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Protestors Demand Cuts to ICE, Border Protection

BY ABBY LUBY

More than 45 protestors gathered outside the office of U. S. Senator Charles Schumer (D- NY 9) at 1 Park Place in Peekskill Friday and demanded Congress cut funding for the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP).

In 2018, ICE held and detained more than 42,000 people in custody every day in what critics characterize as substandard detention

and deportation centers. The protest repeatedly condemned President Donald Trump for what the participants contend are his anti-immigration policies. Since Trump took office in 2017, funding for ICE has increased to more than \$1 billion.

Heralding the start of the protest was the drumming group PerSisters, about 10 women who loudly thumped on overturned plastic buckets. Baila Lemonik of the pro-democracy action group, Putnam Progressives said, "Im-

migrants are being subjected to inhumane treatment and they are being marginalized in our communities. ICE and the CBP are targeting people of color and we are raising our voices against the Trump administration to say, 'This has to stop.'"

Protestors in Peekskill urged Schumer, who was not present, to oppose increased spending in the upcoming appropriations bill and vote to roll back funding for to 2019 levels. A vote on the em-

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Protestors at Friday's Defund Hate protest in Peekskill

Somers Town Board Votes to Create New Sewer District

BY NEAL RENTZ

Over the objections of some residents, the Somers Town Board voted unanimously on September 12 to create a new sewer district for Lake Lincolndale and Lake Shenorock.

The board approved a series of resolutions last week, such as to adopt a Negative Declaration, meaning the board could approve the creation of the district without an extensive environmental review; send its resolutions to the Westchester County Board of Legislators that will need to expand the sewer treatment plant in Peekskill; and send the proposed Somers Sewer District # 2 plan to the office of state Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli, which will need to sign off on it.

The board's action may not be the final say on the creation of the district. There is a possibility that the issue could be subject to a voter referendum, Town Attorney Roland Baroni said to get the issue on the ballot there would need to be signatures from



PHOTO BY NEAL RENTZ

Resident Linda Luciano criticized the proposal to create a sewer district for Lake Lincolndale and Lake Shenorock at the Sept. 12 Somers Town Board public hearing.

100 homeowners or five percent of the 985 those owning homes in the area of the potential new district..

The Somers Sanitary Sewer District No. 2 proposal would cost about \$62 million.

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7-Eleven Makes Donation to Support Connection

7-Eleven of Yorktown, a participating sponsor of Support Connection's annual Support-A-Walk, recently made a donation of \$1,107.11 to the non-profit organization. Store manager Ahmed Bahiawish (far left) and two of his employees presented a check to Support Connection Executive Director Katherine Quinn and Walk Coordinator Melissa Higgins. The 25th Support-A-Walk for Breast and Ovarian Cancer will be held Sunday, October 6 at FDR State Park in Yorktown.

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Somers is eligible to use \$10 million from the New York City DEP for the project. The town would be able to use the county wastewater treatment plant in Peekskill, if the proposal was approved, as expected, by the Westchester County Board of Legislators.

The costs of the sewer project would include capital construction, buy-in to the county sewer district for 10 years (which would cost between \$170 and \$184 annually) and annual operations and maintenance costs.

The plan is to complete the project in three phases. The first phase, which would include 65 properties in Shenorock and Lincolndale, would cost between \$10 and \$13 million. The second phase, which would include parcels in Shenorock, would cost between \$28.1 and \$30.1 million. The third phase, which would include properties in Lincolndale, would cost between \$21.1 and \$22.1 million.

Ken Kohlbrenner, project manager for Woodard & Curran, said the cost for the average home in the new district would be \$1,200 annually at full buildout, but the town is looking to reduce the cost



PHOTO BY NEAL RENTZ

Ken Kohlbrenner, project manager for Woodard & Curran, discussed the plan to create a sewer district.

by obtaining state and federal grants, he said. "We are actively seeking funding options," he said.

The plan is to ultimately have 985 properties included in the sewer district, Kohlbrenner said. The town is planning to take out a 30-year bond.

The first phase of the sewer project could be completed in one year, Woodard & Curran Senior

Principal Joe Barbagallo said.

Councilman Richard Clinchy said the town will be attempting to obtain grants to reduce the cost of the sewer project.

Several residents criticized the plan for the sewer district last week, particularly about the cost of the project. Resident Glen Massey said he was concerned that the cost to property owners could

eventually be more than the average \$1,200 annual charge that the town has indicated. Kohlbrenner said the project would need to be approved by the state comptroller's office. "We are bound by these parameters," he said. If the cost of the project ends up being greater than anticipated new Town Board approvals would be required, he said.

Massey said it would be less expensive to have his septic system cleaned on an annual basis than having him included in the new sewer district.

Another resident, Linda Luciano, criticized the plan for the new sewer district for several minutes during last week's public hearing. Luciano chided the town for holding public hearings on the issue in August and September when many residents were away and many activities take place in town in September.

Luciano objected to the fact that the cost of being in the sewer district would be based on the value of a home. "Everybody should be paying the same cost," she said.

Luciano said her family paid \$40,000 for a new septic system and should not be required to be part of the new sewer district.

The new sewer district costs will be a burden on residents, Luciano said. Being part of the new district would bring her family's total annual property taxes to \$18,000, she said. "Nobody wants to pay more in taxes," she said.

Kohlbrenner reiterated that the town would be looking to obtain grants to hold down the cost of the sewer project. "The town is 'looking out for individual homeowner,'" he said.

Luciano said many residents were not informed about the plan to create the sewer district until recently. Supervisor Rick Morrissey replied that the town has been working on the plan to create the sewer district in the two communities since 2017.

Among the residents supporting the creation of the sewer district was Diedra Cordova, who noted she was watching the meeting on television and decided to come to the meeting in person to express her opinion. "There's a lot we have to pay" for needed services and having sewers in the area is necessary, she said.

"I think our Town Board is working for the benefit of Somers and upper Westchester," Cordova said.



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Q: How do you use SAVI SCOUT during surgery and what's the outcome?

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Residents Rip Proposed Gas Station/Store on Rt. 6 in Cortlandt

BY RICK PEZZULLO

Several nearby residents ripped a proposed gas station and convenience store on Route 6 in Cortlandt during a public hearing last week.

Gas Land Petroleum Inc. is looking to construct six gas pumps on the one-acre site that formerly housed The Hummingbird restaurant and is parallel to the exit/entrance ramp to the Bear Mountain Parkway.

The applicant is seeking not only site development plan removal, but also a special permit and tree removal and wetland permits from the Cortlandt Planning Board, which conducted a site inspection in June.

John Didio, a 58-year resident of Parkway Drive, said traffic conditions on Route 6 are already horrendous and allowing a gas station in that location could cost someone their life.

"I see this being a disaster," Didio asserted. "There is so much traffic there that I don't even know why this is a consideration. I don't know who is going to want to go there and risk their life. Every business that has been there went out of business. They went out of business because it's a

terrible location!"

"It's not a gas station that's a problem. It's the traffic that type of business will cause," said Rita Sloan, also a longtime Parkway Drive resident. "The traffic is horrendous. Some traffic remedies being proposed don't necessarily help. I haven't heard anything that it will help Route 6."

David Steinmetz, attorney for Gas Land, acknowledged the traffic concerns residents have expressed about the 24-hour project but insisted realigning the existing traffic signal, adding a turning lane and other improvements would be beneficial.

"We believe this is a benefit to Route 6 and an improvement to the corridor," Stein-

metz said. "We're quite mindful that traffic circulation is obviously a concern to the neighbors and the community."

Former Cortlandt Councilman and Planning Board Chairman John Sloan, who resides on Parkway Drive, maintained the project doesn't benefit the town or its citizens, suggesting the site is better suited to house a "low impact" business.

"This is simply the wrong project at the wrong place," he said. "This is probably the most problematic intersection in the town that you can come up with."

Gas Land representatives have already met with the state Department of Transportation to discuss traffic flow on the proper-

ty, which is zoned H-C (Highway Commercial). Steinmetz noted the project has been endorsed by the Hudson Valley Gateway Chamber of Commerce and the Montrose Business Improvement District.

Meanwhile, Steinmetz contended the project was being actively opposed by "gas cartels" who were trying to keep out competition.

"Location, location, location. It's a problem," said planner Bob Foley before the Planning Board adjourned the hearing to its October 10 meeting.

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battled bill has a September 30 deadline.

"We want to reduce the money that's going to ICE," said Gail Sasso, Organizer of CCoHOPE Indivisible, a regional organiza-

tion made up of residents from Cortlandt, Croton-on-Hudson, Peekskill and Ossining, "Our grassroots effort will continue by calling our representatives on a regular basis and reaching out to residents and voters."

Sasso and Lemonik handed a three-page letter from CCoHOPE Indivisible to Schumer's staffer, Megan Glander. The letter urged the senator to "Fight back against requested funding increases for ICE." The letter requested that Schumer "act in solidarity with us, immigrant communities across the country, and asylum seekers coming here for a better life, by holding firm during these negotiations to reduce funding to ICE and CBP..."

