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Trump at Center of Private Golf Course Tax Debate

By Abby Luby

At a rally right outside the Trump National Golf Club in Briarcliff Manor Sunday, local residents protested unfair low assessments so private golf courses could pay decreased taxes. About 45 residents from Ossining and Briarcliff and members of Indivisible Briarcliff-Ossining heard state and local officials explain two pending pieces of legislation that, if signed into law, would arm municipalities with the power to end inequitable assessment practices that favors private golf courses in Westchester and those throughout New York State.

"We are looking to pass legislation to protect property taxpayers and school

districts," said Senator David Carlucci (D-Rockland/Westchester) who is sponsoring the state Senate version of the bill, S.4420. "We want to make sure golf courses throughout Westchester and the state are paying their fair share of taxes. We are trying to close the loop hole that currently exists."

The legislation was originally introduced by Assemblywoman Sandy Galef (D-Ossining) last year, but her bill (A.6444) was stalled in the Republican controlled legislature. This year, under Democratic control, Galef's bill was approved by her Assembly Property Tax committee March 19. It goes on to be

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Senator David Carlucci, Assemblywoman Sandy Galef and others rallied outside Trump National Golf Course in Briarcliff Sunday.

Community Lends Support to Hen Hud High Student with Cancer

By Rick Pezullo

More than \$68,000 was raised online in three days last week for a Hendrick Hudson High School freshman battling cancer.

A GoFundMe account, entitled Alex's Army, was created by Alicia Moraitis April 26, one day after Alexandra Figueroa, 15, who had recently discovered a mass on her shoulder that was growing rapidly, was diagnosed with metastatic Ewing's Sarcoma.

According to the GoFundMe account, where 720 people pledged \$68,009 as of Monday evening, the cancer has metastasized to Figueroa's lungs and she will

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Alexandra Figueroa



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Supporting My Brother Vinny

The annual Mr Brother Vinny/Vincent Miritello Walk was held Sunday at FDR State Park in Yorktown. My Brother Vinny is a non-profit charitable organization that distributes food, clothing, furniture and housewares to U.S. veterans, outreach groups, shelters and families in Westchester County and other areas.

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reviewed by the Property Tax committee, the Codes Committee and the Ways and Means Committee. Carlucci's bill was proposed in March and is currently in the Senate's Local Government Committee.

"We have a real big problem," Galef told protesters. "We have a multi-million-dollar problem. How do we go about solving it?"

Galef seeks to model the new law after New Jersey's current assessment policy. "Their law says golf courses can be assessed based on the highest and best use."

The legislation was re-energized when the Trump National Golf Club sought to slash their property taxes by 72 percent over four years. Currently the golf course owes the town of Ossining \$487,000. Trump National claimed the course was worth \$14 million while Trump's financial disclosure valued the course at \$50 million. The 40-acre course with its 75,000-square-foot clubhouse charges initiation fees of about \$50,000 and annual dues about \$20,000.

Similarly, the Apawamis Club in Rye and Harrison reduced its tax bill 50 percent in 2017. They received refunds of about \$900,000 for overpaying after their taxable value dropped from \$23 million

to \$14 million. Apawamis membership initiation fee is around \$69,500.

The pending legislation, if enacted, is an "opt-in" law that would allow municipalities to assess different clubs and courses in their jurisdiction according to how they are used. Galef said, "It would give communities the ability to have public hearings to determine a fair evaluation of a golf course and hear all sides, pros and cons. Then the town board would decide if they wanted to move forward and adopt the legislation. I think every community will do something different."

Along with Carlucci and Galef at the rally were Briarcliff Village Manager Philip Zegarelli, Assemblyman Tom Abinanti (D/Tarrytown), Ossining Town Supervisor Dana Levenberg and Westchester County Legislator Catherine Borgia (D/Ossining).

Reportedly, opposition to the legislation have been golf course owners claiming the new law would put numerous courses out of business. Proponents include the New York State Club Association and national organizations like We Are Golf. Wary of the legislation is Assemblywoman Amy Paulin (D/Scarsdale), and state Senator Shelly Mayer (D/Yonkers), along with state Senator James

Gaughran (D/Long Island).

"We're not trying to put any one out of business," said Carlucci. "The current law uses the same calculations to assess municipal golf courses as it does more opulent, private golf courses, such as Trump National. The reality is this legislation gives towns and villages options to assess golf courses and country clubs at an equitable rate."

The rally had significant political overtones mostly expressed by Indivisible Briarcliff-Ossining. "I believe that private golf courses such as Trump National should pay taxes based on the real property value," said Margaret Cucchiarella of Indivisible. "They shouldn't pay on a value they arbitrarily decide on when it's time to pay taxes and then increase that value when you have to show your net worth."

Holding signs of support for the proposed legislation were Croton resident Cliff Weinstein and Ossining resident Chuck Bell. "It's important for private golf courses to pay their share and build up the tax base," said Weinstein.

Zegarelli downplayed the political nature of the proposed legislation. "From our prospective here in the village, this is a fairness and equity issue that has nothing to do with politics," Zegarelli

said. "Our village has hired their own appraiser to separately reappraise both Sleepy Hollow and Trump National. And it looks like the New York State Conference of Mayors are looking at this issue more seriously."

"This problem started in the early 2000s," said Galef. "We didn't have these issues until our judges started looking at our municipal golf courses and private courses as the same. They certainly aren't the same. Sleepy Hollow has a restaurant, an equestrian center, a hotel — it's nothing like the municipal course Hudson Hills here in Ossining. You just can't compare the two. Our objective is to have fair and equitable treatment with all of our golf courses."

Galef urged people to write letters and reach out to their representatives. "I don't think we should stop shouting until private golf courses pay their fair share," she said.



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Ossining Man Sentenced to Prison for Sexually Abusing a Child

An Ossining man was sentenced last week to four years in state prison for sexually abusing a 12-year-old girl.

Luis Antonio Araujo-Cada, 35, pled guilty in February 2019 to sexually abusing a 12-year-old girl whom he knew. He engaged in sexual acts with the child over a nine-month period. He was arrested November 6, 2018 and arraigned the same day, according to Westchester County District Attorney Anthony A. Scarpino, Jr.

Araujo-Cada of Ossining was sentenced April 23 by Westchester County Court Judge Susan Cacace to four years in jail for Course of Sexual Conduct against a Child in the Second Degree, a class D felony.

In addition to the prison term, the judge sentenced him to 10 years post-release supervision. Upon release, he must register as a sex offender.

State Police

April 23- New York State Police from the Cortlandt barracks arrested Simeon A. Sanders, 20, of Middletown, for Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the 3rd degree, Reckless Endangerment in the 1st degree, both class D felonies, Unlawful Fleeing of an Officer in a Motor Vehicle in the 3rd degree, Criminal Possession of Marijuana in the 4th degree, Obstruction of Governmental Administration, and Aggravated Unlicensed Operation in the 3rd degree, all misdemeanors.

At approximately 5:15 p.m., troopers attempted to conduct a traffic stop of a 2015 Mercedes-Benz ML350 on East Main Street in the Town of Cortlandt after being advised the vehicle was stolen and in the area. The suspect vehicle failed to comply and led troopers on a vehicle pursuit which ended near 1821 East Main Street due to a ruptured tire. The suspect vehicle struck a marked State Police vehicle at low speed, and the operator then fled on foot. After a brief foot pursuit, Sanders was taken into cus-

tody without further incident. Sanders was found to possess approximately 3.2 ounces of marijuana.

Sanders was subsequently arrested with the assistance of Yorktown Police Department, Putnam County Sheriff's Office, and the Westchester County Crime Center. He was arraigned in Village of Croton-on-Hudson Court, and remanded by the Honorable Judge Walkins to the Westchester County Jail in lieu of \$1,000 cash bail or secure bond.

Yorktown Police

April 19 - 12:43 p.m. - David James, 27, of Yorktown, was charged with petit larceny after allegedly shoplifting two clothing items valued at \$210 from Macy's in the Jefferson Valley Mall.

11:26 p.m. - Noe Quijada, 56, of Mahopac, was charged with driving while intoxicated after being pulled over on Crompond Road for failing to keep right.

April 25 - 3 p.m. - Joseph Raitano, 64, of Mahopac, was charged with driving

while intoxicated following a one-car accident on Route 6N.

4:30 p.m. - Malene Kundrat, 40, of Wappingers Falls, was charged with assault in the third degree in connection with an April 20 incident when she allegedly violated a Temporary Order of Protection by going to the victim's residence, banging on the door, walking to the bedroom window and attempting to pull the victim through the window, causing injury. She is due back in Yorktown Justice Court May 16.

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Hundreds of Strangers Attend Funeral for WWII Veteran

By Rick Pezzullo

A decorated U.S. Marines veteran received a hero's sendoff Friday as hundreds of strangers paid their respects at his funeral at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Shrub Oak.

