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## Progress Made on Mohansic Trailway

Volunteers, such as John Settembrino and Nihkil Singh, have completed 30% of the 600-foot boardwalk for the long awaited Mohansic Trailway in Yorktown. Under the direction of Jane and Walt Daniels, volunteers, ranging in age from 14 to 80, have cleared away invasives from the path, hauled lumber, framed out the boardwalk, nailed down decking and constructed curbing. Other work trips have had volunteers preparing the site for the first of three bridges that will cross small streams along the 0.4-mile right-of-way. Once completed, the Trailway, from Route 118 at Downing Drive to Baldwin Road, will link the North County Trailway to FDR State Park and from FDR to many of the town's other trails.

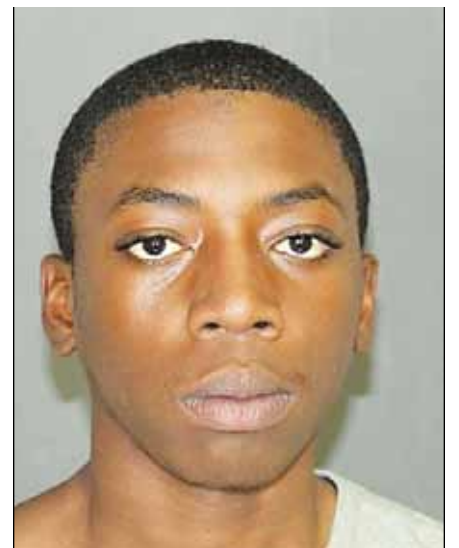
## Peekskill Man Charged with Murder in Daytime Shooting

By Rick Pezzullo

An 18-year-old Peekskill resident was charged Friday with murdering a Bronx man in July in the area of 1245 Park Street.

Following a three-week investigation, Peekskill Police arrested Demetrius Bogan and charged him with fatally shooting Khalil Lyons, 22, on July 13 at approximately 2:30 p.m.

According to Police Chief Don Halmy, Peekskill Police responded to the area of 1245 Park Street for a report of shots fired. Upon arrival, officers discovered Lyons lying on the ground with what proved to be a single, fatal gunshot wound to the chest. A male suspect was reported to have been observed fleeing the scene after arguing with the victim.



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Demetrius Bogan

## Cortlandt Man Pleads Guilty to Harassing Lakeland Schools Super



Anthony Cassone

PHOTO BY ANNA YOUNG

By Anna Young

A Cortlandt man who was arrested for leaving Lakeland Superintendent of Schools Dr. George Stone more than two dozen voicemails pleaded guilty to harassment and was slapped with an order of protection last week.

Anthony Cassone, 55, appeared before Hon. Gary Raniolo in Yorktown Justice Court last Thursday where he was

issued an order of protection prohibiting him from contacting or meeting with Stone for two years.

Cassone, who was sporting a shirt stating, "Child predators and people who cover for child predators are scum pure scum" has alleged for several months that Lakeland School District officials are protecting Walter Panas High School teacher Ryan Dobson, who

he claimed engaged in inappropriate conduct with female students.

"To cover it up makes you sick," said Cassone, who has also protested outside the Lakeland administration building and appeared at Board of Education meetings since November. "It's a cover up, it's a big cover up. I want justice."

Cassone was served with

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Halmy praised the work of all the officers who worked on this case, especially Det. Sgt. Jack Galusha and the detectives under his charge who worked tirelessly to make the arrest. He also expressed

gratitude to the Westchester County Department of Public Safety and New York State Police who both sent officers to assist immediately after this crime was reported, as well as the Westchester County District Attorney's Office who

worked alongside this department during the investigation.

Bogan was arraigned in Peekskill City Court and was remanded to the Westchester County Jail.

Anyone who has additional informa-

tion on the incident is asked to contact Peekskill Detectives at (914) 737-8000 or email [jgalusha@peekskillpolice.com](mailto:jgalusha@peekskillpolice.com). Anonymous tips may also be made at [www.cityofpeekskill.com](http://www.cityofpeekskill.com) under the crime tips section.

## Man Pleads Guilty to Harassing Lakeland Schools Super

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a criminal summons on June 28 and charged with second-degree harassment, a violation, after Yorktown Police responded to the Lakeland Schools Administration Building for a harassment complaint. Following an investigation, police determined Cassone left Stone approximately 25 voicemail messages between January 17 and June 17 that caused annoyance and alarm and served no legitimate purpose.

At Stone's request, a criminal summons was obtained from the Yorktown Justice Court. Similar charges were also brought against Cassone by Panas Principal Joseph Spero.

While Cassone asserted he has proof of the alleged misconduct, he has plastered posters in area stores and through-

out social media offering up to \$1 million to anyone that comes forward with testimony leading to the arrest and conviction of Dobson.

Former Board of Education President Carol Dobson, Ryan Dobson's mother, has reportedly appeared in court with Stone since Cassone was arrested.

"I've always been an advocate for women and children and you're not going to have a teacher dating students," Cassone said. "If it was my daughter, I'd hope somebody would do this for them because it's disgusting. It's despicable."

He added that the order of protection won't stop him from taking his case to trial and seeking justice. Cassone is scheduled to appear in Cortlandt Town Court on September 6.

## Rainstorms Cause Major Damage to St. Columbanus Church

**By Rick Pezzullo**

The torrential rain that swept through the area Friday wreaked havoc on St. Columbanus Church in Cortlandt, causing major damage to Dillon Hall and other parts of the 53-year-old structure.

Pastor Rev. Francis Samoylo said Monday the major source of the problem was drainage pipes on the roof that came apart during the storm that led to flooding in the choir loft and some areas of the church. Sunday services were held as scheduled, though.

But Dillon Hall took the brunt of the gushing water, as ceiling tiles fell and lights were hanging

down. Asbestos abatement will be required and the facility, which is used for Bingo, meetings, Friday playgroups and other functions, will be unusable for a few weeks, possibly a few months, according to Samoylo.

While the cost of the repairs and cleanup will be tens of thousands of dollars, Samoylo said out-of-pocket expenses for the church will only be \$2,500 for the insurance deductible and approximately \$900 for plumbing work.

"Fortunately, thank God for the insurance," Samoylo said, adding "a silver lining" from the flooding is Dillon Hall will be refurbished.



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### Q: What is Peripheral Artery Disease (PAD) and why does it occur?