Peekskill City Councilman Colin Smith, who is running for Westchester County Legislator in District 1 in the upcoming 2019 election, said he was horrified at the Trump administration's policies towards the immigrant community. "The policies are nothing short of divisive and inhumane. Locking kids in cages makes America ashamed, not great," he said, referring to Texas-based immigrant processing centers that had detained some 900 unaccom-

panied children inside chain link fences.

Deputy Mayor Kathleen Talbot was adamant about voting Trump out of office in 2020. Talbot reminded protesters that Peekskill's Chief of Police Donald Halmy claimed some time ago he would not target undocumented immigrants in the city. A fiery

Vanessa Agudelo, also a Peekskill councilwoman, denounced the overall treatment of immigrants.

"Immigrants are just like us. They are trying to find opportunities for themselves and their families. That should not be illegal. That should not be criminalized. That is why they are here," she asserted.

Marianna Stout, Organizer of CD17Indivisible, which is a group living in Nita Lowey's 17th Congressional district, said, "A rally like this is very effective. We were able to influence the 2018 election by defeating former state Senator Terrence Murphy. Our hope is to hold rallies on a regular basis for the next year leading up to the



PHOTO BY ABBY LUBY
Peekskill councilwoman, Vanessa Agudelo at Friday's Defund Hate protest in Peekskill.

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Peekskill Police Officer Ramon Santos won this year's Peekskill Police and Fire 5K Battle of the Badges Cup on Saturday, ending the fire department's three-year winning streak.

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DAS Auto and Truck Mahopac

BY DAVID PROPPER

John Recchia and John Fiore both like to say they think with the same brain.

As co-owners of DAS Auto and Truck in Mahopac, the first cousins are able to mesh in the best possible way that's led them to early success at their new location only open for about a month. The store, located very visibly along Route 6 and specializes in auto parts and jeep and truck accessories, separates itself from other competing auto stores, Fiore said. This is the second DAS Auto Recchia and Fiore own; their first one is located in Yorktown, which opened three years ago.

"We'll do any auto part you need, but we're above and beyond," Fiore said. "We're just different... people just love the store."

Fiore, a Lincolndale resident, previously owned an auto store in Yonkers, but moved up to Yorktown and he and Recchia immersed themselves in that store. Then Fiore wanted to shoot to open a second location, though Recchia was more hesitant at first.

"We just saw an opportunity, this great location from the street and we're bringing something to Mahopac they don't have," Fiore said. A grand opening is expected at the end of September.



DAVID PROPPER PHOTO

Grand opening of new location on Route 6 in Mahopac is slated for end of September.

Before Fiore got into auto parts, he worked in the restaurant and bar business for 25 years and still does consulting on the side. He believes much like the food serv-

ice industry, it's important to make customers at the auto store feel comfortable when making a purchase.

While some family members refuse to

go into business together because it could lead to possibly strained relationships, Fiore said he and Recchia get along great.

"We always put our heads together over a nice meal and think about how we can be more successful and it works," Fiore said.

Both Recchia and Fiore were interested in cars growing up and to this day it remains a hobby for the two men. Between the two of them, they've owned about 200 cars. (Fiore's most prized car, which he still owns today, is a 1991 Testarossa in custom white.)

Recchia, who runs the Yorktown store, said he and Fiore have grown up together and it's been a pleasure to partner with someone who is on the same page as you. Both men played with toy cars as boys, Recchia said.

"We can help you with all the generic stuff, but we're also happy to go a step above and bring a real service, a real relationship and really help you with all the needs of your cars and trucks," Recchia said.

DAS Auto and Truck is located at 288 Route 6 in Mahopac and also located at 373 Downing Street in Yorktown. Its phone number for the Mahopac store is 845-208-6235 and its number for the Yorktown store is 914-352-6127.



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Obituaries

Joan Valentine

Joan T. (Kearney) Valentine, a resident of Mohegan Lake, died peacefully September 3. She was 91.

She was the wife of the late Charles H. Valentine, former Yorktown Chief of Police, to whom she married in 1954 at Saint Patrick's Church in Yorktown. She was born August 10, 1928 in New York City to Harold J. Kearney and Elsie (Sterban) Kearney.



Joan T. (Kearney) Valentine

Originally from Jefferson Valley, she grew up in her family's home and bungalow resort, Kearney's Lakeside Rest on Lake Osceola. She graduated from Shrub Oak High School in 1946. She worked at Bell Telephone in Peekskill. She began as a switchboard operator and worked her way up to management. Her entire working career was devoted to the phone company.

Mrs. Valentine was a lifetime resident of the Town of Yorktown and supporter of the Yorktown Police Department and the Mohegan Volunteer Fire Association, both of which her husband served for 27 and approximately 50 years respectively. She loved her family and served as the matriarch. Her independent spirit and great leadership had her always sharing wisdom and life experiences.

She was passionate about her dogs and cats and any critters that wandered into her

yard. She had interest in hearing stories about pets in her extended family. She was an avid reader and loved great crime dramas.

She was a loyal friend and still enjoyed the company of her friends from high school and their families.

In addition to her sister Marilyn, she is survived by her sister-in-law Lone (Jensen) Kearney, Mountain Grove, Missouri; seven nieces and nephews: Joseph C. Marco III, Allentown, Pennsylvania, Carol A. (Marco) wife of Richard Taylor, Tecumseh, Oklahoma, Rosemarie Marco, wife of Shellie Polins, Tamarac, Florida, Lawrence R. "Larry" Marco, Virginville, Pennsylvania, Jeannett (Kearney), wife of Robert Nance, Mound City, Kansas, Harold J. Kearney III husband of Mary Kearney, Gravette, Arkansas, Teresa Kearney, Cleveland, Missouri, and; eight grandnieces and nephews and four great grand nieces and nephews.

Herbert Harbort, Jr.

Herbert C. Harbort, Jr., a longtime resident of Yorktown, died September 6. He was 83.

He was born in White Plains on April 27, 1936 to Herbert C. and Edna Louise Larson Harbort.

Graduating from Alexander Hamilton High School in Elmsford, he went on to attend NYU and Utah State University.

A member of the Church of the Good Shepherd in Granite Springs, he served on the Vestry. Mr. Harbort was a member of the Masons, White Plains Lodge No 473 F. & A.M., and was

also active in the Shrub Oak Athletic Club. He served 24 years on the Town of Yorktown Electrical Board, many years as its chairman. As a Master Electrician he was a member of Local Union 501 and Local Union 3 IBEW.



Herbert C. Harbort, Jr.

He is survived by his daughter Nancy Bottema and her husband Erik, and their children Sara and Sophia of Mahopac, NY; his son George and his wife Jerlin and their children Kaylene and Kyleah of Springfield, VA; his son William and his wife Sandra and their children Tyler and Nicholas of Minot, N.D.. Also surviving are his brother Rev. Raymond L. Harbort and his husband Henry Baird of Bethlehem, PA and his former spouse Theresa Gagliardi of Yorktown Heights.

John Santangelo

John (Babe) Santangelo, a loving husband and father and lifelong resident of Peekskill, died September 10. He was 90.

He was born to Helen and Joseph Santangelo on April 16, 1929 in Peekskill. On 1951, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and fought in the Korean War. He was a staff sergeant in the 279th Infantry 45th ID and served two years. Upon returning, he pursued a degree in Business Administration at Iona College and graduated with honors in 1956. He began his career in

the advertising field in Manhattan. On June 16, 1956, he wed the love of his life, Isabelle Beuchert and had five children.

He culminated his career at American Home Products in New York City as Vice President of International Sales. During his time at American Home Products, he traveled often to South and Central America, as well as, the Caribbean. He retired in the late 90's and



John (Babe) Santangelo

continued working part-time as a consultant for a pharmaceutical company in North Carolina.

During his retirement, he enjoyed playing golf with his friends. He loved New York City and everything it had to offer, especially its restaurants and Broadway shows. He also enjoyed

going to Long Beach Island and spending time with his children and grandchildren. He was passionate about the stock market and was also an avid sports fan, especially rooting for the New York Yankees and New York Giants. He was a member of the American Legion and volunteered his time with local Veterans groups.

Mr. Santangelo was preceded in death by Isabelle, his wife of 42 years, as well as his mother and father. He is survived by five children: John Santangelo, Marianne Santangelo, Michael Santangelo and wife Kim Santangelo, Patricia O'Hara and husband Matthew O'Hara, Elaine DellaPia and husband Jeremy DellaPia;

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Obituaries

his brother Joseph; seven grandchildren, Taylor and Dawson Santangelo, Julia and Madison O'Hara, and Zachary, Brandon and Jake DelaPia; along with his beloved nieces, nephews and cousins.

Nicholas Castrataro

Nicholas A. Castrataro, a resident of Yorktown, died September 9. He was 86.

