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Putnam Sheriff Pushes for Community Solidarity

By David Propper

Stressing how vital it is to involve the community with the Putnam County Sheriff's Office, top cop Robert Langley implored residents throughout the county to work hand-in-hand with the law enforcement agency last week at a forum in Carmel.

"Without community, we are less effective," he said. "Community plays a large part in law enforcement."

Upholding a campaign promise he made last year when he ran, Langley held two town hall style meetings with

constituents in October that included a forum in Carmel last week and another one in Cold Spring earlier this month. Along with Langley, undersheriff Michael Corrigan, all five captains and a lieutenant were in attendance. During the hour-long question and answer session, about 20 residents attended to pick the brain of the sheriff's leadership team.

Langley, a Democrat, beat Don Smith, a Republican, last year to earn the countywide seat.

Near the end of the session, Langley

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Scores of Putnam Residents Walk to End Alzheimer's



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On Sunday, hundreds of residents from Putnam County and the surrounding area put one foot in front of the other to find a cure for Alzheimer's disease. The annual event was held at Veterans Memorial Park in Kent, as several dignitaries like Carmel Supervisor Kenny Schmitt and Putnam County Judge James Reitz were in attendance. The walk raised more than \$60,000 this year and had close to 70 teams on hand. Alzheimer's affect more than \$3 million people each year and while there is treatment, there is no cure. Participants were purple, which is the color for the Alzheimer's awareness.

Odell and Fleming Exchange Blows in County Exec. Race

By David Propper

In the final stretch of their campaigns for Putnam County executive, incumbent Republican MaryEllen Odell and Democratic challenger Maureen Fleming traded barbs on budgets and contracts with neither giving an inch.

Odell, in a statement posted on her social media page, accused Fleming of misleading the public by making false statements and promoting false advertising during her campaign for the top county post. Odell said Fleming's

claim that she hasn't raised taxes during her tenure as Kent supervisor is a "lie" because she wasn't including special districts, specifically fire, sewer and park districts.

"It is beyond misleading to claim 0% tax increases when in fact the total amount of taxes to be collected went up by \$209,481. Frankly, it is down right disingenuous," Odell continued, "As government officials, we cannot pick and

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Carmel Youngsters Starts Halloween Early



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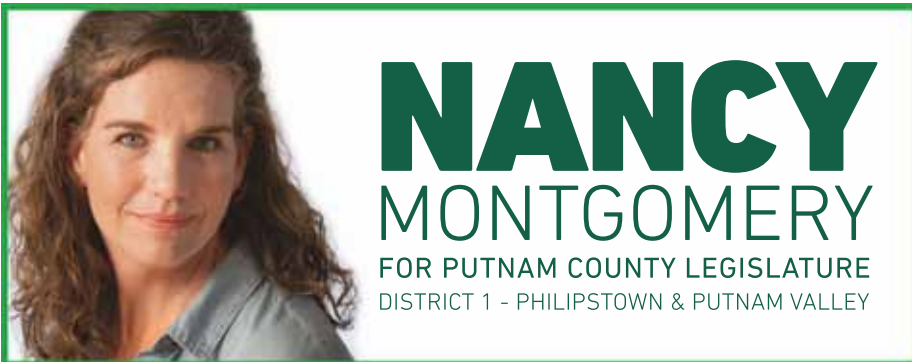
With Halloween about a week away, youngsters from Carmel showed off their costumes last weekend during the Hamlet of Carmel Civic Association's annual Halloween costume parade. Dozens of children gathered to enjoy face painting, arts and crafts, and refreshments geared toward the fall. The costume judges include Sheriff Robert Langley, County Executive MaryEllen Odell, Carmel Supervisor Kenny Schmitt, Legislator Carl Albano and Judge James Reitz.

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choose which line items we get to include in our budgets and which we don't. We have a responsibility to tell the people the truth, which is why budgets should be adopted before Election Day, as they are in county government."

Odell called on local media outlets to suspend the publication of this "false and deceptive" advertising. (The Putnam Examiner ran the ad and stands by the decision).

"And I call on Maureen Fleming to immediately apologize to the voters of Putnam County for lying about her record as Supervisor of the Town of Kent," Odell added. "This is about character. Putnam County deserves leaders who are honest about their records."

Fleming shot back at Odell a day later, stating Odell had a "shocking ignorance of basic municipal budgeting." Odell either doesn't understand the difference between town taxes and special district taxes or she is willfully conflating the two in an attempt to distract voters from her own significant county tax increases, Fleming stated.

Fleming said that Odell, in seven years as county executive, has raised taxes 10.94

percent cumulatively to "prop up her wasteful spending and bloated patronage arrangements."

"My record in the Town of Kent proves year after year that disciplined budgeting and honest leadership will deliver services without increasing taxes," Fleming remarked. "I stand by my statement that zeros work. I never make claims I can't back up. I have never raised Town taxes."

On Monday, Fleming went on the offensive, chastising Odell for treating county workers in unions "shamefully." She noted that currently three county unions have been without a contract for several years, resulting in no pay raises for them.

"At the same time, Odell has given herself two raises since she took office in 2011, and she did not object to part-time legislators giving themselves a 14 percent raise. No one, in any job, gets a 14 percent raise—especially for a part-time position that include health benefits," Fleming stated. "It's time for labor in Putnam County to get a fair deal, negotiated in good faith."

Fleming then criticized Odell for proposing a contract with the sheriff's department PBA that would've been

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Q: At what age should I begin getting mammograms?

A: Once a woman turns 40, the American Cancer Society and most recognized medical authorities recommend she start getting yearly mammograms. But mammograms aren't uniformly sensitive in all women. Between 40 and 50 percent of women have dense breasts – fibrous tissue as opposed to mostly fatty tissue – and that density can obscure potential problems.

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.

New Women's Resource Center to Open in PV

By David Propper

A second office for the Putnam-Northern Westchester Women's Resource Center could be open within the year, it was revealed last week as county workers gathered to shine a light on domestic and sexual abuse.

During a gathering last Thursday on the steps of the Historic County Courthouse in Carmel, County Executive MaryEllen Odell, in conjunction with the women's resource center, the county and Putnam Valley, announced a location would be provided for women's resource center personnel on the west side of the county in hopes of making services more accessible to residents in Philipstown and Putnam Valley.

Putnam Valley Supervisor Sam Oliverio, Councilwoman Jackie Annabi, and NYS Sen. Sue Serino all worked on providing the space, Odell said, with Serino's office providing a \$100,000 grant to help rehabilitate the space.

Women's resources executive director Ann E. Ellsworth said the Putnam Valley location would give residents from the west side of the county seeking services, including advocates, counselors, therapists and supports groups, the chance to get the help they need without the extensive travel. Right now, the resource center only has a location in



County workers gathered last week to shine a light on domestic abuse by wearing purple on the steps of the Historic County Courthouse.

DAVID PROPPER PHOTO

Mahopac near Route 6.

The building, located off Peekskill Hollow Road, still needs to be fixed up, Ellsworth said, with the hope it could open within the year.

Also during the short event that brought about 50 county workers together decked out in purple, NYS Sen. Terrence Murphy

presented a \$15,000 to Ellsworth and the women's resource center. The center has served victims of domestic abuse 24 hours per day for the past 40 years.

"What you do is God's work," Murphy told Ellsworth. "You're really changing people's lives."

Since several celebrities and other

public figures have been exposed for committing different forms of domestic and sexual abuse and harassment, Ellsworth told The Putnam Examiner the center has seen an uptick in calls.

Ellsworth said there was an increase in hotline calls during that time frame earlier this year and also there was an uptick in calls during the hearings for Supreme Court candidate and now-Justice Brett Kavanaugh, who was accused of sexual abuse dating back to when he was in high school. There was a 200 percent spike in calls nationwide as a result of those hearings, she added.

"It really triggered them to ask for help, or to see if they needed help or to ask questions about what happened to them," Ellsworth said.

On the other hand, District Attorney Robert Tendy said there haven't been more complaints filed with his office since many high profile sexual assault cases came to light.

Tendy urged victims of abuse to speak to someone.

"You've got to talk to someone because it's a very lonely place for women that's in that position, it's a really lonely place," Tendy said. "The first step is talking to someone and maybe you can get some help and get out of a bad situation that you're in."

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Complaint Filed Over Cuomo, Harckham Event at Kiley Center

By Rick Pezzullo

The newly appointed Peekskill Republican Committee chairman has filed a complaint alleging Governor Andrew Cuomo's recent support of Democratic State Senate candidate Peter Harckham at the Kiley Center in Peekskill may have violated the federal Hatch Act.

In his October 14 filing with the Office of Special Counsel in the Hatch Act Unit and during an appearance last Tuesday outside the Peekskill Neighborhood Center, Bruce Bellom singled out the five members of the Peekskill Housing Authority Board of Commissioners for allowing the Kiley Center to be used for political activity.

Bellom contended since a grant of nearly \$1 million from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) was given to the Peekskill Housing Authority shortly after it purchased the Kiley Center in 2003 from the city, the facility, which is utilized for youth programs, was off limits to political rallies such as occurred on October 5.

Joining Bellom in laying blame on the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners, all of whom are registered Democrats, were State Senator Terrence Murphy (R/Yorktown) and Westchester County Legislator John Testa (R/Peekskill).

"They should know better," Murphy said of the board. "This is about equality. This is about everyone getting a fair shake."

Testa said Cuomo was well aware of the restrictions of the Hatch Act since he formerly led HUD. He also criticized two of his former opponents, Nancy Vann, chairperson of the Board of Commissioners, and Michael Kane, vice chairperson.

"They should not get themselves involved in political campaigns," Testa said. "People were invited to this event not even knowing what it was. People were bamboozled to come."

In a widespread email that also appeared on Facebook, Peekskill Mayor Andre Rainey issued the following: "Will you join me in Peekskill at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow morning? (10/5/18?) I'm hosting an event at the Kiley Youth Center, 709 Main Street, PEEKSKILL,

NY. I'm aware you all have lives and this is very short notice but this would literally mean the world to me if you could attend, and it's free. I would love it even more if you could bring people with you. PLEASE let me know. Again it's short notice but if this wasn't important to me, I wouldn't waste time asking. If you're working and can't attend, please ask friends to join me."

Vann said the Board of Commissioners and Pat Croslan, executive director of the Peekskill Housing Authority, thought Cuomo was visiting the Kiley Center to talk about a grant or gun violence.

