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## Fastpitch Softball Champs

The 14u Empire State Huskies, a tournament fastpitch softball team, won the National USSSA tournament in Salisbury, MD on July 22. The team finished first out of 48 teams. The squad is made up of local varsity girls from Lakeland High School, Walter Panas, Lourdes, Ardsley, Mahopac, Haldane, Hackley, and John Jay East Fishkill.

## White Supremacist Group Posters in Croton Condemned

By Rick Pezzullo

White supremacist group posters that recently appeared on poles in the Village of Croton-on-Hudson near the high school and middle school were widely condemned.

"Westchester County has a zero-tolerance policy for discrimination and intimidation. White supremacist groups and postings promoting such groups are not welcome here," the Westchester County Human Rights Commission stated in a release. "The Westchester County Human Rights Commission values dignity, safety, and mutual respect of all people in our borders. We affirm the ideal that all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights."

Croton Police Chief Russel Harper reported on July 25 that on the evening of July 22 police were made aware of signs that had been placed in some locations and had

reached out to the Human Rights Commission. Police declined to name the group on the signs "in order to avoid further publicity."

However, state Senator Terrence Murphy (R/Yorktown) and his potential Democratic challenger, Robert Kesten, both identified the group as Identity Evropa, which was founded in 2016 and has taken anti-capitalist and extreme left wing economic positions while promoting racial segregation.

"This is not the Westchester I grew up in or the Westchester I am raising my kids in. Let's be unequivocally clear: there is no room in our community for any form of hatred or any association who endorses such hate," Murphy stated. "I applaud our neighbors and friends in the Croton com-

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## Yorktown Man Jailed Four Years for Stealing 1,200 Computers

By Rick Pezzullo

A Yorktown man was sentenced to prison on July 16 for taking part in a scheme to steal, transport and sell a shipment of approximately 1,200 computers, valued at more than \$1 million, bound for two public schools in New Jersey.

U.S. District Judge Kenneth Karas sentenced Anton Saljanin, 46, to four years behind bars after he pled guilty in October in federal court to one count of conspiracy to commit theft from an interstate shipment, interstate transportation of stolen property, and receipt,

possession, and sale of stolen property, and one count of theft from an interstate shipment.

"Anton Saljanin was the ringleader and insider in an inside job that resulted in the theft of over \$1 million worth of computers meant for school kids," said U.S. Attorney Geoffrey Berman. "Now, having admitted his role in this truck hijacking scheme, he has been sentenced to prison for his crimes."

The complaint and indictment filed against Saljanin and his brother, Gjon Saljanin, 43, also a resident of Yorktown,

alleged on or about January 15, 2014, Anton Saljanin, a shipping company driver, drove a truck from Yorktown to a technology company in Massachusetts to pick up a shipment of about 1,200 computers with his brother.

The next morning, Anton Saljanin reported to the Yorktown Police Department that the truck had been stolen from a parking lot in Yorktown. Later that day, he told police he had been driving around looking for the truck when he spotted it from the highway in a parking lot in Danbury, Connecticut.

However, it was determined that the truck would not have been visible in that parking lot by a driver from the highway, and cell phone records indicated Saljanin did not take the route he claimed he did.

Yorktown police detectives examined the truck and found a window had been broken. They also discovered broken glass at the scene in Danbury but not in Yorktown, suggesting the window had been smashed there.

In addition, security camera foot-

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# White Supremacist Group Posters in Croton Condemned

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munity who have taken it upon themselves to peacefully counter the Evropa efforts. We should all remember to put love above hate."

"I am deeply troubled by the hateful flyers that were posted outside of several schools right here in our community. This is racism plain and simple," Kesten stated. "As friends, neighbors, community mem-

bers and allies, we cannot stand by while this kind of behavior goes unchecked. This is not the message we should be sending to our children. We stand in full support of the good and decent people of Croton-on-Hudson and the human rights values they stand for."

The fliers were taken down and replaced

by posters that promoted Love Above Hate.

"The Westchester County Human Rights Commission protects the rights of victims of discrimination in the areas of employment, housing, public accommodation and credit.

The Commission encourages all county residents to report white supremacist public posters, bias crimes and bias incidents to their local law enforcement agencies," the Commission stated.

## Yorktown Man Jailed Four Years for Stealing Computers

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age from various locations in Yorktown contradicted where the Saljanin brothers told police they traveled on January 15, 2014. Instead, they traveled to the Yorktown home of Ujka Vulaj, 56, a longtime friend, and unloaded the computers.

Federal officials alleged from January to April 2014, Vulaj sold the stolen computers, some with the help of a co-worker, Carlos Caceres, 39, of the Bronx, for between \$500 and \$800 in cash, far below their market value of \$1,000, and each computer was handed over in plain brown cardboard packaging.

Gjon Saljanin was sentenced in May to one year and one day in prison and two

years of supervised release. He was also ordered to forfeit \$989,424 in ill-gotten gains, the same amount his brother was ordered to pay in restitution.

Vulaj was sentenced in May to 12 months in prison and ordered to forfeit \$989,424 in ill-gotten gains. Caceres was sentenced to 27 months in jail and ordered to forfeit \$331,188 in ill-gotten gains.



### YSBA, Officials Visit Mercy College Incubator Center

Yorktown Small Business Association member, Mercy College, invited Yorktown and Westchester County Officials to tour their Business Incubator Center (Mercy Incubator Center, MIC) at their Bronx Campus. The center houses entrepreneurial startup businesses, offering mentoring and collaborative experience for undergraduate students. (L-R:) Cecil Wright Executive Director of Admissions, Scorpio Rogers Executive Director of MIC, Bridget Gibbons Deputy Director of Economic Development, Bob Giordano President of YSBA, Lanny Gilbert Yorktown Supervisor, Alice Roker Deputy Yorktown Supervisor, Jay McKenzie Jay Mac Productions, Miosotis Munoz Senior Manager of Corporate and Healthcare Partnership, Orane Barret Chief Executive Nerd of Kool Nerds Club, Mike Zarrilli Senior Director of Graduate Admissions.



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### Q: How healthy is breastfeeding?

**A:** It is the healthiest way, bar none, to feed and nurture most newborns, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP). They recommend exclusive breastfeeding for the first six months, and continued breastfeeding as solid foods are introduced throughout your baby's first year.

### Q: How does breastfeeding benefit my baby?

**A:** There are many benefits, which continue as your baby develops. The World Health Organization (WHO) finds that babies who are exclusively breastfed have fewer ear infections, serious illnesses and allergies than those who were not breastfed or were partially breastfed. Moreover, the AAP reports a more than one-third drop in the rate of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome among breastfed infants. Breastfed babies are also less likely to become obese adolescents or adults. Interestingly, the composition of breast milk changes over time to support baby's ongoing developmental needs.

### Q: What are the benefits for mom?

**A:** The advantages for mothers are numerous. Breastfeeding women often find it easier to lose their pregnancy weight quickly. In addition, the WHO finds that women who breastfeed lower their risk of breast and ovarian cancers. Breastfeeding also decreases a woman's risk of developing both Type 2 diabetes and osteoporosis. There are also important psychological and emotional benefits: nursing offers peaceful downtime that can have a restorative and meditative effect on the busy mother of a newborn.

### Q: How do I succeed at breastfeeding?

**A:** Some new mothers worry they "won't do it right." Others are concerned about painful, sore nipples or that their baby won't get enough milk. First-time mothers are often unsure how to continue breastfeeding once they're back to work. Preparation is the key to success. I advise every expecting mother and their partner to take a breastfeeding class in the last trimester of pregnancy. You'll feel empowered and gain confidence by learning what to expect during the first weeks with a newborn. You will be ready to experience this intimate act of love between mother and baby.

# Local Ordinance to Ban Plastic Bags Debated in Croton

By Anna Young

The Croton Climate Initiative and area residents urged Croton-on-Hudson officials to pass a local ordinance that would eliminate single-use plastic bags in all stores and encourage patrons to bring reusable shopping bags.

Throughout the nearly 90-minute public hearing on July 23, speakers in the standing-room-only crowd expressed their support for the initiative and encouraged the use of reusable bags, explaining how it would better serve the environment and future generations.

"The real issue is to reduce plastic bag pollution" said village resident Karen Moy, who teared up during her statement. "I believe that we have a responsibility to our young people, our kids and their kids to keep our environment safe, healthy and vibrant so please pass the proposed ordinance."

The proposed legislation, referred to as the Reusable Bag initiative and recommended by the Croton Climate Initiative, would also call for certain stores, such as groceries and food markets, pharmacies and convenience stores, to charge customers a 10-cent fee for each paper bag used to carry out purchased merchandise. The fee would be kept by the stores.

The ordinance would still allow plastic bags to be used for meat and produce, dry cleaner's, prescription drugs, and newspapers.

While members of the Croton Climate Initiative said they've received support from more than 1,000 residents and several businesses, Tom Urtz, Vice President of Operations at ShopRite, suggested the village-centric law would entice customers to shop elsewhere if they have a choice to avoid restrictions and fees.

"My concern is we are the only major supermarket that would be affected by this and competition in retail is always at our heels," said Urtz, naming other grocers nearby. "So, the concern we have is how customers may make shopping decisions to shop outside of Croton and speaking to some stores in the industry, they saw that dynamic happen where people walked away from orders."

Urtz said ShopRite takes immense pride

in their community outreach and commitment to shoppers, citing the store's recent \$15 million renovation project. While he suggested the law would create an "unequal playing field," he requested the board work in collaboration with store owners toward a solution to reducing plastic and paper bags.

