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Turf Fields to Open at New Sports Complex in Shrub Oak

By Rick Pezzullo

Just in time for spring, two multi-purpose turf fields at the Granite Knolls Sports Complex off Stony Street in Shrub Oak are being targeted to open for use next week.

Yorktown Parks Superintendent Todd Orlowski said final preparations are being made to open the gates to the \$6 million facility on Monday, April 15.

"It's going to be a beautiful project," said Supervisor Ilan Gilbert.

Sports enthusiasts in town were hoping the state-of-the-art sports complex would be ready for action last spring but a lengthy wet and cold winter, coupled by drainage problems, put a damper on

those dreams.

The site, located next to the former Phoenix House, now occupied by Shrub Oak International School, was purchased by the town in 2010 for passive recreation and was used by Yorktown Athletic Club football for practices.

Montesano Bros., Inc., owned by a Yorktown resident, submitted the winning bid of \$3.8 million for the project, but that price tag did not cover the cost of the turf and some of the buildings. Last year, the Town Board authorized the transfer of \$2.2 million into a fund for the project which started with approximately \$6 million. The transfer was to cover the

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RICK PEZZULLO PHOTO

Turf Fields at Granite Knolls Sports Complex are slated to open April 15.

Residents Seek Somers Board Resolution Against State Abortion Rights Law

By Neal Rentz

A group of Mahopac and Somers residents is asking the Somers Town Board to follow in the footsteps of the Carmel Town Board and Putnam County Legislature in passing a resolution stating its opposition to state legislation approved earlier this year related to abortion rights.

While Supervisor Rick Morrissey expressed support for a resolution, the remaining four Town Board members on April 4 did not indicate their position on the issue during the public comment period of the meeting, instead seeking to research the issue first.

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NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

Somers resident Gerry Borreggine was one of the speakers who asked the Town Board on April 4 to pass a resolution calling on the state Legislature to repeal the Reproductive Health Act.



Chabad Community Purim Party

More than 60 people celebrated the Jewish holiday of Purim on March 21 at the Chabad Community Purim Party at the Yorktown Community and Cultural Center in Yorktown. The party was New York City themed and guests heard the Purim story read from a megillah scroll, gave charity to the poor, shared gifts of food, and enjoyed a festive meal. In addition, "Michael the Amazing" professional juggler entertained the crowd and children made their own candy apples and sour pickles.

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The residents are seeking to have the Town Board call for the repeal of the Reproductive Health Act (RHA). The RHA states an abortion is legal within the first 24 weeks of the start of a pregnancy or any time after that if a woman's life or health is at risk or if the fetus isn't viable. Abortions could also now be done by other healthcare professionals, not just physicians.

The state Legislature, voting along party lines, approved the RHA in January and Governor Andrew Cuomo signed it into law shortly thereafter, leading to outrage among many conservatives across the state and country.

The Putnam County resolution called on the state to "protect the unborn" and criticized the RHA for expanding abortion rights past 24 weeks of a pregnancy that

could lead to the "pain and suffering" of the baby in the womb. It criticized the RHA for allowing non-physicians to perform abortions, which the resolution stated could lead to "abuse" and also argued a late term abortion could be performed to protect the health of the mother, but the patient's "health" is vague and undefined in the law.

All of the residents who spoke during the public comment period of last week's Somers Town Board meeting expressed opposition to the RHA.

Somers resident Gerry Borreggine strongly opposed the law. "The law added a 'health' exception to New York law so that abortions are now legal in the final three months of pregnancy to protect a patient's 'life or health,'" he said. "Health can include factors such as physical, emotional, psychological, familial and a woman's age

— relevant to the well-being of the patient."

"A woman and her abortionist now have the right to choose ... death," Borreggine added. "At 24 weeks that baby has a heartbeat. Brainwaves can be recorded. That baby has arms, legs, fingers, toes."

Borreggine compared abortion to slavery and urged the Town Board to express opposition to the new state law. "All that is necessary for evil to succeed is that good men do nothing," he said.

Another critic of the RHA last week was Mahopac resident Margaret Doherty, who also objected to the provision in the state law allowing for abortions in the third trimester. Many people locally and nationally have spoken out against third trimester abortions, she said.

Somers resident Kathryn Philopena said the town should follow the lead of the

Putnam County Legislature and ask the state to overturn RHA.

Morrissey said he opposed the RHA. The Town Board has recently banned vape shops and is ready to ban the sale of marijuana if the state Legislature approves the legalization of the substance and should consider a resolution to the state expressing its opposition to RHA, he said.

"It's important for us" to express its feelings to the state about the new law, Morrissey said. "This is a Home Rule state," he said, adding the Town Board could use the Putnam County legislation as something to approve.

Councilman Thomas Garrity said the RHA was not an agenda item. "We don't have all the information," he said, adding the issue should be addressed on a future Town Board meeting agenda.

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purchase and installation of lights at the complex, and other expenses.

Gilbert, who noted his administration was able to negotiate the cost of the lights under \$600,000, said most of the \$6 million was being covered by Enbridge, owners of the natural gas Atlantic Bridge pipeline project that runs near the property.

Besides the turf fields, which can be

used for football, lacrosse, soccer, baseball and softball, the facility

includes a baseball field with a press box and bleachers, a golf putting green, basketball courts, handball courts, a pavilion, playground equipment, and restrooms on a 15-acre section of town-owned land.

Since the project is being done in phases, most of the other amenities are not yet completed. Orlowski said a sewer

line was currently being installed for the bathrooms.

The baseball field is expected to be utilized by the Lakeland School District for varsity home baseball games this season while the fields at Lakeland High School are being shut down for improvements.

Orlowski said permits will be issued for groups that want to use the Granite Knolls fields and employees will be monitoring

the site at least six days a week. Gilbert said funding for one new full-time and one additional part-time employee was approved in the 2019 parks budget.

Meanwhile, Legacy Field in Yorktown remains closed due to the installation of the pipeline and is not expected to be available for use until at least the fall. Legacy Field has been off limits since November 2017.



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Many women aren't aware that breast density is an issue. New York State requires doctors to notify women, in a letter, when their mammogram reveals this is the case. Do not become alarmed if you get this letter. It simply means that you should have a conversation with your doctor about your overall breast cancer risk.

Q: Why is it important to know if I have dense breasts?

A: Dense breasts can make mammograms less sensitive, and they may also contribute to cancer risk. You'll need to speak with your doctor about your individual lifetime risk and thoroughly evaluate your risk factors. To determine your risk, your doctor will ask you about your family history of breast and ovarian cancer, your age when you had your first period, whether you have children, when you had your first child, and any history of chest irradiation, among

other potential risk factors. The good news is that for many women with dense breasts, their risk won't be elevated enough to warrant any changes in screening.

Q: What if I'm high risk?

A: Women who are at high risk (greater than a 20-25% lifetime risk) and who have dense breast tissue should have annual screening breast magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) in addition to a mammogram. MRIs are very sensitive and can pick up some cancer missed on a mammogram.

Q: Shouldn't all women, regardless of their breast density, get a Breast MRI?

A: There are many false positives with Breast MRI, which is why it is only recommended for women who are at high risk as they will derive the most benefit. Regardless of your breast density, make sure you get your yearly mammogram and discuss your risk factors for breast cancer with your physician.

Did you know?

Having dense breast tissue may increase your risk of getting breast cancer.

Examiner Wins New York Press Association Honors; First-Place Award for Editorials

Examiner Media won honors for its journalism in three critical categories at the New York Press Association's annual conference this past weekend in Albany, including first-place for editorials.

In addition to the award for best editorials by *The Examiner's* editor-in-chief, Martin Wilbur, the newspaper group was also recognized in the news and sports categories.

The press association awarded second-place for best sports action photo to *The Examiner's* sports editor, Andy Jacobs, and gave an honorable mention to former reporter Anna Young in the spot news category.

"Really did a nice job informing the public, but also kept the pieces easy to read," the judges from the Wisconsin Press Association said of the editorials.

The three pieces from *The Examiner* submitted for the best editorials of 2018 prize were headlined "Chappaqua Schools Super's Attempt at Secrecy Benefits No One," from the April 24 edition, "Newsprint Tariffs and Fake News Mantra a Threat to Democracy," from the August 14 edition and "North Castle Owes Public an Explanation Over Goldberg Decision," from the September 11 edition.

The award-winning action sports photo was for a football picture Jacobs took of a pair of Westlake High School defensive players breaking up a throw intended for an Ardsley pass receiver in the Sept. 18, 2018 edition of *The Examiner*.

"The photographer captured a great moment of action featuring three players," the judges stated.

The honorable mention for Young in the spot news category was for an August 7, 2018 article in *The Examiner* headlined "Car Crashes into Pleasantville Pharmacy; Elderly Customer Hospitalized."

"Good spot news reporting," the judges concluded.

The annual New York Press Association Better Newspaper Contest awards

ceremony, this year at the Albany Hilton, is held as part of a two-day industry conference featuring expert speakers and lecturers. The keynote speaker on April 5 was Margaret Sullivan, a prominent Washington Post media columnist and former New York Times public editor. Between the April 5 and April 6 Friday and Saturday seminars, industry leaders conducted more than 60 educational sessions.

In all, 163 newspapers from New York

State submitted 2,743 entries. Newspapers are divided into multiple divisions so they are competing for awards against publications of comparable circulation. The coveted overall Newspaper of the Year prize was awarded to The Suffolk Times.

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Lowe's Celebrates Opening of New Store in Yorktown

By Rick Pezzullo

A grand opening ceremony was held last Thursday for the new Lowe's home improvement store on Route 202 in Yorktown.

It is only the second Lowe's store in Westchester County and will provide 180 jobs, mostly full-time.

"They are going to feel us coming because we are going to crush the competition," store manager Pele Edwards shouted to a thunderous applause from guests and fellow Lowe's associates. "We will provide the best service anywhere you go."

Among those on hand for the occasion were Yorktown Supervisor Ilan Gilbert,

Town Board members Tom Diana, Ed Lachterman and Vishnu Patel and State Assemblyman Kevin Byrne.

"I will be here frequently," Byrne quipped.

"This is a grand opening because it's a grand day," Gilbert said. "It's a grand day for Yorktown. It's a grand day for our community. Do it right for less. This is the beginning of a beautiful friendship."

As part of the celebratory activities, Edwards presented a \$2,500 check on behalf of Lowe's to Yorktown Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ron Hattar and members of the Yorktown Board of Education.

"We're honored to have you here," Hat-



RICKS PEZZULLO PHOTO

Store Manager Pele Edwards pumped up employees at last week's grand opening, above. Yorktown School District representatives received a \$2,500 check from Lowe's, below.



tar said. "I wish you well."

Also welcoming Lowe's to Yorktown was Chamber of Commerce President Sergio Esposito.

"A new business in town. We are invested in your success," Esposito said. "We're excited."

Besides the 124,000-square-foot Lowe's, three other retail buildings are planned to be constructed on the 25-

acre property: one 9,000 square feet, one 6,300 square feet and one 2,100 square feet with a drive-thru feature.