"It had been sort of a mystery. We did

not know it would be a campaign event," she said. "We would have said it was not appropriate to have a campaign event there."

However, Vann explained city officials have access to the Kiley Center and maintained there were no violations of the Hatch Act since no Housing Authority staff or federal employees were present.

"I'm really angry with the Murphy campaign for making that up," Vann said, noting HUD has not contacted her about Bellom's complaint. "I think it was politically motivated."



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Committee: Murphy Mised Public on Harckham Double Dipping Charge

By Martin Wilbur

The Westchester County Fair Campaign Practices Committee Sunday night released four findings against state Sen. Terrence Murphy for issuing misleading or unsubstantiated campaign statements, including one that charged Democratic challenger Peter Harckham having simultaneously worked two state jobs.

Harckham brought the complaints to the bipartisan committee recently after a barrage of Murphy campaign literature also alleged that Harckham acquired his jobs at the Office of Community Renewal and Thruway Authority as a result of his connection with Joseph Percoco, a top state official convicted of bribery earlier this year.

Furthermore, Murphy's campaign stated that while serving on the county Board of Legislators Harckham was conflicted because he voted to give millions of taxpayer dollars to Conifer Realty to build its Chappaqua affordable housing project, and A-HOME, a non-profit organization which Harckham had previously served as its president.

In a statement released Monday morning, Harckham said Murphy has circulated misinformation because he didn't want to address critical issues that the district's constituents care about. He demanded that Murphy, a two-term Republican incumbent, stop spreading falsehoods and issue an apology to 40th

State Senate District voters.

"He deliberately made unsubstantiated allegations and spread falsehoods in an attempt to distract the public from the real issues in this race such as women's reproductive health, common sense gun safety, adequate school funding, justice for child abuse victims and other topics," Harckham stated.

In its finding on the state jobs, the committee said "(t)he statement by Mr. Murphy's campaign that Peter Harckham was 'double dipping,' holding 'two full time, low-show jobs' at the same time is misleading and unsubstantiated." The committee offered no further explanation on that complaint.

Last Tuesday, Harckham made his tax returns from 2015 to 2017 available for inspection by the media. His 2015 returns showed he earned \$19,761.36 as county legislator until he resigned to become the assistant director for the Housing Trust Fund Corporation's Office of Community Renewal. Harckham said he started the state job in June to oversee the distribution of Community Development Block Grant funds Westchester had recouped from the federal government. He earned \$52,785.29 in that capacity in 2015, according to the returns.

Harckham said he left the Housing Trust Fund Corp. job in June 2016, having earned \$56,465.80 before switching over to the New York State Thruway Authority,

where he took the position of director of intergovernmental affairs for the New New York Bridge Project. His salary for the remainder of 2016 was \$55,486.75 with the Thruway Authority.

For the entirety of 2017, Harckham remained in that position earning \$123,990.58. He left earlier this year at the end of April to run for state senator.

He said the jobs were successive, not concurrent.

"It's either gross stupidity or gross dishonesty on Sen. Murphy's part," Harckham said on Oct. 16.

Murphy campaign spokeswoman Martha Ruiz Jimenez said the committee didn't issue a finding on whether Harckham double dipped, but focused on whether he drew the entirety of the \$311,000 he had earned from the state simultaneously.

Jimenez cited records from the Public Record Reporting Information System that lists annualized base salary and actual salary paid to the individual and used those figures to compute the number of weeks worked at both jobs in 2016. As a result, there would have had to have been a three-week period of overlap, from July 16 to Aug. 4 where Harckham held two positions at the same time.

"His tax returns, and W-2 stubs, do not refute the allegations," Ruiz said last week. "There are no dates on either document which would distinguish whether the jobs

are concurrent or consecutive."

On the Conifer matter, the committee called the statements from the Murphy campaign false.

"Mr. Harckham was president of A-HOME, but Allied Community Enterprises, not A-Home, was involved with the Conifer project, and therefore the statement is false," the committee found. "Also, to state that this is 'another conflict of interest scandal regarding State Senate candidate Peter Harckham' is not factual."

But Jimenez cited a public comment at a New Castle Town Board meeting in 2012 by Joan Arnold, executive director of A-Home, that her organization was acting as Conifer's local non-profit partner.

Regarding Harckham's complaint on any connection to Percoco, the committee concluded that "the statement made by Mr. Murphy's campaign about Mr. Harckham's attainment of positions is unsubstantiated as it lacks a factual basis. In addition, the statement is misleading. The statement implies corruption by association and is in violation of two of the Committee's principles."

The committee also found that the Murphy campaign mischaracterized a committee finding from June in two Facebook ads. The committee concluded Harckham had engaged in an unfair campaign practice.

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Putnam Sheriff Pushes for Community Solidarity

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unveiled the department is working on putting together an app that would allow residents to anonymously text the sheriff's office tips about issues they witness in the county. Concerned citizens could even send photos to the department to give law enforcement officials a better idea of what is occurring, Langley said.

In the first six months of the year, Langley said 235 crimes were handled by the sheriff's office, which is 65 less than a year ago along the same time frame. He pointed to solidary and cooperation

within the county that's led to reduction in crime, including with other police agencies like state police and the Kent, Carmel, Brewster, and Cold Spring departments.

"Right now, I've never seen the solidarity so strong with the law enforcement community in this county," Langley said. "That I'm very proud of."

Some of the topics discussed included working with the immigrant community, the lengthy time it takes for a pistol permit to be approved, and fighting the drug epidemic.

When one question addressed the

slowdown in pistol permit approvals, Captain Jon Jennings explained there are several forms and references required. Some references don't always return calls from the sheriff's office, resulting in a re-canvassing, he said. Other times, some applicants have minor criminal offenses, which can slow down the process, Jennings noted.

"Unfortunately the entire process is somewhat timely," Jennings said, noting. "And volume (of applications) is an issue, too."

When asked what the top priorities of the department are, Langley stressed battling the drug crisis is near the top of the list. Langley said education and awareness to prevent new addicts is critical, as is having a discharge plan in place once a prisoner who has a drug problem leaves the jail. Data is also put together, mapping out where overdoses are taking place in the county--whether it is fatal or a close call--to get a better handle on fighting the drug war on the police front.

Addressing immigrants in the county, Undersheriff Corrigan said the department treats everyone with respect and dignity. If an immigrant in the



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A town hall forum was held in Carmel last Thursday so the Putnam sheriff's leadership team, including Captain Jon Jennings, Sheriff Robert Langley, and Undersheriff Michael Corrigan, could take questions from residents.

country illegally has a crime committed against them, their immigration status won't be relevant, Corrigan said. Later in the forum, Captain Kevin Cherverko noted that the department does work with federal immigration officials when a detainer is requested if a person in the county jail could be in the country illegally.

"We don't want a newcomer to feel that they should feel afraid of the police because of the way they got here," Corrigan said. "If they are a victim of a crime, we're going to treat them like a victim of a crime."

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As a collaborative leader, I welcome all residents to participate in their government. I have brought our unions to the table and successfully negotiated contracts with them. I declared Kent open for business, creating an environment in which sensible, low-impact commercial and industrial projects, now in the approvals process, will offset the tax burden of our residents.

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We sent our three children to Carmel public schools, and I too moved into education so I could be more available to my family. I earned teaching certifications in biology and elementary education and taught in Catholic and public schools.

EXPERIENCED ATTORNEY

My career in public service

Was inspired early on from my experiences working with families struggling with poverty in a clinical program at Antioch Law School, now UDC. I also interned and was then hired by the National Labor Relations Board, which provided greater insight into the power of serving my community. Before earning my law degree, I graduated NYU with a bachelor's degree in biology and a minor in philosophy.

My time as an attorney in the 80s & 90s was spent in the New York City Departments of Health and Sanitation, investigating employee fraud and corruption. Then, for the Department of Correction, I headed the inmate disciplinary system at Rikers Island and other city jails when they were at their highest population and their most violent.

While working in these complex governmental systems, I gained extensive management and policy development experience, and I became expert at identifying and administratively prosecuting malfeasance.

COMMUNITY LEADER

As with all families,

Our children's needs and relationships helped us build strong ties in our community. Our family has set down deep roots in Putnam, and we have dedicated ourselves to public service of one sort or another. My son has been a volunteer firefighter in the Carmel Fire Department. I'm an active member of the Lake Carmel Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary and I am a Eucharistic minister. I also have been a Homeowners' Association board member and the founding chairperson of the Town of Kent Stormwater Management Committee. **I know how volunteering and participation** make our communities stronger. I want our county to run professionally and effectively, so our tax money works harder **FOR ALL OF PUTNAM.**



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Cleanup Day Results in Record Amount Of Debris And Recyclables

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) today announced that hundreds of volunteers from across the Catskill and Hudson Valley collected an estimated 4,650 pounds of trash and recyclables during this year's Reservoir Cleanup Day, making it the largest haul since DEP began the annual event five years ago. A total of 410 volunteers participated in this year's cleanup. The effort to remove debris, litter and recyclables from the shorelines at nine reservoirs was led by school groups, environmental advocates, business leaders, local nonprofits and watershed citizens.

The Sept. 30 event comprised cleanup efforts at eight water supply reservoirs, including Ashokan, Cannonsville, Neversink and Pepacton reservoirs in the Catskill Mountains, and at East Branch, Kensico, Lake Gleneida, Muscoot and New Croton reservoirs in the Hudson Valley. In total, volunteers collected more than 346 bags of debris and recyclables. The haul weighed a total of more than 4,650 pounds. The results marked an increase from last year's cleanup, at which 300 bags and 4,500 pounds of debris were collected. In many cases, debris collected at the sites had blown onto the reservoir property from nearby roadsides, had washed up along the shores from past



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Young volunteers helped pick up litter around Lake Gleneida last month during reservoir clean up day run by the DEC.

storms, or was left behind at access areas used by the public for fishing and boating.

"I want to thank the volunteers who participated in Reservoir Cleanup Day for their hard work and commitment to protecting our shared natural resources," DEP Commissioner Vincent Sapienza said. "The results from our cleanup event are impressive, but they also underscore the need for greater education. Too many

people are still carelessly disposing their garbage. DEP is committed to teaching more people about outdoor ethics and the principles of leaving no trace when recreating on our lands and waters."