"Given the stakes we have in the community, the investment we've made in the community, while we are here collaboratively to seek some solution to the reduction to plastic and paper bags, respectfully, I ask you to consider a fee-based approach, as well," Urtz said.

Steve Wolk, chairman of New Castle's Sustainability Advisory Board, said DeCicco & Sons in Millwood moved in and embraced what shoppers wanted after New Castle's ban went into effect last year. He said the busy parking lot is the only challenge for customers.

Ryan Lamberg, member of volunteer organization PleasantvilleRecycles, said his organization spent five years crafting their reusable bag ordinance, only to receive opposition from Key Food Marketplace, the only grocer within the village. While Pleasantville officials adopted the

law two weeks ago, he stressed the need for neighboring communities to do more to protect the environment.

While residents said they would continue to support ShopRite if a ban went into effect, others urged the board to join nearby communities in enacting a law that would represent the needs of residents and the environment.

"The environment is literally choking on plastic," resident Justin Casson said. "I believe it's up to each community to step up and do what it can and not wait. We all have to do our part."

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# Grand Opening of Gateway Townhomes in Peekskill Celebrated

By Rick Pezzullo

Ginsburg Development Companies (GDC) celebrated the Grand Opening of its Gateway Townhomes project in the City of Peekskill last week.

Located at 700 Main Street, across from Peekskill's youth center, Gateway Townhomes is the first new construction in that area in more than 65 years. The \$5.2 million development features 16 rowhouse townhome-style condominiums with a selection of triplex three-bedroom homes ranging in size from 1,756 square feet to 1,915 square feet. Fourteen of the townhomes will be sold at market rate prices, starting at \$335,000. Two two-bedroom units will be offered as affordable workforce housing for those making up to 80% of the Westchester County Median Income,



GDC President Martin Ginsburg (center) cut ribbon to Gateway Townhomes, flanked by local and county officials.

with the sales price pending notification of certain grants.

"The Peekskill we dream of still lies ahead. Housing, power, water and sanitation for all; bank accounts and insur-

ance for every citizen; connected and prosperous, smart and sustainable cities. The Gateway is one of the first projects that welcomes this dream come true," said Peekskill Mayor Andre Rainey.

"This wonderful new residential development will provide an attractive gateway to the City of Peekskill which is undergoing an exciting renaissance. We are particularly pleased to offer reasonably priced condominium living that is convenient to Downtown Peekskill and its many great restaurants and shops," said Martin Ginsburg, principal of GDC.

With the completion of Gateway Townhomes, GDC is moving ahead with a grand opening in September of the first phase of Fort Hill Apartments at the Abbey Inn. The \$64.5 million mixed-use project is transforming the former St. Mary's convent property into a resort-style tourist destination featuring luxury rentals apartments as well as a spa, inn and restaurant.

## Kincart, Dill, Cicinelli Named Among America's Best Real Estate Agents

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low Group. They are now members of the "America's Best Real Estate Agents."


REAL Trends America's Best Real Estate Agents ranks over 12,600 residential real estate professionals solely based on their excellence in real estate sales during calendar year 2017. All production numbers are independently verified by a third-party in order to ensure accu-

racy and report integrity. "This group of highly successful real estate sales agents represents less than 1 percent of all real estate practitioners in the United States," said Steve Murray, publisher of REAL Trends America's Best Real Estate Agents and president of REAL Trends.

To qualify for inclusion, an individual agent must have closed at least 50 trans-

action sides or \$20 million in sales volume in 2017. The individuals ranked in America's Best Real Estate Agents had an average of 73 transaction sides and an average sales volume of almost \$37 million. This ensures that only the best of the best are included on the prestigious list. "The average residential real estate agent in



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## Business of the Week

By Neal Rentz

Edward Carter, Sr. started his funeral home in Montrose in the 1950's and his son, Edward Jr., took his place.

While the founder and his son are both deceased, the legacy of the founding family is continuing at the Edward F. Carter Funeral Home, which has facilities in Montrose and Croton.

Some of the current staff spoke about the business last week at the Montrose location. Washingtonville resident Michel Trimble is the operations manager; Croton resident Carrie Cooper is the funeral director and Mount Kisco resident Meghan Novak is family service counselor.

Trimble said the Carter Funeral Home opened in the 1950's in Montrose and the second location in Croton opened in the late 1960's. Edward Carter Sr. was a railroad worker when he opened his Montrose funeral home. "He did this on the side," Trimble noted, adding he wound up working at the funeral home full-time. Carter's son, Edward Jr., who later was elected as a Cortlandt councilman, took over the business in the mid-1970's and ran it until the mid-1990's, Trimble noted.

## Edward F. Carter Funeral Home Croton and Montrose



NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

The Edward F. Carter Funeral Home has locations in Montrose and Croton. Shown above, from the left, are Mount Kisco resident Meghan Novak, family service counselor; Washingtonville resident Michel Trimble, operations manager; and Croton resident Carrie Cooper, funeral director.

The Montrose and Croton funeral homes are managed by Dignity Memorial. Trimble said he has worked for the funeral home since 2005.

Trimble said his career choice was carrying on a family tradition. "Both my parents were funeral directors," he noted. "I followed in the family footsteps."

Cooper took a different career route than Trimble. "I got into the business

nine years ago. I was a fine artist," she said.

A variety of services are provided at the Carter Funeral Homes for people of all religious faiths, Cooper said. "We deal with cremations and full burials. We also do prearranged funerals," she said. The homes also work with families to create monuments that are placed in cemeteries she said. Memorial, traditional and non-traditional services are provided.

Novak works with families on pre-planning for the home's services, which can take place over several years, she said. Families can pay for services via a variety of payment plan options. "They're paying a third party, FDIC-insured trust company," she explained. "It's an interest-bearing trust." Families who choose to pre-plan agree to a price for services, which never increases. "It makes you immune to inflation," Novak said.

Cooper said one example of a non-traditional funeral service provided by Edward F. Carter was one held at Bear Mountain featuring a live band and a catered meal.

Services are also provided at chapels at Carter's Montrose and Croton locations.

Cooper said the staff at the funeral homes is active in the community. For example, Tremble and Cooper are Our Lady of Mount Carmel Society and the Hen Hud Lion's Club. "We try to reach out to people in our community," Cooper said.

Tremble said the Montrose and Croton funeral homes have been so successful "because of the quality of service that we give, attention to detail that we take for every family. We treat everybody the same no matter if they have a very small, simple memorial service or if they have a traditional big funeral."

There are two locations for Edward F. Carter Funeral Home. The Montrose location is 170 Kings Ferry Rd. For more information, call 914-737-0900 or visit [efcarter.com](http://efcarter.com). The Croton location is 41 Grand St. For more information, call 914-271-4882 or visit [https://www.dignitymemorial.com](http://dignitymemorial.com).

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# Obituary

## Lee Croft

Lee J. Croft (nee Lena Jane Soria), a long-time resident of Peekskill, died peacefully July 20 at home. She was 90.



Lee Croft

She was born June 24, 1928 and was raised in Brooklyn. She was the second child of the late Nicola and Meri (Suriani) Soria. She was predeceased by her sister Flora (Soria) Goldfarb and her brother Michael R. Soria. She is

survived by her brother Luigi Soria of Raleigh, NC.

Her family had a summer house in Mahopac, and during one of her visits, she met her husband, Kenneth J. Croft Jr., who predeceased her in 1998. They lived in a house her father and her husband built and raised three children together: Kenneth J. Croft, III of Westborough, MA, and Nicholas G. Croft and Meri Lee Croft, both of Peekskill. In addition to her three children, she is survived by her daughter-in-law, Diane M. (Barry) Croft of Westborough, and her three grand-

children, Margaret R. Croft of Brooklyn, Joseph M. Croft of Arcata, CA, and Stephen T. Croft of Westborough.

Over her 28-year career at the Peekskill City School District, she served as the coordinator of the Youth Employment Service, worked in the high school's main office, and was secretary to four Peekskill High School principals. She retired in 2005. A life-long learner, in her youth, she studied at New York University and Brooklyn College. In her retirement, she attended classes at Westchester Community College. Her curiosity led her to travel widely, and she experienced the natural wonders of the United States, the Old-World culture of Europe, and a zip line in Costa Rica with equal and hearty enthusiasm. She never failed to complete the daily Jumble.

A member of The Garden Club of Peekskill since 2009, she had served as Assistant Corresponding Secretary and as Chair of the Conservation Committee. Her love of green things spread from her own garden outward to encompass all of nature, and she especially enjoyed her weekly walks at Rockefeller State Park Preserve.

From college courses to kickboxing to exploring gardens and the world, she never stopped, and she will be greatly

missed.

## Merwin "Dutch" Treptow

Merwin H. "Dutch" Treptow, a resident of Peekskill, died July 25. He was 89.

Mr. Treptow was a restaurateur and the owner of the Red Shutter Inn in Garrison. He was born on December 4, 1928 in Goshen, NY to Frederick and Ethel Mae Lee Treptow. Mr. Treptow served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War Era. On January 22, 1949, he married the love of his life Joyce Koman in Montgomery, NY. They were married for 69 years until her passing on April 9, 2018.

He was a life member of the Elks Lodge 744 in Peekskill since 1958, organizing many fundraisers and dinners, he also earned the Elk of the Year Award. He was also a life member and Captain of the Washington Engine Company, he belonged to the Mason Lodge, was an honorary member of the Christopher Columbus Society of Peekskill and a member of the American Legion. He was an avid fisherman, hunter, he enjoyed cooking for the community and spending time with his family and his beloved dogs.