**A:** PAD is when plaque deposits of fat, cholesterol, and other substances build up in the walls of your arteries. Over time, these deposits can cause atherosclerosis, a narrowing or complete blockage of the arteries. Think about a clogged shower drain. When there's no place for the water to go, it drains slowly over time. If you continue to ignore the clog, you can expect more serious plumbing issues. The same is true with your arteries.

### Q: How do I know if I have PAD?

**A:** PAD symptoms often begin with leg pain and worsen over time. You're in pain because there's not enough blood flow or oxygen in your limbs to keep up with the demands of the exercise. Symptoms may mirror less serious complications. See your doctor if you have a non-healing ulcer, an ingrown toenail, thickened toenails, hair loss on your feet, cold feet, or no pulse in your feet.

### Q: Is it serious?

**A:** Though progression isn't rapid, severe PAD can cause tissue loss and gangrene, and can even be deadly. Regular screening for PAD is critical because the condition can be a marker for coronary artery disease and cerebrovascular disease, which could ultimately

lead to a heart attack or stroke. As the population ages, PAD is more prevalent, advising an annual screening for PAD for everyone over the age of 70.

### Q: How can I reduce my risk? Or, if I'm diagnosed – How can I manage symptoms?

**A:** Get the help you need to stop smoking. This is a risk factor you can control. By damaging your blood vessels, the chemicals in cigarettes increase your risk for PAD by four times, according to the National Institutes of Health. Also, exercise as regularly as possible, and stick to a diet rich in fruits, vegetables and legumes, and limit meat.

### Q: Behavior modification isn't working for me. What are my options?

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# Local Tax Preparer Indicted Again for State Tax Fraud

By Rick Pezzullo

A Yorktown man was charged last week in an eight-count indictment with tax fraud and related crimes following an investigation by the New York State Department of Taxation and the Westchester County District Attorney's Office.

Steve Sabba, 60, and his company TaxPro Financial Network, Inc. were arraigned July 30 in Westchester County Court before Judge Anne Minihan on eight separate felony charges, including scheme to defraud in the first degree, criminal tax fraud and identity theft.

"The flagrant nature of the scheme alleged in this indictment—a deliberate attempt to conceal income and use the stolen identities of unsuspecting clients for personal gain—is especially disturbing given the defendant's previous conviction for tax fraud," said Acting New York State Commissioner of Taxation and Finance Nonie Manion.

"Anyone who steals money from the State of New York, steals money from all of us," said Westchester County District Attorney Anthony Scarpino, Jr. "We are proud of our collaboration with New York State Department of Taxation and Finance in bringing to light this serious ongoing tax fraud and we will prosecute the perpetrator to the fullest to see justice done for the residents of Westchester and New York State."

The indictment alleges that Sabba defrauded New York State from February 2012 to March 2018 by engaging "in a scheme constituting a systematic ongoing course of conduct." Sabba sold a tax preparation business in 2009. Sabba allegedly failed to have the corporation, which received installment payments from that sale, report the income in the corresponding years. In addition, he

concealed taxable income paid to him by clients and stole personal identifying information from others to obtain credit cards and charge his personal expenses to those cards. He used corporate accounts to pay the bills on the fraudulent cards. In this way, Sabba did not report to the authorities the income he used to pay those bills and did not pay taxes on that income, thereby falsifying his own tax return, according to the indictment.

Sabba was previously convicted of tax fraud. In 2009, he pleaded guilty to filing a false state personal income tax re-

turn. As part of that agreement, Sabba agreed to dissolve his business, TaxPro Financial Network, Inc. and no longer electronically file tax returns under personal identification numbers that he previously obtained or used.

Sabba is next scheduled to appear in Westchester County Court August 21. The Westchester County District Attorney's Office Investigations Division Economic Crimes Bureau is prosecuting the case.

Steve Sabba



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# Teen a Young Hero by Promoting Math, Science to Children

By Martin Wilbur

Kunal Mohindra's love of math and science has driven him to bring fun, STEM-related activities and promote his favorite subject to younger children throughout his community.

Now, the 14-year-old, who is entering his sophomore year at Yorktown High School next month, is part of a select group of youngsters throughout the United States who will be honored this Thursday, August 9 by the National Liberty Museum in Philadelphia.

Mohindra was recently named one of 14 recipients of the museum's annual Young Heroes Award. It is given to students in grades K-12 who have shown to be an inspiration through action and making an impact in their home communities.

"I'm pretty honored to be recognized for all the stuff I've done to help the community," he said.

And Mohindra, who has been a long-time Boy Scout who hopes to make the track team this year, has done a lot in recent years. Dismayed that there hasn't been more emphasis on math and science pursuits in his home community, he developed a program called Code Connect, which introduces young children to computer science through interactive STEM activities such as video game de-



Kunal Mohindra will be honored by the National Liberty Museum in Philadelphia this week as one of its Young Heroes for bringing a STEM-related program for children to the John C. Hart Memorial Library, among other initiatives.

sign, robotics, and circuitry. He introduced the program at the John C. Hart Memorial Library in Shrub Oak and has been contacted by Peekskill's Field Library to bring it there as well.

He hopes to introduce it in additional libraries and schools throughout the area

in the future, he said.

Mohindra has also been volunteering at IBM's T.J. Watson Research Center as a teacher for the Family Science Saturdays, Girls Go TechKnow and Boys Go TechKnow programs, where local students and underprivileged children learn about the different fields of science through hands-on activities.

On top of all that, last year Mohindra sponsored a STEM Award for the Mildred E. Strang Middle School Science Fair.

Mohindra said he loves STEM-related subjects because there are innumerable possibilities to help society through science.

"What fascinates me most is how STEM education could potentially change the world, because when enough people are interested in science they can start to think about how they can use math and science to help the community and help the real world," he said.

Actually, it wasn't until late in the application process that Mohindra learned about the award. He said he found out about it from a family friend and quickly completed and the extensive application.

The National Liberty Museum has been recognizing students making a difference in their community each year

since it opened in 2000, said Joel Sumner, the awards program coordinator.

Every spring, the museum accepts applications from students from public, private and religious schools across the United States. Typically, 12 to 15 projects are chosen each year representing a wide range of different initiatives, Sumner said. Multiple students can work on a project.