He was born October 5, 1932 in Brooklyn, to Dominic and Anita Castrataro. He served honorably for the United States Army as sergeant during the Korean War. Mr. Castrataro was a science teacher at the Highlands Middle School and Assistant Principal in White Plains. He then became Principal of the Westlake Middle School in Mount Pleasant. After retiring he went on to become a Professor of Health and Science at Hofstra University for 20 years. He held advanced degrees from Brooklyn College and Fairfield University.

He is survived by his devoted wife Barbara and four loving children: Maria (Curt) Mills, Elizabeth (Giulio) Capua, AnnMarie (Scott) Hubbard, and James (Amber) Castrataro, and seven cherished grandchildren: Christopher, John, Cole, Alec, Peter, Hannah and Ava. He is also survived by his brother Anthony and his brother in law William Cassidy. He was predeceased by his sister in law Joan Cassidy.

Margaret Hemphill

Margaret (Hall) Hemphill, a resident of Mahopac, died September 8. She was 96.

She was born to Ross and Rita (Lewis) Hall on January 6, 1923 in Marshalltown, Iowa. She graduated from Marshalltown High School in 1941 and on May 28, 1944 married James F. Hemphill, who predeceased her.

During her 88 years in Iowa, she worked as a secretary, a salesperson in a dress shop and for many years was the librarian at the Gutekunst Library in State Center, Iowa. She was active in the Methodist Church, PEO, and Meals on Wheels. She has lived for the last nine years with her daughter in Mahopac, where she enjoyed reading, puzzles, church, chair Zumba at the local Senior Center, and seeing her great-grandchildren, Gabrielle and James Pecoraro.

She is survived by son Jeff (Susie), son Jim (Sarah) and daughter Judy Maier; by grandchildren Douglas (Cathy) Maier, Elizabeth (Mike) Pecoraro, Meredith and Caroline Hemphill, and Bill and Tim Hartman.

Thomas Bleakley

Thomas Michael Bleakley, a resident of Buchanan, died September 4 surrounded by family and close friends. He was 57.

He was born August 2, 1962 in Peekskill, to Bernard and Delores (Mitchell) Bleakley and resided in Cary, NC. Most notably, he was the proud father to son, Michael (eight). Over his career, he held positions at several large companies including NBC, GE, Federal Reserve, IBM and Lenovo and most recently worked for Bluebird Bio in Durham, NC, a Biomedical company developing gene therapy.

As a lifelong Yankee and Giants fan, he had a love for sports and adored sharing them with his son. He was the assistant coach on Michael's baseball teams. He also enjoyed visiting his family and numerous friends in New York, which is where he always considered "home", despite having lived in North Carolina for more than 20 years. He was known to be warm hearted and appreciated spending time and laughing with his friends. As his final act of kindness, corneas and tissues were donated, which could go on to help upwards of 70 people.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Delores, and nephews Matthew and Mitchell. He is survived by his son Michael, of Cary, NC, father Bernard Bleakley of Andes, NY, wife Suzanne Bleakley, of Cary, NC, siblings Francis Colwell and husband, Dennis, of Hopewell Junction, NY; Gail Ruh and husband Michael of Verplanck, NY; Bernard Bleakley and wife Peggy of Trumbull, CT; Sean Bleakley and wife Jill of Buchanan, NY; Dennis Bleakley and wife Maria of Buchanan, NY, parents-in-law Robert and Carol Tanczos of Statesville, NC, sister-in-law Melinda Sullivan and husband Donald of Raleigh, NC.

Also surviving are nieces and nephews Craig, Krystin, Kaitlyn, Timothy, Kurtis, Kyle, Richard, Kevin, Aaron, Alyssa, Jessica, Everett and Henry; great-niece Allis; great-nephew Adam and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Carmela DiSisto

Carmela DiSisto, a resident of Ossining, died September 7. She was 85.

She was born August 27, 1934 in Casacalenda, Italy to Pasquale and Carolina (D'Onofrio) lasenza. She enjoyed gardening, shopping and cooking for her family. She loved sharing her family recipes. She was a devoted wife, mother and most of all a loving and caring grandmother and great grandmother who enjoyed every moment with them. She will be deeply missed by those that knew her.

She is survived by her beloved children, Mario DiSisto and his wife Debi and Josephine (Pina) Camilo and her husband Richie; loving grandchildren, Angela, Christopher, wife Siobhan, Christine, husband Jonathan, Richie, wife Jackie, David, Daniel and wife DeAndrea. She is also survived by her adoring great grandchildren, Christopher, Jr., Matthew, Lila, Rosalie, Bria, Nicholas and Gianna. She was

predeceased by her husband Angelo on July 24, 2006.

Bob Rose, Sr.

Bob Rose, Sr., a resident of Croton-on-Hudson renowned for a record-breaking career in advertising sales during the Mad Men era died recently. He was 89.

He was a devoted family man survived by his loving wife, Leslie, four children and seven grandchildren. He loved bar-b-cuing with friends and family, playing with his dogs and watching his beloved Mets and Giants. But it was in his career as an advertising sales professional over four decades that brought him notoriety throughout the dynamic magazine industry of the late twentieth century. He led highly successful sales teams for the biggest titles of the generation including Vogue, Cosmopolitan and Playboy. His sales team achieved a record of nearly 100 pages in the introduction of a Cosmopolitan spin-off magazine, hailed as an all-time record. He was enormously generous and entertaining. He was an avowed American patriot, serving his country as an Army veteran during the Korean War. He will be missed.

Margaret Salvatore

Margaret M. Salvatore, a lifelong resident of Peekskill, died peacefully September 10 surrounded by her loved ones. She was 97.

She was a kind and loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She was predeceased by her husband Nicholas of 65 years.

Edward Casey

Edward F. Casey, a resident of Ossining, died September 13. He was 87.

He was born in Manhattan September 29, 1931 to John and Anna (Hughes) Casey. Mr. Casey graduated Fordham University in 1955 with a BS in Management. He married Dorothy Citarell on October 24, 1953 at the Church of the Sacred Heart in the Bronx. He was a retired economist with Con Edison in Manhattan.

Mr. Casey is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, Dorothy; two daughters, Elizabeth (Dov Stern) Casey and Catherine (Michael) Imperatrice; his sister Rita Jean Casey; four grandchildren, David Bast, Dominic Bozzelli, Maria Bozzelli and Anthony Imperatrice.

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Letters to the Editor

Democrats Have Done Nothing to Help Croton River

To the Editor:

There's a problem on the Croton River and in order to address it there needs to be cooperation between the Village, the Town, the County and the State. All of which are controlled by the Democrats, but yet there has been no progress.

New York is a solid blue state. Since 2016

very few candidates whose name did not appear on the Democratic Party line have won in this part of the county. Both the Village of Croton and the Town of Cortlandt are controlled by a one party government, Democrats. But it seems that ever since the Democratic politicians stopped having to worry about losing elections, they stopped

being concerned about their constituents, the residents.

Democratic politicians need to spend less time fundraising and more time doing what they were elected to do. The Democratic mayor of Croton, the Democratic Town Supervisor, the Democratic Legislator (a Croton resident), the Democratic County Executive, the Democratic Assemblywoman, the Democratic Senator, and the DEC, Controlled by the Democratic Governor should all sit down together and

fix this problem.

Why should we vote "Row A all the way" if politicians from the same party cannot even work together for the good of the public?

Maybe we need a choice on Election Day so that the Democratic Party stops taking us for granted.

Sincerely,

LINDA COLE
Croton Resident
Registered Independent

Hoping Won't Fill Empty Storefronts in Yorktown

To the Editor:

When the lights go out at Kmart for the last time later this year it will add to the darkness of Yorktown's business community. In the same plaza Food Emporium has been dormant for more than a decade. While the closure of Kmart is a corporate decision the darkening of Yorktown Green highlights another failed campaign promise by Supervisor Ilan Gilbert. Further, his response to the Kmart closing according to The Northern Westchester Examiner is to "hope" something changes. On the contrary, Matt Slater who is running to unseat Gilbert, proactively contacted the property management group to inquire about their

future plans and offer his assistance now and in the future. Yorktown's economy can't be fixed by sprinkling around hope but by proactively building the necessary partnerships within the business community. We know Yorktown has regained an anti-growth and anti-business reputation. Hoping it fixes itself won't happen. Electing new leadership with the energy and skills to repair our image is exactly what Yorktown needs. Whether it be enhancing our parks, remediating our lakes or rejuvenating our business community, Matt Slater is already leading Yorktown into a new chapter.

DAN BELCASTRO

Thanks to Community for Supporting the Fair

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without these volunteers.

Lastly and most importantly thank you, the community, for coming to the fair and making the 95th Yorktown Grange Fair a huge success. Due to your support the Yorktown Grange can continue to make a difference within the community.

If you are interested in joining us for the planning of the 96th Yorktown Grange Fair, email us at fairoffice.ygf@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you next year.