"DEP has been a great partner in the effort to promote awareness about marine debris in at many shoreline sites across New York," said Don Riepe, northeast director for the American Littoral Society,

which organizes the broader annual cleanup of shorelines throughout the state. "The City's annual Reservoir Day Cleanup has become one of the largest New York State Beach Cleanup Day events and we're proud of their commitment to helping keep our shorelines clean."

Debris collected during the cleanup included 4,702 glass, plastic or metal beverage containers, 1,554 food wrappers, 5,041 small pieces of foam, glass or plastic, 1,117 cigarette butts, 489 yards of fishing line, 872 grocery bags, 1,079 disposable cups and plates, 1,302 bottle caps, 977 take-out food containers, and 16 tires.

Reservoir Cleanup Day was among dozens of similar events happening across the state as part of the American Littoral Society's annual New York State Beach Cleanup, which organizes volunteers to remove debris from beaches, lake shores and stream banks. Data from the reservoir cleanups was reported back to the American Littoral Society to generate a statewide tally that will soon be available. DEP is among the government agencies, businesses and foundations that sponsor the statewide effort. In 2016, the New York State Beach Cleanup included 5,025 volunteers across who removed 34,548 pounds of debris along 191 miles of shoreline.

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Sloan & Feller Attorneys at Law

Mahopac

By David Propper

In the business for years, attorney Alan Feller knows it takes legal smarts and a personable side to help families seeking elder law representation.

A wealth of experience and compassion are the hallmarks of the elder law practice, Sloan and Feller, which has assisted hundreds of families from their office in Mahopac. Run by Feller, the law firm knows what is necessary to help with issues geared toward elder law.

“You really come in, you have a family atmosphere, you’re just trying to help people,” Feller said.

The firm has been around since 2002 when it was first located in New York City. After about ten years, the decision was made to move the practice up north so Feller could be closer to his home in Brewster where he resides with his family.

Sloan and Feller offers a practice that specializes in elder law, estate planning and business advisement, working with elderly clients and their families everyday. Reliable with plenty of experience, Feller has gained a stellar reputation, even lecturing on elder law issues for senior groups, financial institutions, bar associations, and health



Sloan & Feller staff from left: Alan Feller, managing partner; Michelle Berman, associate attorney; Berta Geltman, social worker; Ellen Nistico, office administrator.

organizations.

Feller first started out in elder law in 1997 when he was still in law school. Growing up, Feller said he was always intrigued by the law and was proud that he was the first attorney in his family. Feller was originally hired to be an associate in the firm founded by Leslie Sloan, but then she decided to make him managing director so the two could work together. When she decided to retire, he took over the business in 2006.

“When you work for yourself, there are good things about and there are

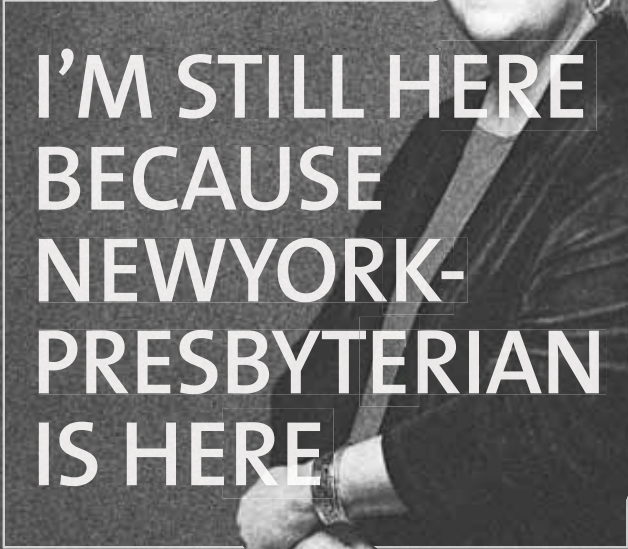
things that you have to get used to,” he said. “You have to be self-motivated, especially it’s a profession that rewards, not just patience, long standing like marathon pacing. I like the idea that you can evolve and stay with something for that long.”

Feller is the vice president of the Estate Planning Council of Putnam County, a board member and the Technology Chairperson for the Putnam and Dutchess Geriatric Committee and a member of the Putnam County Bar Association.

Feller enjoys getting to know his clients on a personal level and their families.

“Basically you’re talking to people about their lives,” Feller said. “Things they like to do, things they don’t like to do, their family dynamic, I just like talking to people about that stuff as opposed to purely a legal problem and that’s it.”


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Letters to the Editor

Fleming Labeling Odell as Bully Off Target

I am writing this letter in response to recent comments made by Maureen Fleming about working for MaryEllen Odell.

Prior to working for Ms. Odell, I was very involved in community service. During that time, I worked alongside and with MaryEllen Odell on various fundraising efforts and projects. She had an opportunity to see my work in action. When a position opened up in the County where Ms. Odell needed someone she

could depend on, not as a vote, but as a good employee, she offered me a job. I do not always support Ms. Odell's political views. Ms. Odell knew this. However, she saw past that and saw a good and honest employee and someone who could be trusted to protect the taxpayers of Putnam County.

I have worked for Ms. Odell for a number of years and have never found her to use scare tactics to keep her employees in line. I have never found her to be a bully

nor to use intimidating tactics. Instead, I find her to be a strong leader and an excellent role model for women and girls.

I was disheartened to read that Ms. Fleming called her a bully. We as women must build each other up. Ms. Fleming would have better served herself to stick to the facts that she was campaigning on and not go down into the dirt.

In conclusion, my assessment of MaryEllen Odell is that she is a good and decent person to work for. During bad

weather, she is always deeply concerned about the safety of her employees. She understands the importance of family values and listens and responds to her employee's needs. She is always quick to be complimentary of a job well done. I don't see why I, as a voter, would fire her. She's done a terrific job and deserves to serve another term.

Ellen Sorrento
Carmel

Former Carmel Supervisor Throws Support to Byrne

When a voter chooses an elected official, they expect that person will be an active and engaged public servant in the community they represent. As he finishes his first term in office, I can say with confidence that Assemblyman Kevin Byrne is that kind of public servant.

Kevin Byrne has been available and responsive to his constituents, and understands the issues we care about. Last winter, our community was hit by exorbitant utility rate hikes and winter

storms that left us without power for an extended period of time. Kevin was there to listen to his constituents and hold the utility company CEO's accountable. He introduced legislation (A10782) that would increase transparency in utility supply and delivery rates, and co-sponsored legislation (A10140) that would establish standards and guidelines for preparation and restorations for emergencies and power outages.

Furthermore, Kevin has been a great

advocate and supporter of our local libraries. Public libraries serve our entire community, and offer a wide range of services for all residents. Assemblyman Byrne fought to prevent a \$4 million dollar cut to library aid in the state budget, and has secured additional funding for local libraries, including Mahopac Public Library, through the state's bullet aid program.

As a former Town Supervisor, Deputy County Executive, and current member

of Mahopac Public Library Board of Trustees, I know the difference between politicians who just want your vote, and public servants who care about their community and the people who live in it. Please join me in voting for Kevin Byrne on November 6.

Frank Del Campo
Carmel

Montanaro Would Stand Against Inappropriate Development

To the readership: I met Melinda Montanaro last year as she canvassed door-to-door while running for a seat on the Town Council. She was specifically motivated because of a proposal before the Zoning Board by Morrow Construction to erect a 100-plus foot permanent crane on Route 312 near the railroad tracks. They had requested a change in the zoning code from the Zoning Board to accommodate their proposal. Finally, they withdrew after multiple objections were made by Melinda and other residents.

This year, Melinda is running again

and an even more inappropriate proposal is now before the Planning Board, and thereafter the Town Board, in which a Northeast Logistics Center would be built on tiny Pugsley Road.

Wednesday night I attended a Town Hall meeting hosted by Melinda, who is not in favor of the project as it is currently proposed, in which some of the particulars of the proposal were discussed: over 1,000,000 sq. ft. of logistic centers, which is another way of saying a warehouse designed to distribute goods from internet orders and over 500 tractor

trailer trips every day on Route 312. I had also attended the Planning Board meeting in which lawyers for the present owners made the implausible argument that these trips would not contribute significantly to traffic congestion and air, noise, and light pollution; a fireman explained how dangerous any additional traffic congestion would be in the event of an emergency.

Some years ago, a group of qualified individuals, seeking to preserve the character and soul of our community, invested a vast amount of time creating the new Comprehensive Master Plan for Southeast which took into consideration our quality of life, our environment, and sensible appropriate development. Our boards should not accommodate appeals

by developers to alter our zoning laws to suit their own purposes, especially when it contradicts the principles of public welfare. Granting these requests sets a dangerous precedent for future development and gives legal grounds to developers to claim prejudicial treatment if their non-compliant projects aren't approved.

Please vote for Melinda who believes in our zoning laws, sincerely believes in the wellbeing of our community and is so willing to devote her energy and intelligence to our mutual benefit.

Thank you for listening,
Dave Buckner
Brewster

County Needs to Collect Money from Unclaimed Funds

We need legislators that take the time to make sure our tax dollars are accounted for. The New York State Comptroller's Office offers a search tool to search for unclaimed funds. Out of curiosity I decided to see if there were any unclaimed funds owed to Putnam County. To my shock, there was money that nobody in the County Government had bothered trying to collect. Money, no matter the amount, that could offset some of the high taxes levied on Putnam County residents. My search unearthed the following:

Putnam County has not collected money from NYS Department of Taxation and Finance owed to us since 2008. Putnam County has not collected money from CitiMortgage Inc. owed to us since 2012. Putnam County has not collected money from Wellpoint Inc (2013), Masco Cabinetry (2017), United Nations FCU (2014) and Censlar FSB

(2015). In addition, the Putnam County Department of Social Services and Mental Health has not collected money from United Healthcare Insurance Company of NY owed since 2011.

This is totally unacceptable whether these funds are a few dollars or thousands of dollars. If this government has time to give themselves raises they have time to collect money owed to the taxpayers of Putnam County.

As your Putnam County Legislator in District 7 I will work hard to account for every cent and ensure that taxpayers receive the services they deserve and the unclaimed funds that they are due. Check your own status at <https://www.osc.state.ny.us/ouf/>

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Letters to the Editor

Murphy's Apathy on Women's Reproductive Rights is Appalling

It is no longer a question of whether or not one voted for Trump. That election is long over. The question is whether or not one is satisfied right now, today, with the agenda that is being inflicted on us from Washington. With the recent confirmation of Judge Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court, the war on women is alive and well, and our Republican state Sen. Terrence Murphy is leading the charge locally in Senate District 40.