Sumner said the museum, which has honored students who have launched nonprofit organizations to those who have been a good friend to a classmate in need, looks to recognize students who have helped to promote liberty through civic engagement and community leadership.

"This was the program that gave us the opportunity to sort of tie our mission into recognizing real-life heroes of today, specifically young people," he said.

On Thursday, there will be an awards ceremony at the museum and one of the honorees will be awarded a \$2,500. TD Bank is sponsoring this year's competition.

Mohindra said he hopes to continue to widen his interest of math and science when he goes to college and would perhaps like to teach – as well as bringing his love of STEM education to others.

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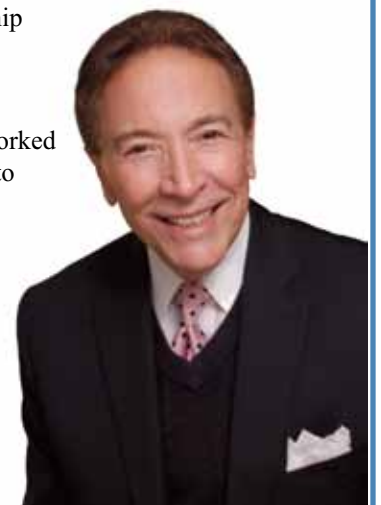
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# Thousands Get Down and Dirty for a Good Cause in Mahopac

By Anna Young

Thousands of children and families were covered in mud on Saturday as they spent the day raising money for pediatric cancer research during the sixth annual Muddy Puddles Project Mess Fest celebration.

Despite a heavy rainstorm kicking off the five-hour event, several thousand families throughout the tristate area flooded Kiwi Country Day Camp in Mahopac to honor and remember children who have either been diagnosed with cancer or lost their battle to the disease. Event coordinator Ali Stern said parents and kids are encouraged to be carefree in honor of those who can't.

"Today we throw food, jump in the mud, get messy and have fun," Stern said. "It's a wonderful feeling to see people want to honor these kids."

With many activities offered, including a ziplining course, a food fight station, splatter paint, pie tossing, obstacle course, slip-n-slide, swimming, pony rides, magic shows and much more, the pinnacle portion of the day came when Muddy Puddles Project founders Louis and Cindy Campbell took a dive into the events giant mud pit.

"There are a lot of disabled children, children with cancer, and children who otherwise can't jump in muddy puddles



PHOTO BY ANNA YOUNG

Children and adults enjoyed jumping in the mud at Kiwi Country Day Camp.

or do the things that other kids and their parents take for granted," Cindy Campbell said. "This is a metaphor to just jump in and take chances and embrace life."

The Campbell's founded the Muddy Puddles Project after their five-year-old son, Ty, lost his battle to brain cancer in 2012. While Ty fought a gallant three-year battle against the disease, he dreamed of jumping in a muddy puddle when he was cured, resembling what his

cartoon hero Peppa Pig did on television.

While Ty never got the chance to jump in that muddy puddle, the Mess Fest was created in his memory to celebrate childhood, Stern said.

"It's our favorite day of the year," Campbell said. "I hope it never ends and people continue to come out and understand the cause and raise money."

With funds generated from the event benefit the Ty Louis Campbell Founda-

tion, Stern hopes the August 4 event raised close to \$100,000. The nonprofit organization funds innovative research and clinical trials specifically geared toward the treatment of the most aggressive and deadly childhood cancers to improve long-term survival rates and minimize side-effects.

They also aim to help care for families with children undergoing treatment by providing financial assistance and uplifting experiences

Somers resident Antigona Gjini attended the event with her family for the first time after friends spoke highly of the Ty Louis Campbell Foundation. You never know what could happen and you need to support and help in any way possible, she said.

"I think showing up shows that you care about people," said 11-year-old Armonk resident Nikolet Vataj, who recently lost a friend to cancer. "It probably means a lot to the parents of those children."

While the event is no stranger to rain, Stern believes Ty looks down on his family every year making sure the puddles are extra muddy for all to enjoy.

"It has rained the morning of this event ever year and then it clears up," Stern said. "I truly believe Ty is watching us and making sure this a great day."

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# Enhanced Communication Sought to Better Protect Schools

By Anna Young

With school threats becoming more frequent, members of the Westchester District Attorney's Office met with more than two dozen police officers and school resource officers last week to enhance communication that will better protect school communities.

During the first-ever School Resource Officer Summit, held at the Westchester Intelligence Center (WIC) in White Plains, officers from more than a dozen police departments partnered with county officials to help combat threats on social media and discuss other safety concerns.

District Attorney Anthony Scarpino said the goal of the summit was to form a centralized network of information sharing that connects that more than 40 school districts and law enforcement agencies within the county. School safety is at the top of our agenda now, he said.

"These are very difficult times for school districts," Scarpino said at the August 2 conference. "It is at the top of the county executive and the district attorney's agenda because we feel it's important that our students feel safe when they go to school as much as humanly possible."

Andrew Ludlum, acting executive director of the WIC, said creating an infor-



PHOTO BY ANNA YOUNG

Westchester DA Anthony Scarpino, Jr. led School Resource Officer Summit.

mation sharing grid is essential to ensuring that anyone who is responsible for school safety receives the same training in a tight and effective communications network.

"What we do here is to steer to the network of information and intelligence which will help them do their jobs better and that can touch on social media threats, actual threats of violence, and our goal here is to be primarily engaged in the prevention stage," Ludlum said.

Along with social media threats, the county's intelligence staff also tracks signs of bullying, internet threats, social media issues, hate crimes, and triggers that indicate a student in crisis.

Scarpino added that school resource officers are a valuable link to providing information and developing trust within their districts to combat potential threats.

"There is no silver bullet to this problem, but you are one of the bullets that

we use," Scarpino told officers. "We know that if we work together that the benefits will be significant to all of us."

Larchmont Det. Lisa Pompilio, a school resource officer for the Mamaroneck School District, agreed that resource officers have become an asset to the students, parents, and school and law enforcement officials. She said that information sharing is vital to bridging the gap between the school districts and police department.

"Now as SRO's come into play more often, it's nice to have a group of people where we can reach out to, make some phone calls to, run things across," Pompilio said.

While officials plan to meet with law enforcement four or five times a year, Scarpino said his office is also developing a school safety commission. The group will consist of law enforcement, school administrators, PTA members and mental health professionals to develop best practices in security.