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Peekskill Museum Presents a Fleischmann's 150-Year Celebration

The Fleischmann's name has a 150-year history in the United States, a large portion of it centered in Peekskill, where in 1900 it built the "World's Largest Yeast Factory" quickly becoming its most important business and at one time dubbed the "Yeast Making Capital of the World." The Peekskill location also produced gin and whiskey.

By 1915, the company's huge Charles Point facility had more than 125 buildings, consumed more than 5,000 bushels of grain, corn, rye and barley a day, and was equipped with more than two miles of railroad, using 22.5 million gallons of water and 5,000 tons of coal a month. Though the company changed its name to Standard Brands in 1929, to this day locals still call it "Fleischmann's." At its peak more than 1,000 people worked at the Fleischmann

Plant.

The events are sponsored by AB Mauri Co. and Sazerac Corp. current owners of Fleischmann's Yeast and Liquor products. Additional support was received from Entergy and The Rotary Club of Peekskill. On September 21-22nd, the Peekskill Museum will be hosting a celebration of Fleischmann's role in our city's history and our nation's pastime: a Fleischmann's Exhibit and Reunion and Vintage Baseball Tournament.

At 1 p.m. the afternoon of Saturday, September 21, The Peekskill Museum will open an exhibit on the history of the Fleischmann's plant, including a presentation by

Bob Mayer, baseball historian, on the Fleischmann family and their baseball interests.

On Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., a Vintage Base Ball tournament will feature four teams playing four games under the rules of yesteryear. (Free Admission) Players will be outfitted in the baggy flannels of the 19th Century, swatting hand-made balls, and snaring line drives with bruised hands and no gloves. This is Vintage Base Ball played under the rules of 1864, 1865, 1886 & 1895. The games will be held at Peekskill Stadium on Louisa Street near the site of the old Fleischmann's office building and Molasses Pier.

The weekend festivities will continue

after the games at 4:30 p.m. in The Factoria, the former Fleischmann's Gin House, including a Gin & Whiskey cocktail hour, a presentation by local historian Kirk Moldoff on the history of Fleischmann's in Peekskill, and a light buffet from 5 to 7 p.m. Follow us on the Peekskill Museum's Facebook Page for more event details to order dinner tickets:

<https://www.facebook.com/Peekskill-Museum-116938568325342/>

(Click on Reunion) or use this link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/a-fleischmanns-reunion-gin-whiskey-hour-light-buffet-tickets-70384382583>.

Shrub Oak International School Fall Festival Sept. 21

Shrub Oak International School invites you to join us for a Fall Festival as we celebrate our first year in the community. The festival is taking place on Saturday, September 21 (rain date 9/22) from noon to 4 p.m. on the beautiful grounds of our campus located at 3151 Stoney Street in Mohegan Lake. The festival is free, and will feature carnival games with prizes, bounce houses, pumpkin decorating, cotton candy, a petting zoo, and pony rides. Friends, family, food, and fun! Everything you might expect from a fall festival, and more. We hope to see you there! For more information, contact mlavan@shruboak.org.

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County Pauses to Honor Victims During 9/11 Anniversary

BY MARTIN WILBUR

Officials joined with the families of many of the county residents who died in the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks to remember their lives during Westchester's annual 9/11 memorial ceremony last week.

Speakers during the hour-long commemoration at Kensico Dam Plaza in Valhalla, which included elected officials, clergy and a retired New York City police officer-turned-victims advocate, also recalled the sacrifices of the first responders in the months following the attack and urged everyone to find the unity that Americans shared after the tragedy.

"They were humans just like us and they faced a test we hope we never face," said County Executive George Latimer of those lost. "My theology teaches us that they're at peace, it teaches me that they're in paradise, whatever paradise is. I have to believe that. We can't believe that the evil that was done that day was the final word. We have to believe that this day of voluntary service is there to change the narrative of 9/11."

During the ceremony, held under a large tent a short distance from the county's 9/11 memorial The Rising, officials read each one



PHOTO BY MARTIN WILBUR

One of the many family members of the 123 Westchester residents who died on Sept. 11, 2001, places flowers and an American flag by their loved one's name.

of the 123 names of Westchester residents lost that day. Family members of first responders who died after falling ill by breathing in the toxins while working at Ground Zero, read the names of those victims.

So far, 21 county residents have been identified as having died from 9/11-related illnesses.

Last year, Latimer revealed that the county was going to commission a memorial to commemorate the Westchester residents who died from those illnesses. Plans for

that memorial, which will be placed near The Rising, continue to move forward. A committee was formed earlier this year consisting mainly of family members of victims to help design an appropriate memorial.

Matthew McCauley, a retired New York City cop who worked in the recovery efforts at Ground Zero and is now an attorney fighting on behalf of victims and their families, said the memorial will be a symbol that Westchester will never forget those who sacrificed everything.

He also made 18 trips to Washington along with other former Ground Zero workers to urge Congress to continue funding the 9/11 Victims Compensation Fund.

"We were all where we wanted to be," McCauley said. "We were showing the world that we would not back down from terrorism and that we would work together – no races, no color, no politics. I can tell you that was how every 9/11 responder felt on that day and every day after that."

Board of Legislators Chairman Ben Boykin told the victims' families that Westchester will always stand with them and honor their loved ones' memories.

He said a legacy of those lost should be to confront hate and intolerance.

"The attacks of September 11, 2001 changed us," Boykin said. "They stole our loved ones, stripped us of our innocence, shook our sense of security, and, unfortunately, too often, have made us more suspicious of one another. As we recognize the sacrifice of the first responders and commemorate the lives of those who were taken from us, let us honor them by holding ever tighter to our values."

Following the ceremony, family members walked over to The Rising,

many with flowers they placed by the plaque that contained their loved one's name while fighting back tears.

Latimer said the 9/11 memorials that have sprung up in communities across the nation are done for a purpose. There will come a time when those who remember Sept. 11, 2001, will no longer be around and it will be up to future generations to keep alive the memory of those who perished.

"We created things that are dramatic, breathtaking even, so that we won't forget and that we have a visual remembrance of it so when this generation of Americans are gone, the next generation of Americans, the next generation of Westchester people will remember that once there was this moment in time and the people who made this sacrifice in that moment in time," Latimer said.

Anthony Tyndal, whose brother Niell Tyndal Jr., a Yonkers firefighter, died of a 9/11-related illness two years ago, said he hoped for greater unity in the future.

"Just be together, let's remember that not just one day a year but do it every day of the year," Tyndal said. "This country and the world shouldn't be divided."

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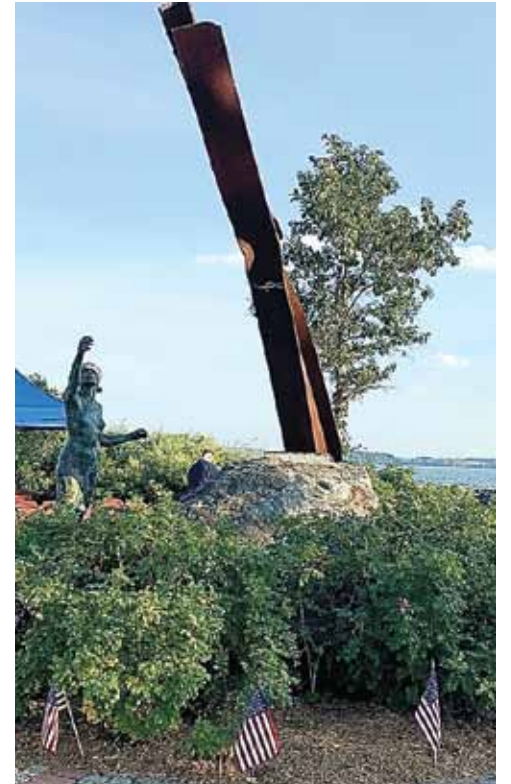
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—Cortlandt Supervisor Linda Puglisi

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“When I speak with my sons about 9/11, I focus on the stories of individuals, people they know and people they can connect with. We talk about how this most horrible, violent, and hateful act could inspire the most generous, loving, and heroic response.”

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– **State Senator David Carlucci**



“Eighteen years have passed since the September 11th terrorist attacks, but the memory of this unimaginable tragedy, unspeakable terror, and profound grief remains. The pain that we all feel from the loss of our relatives, friends, and neighbors will never heal, but every day we must channel that pain into remembrance and service. By participating in this day of service, we help build a stronger, more unified community to honor the victims’ memories.”

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WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 18

September Art Exhibit: The paintings of Constanza Mallol are on display throughout the month of September at the Somers Library.

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Live Performances: Live ticketed performances are being held at The Winery at St. George, 1715 E. Main St., Mohegan Lake. Tribute, theatrical, cabaret, independent and famous acts perform. Info: 914-455-4272.

