou," is on display through Dec. 17. Peter Bynum's "Illumination of the Sacred Forms: Divine Light Mission and Sanctuary" is running through Dec. 17. Info: 914-788-0100, www.hvcca.org or Facebook.

Acting Classes: The Four All Theater Company will be conducting acting classes every Thursday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Field Library, 4 Nelson Ave., Peekskill. Class size is limited. Info: 914-737-1212.

Ossining Documentary Series: This month's offering from the Ossining Documentary and Discussion Series (ODDS) is "Plastic Paradise," a journey of discovery through the Great Pacific Garbage Patch. The free screening will take place at the Ossining Public Library. Seating begins at 6:15 p.m. and admission is always free. A panel discussion will follow with expert panelists drawn from nearby communities. Info: OssiningDocumentaries.org.

Friday, Nov. 16

Thrifty Me: The "Thrifty Me" thrift shop will hold its annual holiday sale at the Albert Capellini Yorktown Community and Cultural Center, Commerce Street, Yorktown, in rooms 104 and 107. The hours of our sale are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Seasonal, new and gently used items will be on sale. Free refreshments will be served. All our thrift shop profits go to Yorktown Help.

Coloring For Adults: It's not just for kids, and it's the latest craze. Join our adult coloring book club at the Somers Library Meetings will be held in the conference room every Friday from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Relax, color, and socialize for free. Materials are provided or you

may bring your own color pencils and coloring books. Registration is not required. Info: 914 232 5717.

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.

Temple Beth Am Shabbat: Temple Beth Am will "opens its doors to all who enter" for Shabbat on Fridays at 7 p.m. during the summer. Our modern Sabbath service has a spiritually engaging and warm feeling while following traditional modes. All are welcome to our friendly sacred space. Temple Beth Am is located at 203 Church Pl. Yorktown. For more information, please call our Rabbi at 914-962-7500 or e-mail him at rabbiw@optonline.net

Jewish Center Services: At the Yorktown Jewish Center, 2966 Crompond Rd., Friday night Sabbath services begin at 6:15 p.m. And Sabbath services on most Saturdays will be held at 9:15 a.m. After the services Rabbi Sternstein conducts a learning session based on the Torah portion of the week. Light refreshments are served and everyone is invited to join us as we share in the warmth, knowledge and friendship within our congregation. Info: 914-245-2324 or yorktownjewish-center.org.

International Film Festival: "Maudie" will be the November film in the 2018-2019 International Film Festival sponsored by the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers. It will be shown at 7:30 p.m. at Maryknoll, 55 Ryder Rd., Ossining. Everyone is welcome, and admission is free. For more information, visit <https://maryknollsociety.org/filmfest> or call 914-941-7590.

Saturday, Nov. 17

Putnam Valley Shabbat Service: Looking for a modern Shabbat service steeped in Jewish tradition? Come to Temple Israel of Putnam Valley, a Conservative Egalitarian Synagogue situated on beautiful Lake Peekskill. Our inclusive, community-lead services start at 9:30 a.m. on Saturdays and are held in Hebrew and English. Enjoy a comfortable atmosphere where participation is appreciated and afterwards stay for our delicious Kiddush lunch. Services are free; Family Memberships are \$250 per year and include High Holiday Services. The synagogue is located at 140 Lake Drive in Lake Peekskill. For more information, call 845-528-2305.

Yorktown Shabbat Morning Services: Chabad of Yorktown, 2926 Old Yorktown Rd., holds services on Saturday mornings. They are easy-to-follow services with Hebrew/English prayer books, a friendly environment and no affiliation is necessary. Kiddush luncheon follows the services. Services begin at 10 a.m. For more information, visit www.ChabadYorktown.com

Ossining Farmers Market: The Ossining Down to Earth Farmers Market is now being held outdoors on Spring and Market Streets. Customers old and new will find delicious produce, pasture-raised meat, poultry, and eggs, breads, baked goods, and much more. For a full list of our markets and vendors, visit DowntoEarthMarkets.com.

Arts and Crafts Fair: An Arts and Crafts Fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church of Yorktown, 2880 Crompond Rd. Info: <https://fpcyorktown.org/fpcy-craft-fair>.