Founded in 1946 in Mooresville, South Carolina, Lowe's also includes a large garden center,

Costco was originally projected for the location, but Breslin Realty stepped in after that project fell through.

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Local NYS Reps Weigh Positives, Negatives of State Budget

By David Propper

As the month of April is in full swing, the fiscal year has begun in New York State after Governor Andrew Cuomo and state lawmakers agreed to a \$175.5 billion budget though both Democrats and Republicans don't seem fully satisfied with the final outcome.

With Democrats controlling all three branches of state government, the budget passed before the April 1 deadline with votes cast mostly along party line. Senator Peter Harkham and Assemblywoman Sandy Galef, Democrats, voted for the spending plan while Senator Sue Serino and Assemblyman Kevin Byrne, Republicans, rejected it.

The budget resulted in a two percent tax cap, a statewide ban on single-use plastic bags and publicly financed campaigns. Education aid increased 3.7 percent while the middle class tax rate was lowered by \$300,000. On Election Day, every worker can take three hours off, paid leave to vote and congestion pricing for vehicles traveling below 60th street was also passed. Eliminating cash bail for 90 percent of cases was also passed.

Lawmakers expressed both positives and negatives with the budget and the legislation passed along with it.

Harkham said the legislature was able to "make some lemonade out of lemon"



RICK PEZZULLO PHOTO

State Senator Peter Harkham joined local officials in Peekskill last week to announced increased funding for Peekskill and Ossining schools.

with a budget season that began with a \$2.3 million deficit. The final spending plan increased education aid, returned aid to municipalities and local highway departments and stayed within the two percent tax cap, he said.

The legislature also held the line on middle class tax rates and restored the veteran peer-to-peer program, Harkham said.

Harkham was in full support of the plastic bag ban, stressing the importance of getting plastic out of the environment. When they clog up storm drains, it costs towns and villages money to mitigate those problems, Harkham noted.

"I'm glad we got it done," he said.

As for the battle against the drug scourge, addicts seeking help are now able to go to rehab facility before prior review or authorization from an insurance company for 28 days, an increase from 14 days, Harkham said.

Galef, who has been in the Assembly for more than 25 years, called it a "terrible" budget season due to the \$2.3 billion deficit that came almost out of nowhere. That meant budget cuts were necessary, Galef said, including less aid for schools than she would've liked.

Galef said money was allotted for library capital projects, the 2020 census and early voting, which was helpful. Some money from congestion pricing will go toward the Metro North instead of just the subway system and the LIRR, Galef also noted.

"We did our best," she said. "That's all I can say."

Galef was happy to see plastic bags banned statewide and criminal justice reform. She said keeping people in jail for non-violent crimes cost taxpayers money to care for those people behind bars.

"Sometimes we incarcerate too many people just because they don't have money," Galef said.

Republicans expressed mostly displeasure with how the budget panned out.

Serino had a long list of gripes this year. Too much money was going to New York City and not to communities further north, Serino said.

She was disappointed Lyme disease got no funding and elder abuse programs didn't receive adequate funding. People in Serino's district are also "sick and tired

of being the ATM for the MTA," she said, pointing to congestion pricing. A reorganization will take place within the transit authority before a forensic audit is complete, which Serino found backwards.

This was the first time since Serino has been in state Senate in which the GOP was not in the majority, which led to much frustration for the lawmaker in her third term. Even when Democrats were in the minority for almost the past decade, Serino said she always believed state Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins should've been in meetings with Cuomo and the legislative leaders when she was the minority leader.

"I don't want to see one party control," Serino said. "Not Democrats or Republicans, you need the checks and balances."

In an extensive press release, Byrne said the negatives far outweighed the positives in this year's budget and with Democrats in full control, controversial legislation was rammed through "while taxpayers across the state (were) asleep."

The 2019 budget created more mandates, cuts to local government assistance, new taxes and more handouts, Byrne said.

Byrne criticizing cuts to the Aid and Incentives for Municipalities funding and the CHIPS program for local roads and infrastructure. Additionally, new taxes were

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Gashi Kicks Off County Legislator Campaign at Rally

By Rick Pezzullo

More than 100 family, friends and supporters turned out at The Gramercy in Yorktown Saturday at a campaign kickoff rally for Westchester County Board of Legislators candidate Vedat Gashi.

Gashi, an attorney and a resident of Yorktown, is looking to follow in the footsteps of fellow Democrat and long-time representative of District 4 Michael Kaplowitz, who is not seeking reelection after 22 years, the second longest tenure of any legislator in the county's history.

"This kickoff is a wonderful harbinger of what can happen," Kaplowitz said after receiving an extended rousing ovation from the enthusiastic crowd. "This gentleman gets it. He also has a voice and he has a resolve."

Westchester County Executive George Latimer and state Assemblyman David Buchwald (D/White Plains) also praised Gashi, a native of Kosovo whose family came to the United States when he was four years old.

"He has big shoes to fill. Mike has been a consummate legislator and a consummate neighbor who has worked day in and day out for this district," Buchwald said. "Vedat is someone who will not only put his heart into this race, he will put his heart into representing Somers, Yorktown and New Castle. Vedat is



PHOTOS BY RICK PEZZULLO

Vedat Gashi addresses supporters at The Gramercy in Yorktown. At right, Gashi poses with his wife and children.

a committed family man. Vedat knows what it means to give back to his family and the community."

"You just had a textbook example of what it is to represent Westchester with vigor," Latimer said. "This is a wonderful opportunity for those of us who live in Westchester County. The decisions made at the Board of Legislators affect all of us. This campaign is about having an excellent man like Vedat running."

Gashi, a graduate of Lakeland High School who was unsuccessful in his first bid for elected office last year when he lost to state Assemblyman Kevin Byrne, said he was dedicating this year's cam-

paign to his late father.

"Mike has left big shoes to fill. I'm running to continue Mike's legacy of fiscal responsibility," Gashi said. "I'm running because we need to protect women's health, not attack it. In America you can achieve whatever you put your mind to. This is going to be a long campaign. I'm confident we can do it. Let's get to work."

Gashi will be squaring off for the two-year term seat against former Yorktown Supervisor Michael Grace, who was endorsed by the Republican Party. Grace served six years as supervisor before being ousted by Ilan Gilbert in 2017.

Since being endorsed, Grace has kept

a low profile and declined to respond to several media inquiries.

"You have to beat Michael Grace the way I beat Michael Grace," Gilbert said at the rally. Also in attendance from Yorktown was Councilman Vishnu Patel and Town Clerk Diana Quast.

Gashi said other priorities he will focus on is quality of life issues, such as preserving open space, tackling traffic congestion and keeping water clean.

"I'm grateful for everyone who is here," Gashi said. "I've been humbled by the tremendous support I have received. It really has been amazing."

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Obituaries

Gregory Ginnane

Gregory Gerard Ginnane, a native of Yorktown, died March 28. He was 61.

Born May 24, 1957, Greg lived at least two lifetimes in his too short stay in the world. Between New York and Colo-



Gregory Gerard Ginnane

rado, between his creativity and athleticism, and his ability to deeply ponder life's mysteries and yet construct the silliest dad-puns you've ever heard, he enjoyed a full life, and added joy to those lucky enough to be near him. He led with

his heart and always gave his all. He was a truly authentic person who exuded great love and acceptance and drew to him like-minded people with the same values. His life was richly lived, and we were blessed to have him in ours.

Born to Marie and Bob Ginnane in Yorktown, the sixth and last child in the family, New York was the location of his child and teen years and the ground where he came of age with interests that included scouting, camping, The Lord of the Rings (he even baked lembas bread), gymnastics, ballet, skiing, The Beatles, The Who, and hanging out with his buddies.

Greg came to Vail Colorado with his good friends Bill and Judy Hagan in 1979 specifically to be a ski bum! He picked-up jobs in the food industry which led to several food-related jobs including waiter, caterer, deli chef and manager at several King Soopers. He was part owner of Falafel Man & The Mediterranean Café. He tried his hand at personal investment trading, and finally landed in a career as a Respiratory Therapist. He was most recently employed at UCHHealth Hospital in Aurora where he embraced and loved his work in Respiratory care. He was a critical care specialist, educator, preceptor and championed wound care protocols for tracheostomy patients. During his 10 years at UCHHealth Greg bonded strongly with his co-workers and patients alike. He was known for going the extra mile in his work; he sometimes even transported his ventilated patients outside to the hospital's garden to enjoy the fresh air and sunshine. This was a rare pleasure for them to be able to enjoy nature, and no easy feat - it required a lot of support from nursing to help coordinate the logistics to see it through.

Even more importantly Colorado provided the high point of Greg's life -- the creation of a family. He met Felice as a co-worker at a King Soopers in 1986 and common interests along with birth

dates only three days apart drew them together. They married in 1996 and had two children, Eric and Felice, and grandparented Alyse, Brennan and Leona. His family over the years incorporated unique and beloved dogs: Magic, Abigail, Cooper, Zsi-Zsi, Smokey, and Dino.

Greg continued to love to ski and pursued motorcycling, scuba diving, geology, astronomy, cooking, and cake decorating. Co-workers will attest to his amazing contributions to potlucks and birthday parties.

He had a natural relationship to his spirituality. He once described a fieldtrip as a child to a nearby cathedral in New York, where he read a description about the oneness of god, or of the church's concept of unity. He said at this point a picture came into his mind that illustrated the connection of all things; he would later come to know and recognize the pattern he envisioned as a Mandala, and since that time loved and respected the symbol.

Greg is survived by his wife Felice, his step-daughter Felice, his step-son Eric, his mother Marie, his sister Mary, and brothers Bob and Mike.

Kim Mollo

Kim Patricia Mollo, a longtime resident of Peekskill, died March 31. She was 64.

She was born October 9, 1954 and raised in Peekskill. She worked at The Blue Book in Jefferson Valley but her fondest working memories were her years spent at Feron's Deli in Peekskill.



Kim Patricia Mollo

Kim's greatest passion was her family and those friends who became family. Her door was always

open to anybody in need. From a home cooked meal, to a conversation or just a friendly smile and a hug, Kim always knew what would brighten your day.

She is survived by her four children; Andrew Lee (Valerie), Lindsay Gara (Stephen), Bill Clark (Cole), Shana Jack (Stephan) and her five Sunshine's Erin, Patrick, AJ, Austin and Mia. As well as two sisters Victoria Brown (Paul), Bonnie Ponzo (Rick) and brother Keith Sellick, one niece Brittany Ponzo, and two nephews Alex Ponzo and Tyler Ponzo as well as many extended family members and friends.

She was predeceased by the love of her life, her husband Robert Mollo, her mother Patricia Cunane and father Floyd "Gus" Sellick, Jr., as well as two beloved pets, Midnight and Gizmo.

Dylan Pettus

Dylan Ian Pettus died April 1 peacefully at his home in Ossining. He was 26.

Dylan, who was fondly referred to as "Dyl" and "DIP," was born January 28, 1993 to his loving and devoted parents Cynthia and Kenneth Pettus, and gifted as a baby brother to Kenneth Lloyd at Phelps Memorial Hospital, in Sleepy Hollow.