He is survived by a son, Larry (JoAnn) Treptow of Peekskill and two daughters; Barbara (Julio) Montero of Montrose and Phyllis (Fred) Froebich of Montrose. Also surviving are four grandchildren; Jesse (Anne) Montero, Andrew (Gabriele) Montero, Lindsay and Julie Froebich. Three great grandsons; Paul, Damon and Andreas. In addition to his wife, he was predeceased by two brothers, William and Frederick Treptow.

The family will gather for a Celebration of Life on Sunday, August 5, from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Peekskill Elks Lodge, 1038 Brown St., Peekskill. A Memorial Service will be held during this time at 3 p.m. Afterwards all are invited to a reception at the Elks Lodge at 5 p.m. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Annual Christmas Dinner Fund of the Peekskill Presbyterian Church, 705 South St., Peekskill, NY or the Elks Lodge 744, 1038 Brown St. Peekskill, NY. Arrangements by Joseph F. Nardone Funeral Home, Peekskill.

## Arlene Griff

Arlene Ellen Griff of Arlington, VA, formerly of Croton-on-Hudson, died July 25. She was 77.

She was born November 13, 1940 in Peekskill to the late Martin and Revea (Baker) Griff. She is survived by her beloved brother and sisters, Martin Griff, Joan Fetzko, Carol Carey and Mary Lynch. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her brother William Griff in 2013.

Daniel Perry

Daniel (Dan) Perry, a resident of Cortlandt, died peacefully July 21. He was 85.

He was born in White Plains on February 19, 1933 to the late John and Carmella Perry. On July 2, 1955, he married the love of his life, Joan, who remained his partner and best friend for 63 years.

The love Dan shared toward his family was unending, as was his reverence for his country. He was a devoted Marine who served faithfully during the Korean War.

He is survived by his wife, Joan; children, Diane (Andy) Panos, Daniel, Tracey, Richard, and Jennifer; sister, Marie; as well as thirty grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He is reunited in Heaven with his beloved children, John, Carmella, and Barbara; and brother, John.

A mass in Mr. Perry's honor will be held on Saturday, August 11 at 10 a.m. at Church of the Holy Spirit, 1969 Crompond Rd, Cortlandt Manor. A celebration of his life will follow at Amawalk Firehouse, 2523 Amawalk Rd, Amawalk until 3 p.m.

## Gloria Hale

Gloria Cipullo Hale, a resident of Somers, died peacefully July 27 at Somers Manor. She was 90.

She was born in the Bronx on November 14, 1927, to Josephine Petro Cipullo and Joseph Cipullo. She resided there with her six brothers and one sister. She graduated from Walton High School in the Bronx. She married Kenneth Hale on June 2, 1951. They lived in Mount Vernon and resided in Yonkers for more than 25 years. She then moved to Heritage Hills where she enjoyed playing golf and mahjong. She celebrated her 90th birthday with a large gathering of family and friends. She was a member of St. Eugene's in Yonkers, Holy Rosary in Hawthorne, and St. Joseph's in Somers. She worked for many years as a secretary in the Yonkers and Elmsford school systems, and she was past President of the Emblem Club.

She is survived by her two children: Kenneth Hale (Ann) and Karen (Gary) Rushneck. Her four grandchildren also survive her: Matthew, Jeffrey, Erika, and Emily. She is also survived by her brothers, Ray Cipullo, Victor Cipullo, and Ernie Cipullo. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband Kenneth, her sister, Florence, and her brothers, Charles, Matthew, and Arthur.

## Dr. Richard Chicotka

Dr. Richard J. Chicotka, Ph.D., formerly of San Jose, CA, died July 6 in Yorktown Heights after a long battle with

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## Police Blotter

A 28-year-old Pennsylvania resident and a New York National Guard officer was killed July 23 in a head-on crash on Route 202 in Yorktown.

According to Yorktown police, Bradford was driving a 2009 Audi A5 that apparently crossed the double yellow line and hit a 2012 GMC pick-up truck just before 7 a.m. The crash closed a portion of Route 202 for more than four hours.

Bradford served as a motor vehicle transport operator in the 719th Transportation Company based at Camp Smith in Cortlandt.

### State Police

**July 21** - State Police from the Cortlandt barracks arrested Patricia A.



Patricia Dolan

Dolan, 55, of Cortlandt, for Criminal Sex Act in the 1st degree, a class B felony. On July 20, troopers responded to New York Presbyterian/Hudson Valley Hospital for a report of a Criminal Sex Act. Investigators determined Dolan committed a sexual

act on a victim under the age of 13. She was arraigned before Town of Cortlandt Court, and remanded to the Westchester County Jail in lieu of \$25,000 cash bail or \$50,000 bond.

State Police from Cortlandt arrested Christopher J. Platt, 60, of Peekskill, for DWI. He was traveling on Route 9 in the Town of Cortlandt, when he was stopped for a vehicle and traffic law violation. Investigation revealed that he was impaired by alcohol, and was subsequently arrested.

State Police from Cortlandt arrested Jillian F. Cohen, 28, of Cortlandt, for Aggravated DWI. She was traveling on 6th Street in the Town of Cortlandt, when she left the roadway and struck a house. Investigation revealed that she was impaired by alcohol, and was subsequently arrested.

State Police from Cortlandt arrested Ryan P. McNally, 35, of Peekskill, for Aggravated DWI. He was traveling on East Main Street in the Town of Cortlandt, when he was stopped for a vehicle and traffic law violation. Investigation revealed that he was impaired by alcohol, and was subsequently arrested.

**July 22** - State Police from Cortlandt arrested Walter E. Brito, 54, of Cortlandt, for Aggravated DWI with one prior conviction. He was traveling on Highland

Avenue in the City of Peekskill, when he was stopped for a vehicle and traffic law violation. Investigation revealed that he was impaired by alcohol, and was subsequently arrested.

State Police from Cortlandt arrested Braulio I. Flores, 41, of Yorktown, for DWI. He was traveling on the Taconic State Parkway in the Town of Mount Pleasant, when he was stopped for a vehicle and traffic law violation. Investigation revealed that he was impaired by alcohol, and was subsequently arrested.

State Police from Cortlandt arrested Mario R. Ardon, 22, of Ossining, for DWI and Aggravated Unlicensed Operation in the 3rd degree, an unclassified misdemeanor. He was traveling on Route 9 in the Village of Ossining, when he was stopped for a vehicle and traffic law violation. Investigation revealed that he was impaired by alcohol, and was subsequently arrested.

**July 20** - State Police from Cortlandt arrested Timothy F. Knowlton, 63, of Cortlandt, for DWI. He was traveling on Route 9 in the Town of Cortlandt, when he was stopped for a vehicle and traffic law violation. Investigation revealed that he was impaired by alcohol, and was subsequently arrested.

State Police from Somers arrested

Bonnie R. Lamy, 56, of Putnam Valley, or Aggravated DWI. She was found parked in the roadway on Route 35 in the Town of Cortlandt. Investigation revealed that he was impaired by alcohol, and was subsequently arrested.

### Yorktown Police

**July 18 - 11:25 p.m.** - John Castillo, 35, of Peekskill, was charged with criminal possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of marijuana, and several traffic infractions, including driving without a license and with an expired registration after being pulled over on Route 202 for driving with unlawful tinted windows. With the assistance of K9 Spar, Castillo was found to be in possession of cocaine and marijuana. He was released on \$250 cash bail.

**July 28 - 8:50 p.m.** - Michael Damato, 59, of Yorktown, was charged with endangering the welfare of a child and exposing himself after responding to a complaint in the CVS parking lot. Police reported it was alleged Damato stood outside his vehicle facing the victims with his shorts down and exposed himself. He was later stopped on Route 6 for speeding and other traffic violations. He was remanded to Westchester County Jail in lieu of \$5,000 cash bail.

## In Loving Memory

**Robert T. Carbone, Sr.** passed away July 12, 2018 at Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia, PA after a short illness. Bob was born in Peekskill, NY on June 7, 1937.

He was preceded in death by his father Augustine, mother Marion Shea Lancaster, step-father Robert Lancaster, and uncles Frank Shea & Joe Shea of Peekskill.

Bob is survived by his beloved wife of 53 years Elaine Mooney Carbone of Milton, DE, his children and spouses whom he dearly loved, daughter Deborah Carbone Agresti (John) of Coral Springs, FL, son Robert Carbone, Jr. (Susan) of East Peoria, IL, and daughter Kristin Carbone (Yofi) of Baltimore, MD and two grandchildren whom he adored, Rio and Silvan Carbone-Weinberg, also his dear sister Judith Carbone of Hopewell Junction, NY and his aunt Margaret Curran of Buchanon, NY.

Bob was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He then began his career at IBM, where he worked for over 35 years. After retirement, Bob & Elaine relocated to Milton, Delaware from Putnam

Valley, NY.


He was a member of St. Jude the Apostle Church in Lewes, DE.

Bob was a past president of the Milton Lions Club and enjoyed many years of service to community projects such as driving the Milton train, helping build ramps for the disabled, and fundraising projects. In his youth, he raced with the Peekskill/Mt. Vernon Roller Derby Assoc. In his retirement, he enjoyed watching the NY Yankees, westerns, and being a Dad and Pop Pop.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Milton Lions Club, P. O. Box 256, Milton DE 19968.

Interment was at the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Millsboro, DE.