Robert Graham, 97, fought on Guadalcanal and Bougainville in World War II and won the Bronze Star and Silver Star.

When Graham died April 12 at Yorktown Rehabilitation and Nursing Center in Yorktown, Beth Regan, 27, a nursing home volunteer, was concerned his funeral would be lightly attended since he had outlived his family and most of his friends, so she put out the word, along with the U.S. Marine Corps, inviting anyone to attend his services.

Clearly, people were paying attention as the church was filled to capacity and beyond with individuals who wanted to honor Graham.

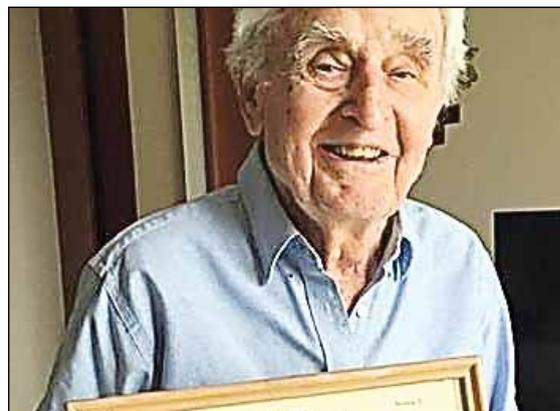
"We showed up today at his funeral to honor him, but I can guarantee that each person in that packed church this morning, like me, considers it an honor to have been able to say farewell, and thank you, and God bless you, to one of our nation's many unheralded heroes," John Roche stated on Facebook. "Bob Graham, like most of the men and women who served or are currently

serving our country, might believe that they "didn't do nuthin." Today, that sendoff of honor and gratitude—well, that sure was something. Semper Fi, PFC Robert J. Graham."

The Yorktown Police Department played a key role in the sendoff and Yorktown Funeral Home handled arrangements.

"From where we stand, heroes like Mr. Graham are the best that our country has to offer. We all enjoy our liberties because of heroes like PFC Graham. To all in the armed service, we don't say it nearly enough, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!" Yorktown Police posted on its Facebook. "To United States Marine Corps Combat Marine Robert J. Graham, it was an honor for our officers to attend and assist your final sendoff, Sir. To Beth Regan, the amazing woman who became "best friends" with Mr. Graham, and is responsible for this truly fitting sendoff, we are thankful that selfless and kind people like you are out there. Thank you, Beth."

PFC Graham, who worked in the past as a corrections officer at Sing Sing Correctional Facility in Ossining, was buried at Woodlawn Cemetery in the Bronx.



Robert Graham died April 12 in Yorktown. He was 97. (r) Program that was distributed at his funeral Friday at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church.

Peekskill Man Dies Trimming Tree

A Peekskill man died Sunday while cutting a tree in the Continental Village section of Cortlandt.

According to New York State Police, troopers were dispatched to Gallows Hill Road about noon for a report of a man fallen out of a tree. An investigation determined Carlos M. Diaz, 56, of Peekskill, was employed by the homeowner for the purpose of tree trimming and came in con-

tact with overhead power lines. Mr. Diaz was pronounced deceased on the scene by the Westchester Medical Examiner's Office.

State Police were assisted on scene by Cortlandt EMS, Westchester County Medical Examiner's Office, Central Hudson Electric and Gas Company, and New York Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

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Jobs for Youth Voted Top Priority in Peekskill City Poll

By Rick Pezzullo

The results are in, and the winner of survey circulated to residents in the City of Peekskill seeking community priorities is: Dedicating fees from new development projects toward jobs for youth.

That proposal, submitted by a Peekskill High School senior, was ranked first among 35 ideas voted on by more than 1,500 residents.

"I'm surprised. I didn't think that people would vote for it because I didn't think a lot of people cared about Peekskill youth getting jobs. Now that I know it's a top priority, hands down I'm going to be a part of working to turn it into a reality," said Jakyme Brewington-Smith, a 17-year-old Peekskill student who put forward the top-ranked Jobs for Youth proposal.

The survey was an initiative from the

Peekskill Community Congress in order to give residents a voice in civic affairs and an opportunity to determine what issues are of most importance to the public. Of the 1,500 votes, 45% were cast by residents ages 13-18. Peekskill became the second community in the Hudson Valley to initiate the community congress process after the Town of Philipstown. It was facilitated by a local non-profit organization called the Ecological Citizen's Project, which is funded by the Endeavor Foundation to create community-led change.

"We believe in a simple thing: regular people should have more say over the decisions that affect their lives," said Jason Angell, Executive Director of the Ecological Citizen's Project, who announced the results of the vote Saturday morning at Peekskill Middle School.

"The Community Congress is a non-partisan initiative that gives people the opportunity to say what they care most about, to identify shared priorities through a community-wide vote, and to engage in

becoming part of the solution," Angell said. "We need to find new, better ways to do democracy in the 21st Century. Every single idea got a lot of people who wanted to volunteer."

Finishing second in the voting was a

proposal to make Peekskill a model walkable city.

"I'm delighted to know that my proposal was selected. It's gratifying to know that so many Peekskill residents are motivated to improve walkability and pedestrian safety. The strong community response shows that residents really care about this issue," said Margaret Steele, who proposed the walkability priority along with Greg Gutkes. "This is a great beginning and a chance to create community-driven change. Peekskill could be a model walkable city but we're not pedestrian-friendly"

The third ranked priority was a suggestion to expand school bus services to more Peekskill students, especially at Hillcrest and Peekskill Middle School.

Three public forums were held in Peekskill since December to allow residents to present their proposals. Angell said next steps in this innovative civic engagement process include a presentation to the Peekskill Common Council on May 6 at 7 p.m. in City Hall and a "volunteer fair" style networking event to connect interested residents with the individuals who proposed each of the 35 ideas at Birdsell House's garden space on May 18 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The full report on the community vote can be viewed at www.peekskillcommunitycongress.com/voting.

Cherry Blossom Festival

The Peekskill Rotary Club's second annual Cherry Blossom Festival and Plant Sale took place Saturday at Riverfront Green in Peekskill, attracting adults and youngsters.



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begin aggressive chemotherapy and radiation immediately at NewYork-Presbyterian/Columbia University Medical Center in New York City. Figueroa is expected to spend at least eight days a month in the hospital for treatment for a while.

"We are asking for your help because, as you can imagine, Alex's parents, Jennifer and Rick, need to focus all of their energy on helping Alex through these treatments. We would like to relieve them of as much financial burden as possible, as to avail them to fight beside Alex as much as they are able," Moraitis stated on the page.

"Alex is an honors student, an accomplished athlete, and a beautiful soul. She is a loyal friend to so many, an amazing daughter and the most important person in her younger sister Madison's life," the appeal continued. "Anything you

can possibly contribute, no matter how seemingly small, will be of great help to the family and deeply appreciated by all who love Alex. If you are unable to contribute monetarily, please pray for Alex's recovery and for strength for her family and friends and please share this campaign. Alex needs our help. Let's show her what we can do when we come together in support of one another."

Donations poured in quickly and many sent their well-wishes to Figueroa and her family as well.

"Alex is one the people who brightens a room just be being in it. Now it's time to send light her way. Sending her and her family light, love and strength to get through this most difficult time. Love you, Alex!" Laura Pereira stated.

"Alex, you are truly an inspiration to so many. You are a beautiful, strong, and

brave girl. Keep fighting, you got this!" Heather Kupa stated.

Figueroa's grandparents, Stathe and Patricia Moraitis, posted a thank you to Alex's Army and the growing number of supporters.

"Alexandra has always been a perfect child, always compassionate and caring of others. The strength and optimism she has demonstrated over the past few difficult weeks and the tremendous support shown by not only her family, friends and their families, classmates/teachers and the community has confirmed to us just how "special" Alex truly is," they stated. "Whether you have found the time to offer a donation and/or simply a comment of love and support, your responses have been overwhelming. We THANK YOU from the bottom of our hearts! May God bless you all, your families, loved ones

and especially your children. We kindly ask that you please continue to keep Alex in your thoughts and prayers."

Anyone who would like to make a donation can visit: <https://www.gofundme.com/alex039s-army>. A pasta fundraiser for Rodriguez has been scheduled for Tuesday, May 14 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the high school.



Yorktown Battles Litter for Earth Day

In recognition of Earth Day, the annual Battle of Yorktown was held on Saturday, April 13. Overall, 97 groups with 656 volunteers filled 912 orange garbage bags, collecting more than 18,232 pounds of roadside litter and debris, including a kitchen sink.

Local Board of Education Candidates File for Ballot

By Rick Pezzullo

Board of Education candidates that will appear on the May 21 ballot in local school districts are set.

The only district with a contested race is Hendrick Hudson, where six residents filed petitions for three available seats, all of which carry three-year terms.

Incumbents seeking new terms in

Hendrick Hudson are board Vice President Carol Abraham and trustees Lisa Anderson and William Oricchio.