With enough daily mailers to wallpaper the garage, Murphy likes to brag about how much he's done for women. When it comes to reproductive freedom, Murphy remains deliberately ignorant, impotent, propped up by his staff and uninterested.

Reproductive freedom is a right, and Terrence Murphy, awash in apathy, is nothing short of complicit in the attempt to strip women of those rights. He has refused to support the Reproductive

Health Act, a bill that would protect reproductive rights in New York. He has refused to support the Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act, a bill that would remove barriers to emergency contraception. Anti-choice and anti-contraception. This is not a person who cares about the lives of women; this is a person who cares to control the lives of women.

Peter Harckham is the pro-choice

Democrat candidate running against Murphy. He has been endorsed by the Westchester Coalition for Legal Abortion and Planned Parenthood and has deemed reproductive rights a priority.

On Nov. 6, vote Terrence Murphy out, and Peter Harckham in.

Elise-Ann Konstantin
Cortlandt Manor

Murphy Not Holding Town Halls Disappointing

Aren't you sick and tired of our representatives ripping us off? Every year we send our hard-earned tax dollars to Albany, expecting our representatives to be responsive to our needs, or at least willing to answer our questions. Some of those tax dollars support their numerous staff members who are supposed to respond to our questions and address our requests.

Have you ever tried calling State Senator Terrence Murphy's office to find out where he stands on an issue or to arrange a meeting to discuss a matter of importance to you? No one there ever

has any idea where he stands on any issue and he's always too busy to meet with you, even during periods when the legislature is not in session. Then they say they'll get back to you, but they don't even take your contact information and that call never comes. I suspect that they're not uninformed, but have been instructed by their boss to stonewall our inquiries.

So you figure you'll attend Mr. Murphy's next Town Hall to find out where he stands and to have your questions answered. But, wait, Mr. Murphy never, ever holds a Town Hall. It appears that those munificent salaries we pay his

staffers are used exclusively to protect Mr. Murphy from his constituents, so we'll never learn his positions unless a vote is ultimately taken. And, of course, he refuses to engage in an extended one-on-one debate with his opponent where all these issues can be explored.

Contrast that with Assemblywoman Sandy Galef who holds numerous Town Halls every year as well as conducting forums on a variety of current issues. And her staff is always willing and anxious to address your concerns.

You can change all of that on November

6 by electing Democrat Pete Harckham, Mr. Murphy's opponent in the 40 senate district. Pete has pledged to meet frequently with his constituents and to hire staff who'll be responsive to your inquiries, rather than fobbing you off with pretended ignorance. Let's get our money's worth with Pete, and stop paying big bucks to help Mr. Murphy hide from us.

Joel E. Gingold
Croton

Flap Over Campaign Signs in Town of Kent

I am a longtime Kent resident and I am outraged by Maureen Fleming's recent behavior. I put two signs supporting MaryEllen Odell for County Executive on my personal property, Route 52 and Nelson Court. Without my permission, Maureen's campaign put two of her own campaign signs on each side of MaryEllen's and blocked them from view.

It is very upsetting. It shows disrespect to a Kent resident and shows the kind of campaign Maureen is running.

Please stop blocking my MaryEllen Odell signs. MaryEllen has my vote for County Executive.

Jim Carey
Kent

Senator Murphy's Extreme NRA Position On Gun Control

Republican Senator Murphy has a 93% rating from the NRA and has co-sponsored legislation to repeal the SAFE Act, a 2013 gun control statute that passed the NY Senate and Assembly with significant Republican support. The SAFE act includes limits on the use of assault weapons but sensibly protects hunting and target shooting.

Since then, additional legislation barring guns from the mentally ill and people convicted of domestic violence, enhancing background checks, and banning bump stocks, which were used in the Las Vegas massacre to convert semi-automatic weapons to automatic ones, have been approved by the NY Assembly. Julie Killian, now the Republican candidate for Lieutenant Governor, said earlier this year that she does not support repeal of any part of the SAFE ACT and would support additional gun control measures. Murphy's opponent for the

Senate, Democrat Pete Harckham, also favors these measures.

Murphy, however, has co-sponsored legislation to REPEAL the SAFE Act and, like the Republican Senate leadership, opposes the Assembly's additional gun control legislation. Since the Senate Majority Leader elected this coming January will largely control which bills come to a vote in the Senate during 2019 and 2020, passing additional gun control legislation will be extremely difficult as long as Republicans maintain their functional majority in the Senate. Your vote for Pete Harckham will help elect a Democratic Senate Majority Leader and enable sensible gun control legislation.

Jonathan Kratter
Cortlandt Manor,

Maureen Fleming - The Right Choice for Putnam

What Putnam County needs now, more than ever, is change. Change from the current O'Dell administration that supports patronage and nepotism hiring. Change to a Fleming administration that will hire only qualified individuals. Change, from the current O'Dell administration that supports wasteful spending, increase taxation (2% each year in the past 5 years). Change to a Fleming administration who, in her current position as Supervisor of the Town of Kent, has passed a budget each year, for the past 5 years with 0% increase in taxes for each of those years. Change from an O'Dell administration's smoke and mirror budget to a Fleming budget of transparency, elimination of wasteful spending and reduction in taxes.

The time for Change is now! Maureen Fleming is an honest, hardworking, experienced administrator who cares

about her community. She believes in working with others even if they have a difference of opinion, for the betterment of all Putnam County residents. Change in Putnam from a one-party rule county, to a county where everyone is included. Where residents of Putnam should not have to worry about reprisal because they do not belong to the political party of the current administration.

Change will only come about if you want to make it happen. That day of change is Election Day, Tuesday, November 6, 2018. If you're tired of being stepped on by this current administration, it's time you step out and cast your ballot for Maureen Fleming, for Putnam County Executive, a true fiscal leader.

Robert Ferguson
Mahopac

Galef Should Continue to Serve in the Assembly

Having known Sandy for almost 60 years, I feel overly qualified to attest to her fine character, exceptional abilities and common decency.

From our earliest days together as counselors at Mohawk Day Camp in White Plains it was evident to me that Sandy was good with people, a possessor of exceptional leadership qualities, and a very hard worker. These same traits have helped her to be the outstanding legislator that she is today.

Through the years, I have worked with Sandy to help her achieve her many goals, whether it was as advocate for education,

the environment, fiscal responsibility, or honesty in government. She always stands up for what she believes in and what will best serve her constituents, never compromising her commendable principles.

It is for these many reasons that I feel we are fortunate to have Sandy as our assemblywoman and need her now more than ever. Please join me on November 6th and vote for Sandy Galef for New York State Assembly.

Lana Hiller
Briarcliff Manor

Doc's Note: SAVI SCOUT Makes Breast Surgery Easier for Women

By Dr. Alice Police

For women who need surgery for early stage breast cancer, the goal is to remove all cancer cells while leaving as much of the breast as possible. A new breast cancer treatment option called SAVI SCOUT is helping surgeons target and remove tissue more effectively while offering more comfort to patients **First technology to use radar in human tissue**

The SAVI SCOUT surgical guidance system uses radar to target or localize tissue that needs to be removed. It's like a GPS for abnormal tissue in the breast. It goes straight to an abnormality very precisely. It tells doctors exactly where something is in the breast that needs to be taken out. SAVI SCOUT replaces the practice of inserting hooked wires into the breast to mark the site of a tumor, which doctors have been doing since the 1970s.

Benefits

With the SAVI SCOUT system, a radiologist injects a radar wave "reflector" into the breast to show the location of the lesion as indicated by an ultrasound or mammogram image. The reflector is tiny – smaller than a grain of rice – and the patient can't feel it. It's made of metal and has little antennae; it looks like a tiny airplane. It's also MRI-



Dr. Alice Police

compatible and doesn't go off at airport monitors. Patients are often worried about that.

Less anxiety, less discomfort

SAVI SCOUT is a much better way to target tumors than traditional wire localization. It's more accurate and it's also easier on the patient. With wire localization, a radiologist must insert the wire into the breast on the day of surgery. The patient has to come in hours early and sit around with the wire hanging out, often causing discomfort and anxiety while waiting for the operation. There is also a chance that the wire will move, requiring that the

site be re-excised.

The reflector can be put in up to 30 days prior to the operation. The patient doesn't have to wait around on the day of surgery and can have surgery earlier in the day. Patients have less anxiety because of shorter waiting times. It also makes surgery scheduling much easier, making the entire process timelier and more efficient.

Greater precision and accuracy

In the operating room, I use a console connected to a flexible wand to help guide the surgery. The wand sends an infrared light into the reflector, which turns it on, causing the reflector to emit a signal that's picked up by the wand. A continuous readout on the console shows me how far I am from the reflector and it directs me straight to the lesion. During the procedure, I remove the abnormality and the reflector. We take pictures of what's taken out and can see the little reflector is there.

Smaller incisions, better cosmetic result

Overall, women have a great outcome with SAVI SCOUT. Smaller incisions are made because I go straight to the lesion and remove less normal tissue so women have improved cosmetic results. Researchers are still gathering data on whether use of SAVI SCOUT increases the chance that all cancer cells are removed during surgery, reducing the need to reopen the site.

Saving the breast

We're doing a lot more breast-conserving surgeries today and treating early breast cancers due to improved imaging. We're not doing as many mastectomies. Our goal is to save the breast; we want to know exactly where the problem is to take out the cancer and leave as much normal tissue as possible. While surgeons use SAVI SCOUT primarily for breast cancer surgery, they can also use it to remove benign lesions from the breast and cancerous lymph nodes from the armpit.

Dr. Alice Police is the regional director of breast surgery for Northwell Health. She was the first surgeon in the U.S. to use SAVI SCOUT technology after the system was approved by the FDA in 2015. She brought the technology to Northern Westchester Hospital and Phelps Hospital a year ago. To learn more, visit www.nwhbreastinstitute.org/DrPolice.