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## Letters to the Editor

### Socialism Has Worked in the USA

#### To the Editor,

In the Letter to the Editor "Socialism Doesn't Work" (July 24-30, 2018) the author concludes: "Show me where in the world socialism has worked." Easy, start here in the USA. The BEST things serving the MOST people in America are "Socialist" collectivist enterprises.

The Interstate Highway System - the greatest in the world - is Socialist, built and still owned by everyone in America... collectively. All of our roads are Socialist, i.e. built and owned and maintained by the people collectively...the definition of Socialism. Route 6 is Socialist. Our public library system, I can assure you, as someone who has visited over 60 nations in my lifetime, is the BEST in the world. Socialist! Our Police departments! Our

Fire departments! Our town parks! Our national parks! Don't we love our towns' socialist swimming pools! So cool and refreshing! The US military! NASA - put a man on the moon! Socialist! How about Social Security and Medicare? I'm 67 and I have a lot of friends, from very conservative to very liberal. I don't know ONE who is refusing to enroll in Medicare and Social Security. TWO GREAT SOCIALIST PROGRAMS! Municipal water treatment, snow removal, trash collection, lighting of the commons, traffic lights. Mass transit! The Green Bay Packers! Who doesn't love the Socialist owned Green Bay Packers? Our public schools. Our many state university systems - the best in the world.

If you want to talk about health care there are dozens of nations that have single payer national health care that serves everybody, and everybody pays for it collectively and the systems work. All of these nations are less wealthy than America. Here, we have thousands who are driven to bankruptcy every year because they are struck with a chronic disease that wipes them out financially. There are many countries where this NEVER happens. Many nations around the world have working mixed socialist/capitalist economies that don't suppress entrepreneurialism. Neither socialism nor capitalism is perfect. Both need constant maintenance and adjustments, and that's the function of government and laws. And who's going to pay for this you

ask? Just like now, to cover the above mentioned - everybody - but mostly the rich on a graduated income tax scale (something we've had for a century). Because we are Americans and we are all in this together.

Americans pay the highest fees in the world for medications while last year American pharmaceutical companies made a \$53 billion profit!!! Let's not be naive suckers when we think about who - exactly - the irrational fear of Socialism serves. It serves the interests of the very rich, the same people who have moved our manufacturing abroad these last five decades in order to maximize profits at our expense.

NICK KUVACH  
Putnam Valley

### Kesten Will Support People Over Politics

#### To the Editor,

I need to respond to Francis McVetty's letter, Socialism Doesn't Work. When I wrote my Letter to the Editor supporting Robert Kesten and his endorsement of a single-payer medical plan for the citizens of New York State, I was clear to state that this is not "socialism," nor is it a plan based on fuzzy economics. The NY State legislature currently has a bill under consideration that would create such a single-payer system, and

Robert Kesten's voice in Albany is required to ensure that this bill becomes law. Our health care crisis requires new solutions, not programs that continue to erode the coverage of so many of us, while at the same time driving costs sky-high! Trump and his enablers, including Murphy, need to go.

What concerns me more, frankly, is McVetty's use of the term "socialism" to discredit a plan that would improve medical care for all, and provide sig-

nificant cost savings. This is classic "dog whistle" politics! Too often, when wanting to criticize a position, folks today use terms that are strategically designed to elicit deep seated fears, prejudices and stereotypes. Beware messages that appeal to such motives; in addition to "socialism," take caution when you see terms like "law and order," "sanctuary cities," "voter ID," "state's rights," "welfare queens" and more. These are all code words

used to promote practices that have long punished the poor and minority population in support, too often, of the wealthy and elite.

Health care is a serious issue. Terrence Murphy's abysmal record on health care is clear. We need someone in our State Senate who will offer solutions and place "people over politics." This is why I support Robert Kesten.

RICHARD FISHER  
Yorktown

### Love Trumps Hate

#### To the Editor,

Yesterday I received an email from Senator Terrence Murphy stating he stands with the people of Croton who responded to the public postings of hate in Croton Village by a white supremacist group. Croton's response was to post messages of love and inclusion. Bravo Croton!

It was good to read that the Senator

acknowledged Croton's history of inclusion, good will, and activism. Acknowledgement, however, is not enough.

I have a message for Senator Murphy: Your email today stated you oppose the rhetoric and actions of hateful extremists. You used the slogan Love Above Hate. Why is it though that you do not speak out against Mr. Trump's inflammatory speech and actions which offer

a green light to such hate groups? Why do you not speak out against his lies, attacks on the press, judicial system, and law enforcement? These institutions are central to a free and flourishing nation but he insults and denigrates them. Donald Trump is responsible for enormous amounts of pain and future destruction of our planet, never mind a gradual erosion of our democracy. Yet you remain silent.

Until you find the courage to speak out against the words and actions of Donald Trump, you are part of the problem and your words ring hollow.

Love Trumps Hate.

Sincerely,

THERESE GODOY  
Croton-on-Hudson

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# Harckham Gears Up Campaign During the Heat of Summer

By Martin Wilbur

Summer is roughly at its midpoint and Peter Harckham is comfortable with his standing in the 40th state Senate District race.

That doesn't mean he's resting on his laurels. To the contrary, the former Westchester County legislator has been out and about in the district meeting with what he hopes are his future constituents, including visiting Metro-North stations before 6 a.m.

"What I'm hearing most is that they want a Senate that works," Harckham said. "It's really clear that the Senate has abdicated its right to lead because they really couldn't even pass the ministerial stuff, the red-light cameras, the home rule tax warrants, all these local little things that should be as of right, that should be done, they got none of it done."

But Harckham first has to win two contests if he hopes to get elected – the Democratic primary on Sept. 13 against Robert Kesten, who got an early jump in the race late last summer, followed by what would surely be a bruising general election battle against two-term Republican incumbent Terrence Murphy.

Harckham has been racking up endorsements from key Democratic officeholders this summer with Assembly members Sandy Galef (D-Ossining) and Thomas Abinanti (D-Pleasantville) and many of his former colleagues on the Board of Legislators. He is also expected to soon receive the support of County Executive George Latimer.

He said the support he has received from Democrats at the county and state level has bolstered his campaign. Harckham is optimistic that the general public will evaluate him based on his accomplishments.

"I happen to have a record," Harckham said. "A lot of people know my record, they know of me and they'll make a choice, good or bad, but I've got a resume and so that's what people will judge what kind of senator that they think I'll be."

While Harckham is a known quantity in Westchester, he's been getting better acquainted with the electorate in the Putnam and Dutchess portion of the district. Despite Republicans having dominated elections up north, Harckham said there are issues that resonate with voters across the board, including local economic matters, the health of the down-towns and infrastructure, which are crucial to the long-term health of each community.

"We need a state senator that will focus like a laser, one on one, with each municipality instead of just saying we passed the budget and there's economic development in there and it's out of my hands," Harckham said.

There are also issues of housing for different stages in life and water and sewer,

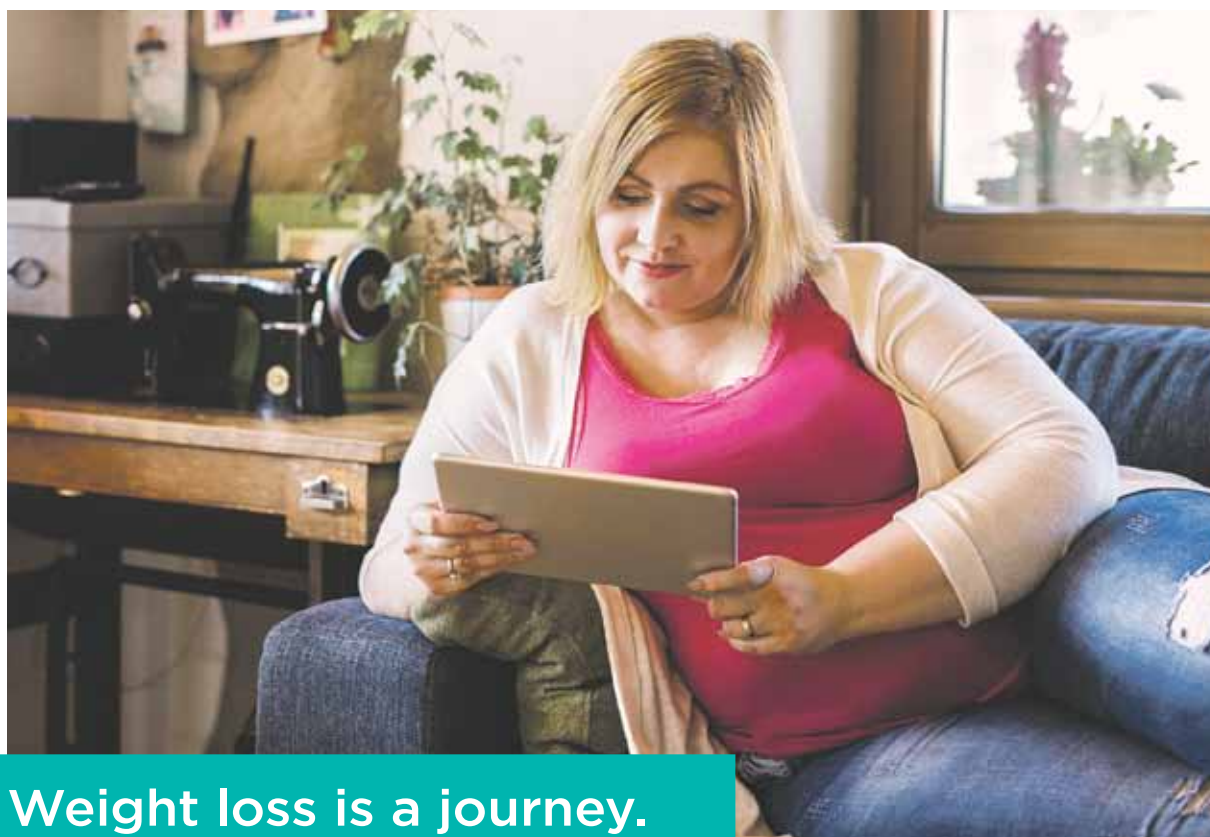
something he was involved with on the Board of Legislators that is connected to the success of the district's Main Streets, he said. Without ample water and sewer capacity, commercial districts would have difficult reinvigorating themselves.