"We're trying to attack this from as many fronts as we possibly can and try to do the best we can," Scarpino said. "Our main responsibility is to ensure that Westchester is the safest community that we can make it and the healthiest community that we can make it and maintain that."

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# Kesten Joins Child Victims Act Supporter in Urging for Bill's Passage

By Anna Young

Democratic Senate candidate Robert Kesten and child abuse survivor Gary Greenberg stood in solidarity last week blasting state officials for their refusal to support the Child Victims Act.

The legislation, which would help child sex abuse survivors seek justice as adults, has been approved in the Democratic-controlled Assembly several times with bipartisan support, including earlier this year; however, it has never come to the Senate floor for a vote.

Greenberg, an outspoken child sex abuse survivor who helped craft the legislation, said Senate Republicans have routinely blocked the bill from being voted on by keeping it in committee year after year.

"One hundred and fifty kids are being abused in the state today and it's disgusting. The Republican Party is more interested in themselves," Greenberg said. "It's not a political issue but Republicans in this state have made it a political issue and if they don't vote on it the only thing we can do is replace the ones who won't vote."

His frustration prompted Greenberg to create a political action committee two years ago to push for passage of the bill.



ANNA YOUNG PHOTO

Democratic Senate candidate Robert Kesten, right, appears last week with Gary Greenberg, who helped craft the Child Victims Act. The legislation has passed the Assembly but has yet to come up for a vote in the Senate.

His committee endorses candidates who support the measure in hopes that the Democrats win control of the chamber in November.

During a gathering at the BeanRunner Café in Peekskill, Greenberg announced his support for Kesten in the 40th state Senate District Democratic primary over former county Legislator Peter Harck-

ham. For months, Kesten has urged officials to hold a special session to approve the legislation.

"If we don't take care of people we're not really doing the job that government was intended to do," Kesten said.

The proposed bill eliminates the statute of limitations for prosecuting child sexual abuse crimes and filing civil lawsuits for damages against individuals, public and private institutions. The bill would allow for lawsuits to be filed until the victim is 50 years old. Currently, if a child is sexually abused, they have until the age of 23 to seek justice.

The proposed bill also allows for a one-year window for a victim to file a civil claim against their alleged abuser regardless of age, Greenberg said.

Greenberg criticized state Sen. Terrence Murphy (R-Yorktown) for failing to push for a vote after sharing his support for the bill two years ago.

"Shame on him," Greenberg said. "He has done nothing to see that the Child Victims Act was passed."

Greenberg also slammed Gov. Andrew Cuomo for not using his influence to bring lawmakers back into session to vote on the law. Greenberg added that he contributed \$15,000 to Cuomo's cam-

paign last year after promises were made the law would reach the floor for a vote.

"What he has done is he's supported Republicans with the Independent Democratic Conference to allow the Republicans to stay in the majority and every year the Republican Party have kept the Child Victims Act in committee," Greenberg said. "He has a lot of power and he refuses to use it because it doesn't serve his best interests. This governor for the last eight years has only given us lip service."

Kesten stressed the importance of voting in the Nov. 6 election to ensure human rights issues take priority at the legislative level. He added that money and politics have prevented the Child Victims Act from moving forward. It's a problem only the voters can change, he said.

"It should be a human issue and money gets in the way," Kesten said. "This is about money and power and it's really not about anything else and that's the problem with our system, and as long as we have this unlimited amount of money being poured into a system that teeters in the wrong way, that's a huge problem we'll have to address."

## Obituary

### George Strumke, Sr.

George E. Strumke, Sr., a lifelong resident of Peekskill, died July 27 following a long illness of COPD. He was the son of George E. Strumke & Catherine (Miller) Strumke.

He was a paid fireman for the City of Peekskill for 43 years and held offices in many fire departments in Peekskill. His love, passion and dedication was Centennial Hose Co. #1, a member for 68 years.

He is survived by his wife Ruth (Manganello) Strumke, seven children, Linda (John) Duncan, Patti Ann (Dan) Carey, Lori Strumke, Karen (Morley) Strumke, George E. Strumke, Jr. (Tina), James (Marilyn) Strumke, Michael (Nia) Strumke; 11 grandchildren: Thomas Tooley, Nicholas Strumke, Kisha (Jones) Taffe, Jeremy Jones, Kayla (Duncan) Juhasz, Robert (Strumke) Shubert, Nicole Carey, David Morley, Jr., George E. Strumke 3rd., Samantha Morley, Kyle Duncan, and five great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his grandson, Dustin Strumke. He is also survived by his sister MaryLou Calabrese, brother William Strumke, and several nieces and nephews.

### Sherman "Bud" Turner

Sherman "Bud" Turner, a resident of Cortlandt, died July 31. He was 88.

He was born March 11, 1930 to Arthur

and Gladys (Harbolic) Turner in Verplanck. He is survived by his beloved wife Maureen (Hughes) Turner, daughters Patti Monk and her husband William and Kelly Polao, grandchildren Jennifer, Jacqueline, and Nick, great-grandchildren Zoe and Sydney, and his brother Arthur Turner.

### Edward Porubek

Edward George Porubek, a Peekskill resident since 1962, died August 3. He was 88.

Mr. Porubek was a U.S. Air Force veteran, serving as a Staff SGT during the Korean War. On July 23, 1961, he married Rose Calbi. He worked at General Motors in Tarrytown for more than 35 years. He was a member of the American Legion Post #274 in Peekskill. He was a family man and loved his grandchildren.

He is survived by his step-daughter, Rosemary (Ronald) Stroh of Texas, four step-grandchildren: RoseMarie Stroh O'Connell, Theresa Stroh-Nucifore, Edward T. Stroh and Ronald J. Stroh, Jr., many great-grandchildren, three nieces: Teresa Ventura, Lisa Slampak, Julie Slampak, and one nephew, Bernie Slampak. His wife, Rose, predeceased him on Sept 28, 1987. The family will receive friends on Wednesday, August 8 from 10 a.m. to noon at E.O. Curry Funeral Home in Peekskill, where funeral services will be

held, followed by interment at Rose Hills Memorial Park in Putnam Valley.

### Robert Piersall

Robert E. Piersall, a long-time resident of Yorktown, died July 30. He was 85.