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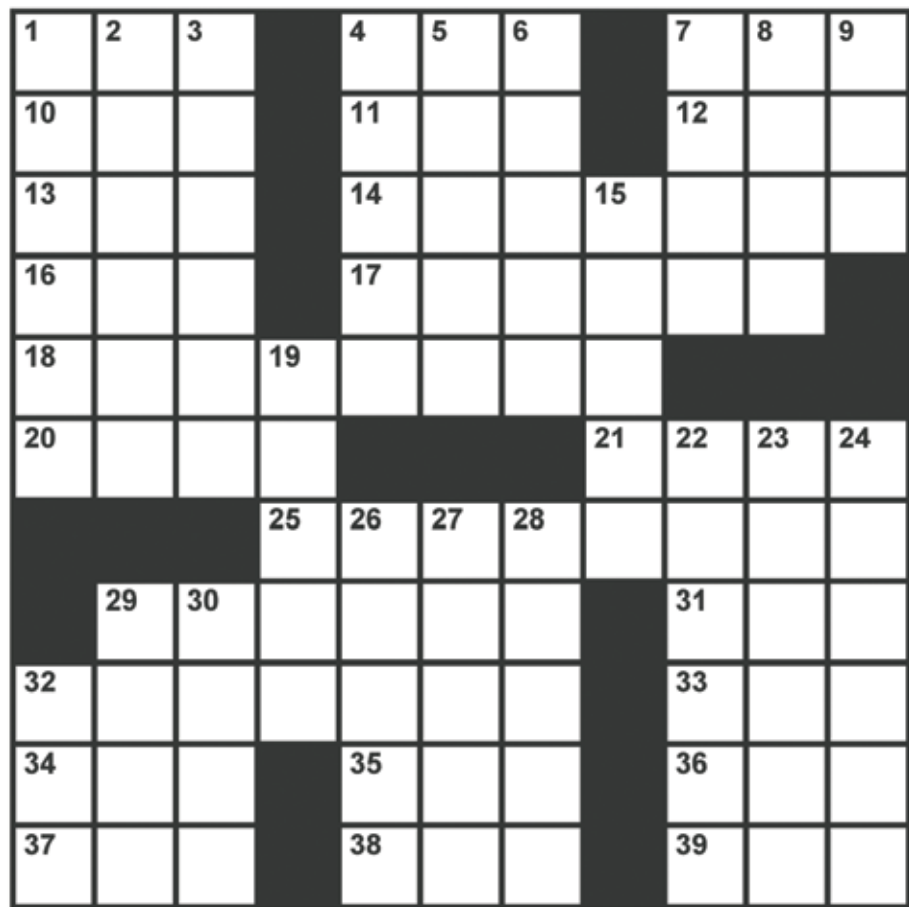
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Crossword Puzzle



Crossword by Myles Mellor

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1. Prescribed thing, for short
4. Term starter
7. Lucy of "Charlie's Angels," 2000
10. Flap
11. Something to dig up
12. Sign, the contract
13. Vietnam War Memorial designer
14. Arranged in table form
16. ___ general rule
17. Since
18. Orange aquarium denizen or new Yorktown swim school
20. A lick ___ promise
21. A Swiss army knife has lots of them
25. The man who had a "Plan" or Yorktown home security company
29. Designer Ralph
31. Him, to Henri
32. In defiance of
33. Recipe instruction
34. ___ hurry
35. Ed's request
36. Low mark
37. Certain snake
38. Make a goof
39. Magazine revenue source

Down

1. Costa del Sol port
2. The Wizard of Menlo Park
3. Disney duck
4. Recurring theme
5. Of a Middle Eastern country
6. Mortgage amounts
7. Snoopy's first owner
8. ___ the finish
9. Its cap. is Kiev
15. "Yeah"
19. Plug
22. Popular tea maker
23. Sidestepped
24. Playground equipment
26. Spring
27. Smooth over
28. Show of contempt
29. Cortlandt professional pix purveyor, Grand ___ Photography
30. "Hurry!"
32. Domingo, for one

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Seller's Remorse: There Are Those Who Regret Moving On

It happened again a few nights ago: I dreamt that my wife and I were experiencing an issue with our old home, which we moved from more than three years ago in downsizing.

When I awoke, I had a slight feeling of loss and regret. While both my wife and I feel that we made a good decision to move from a six-bedroom house that no longer served our circumstances, we sometimes share feelings of sadness and/or nostalgia when we think of our former home. At least I do. My wife had no problem letting go of the old place but for some reason I did, especially immediately following the sale and our move to new quarters.

As a realtor I have occasionally heard the term buyer's remorse. But what about seller's remorse?

One might think that any seller would be glad to find a buyer, especially in the current market, which has somewhat stalled. But sometimes sellers lose their enthusiasm for selling for a variety of reasons listed below. I have heard it said that if a homeowner is experiencing seller's remorse, it is probably because he



By Bill Primavera

or she is really not motivated enough to sell.

Readers who are aware of my history would know that a couple of years ago my wife and I sold a home in which we had lived for many years. It barely appeared on the Multiple Listing Service when I received a call from an agent asking if she could bring a client to the house that same afternoon.

As it happened, I couldn't show the house that day because one of our suppliers was delayed in finishing a carpentry job in a bathroom.

That part of the house was somewhat in disarray. I asked for a one-day delay. During that time, as I continued my last-minute touch-ups, I suddenly realized that I was experiencing a certain sense of sadness. Oh my, I thought, is this the feeling of seller's remorse?

I have observed the phenomenon just once when making an offer to a seller on behalf of a client. At the height of the market, I had found a perfect buyer who offered full price for a house but the seller dragged his feet in accepting the offer until, finally, his agent told me that

he was just unable to deal with selling at that time. He withdrew the listing.

A while back I read something about seller's remorse on About.com. It attributed the cause of seller's remorse to the homeowner just not being motivated enough to sell because they don't have a good enough reason. The site suggested that a prospective seller check the list of reasons most homeowners sell to see if the motivation is really there.

Here are the top reasons homeowners decide to sell.

1. The home is too small for a growing family.
2. To upgrade, based on the premise that people long for a bigger, more expensive and grander home.
3. To fix a mistake in buying the wrong kind of house.
4. A job transfer.
5. Personal relationships, i.e. divorce.
6. Neighborhood changes.
7. Empty nest.
8. To be closer to family.
9. To be further from family.
10. Retirement.
11. Health problems.
12. Deferred maintenance. Some homeowners prefer to buy a new home rather than fix what needs to be fixed.
13. Home improvement perfection. A segment of the population loves to fix

up a home. Once it's perfect, they grow restless and want to start the process over again. (Not me)

14. Some people can't stand sitting on equity without having all that money in their pockets.

15. Lifestyle change. Some mature Americans want to cash in and buy a co-op or condo with less maintenance and then travel or find some worthwhile work.

As I survey the reasons that most homeowners decide to sell, there were only two out of 15 that applied to my wife and me. Especially since we like our new home so much at Trump Park in Yorktown, we could hardly classify ourselves as having seller's remorse when we decided to take the big step.

But I think it was a normal reaction to having sweet memories of our long-term living experience in our special, former home.

So, as Martha would say, it's a good thing.

While Bill Primavera has enjoyed careers as a journalist and publicist, he is now a Realtor® associated with William Raveis Real Estate, specializing in upper Westchester and Putnam Counties. To engage the services of The Home Guru to market your home for sale, call 914-522-2076.

Embarking on an Exploration of Spanish Wines



By Nick Antonaccio

In my research and travels as your wine adventures columnist, I have the opportunity to attend several wine showcases offered exclusively to the wine trade during the year.

Recently, the Foods and Wines From Spain consortium presented its 25th annual "Spain's Great Match." My invitation was enticing: "meet the winery representatives, importers and distributors of Spanish wine, while discovering new wines, varieties and regions." My impression of the event? ¡Viva España!

My day-long sojourn of walking from the tasting floor to seminar halls re-inspired my appreciation of Spanish wines and food, so much so that I've decided to reprise and update a series of column themes I wrote several years ago in this space.

My continuing – and growing – affinity for Spanish wines is largely attributable to the progress made by a new breed of pioneering winemakers. The Spanish wine industry is an amalgam of the old and new. The older generation of

today's winemakers are emblematic of their forebears, staying the course of old-world techniques. The younger generation, as they transition into and assume decision-making roles, have embraced 21st century techniques and technology in their pursuit of more modern expressions of the 100-plus indigenous grapes of Spain.

Yet the centuries-old wine industry and its recent growing popularity in the United States is more than a wine-centric phenomenon. It is the combination of wine, food, culinary innovations, passionate people, art, architecture, design and a deep-rooted geopolitical history. It is this broad influence on the American palate that has formed a cultural profile that is the foundation for a rich culinary experience.

I began experimenting with Spanish wines in the 1980s. Typically, the wines were produced from a region I was unfamiliar with (Rioja), a grape I was unfamiliar with (Tempranillo) and wines that were nondescript. In the past decade, I've thoroughly enjoyed the arrival on the American shores of high quality, unique wines, grown from previously unknown grapes.

A brief history: Phoenicians planted

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vines over 3,000 years ago. It wasn't until the 12th century that winemaking surged as French and Italian monks, banished from Catholic Western Europe for political power-brokering,

migrated to Spain, planting vines they brought with them. In the 19th century, French vineyards were devastated by the Phylloxera insect and the French ventured over the Pyrenees to save their vines. While there, they introduced modern techniques and the Spanish wine industry began to gain legitimacy. Fast forward to the 21st century and we see the confluence of these factors in the wines available in the states.

Today, Spain has the most acreage dedicated to vines anywhere in the world and is third in wine produced. The spectrum of Spanish wines runs from sparkling wine to whites to rosés to young reds to full-bodied, aging-worthy reds. There are 69 designated wine-producing regions bearing the highest classifications. Two bear the highest (DOCa) and 67 the next highest (DO). The next tiers, DO de Pago, VdlT and VdM are subsets of the 69 regions. The premier wine-producing regions and the dominant grape in each region are listed below. It is these regions we will explore in depth in future columns.

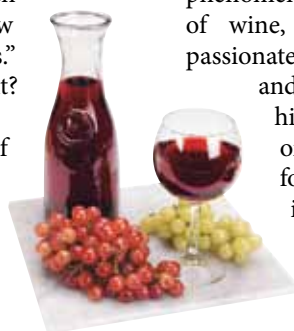
1. Rioja (DOCa, Tempranillo). 2.

Priorato (DOCa, Garnacha). 3. Ribera del Duero (Tempranillo and Garnacha). 4. Penedès (Cava, Macabeu, Xarello and Parellada). 5. Rueda (Verdejo). 6. Rias Baixas (Albarino). 7. Navarra (Tempranillo). 8. La Mancha (Airen, Garnacha). 9. Jumilla (Monastrell). 10. Jerez (Palomino).