Holiday Bazaar: A Holiday Bazaar will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. at St. Luke's Church, 331 Route 100, Somers. Proceeds from the event will benefit the church and its outreach efforts. Info: 914-277-3122, admin@slcsomers.org or www.slcsomers.org.

Giant Peach: From the fantastical imagination of children's literature icon Roald Dahl, "James and the Giant Peach" comes alive Nov. 17 through 25 at the Yorktown Stage, 268 Veterans Rd., in its popular musical version. Ticket prices: children (11 and under) \$19; seniors (62 and over) and students (under 22) \$21; Adults \$26. Group discounts are also available. To purchase tickets online, visit YorktownStage.org. For more information call 914-962-0606 or e-mail barrysproducer@gmail.com.

Thanksgiving Service: An Interfaith Thanksgiving Service will be held at Yorktown United Methodist Church, 2300 Crompond Rd. at 4 p.m. Info: www.yorktownumcny.org/.

Christine Lavin Concert: Peekskill native Christine Lavin will perform a homecoming concert at 8 p.m. at Dramatic Hall, located in the Peekskill Central Market, 900 Main St., Peekskill. The opening performer is Dean Friedman, who also has local roots. Admission is \$35. The ticket buy link is <https://christine-lavin-peekskill-homecoming-concert.eventbrite.com> or go to www.christinelavin.com. For more information, please call: 914-736-3600.

Sunday, Nov. 18

Hanukkah Book Fair: First Hebrew will sponsor a book fair at Barnes & Noble in the Cortlandt Town Center from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Bring the chil-

Happenings

The Northern Westchester Examiner We're happy to help spread the word about your community event. Please submit your information at least three weeks prior to your event and include the words "Happenings Calendar Submission" in your email subject line. Entries should be sent to Neal Rentz at nrentz@theexaminernews.com.

dren for Hanukkah crafts, songs, stories and other activities. The First Hebrew Sisterhood will gift wrap your purchases at no charge. Contact First Hebrew with any questions at 914-739-0500, fhc@firsthebrew.org or www.firsthebrew.org.

Celebration of Thanks: The Yorktown Interfaith Council invites residents to its annual Celebration of Thanks at 4 p.m. It will take place at the Yorktown United Methodist Church, 2300 Crompond Rd. and is co-hosted by the Fourth Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Westchester. All are welcome. The site is handicapped accessible.

Healing Yoga: Yoga classes for women with breast cancer are held at 5 p.m.

on Sundays at Hudson Yoga, 5 Old Post Rd. South, Croton-on-Hudson. Weekly classes are being conducted by rotating instructors. The suggestion is \$15. Info: Ellisha Simpson at 914-319-4010.

Bingo: Bingo will be played tonight at the Yorktown Jewish Center, 2966 Crompond Rd. The doors will open at 5 p.m. and play begins at 6:30 p.m. There will be \$3,000 in prizes awarded during each Sunday session. Food will be available. Info: 914-245-2324 or yorktown-jewishcenter.org.

Monday, Nov. 19

Jewish Center Classes: A variety of classes have been scheduled for the York-

town Jewish Center, 2966 Crompond Rd. Family Tensions in the Bible-led by Rabbi Stanley Urbas will be held on the first and third Mondays of the month at 11 a.m. Rosh Chodesh Studies for Women, led by Marsha Sternstein, will next be held on Nov. 20. Talmud and Contemporary Issues- led by Wendy Segal—is held on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. Introduction to Hebrew--led by Cantor Isabel Kopstein--contact the office for details. Advanced Hebrew, led by Cantor Isabel Kopstein, is held on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Ten Minutes of Torah, led by Rabbi Sternstein, is held on Shabbat mornings at approximately at 10:30 a.m. Mishneh Torah (Maimonidean thought), led by

Rabbi Sternstein, is held on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. The next class is scheduled for Nov. 20. Info: 914-245-2324 or Yorktownjewishcenter.org.

Musical Munchkins: The Yorktown Musical Munchkins meet on Mondays from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. at the Yorktown Stage Theater in room 12. The program is for older babies up to the 1's. Free trial classes are offered. Info: 914-771-7000 or www.musicalmunchkins.com.

Free Jazz Sessions: Free Jazz Jam Sessions are being held every Monday at The Winery at St. George, 1715 E. Main St., Mohegan Lake. Info: 914-455-4272.