Mr. Piersall graduated from Saunders Trade School in Yonkers, then later served in the U.S. Navy from 1953 to 1955. He was an electrician with IBEW, Local 3. Mr. Piersall is survived by his daughter, Donnamarie (Chris) Aiello, his son, Robert H. Piersall, as well as his sister Claire Semmeles. He was predeceased by his wife, Joan T. Piersall, his parents, Charles and Rose Piersall, his brother Thomas Piersall and his sisters Helen Beale and Joan Weber.

### Elaine Grandolfi

Elaine Grandolfi, a resident of Shrub Oak, died July 28 at her home. She was 73.

She was born April 16, 1945 in Ardsley, and graduated from Ardsley High School in 1963. She received her BA in marketing from Pace University. She started her career in healthcare sales at Technicon Corporation in Tarrytown; then on to her own private healthcare marketing business; then on to L'Oreal Cosmetics and lastly as a real estate agent. She lived in Dobbs Ferry for many years and raised her children there. She retired in

2015 to enjoy life and her grandchildren. She loved her British mysteries and the New York Yankees.

She is survived by her children, Kimberly Capuano of Yorktown, and Nicholas Capuano and his wife, Jean of Dobbs Ferry; four grandchildren: Francesca, Bianca, Alex, and Jack, her sister Virginia Beccera of Dobbs Ferry, and many nieces and nephews.

### James Flood

James J. Flood, a resident of Somers, died July 29 peacefully at his home. He was 95.

He is survived by his beloved and loving wife, Virginia (Ginnie). He was born in NYC to the late Justice John V. Flood and Catherine O'Donnell. He attended LaSalle Military Academy, Georgetown University and received a Bachelor's Degree from Fordham University.

He served as an officer in the USAF during WWII in England and France and was a Major in the USAF Reserve. In civilian life his early career was in broadcasting and public relations with CBS and later as Vice President of Right Associates, an International Management consulting firm, retiring in 1993. He was a lifelong patron of the arts and music, including The Metropolitan Opera, Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts and others.

## Letters to the Editor

### Murphy's Words for Croton Ring Hollow

#### To the Editor,

We Crotonites can be a contentious lot when it comes to village affairs. But if an outsider barges into our community and attempts to destroy its cohesion, we coalesce and speak with one voice. Vociferously.

So it was with the flyers posted recently by Identity Evropa, an organization, which, despite its protests of innocence, has been branded a white-supremacist group by the Anti-Defamation League and a hate group by the Southern Poverty Law Center. A mob we just don't want in our neighborhood.

The response was swift with village officials, our police force, our schools, and masses of our citizens speaking out against the hatred perpetrated by this cowardly crew. Fliers promoting love and tolerance rapidly appeared throughout the village. And we were buoyed by the support of the Westchester County Human Rights Commission who issued a strong statement against these repre-

hensible activities. This is Croton at our best.

But it offends me when our so-called representatives try to exploit these situations for their personal political advantage. I refer to the letter circulated by State Senator Terrence Murphy to his constituents in Croton.

Had Mr. Murphy previously established himself as a champion of tolerance and human rights, we would have welcomed his kind words and the encouragement he extended to us. But those sentiments ring hollow in light of Mr. Murphy's long record that speaks a totally different language. They can only have been generated in an attempt to garner votes in our village.

Mr. Murphy appears smiling in photographs with President Trump, a man not exactly revered for his strong support of tolerance and human rights. But has he uttered one word in protest of any of the myriad hateful statements and actions by this President? Indeed, he has not.

When neo-Nazis paraded through the streets of Charlottesville, VA, leaving riot and death in their wake, they were condemned by politicians of every stripe. But Mr. Murphy remained conspicuously silent.

When small children were ripped from their parents' arms at our southern border and unceremoniously dispatched here to Westchester, did Mr. Murphy join the vast chorus of officials protesting these inhuman acts? He most certainly did not.

One of the most fundamental human rights in our country is the right to vote. But did Mr. Murphy support the package of legislation, passed by the Assembly, to make voting easier and to foster greater participation? Never. He turned his back on these as well.

In contrast, he introduced legislation requiring photo IDs at the polls, ostensibly to prevent the frauds which almost never occur, but whose real intent was to depress the turnout of minorities, poor people, and young voters, who he must,

rightfully, feel are not among his strongest supporters.

One can only conclude that Mr. Murphy, faced with an extraordinary challenge for his seat in November, instructed one of his staff members to prepare that letter full of love, tolerance, and praise for the citizens of our village in nothing less than a cynical attempt to swing voters into his camp.

If Mr. Murphy really cared about the people of Croton, he would venture down here during this long legislative recess and actually meet with his constituents to discuss his record and his plans for the future, and to answer their questions. But that has never occurred here or anywhere else in his district in living memory.

So, Mr. Murphy, spare us your words of praise. We know you're not sincere. We see you for what you truly are. We in Croton are doing just fine without you.

Sincerely,

JOEL E. GINGOLD  
Ossining

### Washington Politics Playing Out in Yorktown

#### To the Editor,

I don't know if Yorktown should be shocked or if voters in last November's election should just say "I told you so"? Rumors of conflict of interest have been floating around certain politicians for years. A ethics complaint has been filed that a former politician has been hired by developers and is allegedly profiting from votes he took and decisions he made that allowed development in the first place. It's called 'revolving door politics'. It's when politicians audition for their future employers by green lighting and approving property development projects opposed by many with the hopes or unspoken

understanding that they will be hired (repaid) by the very same developers for their efforts after they leave office. The legality of 'I do this for that' is questionable but I am certain that it's both unethical and a violation of the public trust. Yorktown's Board of Ethics and Westchester County Government watch dog agencies should review this matter and dig a little deeper to see if there's are more back-room political deals that have yet to be exposed. It's a little bit of what's wrong with Washington D.C. politics playing out right here in Yorktown.

ROBERT JEFFREYS  
Yorktown

### It isn't Socialism, It's Our Government's Support of Capitalism

#### To the Editor,

It isn't socialism, it's our government's support of capitalism that has made our economy the greatest in the world. All the government expenditures on infrastructure, education, technology, etc. aids and abets our capitalistic republic. Granted we have a way to go towards perfection. A good way to that is to provide a good education for all our children. Our education

systems, kindergarten thru college, have failed our children, and this is especially true for inner city children.

You must realize that it isn't criminal to be rich. We all would like to be financially secure, and nowhere in the world is there a better chance than in the capitalistic USA.