New York Presbyterian Programs: Several programs have been scheduled for the coming days at New York-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital, 1980 Crompond Rd., Cortlandt. Silver Linings Healthy Aging Fair & Community Presentation with Dr. Bruce Heckman will be held on Sept. 18 from 9 a.m. to noon. For more information: call 914-734-3159. Beyond the Sandwich: Hearty Desk Lunches will be held on Sept. 19 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Cost: \$15 Registration: call 914-734-3780 or e-mail hvh-teachingkitchen@nyp.org. The Healthy French Bistro will be held on Sept. 20 from noon to 1:30 p.m. Cost: \$15. Registration: call 914-734-3780 or e-mail hvh-teachingkitchen@nyp.org. Yorktown Seniors Advisory Group: Surgical Innovations for Hip Replacement will be held on Sept. 20 from 1 to 2 p.m. Info: 914-734-3576.

Somers Library Programs: A series of programs have been scheduled for the coming days at the Somers Library. Five Money Questions for Women will be held on Sept. 18 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, September 18 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. A Famous Women Artists Workshop will be held on four consecutive Fridays, beginning Sept. 20 from noon to 2 p.m. Legal and Financial Planning for Alzheimer's Disease will be held on Sept. 19 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. An Emergency Preparedness Program will be held on Sept. 19 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Recording on Broadway: An Afternoon with Thomas Z. Shephard will be held on Sept. 21 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Info: 914-232-5717 or www.somerslibrary.org.

Tai Chi Classes: Support Connection, Inc. announces a free Tai Chi series that will be offered at the Yorktown Community Cultural Center from 10:30-11:30 a.m., on the following Wednesdays: Sept. 18; Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30; Nov. 6, 13, 20 and Dec. 4, 11, 18. It is open to people living with breast, ovarian and gynecological cancers. To learn more or to pre-register, which is required, call Support Connection at 914-962-6402 or 800-532-4290.

Person of the Year: The Yorktown Town Republican Committee will hold its Person of the Year Dinner at 6:30 p.m. at Little Sorrento, 3565 Crompond Rd, Cortlandt,

Info: 914-488-4467.

Men's Night: Support Connection, Inc. announces a free program: "Men's Night Out: For Men Living With Loss" will be offered from 7 to 9 p.m. at Travelers Rest in Ossining. It is open to men who have lost a spouse or partner to breast, ovarian or gynecological cancers. To learn more or to pre-register, which is required, call Support Connection at 914-962-6402 or 800-532-4290.

High Holidays Preparation: The Reform Temple of Putnam Valley is offering

three free events open to the community for personal preparation for the High Holidays: a one-night Hebrew Refresher Class on Sept. 18 from 7:30 to 9 p.m.; an adult education evening focusing on spiritual growth on Sept. 19 at 7:30 p.m. and a Movie Night on Sept. 21. RSVP to RTPVinfo@gmail.com For more information, visit the RTPV website at www.rtpv.org

THURSDAY, SEPT. 19

Yorktown Jewish Center Course: Several courses have been scheduled for the Yorktown Jewish Center, 2966 Crompond Rd. The Talmud class is held on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. The Rabbi's class will be held on Tuesdays, beginning on Sept. 17 at 7:30 p.m. Info: 914-245-2324.

Women's Torah And Tea: The Chabad Jewish Women's Circle invites you to join together for inspiring discussions, camaraderie, and hot tea from 10:30 to 11:30 am.

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A Bit of Nostalgia: When Homes Came in a Big Box From Sears

Recently I read a reference to a "Sears home" and was reminded of my experience with this bit of nostalgia in the American home sketchbook.

As a realtor who works very much in the present, I nevertheless always seek out the history of older homes, having owned one for some years from the 18th century. And, the history of the Sears home is one of some interest.

A while back, I received a call from a 92-year-old man telling me that he had read every one of my articles since I started writing as The Home Guru. I was quite flattered. When he told me that he wouldn't consider having anyone else sell the house that he had lived in since he was married, I was delighted.

But, when he told me it was a Sears-Roebuck house, built from a kit, I was thrilled. I couldn't wait to see it.

My enthusiasm dampened a bit when he added, "But I warn you, to reach my home you must climb exactly 50 steps up from the street!" Okay, I'm game, I thought. If this 92-year-old can cut it, certainly I can too.

When I arrived at the home in the quarry neighborhood in North White Plains, we ventured the climb to the flat plateau

in the sky where the charming home was perched, almost exactly as it was constructed in 1930.

Having been married to his first wife for more than 60 years, then left a widower for a while, he had just remarried and was heading to New England. The home he was leaving behind for another generation of home adventurers is also delightful as a piece of Americana.

Sears, Roebuck and Co. first conceived of selling ready-to-assemble homes by mail order in 1906 in response to a financial dilemma. High inventory costs threatened to close their building supplies department, until a new manager named Frank W. Kushel had the idea of letting the factories ship supplies directly to the buyers in the form of complete home kits.

The trustworthiness of the Sears catalogs already helped the buying public become

comfortable with the idea of buying items sight unseen. By the time the first Book of Modern Homes and Building Plans was printed in 1908, customers were ready to trust Sears with what was likely to be the biggest purchase they would ever make.

Kits weighed 25 tons and were shipped by a combination of railroad boxcar and sometimes truck. Often families would wait

at the train station in a state of high anticipation. Like Ikea today with furniture, the innovations and efficiencies Sears brought to its home kits made home ownership affordable to families who previously could only dream of having a place of their own.

The innovative "balloon-style" framing helped reduce the hours needed to assemble a house by 40 percent compared to standard construction methods. In fact, the process of assembling the homes from kits was simple enough that neighbors sometimes pitched in to do the job themselves, barn-raising style. All the major pieces were numbered, every beam, shingle and clapboard, and there was just the right number of nails so there would never be any guesswork for the novice builder.

Today, that attention to detail helps owners identify their houses as being authentic Sears Modern Homes. The numbers are still visible on many of the untreated pieces.

Modern Homes incorporated the newest technologies for comfortable living, gradually adding central heating, indoor plumbing and electricity to most of their designs. They also utilized the newly invented drywall and asphalt shingles, which were light weight, easy to install and fire resistant.

From 1908 to 1940, about 75,000 homes were sold through the mail-order Modern Homes program. There were 447 different housing styles available that branched into three distinct lines: Honor Bilt, the most expensive line with the highest grade ma-

terials; Standard Built, recommended for warmer climates; and Simplex Sectional, the smallest and simplest designs.

Not only did prospective homeowners have many designs to choose from, but the designs allowed for customization. Floor plans could be reversed, breakfast nooks and ironing board cabinets added and trim customized. Sears even assembled home kits based on any other home design.

Sears offered mortgage financing for a few years, but the Great Depression caused many loans to go into default. The company ended the service soon afterward.

It's not always easy to identify a Sears home, especially as homeowners were given such freedom in customizing the designs. To determine if a home is from Sears, check to see if it was built between 1908 and 1940. (A few old kits were sold through 1942.) Then check if there are any shipping labels or the aforementioned printed numbers in the home framework.

Another good sign of a Sears Modern Home is a record of a mortgage issued by Sears.

Even after all these years, Sears homes are still prized by collectors and are known for being of high quality in even their most humble variations.

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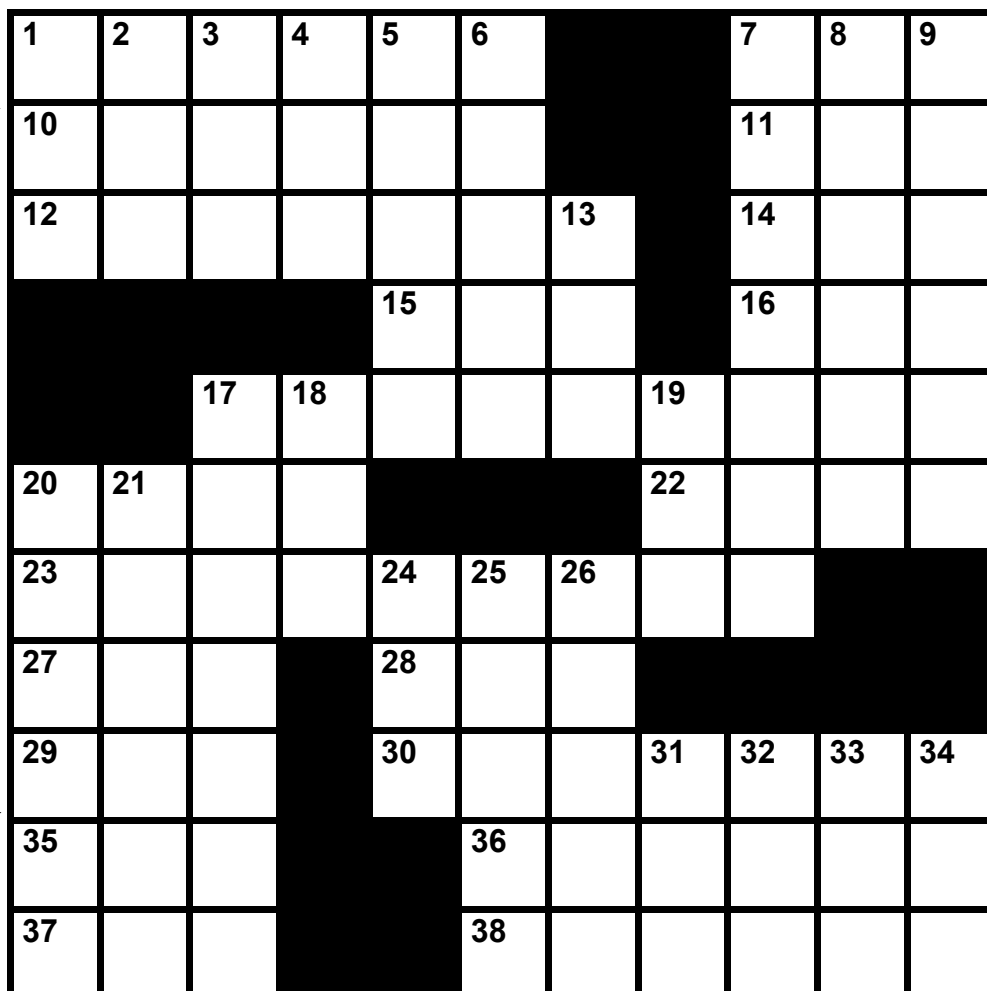
Crossword