Homecoming Concert Promises to Be Special Evening

By Martin Wilbur

Christine Lavin has wonderful memories of growing up in Peekskill with her parents and eight siblings. A graduate of Assumption School, Lavin was valedictorian of her eighth-grade class and went on to Peekskill High School where she was a strong student and a baton twirler for the marching band.

But the summer between Lavin's sophomore and junior years, the old Peekskill Military Academy where her father taught was shuttered, forcing the family to leave the area. Lavin not only lost her friends but the family lost its home because they lived on the academy's campus.

Fifty years later and with a long and illustrious career as a folk singer-songwriter, her thoughts of Peekskill are bittersweet.

"That was really, really traumatic for everyone in my family," Lavin remembers. "We all still talk about it and we have dreams about Peekskill because we loved living there. It was a great place to grow up. It was this safe, little community, nothing to worry about and a really nice campus and we ate in the mess hall with the cadets so (my mother) didn't have to cook."

On Friday evening, Lavin, 66, gets a chance to return home and hopes to bump into some old friends. She will perform a homecoming concert at Peekskill's Dramatic Hall, a performance that was the idea of singer-songwriter Dean Friedman, who will be her opening act. Both Lavin and Friedman recorded for Lifelong Records, including when Friedman had his Top 40 hit in 1977 "Ariel."

Lavin's best-known songs are "Cold Pizza for Breakfast," "Good Thing He Can't Read My Mind" and "Sensitive New Age Guys."



Singer-songwriter and Peekskill native Christine Lavin will be returning to her hometown Friday night for a special concert at Dramatic Hall.

A longtime Manhattan resident, she still loves taking her guitar and traipsing into small venues, whether it's in her hometown or on a Monday open mic night in the city. While the folk genre isn't wildly lucrative, for those with a good voice, a guitar in hand and ideas for songs, you can always work, Lavin said.

"Folk will always have an audience and there will be times when it's larger than other times," Lavin said. "You can't make a killing in folk music but you can make

a living."

Lavin may not have made a fortune, but since quitting her succession of temp jobs in 1984 to devote herself fulltime to her music, she has recorded 23 solo albums and had 10 collaborations with other artists.

Her songwriting and her performances have naturally evolved over the years. For those who watch her perform, she spins stories of various events in her life in between the songs and her sharp

sense of humor shines through. For example, Lavin, who was born on Jan. 2 and was always annoyed that Christmas gifts served as birthday gifts, will hold a contest on Friday evening for the audience members whose birthday is closest to the holidays.

At some point during the show, Lavin also promises to display her considerable baton twirling skills.

Some of her music recalls her personal experiences.

"We never knew how little our father was paid and how lucky we were," Lavin said. "So we had no money for any extravagances at all, so I learned my music from what was on the radio in the days of WNEW, (disc jockeys) Scott Muni and Alison Steele. "It really was just great radio and FM was just getting started."

Lavin actually learned how to play guitar from the weekly PBS show featuring Laura Weber. In her 20s, she took formal lessons to hone her skills.

Lavin hasn't been back to Peekskill much, but did have to visit early last year. She was going to be leaving for a series of concerts in Australia and had misplaced her passport. As a result, she had to return to pick up a copy of her birth certificate.

She hopes that some old acquaintances will stop by Dramatic Hall Friday night to say hello.

"I hope there will be a lot of people who show up who remember me," Lavin said. "I know I will remember them."

Dramatic Hall is located in the Peekskill Central Market at 900 Main St. Tickets are \$35. Show time is 8 p.m. For tickets and more information, visit <https://christine-lavin-peekskill-homecoming-concert.eventbrite.com> or call 914-736-3600.