Dylan was a spirited young man who was grounded in faith and passionate about life. He loved his family and his greatest desire was to make his parents happy and keep them smiling. Dylan was also very charming and would often greet the women in his life with endearing names such as darling and dear, his comedic sense of humor and personality lit up every room.

He attended Ossining High School where he enjoyed basketball and football. As a committed Jets fan, Dylan remained loyal and optimistic despite their track record. Loyalty and optimism captured the essence of who Dylan was, in addition to his creative niche for fashion.

Dylan was a people person and his charm and charisma will be dearly missed. He was a beaming source of positivity, and he enjoyed social interactions, meeting new people and making everyone laugh. His personable manner was evident through his work as a barista at coffee shops, a server at the Boathouse restaurant in Ossining and as a mailer at The New York Times.

A lover of fashion, Dylan was always dressed in his "Sunday Best" every day of the week. He had a very trendy style and took sewing and leather craftsmanship classes to further develop his creative talent. His goal was to attend the Fashion Institute of Technology and someday create his own clothing line. He enjoyed browsing around second hand clothing stores looking for the perfect vintage piece to complement his look, which often included a bow tie, vibrant colors, suspenders and colorful socks.

In addition to loving fashion, Dylan was very passionate about music. He was a big fan of music producers like Kanye West and Metro Boomin. DIP had the ability to take command of a dance floor at the drop of a beat, and fellow party goers would circle and watch in awe as he would seamlessly pull off the latest dance moves with style and grace. Dyl would also be happy to teach you how to perfect dance moves.

He is survived by his parents, his older brother Kenneth Lloyd, aunts, uncles, cousins, and dear friends.

Visiting hours will take place at Star of Bethlehem Baptist Church, 304 Spring St., Ossining on Saturday, April 13, from 9 to 11 a.m. Services will follow at 11 a.m., followed by a repast at the church.

Patricia Fracassi

Patricia Fracassi, a resident of Ossining, died April 2. She was 81.

She was born August 7, 1937 in Oneonta, to Andrew and Anna Donaldson. She was the former Deputy Town Clerk in Ossining. She is survived by her children, Lori (Joel) Fracassi-Moore, Leah (Big Joe) Nolan, Lynn Fracassi and Louis (Christine); grandchil-



Patricia Fracassi

dren, Alexandra and Olivia Moore, Rachel Fracassi, Carly and Robert Schoepflin, Joseph Jr. and Mia Nolan; brother, Andrew Donaldson; brother and sister-in-laws, Gene (Sandy) Fracassi, Ida Mae Chiulli and Agatha Henshaw and also many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband Louis Fracassi, sisters, Bernice Bingell, Marylou Grey and Grace Lynch.

Susan Wulkan

Susan Doris Wulkan, a longtime resident of Cortlandt, died peacefully April 1 at her home with her loving family by her side. She was 76.

She was born in Perth Amboy, NJ on November 11, 1942 to Robert and Elizabeth (Leiner) Schwager, who were survivors of the Holocaust. She was the owner of L.J. Wendy's Jewelry Store in Yorktown Heights for 32 years, retiring in 2006. Her past times included knitting and sketching and she had a love for all animals.

She is survived by her children, Lenny Wulkan of Cortlandt, Joey (Darcey) Wulkan of Brewster, and Wendy Wulkan Jacopino (Edward Jr.) of Carmel, her granddaughter, Kayley and her sister Joyce Maglione. She is also survived by her former husband, L. Larry Wulkan of Pembroke Pines, FL. She was predeceased by her brother, Ronald Schwager.

Augustine Antonecchia

Augustine Antonecchia, a resident of Ossining, died peacefully at his home April 1. He was 89.

He was born September 10, 1929 in the Bronx, NY to the late Donato and Domenica Antonecchia of Casalciprano, Italy. He is survived by his devoted wife, Felicia, whom he shared his life, raising their daughter MaryAnn who married Patrick Iuliano, and their son Anthony and partner Felicia Federbush. He is also survived by his eldest brother Nunzi, and wife Ann, and predeceased by sisters,

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Letters to the Editor

Yorktown Wasn't Eligible to Apply for Mohegan Lake Grant

To the Editor:

Subject: Let's Clear Up the Misstatements About Mohegan Lake. Then Let's Clear Up the Lake.

Cleaning up Mohegan Lake is a very serious matter and the public should be treated seriously and told the facts. Let's not accept omissions, contradictions and misstatements!

The first item to stress, as do the Republicans, is that portions of the Lake have been closed each summer since 2012. These are

the very same Republicans that held the majority on the Town Board for 5 out of the last 6 years. Why did they wait?

Mr. Slater criticizes Supervisor Gilbert for not applying for a Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP) grant that Yorktown could have used to improve the lake. But here's the Catch-22 and why Mr. Slater is being disingenuous and misstating the facts.

Yorktown couldn't have applied for the grant because it wasn't eligible for the

grant. The grant submission deadline was July 27, 2018 and in order to apply for the grant Mohegan Lake had to have been designated an "inland waterway" by the state legislature and signed into law by the governor. But that didn't happen until September 7, 2018 – long after the grant submission deadline had passed. Mr. Slater knows this because he worked in the Senate office that submitted the bill.

In 2016, when Mr. Slater worked on legislation for former Senator Murphy, why

didn't they include Mohegan Lake as an inland waterway at that time? But Mr. Slater, Mr. Lachterman and Mr. Diana did nothing when they had the opportunity? Why didn't they fight for Yorktown in 2016?

Since 2012 the Republicans have waited. Now that it's an election year they use misstated information to avoid responsibility. If Mr. Slater had insisted that Mohegan Lake was included in the 2016 legislation, we wouldn't have this problem!

ANDREA BLACK JEFFRIES

Mohegan Lake Community is in Desperate Need of Attention

To the Editor:

I have lived in Mohegan Lake for my entire life. For years we have been forgotten about by administrations past and present having a number of concerns ignored. My family was so excited to hear someone propose a plan to address one of the many issues our part of town faces: restoring the health of Lake Mohegan. Matt Slater, through his experience work-

ing in government, identified a legitimate program involving stakeholders from the federal and state government that would provide critical dollars to support real solutions to the issues facing the Lake. Having watched his remarks on social media, he highlighted his work with Ken Belfer and the Mohegan Lake Improvement District, delivering a weed harvester for Yorktown through a state grant. Mr. Slater points out

the last such piece of equipment the town purchased was back in 1984. It is sad to see new ideas being met with a brick wall in Yorktown. Rather than embrace a fresh vision, opponents immediately turn it into a political ping pong game. The bottom line is there is always room for improvement within our community and we should appreciate someone willing to submit new ideas. If those in charge of the town think

they know everything, then maybe we should be looking for new leadership with a fresh perspective who is open to new opportunities. The Mohegan Lake community is in desperate need of attention and I thank Matt Slater for shedding light on one of the issues we face.

JESSE NUNES AND THE REST OF
THE NUNES FAMILY,
Mohegan Lake

Whatever Happened to the Truth?

To the Editor:

Credibility is fast becoming an issue in the upcoming 2019 election for the Yorktown Town Board. Can the Republican candidates be trusted?

In less than a month, the Republicans have twice grossly misrepresented what's happening in Yorktown. First it was the cancellation of the expansion plan at the Jefferson Valley Mall; contrary to Re-

publican allegations the cancellation was strictly a Mall business decision and was not caused by any actions or inaction of the Gilbert administration.

Then, it was the alleged failure of the Gilbert administration to apply for a grant for Mohegan Lake -- even though the town wasn't even eligible for the grant.

What ever happened to the facts? To the truth?

As a candidate for the Town Board, it's my sincere hope that as the election campaign picks up steam the candidates -- from both parties -- will discuss and debate the issues. The real issues. Which party's vision for Yorktown is more in line with theirs and how will they translate that vision into action. That's what voters want to hear and that is what they can expect from me, the truth and an honest debate and vision.

So please, going forward, let's put an end to the misrepresentations, exaggerations, and downright falsehoods. Let's have an honest, fact-based and meaningful campaign.

Sincerely,

PATRICIA
SULLIVAN-ROTHBERG
Democratic candidate running for
Town Council

Loss of Funding by Yorktown was a Missed Opportunity

To the Editor:

I recently put forth a plan to help restore the health of Lake Mohegan. New York State's Department of Environmental Con-

servation identifies it as the state's most impaired waterway. Since 2012 the blue green algae issue has intensified to the point of closing the beaches during the summer

months.

Sadly, but not unsurprisingly, there was a misinformed rush to attack the plan I put forth. From a process standpoint, according to documentation that can be found on the Department of State's website, the Town of Yorktown could have initiated the process of developing an LWRP, and submitted it as part of its Consolidated Funding Application (CFA), when the legislation was passed by the State Senate and State Assembly in June of 2018. The Department of State goes on to say, should the application have been approved, only after the Governor signed the legislation (in September), would the town have received the allocated money.

From a funding standpoint, the grants associated with the CFA process are not the only dollars available through the development of an LWRP. The development and implementation of an LWRP qualifies for federal funding from the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act Fund as well as

planning grants through the Hudson River Greenway Communities Council. Look no further than the Village of Ardsley. Sadly, these are just more missed opportunities by this administration to address a serious issue.

To be clear, a Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan would not replace the good work of the Mohegan Lake Improvement District, but provide added resources to restore the health of Lake Mohegan, and depending on the approved plan, would act as a sword or a shield for the future development of the Mohegan Lake hamlet.

As Supervisor, I will be fully engaged in building the necessary coalitions, and be willing to cross the political aisle, to make an LWRP a reality not just for Lake Mohegan but Lake Osceola and Sparkle Lake as well. These are incredible resources for our community that we should be paying greater attention to.

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Guest Commentary

When Delegating Isn't the Way to Go

By Rabbi Yehuda Heber
Chabad of Yorktown

Friday evening, April 19, 2019 is the start of the Jewish holiday of Passover. The holiday spans eight days, ending Saturday evening, April 27. Some of the Passover observances include not eating leavened bread and participating in a Seder meal (on the first two nights of the holiday) complete with matzah, bitter herbs, and 4 cups of wine.

I would like to share an insight into the liturgy found in the Hagaddah - the text read at the seder meal. The Seder is not just a memorial to events of the distant past - it is a dynamic process of freedom from the challenges of the present. There are practical lessons to be gleaned from each and every paragraph and custom.

At the end of the 210-year period of slavery, G-d announced that the time had come for the Jewish slaves to obtain their freedom. The verse in Exodus states: "I will pass through the land of Egypt, and I will smite every firstborn, and upon all the gods of Egypt I will perform acts of judgment: I, G d."

From the fact that G-d repeatedly refers to Himself with the personal pronoun of "I", our Sages have inferred that G-d did not send an angel or a messenger to facilitate the Exodus, but rather, He did it all Himself.