Looking to shake up the board are Robert McCarthy, Kimberly Ryan and Daniel Stewart.

A candidate forum will be held Tuesday, April 30 at 7 p.m. at Hendrick Hud-

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Lakeland

In the Lakeland School District, the Board of Education will have two new members as longtime trustees Steve Korn and Steve Rosen have opted not to

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Letters to the Editor

Bill Would Help Reform Criminal Justice System

To the Editor:

New York state legislators are considering a bill, S1931, that would automatically restore voting rights for New York citizens who have been released from prison on parole. This change would be a sensible addition to the state's efforts to reform the criminal justice system. Citizens who are rejoining society after release from prison should be encouraged to participate in the civic life of their communities.

People convicted of a crime face many hurdles in their efforts to rebuild their lives. Some of the legal restrictions are logical responses to their offenses. For example, those convicted of a felony are banned from possessing a firearm or serving on a jury. Drug dealers are denied a passport. Those guilty of child abuse or neglect are disqualified from adopting child or serving as a foster parent. Occupational licensure may be restricted when there is a direct relation-

ship between the conviction and the license sought.

It's hard to see what purpose is served by denying voting rights to people who are re-entering society under the supervision of the parole system. The ability to vote encourages such people to pay attention to how their community is represented in the halls of government. That is just the sort of civic commitment we should be asking of those who have served time in prison for a criminal offense.

Public policy should be guided by our core values. "Let the punishment fit the crime" is one such shared ideal. Ex-cons face many challenges in rebuilding ties to family and community. Restoring the right to vote, the most basic component of community engagement, to those on parole is one small step the State of New York can take to strengthen the rehabilitation component of our criminal justice system.

ROB ABBOT
Croton on Hudson

Slater Proposal Makes A Lot of Sense

To the Editor:

I know it is only April, but Matt Slater has impressed me with his knowledge, experience and vision for Yorktown. In just a few weeks he has laid out several positive proposals that will improve Yorktown, enhance local services and make sure we are getting the most for our tax dollars.

Most recently, Matt put forth a plan to initiate an online platform for the pro-

grams offered by our Parks and Recreation Department. In the 21st Century it only makes sense. I recall many a Saturday afternoon standing on line in the rain outside of the Parks Department trailer with dozens of other parents, many with children in strollers, so we could register our children for summer camp. Matt's proposal will help my fellow parents take advantage of the great programs our town has to offer and it

will undoubtedly expand the existing programs by improving accessibility and convenience. As Matt pointed out, surrounding towns are already doing this and it is time Yorktown did the same.

It is so refreshing to have someone running for elected office in our town who understands that we need to make government user friendly. But it's not just Matt Slater's ideas - it's the passion he has for our town. Hearing Matt talk about

the future of Yorktown, his vision for Yorktown, is both energizing and contagious. Improving access to our Parks and Recreation programs is just the first step. Like I said, I know it is only April but I hope Yorktown is paying attention to what Matt Slater is saying. It makes a lot of sense.

Sincerely,

KEVIN BYRNES
Yorktown Heights

Energy Tax to Pay for Loss of Indian Point is Not the Answer

To the Editor:

Last evening the State Unity Task Force on Indian Point met. Many, for their own reasons, are rightly concerned about the closing of the plant. The fact this is happening in a vacuum can only bring problems later as people hear of decisions being made in their name, but possibly against their interests.

The issue most often discussed is economic impact. It is also the most local as its impact on other communities across the county is limited. The loss of local tax revenues Entergy paid to government, the school system, library, fire department and the like will be a painful loss, but it shouldn't have been unanticipated. The lack of a long-term plan for

those living in a "company town" is the problem and that was never discussed.

Local leaders, publicly, ignore the fact that for decades they have had an advantage denied to the rest of county taxpayers. They paid less in property taxes, less in school taxes and reaped benefits without planning for the future, a future they now feel others should be paying for.

We all can understand they don't want to pay more for less services, they don't want their students to get less at school, they want things to stay as they are, even though circumstances have changed. But, those of us outside the Entergy orbit have been carrying the full cost of living in Westchester and find it a bit insulting that due to lack of planning

by civic and political leaders we should pick up the tab, while not being at the table.

There is an argument for saying that the closing was rather abrupt, and that might be true, but that can't be an excuse for living beyond their means all these years. They talk about permanent source of funding for an existing "Cessation Fund", state money going to communities that lose revenues due to the closure of an energy company. Currently the fund has over \$40 million in it. What was suggested, is that there be a permanent increase in our energy taxes to put more money into that fund to keep it solvent, so that those local communities won't lose services or see dramatically increased taxes. It was acknowledged by the Governor's representative and chair of the task force, that because we already pay so much in energy costs, this increase will hardly be noticeable. So rather than finding ways to cut energy costs, we will increase

them. This is, for most of us across the state, taxation with limited representation and no transparency.

A task force made up of people with a vested interest in appeasing their local voters is not responsible. There is no representation for those of us who will be tasked with paying the bill, there is no representation of those who already pay the full costs of living in this county. The issue we all should be concerned with, the environmental impact, the threat posed by multiple gas pipelines running through a nuclear site, are a side thought at best and ignored a majority of the time.

Our state needs a total revamping of the tax code and its priorities. This continued effort of doing everything piecemeal will not work. It would be nice to see our state and local officials solve problems rather than create new ones.

ROBERT KESTEN
Lewisboro

Gilbert is Tackling Infrastructure Needs

To the Editor:

For too many years, many infrastructure projects here in Yorktown were neglected. Residents and town employees had to contend with leaking roofs, potholes galore, a collapsing retaining wall, and lack of generators at key town facilities for disaster recovery. These con-

ditions were well known, and often discussed, but not addressed. Instead they were "kicked down the road."

Supervisor Ilan (Lanny) Gilbert stated, when he first ran for office, that the town could not afford to postpone these infrastructure problems anymore. After

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2019 Kentucky Derby Starts Wide Open Run at Triple Crown

By Charles Palombini

In the spring of 2013, I wrote my first article about horse racing's biggest event, the Triple Crown. I have followed up each year since then discussing the entrants and the likelihood of their contesting for this prestigious honor. In my first article I discussed the composition of the Triple Crown and noted there had not been a winner since Affirmed accomplished the feat back in 1978. That meant 34 years without a Triple Crown Champion. Since then we have had two, American Pharoah in 2016 and Justify in 2018. Wow!

So, for the benefit of those signing on in later years, I thought it best to recount some of the basic facts that govern the composition of the famed Triple Crown.

The Triple Crown of Thoroughbred Racing consists of the three most exciting races of the year. They are...in the order they are run...

1. Kentucky Derby, run over the 1 1/4-mile dirt track at Churchill Downs in Louisville, Kentucky; the first Saturday in May.

2. Preakness Stakes, run over the 13/16-mile dirt track at Pimlico Race Course in Baltimore, Maryland; two weeks after the Kentucky Derby.

3. Belmont Stakes, run over the 1 1/2-mile dirt track, the longest in thoroughbred racing, at Belmont Park in Elmont, New York; the 2nd Saturday of June.

All three of these races are restricted to horses that are three years of age (no younger...no older), which means horses have an opportunity to run in these races only once in their lifetime. As three-year-olds, horses are leaving their adolescence and just beginning to engage their peek performing potential as adults. They will get bigger and stronger at four years of age, but it is at three that they capture the public's imagination and forge images of the champion they might be. Indeed, a horse must be something very special to win even one of these races, but to win all three he must be a champion of exceedingly extraordinary talents. Winning all three of these races is considered the greatest achievement in horse racing.

Now you know what it's all about so let's take a good look at this year's probable contenders in this year's Kentucky Derby. Note that they will not enter or draw starting positions until after the printing of this article, so I will do my best to give you a summary of who we expect to show up in Kentucky on the first Saturday in May.

Horses need to qualify to enter the Derby by earning points one or more of the 35 qualifying races. This year's field is shaping up to be rather competitive with no clear-cut favorite entering the race. This is evidenced by looking at the 35 qualifying races which gave up a staggering 28 different winners. Needless to say, I don't believe you'll be looking at any Triple Crown winner this year.



The field below is listed by rank based on the qualifying points earned. The morning line odds and much of the analysis is supplied by Horse Racing Nation.

1) Tacitus 6-1 He finished 1st in the Wood Memorial and the Tampa Bay Derby, both Grade 2 prep races. Aside from his debut race, Tacitus has been perfect. He won each of his two stake races with determined runs. In Tampa, he had to squeeze through tight quarters down the stretch, and in New York he was bumped hard more than once and stayed in stride going into the first turn. In both cases, he used his size and strength to get the victory. He has been improving with each start and could well be the one to give his trainer Bill Mott and his sire Tapit their first Derby winners. Win contender.

2) Omaha Beach 9-2 He won the very tough Grade 1 Arkansas Derby and the Grade 2 Rebel Stakes. He will be ridden by veteran hall of fame jockey Mike Smith. This is important as Smith had his choice of several horses to ride in this race. Top choice and the likely favorite.