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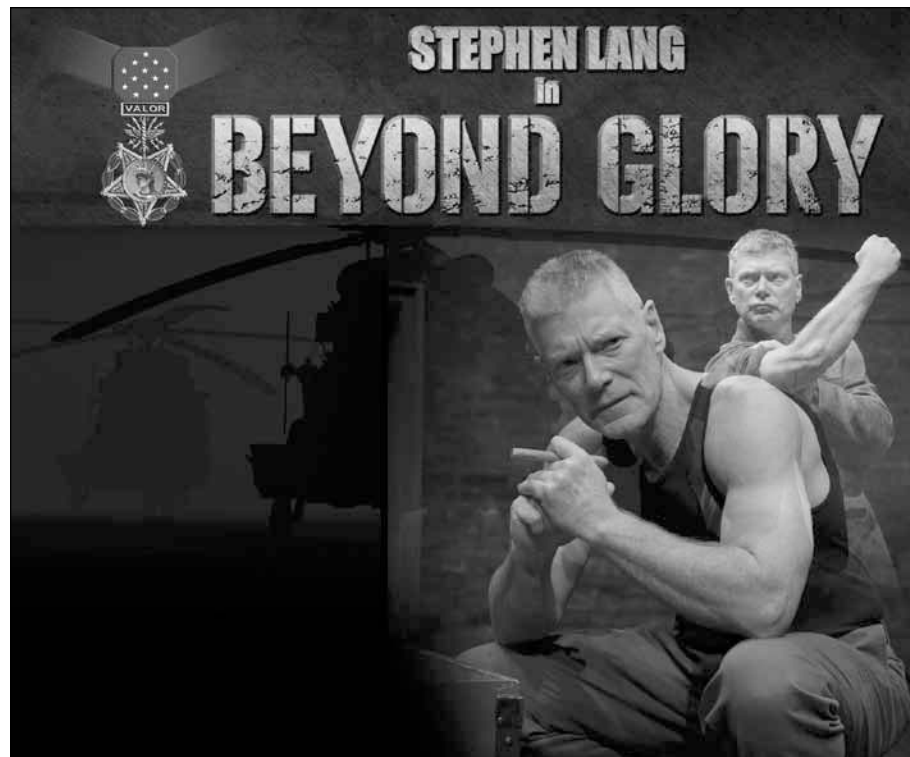
Honoring Veterans: Beyond Glory Show at WBT

By Evelyn J. Mocbeichel

The Westchester Broadway Theatre (WBT) will be presenting a totally unique experience this month to benefit the Eastchester VFW Fund Raiser to benefit HOPE FOR THE WARRIORS. This special production, Beyond Glory, takes place a week after the actual Veteran's Day and is slated for a one day only show on Tuesday, November 20. The story is adapted from a book of the same name by Larry Smith and will be performed by Stephen Lang. A portion of each ticket price goes directly for Hope for the Warriors. This charity provides comprehensive support programs for service members, veterans, and military families. Hope for the Warriors received Charity Navigator's highest rating of 4 stars. To watch a short video trailer of this inspiring production visit this YouTube site: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m53HkHidk1k>.

The Actor

Stephen Lang, award winning playwright, stage and screen star, in a stunning tour de force performance, brings the stories of eight recipients of the Medal of Honor to the stage. Each of these men went above and beyond the call of duty to a place where bravery and humility meet. Beyond Glory presents the stories



of veterans from World War II, Korea, and Vietnam, rendering first-hand accounts of valor which resulted in the nation's highest military award, the Medal of Honor. As a tribute to fallen soldiers, Lang performed his one-man show on military bases, and gave a command per-

formance on the floor of Congress with Medal of Honor recipient Senator Daniel Inouye of Hawaii in attendance.

The oral histories of these eight men are brought to life through Lang's commanding performance, with a backdrop of video screens which occasionally evoke

the turmoil of combat. Lang subtly moves through each man's story with a slight alteration of posture and vocal coloring to suggest a new personality. The show enjoyed a celebrated run on Broadway and in Chicago's Goodman Theater. Lang is now taking it coast to coast. Lang began his career on Broadway and was commended for film portrayals of Babe Ruth to Stone-wall Jackson to AVATAR's Col. Quaritch. It is through Lang's stage adaptation of Beyond Glory that he has reached his most memorable, his most brilliant work. On television Lang portrayed fan-favorite 'Waldo' in the first two seasons of AMC's genre-bending martial arts series, INTO THE BADLANDS. His television credits include regular roles on Steven Spielberg's TERRA NOVA, and Michael Mann's classic CRIME STORY, as well as celebrated portrayals of Babe Ruth in NBC's biopic, BABE RUTH, and 'Happy' in DEATH OF A SALESMAN, with Dustin Hoffman.