Why was G-d so intent in acting alone? Why not delegate the work to the angels? The Lubavitcher Rebbe explained that G-d was teaching us how to respond to somebody in need of help. It is our

responsibility to reach out to them and offer assistance in whichever way we can, be it emotional support, financial aid, or a small favor with a smile. We must be willing to put aside our personal

comfort and try to view the pain they are experiencing from their perspective.

Sure, it's more comfortable to assume that people more fitting than ourselves will deal with the issue. It's definitely easier to wait for others to step up to the plate, while we stand on the sideline. But that's when we remember that G-d didn't wait for the angels or agents to free the poor, wretched slaves. He did it all Himself.

People in need of help don't have the luxury of waiting around for us to debate if we are willing to leave our comfort zones to help them out or not. If we have the power to bring them relief of any measure, it is our duty to do so.

For more details concerning the holiday of Passover, visit www.ChabadYorktown.com. There you will find much information regarding the historical background of the holiday, how-to Passover, and many delicious Passover recipes. You will also find thought provoking articles on the present day applications of the ancient story.

To join a community Seder, purchase hand-baked Shmura Matzah, sell your Chametz, or to receive a free holiday guide, visit the above website, call 914-962-1111, or email Rabbi@ChabadYorktown.com.

Wishing you and yours a very Happy and Kosher Passover!

Letters to the Editor

Celebrate National Volunteer Week

To the Editor:

The Fresh Air Fund looks forward to celebrating National Volunteer Week, which is from April 7th to April 13th this year. It is an opportunity to extend my heartfelt gratitude to our inspiring volunteers, hosts and supporters in Westchester County, NY.

The Fresh Air Fund's programs would not be possible without the commitment of our dedicated volunteers, many of whom are also host families, who serve

on committees, interview prospective host families, publicize the program and plan summer activities. Additionally, individuals and local businesses give generously of their time and resources to make The Fresh Air Fund's Friendly Towns Program a great success throughout Westchester County, NY each summer.

As we hear from alumni and connect with long standing host families, we continue to learn how Fresh Air Fund sum-

mers have impacted lives – and continue to transform lives many years later. We have learned that a summer can last a lifetime.

The Fresh Air Fund, an independent, not-for-profit agency, has provided free summer experiences to more than 1.8 million New York City children from low-income communities since 1877. First time Fresh Air children are boys and girls, from seven to 12 years old, who live in New York City. Children who are reinvented by host

families may continue with The Fresh Air Fund through age 18 and can enjoy extended trips.

For more information on how you can get involved, please contact Dotti Templeton, at dottemp@hotmail.com or visit www.freshair.org.

Sincerely,

FATIMA SHAMA
Executive Director
The Fresh Air Fund

Bill Allowing Undocumented Immigrants to Get Driver's Licenses is Needed

To the Editor:

Pending legislation in the NYS Senate and Assembly that will enable undocumented immigrants to obtain driver's licenses is just good, common sense. It's best for all of us when everyone on the road is tested, licensed and insured. We all want safer roads. Additionally, the law has many other benefits including benefiting all New Yorkers economically.

According to the Fiscal Policy Institute

(FPI), New Yorkers will have reduced auto insurance premiums as more drivers are insured. New York State will gain \$57 million in annual revenue and \$27 million in one-time revenue from the purchase of driver's licenses, new cars, registrations, as well as sales and gas taxes. The NYC Comptroller has stated that, "New York State would gain up to \$9.6 million in driver's license fees, while the MTA would see an increase of \$1.3

million in revenue from these fees."

While we wait for the Federal Government to determine how to address immigration reform in the country, we cannot continue to forego the public safety and economic benefits that will come to all New Yorkers from this legislation. It would be best for our state to pass this legislation this year.

All the NYS Assembly Members and Senators representing Westchester (with

the exception of Senator Stewart Cousins) are co-sponsoring this legislation because they see the benefits for all New Yorkers. Please urge Governor Cuomo, Majority Leader Stewart Cousins, and Speaker Heastie to pass this legislation now.

Sincerely,

MARY CRONIN
Croton-on-Hudson

Cortlandt Man Charged in Alleged Kickback Scheme

By Rick Pezzullo

A Cortlandt man was charged last week in an alleged corrupt kickback scheme that defrauded the Chappaqua Central School District in New Castle.

According to Westchester County District Attorney Anthony Scarpino, Jr., Jorge Barreiros, 58, of Cortlandt, and Ricardo Jimenez, 54, of Yonkers, "engaged in a scheme constituting a systematic ongoing course of conduct with intent to defraud" the school district and thereby wrongfully obtained such property, actual services or other resources with a value in excess of \$100,000 between November 2014 and August 2017.

As part of the corrupt scheme, Jimenez, through his own company, RJ Summit Services, Inc., fraudulently billed the school district for work actually performed by Barreiros, who was employed by the district as a maintenance staff member, and other employees directed by Barreiros.

In turn, Barreiros approved Jimenez's fraudulent invoices. Then, after the school district paid the bill, Jimenez kicked a portion of the payment back to Barreiros.

The two men surrendered April 3 to the Westchester County District Attorney's Office, were placed under arrest by DA Criminal Investigators, and were ar-

raigned in New Castle Town Court. They were released on their own recognizance.

They were arraigned on the following felony counts: Barreiros is charged with Corrupting the Government in the First Degree, a class B felony, and Bribe Receiving in the Third Degree, a class D felony. Jimenez is charged with Corrupting the Government in the First Degree, a class B felony, and Bribery in the Third Degree, a class D felony.

The Westchester County District Attorney's Office Investigations Division Public Integrity Bureau launched an investigation over a year ago into the scheme after being contacted by the school district.



Jorge Barreiros

Local NYS Reps Weigh Positives, Negatives of State Budget

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piled on residents for vapor products prescription drugs, rentals, congestion pricing and the possibility of a paper bags depending on the county government's desire.

"And don't forget the generous pay raise for the governor, passed after the last budget vote while most New Yorkers were waking up to go to work on April 1. No, I know it was April Fools', but sadly that is not a joke," Byrne said, noting Cuomo will be the highest paid governor in the country by 2021.

Byrne pointed out a few bright spots

in the budget, including a permanent tax cap, restoring funds for the Joseph P Dwyer Veteran Peer to Peer program and the rejection of the Cuomo's recreational marijuana proposal.

"Sadly, while this budget does accomplish some good things, the budget places more burdens on taxpayers, not less," Byrne said.

While some legislation was passed as part of the budget, other reforms were not, including the legalization of recreational marijuana as debate around the issue continues.

Serino said she believes it'll be harder to pass than Cuomo thinks with many school districts against the proposal. The fear that marijuana could be a gateway drug to harder opioids, Serino said, is another reason to oppose it.

Hearings should be held before any final vote is held, she said.

Even with a delay, Galef doesn't see herself voting for the measure. She supports medical marijuana expansion and decriminalizing the recreational drug, but she doesn't believe recreational can-

nabis should be legal. When looking at other states that have legalized, Galef said it doesn't appear to be working as well as one would believe.

She's a "firm no" if legalization were to come to a vote later this year.

Hackham said a decision to legalize marijuana didn't get done because it would've been too rushed. While New York City and upstate New York (for agriculture) seem more willing to get legalization through, suburban communities--which Hackham represent--aren't as thrilled.

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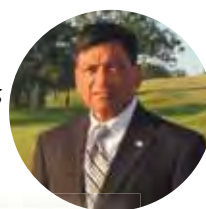
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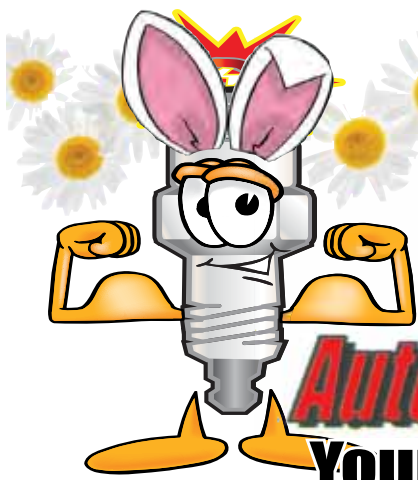
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Wednesday, April 10

Bingo Wednesdays: Come to First Hebrew for \$2,000 in total guaranteed bingo prizes, plus an average of \$1,000 awarded in specialty games. Doors open 5 p.m. and games begin 7:15 p.m. every Wednesday (except holidays – check First Hebrew's website calendar). First Hebrew is just west of the Beach Shopping Center at 1821 Main St., Peekskill. Info: 914-739-0500 or www.firsthebrew.org.

Meal and Worship: St. Andrew's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 2405 Crompond Rd., Yorktown, would like to invite you to a simple meal and worship every Wednesday in lent (through April 10). Dinner begins at 6 p.m. and worship follows at 7 p.m. Pastor Dave Dockweiler will lead a series giving us a new look into the Lord's Prayer.

Thursday, April 11

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 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.

Caring For The Caregiver: This seminar from 6 – 7:15 p.m., at Bethel Springvale Inn. The program will offer practical advice to caregivers with topics such as: Making Every Day Easier; Meeting the Ally Who Will Never Let You Down and Reconnecting with the "Magic" in Your Life. The seminar will be presented by Kacey Morabito, an award-winning radio host and co-host of WHUD-FM's Mike and Kasey Morning Show, the number one morning radio show in the region. Enjoy wine and cheese while learning how to care for yourself. All are welcome to attend. There is no charge. RSVP: Patti Pelican, community relations director at 914-739-4404 Ext. 2204 or send an e-mail to patricia.pelican@bethelwell.org.

Acting Classes: The Four All Theater

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

Ossining Doc Series: There will be a free screening at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 11 at the Ossining Public Library of one film from Jon Bowermaster's latest Hope on the Hudson trio: "Source to Sea" which speaks about the Hudson's water quality. Following the screening there will be a special presentation by students from the Environmental Club at Ossining High School who have been working with Riverkeeper as citizen scientists on water quality sampling at Louis Engel Waterfront Park. At 7:30 p.m. on April 18 at the Sing Sing Kill Brewery (75 Spring St. in Ossining) all three films from Jon Bowermaster's latest Hope on the Hudson trio: "Source to Sea," "Growing the Grain," and "Undamming the Hudson" will be presented. Bowermaster and George Jackman, Riverkeeper's habitat restoration manager, will then discuss the river and the films. Info: Ossining-Documentaries.org

REB Talks: REB Talks: Jewish Ideas worth Sharing will be held at 7:30 p.m. at Temple Beth Am, 203 Church Pl., Yorktown. All are welcome.

"The Legend:" This April, Westchester Collaborative Theater (WCT) is presenting The Legend, written by Rick Apicella and directed by Joe Albert Lima, the world-premiere of an original play ranked a 2018 'commended new play' by the BBC in a multi-lingual international playwrighting competition that spanned the continents. The Legend will run on weekends through Saturday, April 27 (no performance on Sunday, April 21), at WCT's Black Box Theater, 23 Water St., Ossining. Tickets are \$25; \$20 discount tickets are available for WCT members, students, seniors and groups of 5+. Advance online purchase is strongly recommended: visit <https://thelegendwct.brownpapertickets.com/>.