ACROSS

1. "Keeping families afloat" in Mahopac, MacDonald ____
7. S.F. hours
10. "Aha!"
11. Car followers
12. Rock band ____ Mode
14. Earl Grey for one
15. Many, many years
16. A Chaplin
17. Good luck symbol
20. Star turn
22. Part of R.S.V.P.
23. Down's a drink
27. Nephew of Abraham
28. Poppycock
29. Small guitar
30. Thug
35. "To __, with love"
36. Where to go for "proper choppers" in northern Westchester, Mohegan ____
37. Fellows
38. Scant

DOWN

1. Between
2. No one can be rejected on the basis of this
3. Pitcher, of a sort
4. Suffix with Manhattan
5. More likable
6. Body of belief
7. Where you get fido's food
8. "Later"
9. Swaps
13. Hurricane heading, abbr.
17. Batters
18. Nosebag tidbit
19. Law and Order ____
20. Red-faced
21. Tyro
24. Dot follower, perhaps
25. Emotional tones
26. Sore throat cause briefly
31. All ____ day's work
32. Paper size
33. Musical syllables
34. Microbrewery output



(Solution to this puzzle on page 16)

(Solution for puzzle on page 17)

1	M	2	A	3	R	4	I	5	N	6	E			7	P	8	S	9	T
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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.

Race & Faith: The Interfaith Council of Yorktown together with Race Amity of Northern Westchester & Putnam, present Race & Faith, a community exploration of history, issues, and solutions. Each evening we will view a different short video presentation with a discussion to follow. This free event is suitable for high schoolers and older. Refreshments will be served. Tonight at 7 p.m. The program will be held at Temple Beth Am, 203 Church Pl. Yorktown. Road, Yorktown. For additional information, contact jstavans@gmail.com.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 20

Temple Beth Am: A series of programs have been scheduled for the coming days at 203 Church Pl., Yorktown. Friday night Shabbat services will be held on Sept. 20 and 27 at 8 p.m. For more information, please call our Rabbi at 962-7500 or email him at rabbiiw@optonline.net. Bagels and Bible will be held on Sept. 21 at 9 a.m. For more information please call our Rabbi at 962-7500 or email him at RabbiW@optonline.net. A Family Picnic at FDR Park will be held on Sept. 22 at noon. Register at www.templebetham-ny.org. Questions? Contact Lee Kader at lee@leekader.com.

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

Sing Sing Play: The Sing Sing Prison Museum and Bethany Arts Community will present the East Coast premiere of The Wait Room, an outdoor dance program honoring the lives of women whose loved ones are incarcerated on Sept. 20 at 8 p.m.; Sept. 21 at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. and pm Sept. 22 at 3 p.m. at Louis Engel Park on the Hudson River waterfront, just outside the walls of Sing Sing Correctional Facility in Ossining. For more information, contact the Sing Sing Prison Museum at 914-236-5407 or at info@singsingprisonmuseum.org.

Gallery Show: "ICU to Studio in 90 Days" featuring Irene "Zelda" Kaufman 87 was in the ICU at NYP-Hudson Valley Hospital. On Saturday, Sept 21 at 7 p.m. she is having a reception for her modern and abstract paintings. The show is at Scarlet Antonia's "Artist Spot of Peekskill" at 925 South St. Gallery hours: Wednesday-Saturday 2-9 p.m. and by appointment. For more informa-

tion call Scarlet Antonia at 914-393-2382.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 21

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 appreciat-

ed and afterwards stay for our delicious Kiddush lunch. Services are free; Family Memberships are \$250 per year and include High Holiday Services. The synagogue is located at 140 Lake Drive in Lake Peekskill. For more information call 845-528-2305.

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

Flea Market: A flea market will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Ossining Historical Society Museum, 196 Croton Ave. (Route 133). The rain date is Sept. 22. Info:

Peter at 914-941-8180.

Somers Shabbat Services: Hebrew Congregation of Somers Shabbat Services will be held on Sept. 21 and 28. Hebrew Congregation of Somers is a small, informal and friendly synagogue affiliated with the Reconstructionist movement. First-year membership is free and includes High holiday tickets. E-mail info@hebrewcongregationofsomers.org or call 914-248-9532 for more information.

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.



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Notice is hereby given that the Town of Putnam Valley has received a wetlands application from the following applicant: **WT 18/19 131 Lake Drive Corp. 131 Lake Drive TM# 83.82-1-42 WT19/19 John & Christina Piecuch 8 Bryant Pond Road TM# 63.-3-39**

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Town of Putnam Valley Town Board Meeting September 18, 2019 6 PM.

1. Pledge of allegiance. 2. Departmental Reports. Highway to discuss Tinker Hill; Ron Cummings to speak. 3. Presentation by Board of Elections: Commissioners Anthony Scannapieco and Catherine Croft. 4. Supervisor's Comments 5. Legislative Report 6. School Report 7. Authorize Supervisor to pay Fowler Fuel \$24,500 for the emergency replacement of The Putnam Valley Volunteer Ambulance Corps' failed and broken furnace. 8. Appoint Michael Mocuiski to the Board of Assessment Review for the period 10/1/2019 to 9/30/24 Highway 9. Appoint Jeffrey Lutz as temporary laborer at \$14. Per hour with no benefit to work with LPID while they have bulk pick up. **Districts 10.** Declare certain equipment as surplus and authorize it to be sold as scrap. **Parks & Recreation 11.** Personnel changes 12. Refunds **Building Department 13.** Daily fee report for August. 14. Budget Transfers 15. Public Comment 16. Audit of monthly bills.

Notice is hereby given to interested parties that a **Public Hearing will be held by the Putnam Valley Zoning Board of Appeals on Thursday September 26, 2019 at 6:30 at Town Hall, 265 Oscawana Lake Road** for the purpose of considering the following petitions and requests together with all other matters that may properly come before the Board at this time. **AGENDA New Application 1. Levy, Noah, 280 West Shore Drive, 62.6-1-3, 4 & 5; R-3 Request variance under Section 165-27 D (1) & (2) for dock extension and variance under Section 165-27 G (1) for shed. A side and lake**

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front variance for shed. 2. Sposato, Adam, 694 Sprout Brook Road, 72.15-1-23; R-1 Request variance under Section 165-44 A (1) & (2) of the Zoning Code for proposed accessory apartment. **BY ORDER OF THE TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS WILLIAM MASKIELL CHAIRMAN**

NOTICE 9/2019 Please be advised that the next meeting of the Planning Board will be held at Town Hall, 265 Oscawana Lake Road on Monday September 23, 2019 for the purpose of considering the following applications: **Regular Meeting Start Time: 6:00pm AGENDA PUBLIC HEARING** The following public hearings have been scheduled for September 23, 2019 at 6:00PM (or as soon thereafter as agenda conditions permit) at the Putnam Valley Town Hall, 265 Oscawana Lake Road, Putnam Valley, New York, 10579. All interested parties are invited to attend and will be heard. A copy of the application materials and plans may be inspected during normal business hours at the office of the Planning Board Clerk, Town of Putnam Valley Town Hall. 1. Kelly, Rick- Birch Hill Road (TM#73.-1-89/File 2019-0197) The subject property consists of +/- 20.9 acres of land and is located on Birch Hill Road and within the R-2 Zoning District. The applicant is proposing a single family residence with driveway, well, septic system, retaining wall and rain garden. A Site Development Plan and Major Grading Permit is required. 2. Putnam Valley Fire Station- Oscawana Lake Road (TM#72.20-1-7.12& 7.11/

File2019-0199) The subject property consist of +/- 10.3 acres of land and is located on Oscawana Lake Road and within the R-2 Zoning District. The applicant is proposing soil remediation of contaminated fill that was placed on the Fire Department and the Ambulance Corps. Properties. The remedial design project includes re-grading the unstable slopes and construction of a clean soil cover over the top of the contaminated fill. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** 3. Approve Minutes of September 9, 2019

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Over the Moon!