Don't be intimidated if you're unfamiliar with one or more regions or grapes. Within a few columns you'll have sufficient familiarity to feel comfortable with the vocabulary, and most importantly, to walk into your local wine shop and begin experimenting with these hot wines. Soon you too will be chanting ¡Viva España!

Note: I will be hosting a fundraising wine and food pairing event, featuring little known Italian wines, to benefit A-Home, a provider of local affordable housing. It is scheduled for Friday, Nov. 9 at the Holy Innocents Church social hall in Pleasantville at 7 p.m. For tickets (\$75), contact Barbara Coleman at bcoleman@ahomehousing.org or 914-741-0740.

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Obituaries

Walter Tompkins

Walter "Skip" Tompkins, a lifelong resident of Mahopac Falls, died on Saturday, October 13, at the age of 90. He was born in Putnam Valley, on February 5, 1928, the son of Frank and Alice Tompkins. Skip served his country honorably in the US Army as a Technician 4th Grade in the 1628th Engineer Utilities Detachment and was a life member of VFW Post 5491 in Mahopac. Skip was a retired operating engineer with Local 137 in Briarcliff Manor, NY and a life member of the Mahopac Falls Volunteer Fire Department as well. On September 30, 1950 he married Marjorie Upham at the Mt. Carmel Baptist Church in Carmel. Besides his loving wife of 68 years, he is survived by his son, Terry (Brenda) of Englewood, FL, his daughters, Alice Bennett (Robert) of Fishkill, NY, Joyce Dearman (Joseph) of Hopewell Junction, and Ellen Barker (Thomas) of Mahopac, his sister, Barbara Schull, 13 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. He was predeceased by his son Douglas and ten siblings.

Robert E. Palmer

Robert E. Palmer 'Bob', a lifelong resident of Brewster, died on Thursday, October 18. He was 97 years old. Born on May 31, 1921 at home in Brewster, son of Edward and Sarah (Canny) Palmer. He graduated from Brewster High School in 1939 and attended Manhattan College. Bob honorably served in the US Army during WWII. Bob married the love of his life, Marjorie Jean Edmondson on January 22, 1944 at Ft. Dix, New Jersey. Marjorie died on March 3, 2007. They were blessed to be married for 63 wonderful years. Bob was a railroad engineer for Metro North Railroad out of Brewster for 41 years, retiring on February 22, 1982. A lifelong member of St. Lawrence O'Toole Church in Brewster, he was also a lifetime member of the VFW Post 672 in Brewster. Bob enjoyed travels with his family and in later years those taken with his wife Marjorie. He enjoyed occasional luncheons with his railroad friends, as well. Bob was very proud to have been responsible for the placement of American Flags through the years at many local cemeteries - a responsibility that came to be known as 'The Bob Palmer Project.' Bob is survived by his daughters, Nancy J. Perrott and her husband Chris of Willow Spring, NC and

Joan P. O'Dell of Brewster; his sister, Mary Cioccolanti and her husband Joseph of Brewster; his sister-in-law Jane Palmer of Brewster; 6 grandchildren; Colleen Deldin, Kimberly Martins, Craig Deldin, Andrea Deldin, Jonathan Palmer and Brian Palmer; two great grandchildren, Kaitlyn Marie Palmer and Chayse Martins. Also several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his son Robert N. Palmer on February 21, 2013. A Mass

of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Monday, October 22, 10 a.m. at St. Lawrence O'Toole Church, Brewster, NY. Interment will follow at St. Lawrence O'Toole Cemetery. Friends and family may call the Beecher Funeral Home, 1 Putnam Avenue, Brewster on Sunday from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations in Bob's memory may be made to: Homes For Our Troops, 6 Main St., Taunton, MA 02780. hfotusa.org

Kathleen M. Smith

Kathleen M. Smith died on **October 10, 2018** at Atlantic General Hospital in Ocean City, MD. She was 60 years old. She is survived by her son, John Tarr, her daughter, Alexis Smith and her granddaughter, Lola Tarr. She is also survived by her father, Thomas B. Smith of Brewster, NY, her sister Patti, brother Tommy and his wife, Cheryl. She was predeceased by her mother, Madelyn M. Smith. Kathy was born in Mt. Kisco on June 2, 1958. She grew up in Brewster, attended St. Lawrence O'Toole and went on to graduate from JFK High School in Somers, NY in 1976. Kathy moved to Ocean City, MD in 2001 where she was owner/operator of a cleaning service. Kathy was a loving, caring, outgoing person and will most be remembered for her sense of humor and quick wit. She loved to talk - we called her, "chatty Kathy". She will be forever missed by her family, her friends and everyone who ever had the pleasure to meet her.



Happenings

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Tuesday, October 23

Mental Health: There's been a radical shift in scientific thinking. Your mental health might not be in your head, but rather in your gut. 6:30 p.m. at the Kent Library. In this workshop, Melani Sessa will go over what the gut-brain axis is and how it impacts your health on every level, how to increase stress resiliency and reduce anxiety & depression, the 3 Ps: probiotics, probiotics, & phytobiotics as well as how to choose the right strain for you, and hands-on ways to heal your gut and address mental wellness using the latest scientifically proven protocols. This program is for adults. Registration is required. The Kent Library is located at 17 Sybil's Crossing off Route 52 and can be reached at 845-225-8585 or www.kentlibrary.org.

Wednesday, October 24

Hudson River Lighthouses talk at Reed Library. 11 a.m. Join author Kevin Woyce for a tour of the Hudson River's lighthouses, past and present - from the long lost lights at Coxsackie and Stuyvesant to New York City's beloved "Little Red Lighthouse." Please call the library to register, 845-225-2439.

Mahopac Public Library Board of Trustees meeting: 6:30 p.m., The public is welcome to attend. For more information visit www.mahopaclibrary.org, and click the 'About Us' link.

Soul Painting: 1 p.m., Jeanette Rodriguez will introduce Soul Painting in this 2-part workshop. Soul Painting is a powerful intuitive practice to help you creatively unleash your relationship to your awareness. Think of it as meditating

with a brush in your hand and your eyes open. Limited space and registration is required. For more information or to register, contact the Patterson Library at 845-878-6121 x10 or go to www.pattersonlibrary.org and click Calendar

Thursday, October 25

Catch a screening of the Mel Brooks classic Young Frankenstein: starring Gene Wilder, at Kent Library. 2 p.m. An American grandson of the infamous scientist, struggling to prove that his grandfather was not as insane as people believe, is invited to Transylvania, where he discovers the process that reanimates a dead body. Rated PG. Registration is required. The Kent Library is located at 17 Sybil's Crossing off Route 52 and can be reached at (845) 225-8585 or www.kentlibrary.org

Friday, October 26

Putnam County SPCA 8th Annual Dinner Fundraiser: 7 p.m., - 11 p.m. Putnam County Golf Course, 187 Hill Blvd. Mahopac \$60 prepaid tickets includes: Crudite Table, Buffet Food Table, Entertainment, Music, Raffle Prizes and more! Online payment: <https://spcaputnam.org/2018-dinner/> Snail Mail payment: Putnam County SPCA, P.O. Box 850, Brewster, NY 10509 Your support is needed to help prevent animal cruelty in our community.

Halloween Spooktacular: 5 p.m., - 6 p.m. Come wearing your spookiest costume for our spooktacular party. Enjoy some ghoulish treats, games, scary crafts, and more! For ages 4-7. For more information or to register contact the

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Saturday, October 27

The Reed Memorial Library is now registering for two special family events: 11 a.m. - Animal Embassy presents: Spooktacular Animals Contact 845-225-2439 to register.

Medication Take Back Day: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Putnam Hospital Center, Wagner Cancer Pavilion, 670 Stoneleigh Ave.,

Carmel. For more information contact Victoria DiLorenzo at the Putnam Co. Dept. of Health at 845 808-1390, ext. 43125.

Harvest Festival: noon. Games, prizes, hot dogs and refreshments. Free event. New Life Bible Church, 476 Farmers Mills Road, Carmel Contact 845 225-4620, Come for a afternoon of food, fun and fellowship.

Taste of Korea: 1 p.m. Get an authentic taste of Korean culture as members of the Korean Spirit and Culture Promotion Project prepare a traditional home-cooked meal and share interesting details about their homeland. To register, call 845-878-6121 x10 or go to www.pattersonlibrary.org and click Calendar.

Sunday, October 28

Celebrate Day of the Dead - Dia De Los Muertos: 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Reed Memorial Library in Carmel. Festivities include face painting, crafts, a parade, art exhibit, traditional dances and songs. Light refreshments will be served. Day of the Dead is a festive, colorful joyous time of celebration which focuses on gatherings of family and friends to remember loved ones who have passed away. The graves of the deceased are also visited and honored with offerings. The Reed Memorial Library is bringing the celebration to Putnam County allowing local residents to participate in the same Mexican National holiday that is celebrated in Guatemala, Brazil and Spain where it is believed the spirit of the dead visit their families on October 31 and leave on November 2. To add a remembrance of a deceased family member or friend or to Offering Altar display, please visit the library Monday, October 22 through Sunday, October 28. The Reed Library is located at 1733 Route 6 in the Hamlet Of Carmel, Tel: 845-225-2438.

Odell and Fleming Exchange Blows in County Exec. Race

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fiscally unsustainable. The entire county Legislature in 2017 voted against the proposed contract that Odell and former sheriff Don Smith OK'd with the PBA. Fleming asserted the contract would've been "devastating" to the county budget and county taxpayers.

Odell defended the contract she reached with the PBA, arguing patrol deputies deserve parity with other local law enforcement agencies in Putnam. It's unfortunate the proposed contract got caught up in "politics," Odell said, "at the same time the legislature gave themselves a raise, it's unfortunate that they don't see it the same way I do, but I'm a strong advocate for our law enforcement."

Odell noted her administration has been in negotiations with the CSEA for at least two years and has reached an

impasse. There have been several attempts to schedule meetings with union reps and recently Odell had a one-on-one meeting with Janet Canaday, who is the CSEA president. She is hopeful an equitable contract can eventually be reached.

When addressing Fleming's statement about her shameful treatment of county workers, Odell called it a "very unfair, cheap shot statement." During extreme weather events, Odell noted she has allowed county workers to go home early or stay home to avoid dangerous conditions while personal time is not taken away. She added a safety coordinator was hired at the start of her tenure to ensure conditions were up to par for workers.