Friday, April 12

Open Communal Passover Seder: Today is the reservation deadline for Temple Beth Am's communal Passover Second-Night Seder, which will be held on April 20 at 5:30 p.m. at the Colonial Terrace. Join us in this family friendly night where adults and children will learn and celebrate the beauty of the Seder surrounded by music and joy. For more information, please contact Joan Poulin at jsspoulin@gmail.com or visit our Web site at www.templebetham-nj.org.

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Temple Beth Am Shabbat: Temple Beth Am will "opens its doors to all who enter" for Shabbat on Fridays at 8 p.m. Modern Sabbath service has a spiritually engaging and warm feeling while following traditional modes. All are welcome to our friendly sacred space. Tonight, a welcoming Shabbat, followed by a dinner to celebrate Passover. To RSVP or for more information about the Welcoming Shabbat, please email Rebbetzin Ellen at RebbetzinEllen@gmail.com. For more information, please call our Rabbi at 914-962-7500 or e-mail him at rabbiv@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.

Community Passover Seder: The Reform Temple of Putnam Valley, 962 Church Rd., is hosting a Community Passover Seder and dinner for members and non-members. RTPV extends an invitation to all who wish to participate, noting that first-time guests are encouraged to join in. Services will follow the dinner at the temple. Please make a reservation: Leave a message at the synagogue office – 845-528-4774 or e-mail levents@rtpv.org.

Saturday, April 13

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.

Hebrew Congregation of Somers: Please join us for a Shabbat service at 9:30 a.m., followed by Lunch & Learn, a discussion of the week's Torah portion. Kiddush luncheon will be served. First-year membership is free and includes High Holiday tickets. E-mail info@hebrewcongregationofsomers.org or call 914-248-9532 for more information.

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.

Genealogy Workshop For Beginners. The program will be held from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Somers Library. Have you ever wondered who your ancestors were? Do you wonder if you have family members you weren't aware you had? Come to this workshop to discover your past and build your own family tree. Info: 914 232 5717 or www.somerslibrary.org.

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.

Spring Fling: Fantastic Finds, an upscale resale shop at 400 King St. in Chappaqua, in the Talbot's shopping center, will celebrate the season with a special Spring Fling from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Proceeds will benefit the Yorktown-based Support Connection. There will be free refreshments and basket drawings, pop-up sales and more.

Cut-A-Thon: Villa St. Francis, 250 South St, Peekskill, will hold a Cut-A-Thon fundraiser to Benefit the Franciscan Sisters of Peekskill from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Licensed hairdressers will be available in our salon to cut and style your hair. \$15 donation for wash, cut, and blows dry. Coffee/tea and light pastries will be available for purchase. Walk-ins welcome, but reservations are suggested. For questions or reservations, leave a message at 914-257-1786 or 914-719-5152. All proceeds to benefit the Franciscan Sisters.

Tableware Art Exhibit: Peekskill Clay Studios @ The Hat Factory announces In Good Company: Tableware for the 21st Century will be held April 13 through 30. A panel discussion and reception is scheduled for today from noon to 2 p.m. The show will open as part of AIM 19,

Happenings

a regional initiative that spotlights arts, industry and media in Peekskill and the surrounding Hudson Valley region. Info: 914-275-6887 or bruce@aparpr.co.

Paul Schrader: Coming off his Oscar nomination as director of *First Reformed*, veteran filmmaker Paul Schrader will discuss his celebrated career today at the Hudson Valley Museum of Contemporary Art. An Evening with Paul Schrader is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Sponsored by the Peekskill Film Festival, Schrader's appearance is one of the marquee events that comprise AIM '19. The weekend festival, Peekskill: Projecting the Future will see the historic riverfront city transformed into an exciting multi-sensory experience. Info: 914-275-6887 or bruce@aparpr.co.

German American Club Event: Enjoy a great night out to support the Veteran's Benefit Dinner & Spring Dance, from 5 to 9 p.m. at the German American Club, in Putnam Valley. This year's net proceeds will be donated to PFC Joseph P. Dwyer Vet 2 Vet Program of Putnam County. Come and enjoy a tasty, elegant Bavarian pork schnitzel dinner with all the trimmings and live entertainment by Joe Unger and a full cash bar. Tickets must be purchased

in advance -- \$50/person. Email: Germanamericansocialclub@gmail.com or call Anna at 845-224-5855 after 4pm. The Club is located at 11 Kramers Pond Rd, Putnam Valley. Info: www.gac1936.com.

Sunday, April 14

First Presbyterian Palm Sunday: Palm Sunday worship will be held at 8:30 and 10:45 a. m. at First Presbyterian Church of Yorktown, 2880 Crompond Rd. Info: www.fpcyorktown.org.

Grace Lutheran Services: Grace Lutheran Church, located at the corner of Curry and Gomer Streets, invites all those who may be interested to join us in the celebration of Holy Week services beginning with Palm Sunday, with services today at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. with coffee and fellowship after each service. Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services on April 18th and 19th will be celebrated at noon and 7:30 pm. For a unique experience, join us for the Easter Vigil service on Saturday evening, April 20th, at 7:30 pm. Joyful Easter services will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Sunday, April 21st. Further information may be obtained by calling the church at 914-245-5737.

St. Andrew's Palm Sunday: Palm Sunday services will be held 8:30 and 10 a.m. at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church. All are invited to attend.

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.

Monday, April 15

Passover Seder Deadline: The RSVP deadline for the Temple Beth Am Community Passover Seder is today. The event will be held on April 20 at 7 p.m. First Hebrew is located just west of the Beach Shopping Center at 1821 Main St., Peekskill. Checks should be made payable to First Hebrew. Info: 914-739-0500 or rabbi@firsthebrew.org, www.firsthebrew.org.

Obituaries

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Philomena Battista and husband Nunzio, Esther Battista and husband Alfred. He was the proud and loving grandfather of Anthony Antonecchia, Marc, fiancé Nicole, Erica, and Alica Iuliano.

Mr. Antonecchia worked for Sears for 41 years. He committed his life to being the best family man, with the brightest smile, while still finding room for comedy at every turn. From his sharp styles and suspenders, to getting up in a room filled of crowds to tell some jokes, it truly pays homage to the fact that he was always able to light up a room and warm your heart.

Mary Sheahan

Mary E. Sheahan, a resident of Cort-

landt, died April 4. She was 94.

She was born in Roscrea, Tipperary, Ireland on April 10, 1924 to Timothy and Margaret Fogarty. She married John L. Sheahan on September 25, 1948 at St. Jerome's Church in the Bronx. She is survived by her daughters Peg Sheahan, Alice Siewert, and Patty DeMarsh (Frank), sons Tim Sheahan (Andrew Sellon), Stephen Sheahan (Carmella), and Danny Sheahan (Ginny). She is also survived by nine grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband John, daughter Liz O'Donnell, and son-in-law David Siewert. Mary's warmth, intelligence and devotion will be missed by the countless friends whose lives she touched.



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The Story of Mirrors

Normally when I look into a mirror, mostly when I'm shaving, I don't have my nearsightedness corrected with glasses. But just the other day I happened to look into my magnifying shaving mirror with my glasses on and was somewhat shocked to find that I really looked my age when, for years, I thought I had been defying it. Oh, well. Unlike Narcissus, the mythological character who fell in love with his own reflection in a pond's surface, I don't need to reassure myself by any beauty to get through the day.

Besides offering us the opportunity to check ourselves out to make sure we are properly groomed and attired, mirrors have played an important role throughout their history, used in technology and as important components in scientific instruments such as telescopes, industrial machinery, cameras and lasers. To us today, it can be a very important element in interior design, as well as home staging. As a Realtor, I sometimes have to advise sellers what to keep and what to eliminate from their walls (no personal photos or wedding pictures, for example – the buyers want to visualize themselves in the house, not

the sellers) and a good mirror would always be on my list of recommendations, both to enlarge space and reflect additional light.

When entering my home, the first thing a visitor would see on the wall of my foyer is a large antique mirror with a massive wooden frame, coated with a tin surface which is stamped with an elaborate pattern and painted in shimmery gold and silver. It makes quite a statement while enlarging the space and reflecting additional light.

The history of mirrors goes back to the beginning of time when people, like Narcissus, looked at their reflections in pools of water. The first man-made mirrors were from polished stone, like black volcanic glass obsidian, found in Turkey with a carbon dating of 6,000 years. Ancient Egyptians used polished copper for mirrors, and mirrors made from polished stone were found in Central and South American from about 2000 B.C. In China mirrors were made from metal alloys, such as a mixture of tin and copper that could be highly polished to make a reflective surface. Metal alloys or precious metals mirrors were

very valuable items in ancient times, only affordable to the very wealthy.

Mirrors made of metal-backed glass was first produced in Lebanon in the first century A.D., while ancient Romans made mirrors from blown glass with lead backings.

Glass mirrors were first produced during the third century A.D. and were quite common in Egypt, Gaul, Germany and Asia. The invention of glassblowing during the 14th century led to the production of convex mirrors,

The major component of mirrors is glass. Because glass is a poor reflector, it must be coated in order to enhance its reflectiveness with such metallic coatings as silver, gold and chrome.

During the Renaissance in Europe, mirrors were made by a method of coating glass with a tin and mercury amalgam. In mirror factory called Saint-Gobain was established in France at that time, but mirrors were originally very expensive luxuries that only the very rich could afford.

In 1835 Justus von Liebig, a German chemist, developed the silvered-glass mirror where a thin layer of metallic silver is put onto glass by the chemical reduction of silver nitrate. The invention of this process enabled mirrors to be manufactured on a much larger scale, and for

the first time in history ordinary people could buy a mirror. Present-day mirrors are more frequently produced by depositing aluminum by vacuum directly onto the glass.

There is a wealth of superstition surrounding mirrors. I wondered, for instance, why a broken mirror brings seven years bad luck. My research revealed an old Roman legend that the soul shatters along with the mirror and it requires seven years to regenerate. Mirrors also have a strong connection to spirits. In earlier times, mirrors were covered when someone died because of the superstition that a mirror can trap the soul of a person who dies. according to some superstitions, a mirror can trap the soul of the person who dies.

For us, however, it is best used as a major element in interior design, to visually enlarge a space and to reflect light.

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- 12. Legal scholar's deg.
- 13. Presidential nickname
- 14. Traditional Cuban highballs or new Mahopac Mexican restaurant
- 16. Put down, slangily
- 17. Slanted printing style
- 18. Application request
- 20. Oenologist's interest
- 21. Fastener
- 25. Somehow
- 29. What ancient Rome might be called or Yonkers casino, ___ City
- 31. Horror film franchise street name
- 32. Primer
- 33. "Little Red Book" author
- 34. ___ manner of speaking
- 35. Ltr. holder
- 36. Hostel

- 37. Like some pay
- 38. Brazilian town, first name
- 39. Billboards, e.g.