AL FROEBRICH  
Croton-on-Hudson

### HV Expo in Peekskill Cancelled

The Fourth Annual Hudson Valley Exposition scheduled for Saturday at Riverfront Green in Peekskill was cancelled due to flooding.

Deb Milone, Executive Director of the Hudson Valley Gateway Chamber of Commerce, the organization heading the event, issued a statement concerning the circumstances that led to it being shelved.

"Due to the tremendous amount of overnight rain and significant flooding, the City of Peekskill has declared the Riverfront Green Park unusable. Therefore, in working in cooperation with the City, we have no choice but to make the difficult decision to cancel today's Hudson Valley Exposition," Milone said. "We will be in touch with further details in regards to this cancellation early next week. We appreciate your support and understanding and apologize for any inconvenience."



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# The Asphalt Jungle Changes Meaning in the Suburbs

When you hear the term The Asphalt Jungle, the title of a 1950 film noir based on the novel of the same name by W. R. Burnett, you probably think of underworld activities in the city, but in the suburbs, the words could very well describe the constant battle of maintaining our town roads.

And the surprisingly bad condition of many of our roads today affects the perception of our towns and neighborhoods, as well as the perceived value of our homes.

When I owned a single-family home, it was the first home as one entered my street. And I was keenly aware at one point that it had not been paved in at least 25 years while I was living there. I became very sensitive to this issue when one buyer prospect asked, "Why does your street look so bad?"

However, I remember well when one morning I woke to the sound of equipment operating in the street below my window, and I thought, oh, no, what the heck is happening now? But I rejoiced when, 'lo and behold, I spied through the trees along the street an enormous truck filled with steaming asphalt, a smell that I happen to like, almost comparable to the slight high I get when using rubber

cement.

I quickly got dressed and ran down to the street to personally welcome the crew and the highway department head at that time who was there to personally supervise the job.

Why was it such a long time between pavings? I asked him. He replied that because of tightened budgets, roads which had been on a 10-year cycle for re-paving had been extended to a 20-year cycle." I guess somehow my street got lost in the shuffle because I could personally testify to the fact that its life far surpassed even the extended cycle.

When I was a child, I traveled with my older sister and my brother-in-law across country and at that time, the main interstate highway going across the southwestern states was Route 66 and this major road was all concrete rather than asphalt, but from the 60s onward, most roads are done in asphalt because of its ease of installation, and repair. However, the heaviest traveled roads are still concrete which is better in bearing the load of really heavy trucks.

You may know the story about how the concrete and automobile lobbies conspired to get the interstate highway

system together in this country in the 1950s at the expense of public transportation. It's a fascinating study.

When I moved to my town more than 40 years ago, the main road, then cared for by the county, was still concrete, installed in sections with cracks in between that produced a large, consistent sound as you rode over them. Soon after our arrival, it too was covered with smooth asphalt that looked and rode much better.

You may wonder about the composition of an asphalt mix. Actually liquid asphalt is the heavy black material that is left from crude oil after the other products like gasoline and motor oil are refined from it. Paving asphalt is composed of six percent liquid asphalt, mixed with sand and stone.

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After the asphalt is spread evenly along the road, a roller which operates with water cascading over its surface, flattens and compresses the mix, with the water keeping it from sticking to the

drum.

Because of that procedure, my street was transformed from the ugliest to the nicest looking in town. The downside was that it made my abutting landscaping look a little overgrown, so I had to catch up with the Joneses and prune everything back so that it matched the sleeker look of the street.

There was always something to keep me busy outside, and this was a small price to pay to guard against the possibility of my stumbling into a pothole in front of my house.

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## Back 2 School

# New Peekskill Superintendent of Schools Hits Ground Running

By Rick Pezzullo

Dr. David Mauricio officially took over the reins as Superintendent of Schools in the Peekskill School District on July 1, and he hit the ground running.

Dr. Mauricio, who was selected by the Board of Education on April 6 after an extensive nationwide search, has a 90-day entry plan to immerse himself into the district, meet key stakeholders in the community and ensure schools and faculty are ready to greet students when they return to school in September.

"I am very excited to join the Peekskill community," Dr. Mauricio said when he was appointed. "During the interview process with the Board, staff and community leaders, it was clear that Peekskill is poised for greatness. I was extremely impressed with the community's diversity; the school board's commitment to the children, families and a focus on excellence; and the many wonderful things taking place in the district and the city."

Dr. Mauricio was born in New York City. He was raised by his mother and



Dr. David Mauricio

father, both of whom are Latinos. His father was born in the Dominican Republic to a large family. His mother was born

in Puerto Rico. While his home was not financially wealthy, Dr. Mauricio's life was rich in love, guidance, religion, a sense of family and a strong work ethic. His parents taught him to give to others and this virtue was evident in how the family lived. These realities and perspectives drove Dr. Mauricio to work hard in order to be successful in life. Many mentors and caring adults have assisted him throughout his entire life, leading him to become the person he is today.

He graduated from the New York City Public School system. He pursued his post-secondary education in Buffalo where he received the following degrees: BS in Ed., Special Education & Elementary Education from S.U.N.Y. College at Buffalo; MS in Ed., Bilingual Special Education from S.U.N.Y. College at Buffalo; Certificate of Advanced Study, School Administrator and Supervisor from S.U.N.Y. College at Buffalo; and Ed.D. in Educational Leadership and Policy from the University at Buffalo.

Dr. Mauricio began working in education in 1993 and has spent more than 24 years serving Buffalo's students in the following capacities: Special Education Teacher (Monolingual and Bilingual) at School #33; Educational Specialist, Committee on Special Education (CSE), Director and Supervisor of Special Education, Principal of Lorraine Elementary School, Principal of Bennett High School, Community Superintendent and most currently in his position as Chief of Strategic Alignment and Innovation.

He is also extremely committed to the betterment of the communities he works with, and has received numerous community awards and recognitions for his efforts and achievements including, but not limited to the following: the Out-

standing Leadership Award for Men of Integrity from Utopia Euphoria, LLC, the Proud Latino Award from Hispanics United of Buffalo, the Career and Technical Educator's Guild Award and the U.S. Army Reserve HHD 2nd Brigade, 98th Division Solidier of the Year Award.

In addition, Dr. Mauricio sits on a number of boards and committees, including Junior Achievement of Western New York, Parent Network of Western New York and the Westside Latino Taskforce. He is also the President, Executive Board Member and Regional Delegate of the New York State Association of Bilingual Education, and a founding member of the New York State Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents.