Harckham also is adamant about the state passing a so-called red flag bill so a judge can be petitioned to remove firearms from troubled individuals' possession. The measure, passed in an additional seven states since the Parkland,

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Peter Harckham may have gotten a late start when he announced his candidacy for the 40th state Senate District in May, above, but he's been greeting and listening to potential voters.



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## Tuesday, July 31

**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/>.

**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>.

**Healthy Happy Hour:** Healthy Happy Hours are held on Tuesday nights in Mahopac and another location may be added. Take a 10-day vacation from processed foods. Are sugary, fatty, easy-to-prepare, addictive junk foods making you feel sick and tired? Then reset your metabolism and break your addictions to unhealthy foods. For more information contact Diane at 914-843-8745.

**Hygeia Programs:** Two ongoing programs are being held on Tuesdays at Hygeia Integrated Health LLC, 3505 Hill Blvd., Suite K, Yorktown. Community Acupuncture is being held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$30. Come experience the beneficial effects of acupuncture in a group setting. Register: [hyinhealth@gmail.com](mailto:hyinhealth@gmail.com). On the last Tuesday of the month from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Eating Disorder Support Group, led by a LCSW and clinical nutritionist will be held. Discuss and resolve issues around relationships with food. Info/register: [hyinhealth@gmail.com](mailto:hyinhealth@gmail.com) or [www.hyinhealth.com](http://www.hyinhealth.com).

## Wednesday, Aug. 1

**Teen Summer Reading Challenge:** The Teen Summer Reading Challenge, a Somers Public Library program, is being held through Aug. 29 for tweens and

teens in grade six and up. There will be raffle prizes available for program participants. Please register on our online at <http://www.somerslibrary.org/teensummer.asp> or call the library at 914-232-5717.

**Senior's Fitness Classes:** Free fitness classes are being offered to seniors who reside in the City of Peekskill on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 to 11 a.m. The Class name is "The Workout." For more information please contact Ray Glashoff at 914-734-4254. Classes are held at the Neighborhood Center (Field Library), 4 Nelson Ave., downstairs from the Library.

**POUND Program:** POUNDTM Fitness Program, a 45-minute full-body cardio and stress relief jam session, fusing Pilates, cardio, plyometrics isometric movements and poses, is offered at Theatre and Dance Arts 131 Bedford Rd. Katonah. Drop in or weekly discount rates are available. The program is being provided on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. and on Saturdays at 11:45 a.m. Call Peggy for more information at 914 960-4097.

**Telling Your Story:** Telling Your Story in the College Process will be held from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. at the Somers Library. This workshop will be interactive and participants will leave with an understanding of how to tell the story. Registration is required. Please go to our online calendar at [www.somerslibrary.org](http://www.somerslibrary.org) or call us at 914-232-5717. Our programs are funded by the Friends of the Somers Library through your donations.

**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](http://www.firsthebrew.org).

## Thursday, Aug. 2

**Korean War Display:** "Korea, a War without End" captures, in displays of images, words, vintage equipment and weapons, the "police action" that began in June 1950 when North Korea invaded Western South Korea at Lasdon Park. The exhibit will be open until September. The museum is closed Mondays, except holidays, through Labor Day; open only on weekends the rest of the year and Veterans Day. Lasdon Park, Arboretum, and Veterans Memorial, a Westchester County Park, is located on Route 35 in Somers. For more information on Lasdon and all Westchester County parks go to [parks.westchestergov.com](http://parks.westchestergov.com).

## Friday, Aug. 3

**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.

**Teen Club:** The Teen Dungeons & Dragons Club will meet at the Somers Library on Fridays 8/3, 8/17 & 8/24 from 3 to 5 p.m. Join us play Dungeons & Dragons this summer. Familiarity with Dungeons and Dragons is encouraged. The Club is for youths in grades six and up. No registration is required

**Free Concert Series:** Enjoy this year-long free concert series featuring different genres of music including blues, soul, rock, reggae, jazz and more. Host John Ford, of Ford Piano, will bring together various local musicians every Friday from 5 to 7 p.m. and every Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. Come upstairs to the food court at the Jefferson Valley Mall, 650 Lee Blvd., Yorktown Heights. Feel free to stop by Ford Piano on the lower level of the mall. For more information call 914-739-1224 or e-mail [john@fordpiano.com](mailto:john@fordpiano.com) or Visit [www.fordpiano.com](http://www.fordpiano.com) for the musical line-up.

**Shabbat By The Hudson:** Meet your local Jewish community as First Hebrew's Rabbi Dana leads an outdoor Shabbat service in Riverfront Green Park in Peekskill at 7:30 p.m. Feel free to come early, bring dinner and wine. Benches may be available or bring your own chair. Meet at the trellis on the north end of the park, beyond the parking lot, and towards the river after crossing the walking bridge. For complete details visit the website at [www.firsthebrew.org](http://www.firsthebrew.org). Weather permitting; the next riverfront service will be on Aug. 17 at 7:15 p.m. Info: [rabbi@firsthebrew.org](mailto:rabbi@firsthebrew.org) or 914-739-0500. No RSVP necessary.

**Temple Beth Am Shabbat:** Temple Beth Am will "opens its doors to all who enter" for Shabbat on Fridays at 8 p.m. Our modern Sabbath service has a spiritually engaging and warm feeling while following traditional modes. All are wel-

come 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.

**Jewish Center Services:** At the Yorktown Jewish Center, 2966 Crompond Rd., Friday night Sabbath services are held at 8 p.m. And Sabbath services on Saturdays will be held at 9:15 a.m. on most Saturdays. 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 [yorktownjewishcenter.org](http://yorktownjewishcenter.org).

## Saturday Aug. 4

**Zen Meditation:** Authentic Zen meditation under the guidance of Rev. Paul Tesshin Silverman is held every Saturday at 9 a.m. at the Fourth Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Westchester, 1698 Strawberry Rd. Mohegan Lake. Visit us at <http://www.yorktownzen.org> or e-mail us at [yorktownzen@gmail.com](mailto:yorktownzen@gmail.com).

**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](http://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](http://DowntoEarthMarkets.com).

## Sunday, Aug. 5

**Healing Yoga:** Yoga classes for women



# 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](mailto:nrentz@theexaminernews.com).

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

**Bingo:** Bingo will be played tonight and on Aug. 19 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 [yorktownjewishcenter.org](http://yorktownjewishcenter.org)

## Monday, Aug. 6

**Bridge Program:** Bridge at the Somers Library is being held on Mondays throughout 2018 from 10:30 a.m. to noon. These classes are for beginners and players with some experience as well. Learn how to navigate your way around the game from bridge maven Walter Heitner. You will learn bidding and work on the play of the hand. By working with a group, you will all get better together. Space is limited; register online at [www.somerslibrary.org](http://www.somerslibrary.org) or call the library at 914-232-5717.

**Acrylic Painting:** An acrylic painting program will be held at the Somers Library on Mondays 8/6, 13, and 20 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. When you want endless opportunities, acrylic painting is it. Photos will be brought in for creative ideas or you may bring your own. Music will be played for your inspiration. Suggested supplies list: canvas or canvas board, water cup, soft brush, slanted brush, broad/wide brush, pencil, eraser, and acrylic paints. There is a \$30 fee to be paid on the first day of class. Make checks out to Judika Lieber-

man. Registration is required; register online at [www.somerslibrary.org](http://www.somerslibrary.org) or call 914-232-5717.

**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.

**Movie Mondays:** Movie Mondays is continuing today at the Field Library, 4 Nelson Ave., Peekskill, at 6:30 p.m. with a screening of "Ready Player One." The free screening will be presented on a 100-foot screen at the Field Gallery. Info: 914-737-1212 or [peekskill.org](http://peekskill.org).