This is a performance and show not to be missed. Tickets: Along with the show a completed dinner will be served at the ticket price of \$95 per person plus tax. This includes a choice from six entrees, dessert, coffee or tea. The Westchester Broadway Theatre is located in Elmsford. Box office: (914)592-2222. Visit: www.broadwaytheatre.com.

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COMMUNITY MEETING FOR HOPPER STREET RESIDENTS The Board of Trustees of the Village of Pleasantville, New York will hold a community meeting with the residents of Hopper Street on Tuesday, November 27, 2018 at 7:30pm, prevailing time at the Village of Pleasantville Recreation Department, 48 Marble Avenue, Pleasantville, N.Y. for the purpose of hearing comments and discussion on topics related to Hopper Street. RSVP for the meeting and/or questions to **Noreen Regan (914) 769-1975** or via email villageclerk@pleasantville-ny.gov.

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RAY GALLAGHER PHOTOS

High-flying Somers' G Conor O'Donoghue, and defenders Tim McCormack (16) and Sean Dickson (20), were living high on the hog after the state-ranked (No.3) Tuskers knocked off No.1 Queensbury, 2-1, in the semifinals of the NYSPHSAA Class A boys' soccer tournament last Saturday at Mount St. Mary's College, but their delight was short lived when No.2 Amityville, in movie-like fashion, created the horror and dashed the dreams of All-NYS Somers striker Lucas Fecci, Bennett Leitner (inset photo) and the Tusker faithful in Sunday's 2-1 Class A title win over Somers, denying the Tuskers their second NYS title in three years... see Soccer Notebook

Sports

Soccer Notebook

Somers' Bid for 2nd NYS Title in 3 Years Stopped in Finals

No.3 Tuskers Thwarted by No.2 Amityville, 2-1; Haldane Girls Fall in State Semis

By Ray Gallagher
Examiner Sports Editor
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MIDDLETOWN -- When Somers junior wing Evan Mazzola hunted down a loose ball along the near sideline and snapped a centering pass along end line into the box against his body, the ball somehow found the head of All-Section senior M Jon Riina, who headed one home with 47 seconds left, lifting state-ranked (No.3) Somers to a 2-1 victory against No.1 Queensbury last Saturday in the NYSPHSAA Class A semifinal at

Mount Saint Mary College. With a second state title in three years just a win within its reach, Somers (19-5) found the sledding much tougher in Sunday's 2-1 state championship loss to No.2 Amityville at Faller Field in Middletown. Somers senior All-NYS striker Lucas Fecci delivered a goal in each game over the weekend, and the Tuskers played to the final buzzer against the Warriors, with Fecci heading one home in the 73rd minute of title tilt, but the frenzied Tuskers were denied several quality

looks by Amityville in the game's waning moments. "They were definitely a great team," Fecci admitted. "They had a lot of great players and coaches. We just couldn't finish, but there's nothing we can do about it. We still had a great season and I'll never forget this team." Somers outscored its playoff opponents by a combined 25-6 count, but the Tusker defense was up against a quick, deft-touch Amityville (21-0-1) attack that savored purpose and quality over quantity. And quality was at a premium for Somers when Riina lost his cool early in the second half and was promptly served a yellow card, leading to a 12-minute benching from Somers Coach Brian Lanzetta.

"If you guys know the Incredible Hulk like I do, you know at any moment if his head's not in it he can be tough, and we needed Jon too cool off for a bit," the coach said. "Keeping him calm was one of the most important things before we put him back out there." With Riina on the sidelines, Somers had a tough time generating an attack, but within seconds after his return, Fecci headed home a corner from senior M Alex Maher with seven minutes to play. Somers pressed hard over the final seven but was turned away on several close calls. "I've got mad respect for that Amityville program," Lanzetta admitted. "We developed a great relationship with those

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RAY GALLAGHER PHOTOS
Somers G Conor O'Donoghue and teammates took the state championship loss, as one would imagine.



Somers striker Lucas Fecci back-taps shot on goal in Tuskers 2-1 NYS semifinal win over Queensbury Saturday.



Somers M Jon Riina scores game-winning goal in Tuskers' 2-1 NYSPHSAA Class A semifinal win over Section 2 champ Queensbury Saturday at Mount St. Mary's.