Dr. Mauricio, husband to Kimberly and father to a son and daughter, replaced Dr. Mary Keenan Foster, who returned to her previous position as Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education.

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**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. 8

**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:** POUND™ 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.

**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).

**Outdoor Movie Screening:** Westchester County's Family Movie Nights series continues with a screening of "Nutjob 2" (PG, 2017) at Croton Point Park in Croton. The rain date is Aug. 9. The park opens at 7 p.m. for after-hours swimming. Bring your own picnic or purchase food at the concession stand. For seating, bring blankets and chairs. The movie begins at sundown. Admission is \$5 per person (free for children under 5) and only includes the movie. A Westchester County Park Pass is not required for admission. Admission wristbands go on sale the day of the event and will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last. Swimming is only permitted until dark and all food and cooler guidelines for regular pool hours apply. Info: [westchestergov.com](http://westchestergov.com) or 914-864-PARK.

**Beer Tasting:** Meet your local Jewish community as First Hebrew hosts a complimentary beer tasting at River Outpost Brewing Co., 5 John Walsh Blvd. in Peekskill, from 7 to 9 p.m. Also enjoy hors d'oeuvres, bocce ball and shuffleboard courtesy of Spins Hudson. RSVP required; send an e-mail to [membership@firsthebrew.org](mailto:membership@firsthebrew.org) or call 914-739-0500. For more information visit [www.firsthebrew.org](http://www.firsthebrew.org).

**Reinventing Power:** The film "Reinventing Power" will be screened at 7 p.m. at the Ossining Public Library, 53 Croton Ave. Meet people in eight states and hear from them about how their lives were changed by the renewable energy industry. A moderated discussion will follow the film screening, which is being sponsored by Green Ossining and the Lower Hudson Sierra Club.

## Thursday, Aug. 9

**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).

**Meet The Animals:** Meet a porcupine owl, tortoise, python and more at 6:30 p.m. at the Field Library, 4 Nelson Ave., Peekskill. Info: 914-737-1212 or [peekskill.org](http://peekskill.org).

**College Transition:** Transition to College - Tips for Getting Ready will be held from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. at the Somers Library. Join us for an interactive presentation that will outline what parents can expect now that their student is embarking on their college journey. Info: [www.somerslibrary.org](http://www.somerslibrary.org) or 914-232-5717.

## Friday, Aug. 10

**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 8/17 & 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.

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**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. 11

**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, 1 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

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Crossword

ACROSS

- 1. Water pots
- 6. Have \_\_\_\_ at
- 9. If you want flowers, this Yorktown emporium is not the hinterland, \_\_\_\_ Florist
- 12. Mug
- 13. Borealis and australis
- 14. Ball carriers
- 15. Mother \_\_\_\_ (Nobel-winning nun)
- 16. French island
- 17. Rubber-stamps
- 19. Wash process
- 22. New Jersey five
- 23. Shrub Oak personal training facility, Pure \_\_\_\_
- 27. Gator or lemon?
- 28. Sheep meat
- 31. Drink for a hot day, with ice
- 32. Green crusts on bronze
- 34. Stable diet?
- 35. Big electronics and engineering company

- 36. Before, to bards
- 37. To cut for the 2nd time

DOWN

- 1. Mozart's "L' \_\_\_\_ del Cairo"
- 2. Boor
- 3. Trap
- 4. Jackets
- 5. Bug causing a sore throat
- 6. Reached the meeting point
- 7. Stemmed glass
- 8. Dwell on
- 10. Metalworker's tool
- 11. Junior or senior?
- 18. Erstwhile
- 19. Large, leaf-like part of a flower
- 20. \_\_\_\_, did I do that?
- 21. Nocturnal lemur
- 24. Little devils
- 25. Paris's \_\_\_\_ d'Orsay
- 26. Pronounce
- 29. Certain column
- 30. Grandma's nickname
- 33. Pilothouse abbr.

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**Blood Drive:** A blood drive will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Yorktown, 2880 Crompond Rd., [www.fpcyorktown.org](http://www.fpcyorktown.org). To schedule an appointment to donate go to [www.RedCrossBlood.org](http://www.RedCrossBlood.org) and enter sponsor keyword: FPCY.

**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).

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## Sunday, Aug. 12

**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. Weekly classes are being conducted by rotating instructors. The suggestion fee is \$15. Info: Ellisha Simpson at 914-319-4010.

## Monday, Aug. 13

**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, 8/13, and 20 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. When you want endless opportunities, acrylic painting is

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**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 "A Quiet Place." 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).



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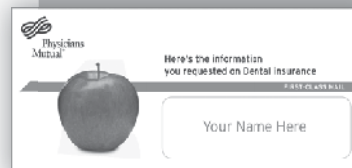
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## Mahopac Delivers Knockout Blow, Slays Somers to Win GHVBL 12U Title

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Mahopac defeated Somers 8-2 to win the Greater Hudson Valley Baseball League Championship 12U division last Sunday in Danbury Connecticut. Mahopac's offense went to work when Indians Nevan Nystrom mashed a grand slam home run in the 5th inning and Tyler Castrataro followed up with a solo shot. The high power team consists of Joe DeFeo, Quentin Bally, Casey Brandstette, Tyler Castrataro, Robert Dusovic, Kevin Dwyer, John Kearney, Nolan Keenan, Joe Luczkowski, Nevan Nystrom, Owen Ryan, Chris Sapienza, Liam Scanlon.

# Sports

## Renegades Snap Losing Streak

By Andy Jacobs

Up until last week, the Hudson Valley Renegades had the best record in the New York-Penn League. But a season-high five-game losing streak knocked the 'Gades from their lofty perch.

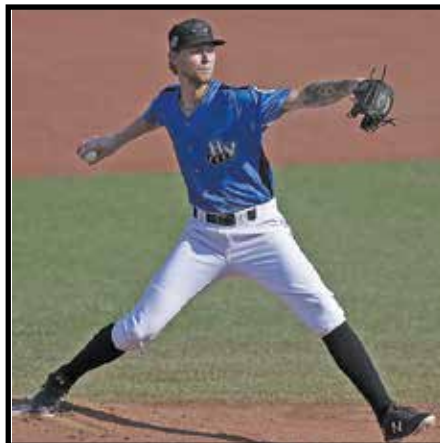
Late Sunday afternoon, Hudson Valley finally returned to its winning ways, overcoming a four-run deficit to defeat the Brooklyn Cyclones 6-5 at Dutchess Stadium. The Renegades rallied for two runs in the bottom of the ninth inning, winning in walk-off fashion as Cyclone relief pitcher Yeudy Colon was called for a balk, sending home Allen Smoot from third base with the decisive run.