Yorktown Rockets Past Somers, 30-12



RAY GALLAGHER PHOTO

On a night when this particular full moon would benefit all, Yorktown QB Trevvon Johnson fired this in-stride swing pass to WR Keith Boyar, who race untouched for a 90-yard touchdown pass in the Huskers' 30-12 win over host Somers, which had the lights go out on the Tuskers in more ways than one (literally!). Not only did Somers lose big on the scoreboard, but the game was eventually called off on Friday the 13th with 2:13 to go in the fourth due to a power outage... see Grid Notebook

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Grid Notebook

Yorktown Takes Somers to Task, Turns Class A Upside Down

By Ray Gallagher
Examiner Sports Editor @Directrays

Section 1 Class A football just got thrown for a loop last Friday.

Yorktown's offensive linemen set the tone in the visiting Huskers' 30-12 win over Somers, which came in with all the hype but left humbled. Eddie Capone, Gerald Gentile, Jack Tinari, Matteo Cermele, Mike Benzinger and Johnny Bowen – Yorktown's grunts up front -- opened lanes and creases for a Husker rushing attack that put up 459 yards and three TDs.

Yorktown hybrid WR/RB Keith Boyer and HB Dylan Smith combined for 397 yards on the ground and 449 yards of offense, and the underdog Huskers (2-0) hushed Tusker Nation (1-1) before an SRO crowd. Both Boyer and Smith scored a pair of touchdowns, doing so as the best athletes on a field full of 'em.

"I told the offensive line all game that they are the difference in our offensive performance," Yorktown Coach Mike Rescigno, a former All-NYS linemen at Carmel and Hofstra, said. "Those kids were flying around, and the defensive line as well. Gabe Valentin jumped off the film for us, too. Those are selfless positions filled by selfless players."

Boyer made the most of his touches, including 47 yards and a score on the ground, plus 156 yards receiving on four catches, including an electrifying 91-yard, one-handed grab and streak to paydirt. Smith was the workhorse, rushing for 259 yards on 20 carries, including two for scores.

Yorktown QB Trevvon Johnson added another 59 yards on the ground and 182



RAY GALLAGHER/BILL KENNEDY PHOTOS

Mahopac QB Anthony DeMatteo fires his first varsity TD pass in Indians' gut-wrenching 20-19 loss to host RCK Friday.

yards through the air, including the TD pass to Boyer, a lax All-American by trade.

Coach Rescigno played the underdog card up all week, unifying the troops like few coaches in Section 1 can.

"To be perfectly honest, what I told them at the beginning of the game is that only the people in this room know what we are capable of," Rescigno said. "I told them that nobody believes in them more than me. I told them they were never more prepared, that all they had to do was fight. Most importantly, never give up... ever! I can tell you that every kid in the room was ready to do whatever it took. At the end of the game, the emotion was unmatched. I may or may

not have used this opportunity to predict that they will find a few more believers in their corner now. Regardless, we have just enough in our locker room."

Somers, truth be told, was hampered by a rash of injuries, including a second-quarter knee injury that kept RB/DB Charlie Balancia sidelined for the better part of the game, and, in all probability, Week 3 vs. Rye, as well. Regardless, the balance of power has shifted, and Yorktown will now be mentioned among the Class A elites, including defending champion John Jay CR, Rye and, to a lesser extent now, Somers.

"I reminded them that we succeed one week at a time, one play at a time, one

brawl at a time," Rescigno said. "Our work ethic has to be the same as it has been for the past month... relentless and selfless with laser focus in school and on the field. It's only week two. Beating our rival in their house is always sweet, but can also be a trap. This is one big game in a long season of tests. Our next test is Tappan Zee. Lots of work to be done. The celebration is over. I love this team. Every single player and coach is subordinate to team. That makes the work a pleasure. I am grateful to do it in the company of my players, staff, and loyal community."

CLASS A

LAKELAND romped at home over Poughkeepsie, winning 52-6 behind a more decisive RB Matt Makar (eight carries for 102 yards and three touchdowns). Hornet RB Mike Castelli (70 yards and a score) provided a legit complimentary threat. QB Tyler Santucci hit on 11 of 12 passes for 135 yards, including a TD pass to Rob Nardelli. WR Danny Liberti added six catches for 70 yards for the Hornets (1-1) while Josh Gufridda (7 tackles) was active on defense. The Lakeland offensive line made holes all night. The Pioneers will think twice about pre-game dancing at midfield on the Hornet next time...

BREWSTER saw shifty RB Tommy Consolato score three touchdowns in a 28-14 win over Our Lady of Lourdes, including a pair of scoring strikes from sophomore QB Chris Donohue and a pick-6. Bears WR Paul Catalano added a TD catch, and the Bears (2-0) are suddenly on everyone's radar...

Defending Section 1 champion John Jay-Cross River showed **HEN HUD** just how much work there is to do in a 34-7 pounding of the visiting Sailors. Jay QB Luke Mercer hit on 6 of 9 passes for 187 yards and two touchdowns and rushed for 110 yards on three TD jaunts...

PANAS saw QB Mark Perez fire a 29-yard TD pass to WR Evan Harkin for the Panthers (0-2) lone score in a 14-4 loss to Beacon...

CLASS AA

MAHOPAC had its heart ripped out in a 20-19 league loss to host Ketcham last Friday. RCK's Oscar Gonzalez had an interception in the final minute to seal the deal after Gio Sagginario plunged home the game-winning score with 1:27 remaining. Mahopac scored 19-straight points to erase a huge deficit, but the youthful Indians could not hold on for a win they desperately needed. Mahopac RB Vin Bastone was a beast on both sides of the ball, gathering a 50-yard scoop and score on defense and 13 carries for 64 yards and a score on offense.

Mahopac backup QB Anthony DeMatteo fired his first varsity TD pass, a 75-yard strike to Zach Esteves...

CARMEL after its 45-0 romp over host Port Chester, has little reason to believe it can't contend for a Class AA Final 4 spot after a topsy-turvy week that saw league favorite John Jay EF lose to Arlington. Sean McDonald scored his first varsity TD in the win while senior Alex Beauchesne scored twice, hauling in a scoring strike and scoring on special teams. Ram QB Andrew Nunez

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Yorktown's Sean Vogel gets up on RB Dylan Smith after one of two Smith TD jaunts in Huskers' 30-12 win over host Somers Friday.



Yorktown's Dylan Smith ran like a wrecking ball, gashing Somers for 238 yards on the ground and two scores in Huskers' 30-12 win over Tuskers Friday.

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Somers RB TJ Deagan gets upended in Tuskers' 30-12 loss to visiting Yorktown Friday.



Yorktown QB Trevvon Johnson, who hit on 6 of 11 for 153 yards passing and 62 yards rushing, fends off Somers DB Ken McGrane in 30-12 Husker win.



Somers QB Jackson Kossow is hunted by Yorktown LB Eddie Capone in Tuskers' 30-12 loss to Tuskers last Friday.



With blockers to boot, Mahopac's Vin Bastone takes a 50-yard fumble recovery to the house in Indians' 20-19 loss to host RCK Friday.

hit on 3 of 3 passes for 134 yards and a 67-yard TD pass to Beauchesne. RB James Cox led the way with 98 yards on the ground, including a TD. Andrew Bumgarner and Nunez scored a rushing TD as well...

CLASS D

HALDANE QB Daniel Santos tore it up in a 28-24 win over visiting Hastings Saturday, rushing 16 times for 188 yards and three touchdowns while connecting on 11 of 14 passes for 120 yards, including a TD pass to Doug Donaghy (5 grabs, 51 yards). It seems Santos is a threat to score every time he touches the ball.

NWE/Putnam Top 5 Grid Poll

No.1 YORKTOWN – Man, did the Huskers stuff a sock in this pollster's mouth, but eating crow never tasted so good. Not that any coach worth his weight in salt would ever look past Yorktown (2-0), but what they see on the film in the win over Somers will be enlightening, to say the least.

No.2 CARMEL – The Rams (1-1) took better care of the ball in rout of Port Chester,

but the tests get tougher from here on out, including visiting RCK this Friday.

No.3 SOMERS – Vaunted Tuskers (1-1) rushing attack never got on track vs. Yorktown, save for one powerful 69-yard scoring jaunt from junior Jack Kaiser. This was indeed an eye-opening setback, which could be followed by another in Week 3 vs. top-ranked Rye, but we suspect Somers will still provide Final 4 value and don't discount them as title contenders based on one sub-par effort.

No.4 BREWSTER – Bears' (2-0) win over Lourdes will get the attention of Class A coaches far and wide, including John Jay boss Jimmy Clark, who's speedy Indians will visit the Bears' den on Friday.