3) Vekoma 15-1 He won the Blue Grass Stakes to earn his way into the Derby and will be ridden by top jockey J. Castellano. He has raced four times sporting three wins and a third. - (4: 3-0-1 - \$788,850] This son of Candy Ride is yet another horse that likes to run close to the lead and sports a key 100-point victory. He used his speed to his advantage in the Blue Grass (G2) on a day that the Keeneland track showed bias in favor of front-runners. It appears that the Derby field is loaded with pace pressers, however, and this will make Vekoma's task formidable. Mid-pack finish likely.

4) Plus Que Parfait 50-1 finished 1st UAE Derby. However, even with its 100-point status, past winners of the UAE Derby (G2) have not had much luck on the first Saturday in May. The Dubai based runners showed plenty of early speed but didn't finish well as second-tier American horses rounded out the exacta. Plus, Que Parfait will go off at a big price with little chance at any return. Toss.

5) Roadster 5-1 Finished 1st Santa Anita Derby. He is trained by Bob Baffert, today's best trainer of thoroughbred race horses. Remember back to last summer when Baffert hinted that Roadster could be his next Justify (last year's Triple Crown

Winner)? After running third in the Del Mar Futurity (G1) behind Game Winner, he had throat surgery to correct a breathing problem. Since then he has come back with two wins in 2019. In the Santa Anita Derby (G1) he rallied from farther back than usual to turn the tables on Game Winner. At this point, it appears that Baffert might just be right about Roadster. Still, he has only run in California and against small fields. Lots still to prove... but he can!

6) By My Standards 20-1 Finished 1st Louisiana Derby. By My Standards jumped from a maiden special weight win in his fourth try to a 100-point victory in the Louisiana Derby (G2). He sat a stalking trip in there and benefitted from the unorthodox start that eliminated favorite War of Will as a contender. He would have to make another significant jump up to be a major player in big race. Overall, the Fair Grounds horses have not fared well in the Derby recently. Toss.

7) Maximum Security 10-1 Finished 1st Florida Derby. He's undefeated with four wins in four starts and a 100-point winner and possesses speed. Those are all measures for success in the Derby this past decade. Since the former \$16,000 claimer (can you believe it) took the Florida Derby (G1) going wire to wire, he has become the field's most divisive runner. Many believe he is the real deal, and that trainer Jason Servis can have him ready to go 10 furlongs, while others feel that he got away with a pedestrian pace that won't happen on the first Saturday in May. Maximum Security has already overachieved at Gulfstream Park and if they let him make an easy lead he could surprise everyone. But that's a big if with the quality of horses and jockeys in this race. Won't be there at the end.

8) Game Winner 8-1 Finished 2nd Santa Anita Derby. When do two seconds in Kentucky Derby preps become a disappointment? That happens when you live in the Bob Baffert barn and you won the Breeders' Cup Juvenile and the division championship as a two-year-old. Game Winner lost those races to the two horses who will vie for Derby favoritism in Roadster and Omaha Beach. He is certainly capable of getting the distance, and there is no reason to think that he won't be right there at the end. Possible upset win-

ner at nice odds.

9) Code of Honor 15-1 Finished a disappointing 3rd in the Florida Derby. One thing we know for sure is that Code of Honor is likely to go off at the highest odds of his career. He was overlooked in the Fountain of Youth when he won at 9-1, and in the Derby 15-1 is possible. Critics say he is pace dependent, but there is certainly a chance that there will be plenty of front-end pressure. A great trainer and a super jockey will have him ready to roll. Very possible winner at long odds.

10) Haikal 30-1 Finished 3rd Wood Memorial. He is the Rodney Dangerfield of this year's Derby, and I'm not sure why. He improves every race and will come from way behind on a track that has a stretch that welcomes deep closers. In every race this season, Haikal was asked to do something new, going longer and longer, and he responded. Don't discount him. Use in vertical wagers.

11) Improbable 10-1 Finished 2nd Arkansas Derby. Two starts and two second-place finishes for Improbable this year. Both were close finishes at Oaklawn Park. Improbable will carry the biggest odds of his career, and that should make his loyal fans happy. Baffert put blinkers on in the Arkansas Derby but doesn't plan to use the equipment again at Churchill Downs. He has already won at Churchill and will be ridden by Irad Ortiz. Threat to win.

12) War of Will 20-1 Finished a dismal 9th Louisiana Derby. Heading into the Louisiana Derby War of Will was the buzz horse after showing everything you want from a Derby contender: tactical speed and a turn of foot down the stretch. He won the Lecomte (G3) and Risen Star (G2) in fine fashion. Then came that bizarre start that cost him all chance in the Louisiana Derby. He went back to the barn sore, but he is now reported to be training lights out. If he is in fact entering the Run for the Roses with no ill-affects he could be very dangerous and forgotten a bit at the windows. A price horse with quality...and my surprise pick!

13) Long Range Toddy 30-1 Finished 6th Arkansas Derby. We have seen Steve Asmussen runners improve with more racing, and Long Range Toddy is certainly one of them. He defeated Improbable in the Rebel as one of his four career victories. No doubt he will be fighting to the end and passing tired horses, but I don't see him as a winner. He's another one with good odds to consider in exotic wagers, but I don't see him first or second across the finish line. Use underneath.

14) Tax 30-1 Finished 2nd Wood Memorial. Seems better bred for the grass and I'm not sure his second in a weak Wood Memorial qualifies him to be considered as a potential winner. Toss.

15) Cutting Humor 30-1 Finished 1st Sunland Derby. Not sure there is much

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else to say about him. Toss.

16) Win Win Win 30-1 Finished 2nd Blue Grass. (6: 3-2-1 - \$367,300) When Win Win Win made up some ground in the Keeneland stretch to get second behind Vekoma in the Blue Grass. He was racing against a real front-end bias that aided the winner. Off note, Win Win Win also set a track record in the seven-furlong Pasco stakes at Tampa Bay Downs. He is more of a closer than a stalker, and the longer stretch will give him the chance to pass a lot of tired horses in the Derby. Consider for the exotics.

17) Country House 30-1 Finished 3rd Arkansas Derby. Country House is another three-year-old that is likely to make noise later in the year. Maybe we can give him an excuse in the Arkansas Derby due to the sloppy track, although he did finish a non-threatening third when he passed horses that weren't a factor. He'll have long odds in the Derby, but he isn't high on my list of horses to use in the trifecta. Others may prefer to use him. Toss.

18) Gray Magician 50-1 Finished 2nd UAE Derby. He shows just a maiden victory at Santa Anita against a field of six. In his only American Derby prep, Gray

Magician ran fourth in the Sham (G3) to open the year. Logically, if I don't like the winner of the UAE Derby then I can't use the runner-up. Toss.

19) Spinoff 30-1 Finished 2nd Louisiana Derby. He had the lead in the stretch of the Louisiana Derby only to be passed by the winner, By My Standards. This son of Hard Spun made only one other start this year which was a big allowance victory at Tampa. He's another one the fits the current popular running style in the Derby as a stalker who has shown some early speed at times. There are others of this type that I like better. Toss.

20) Master Fencer 50-1 - (Japan Invite) Finished 2nd Fukuryu Stakes (JPN). It's too bad that a horse that has a shot in the Derby like Signalman may miss his chance because this guy gets in the field from Japan. He has not won a stakes race and can't even be considered as a possibility in any kind of Derby wager. Tora Tora Tora!!! Pretender.

So, there you have it. I'll take War of Will to win and mix him up in a lot of exotics with Omaha Beach, Game Winner, Code of Honor, and Win Win Win.

Charles Palombini is a resident of Cortlandt and owner of thoroughbred horses.

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careful consideration and consultation, a priority list was developed.

First, the 2019 budget allocated more money for paving, to deal with fixing the roads. This has just started, with the asphalt plants now open. More money for salt was allocated, in order to help keep our roads clear during snow and ice storms.

Additionally, Supervisor Gilbert took the money that he had negotiated for with Enbridge, for delays with the pipeline project, and allocated it to fixing the roofs on the police station and courthouse. He allocated money to in-

stall generators at key town facilities, for emergency backup during power outages. And he has arranged for the replacement of the air conditioning system at the police station. Supervisor Gilbert has also allocated money to replace the crumbling retaining wall on Mohegan Avenue.

All of these projects will improve conditions throughout the town for everyone. We are seeing the results of the priority that Supervisor Gilbert is giving to the infrastructure needs of the Town of Yorktown. Kudos to Supervisor Gilbert!

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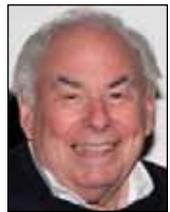
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Obituaries

Roland Bogardus

Roland Haven Bogardus, former mayor of Croton-on-Hudson, died April 25. He was 90.