Somers M Jon Riina and teammate Joe Grippo (7) react to Riina's GWG in 2-1 NYSPHSAA semifinal win over Queensbury Saturday.



Somers' Sean Dixon (20), Bennett Leitner and Lucas Fecci waltz off Faller Field after heartbreaking 2-1 loss in NYS Class A title loss to Amityville Sunday.

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Soccer Notebook

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Somers junior M Andrew Lasher tries his best to beat Amityville keeper late in 2-1 NYS Class A title loss last Sunday in Middletown.

guys two years ago (when Somers defeated the Warriors in the state semis). That's a hell of a team, well coached. He's got two or three distinct players that make all the difference for them, they're unbelievable. They eat, sleep and breath soccer.

"But I am super proud of my guys," he added. "They played to the end, and to be honest with you there were four or five times where we could have finished and put them away. We're not going out as losers in my mind. We have nothing to be ashamed of. I'm not one to complain, but for a New York State game like this the inconsistency of the refing that was going on really put a damper on things. But in the heat of the moment we can't let that get to us. Some of my guys showed some frustration to it and let it get the better of them."

The frustration began when Amityville struck first, scoring the game's initial goal on a somewhat controversial play,



Somers was lucky to rebound from this miscue that allowed Queensbury to tie NYS Class A semifinal game Tuskers would eventually win 2-1.

which Somers believed to be off-sides and interference on the Warrior goal scorer, Kymani Hines.

"That's where we started to crumble,"

Lanzetta said.

Several seniors on the 2018 roster, who served on the 2016 NYSPHSAA championship team, finished with an astounding 53-10-2 record over the course of three splendid seasons.

"It was an amazing senior class," Lanzetta said. "This was one of the best soccer weekends in the world for us. We're not coming out of here as losers, we're winners for having played here."

Against Queensbury (19-2), it took a special effort from Mazzola to spark the Tuskers in the game's final minute. His perfectly-placed cross found the head of Riina for the game-winning goal. Fecci had spotted the Tuskers a 1-0 lead on a first-half goal.

"We got a lot of crosses coming through the middle," Riina said. "We just gotta find someone to put a head on it or a foot on it just to tap it in. We had a bunch there in the

second half that looked promising but that last one from Evan really got it. I got a head on it and it went into the back of the net. Evan really is a playmaker, one of my best friends. I've been playing with this kid for a while now and those combos are something we do a lot in practice and I saw him making that run, so I just ran across into the box looking to get something on it and when I saw it come across into the box like that I knew I had to finish it."

The Tuskers had lost some composure with about 20 minutes to play, allowing Queensbury to gain the better of play and finally tie the game at 1-all with seven minutes to play.

"Hats off to Queensbury, for sure, they did their best," Lanzetta said. "We had a couple of chances to put them away and we didn't and it frustrates the boys. We gave up a stupid goal with the son in Conor's eyes, but for us to battle back and get the game-winning goal just shows the heart and what these men behind me are truly made of. They are amazing and it's just crazy that it happened. We just kept whipping balls in and crashing guys to the net, one ball in and one ball across and that was it. Riina's unbelievable man. It just goes to show you that accolades mean nothing, to me both Jon and Fecci are both All-Americans. It shows right here, they're unmarkable, so versatile and involved in so many different things besides



Somers senior M Alex Maher heads ball out of his zone in 2-1 NYSPHSAA Class A title loss to Amityville Sunday at Faller Field.

goals. What they bring to this team is unbelievable."

Indeed! What these seniors brought to the program is something that is unrivaled in its history, something that could take quite some time to match.

HALDANE belied its 9-8-1 record and upheld the rich tradition of a nine-time reigning Section 1 Class C champion by reaching the NYSPHSAA girls' soccer semis before Section 2 champion Stillwater's Brooke Pickett and Teya Staie scored two goals apiece last Saturday to lead Stillwater's top-ranked girls' soccer team to a 4-0 win at Cortland High School.

Stillwater (22-0-1), last year's state runner-up, put pressure on the Blue Devils early, so Haldane goalie Abigail Platt needed to be at her best from the get-go to keep things scoreless.

Haldane had a great scoring chance in the 23rd minute when Bella Monteleone broke in on a fast-break chance from 30 yards, which went just wide, and Blue Devil junior Jade Vilella had a long blast on net, which Stillwater G Kiersten Conroy stopped for the eventual NYS champs.