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- 4. Paperwork
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- 6. Free a mechanism
- 7. High, prefix
- 8. Interest sharing nations
- 9. Parts of finan. portfolios
- 15. ___ Chaiken, co-creator/ writer of "The L Word"
- 19. Hogwash
- 22. Iron deficiency
- 23. Upscale kitchen feature
- 24. Faulty cars
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Work Resumes on Mohansic Trailway in Yorktown

Work resumed on the second and final phase of the Mohansic Trailway last week when a dedicated group of volunteers, not afraid to get dirty, moved dirt to prepare the area for the construction of two bridges over the trail's stream. The earth moving will enable the volunteers to build the bridges and walls as well as widen the trail (treadway) on the north side of the stream.

Next on the to-do list is to extend the trail to Route 118. Volunteers will cut back vegetation and remove debris and some invasives. The Highway Department will remove a bit more of the berm and lay down item 4 in selected areas.

Jane and Walt Daniels are supervising the work. Phase I of the Trailway project, completed last fall, included the construction of an eight-foot wide, 564-foot-long boardwalk from Baldwin Road and one bridge. A scout project completed another 50 feet of boardwalk.

When completed, the Trailway will provide an off-road link between the North County Trail and FDR State Park and from the park to many of Yorktown's other trails.

People interested in volunteering to work on the Trailway (most work trips are scheduled on Friday and Saturday should send an email to yorktowntrail-



Volunteers helped move earth and rocks to prepare the area for the construction of the second of three bridges along the 0.4-mile Mohansic Trailway.

town@gmail.com. Email notifications are sent out weekly with the schedule of that week's work trips and a description of the work to be done. For high school students, volunteering for the Trailway can count towards their required community service hours. Permission slips are needed for youths ages 14-17.

The Mohansic Trailway is being funded by two 50/50 matching grants from

the Hudson River Valley Greenway: a \$7,500 grant to the Town of Yorktown and a \$12,500 grant to the non-profit Yorktown Trail Town Committee. The Committee's match was met by a combination of volunteer time and donations that helped cover the unexpected and dramatic increase in the cost of lumber.

Formed in 2014, the Yorktown Trail Town Committee's dual mission is to

leverage the town's extensive network of foot and biking trails to promote economic development while at the same time providing greater recreational, health and social benefits to its residents and visitors.

More information about the Mohansic Trailway and Yorktown Trail Town Committee is available at www.yorktowntrail-town.com.

(Solution to puzzle on page 19)

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FAMILY COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

In the Matter of a Proceeding Under Article 10 of the Family Court Act 1022 **REMOVAL JAION PERRY** Docket No. NN- 9825-19 F/U No. 156471 A Child Under Eighteen Years of Age Alleged To be Neglected by **SUMMONS TIARA THOMPSON**, (Child Neglect Case) Respondent.

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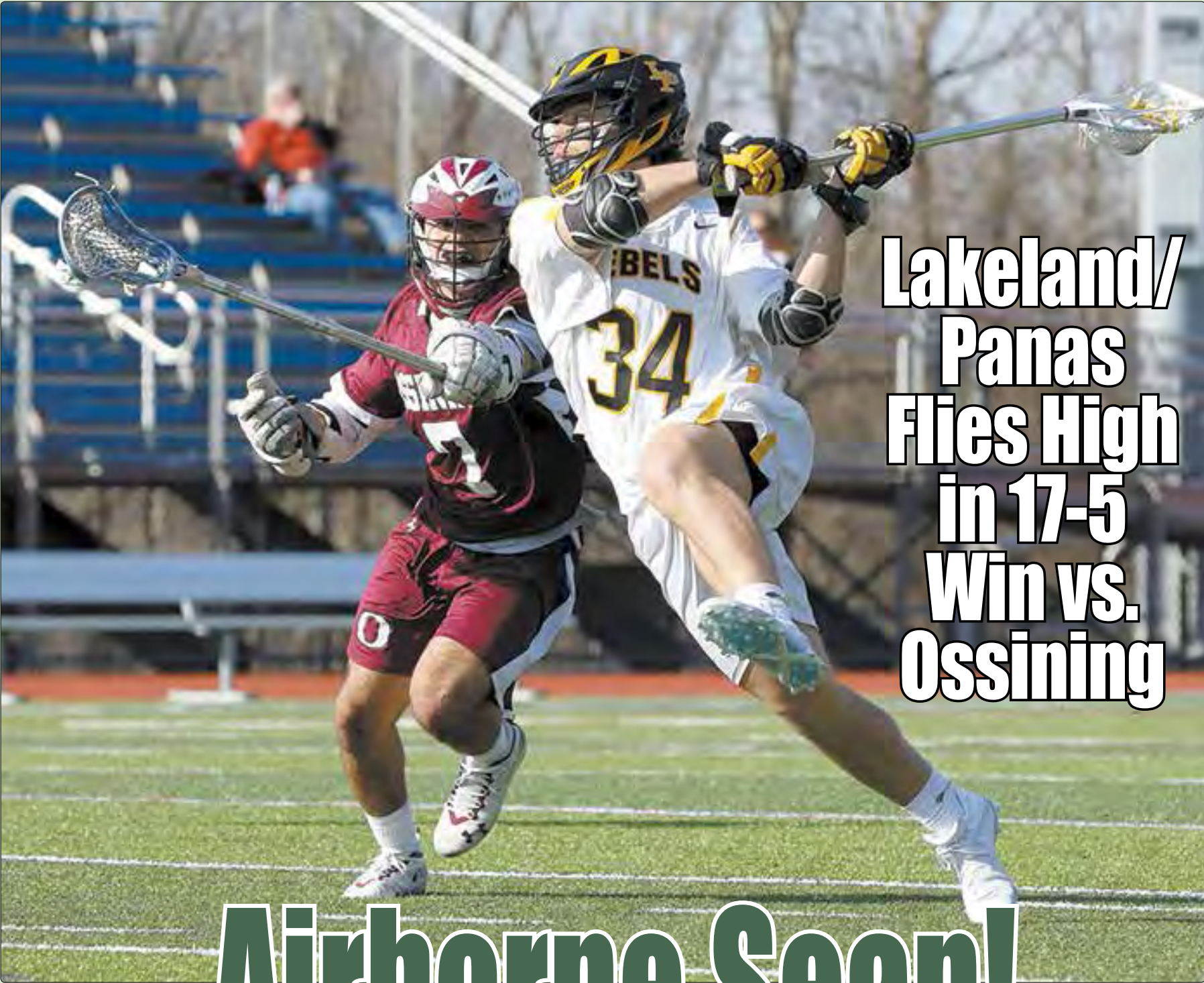
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Lakeland/Panas M Sean Laukaitis has the inside track to the goal as Ossining defender Isaiah Beltran tries to slow him down in the Rebels' 17-5 win over the visiting Pride last Wednesday when the 2018 Section 1 Class A runner-up Rebels improved to 2-0 and tuned up for today's showdown with reigning Class A champion Mamaroneck... see Boys' lax Notebook

Sports

Baseball Notebook

Brewster Takes Out Put Valley, Blows 3 Leads in Loss to Somers

By Ray Gallagher
Examiner Sports Editor
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BREWSTER Coach Matt Cunningham joked prior to last Wednesday's game, proclaiming outright that he didn't want another 17th-seed-type of season with a play-in game before his Bears bust up the Class A bracket like they have two of the last three years. It's been a recent rite of passage for Brewster to have a ho-hum regular season, only to go on a post-season tear.

"It would be nice to take a different route this year, one that didn't include and an out-bracket game and the No.1 seed right off the bat," Cunningham said.

Last year, the 17th-seeded Bears upset No.1 Rye in the opening round and advanced to the Final 4 before losing to eventual champions Lakeland, and in 2016 the 17th-seeded Bears slipped in to Cinderella's shoes and advanced to the sectional finals before losing to John Jay in the title tilt.

"We haven't made it easy on ourselves," Cunningham said.

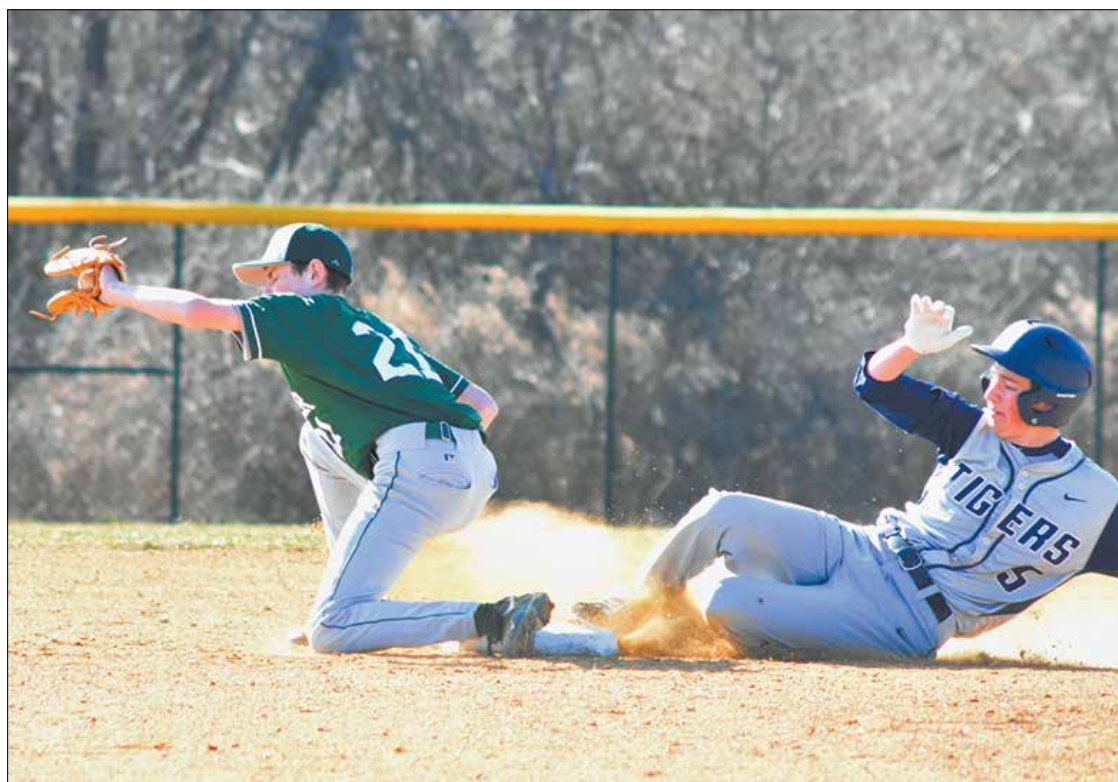
Brewster (2-1) never makes it easy for anyone, including **PUTNAM VALLEY** last Wednesday when RHP Thomas Mark allowed a single first-inning run in the Bears 7-1 win over the visiting Tigers (1-3). Mark fired six innings of six-hit ball, striking out six for the win. PV 2B Alex O'Brien (2 hits, 2B, run) was the lone Tiger to truly figure Mark out. Brewster 1B big Nick Girard went 3 for 4 with four RBI to lead the Bears, showing great plate coverage in his at-bats.