Roland Haven Bogardus

He was born September 13, 1928 to Stephen and Blanche Bogardus in Peekskill. He married the love of his life, Dorothy Rogers Bogardus, in 1950.

Mr. Bogardus served in the U.S. Army as a 2nd Lieutenant in charge of the 22nd

Artillery Unit during the Korean War. He started his career as a civil engineer, moved on to owning his own construction company and ended up in banking, retiring from the Board of Directors of Wells Fargo Bank.

Mr. Bogardus was elected Mayor of Croton-on-Hudson in 1983 and served until 1989 during which he created the Croton Housing Task Force. He was a member of the Collabergh-Radium Masonic Lodge in Croton and a Past-President of the Holland Society. He was devoted to his children and enjoyed time watching his grandkids at their sporting events. His love and devotion to his family was at the forefront when his wife Dorothy was diagnosed with Parkinson's. He became Dorothy's faithful caregiver until her passing in 2008.

He is survived by his loving children, Caryl DePalma (Michael), Stephen R. Bogardus (Katherine) and Todd R. Bogardus (Cecilia Ann), grandchildren Tyler Richard, Morgan Leigh, Rylan Haven, Lauren Elizabeth, and Rachel Lenore, great-grandchildren Lily, Luke, Brendan, Emily, and Nora, and his sister Lois Stevens (Ron).

A Funeral Service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 1 at Asbury United Methodist Church, with burial to follow at Bethel Cemetery, also in Croton. Donations in his honor can be made to The Michael J. Fox Foundation or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Pamela Strosser

Pamela Strosser, a longtime resident of Peekskill, died April 16, surrounded by family and friends. She was 70.

She was born October 6, 1948. She worked for 20 years at ShopRite in the bakery department where everyone knew and loved her. In her earlier years she was noted for baking four trays of brownies every Thursday for 12 years for The Assumption School lunch where her children attended.

At any one time her home was full with animals, either pets or stray animals that her children brought home

that needed help. Visitors always had to look down when entering the house as not to step on a rabbit, a bird or baby kittens. She even nursed back to health two baby squirrels in the bathroom that her children came home with. Her favorite pet was turtles of which she had many, even a large snapping turtle in a 10-gallon tank on the kitchen table, only moved to the dining room when having birthday cakes. Less not forget the 20 Guinea pigs residing in cages in the hallway.

In her earlier years she was an avid bingo player and then graduated to slot machines which she loved to play with her friend Michele. Both Pam and Michele were pen collectors by the hundreds. She always took care of her family and friends before herself.

She is survived by her loving husband and soul mate Dennis of 55 years and three daughters: Wendy Mann (Gary), Heather Strosser (Erwin), and Kristin Godinho (Will) and godson Billy Clark. She is also survived by six loving grandchildren; Dennis, Eric, Matthew, Krystina, Olivia and William, as well as sister Joselle Cunane, and brother Eugene (Frieda) Cunane of Denver. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews, as well as great, great-great nieces and nephews and many extended family members and close friends.

She was predeceased by her father James Cunane Sr. of Ireland and mother Sylvia, brother James Cunane Jr. and sister Patricia Cunane.

Joseph Cipriano

Joseph C. Cipriano, a resident of Ossining, died peacefully April 20 surrounded by his loving family. He was 62.

He was born to John A. Cipriano and Eileen T. (Curran) Cipriano on April 28, 1956 at Phelps Memorial Hospital in North Tarrytown. He was raised in Irvington. A graduate of Irvington High School, he was known to be a fun loving, easy going guy. He will be remembered for his sense of humor and the joy he brought to those around him.

About 15 years ago, he moved to Ossining, and owned a Carvel Ice Cream Shoppe in Briarcliff Manor. He was very proud of his shop. He would always say, "I have the best job in the world. People come in happy with the expectation of getting ice cream, and they leave smiling with a treat. It is just a happy place to be."

He enjoyed his Saturdays spending time with friends, working on cars, driving his Corvette, and going to car races or shows. In his younger years he loved to be out on the Hudson River boating and water skiing. What made him the happiest was the time he spent

with his beloved daughter, Emilie.

He is survived by his daughter, Emilie L. Volpe and her fiancé, Justin J. Hulbert, brother and sister-in-law, Stephen J. and Jean Cipriano; niece, Kendra E. Cipriano; and sister, Sister Madeline M. Cipriano, RSM; and was predeceased by his parents John A. Cipriano and Eileen T. (Curran) Cipriano and his brother, John J. Cipriano.

Viola Weber

Viola Elizabeth Weber died peacefully April 12 at the New York State Veterans Home in Montrose, having celebrated her 95th birthday with family on April 10.

She was born April 10, 1924, a warm Spring day, at Bellevue Hospital in New York City to Elizabeth and Ernest Erickson, who had both emigrated from Sweden, met at Coney Island and later married in NYC in 1918.

She was baptized at the Church of the Incarnation on Madison Avenue on May 25th, 1924. She often told wonderful stories of her adventures with her three brothers, Leonard, George, and Robert, growing up in the open spaces of Clason Point in the Bronx. There they swam and sailed in their hand-built boat "The Flicka" on the Sound. She graduated from PS 107 in the Bronx in June 1937 and went on to James Monroe High School, also in the Bronx, where her senior yearbook attests to dozens of dear friends. An Honors student, she graduated from Monroe in June of 1941. Though encouraged by her principal and teachers to pursue her interest in studying nursing, she decided instead to head out to the working world right away to help support her family.

She met the "love of her life" Ken Weber when they were both in a church Christmas pageant in her eighth grade year. She was the Angel Gabriel, and he was one of the Wise Men, and the seeds of a great union were planted. Their relationship and love grew and in an act of great courage, hope and love they married at St. Andrews Church in the Bronx on October 15, 1944, when Ken was home on a brief furlough from the Air Force. While the world was ablaze with war they were confident "good" would triumph over "evil," and they were right.

She loved life, her family and giving to others. There was always room for more around the family table. Friends and relatives from near and far were regularly welcomed by her warm hospitality for brief or extended visits. Though busy maintaining a bustling home with two spirited youngsters she returned to her earlier profession of bookkeeping and accounting as her children grew older. She maintained

a beautiful home, constantly working to keep the family going, sewing their clothes, baking breads and sweets, canning fresh jams, planning summer camping adventures, and supporting both of her children in their academic and artistic pursuits. With Ken's love and her strength and faith everything was possible. She was the center of a loving successful family in every sense.

She shared a deep spiritual faith with Ken, and they were active parishioners at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Pearl River, NY. She served on the Vestry, Altar Guild and Liturgy Committee for many years. She was also a leader of the Girls Friendly Society. Both were also very active at All Saints Cathedral Albany, NY and in recent years the Church of St. Mary the Virgin in Chappaqua.

She is survived by her two children, Dr. Thomas K. Weber and Jeannie Weber Aplin and their spouses Clare and David, five grandchildren, Maeve, Annalie, Thea, Luke and Nicholas, and Maeve's husband James Reddicliffe. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews, grand nieces and nephews, and even great-grandnieces and nephews, as well as friends like family that she always held dear.

In her final years after her beloved Ken passed on August 30, 2012, she lived a gentle life that touched all she encountered. Her loving kindness and good cheer, quick wit, grateful heart and deep faith were abiding qualities that will always be remembered.

Anthony Risi

Anthony J. Risi, a resident of Shrub Oak, died April 20 after a battle with Alzheimer's Disease. He was 90.

He was born in Cassino, Italy, to Angelo and Antonia (Mignanelli) Risi on August 28, 1928. He and his family moved to American via Ellis Island when he was nine years old. As a young man in Throgs Neck, he worked as a bicycle delivery boy while learning to master the trade of butcher. For 28 years he worked for Gristedes Brothers before opening his own thriving business The Butcher Boy in Riverdale. In 1992, he retired to Deerfield Beach, Florida. He will always be remembered as a beloved husband loving father, grandfather and brother.

He is survived by his sister Sr. Angela (formerly Rosa Risi) of Holy Spirit Missionary, his children; Anthony P. Risi (Jean), Vera Ann Risi Falcone (Robert), Peter A. Risi (Linda) and Angela M. Risi Lepore (Frank); nine loving grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren. He was predeceased wife Vera Rizzitiello Risi in 2004, his brother Peter Risi and two grandchildren Kimberly and Angela M. Lepore.

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Ossining Celebrates Arbor Day, 20th Year of Being Named a Tree City

Town of Ossining Supervisor Dana Levenberg was joined by Town Board Members Jackie Shaw and

Elizabeth Feldman, Stanley Dorsainville from New York State Senator David Carlucci's office, Madeline Johl from Assemblywoman Sandy Galef's office, Suzie Ross of Green Ossining, Donna Sharrett, Gareth Hougham of the Town Planning Board and Hudson Valley Arts and Science, and town staff to celebrate Arbor Day with a tree planting at Louis Engel Park.