## WBT Presents – Anything Goes!

By Evelyn J. Mocbeichel

Upon entering the Westchester Broadway Theatre (WBT) the eye is quickly drawn to the stage and its lavish décor. As frequent visitors to this magnificent venture and the fabulous entertainment offered by WBT owners Bill Stutler and Bob Funking, we have come to anticipate this level of creativity. The set design by Steve Loftus for Cole Porter's *Anything Goes* can be added to the long list of imaginative and artful creations we have seen on stage. The set depicts an ornate façade of a luxury cruise ship, which is the plot's focal point. Gargantuan in size, complete with "state rooms" and steps, railings, balcony and massive smoke stacks, add to the opulence of a bygone era ocean liner. The story takes place aboard a cruise to Europe, with a cast of characters ripe for mishaps, miscommunications, and heartbreak, with an undetected romance

This is the WBT's 206th production. Running now through September 9th, it is the perfect way to relax with friends, enjoy a lunch or dinner while being transported back in time via this classic 1940's Cole Porter musical. Growing up I still recall some of the television shows my parents watched that were variety shows that emphasized musical numbers. Popular tunes of the day were played on programs like *Your Hit Parade*, *Perry Como Show*, or the *Nat King Cole show*, singing current and nostalgic tunes. Now seeing *Anything Goes*, I've learned where many of these classic songs originated. Not to be over shadowed by the songs, this play is known for its outstanding dance numbers, too. Considered one of the best tap dancing musicals, the score includes the most memorable standards including, *I Get a Kick Out of You*, *You're the Top*, *It's De-Lovely*, *Blow, Gabriel, Blow*, *Friendship* and many more. The story is simple, a brassy nightclub singer, a starry-eyed stowaway and Public Enemy No. 13 are booked on a transatlantic luxury



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liner bound for romance and laughter. Add a debutante whose family is bankrupt and wants her to marry an older, wealthy English lord, although she is not in love with him. Tap dancing numbers are spectacular, with Richard Stafford as Director of Choreography creative and the costumes glitzy with a large cast filling the stage in every dance number! It is truly an extravaganza reminiscent of the best musicals of days gone by! Fast paced and packed with humorous one-liners straight from the 1940's, the audience is propelled to a simpler time, when comedy was light and the plot line constantly moving. Will the woman marry her boorish suitor or will she discover that someone else on board is her true love? Will the talented showgirl entertainer be destined never to find a man that can provide what she demands in the way of prestige and power? Will the bumbling gangster and his somewhat sleazy moll arrive in England, without being apprehended?

The Cast

WBT casts are consistently spot on for

the part they play and this show continues the tradition featuring Stacia Fernandez (as Reno Sweeney), Tina Johnson (Mrs. Harcourt), Kevin Pariseau (Lord Evelyn), Jon Peterson (Moonface Martin), Mychal Phillips (Erma), Jackie Raye (Hope), Zach Trimmer (Billy) and Bob Walton (Elisha Whitney). Supported by a multi-talented ensemble: Leeds Hill, Kelly Black, Katie Brunson, Mike Baskowski, Caroline Chisholm, Joseph Cullinane, Will Geoghegan, Kelly Gleason, Thadd Krueger, Seth Lerner, Lily Lewis, Mallory Nolting, Jason Rath, Joey Simon. Directed & choreographed by Richard Stafford and Musical Director is Patrick Hoagland. Special mention has to be made about Stacia Fernandez, as Reno Sweeney, whose singing, as she "belted out each song, brought to mind Broadway's Ethel Merman. Speaking of Ms Merman, the first production of *Anything Goes* opened at the Alvin Theatre on Broadway in 1934 and went on to be one of the smash hits of the decade. The musical also reaffirmed Ethel Merman's status as the reigning queen of

the Broadway Musical. Ms. Fernandez performed numerous songs and each one was fantastic, clearly making her a forefront talent in this production. Another strong and beautiful voice was that of Zach Trimmer, playing the handsome lead, Billy Crocker, who was in love with the debutante seemingly destined to marry another. Casting for romantic duos at the WBT are so believable, audiences hope that the two actually overcome the obstacles the storyline sets for them. Don't miss this summer stunner and the entertainment joy it brings!

Information

The WBT dinner theatre continues to offer the best value around for top notch entertainment and conveniently located. Ample free parking is available. Creative dishes such as prime rib, sole, chicken, pork, and vegetarian entrees are on the dinner menu, each with suggested wine a complement. Assorted rolls, salad, and scrumptious desserts top it all off. During matinee performances lunch choices are served. For tickets and information call the Box Office at (914) 592-2222. Group reservations and discounts are available for groups of 20 or more. For Group Reservations call (914) 592-2225. There are also discounts for children, students, and senior citizens at selected performances. The WBT is located at 1 Broadway Plaza, Elmsford. This is a night out on the town, with affordable prices and a convenient drive from anywhere in Westchester and nearby counties. For show times, including evening and matinee performances call the above numbers or visit the WBT website at [www.broadwaytheatre.com](http://www.broadwaytheatre.com).

**Future WBT Mainstage Shows:**

Phantom - September 13 - November 2

A Christmas Carol - November 29 - December 23

Phantom returns - December 27 - January 27, 2019



# A Man's Home Is his Castle, Especially When it IS a Castle

Always a sucker for “special” houses, for many years I had been craning my neck when driving by such a house on Route 6N, just over the Westchester border into Mahopac, Putnam County. With its stone structure and two-story turrets on each of its four corners, it appeared to be a smaller version of a medieval castle. Each time I passed it, I wondered how something so out of the ordinary came to be. Then, about 20 years ago, I found the answers to my questions in a newspaper article that appeared in *The New York Times*.



By Bill Primavera

That was a few years before I became a realtor and little could I know that I would one day be contacted by the owners of this “castle,” asking me to list it for sale. Now representing the “castle” has given me the opportunity to learn more about it.

The current owners, Clizia and Craig Yoe, happened to have saved that *Times* article and presented it to me among the materials I requested to support my marketing of the property. The article refreshed my dimming memory about its history and special features.

The house was reputedly built around 1880 by an immigrant from England who had done well in the architectural

salvage business. And a number of his salvaged architectural elements were incorporated into its interior. These include carved marble fireplaces, archways framed with pilasters and keystone, leaded glass windows and, on the exterior, yes, gargoyles.

Its history from that point until 1961 when it was purchased by a retired Foreign Service officer, a woman, is somewhat vague. But, the new owner at that time set out to restore and modernize the structure. She was hampered significantly in 1972 when a spark from the chimney sent the castle up in flames, completely destroying the second floor and smaller third floor which contained servants' quarters.

Undaunted, its owner set about rebuilding and, in a way, the fire presented an opportunity to more thoroughly modernize the three-bedroom house. What was originally the third floor is now a spacious attic. The house sits on two level acres and is partially concealed from the road with a thicket of evergreens which the former owner planted when she found that too many curious passers-by would stop off, sometimes to have a picnic lunch on the grounds.

The Yoes say that when they were



looking for a home in the area, they asked their realtor to “show us something special, not cookie-cutter” and the “castle” was her response. It was a love-at-first-sight situation for the Yoes, and the only reason they are selling it now is a contemplated move to Europe.

Now the 2,700 sq. ft. home on two acres is offered to new owners who seek the exceptional living experience. Also on the property is a round stone ice house that can be used for play or storage

and a substantial tree house. A contiguous one-acre lot also for sale,

If you want to live in a castle, contact me at 914-522-2076 or at [williamjprimavera@gmail.com](mailto:williamjprimavera@gmail.com).

*William Primavera, while a publicist and journalist, is also a Realtor® associated with William Raveis Real Estate and Founder of Primavera Public Relations, Inc. ([www.PrimaveraPR.com](http://www.PrimaveraPR.com)). To engage the services of The Home Guru to market your home for sale, call (914)522-2076.*

## A Tale of The Lighter Side of Cultural Pride

The United States has long been the melting pot of world ethnicities and culture. The mosaic of our country has shifted over the last four hundred years from the early Native Indians and colonists to today's vibrant mélange of nationalities from every corner of the globe.

Many of us have a family history of such a mosaic as well. When the waves of immigrants from Western Europe came to our shores in the 18th, 19th and early 20th centuries, many settled in self-contained enclaves throughout the United States.

In the mid to late 20th century, the melting pot became much more inclusive, as cultural and religious bonds began to unravel. In many cases, first generation offspring of immigrants became better educated and more affluent, driving them to explore other cultures and ethnic groups. Italians began marrying Irish; English married Germans; and those with Eastern and Western European backgrounds began marrying those with Eastern Asian nationalities.

Today, the mosaic that is America goes beyond neighborhoods and enclaves; it permeates our families. Multi-ethnic families are becoming more the norm than the exception they were a mere fifty

to sixty years ago.

I came of age when the United States was going through a core change – politically, socially, economically – and demographically. My Italian parents (I am first-generation American) were a bit taken back when I brought home Kathy Higgins to meet them. I then became the first in our family to marry outside of our nationality. Many of my friends and relatives followed suit.

These cross-ethnic marriages of Italians and Irish brought about lively conversations around our family dinner tables for many decades. Invariably, we sought to one-up each other with the accomplishments and contributions of our forebears.

A typical back-and-forth:

Me: Italian architecture and engineering are unparalleled, from cathedrals to city planning to vast water systems.

My Irish brother-in-law: An Irishman invented the submarine and the military tank, both indispensable to modern day warfare.

Me: Vivaldi, Verdi, Rossini composed beautiful pieces that are popular to this day.

My other Irish brother-in-law: But

none could fill a stadium like U2.

Me: Italian authors shaped the discourse of worldly matters for centuries, from Boccaccio to Machiavelli.

My Irish sister-in-law: But they couldn't make you laugh or cry like Joyce, Wilder or Yeats.

Me (in a rising tone): Don't you understand? The Italians (Romans) virtually created Western civilization.

My Irish sister-in-law (with rising confidence): Excuse me. The Irish saved civilization. St. Patrick and his monks transcribed much of Western Europe's endangered scholarly tomes during the battles of the Dark Ages, preserving centuries of history and academic scholarship.

Me: Alright, top this: wine. Italy produces the finest wines in the world, from Barolo to Brunello. Ireland has no wine.

My brother-in-law: Wine? Who produces a better elixir of the Gods than Guinness? And then there is the nectar of the Gods produced by the Irish wineries in the French Bordeaux region.

Me: What do the Irish have to do with French Bordeaux? You've had one too many pints.

My brother-in-law (in his best “gotcha” voice): Take a listen. In 1691, a number of Irish escaped political oppression, settling in the Bordeaux region of France.