The Cyclones, sparked by two-run homers off the bats of Chase Chambers and Carlos Cortes, built a 5-1 lead after four and a half innings. The Renegades answered with three runs in the bottom of the fifth, closing to within a run of Brooklyn on Adrian Rondon's two-out RBI single to center field.

In the decisive ninth inning, the first two Renegade batters were retired before Rondon walked and Smoot singled. Marvin Malone then followed with a run-scoring single to tie the game, setting the stage for the balk call that provided the Renegades with their 29th victory in 48 games this season.



Brooklyn first baseman Chase Chambers fields a throw from third just in time to nip the Renegades' Bryce Brown in the second inning.



Renegades starting pitcher Easton McGee delivers to the plate in Sunday's come-from-behind 6-5 win over visiting Brooklyn.



Brooklyn's Chase Chambers, who homered in the first inning of Sunday's game, gets set to bat in the top of the fourth inning vs. the host Renegades.



Brooklyn third baseman Brian Sharp watches the flight of his foul ball in the 6-5 loss to the Renegades.



Renegades shortstop Tyler Frank throws to first to complete a seventh-inning double play as second baseman Ford Proctor looks on and Brooklyn's Wagner Lagrange runs the bases.



Hudson Valley's Ford Proctor races to second base with a leadoff double in the bottom of the first inning vs. the Brooklyn Cyclones.



Jaison Viera of the Brooklyn Cyclones fires a pitch to the plate in Sunday's game against Hudson Valley at Dutchess Stadium.



The Renegades' Adrian Rondon hits a first-inning RBI single in Sunday's game at Dutchess Stadium.



Hudson Valley catcher Erik Ostberg runs the bases during Sunday's game.



Hudson Valley first baseman Jacson McGowan takes a mighty swing as he bats in the first inning of Sunday's game vs. Brooklyn.

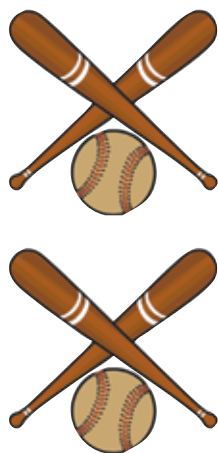


Brooklyn's Nick Meyer runs to third base in the second inning of Sunday's game at Dutchess Stadium.

# Sports



Shrub Oak Storm proved their an offensive team to be reckon with last week.



The winning battery of catcher Carlo Tucci and pitcher Louie Vernagallo



Pitcher Louie Vernagallo delivered a gem last week.



## Shrub Oak Storm 10U Breezes Into GHVBL Championship

Last Tuesday, the #2 seed Shrub Oak Storm hosted the #3 seed Mt. Pleasant Wildcats at Lakeland High School in the GHVBL Summer Semifinal game with a trip to the Championship game on the line. The Storm players came out in a fury putting 14 runs up in the first inning en route to a convincing 19-3 mercy win. Starting pitcher Louie Vernagallo improved to 8-0 on the season behind plenty of offensive support from his teammates. The Storm offense was led by Max Selinger, Kevin Gordon, Nicholas Santobello, Stefanos Cross, Grady McGee, Matthew Clyman and Michael Zumatto who all had a multi-hit game. Clyman and Santobello each contributed 3 RBI's as well. With the win the Storm improved to 25-2 overall (17-2 in GHVBL) this summer. The Storm played in their 6th consecutive GHVBL Championship Game last Sunday at Rogers Park in Danbury,

## Bombers Beat Down Opponents in Tri-State Tourney

In a tournament consisting of teams from three different states (New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut) the Bombers baseball club went undefeated going 3-0-1. The team displayed lot of local talent who will showcase their skills at the Varsity level next year.

In game one against Frozen Ropes, John Glashoff and Jimmy Murphy combined to pitch to a 2-2 tie. Jason Green and Mike Hardy drove in the runs for the Bombers.

In the quarterfinals, the Bombers won 5-1 over the Westchester Jr. Ducks. Mike Scotto went 6 and 1/3 innings striking out 7 with one walk allowed for the win. Andrew Croce closed the game. Murphy and Jason Green led the Bombers with the bats with two hits each. In the semis, the Bombers beat the Rockland Elite 7-4. Green went 6 & 1/3 innings for the win with Croce closing out the game for the save. Michael Hardy and Croce each had two hits a piece to lead the offense for the

Bombers. Hardy also had three RBIs.

Finally, in the championship, the Bombers outlasted Coastal CT 10-6. Steven Gerrish went 4 innings for the win with Croce going three innings for the save. Croce (4 RBI's), Murphy (3 hits), Andrew Russian (2 RBI's) and Diego Urreta (3 walks and 2 runs) led the bombers offense.

### The team consists of :

**John Glashoff (Hendrick Hudson)**  
**Nick Hiltzley (Hendrick Hudson)**  
**Andrew Croce (Lakeland)**  
**Jason Green (Lakeland)**  
**Michael Scotto (Lakeland)**  
**Diego Urreta (Panas)**  
**Steven Gerrish (Panas)**  
**Michael Hardy (Briarcliff)**  
**Jimmy Murphy**  
**Andrew Russian**  
**Josh Borowicz**  
**Sal Ferraro**



# Roll Pride!



## Putnam Valley Snags 9U GHSVBL Title

The Putnam Valley 9U team defeated LaGrange 3-2 in extra innings to win the greater Hudson Valley Baseball League Championship last Sunday in Danbury Connecticut, capping off an impressive season for the boys from PV. Bottom row (L to R): Reece Horan, Ryan Dinizo, Joey Recuppio, Cam Tagliamonte-Akram, Mikey Frye, Matt Quinn; Middle Row: (L to R) Carter Horan, Parker Fisco, Jackson Weller, Logan Moriarty, Jack Rund, Ryan Tagliamonte-Akram; Back Row (L to R): Coaches Mike Frye, Frank Weller, Kevin Moriarty.