Brewster SS Bobby McBride scored twice while Paul Catalano doubled, walked three times and scored a

pair of runs.

McBride was cruising along on Saturday, leading **SOMERS** 2-0 heading in to the fifth when the wheels came off the Brewster wagon. McBride worked 5-1/3rd innings, allowing one earned run while whiffing 10 in the eventual 8-6 loss. Tusker Jack Kaiser proved that baseball is a game of redeeming features when he drove home three runs during Somers' game-winning rally, which included a three-run, game-sealing top of the seventh. Liam Kaseta added two hits and a rib-eye for Somers.

"It was a sick game for sure," Somers Coach Joe Wooten said after the Tuskers improved to 3-2. "Kaiser had struck out three times against McBride, looking bad each at-bat, but the at-bat in the seventh inning he fell behind 0-2 and could've packed it in. Instead, he smacked a three-run homer to get us ahead. That's mental toughness. We all know that the field at Zimmer is conducive to the long ball, given the short dimensions. In any event, it was a big win. McBride was nothing short of phenomenal. The kid has three big pitches in his pocket and he can throw them anywhere in the count. We



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Brewster 2B Bradlee McKeever can't get tag down on Put Valley senior Alex O'Brien (2 hits) in host Bears' 7-1 win over Tigers last Wednesday.

were fortunate, without a doubt, to have him exit in the sixth inning."

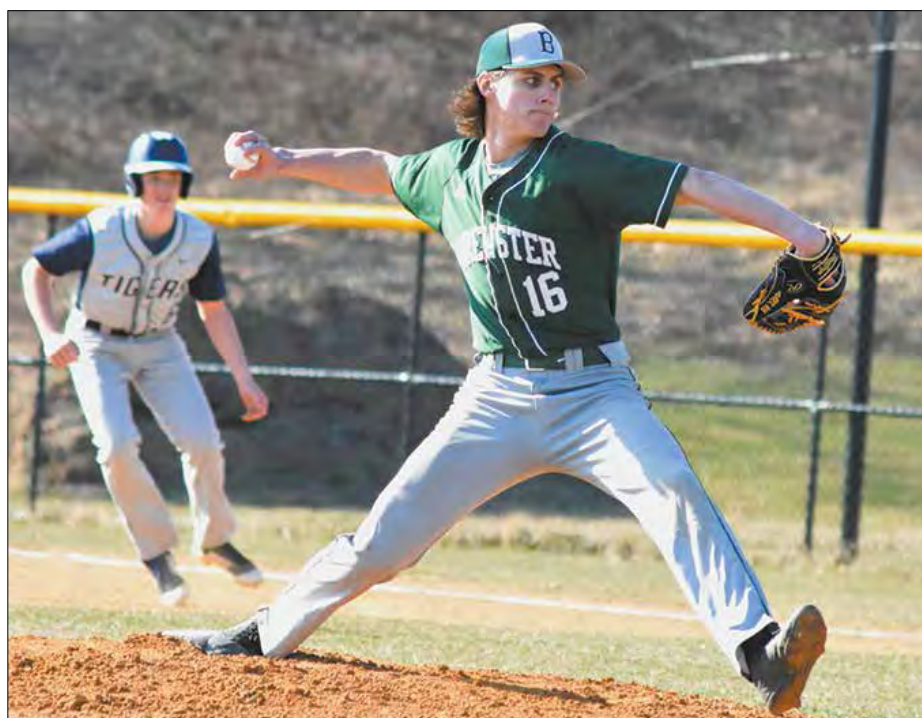
LAKELAND lefty Evan Berta delivered the goods in the Hornets' 12-0 win over Greeley last Wednesday. The junior allowed one hit and fanned five over five frames for his first win of the year. Berta, a high-end No.2 starter, helped his own cause by going 2 for 3 at the plate with three RBI, the majority coming in Lakeland's 10-run second.

Defending Section 1 Class A champion Lakeland (4-1) went on to sweep the home-and-home series Thursday in an 8-6 win over the Quakers behind reliever Joe Phillips, who fired four innings of relief (no earned runs) to earn the win. Junior slugger Joe Vetrano continued his assault on Section 1 hurlers with a solo dinger and OF Andrew Croce and Nick Badillo each doubled, scored twice and went 2 for 3.

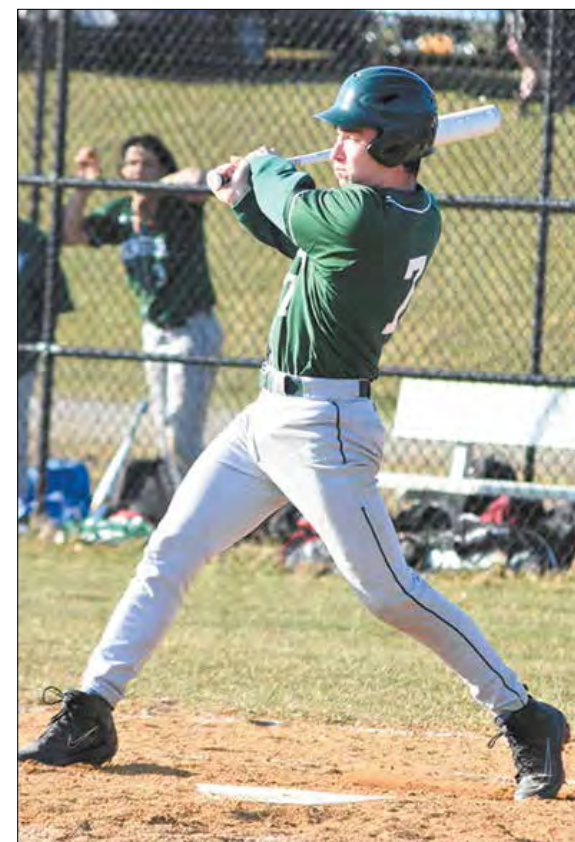
YORKTOWN swept **PANAS** in a pair of League II-C games, signaling that the Huskers could be for real. In a 4-2 Yorktown (3-1) victory on Thursday that featured Yorktown ace Anthony Fusco against burgeoning Panas junior Matt Calise, Husker Luan Biberaj doubled home the winning run on a 3-2 count in the top of the eighth.

Fusco singled home a run early on but Panas (2-3) knotted the game up at two in the bottom of the sixth inning when Aidan Cohall (3 for 4) doubled home a run. In relief, Yorktown P Chris Sica delivered the victory, allowing no runs on two hits over

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Brewster P Tom Mark fired six terrific innings of one-run ball in host Bears' 7-1 win over Put Valley last Wednesday.



Brewster leadoff hitter Paul Catalano was a spark in host Bears' 7-1 win over Putnam Valley last Wednesday.

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Smooth Brewster SS-P Bobby McBride fired 5-plus effective innings against Somers but it wasn't enough in Bears' 8-6 loss to Tuskers.

2-1/3rd innings, striking out two.

Fusco surrendered two runs on seven hits over 5-2/3rd, striking out nine and walking one. Calise allowed three hits and two runs over 6-2/3rd, striking out two. Fusco and Biberaj each had multiple hits.

Yorktown won 8-2 the day before, scoring six runs in the fourth behind the big bats Sica and Fusco, who each doubled home a run to support winning P Joe Lombardo, who surrendered two runs on two hits over five innings, striking out five.

HEN HUD is off to an astonishing start after losing a ton to graduation. The Sailors (4-1) defeated Putnam Valley, 10-4, behind ace Nick Caruso. Nick Hiltsey and Josh Shea each had multiple hits at the plate. The Sailors also defeated Somers, 8-6.

CLASS AA

Trailing 5-2 against **OSSINING**, **MAHOPAC** rallied for five runs in the bottom of the sixth, doing so behind the big bat of Mike Musantry (3 for 4, 2B, two RBI and three runs scored), including the game-winning knock in the sixth. Indian P Joseph Lacoparra pitched 2-1/3rd scoreless innings, whiffing five to win in relief. Mahopac (3-1) went on to lose to New Rochelle, 5-3, Saturday in eight innings. Musantry (2 for 4, 2B, RBI, run) did his thing again, and 1B Kyle Brandstetter drove in two runs.

"We're very happy with how the boys have been playing up to this point," Mahopac Coach Myckie Lugbauer said. "Our lineup is really clicking right now. We seem to be getting contributions from guys all throughout the lineup right now. Brandstetter and Musantry have been doing a great job in the middle of the lineup. Chris Walpole has been doing a great job of setting the table out of the leadoff spot for us. Matt Weiner seems to come up with a big hit in every game. Every day a different guy is stepping up to have the big game and help the ball club."

Indian reliever Joe Lacoparra has been doing a fantastic job for us out of the bullpen, appearing in three games last week.

"Joe was able to come into some big spots against Scarsdale and Ossining with multiple guys on base and leave them all stranded," Lugbauer said. "We are very happy with how he has been performing for us. I really like the makeup of our club. Our guys have a no-quit mentality and never think they are out of a game. I am excited to get another three games under our belt this week."

Ossining (2-1) also worked and 18-8 win over Riverside last Wednesday when Mark DeAngelis went 2 for 3 with a double and four RBI and Joey Bossinias went 2 for 3 with two RBI. Peter Bossinias had a bases clearing double and drove in 3



Mahopac P Chris Tewey and the Indians are off to a 3-1 start.

runs. Starter A.J. Manicchio (2 for 2, RBI) earned the win, allowing only one hit and striking out four through three innings.

CARMEL sophomore Jack Sullivan went 2 for 2 with an RBI double in an 11-1 loss to Suffern; not a good sign for the Rams (1-2-1).

CLASS B

CROTON-HARMON is taking on the look of a contender, improving to 3-1 after an 8-1 win over Pawling. Toby Murphy (2-0) was on his game, surrendering one run while striking out five in the complete-game win. Big Max Luke continued to mash, slapping three hits, including a double and a dinger for three RBI. Brian Scutari crushed a two-run homer for Croton, who gets a nice test on Monday against Carmel. Luke also pitched four innings, striking out seven in a 5-2 loss to Dobbs Ferry, in which errors killed the Tigers. Croton also had a 4-3 comeback win over North Salem to start the week. John Casieri went five frames for the win. Luke earned the save with two stiff innings, including six 6 K's. Kyle Andrews stroked the game-winning, two-run

bomb in the sixth.

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Put Valley 2B Alex O'Brien cracked two hits and scored lone run in Tigers' 7-1 loss to Brewster last Wednesday.

Carmel Taking it Next Level, Beats N. Salem, PV

By Tony Pinciario & Ray Gallagher

CARMEL began determined preparation for the 2019 season intent on continuing its annual progression.

Following a 9-8 record in 2018, the Rams were focused on improving and the one area they focused on was conditioning.

"The girls started conditioning in January," Carmel Coach Kerry Hackert said. "We felt that last year we lost a few games because our stamina was lacking. This year our vets are in, doing awesome and the newbies are stepping up."

Carmel swept the week – 16-12 over North Salem, a 12-10 verdict over PUTNAM VALLEY and a 15-11 conquest of White Plains, improving to 5-2 this season.