There they became wine merchants, shipping French wines back to Ireland. These wines were served as the beverage of choice at inns throughout the Emerald Isle. Mind you, this was in the time before Guinness changed Irish drinking habits forever.

These merchants then began to invest with locals in wineries. Today there are at least 14 world-class, premier wineries that were founded through Irish initiatives. Ever wonder about several of the names of famous Bordeaux wineries such as Lynch-Bages, Leoville Barton, Phelan Segur or Pichon-Lalande (where a Mr. Burke was a founding partner)?

What do you have to say for yourself?

Me: A tip of my glass to great wine coming from unlikely beginnings.

My brother-in-law: Fine, now pour me another glass of Chianti.

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By Nick Antonaccio





## Crossword

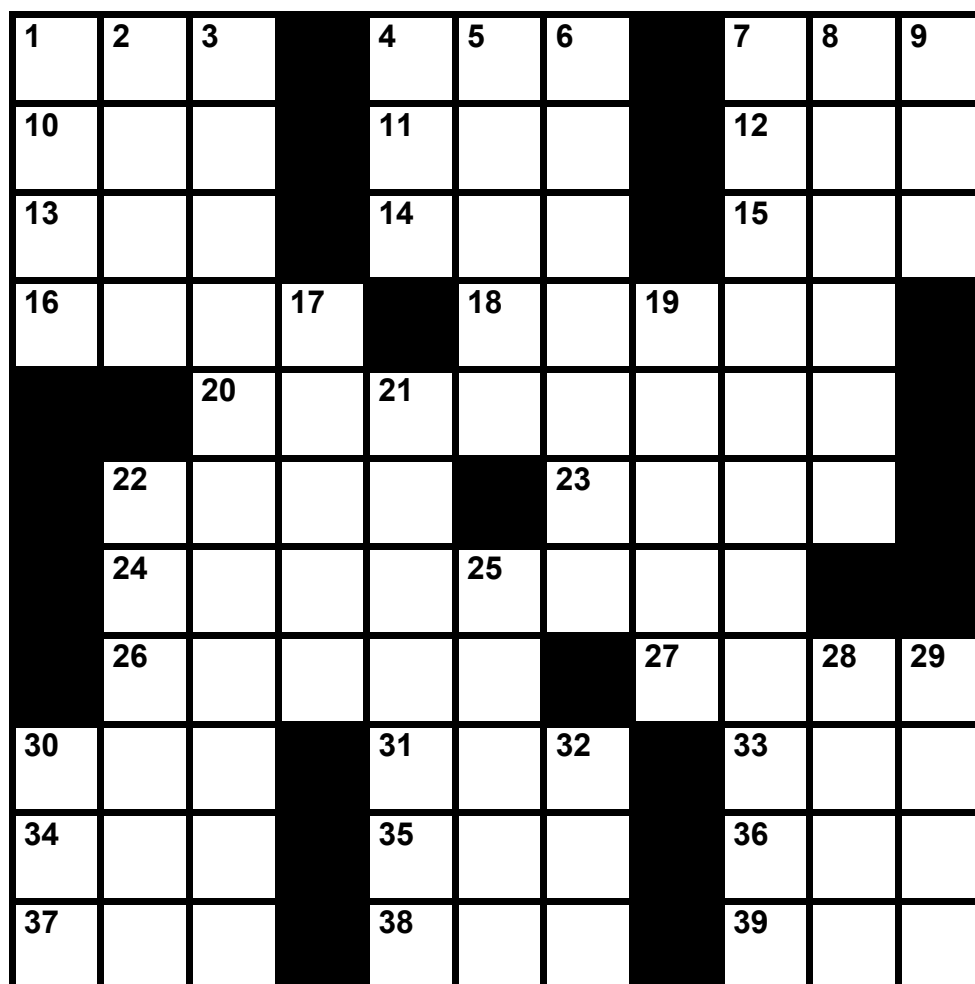
### ACROSS

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4. Carried through on
7. Evidence collectors
10. Stadium cheer
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13. Pop singer DiFranco
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15. Put to the test
16. Evergreens
18. Former actor or Shrub Oak hair salon, \_\_\_\_\_ Thomas
20. Bearing
22. Type of sword
23. Belgian 20th century painter, Margritte
24. Pet sitting service that rolls off the tongue, Pawsitively \_\_\_\_\_
26. Often-missed humor
27. When repeated, like some shows
30. Route finder and tracker
31. Nightmare street
33. Disallow
34. Search engine marketing

- ingredient, for short
35. Vacation spot
  36. Paternity identifier
  37. Fashion first name
  38. However, in poetry
  39. Starchy tuber

### DOWN

1. Tennis great, Steffi
2. Salon job, briefly
3. He, she and it, in grammar
4. Period
5. Taken
6. Light, one-horse vehicle
7. Carnival treat
8. French philosopher
9. Suffix with odd
17. Take care of
19. Buck of old baseball
21. Most nasty
22. Brand of allergic reaction treatment
25. Slim girl
28. A Turner
29. Quiz
30. Fed purchasing org.
32. Longtime Chinese leader



## Kincart, Dill, Cicinelli Named Among America's Best Real Estate Agents

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the United States closed 8.6 transactions in 2016 and had less than \$1.3 million in sales," said Murray.

"To say that John, Douglas, and Annette, are exceptional sales professionals is an understatement. To attain this level of sales is truly outstanding," said Zef Camaj, Brokerage Manager.

"We are obviously pleased and honored to be ranked on this ranking of the country's top residential real estate agents," said John, Douglas and Annette. "It represents the time and effort that we put into each customer that we serve

and how much work it takes to build a successful real estate career. The level of sales it takes to qualify makes it a truly special recognition."

"Our agents consistently lead their markets, which are some of the most competitive in the country," said Chris Meyers, President of Houlihan Lawrence. "We couldn't be prouder to see them receive the national recognition they deserve."

Information on those receiving this recognition can be found online at <http://www.americasbestre.com>.

## Harckham Gears Up Campaign

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Fla. high school massacre last February has been blocked by the Republican Senate.

"This is a bill that can actually save lives and at the same time it's not talking guns off the street it's not taking guns out of lawful firearms owners' hands," he said. "It's just common sense."

Democrats are hopeful the dynamics of this year's election cycle will bode well for the chances to snag the 40th Senate

District seat. Last November, Putnam voters elected a Democrat for sheriff, a rarity for a countywide race. That proved the public is willing to listen, Harckham said.

"As long as people give you a fair shake, that's all you can ask from them," Harckham said. "Give me five minutes of your time and let me stand on your porch. Let me hear what's important to you and this is what I'm going to do."

## Obituary

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melanoma. He was 76.

Born on August 11, 1941 in the Bronx, to Mary Raden and Felix Chicotka, he graduated from Lakeland High School in 1959 and Brooklyn Polytechnic School of Engineering in 1968. He developed numerous patents for IBM while at the Thomas J. Watson Research Center in Yorktown, he then transferred to San Jose to lead computer chip making production. After retiring from IBM in 1991, he worked for many of Silicon Valley's top semiconductor companies. He joined CVC Products in Rochester, helping take the company public to become Veeco Instruments. After return-

ing to San Jose to help develop solar panels he retired.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Judy Chicotka Snyder. He is survived by his sons, Richard (Celeste), Ronald (Marjorie Advocate), Scott (Katy), and Brett; daughter, Catherine; and grandchildren, Mason and Aria. Donations in Richard's name can be made to Support Connection, Inc, 40 Triangle Center, Suite 100, Yorktown Heights, NY. Friends and family can pay their respects at the memorial service on Saturday, August 4 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Clark Funeral Home, 2104 Saw Mill River Rd, Yorktown Heights, (914) 962-3333.

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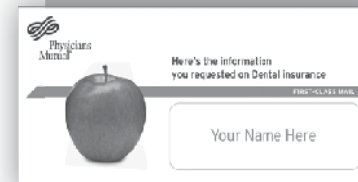
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# Shrub Oak 12U Can't Detonate in 3-0 GHVBL Playoff Loss to PV Bombers

RAY GALLAGHER PHOTO

Shrub Oak OF Chris Renzo swipes a bag ahead of put-out attempt of Putnam Valley SS John Flanagan in 13th-seeded SOAC Storm's 3-0 season-ending loss to the fourth-seeded host Bombers in the 12-U B-Division Greater Hudson Valley Baseball League playoffs last Saturday at Keating Field.



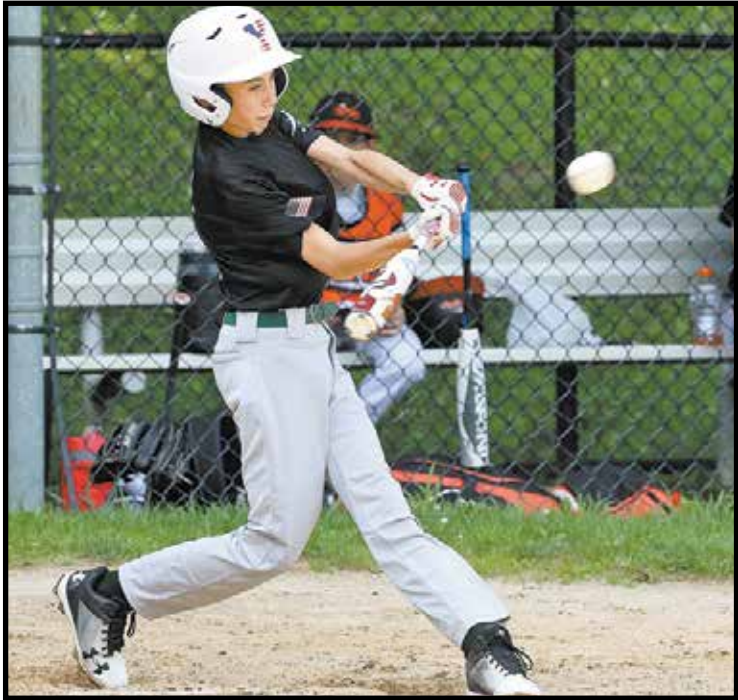
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SOAC P Anthony Jennings pitched well but the Storm were eliminated from GHVBL playoff action in a 12U 3-0 loss to host Putnam Valley last Saturday.