Somers players bask in the glow of their 2-1 NYSPHSAA Class A semifinal win over top-ranked Queensbury Saturday at Mt. St. Mary's.

Lakeland Denied Equalizer in 1-0 NYS Title Loss to Garden City

Hornets Shut Out for 1st Time Since 2008, Lose for 1st Time Since 2012

By Tony Pinciario

For the first time in 10 years the final score of the New York State Field Hockey Championship Class B title game was not in Lakeland's favor as Garden City pulled off a 1-0 victory at Williamsville North High School.

The victory snapped Lakeland's New York State-record nine consecutive Class B championships, an unprecedented mark in the history of the state field hockey tournament. Despite the final result, Lakeland walked off with its collective heads held high knowing it left the proverbial 'everything on the field'.

"We came out and played as a team," said senior and captain Julia Cummings. "We held our own and did the best we could. We didn't come out with a win, but I'm extremely proud of the way my team and myself performed."

The game was evenly-played, which was to be expected considering Lakeland and Garden City play for the state

championship annually. Garden City finished an opportunity 5:30 into the second half, then entrusted its defense to fend off Lakeland's vaunted offense. The defenses played outstanding as Garden City registered two penalty corners and Lakeland had one, a season-low for both teams. Usually, both teams reached double digits consistently throughout the season.

Lakeland, which won its 10 straight Section 1 Class B title, finished with a 22-1 record, falling for the first time since a 2012 loss to mighty Darien (CT). Lakeland advanced to the state final four with regional victories over Rondout Valley, 4-1, and Burnt Hills-Ballston Spa, 1-0. The Hornets defeated Afton, 2-0, in a state semifinal while Garden City beat Mendon in the other semifinal. Lakeland senior F Cara O'Shea scored both goals in the Lakeland triumph of Afton.

"Garden City was a very strong team, as well, and competing with them and having such a close game was a good experience," said Cummings, who finished with 11 goals and 19 assists.

Even though the final result was not in the Hornets' favor, Lakeland Coach Sharon Sarsen was effusive in her praise.

"I am so proud of this group," Sarsen said. "To play at the level they did all season long has been most impressive. They carried themselves with class each and every day, including in today's disappointing loss. I am so proud to be their coach today as much as always."

Lakeland has been Section 1's most dominant team this century. Since 2003, Lakeland has won 11 state championships – 2003, '06, '09-'17 – 12 overall.



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Lakeland G Kellie Smith eyes up a save in Hornets' 2-0 NYSPHSAA Class B semifinal win over Section 4 champ Afton Saturday.



Lakeland senior F Cara O'Shea scored both goals in Hornets' 2-0 NYSPHSAA semifinal win over Afton Saturday at Williamsville North.



Lakeland Captain Julianna Cappello works ball up field in Hornets' 1-0 loss to Garden City in NYSPHSAA Class B title game last Sunday in Williamsville North.

The 2003 team featured only two seniors – current Lakeland Junior Varsity field hockey Coach Danielle Fiore and current Copper Beech Modified field hockey Coach Andi (Coiro) Geraghty. The 2003 team also featured three freshmen, Melissa Gonzalez, Kara Connolly and Amy Voelkel, who all contributed to the

determination and it is shown through all of our accomplishments. Our history also shows our dedication to this sport and how dedication will be continued through the years."

Many factors have made this a memorable season for Lakeland, one of which was tremendous team camaraderie.



Lakeland seniors had plenty of reason to hold their heads high after falling in NYS Class B finals, 1-0, to Garden City.

state title. In 2006, these three formed the nucleus of Lakeland's state-championship team. In 2003 and '06, Lakeland was the state Class A champion.

Lakeland returned to the state Class A final in 2007, only to be upset by Williamsville North. 2-1. Following a loss to Putnam Valley in the Section 1 Class B final in 2008, Lakeland began its history-making run in 2009.

"Our history is a great part of Lakeland field hockey, but Sars is the backbone of it all," Cummings said. "She is an amazing coach who has been such a great teacher and role model these past years. I really look up to her and I'm so thankful that I was able to be coached by the best of the best. Sars also teaches us the importance of hard work and

"This season has been such a great experience for my teammates and I," Cummings said. "The bond that this team has is truly amazing. We enjoyed every second of playing together and we're so grateful that we had the opportunities that we did. I'm so proud of the way we performed this whole season. I hope the younger players have learned from and looked up to the seniors."