"I'm very proud of my team especially because we started down two starters this week," Hackert said. "Beating North Salem was great because it hasn't happened in years."

Taylor Roth led the Rams with four goals against North Salem. Maryrose Murphy added three goals and Alexandra DeFilippo and Katie Taranto each had two goals and two assists. Margaret Flocco and Grace Duke added two goals apiece.

Hackert noted that her team had never beaten Putnam Valley.

"The start has greatly improved our confidence, since our last two games we played without four starters," Hackert said. "The girls are working hard, but most importantly, having fun."

Taranto and Roth led Carmel with three goals apiece against Putnam Valley. Kylie Rosenquest and Flocco chipped in two goals apiece, Duke added two assists and goalie Catarina Babnik made 12 saves.

Jacklyn Phillips had a game-high six goals for Putnam Valley and Kaitlin and Lindsey coach each had two goals. Kimberly Hyndman collected 16 saves.

HEN HUD registered a huge win for the program with a 10-9 overtime triumph of perennial Section 1 Class A power, Suffern.

The Sailors showed that they filed the victory over Suffern away and were focused in their next game as they doubled up Somers, 16-8. YORKTOWN did spoil a perfect week for Hen Hud with a one-goal victory.

Kira Varada finished with six goals and Fiona McGovern netted four goals against Suffern.

"It was a gut check for us and taught us that we can win close games and play with the best teams in the section," Hen Hud coach Rob Molfetta said. "The girls also showed no let down as we beat Somers."

"We also lost to Yorktown by one so the potential is there, we just have to keep improving and playing with intensity. We have another test on Tuesday against Pelham."



BOB CASTNER PHOTO

Yorktown sniper Jesse Barer (5) had three goals in 14-4 win over Mahopac while Hen Hud sophomore Kira Varada (22) scored the 100th of her career last week.

Varada had a career-high eight goals and won 11 draw controls against Somers. McGovern added four goals and Heather Riefenhaser contributed two goals.

MAHOPAC sandwiched wins over SOMERS, 8-7, and Mamaroneck, 5-4 in overtime, around a loss to Yorktown.

In a highly anticipated showdown between Class A hopeful Mahopac and Class B powerhouse Yorktown, it was all Huskers after the game's first 10 minutes. Yorktown junior Kelsey McDonnell, the Virginia Commonwealth-commit, scored Yorktown first two goals of the game and notched six on the night.

Jesse Barer notched a hat trick for the Huskers while Sophia Spallone and Lindsay Boyle added two each and Maddy Marr added one for Yorktown. Alexa Borges also had two choice assists and Boyle added one.

With defenders Jenna McPherson and Noelle Cegielski limiting Mahopac's looks, Yorktown keeper Sophia Altimari had eight saves to stabilize the back end.

"The team has been working hard both on and off the field and before the season even started," Yorktown Coach Lauren McCauley said. "Graduating 10 seniors this past season there are a lot of holes to fill, but these girls are up for the challenge. We might be a young team this year, but we have a lot of heart and determination to be successful."

Colleen MacNeil had two goals for the Indians while Sophia DeFrancesco and Avery Przymyski scored once.

Mahopac rallied from a 3-0 halftime deficit to force an extra session, on a late Ava Jennings' goal, against Mamaroneck. Nicole Panny added the punctuation mark with the winning goal.

"Fittingly, the Mahopac defense made a huge stop to start the overtime period," Mahopac Coach Jim Lieto said. "Zina McInerney raced up the field and drew a yellow card to get the ball into the hands of the Mahopac offense. Colleen MacNeil drew a defender, made a pass to Nicole Panny who was racing around the goal and Panny buried the shot for the victory. It was just an amazing game all-around. We preach team, constantly, and this is a huge team win. Our seniors were keeping us in the game all day and making sure everyone stayed focused and never gave up. Then on that foundation, a freshmen breaks the scoring drought, a sophomore scores, a freshmen ties it up, and a freshmen wins it. The foundation for this win has been set all season by our captains and all our seniors, just a tremendous performance."

Gigi Genovese, Katie McDonough and Przymyski also had goals. McInerney and MacNeil had assists. Jordan Barbagallo handled 12 Mamaroneck shots.

Mahopac held a three-goal halftime lead, 7-4, on Somers, before the Tuskers threw a scare into the Indians in the second half.

"The second half was a low-scoring affair, highlighted by the play of the Mahopac defense, led by captain and goalie, Jordan Barbagallo," said Lieto of the Somers' game. "Barbagallo was simply lights out, making key stop after key stop late in the half."

"Somers would go on a three goal run to make it 8-7, but Jordan and the Mahopac defense would let them go no further. Katrina Klammer drew an incredibly important charge to stop a Somers fast break. Barbagallo had two huge saves

late, and Christina Lopreato and Gigi Genovese combined for a turnover late to get the ball into the Mahopac offenses hands to run out the last forty-five seconds."

MacNeil finished with a hat trick against Somers. Lindsay Neilis had two goals and three assists and Sophia DeFrancesco scored twice. McDonough registered two assists.

Emma Kittredge and Ella Kittredge each had two goals and an assist for Somers. Megan Dineen added a goal and two assists.

BREWSTER had a tough week, falling to 2018 Section 1 Class C champion, Bronxville, 12-7, and Yorktown, 13-9.

"It was a tough loss against Yorktown," Brewster Coach Sara DiDio said. "We made too many mistakes and Yorktown was able to capitalize on those mistakes."

Meagan Beal and Haile Ratajack each had three goals against Yorktown and Maggie DePaoli contributed two goals.

Jesse Barer led Yorktown with four goals, Kelsey McDonnell added three goals and Ellie O'Donnell contributed two goals.

In Brewster's loss to Bronxville, Beal led the Bears with two goals. Marina Souza had a goal and two assists and DePaoli had one goal and one assist.

LAKELAND/PANAS had one game and it was a tough one as Fox Lane shocked the Rebels, 15-14, in overtime on a Eugenia Kaltsa goal. It was her fifth of the game.

Emily Kness, a recent Con-Ed Scholar-Athlete award winner, paced the Rebels with five goals. Megan Mucci had a hat trick and Jenna McCrudden and Keirra Ettere each had two goals.

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Boy's LAX Notebook

Deadly 5-0 Start Fuels Yorktown in 8-3 Win over John Jay

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There are two regular season spectacles on the Section 1 boys' lacrosse circuit that nobody wants to miss: There's the Murphy Cup game between Class A Lakeland/Panas and bordering Class B rival Yorktown, and then there's Yorktown vs. John Jay... the prelude to the eventual Section 1 Class B title tilt between the section's two juggernauts who have met for six of the last seven title tilts.

And while Saturday's rendition of the Yorktown/Jay game may have been missing the star power of the last two years, it certainly set the table for what could be a whale of rematch in late May, although it will be tough on reigning champion John Jay to make up the five goals they lost by in the Huskers' 8-3 triumph at Charlie Murphy Field. Plus, Yorktown seemed to have some star power in the making, including Husker long pole Keith Boyer, a

sophomore who simply dominated.

"Our boys played well," Yorktown Coach Sean Carney admitted. "We played very determined and focused as a group. We played as a unit on both sides of the ball. It's a long season and the schedule is very tough. We will continue to get better and don't honestly look past anyone. That being said I have a lot of confidence in my team and I'm excited to watch them get better as the season goes on."

It was a 3-0 game with only four minutes gone and Yorktown (4-1) was riding high behind goals from sophomore Blake Borges, Reese Andrews and Shane Dahlke. Andrews ended the first quarter with his second goal for a 4-0 lead. The shifty and powerful Borges, another super soph, made it 5-0 before Jay (2-2) finally solved the Yorktown defense.

Andrews and Tim O'Callaghan each scored twice for Yorktown. Alex DeBenedictis and Keegan Doller also

scored for the Huskers, who saw steady G Dan O'Meara notch 12 saves. Brendan Williams won 10 of 15 face-offs for the Huskers, which was pivotal in setting the tone.

NWE/Putnam Feb 5 LAX Poll

No.1 YORKTOWN

We're just two weeks into the season and the Class B Huskers (4-1) have already defeated two reigning champions in Class A (Mamaroneck) and Class B (John Jay). The unthinkable, unmentionable notion that Yorktown might lose back-to-back Section 1 titles appears to be just that... inconceivable! Looks as though Lakeland/Panas and a really deep Rye club are the only legit threats among Section 1 teams, though smart money is on the Huskers right now. But Rye looks dirty in Class C. DeBenedictis and O'Callaghan each bagged a hat trick in the 13-3 win over Greeley while Borges added two goals and two assists and Shane Dahlke added one goal and two assists.

No.2 LAKELAND/PANAS - Class A Rebels (2-0) will find out what they are made of today when Mamaroneck comes a calling. In the 17-5 win over Ossining, Mike Walsh tallied a career-high five goals and Tom Nolan scored thrice.



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Yorktown's Blake Borges cranks shot in Huskers' 4-2 win over John Jay Saturday.

No.3 MAHOPAC - Class A Indians (3-2) made the necessary strides toward evolving into a championship contender in a pair of quality wins last week, including a 13-11 win over Somers Saturday, in which Drew Riolo (4G, 6 A) was masterful. A 9-8 win over Scarsdale got things rolling behind two goals apiece from Anthony Corrado, freshman Mike Harney and Tommy Elliott. The offense seems to be coming along, which was clearly the main concern. "It's getting better and better each and every day," Pac Coach Joe Bucello said.

No.4A PUTNAM VALLEY - Class D Tigers (4-2) chalked up a solid 8-7 win over Class A Carmel in 3 OTs when senior M Joey van de Veerdonk picked up a hat trick with 1:12 gone in OT, which snapped a two-game skid. Vandy was dandy, notching a pair of assists as well. Junior A Kyle Wassil added two goals and one assist. Rams Matt LaFontaine (3G, 1A) and Aidan Babnik (2G, 2A) kept a feisty Carmel club afloat. The Tigers also crushed Hastings, 15-6, at West Point behind Alex Sirico's big day,

including 4G, 1A, and Jack Longden (3G, 1A).

No.4B SOMERS - Class B Tuskers (2-2) dug a pretty deep ditch in the loss to Mahopac, falling behind by six goals before rallying in the second half to make it a game, but it was the 12-goal blowout loss to Rye that has me most concerned.

HM HEN HUD - Class C Sailors (3-2) saw Connor Gallagher (3G, 6A), Max Papolizio (4G, 4A), B Ellis (3G, 1A) and R Pritchard (3G, 1A) all score three or more goals in 19-7 win over Eastchester. Eight goal loss to Briarcliff is somewhat worrisome.



Yorktown M Tim O'Callaghan fires shot on goal in Huskers' 8-3 win over John Jay Saturday.



Somers sniper Nick Rossi picks top right corner against Mahopac G Mike Argila and D Tim Cegielski in Tuskers' 13-11 loss to Indians Saturday.



Lakeland-Panas middle TJ Bryan has step on Ossining's Brett Venuti in Rebels' 17-5 win over Pride

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