Shrub Oak's Evan Tostanoski ekes out base hit as Put Valley's Connor Flynn takes throw in Valley's 3-0 win in 12U GHVBL playoff action last Saturday



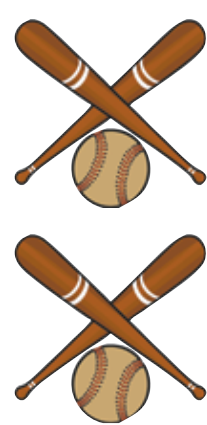
Yorktown's Nicholas Pace squares up pitch in 10-0 win over Westchester Junior Ducks in GHVBL 12-U playoff action Sunday.

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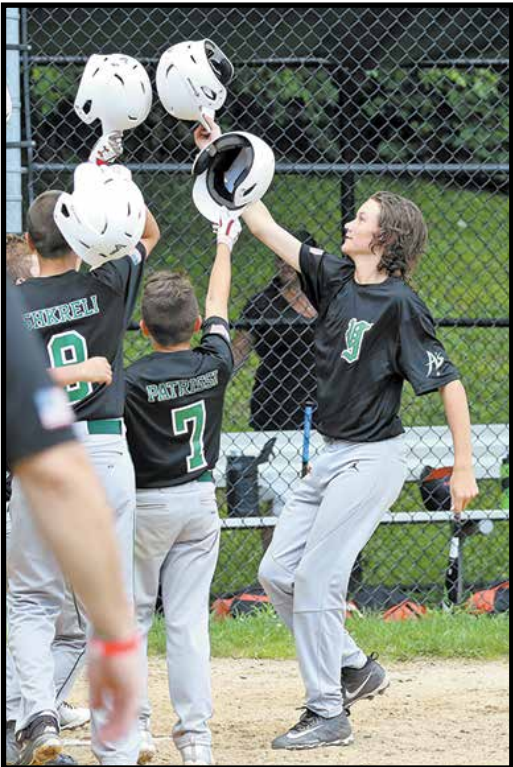
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Yorktown's Cole Haddock is all smiles as he gets low-five after crushing bomb in 10-0 win over Westchester Duck in 12-U GHVBL A-Division semis.



PV Bomber SS John Flanagan follows flight of his double in 3-0 GHVBLA 12-U playoff win over Shrub Oak at Keating Field Saturday.



Yorktown A's player celebrate 3-run game-clinching home run by winning pitcher Liam Solomon in 10-0 win over Westchester Ducks in 12-U GHVBL semis.



Mahopac's Joey Koch eyes up a pitch for Westchester Junior Ducks in 10-0 loss to Yorktown A's in 12-U A-Division semis of GHVBL action Sunday.



# Sports

## Pavella, Mundy Hired to Lead Yorktown Boys', Girls' Hoops Programs



By Ray Gallagher  
Examiner Sports  
Editor

So, we're at least four months away from the start of Section 1 basketball being at the forefront of our minds, but Yorktown High Athletic Director Rob Barrett, a hoops guy by trade, made a big splash last week when he called me en route to his beach vacation to the Maryland shoreline.

Barrett, now in Year 2 at Yorktown after taking over for legendary A.D. Fio Nardone, named Mark Pavella to replace Kevin Downes as the boys' varsity basketball coach, and followed that up with tabbing Brian Mundy as the girls' varsity hoops coach, pending BOE approval for both come late August.

Here's the deal for Pavella and Mundy, though: As dedicated as they are (and there's no doubt about that), and as devoted as Yorktown High athletes are (ditto!), hoops is no better than third in the pecking order in the glory-filled land of the Cornhuskers.

Lacrosse and football are No.1 and 1A among the alpha males at Yorktown (with soccer pushing the envelope), while lacrosse, softball and volleyball dictate the priorities among the ladies at Yorktown, among the finest public schools – athletics and academia considered – in Section 1.

Again, here's the deal: Turnover at the top of the boys' and girls' basketball program is not conducive to building and

sustaining a program, so the hope here is that Pavella, who has worked under former Yorktown/Mahopac Coach Kevin Downes for much of the last decade, sticks and stays for at least a decade. Alongside Downes, Pavella has mentored under one of the most respected coaches in Section 1, a dude who guided Yorktown to the 2017 Class AA Final 4 and previously took Mahopac to the promised land with four consecutive Class AA Final 4 appearances (plus one infamous championship setback vs. Mount Vernon); the kind of success Mahopac had only dreamed about prior to 2010.

"I'm very excited about these hires," Barrett said. "Coach Pavella is a solid in-district hire who worked under Coach Downes and makes for a smooth transition, and Coach Mundy works with the kids in the middle school as our SRO officer, so he'll get to know the girls before they even get to high school. Both of them are committed basketball coaches, and that's what we need here to make our basketball programs consistent forces. These guys will be able to get our athletes committed to basketball, and the process will begin as soon as they get board approval."

Downes recently left the Yorktown program to be alongside his son, Quincy, one of Section 1's premier middleweight wrestlers at Fox Lane, so that's as noble as

it gets, and inserting Pavella into Downes' former role is a no-brainer.

"I think Mark is a great choice, emphasis on great," said Downes, who lost to Scarsdale in the 2017 sectional semis after a stunning quarterfinal road win at Spring Valley to advance to the County Center. "He is a fantastic coach, great with kids, pays great attention to detail and is a real teacher of the game and a very competitive person. He's been my assistant for a long time and I can honestly say I doubt I would have continued to coach without him. That's how important he was to me and both programs at Mahopac and Yorktown."

Pavella is more chill than Downes (most coaches are), but he possesses the ability to draw athletes to the program, something Yorktown needs if its basketball program is going to sustain the riches it has in lacrosse and football.

"Mark has a great temperament and the kids have always respected him, as opposing coaches and officials do, too," said Downes. "He will get the best out of every kid and understands every kid is different and he will find a way to bring out their strengths so they can contribute."

Pavella was a terrific guard at Mahopac and went to the County Center as a both a player at Mahopac and as an assistant coach, so he knows what it takes to reach the next level.

"He's a winner and will do a great job," Downes proclaimed! "It's great that he's in the district, so he knows the younger kids and is a respected teacher as well. I've told him for years he was ready to take over his own program, but I was glad he never did and stayed with me. Yorktown is lucky to have him."

The same can be said for Mundy, a respected man about the town with close ties to students and faculty. There were

many great choices for both positions, but with both these selections, Barrett, and the Yorktown administration, have sought and hired candidates from within, a touch that breeds loyalty and banks credit within the faculty... a no-brainer for the BOE. Well done, friends!

**Randomness:** I'll be extremely interested to see the connection between incumbent Mahopac senior QB Anthony Corrado and senior WR Rheel Allen, who, at 6'4" and 200 pounds, looks like the first D-I receiving prospect I can ever remember at Mahopac. Kid runs a 4.7 40 and deadlifts 450 pounds, so this is a rare combo of speed and strength that Coach Dom DeMatteo should abuse in Year 2 as Indian boss. Corrado, who takes over for two-year starter Ryan Dugan, could be a diamond in the rough and has some legit weapons in Allen and senior RB Tim Cegielski. Fact is: Mahopac has some legit skill players to build upon a terrific 6-3 season...

Class A Somers took second place in the Lakeland summer soccer league last week, falling in PKs to Class AA John Jay EF, and we get the feeling that the Jon Riina/Lucas Fecci-led Tuskers won't be losing too many games this fall. With all the former 2016 state champs return this season, and the chip on their shoulder after last year's stunning quarterfinal loss to Nyack on PKs, one would think Somers has something to play for in the fall of 2018. Looking forward to seeing the Tuskers in the Yorktown Tournament in early September and the potential of a Tusker/Husker matchup between the former 2016 Class A state champs and the 2017 NYS Class AA runner-ups at Yorktown: One can only hope.



# Direct Rays

## Hudson Valley Snags NYS Lax Title



Members of the 2019 Hudson Valley Team pose with their championship medals after defeating Nassau in the New York State Regional Lacrosse Championship game last Saturday at Binghamton University, including local seniors Timothy Cegielski, Mahopac, D; John Dondon, Mahopac, D; Jon Hankel, Haldane, G; T.J. Komosa, Ossining, G; Sean Laukaitis, Lakeland/Panas, M; Zachary Puckhaber, Mahopac, D; Alex Sirico, Putnam Valley, M; and Joey van deVeerdonk, Putnam Valley, M.

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Yorktown slugger/pitcher Liam Solomon gleefully grabs a five from A's Assistant Coach Rob Patrissi after his monstrous three-run home run (inset) secured a 10-0 semifinal win over the Westchester Junior Ducks in the A-Division of the Greater Hudson Valley Baseball League last Sunday. Solomon was nearly unhittable as well, pitching four shutout innings before the mercy rule was applied, helping to advance the 4th-seeded Yorktown A's to this week's semifinals against the top-seeded Sound Shore Hawks.