No.5 MAHOPAC – Had the Indians held on for victory in Week 2 over RCK, we're a lot more excited about Week 3 vs. John Jay EF, but the 'Pac had the ball and a shot to win and East Fishkill got its clock cleaned by Arlington, so League I-A – all of a sudden -- is anything but predictable.



Yorktown WR Keith Boyer gets loose for one of two TDs against Tusker LB Brian Marcus (28) in Huskers' 30-12 win over host Somers Friday.

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Hen Hud's Kira Varada scored a goal in Sailors' 2-1 win over Ella Yaeger and the Panas Panthers.

Pitch Perfect!



Hen Hud Nips Panas, 'Pac Falls to North Rock



Mahopac junior striker Mia Klammer gets fouled by North Rockland defender in Indians' 4-1 loss Saturday.



(Left) Panas' Molly Muller steps up for header in front of Hen Hud's Heather Riefenhauser in Panthers 2-1 loss to Sailors.



Lakeland's Jaskaran Singh heads ball past Hen Hud's Jason Luis in scoreless tie between the Hornets and Sailors last week.



Mahopac freshman Piper Klammer makes her move in 4-1 loss to North Rockland Saturday.



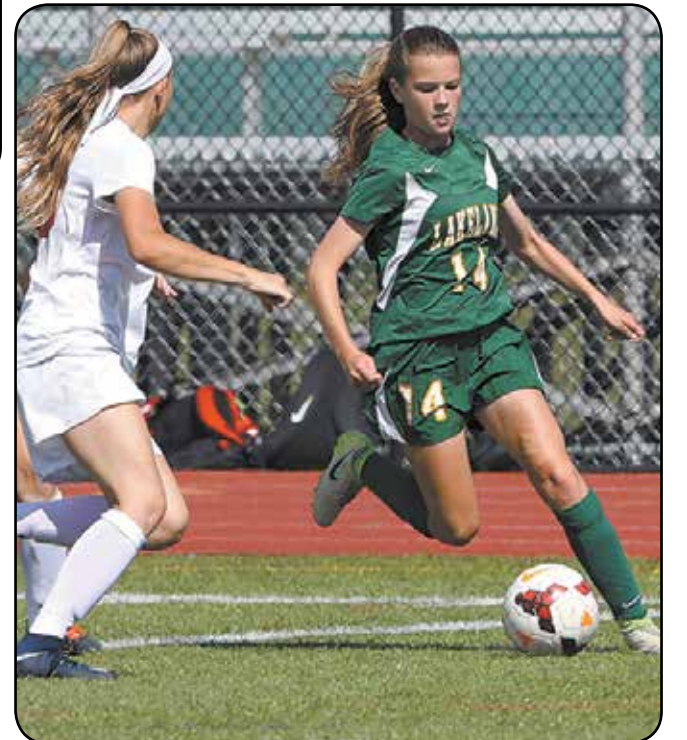
Mahopac junior M Hailey Pereira (L) scored the lone goal for the Indians in 4-1 loss to North Rockland Saturday.



Hen Hud's Erin Clark and Panas' Rhianna Candido get after it in Sailors' 2-1 win over Panthers last week.



RAY GALLAGHER/RICK KUPERBERG PHOTOS
Hen Hud's John O'Connor and Lakeland's Jack Flannery mix it up in scoreless tie tie last week.



Lakeland's Linda Daly scored a goal in Hornets' 4-3 win over Hen Hud

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Field Hockey Notebook

Somers Impresses in Early Going, Lakeland Still Romping

By Tony Pinciario & Ray Gallagher

SOMERS had a plan coming into the 2019 varsity field hockey season.

"Our team knew what we had to do to improve so we could do even better than we did last year," said Captain Erin Clark. "We worked very hard during preseason and knew that to do well this season we needed to always put 100 effort into all we were doing."

The determination and attention to detail during preseason has resulted in a quick Somers start as the Tuskers have won four of their first five games.

Somers improved to 4-1 with a pair of shutouts – 5-0 over Pearl River and 4-0 over Harrison. Somers, annually, has a difficult schedule, so the Tuskers wanted to be focused from day one of preseason in order to be ready for the opposition.

"We knew that with our schedule this year, we needed to work really hard in each and every game we played," Clark said. "This is true especially in games we lost last year that we felt we should have won."

Somers' loss came to Scarsdale in the Tuskers' tournament, so instead of dwelling on it, Clark said the team learned from it.

"Overall, we learned that we need to move the ball faster and really execute on our shots," Clark explained. "Scarsdale is a very fast team and to get the ball up the field against a team like them we needed to move the ball even faster than the game before and transfer the field more."

While the offense has been racking up goals, the defense has been airtight, especially against Pearl River and Harrison. The shutout of Pearl River was sweet revenge for Somers as the Pirates eliminated the Tuskers, in a shoot-out, in the quarterfinal round of the 2018 Section 1 Class B Field Hockey Championship.

"Having two shutouts, recently, and especially against Pearl River, was a big win for us as a team," Clark said. "After losing



RICK KUPERBERG PHOTOS

Lakeland's Jenna McCrudden, who went against Yorktown's Julia Ferone has 13 goals & 9 assists in Hornets' 5-0 start, including 4-0 win over Class AA power Mamaroneck.

to them in sectionals last year, we knew this year we had to give it our all on the field."

LAKELAND continued its early-season roll, winning three more games and improving to 6-0 under Coach Sharon Sarsen.

The 10-time reigning Section 1 Class B champion Hornets swept the Rockland County leg – 9-0 over Nanuet and 5-0 over Pearl River. Lakeland closed out the week with a 9-2 triumph of Section 2's Guilderland, which became the first team to score on Lakeland this season.

"The way we've taken to everything Sars has told us and put it out there on the field is really awesome and shows how coachable our team is as a whole," said senior and Captain Jenna McCrudden.

Emma Fon led Lakeland with a career-high four goals against Guilderland. Keirra

Ettere added two goals and two assists, McCrudden finished with a goal and two assists and Laure Salazar and Frankie Fava each scored.

Pearl River limited Lakeland to five goals, the Hornets' second-lowest offensive showing of the season. Mamaroneck held Lakeland to a season-low four goals.

Salazar and Fon each netted two goals and Emma Halderman contributed one goal and two assists.

"Getting contributions from many players, offensively, shows our depth as a team and shows how everyone is capable of scoring," McCrudden said.

Lakeland began the week with a win over Nanuet as McCrudden had a hat trick and two assists. Halderman and Fon had two goals apiece and Salazar and Ettere each had a goal.

Lakeland returns to action Saturday as the Hornets play Biddeford (Me.), 3 p.m., in the Max Field Hockey National Invitational in Pennsylvania. Lakeland will play Dexter (Mi.), Sunday, 10 a.m.

"The entire program is so excited

to be recognized as a top team in the country," McCrudden said. "Going into this tournament, our goal is to keep improving and getting better as a team, not necessarily win."

PUTNAM VALLEY allowed one goal in two games, but came away with a split as it beat Briarcliff, 2-0, but dropped a 1-0 verdict to North Salem.

"North Salem is always a very disciplined and tough team to play against," Putnam Valley Coach Courtney Hyndman said. "I think that our team played pretty well against them, despite the loss. The girls had a slower start then we would have hoped for, but picked up intensity in the second half."

Isabel Healy made six saves against North Salem. Sydney Goldberg scored a goal and assisted on Jessica Marro's goal against Briarcliff.

"It was a great defensive effort by Lauren Seiler, Angelica Ordoñez, Julia Cunningham and Brianna Gambichler," Hyndman said. Putnam Valley sports a 2-3 record.

HEN HUD opened its week with a loss to Pelham, but bounced back to earn a 2-2 tie with Sleepy Hollow. Logan Gougemann scored a goal and assisted on Joyce Guevara's goal. Jillian Attinelly registered an assist and goalies Olivia Doorley and Caroline Cornel combined for 10 saves. Hen Hud is now 1-1-2 this season.

MAHOPAC has shown improvement this season, including a 1-0 win at YORKTOWN last Friday. The winning goal was scored by Krista Dietz, assisted by Carly Ravoli. Indian goalie Katie Iarussi notched three saves for the shutout. The Indians followed that up with a 3-2 loss at White Plains Saturday, getting a goal from Ava Jennings and a goal and an assist by Dietz, who is emerging as a legit scoring threat. Iarussi stood on her head with 20 saves in the loss.

CARMEL was able to muster a 4-3 win over the same White Plains club, getting two goals apiece from Kylie Rosenquest and Caitlin Tully, who added two goals in a 3-2 loss to Fox Lane earlier in the week.

Local coaches from the Northern Westchester/Putnam County region are encouraged to contact Tony Pinciario at tfinch23@optonline.net for inclusion in our weekly notebook.



Yorktown's Kelsey McDonnell and Lakeland's Emma Halderman mix it up in recent action.

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