"Trees help clean our air, contribute to our good health, provide us with oxygen, help clean our drinking water, and provide many more environmental, social, and economic benefits," said Levenberg, "for all of these reasons, they are a good investment of public dollars here in Ossining and around the world."

The Town of Ossining, celebrating its 20th year as an Arbor Day Foundation designated "Tree City" this year, planted a black willow tree at Louis Engel Park along the banks of the Hudson River. These black willow tree cuttings, also known as a swamp willow, were planted in place of one that was there for many years and was known around Ossining as the "prom tree" because Ossining High School students would use it for



Council Member Elizabeth Feldman and Supervisor Dana Levenberg assist Donna Sharrett in planting black willow tree cuttings.

their picturesque backdrop before prom to take pictures. "Hopefully with some proper care, we will have another beautiful willow tree here in a few years for more prom pictures," said Supervisor Levenberg. Black willows are fast growing, are tolerant of soils with high salt content along the Hudson, and have a 65-year lifespan.

"What a great way to celebrate this tree's first birthday, and we wish it 65 more happy birthdays in the future," said

Dorsainville.

"As a graduate of Ossining High School, I have pictures from my own prom in front of the old tree," said Johl. "I hope many more students will be able to enjoy this Ossining High School tradition with this tree we have planted today for many years to come."

Sharrett, volunteer Master Gardener from the Cornell Cooperative Extension provided the town with species recommendations that were

both native to the area and tolerant of soils with high salt content along waterways like the Hudson River, as well as with the cuttings planted today. In addition to today's plantings the town will be planting Amelanchier or Shad Bush at Louis Engel Park to provide additional shade and oxygen to parkgoers.

"Shad bush gets its name because it blooms during the time when shad come up the Hudson to spawn," explained Sharrett. "It is a great choice for this Hudson River waterfront park."

Arbor Day has been celebrated in the United States since the 1800s, when pioneer J. Sterling Morton and his wife planted an abundance of trees, shrubs, and flowers in their new home in the Nebraska Territory, sharing his passion for trees and agriculture with his neighbors. In 1872, Morton proposed a tree planting holiday to the Nebraska State Board of Agricultural, and with that, Arbor Day was born. As a Tree City, the Town of Ossining continues to look for ways to care for trees and add trees back into the local environment through local laws, policies, grant funding from New York State, and annual tree planting celebrations on Arbor Day.

"We are so proud to be recognized for being a Tree City for 20 years from the Arbor Day Foundation," said Levenberg.

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AFC Yorktown's Dr. Gupta Honored as Medical Director of the Year

American Family Care (AFC) of Yorktown, the area's leading provider of urgent care and occupational medicine, is excited to celebrate the honor bestowed upon our Medical Director, Rajesh Gupta, MD, as he was named National Medical Director of the Year.

This past week, American Family Care held its annual conference in Nashville, TN where Founder and CEO Bruce Irwin, MD presented Dr. Gupta with the 2019 Medical Director of the Year award; beating out dozens of other applicants.

"I am humbled and honored to receive this prestigious award," stated Dr. Gupta. "I do not believe I can accept this award without first thanking those who support and work with me. Being the Medical Director is simply one piece of the puzzle - our providers, medical staff and administrators are the true heroes of our center. Thank you for this tremendous honor."

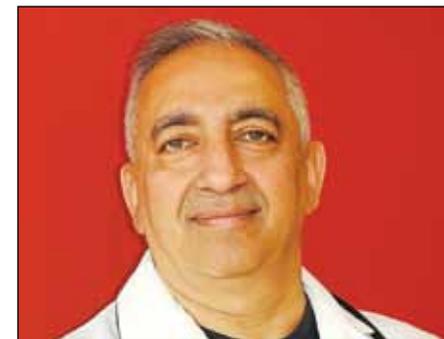
Dr. Gupta, an emergency physician

with more than 25 years of experience has gained recognition, not only in his Yorktown urgent care center as providing "healthcare with a personal touch," but now across the state and nation. Once he was acclimated to the work of urgent care, in his hometown of Yorktown, the opportunity to expand and open other centers in New York became his next venture. Three years after opening his first center, he has seen five additional centers open and prosper, spanning from the Bronx through the Hudson Valley.

Critical to his expansion was to estab-

lish a solid set of standards of quality that each center would be held to. Leaning on his nearly 10 years as Director of Quality Improvement at White Plains Hospital, he led the charge to achieve accreditation status with the Urgent Care Association (UCA), pending months researching, reviewing and writing protocols.

Dr. Gupta's actions speak louder than his words - which he is often too humble to utter, but his greatest achievement lies in simply being a doer, a dreamer and an influencer. He is humility and leadership personified.



Rajesh Gupta, MD

Online Dog License Renewal System Launched in Yorktown

Yorktown Town Clerk Diana Quast has announced that the Town Clerk's office has launched a new Online Dog License Renewal System.

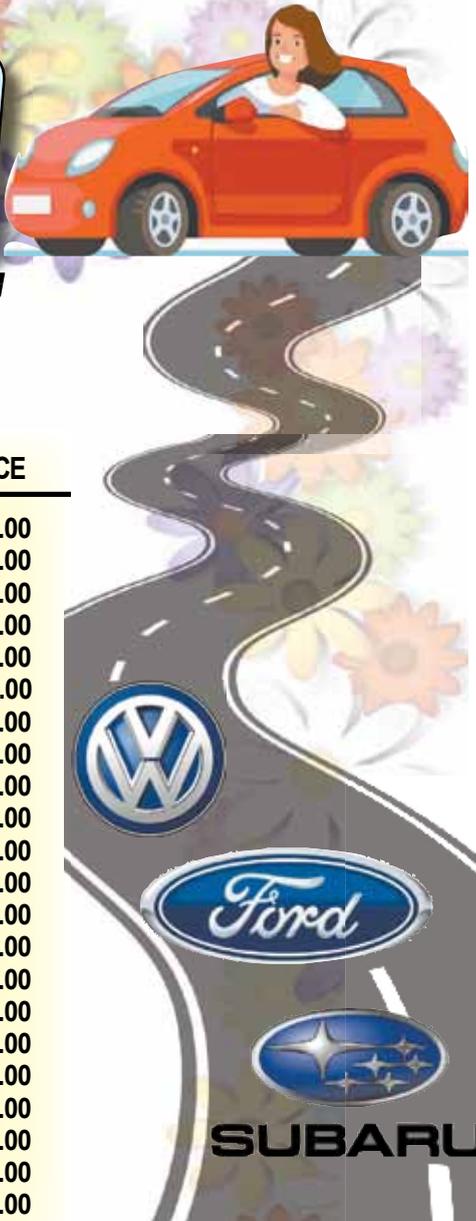
"This is a great opportunity for residents to take care of an annual license renewal without having to take time off from their busy schedules to come in to Town Hall or have to remember to mail in the renewal form and payment," said Quast.

Residents can find the online dog license renewal system by going to the town's website, www.yorktownny.org, and under "Quick Links" will see the link "Online Dog License Renewal."

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Undiscovered Realm Comic Con Returns to White Plains

By Neal Rentz

Com Cons are very popular nationwide.

Yonkers resident Chris Wilcock is one of the owners of the Undiscovered Realm store in White Plains, which is fixture on the national Comic Con scene. "We do 30 shows a year," he said last week.

But there is a downside to the popularity of Comic Cons, Wilcock said. They can be so crowded that attendees can hardly move among the booths and be uncomfortable, he said. Wilcock said his Com Con in White Plains is different. "It's family friendly," he said.

For the third consecutive year, Wilcock and his partners are bringing their Undiscovered Realm Comic Con to the Westchester County Center on May 4 and 5. The event is named after their store, which offers a wide variety of items, including Mystery Boxes, Pop Vinyls figures, action figures, board games and Pokemon products.

This year's Undiscovered Realm Comic Con will include several booths, featuring such items for sale as comics, collectables, posters and toys.

Another feature of the convention are the guests. Among this year's guests are Sid Haig, who has acted in films since 1960. He has appeared in such films as "Kill Bill Volume One," the 2007 version of "Halloween," the James Bond Film "Diamonds are Forever" and was the star of "House of 1,000 Corpses."

Another "House of 1,000 Corpses" star, Bill Moseley, will also be appearing at the upcoming event.

Aside from signing autographs and posing for photos, Moseley and Haig will do a photo op in full costume on May 5.

Other guests will include actors David Yost (an Original Blue Mighty Morphin Power Ranger) and Shannon Purser ("Stranger Things" and "Riverdale").

Another scheduled guest is actor Billy West, a voice actor, comedian, singer and musician, whose credits include voicing Stimpson on "The Ren & Stimpy Show."

Undiscovered Realm Comic Con will be held on May 4 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and on May 5 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Westchester County Center, 198 Central Park Ave, White Plains.

Individual day tickets are \$27 and two-

day tickets are \$40. Tickets for children age seven and younger, accompanied by an adult, are \$7.