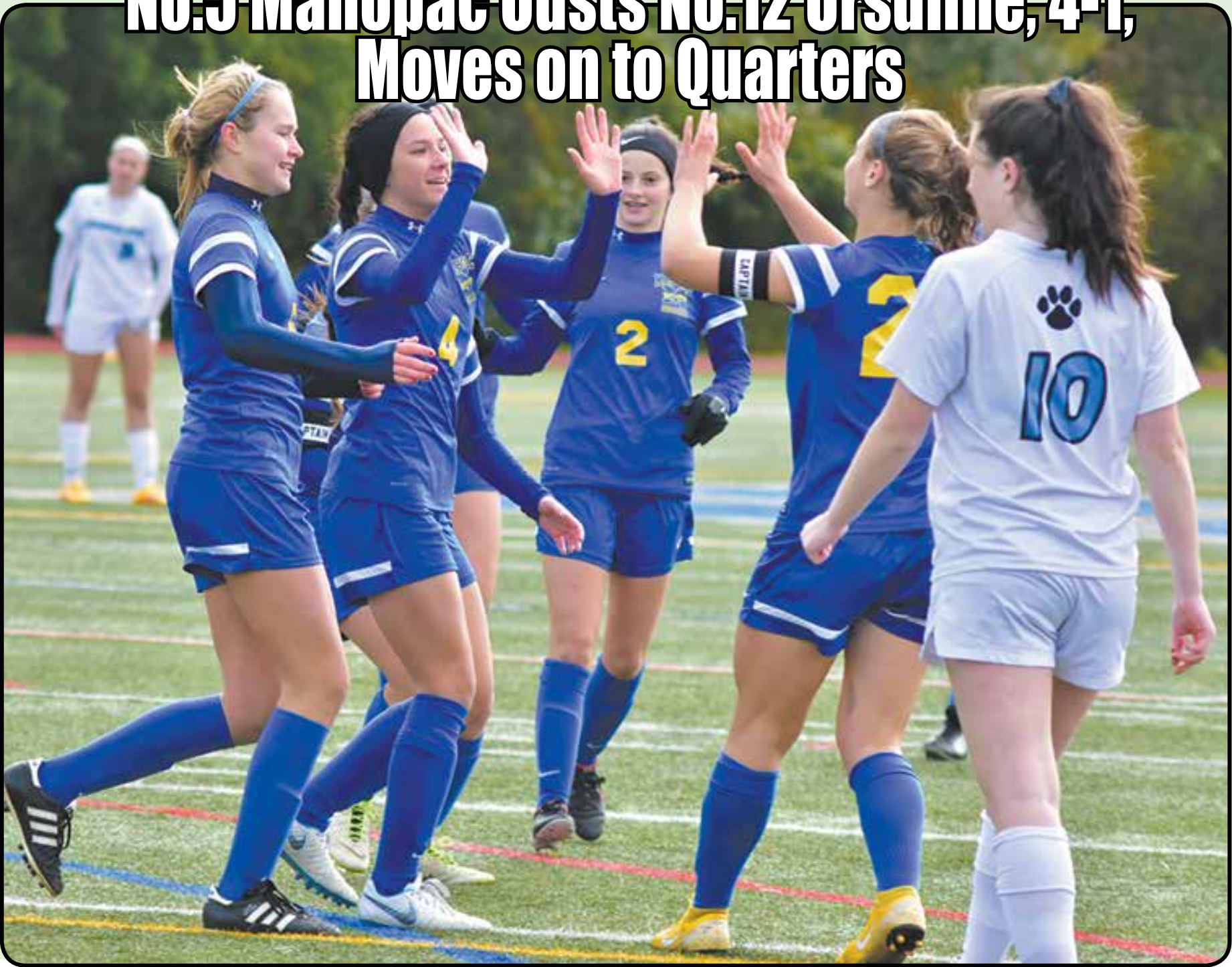
"I love this county like I love my own family and I treat all employees the same way," Odell said. "I know that they respect that and I know that they appreciate that."

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Mahopac junior F Grace DiVincenzo (4) is surrounded by a bunch of worshipping teammates, including Carly Steinberg (R), Mia Klammer and Christina Lopreato (2), after DiVincenzo scored the game's first goal in the fifth-seeded Indians' 4-1 win over No.12 Ursuline last Sunday in the opening round of the Section 1 Class AA girls' soccer tournament... see Soccer Notebook

Sports

Soccer Notebook

Five Local Clubs Survive, Advance on Soccer Pitch

Somers vs. Yorktown, Winner Will Advance; Mahopac, Somers Girls Move On

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When the doors closed last week on the regular season of the 2018 Section 1 soccer campaigns, another door opened, sparking hopes of grandeur among a slew of local teams that qualified for the post season.

Thursday's upset-filled boys' outbracket round spilled into Friday's opening round and unleashed a bevy of shocking feats, including the No.1 Class A seed, Horace Greeley, and No.2 Tappan Zee, going down in the opening round, which justly opened up the field to a host of serious challengers that advanced to last night's quarterfinals. Indeed, Class A soccer in bonkers.

Things got super busy on the girls' circuit on Sunday with the usual suspects – Mahopac and Somers -- advancing.

BOYS RESULTS CLASS A

No. 6 SOMERS (14-4) made short work of No. 27 Riverside in a 6-0 rout. Jose Giron notched his first varsity hat trick for the Tuskers while Drew Lasher, Diego Giron and Daniel D'Ippolito provided insurance markers.

The Tuskers went on to post a 2-0 win over **HEN HUD** Friday when Lasher and Evan Mazzola scored for Somers with the assists going to Lucas Fecci and Jon Riina, which set up last night's quarterfinal doozy with Yorktown; winner moves on to the Final 4.

The Sailors (11-7) didn't go down without a fight after a solid season.

"It was a great season," Hen Hud Coach Chris Cassidy said. "We had a close-knit



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Hen Hud freshman Yanni Schaatman is narrowly denied by Somers Captain Max Grell and G Connor O'Donoghue in Sailors' 2-0 Class A playoff loss to Tuskers last Friday.

team that fought to the end. This team had a strong bond that will last forever."

No.3 YORKTOWN (12-5) advanced with a 3-1 win over Roosevelt. Timmy O'Callaghan scored twice for the Huskers, who advanced to host No.6 Somers in what was expected to be a wild one last night. Shane Dahlke added a goal for the reigning Section 1 Class AA champion Huskers. Jorge Torres-Solari, Rocky Bujaj O'Callaghan each had an assist while G James D'Alessio made four saves.

"It was a solid win," Yorktown Assistant Coach Justin Huff said. "Overall, we played well. We were able to get in our whole team and give them a taste of sectional play. It was a great experience for the team. We're just trying to get

better each day and clean up the mental errors. The Somers game is going to be an absolutely packed-out, tremendous atmosphere; something the boys have earned every right to experience."

No. 25 LAKELAND (5-13) broke up one side of the bracket with a 1-0 double overtime triumph of No. 8 Nanuet when senior Noah Kemp drove a corner kick into a pool of players, including Matt Bussell, who promptly deposited a rebound into the back of the net. The Hornets then fell hard in the opening round in a 6-1 loss to No.9 Rye.

No. 13 BREWSTER (10-8) had its hands full with No. 20 Lourdes in a 1-0 Bears win in last Thursday's outbracket, but Geovanni Zanetti assisted on Patrick Feehan's goal with five minutes left to advance and visit No. 4 Byram Hills, which posted a 3-1 opening round win to eliminate the Bears.

No.11 HEN HUD (11-7) has quietly produced a terrific season and added to that in a 2-1 win over No. 22 Harrison when Ethan Furphy and Matt Torres each scored a goal for the surging Sailors, who won four of five heading in to the field of 16.

CLASS AA

No.1 OSSINING (14-1-2) went off on No.16 Carmel (5-13) in a 7-0 shelling of the visiting Rams. Pride stud Nolan Lenaghan notched a hat trick in the first 20 minutes of the game, part of a 6-0 halftime barrage. Eric Monges scored twice and Mateo Marra finished with one goal and one assist. Marra's team-best 23 goals is two shy of the record set by Alex Tejera, one of the best players in



Somers' Ethan Cukaj heads shot on goal in Tuskers' 6-0 win over Roosevelt.

school history, which tells you the kind of player Marra has morphed in to.

Kevon Evans had the final goal for the Pride who was set to host No.8 Scarsdale last night.

No. 16 CARMEL played its finest game of the season the day before, knocking off No. 17 Clarkstown North, 3-2, in double overtime when J.D. Vargas scored twice and Danny Weiner scored the



Brewster D Ryan Cabiati goes high to clear zone in 1-0 win over Lourdes last Thursday.



Brewster M Geovanni Zanetti gets some legit hang time in Bears' 1-0 qualifying round win over Lourdes last Thursday.

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Yorktown's Matthew Regan works through traffic in Huskers' 3-1 Section 1 Class A playoff win over Roosevelt last Friday.

golden goal 56 seconds before OT expired and advanced the Rams to No.1 Ossining.

No.11 MAHOPAC (8-9) was eliminated in a 3-0 loss to No.6 RCK.

GIRLS RESULTS CLASS AA

MAHOPAC (13-5) set the tone quickly in its 4-1 win over visiting Ursuline Sunday, getting a goal from junior F Grace DiVincenzo on the fifth-seeded Indians first possession. The 12th-seeded Koalas struck back to tie it when the Indians took some time to adjust against the howling winds, and once they changed sides it worked to Mahopac's benefit as Hailey Pereira, Maddie DeCola and Mia 'Monsta' Klammer (1A) added second-half tallies for the youthful Indians, who graduate just four seniors and travel to face No.4 Clarkstown South today. Zina McInerney



Mahopac's Emma Goodrow does out a hug to Grace DiVincenzo after 'DiVi' first-half goal in 4-1 playoff win.

and Carly Steinberg added assists for Mahopac, which needs to find the final gear from this point on.

"That's been our story: Score a quick goal and we don't put a team away until the second half," Mahopac Coach Ross Fumusa said. "We let the other team build momentum. It's like we are playing against ourselves at times on the field, but we had a strong second half, which was good. We performed when we needed too. Some of the girls were emotional at the end of the season and their high school soccer careers were staring at them. The girls came together to make sure it

didn't happen today.

"We wanted the wind at our backs in the second half," Fumusa added. "We figured if we could be leading by halftime, the wind would be beneficial because Ursuline played a kick and chase game over our defenders. We weren't expecting to be tied at half but the wind certainly helped that second half. Overall, we were happy with the second half and happy to advance."