"Lakeland field hockey will last forever and has given us so many memories to look back on and be thankful for."

O'Shea was the Hornets' sportsmanship award recipient while senior midfielder Emily Kness and junior defender/midfielder Erin Daly were named to the Class B NYS all-tournament team for Lakeland.

Sports

It's True: All Good Things Must Come to an End



By Ray Gallagher
Examiner Sports
Editor

So, my wife and I have been together for nearly 20 years since we first started this wondrous 2-for-1 deal, which I get the best of every day, honey. So when she asks me, 'Did Lakeland field hockey win another championship today?', the response -- ever since the Hornets' 2008 Section 1 championship loss to Putnam Valley -- has been, "Yeah, of course they did, ya' have to ask?"

It's gotten to the point where I've considered a cut-and-paste story version of Coach Sharon Sarsen's Lakeland High field hockey program each year (JK), simply changing the names around while inserting new heroes into the program's distinctive annals.

But when my wife returned from Costco last Sunday, and rhetorically asked again, "Sars won states, right?," I had to tell her something I've only had to say a handful of time since we first met at the Red Mills Pub prior to the turn of the century.

"No," I said, only hours after Lakeland suffered a 1-0 loss to rival Garden City in the NYSPHSAA Class B finals at Williamsville North High School on Sunday. "All good things must end."

But to have it end in the state finals isn't such a bad ending, is it? The only way to answer that question is to remind the reader that no other NYS field hockey program in the history of the tournament has been to 10-straight title tilts, much less

won nine of them.

Sarsen's résumé reads like an inexpressible fictional tale, because words fail me at times like this: I mean who appears in 10 consecutive NYSPHSAA Class B championships and goes 9-1 in them?

I ain't no spin doctor for 12-time NYS champion Sharon Sarsen, who was recently minted into the Westchester County Sports Hall of Fame; she don't need no spin. So, she finally lost one! It was bound to happen, I reckon. But that will never tarnish this dynasty and what I consider the most impressive state championship run in the 30-plus years I've been covering sports on the Section 1 block. Someone will have to show me something more momentous before I concede that notion.

So, for the first time since 2008, classy Lakeland didn't have a dogpile on their goalie after a state championship game. Perhaps the only thing more earth-shattering to me was that first kiss at the Red Mills Pub back in 1999 and the subsequent changes in my life.

Congrats Lakeland, on a run second to none...

And here's a tip of the cap to the **SOMERS** boys' soccer program for reaching its second state final in three years. Yeah, the state-ranked (No.2 as of Monday) Tuskers were denied the second state title in three years after a 2-1 loss to Section 11 champion Amityville in the NYSPHSAA Class A

Direct Rays



JIM VAN DEVELDE PHOTO

As they've done so often the last decade, Lakeland forms yet another mosh pit around their goalie after moving on to NYS Class B finals in 2-0 semifinal win over Afton Saturday.

championship game at Faller Field on the swank campus of Middletown High, but Coach Brian Lanzetta has this program head and shoulders above most in Section 1. Same goes for the **HALDANE** girls' soccer program, second to none in Section 1 Class C with its nine-straight sectional titles...

Okay, so the scent of snow is in the air this week and I'm just about ready to hibernate at local gymnasiums from now till early March. It's hoops season, y'all, which means it's time to forward your basketball rosters and all things "previewy" to Raygallaghersports@gmail.com, so hit me up.



Hen Hud's Ashanti Davis slams home kill in Sailors' five-set loss to Cornwall in Class A Region 1 championship last Saturday.



Hen Hud's Madisen Lupica slams down a kill in Sailors' five-set loss to Cornwall in Region 1 Class A title match.



Hen Hud seniors Pamela Loh (L) and Ashley Perez receive NYS Region 1 Class A runner-up plaque after falling to Cornwall in five sets Saturday.

Hen Hud Drops Grueling 5-Set Match in NYS Regional Round



Remarkable athleticism like this from Pamela Loh enabled Hen Hud to reach Region 1 Class A title game where they suffered 5-set loss to Cornwall.

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