For more information, visit <http://undiscoveredcon.com/>.

Actors David Yost (an original Blue Mighty Morphin Power Ranger) and Shannon Purser (from the television series "Stranger Things" and "Riverdale") are among the guests scheduled to appear at the third annual Undiscovered Realm Comic Con, which will be held on May 4 and 5 at the Westchester County Center in White Plains.



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The Laundry Room

In all the years of home ownership, my wife and I have never had any facsimile of an official laundry room. There's this story I tell about how my bride-to-be checked me out as a bachelor. She visited my apartment which impressed her to no end with the way it was appointed, but I failed the test miserably when she opened the drawers in my bedroom chest of drawers and checked out my underwear to find that they were less than bright white. "Don't you use bleach when you wash them?" she asked. Very honestly, I was never big on household chores and I think I just threw in one of those laundry cakes at the corner laundry and never thought about bleach for my whites.

At the same time, from the time we married, I never did another load of laundry again. It wasn't that I didn't do a lot of other chores around the house. The industry didn't produce a rainbow of color underwear at that time to save me from the embarrassment. It's just that laundry and cooking were two of the big ones that my wife insisted upon doing and from that point on, I never stepped into the kitchen except to raid the refrigerator. To this day, I don't know how to operate a washer or dryer.

It is reported that Americans spend more time in the laundry room than in the bathroom: an average of eight hours a week, collectively doing some 35 billion loads of laundry a year. And yet, while bath design has evolved into a discipline of its own, and the space into a bona fide retreat with soothing soaker tubs, the laundry is often relegated to a basement, separated from the life of the home.

In my last home, an historic colonial with a dungeon type basement, our washer and dryer were not the most in-

viting destinations in the house. Today, living in a nice condo, we have a stacked washer and dryer subtly and conveniently hidden in a closet.

Today, however, homeowners are creating laundry rooms that are as integrated as a bath or the kitchen. In fact, they are frequently in a bath or kitchen. With our busier lives, we need to multitask, and a first-floor laundry room can serve as a command center—a nook near the family room, where parents can keep an eye on the kids while folding, or just off the back door, where it can double as a mudroom, home office, or hobby area. On the second floor, stackable, whisper-quiet front-loaders can tuck into a hall closet, just a shirt-toss from the bedroom.

Because of its double- or triple-duty potential, a laundry room remodel can be a good investment. After the purchase of a washer and dryer, think about installing some built-ins in the laundry room for cleaning necessities. If you still have room to spare, there are other ways the area can be used, and corners, cabinets and shelves can be set aside for other purposes. Once all the functional aspects are out of the way, you can think about using the room for other purposes as well.

Built-ins can accommodate shelves and cabinets to store supplies like hangers, clothespins, sewing kits, irons and detergent, as well as storage for pet accessories and seasonal items. To ensure that you deal with clothes right away, it's a good idea to have a table nearby the washer for folding, a pull-out drying rack for hanging and a hidden ironing board for ironing clothes.

Whether you have a large or smaller

home, using your utility room for multiple purposes is a great space-saving technique. Because it often has a utility sink, it is a great place to feed and bathe your pets. It also easily transitions into a mudroom, where extra shoes, sports equipment and winter clothing can be stored. If you have room for a built-in desk, it can be a drop station for mail, cell phones and keys.

Here are some good ideas to apply to laundry rooms:

1. Take advantage of natural light by converting a room with windows into the laundry room.
2. Consider locating the laundry room directly off the master bedroom suite or the mud room.
3. Raise washer and dryer off the floor, or select front-loading models with bottom drawers, for easier access to the machines.
4. Install upper wall and base cabinets for extra storage space.
5. Install a jetted laundry sink, which can be used to clean hand-washables.
6. Incorporate a heated drying cabinet for drying damp clothes.
7. Treat your laundry room to decoration, like bright wall colors or even artwork. (Why make laundry day a

trip to a dungeon?)

8. Install entertainment equipment, either a radio or television, to pass the time with the added assist of creative engagement.

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Tuesday, April 30

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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>.

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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. 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 or www.hyinhealth.com.

Holocaust Commemoration: Residents are invited to join in the Annual Somers Holocaust Memorial Commission Yom HaShoah Commemoration to be held at North Salem High School, 230 June Rd., at 7 p.m. The Interfaith Som-

ers Holocaust Memorial Commission is dedicated to educating students about the horrors of the Holocaust and other genocides. For questions or for survivors or their children who'd like to participate in the candle ceremony, please e-mail Stevuke12@gmail.com. Donations in any amount to further the work of the SHMC are welcome and may be sent to the Somers Holocaust Memorial Commission at P.O. Box 302, Lincolndale, NY 10540-0302.

Postcard Club: The Taconic Postcard Club, hosted by the Yorktown Museum at the Yorktown Community & Cultural Center, top floor, will meet at 7 p.m. The club will welcome Vin Dacquino. His lecture is "The Fight for Sybil's Rights" based upon his new book "Patriot Hero of the Hudson Valley: The Life and Ride of Sybil Ludington. Admission is free. Info: Yorktown Museum at 914 962 2970 or suhacklane@gmail.com.

Wednesday, May 1

Senior Benefits Information: A Senior Benefits Information Center is available every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Somers Library. If you can't visit the library in person, you can leave a message on the SBIC helpline at 914-231-3260 or e-mail us at SBIC@wlsmail.org with your name, number, a time to call between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. and whether your interest is in Medicare services or other benefits. A counselor will return your call within two business days. SBIC will not meet on days the Somers schools are closed due to snow.

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.

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.

Social Security Workshop: A free workshop on Social Security will be held from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Croton Free Library, 171 Cleveland Ave. Registration is required; call 914-273-3887 and press 3 or e-mail @ www.northcastlelibrary.org

Thursday, May 2

Yorktown Jewish Center Courses: A wide variety of courses are being offered at the Yorktown Jewish Center, 2966 Crompond Rd. Family Tensions in the Bible, led by Rabbi Stanley Urbas, is held on the first and third Mondays of the month at 11 a.m. Rosh Chodesh Studies for Women--led by Marsha Sternstein, is held at 7:30 p.m. on one Tuesday evening per month. Talmud and Contemporary Issues-- led by Wendy Segal --is held on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. Beginners Hebrew--led by Cantor Isabel Kopstein--is held every Monday at 1:30 p.m.; contact the office for details. Advanced Hebrew--led by Cantor Isabel Kopstein-- is held on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Ten Minutes of Torah--led by Rabbi Sternstein--- is held on Shabbat mornings at approximately at 10:30 a.m. Mishneh Torah (Maimonidean thought)-led by Rabbi Sternstein- is held on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. Info: 914-245-2324 or yorktown-jewishcenter.org.

Somers Library Programs: Several programs have been scheduled for the coming days at the Somers Library. A TED Talk on "Business - Globalization and Leadership" will be held on May 2 from 1 to 3 p.m. Genealogy Workshop - Beyond Beginner will be held from 11a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Registration is required; please go to our online calendar at www.somerslibrary.org or call 914-232-5717. The Beatles: 50 Years Later will be held on May 4 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Space is limited; please register on our online calendar at www.somerslibrary.org or call 914-232-5717. W.I.N.K. (What I Need Known) - Important Information about Me will be held on May 5 from 3 to 5 p.m. Registration is required. Please register online at www.somerslibrary.org or

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

Yom Hashoah Service: The service with Monica Getz will be held at Temple Beth Am to commemorate Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day) at 7:30 p.m. Come meet Monica Getz and hear her tell her parents' story. Monica will speak to us about the role her parents played in rescuing many people from the concentration camps. For more information, please call our Rabbi at 914-962-7500 or e-mail him at rabbibw@optonline.net.

Friday, May 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.

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 welcome to our friendly sacred space. For more information, please call our Rabbi at 914-962-7500 or e-mail him at rabbibw@optonline.net.

Jewish Center Services: At the Yorktown Jewish Center, 2966 Crompond Rd. Friday night Sabbath services begin at 8 p.m. And Sabbath services on most 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.

Saturday, May 4

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 af-

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Crossword

ACROSS

1. New Peekskill Bake shop, Ty's Bread _____
7. Austin time
10. Show one's face
11. Start for step or stop
12. Recipient
14. Damage superficially
15. Mil. branch
16. "Fix" or "school" beginning
17. Treats for kids
20. Not many
22. Olympic queen
23. Late lamented Pontiac or Mt Kisco indoor racing and entertainment mecca
27. Elephant's floppy feature
28. "___ in victory" (elementary lesson)
29. Officeholders
30. Fan
35. Sgt., for one
36. Short footrace
37. Col.'s superior
38. Property

DOWN

1. Word after golf or grab
2. 30-day mo.
3. Stress relief location
4. Russell of film
5. Enjoy
6. Lengthy lock
7. Involved
8. Entangler
9. Famous Mother
13. Longtime record label
17. '60s Canadian leader
18. Belonging
19. Vital life force
20. Getting on
21. Neighbor of Spain
24. Movie format
25. Bel ____
26. Replies to an invitation, briefly
31. Scrap
32. Hispanic aunt
33. Snoring specialist, abbr.
34. Parisian summer

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filiation is necessary. Kiddush luncheon follows the services. Services begin at 10 a.m. For more information, visit www.ChabadYorktown.com.

Tag/Rummage Sale: Yorktown Methodist Church, 2300 Crompond Rd., is holding its annual tag/rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Clothing, household items, books, and toys will be among the items available. Call 914-962-5749 for more information.

Bagels and Bible: At Temple Beth Am at 9 p.m. all are invited to study the Bible with our engaging Rabbi Robbie Weiner. Bagels and coffee are provided for all wishing to explore how the Bible is a mirror into our lives. No previous knowledge is required, and all backgrounds are welcome. Temple Beth Am is located at 203 Church Pl. Yorktown. For information, please call our Rabbi at 962-7500 or email him at RabbiW@optonline.net.

Cortlandt Recreation Program: Hike and explore the McAndrew's Estate in Crugers from 1-2:30 p.m. On this easy to moderate hike we will see some interesting remaining structures, though the original houses which date back to the early 1800s no longer exist. This program

is probably not suitable for children under five. Register at 914-734-1050. Cost: \$5 with town ID/\$10 without ID and \$12 non-residents.

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.

Support Connection Yoga: Support Connection announces a free program, "Yoga: A Path Toward Wellness," will be offered at Club Fit in Jefferson Valley from noon to 1:30 pm, on May 4, 11 and 25. It is open to people living with breast, ovarian and gynecological cancers. To learn more or to pre-register, which is required, call Support Connection at 914-962-6402 or 800-532-4290.

Children's Fiesta: A Cinco de Mayo Fiesta will be held at 2 p.m. in the Children's Room at the Field Library, 4 Nelson Ave., Peekskill. Info: 914-737-1212 or peekskill.org.

Post Bebop: At 7:30 p.m., Westches-

ter Collaborative Theater (WCT) will continue its Jazz Masters series with the Gerry Malkin Jazz Collective. The program will be held at WCT's Black Box at 23 Water St. Tickets, which are \$20, can be purchased online at: <https://gerrymalkinwct2019.brownpapertickets.com/>

Sunday, May 5

Blood Drive: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, 1377 E. Main St., Shrub Oak, will conduct its fifth annual Blood Drive from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in memory of Nicholas Modico. If you would like to sign up for an appointment, please call 800-833-3566. Walk-ins will also be accepted.

Unity Concert: All are invited to attend a community concert at Grace Lutheran Church, 3830 Gomer St., Yorktown at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 5, 2019, to celebrate the diversity of the town of Yorktown. Suggested donation at the door will be \$10. For further information, call the church at 914-245-5737.

Healing Yoga: Yoga classes for women with breast cancer are held at 5 p.m. on Sundays at Hudson Yoga, 5 Old Post Rd. South, Croton-on-Hudson. Weekly classes are being conducted by rotating

instructors. The suggestion is \$15. Info: Elisha Simpson at 914-319-4010.

Interfaith Holocaust Memorial Service: Join First Hebrew and members of the Peekskill Area Pastors Association (PAPA) as they memorialize those who perished in the Holocaust. The service will be held at 4 p.m. and include a special readings and a candle-lighting ceremony. This Holocaust Remembrance Day event, sponsored by First Hebrew and PAPA, takes place at First Hebrew located at 1821 Main St., Route 6, just west of Beach Shopping Center. Info: 914-739-0500, fhc@firsthebrew.org, www.firsthebrew.org.

Monday, May 6

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

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

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Local Board of Education Candidates File for Ballot

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run for reelection.

The lone incumbent in this year's race for three seats is Robert Mayes. Joining him on the ballot and, subsequently, on the Board of Education in July will be Becky Burfeind and Adam Kaufman.

Ossining

The Ossining Board of Education will also have two members this summer as incumbents Lisa Murray (president) and Bill Kress are not seeking reelection. They will be replaced by Melissa Banta and Aaron Spring, both of whom ran unsuccessfully in 2018.

Yorktown

The Board of Education in Yorktown will remain the same as incumbents Reshmi Bose, Cheryl Reynolds and Lisa Rolle were the only candidates to file petitions by the April 21 deadline.

Somers

Three seats are up for grabs in Somers and one of those seats will be filled by a newcomer as Board of Education President Donna Rosenblum is not seeking a new term. Incumbent trustees Joseph

Marra (vice president) and Ifay Chang will be returning, while Chadwick Olsen will replace Rosenblum.

Croton

There will be no suspense in the Croton-Harmon School District as board President Iris Bugliosi and Trustee Joshua Diamond are the only two candidates running for two available seats.

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served and shall mail process to principal business address: **111 North Road, White Plains, NY 10603. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.**

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LLC. THE NAME OF THE LLC IS MARY DARRAGH MACLEAN LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) office on 4/16/2019. The County in which the office is to be located is Westchester. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail copy of any process against the LLC is: **Northwest Registered Agent 90 State Street, Ste 700 Office 40 Albany NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful purpose.**

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF ORAINE PHOTOGRAPHY, LLC. Ar-

ticles of Organization were filed with the SSNY on 3/6/2019. Office location is Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to **Oraine Photography, LLC, 406 Homestead Ave, Mount Vernon, NY 10553. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.**

FORMATION OF ELMSFORD CHICKEN, LLC filed with the Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/10/19. Office loc.: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address SSNY shall mail process to **Ashish Parikh, 100 Menlo Park Mall, Ste. 500, Edison, NJ 08837. Purpose: Any lawful activity.**

APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY OF THE TAILORY, LLC filed with the Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/25/19. Formed in PA 2/18/14. Office loc.: West-

chester County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC on whom process against it may be served. The address SSNY shall mail copy of process to Anthony Lopes, 3901A Main St., Ste. 203A, Philadelphia, PA 19127. The office address in PA is 1105 Tyson Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19111. Cert. of formation filed with **Kathy Boockvar, Acting Secy. of State, 302 N. Office Bldg., 401 North St., Harrisburg, PA 17120. Purpose: Any lawful activity.**

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF THE STYLE MIXX LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on February 11th, 2019. Office in Bronx County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail process to **Nicole Hamilton-Wint, 3439 Fish Avenue, Apt 2C, Bronx, New York, 10469. Purpose- any lawful acts.**

NOTICE 5/2019 Please be advised that the next meeting of the Planning Board will be held at **Town Hall, 265 Oscawana Lake Road on Monday May 6, 2019** for the purpose of considering the following applications: **Regular Meeting Start Time: 6:00pm AGENDA SKETCH 1. O'Brien Family - 19 Cindy Lane (TM# 84.14-1-11/File: 2019-0193)** The subject property consists of + 1.0 acres of land and is located on 19 Cindy Lane and within the R-2 Zoning District. The applicant is seeking a Special Use Permit, Site Development Plan to legalize a basement apartment. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES 2. Approve Minutes of April 8, 2019**

TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY Special Meeting May 1, 2019 6PM **1. Pledge of Allegiance 2. PUBLIC HEARING on SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR CELL TOWER 3. Authorize** Supervisor to sign contract with Newtech Recycling. **4. Amend** Michael Mocuiski's dates of appointment to the Board of Assessors to: **10/01/14 to 9/30/2019. 5. Appoint** Mitchell Maloof to the B.A.R for the remainder of Dan Vera's term, **10/1/17 to 9/30/22 6. Discussion** re: accepting donation of two land parcels on Pudding Street, **41.10-2-51 and 41.11-1-1** by Lea Guccione and Julianna Guccione. **7. Discussion** re: the classification of 161 acres of land known as the Upper Camp, from the Catholic Charities Organization of Greater NY as parkland. **8. Discussion** on rescinding Local Law 165-27J: Recreational Vehicle Ban.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING- PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, the Putnam Valley Town Board will conduct a Public Hearing on Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at 6:00 PM at Town Hall, located at 265 Oscawana Lake Road in Putnam Valley, NY. e Public Hearing shall be held for the purpose of the proposed special use permit of Homeland Towers, LLC (Home-

land Towers), New York SMSA Limited Partnership, d/b/a Verizon Wireless and Sprint Spectrum Realty Company, LLC for a personal wireless service tower and personal wireless service facilities pursuant to Section 165-61 (A) of the Town Code at the Town owned property at 265-273 Oscawana Lake Road, Putnam Valley, NY (the "site"). All interested persons wishing to speak shall be permitted to do so. e facility is proposed to include a 160 foot monopole with antennas there- on, together with related equipment located within a secure fenced area at the base thereof. **IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING** the Putnam Valley Town Board will hold their Regular monthly Town Board Pre-Work Session Meeting. **BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD** Sherry Howard, Town Clerk, Dated: 04-16-2019

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