No.14 CARMEL (4-13) had its season end in a heartbreaking 1-0 loss to No.3 Clarkstown North.

CLASS A

SOMERS (14-3) eliminated a spirited **No.12 LAKELAND** (11-7) squad in a 1-0 shutout behind finisher Alex Pittman's lone tally from playmaker Dahlia Pepe in first half. The dynamic duo will lead the fifth-seeded Tuskers into the quarters where they will visit No.4 Pearl River – the reigning state champs -- today with a Final 4 berth on the line.

"It's been a great combination this year," Somers Coach Paul Saia said. "Three of



Mahopac's Carly Steinberg forces issue in Indians' 4-1 Class AA playoff win over Ursuline Sunday.



Brewster senior M Daniel Hasa runs the end line to set up potential scoring threat in 1-0 win over Lourdes.

our last four games have been 1-0, and the other was 2-1, and two of those games went into OT. I'm proud of how our kids have played in these tight games. Hopefully, it helps us to handle the pressure going forward and helps to define us as a team."

After a solid regular season **No.11 WALTER PANAS** (11-6-1) suffered a 4-0 season ending loss to No.6 Tappan Zee.

No.17 YORKTOWN (9-8-1) suffered a 1-0 season-ending loss to No.1 Albertus Magnus.

CLASS B

PUTNAM VALLEY (5-10-1) had a tough draw as the No.15 seed and

its season ended prematurely in a 4-0 loss to No.2 Bronxville. The Tigers lost seven games this season by one goal, leading to the poor seed. Second-seeded **HALDANE** F Lili Westerhuis and G Abigail Platt provide the Blue Devils (6-8-1) with a lethal duo at both ends of the field, which should be enough to procure Haldane's eighth-straight Section 1 Class C title. Their depth, talent and strength of schedule have prepared the Blue Devils for the rigors of the post season, and they should have enough to get past Schechter in the finals on Oct. 28th at Arlington High (3 p.m.).

Ferrante Repeats as Section Champ, Eyes NYS Title

Yorktown senior tennis star Caitlyn Ferrante repeated as Section 1 singles champion last Thursday, posting a methodical 6-0, 6-2 win over Briarcliff junior Rebecca Lim at Harrison High School. Ferrante will return to the NYSPHSAA at Tri-City Tennis Club in Latham for the NYSPHSAA tournament on Oct. 26-28. Ferrante hopes to improve upon last year's performance when she received a rough draw and fell to eventual state champion Julia Andreach, 6-0, 6-0, in the state semis.



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Grid Notebook

Class A Somers, AA Carmel a Win Away From the Dance

No.6 Putnam Valley Breaks up Class B Bracket, Stuns No.3 Nanuet

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In the Northern Westchester/Putnam County region of Section 1 football, several great coaches come to mind, but this season two, in particular, are at the forefront when you consider consistency and the competitive nature of the programs they have developed over the years.

Somers grid Coach Tony DeMatteo is nearly unrivaled; not just in this neck of the woods, but in NYS, as his originally seventh-seeded Class A Tuskers (6-2) enter yet another Final 4 this Friday (7:00 p.m.) against No.2 John Jay CR.

And Class AA Carmel Coach Todd Cayea quietly goes about his business as the preeminent football coach in Putnam County history, serving the sixth-seeded Rams (6-2) for 24 seasons while setting up a Saturday (6 p.m.) semifinal showdown with No.2 New Rochelle, the model along the Section 1 circuit for much of the past 20 years.

Both of these legendary local coaches have their respective teams one win away from challenging for the Section 1 championships at Mahopac High on the weekend of November 2nd, but each will have to do so on the road in hostile environments against superb programs with forward-thinking coaching.

CLASS AA

CARMEL knew full well that the road to a Section 1 title ran through New Rochelle, the state-ranked (No.6), three-time defending Section 1 champs, who



RAY GALLAGHER/ADRIENNE KAMALSKY PHOTOS

Carmel's Alex Beauchesne breaks free from the field in Rams' 27-20 win over host Mamaroneck last Friday.

And with its offense finally cranking now, Carmel believes it is ready to give New Ro' its best shot after a 27-20 victory over host Mamaroneck in a Section 1 Class AA quarterfinal last Friday.

Carmel senior RB Sam Duke was as lit as he's ever been during a career game, leading the Rams to a fifth-straight win. Duke pounded the third-seeded Tigers, particularly in the second half, rushing for three scores and led a Carmel attack that amassed 291 yards rushing on 58 carries. Duke led the way with 34 carries for 153 yards, including the winning score with just over two minutes remaining.

"We are starting to come together," Duke admitted. "We're still not close to our potential, though, but we are going to treat this week like any other week. We will prepare hard and put our hands down and play Carmel football."

Carmel senior QB Peyton Cayea added 16 carries for 89 yards and connected on 9 of 18 passes for 73 yards through the air. Carmel RB Andrew Bumgarner rushed for 50 yards and scored a TD.

"Mamaroneck gave us some fits with the tempo of their offense," Coach Cayea said. "Once we settled in I thought we played better. Sam and Peyton, again, were solid on offense and I was really proud of our offensive line. As a unit, they have made great progress from week to week and Coach

(Jim) Donahoe has done a great job mentoring them. We showed a lot of resiliency in how we dealt with adversity throughout the first half. I'm real proud of our guys.

"New Rochelle is new Rochelle," he

added. "We are very excited about having an opportunity to play them and need to have a great week of preparation. I'm sure our kids, coaches and football community will be excited for this one."

The offense will need to click as it has the past two weeks in order for the Rams to survive and advance. Alex Beauchense (4 receptions, 29 yards), Joe Mascetta (2 grabs, 22 yards)

Aiden Babnick (1 catch, 7 yards) and Duke (2 catches, 22 yards) will need more of the same in the passing game because a one-dimensional attack would kill the Rams' hopes of advancing to their first title game since 1998.

"I think it'll be a great game," Duke said. "If our offense keeps playing how it has been playing and our defense keeps it up I think we will be in good shape."

CLASS A

If you look up the word **SOMERS** in the imaginary football dictionary the definition would say:

Epitomizes what a T-E-A-M is all about. An 0-2 start might have doomed many a program, but Coach DeMatteo continued to push all the right buttons, including something as simple as placing ribbons on the feet of his players before the Tuskers went to war with state-ranked (No.25) Lourdes.

The simple pre-game move paid late dividends when WR Lucas Fedele hauled in the first catch of his career, a simple nine-yard out from QB Jackson Kossow on the game's final play, which allowed Tuskers (6-2) to win their sixth straight and advance to face No. 2 John Jay, which beat Somers 34-20 way back in Week 1.

"Well, we had a bunch of adversity in the game, but we all had ribbons on our feet to remember that we are a brotherhood, so when anything bad happened we would look down to remember that we can get through it," said FB Jack Kaiser, who scored two more TDs and raised his season-long total to 24 for the season. "Those ribbons reminded us to believe and trust in each other and they

worked. This is by far the greatest win of my sports career."

Fedele held on to win the game, but after collapsing in a heap of leaping Tuskers one thing stood out: Teammate Daniel Ross sprinted across the field to retrieve injured teammate Charlie Balancia, whom he helped over to the dogpile to join the celly.

Clearly, these Tuskers are not the same Tuskers John Jay saw in Week 1.

"We can't wait for John Jay," Kaiser said. "(Bryce) Ford is very, very good, but we have improved so much since the first time we saw them. We are just going to have to figure out a way to stop him and we'll be good."

CLASS B

In the career of every young coach, there's that one defining moment that stamps his arrival. For **PUTNAM VALLEY** Coach Ryan Elsasser, that moment likely came across the Hudson River in last Saturday's stunning 14-8 double overtime triumph of No.3 Nanuet. The Golden Knights crushed the sixth-seeded Tigers (2-6) by three touchdowns just two weeks ago and the Tigers were in a free-fall mode. Most pundits had written them off, but the PV defense stood firm and held the Golden Knights scoreless in regulation, including a game-saving goal-line stand at the two in the second half.

In overtime, the Tiger offense came to life when senior WR Darnel Shillingford hauled in a pair of TD strikes from QB Quinn Strang, one on the opening play of overtime. Nanuet answered with a touchdown and a two-point conversion



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Kennedy LB Cole Esposito of Cortlandt Manor has been a menace for opposing offenses to deal with.

have won 11 of the last 15 since 2003. What Coach Cayea's Rams have going for them is a stout defense, which is the one thing that gives the Rams a shot against a Huguenot offense that ranks among the best in the section.



Somers OL Mackenzie Joyce, RB TJ Deagan and the Tuskers are one win away from a third-straight Section 1 championship appearance.

to send the game to a second OT session. Shillingford scored again from Strang and FB John Listwan added a two-point conversion before DB Joe Cioffi picked off

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Volleyball Notebook

Mahopac, Hen Hud Set to Contend for Sectional Titles

By Tony Pinciario

It did not take long for the **MAHOPAC** varsity volleyball team to become one, even with the graduation of six seniors from the 2017 squad.

"Right from when tryouts started and the final team was announced, we immediately started with team bonding, especially with three sophomores coming up," said senior and co-captain Francesca Cammarata. "All of the seniors came together and we decided we have to grow together as a team and not like individuals."

The approach and immediate team chemistry has resulted in an outstanding season for Mahopac. The Indians are currently 15-1, league champions (7-0) and in line for a top-two seed for the Section 1 Class AA Volleyball Championships. Mahopac concluded the regular season against R.C. Ketcham, Monday.

Mahopac increased its win total to 15 with sweeps of archrival Carmel and Scarsdale 'B' and a four-set triumph over Arlington.

Cammarata, along with fellow seniors, co-captain Carah Vitkus, Dorinda Murray, Taylor Ebinger, Megan Burgland and Angela Garafalo were returnees from a Mahopac team that reached the 2017 Section 1 quarterfinal round.

"I think, at first, we were a little intimidated with only three of us who started back, but as practices went on we started to become a more confident team," said Cammarata, a three-year varsity player. "This year we've had three sophomores really step up and added that to last year when we had two. We took them in, like a family, and really made them feel welcome and they were part of the team. Two are in the starting rotation and all three are thriving on varsity."

The addition of the three sophomores, including starters Leah Vitiello and Caroline Feeley, has made Mahopac a difficult team to play against, especially at the net.

"The three sophomores are pretty tall so it gives us a pretty big front row,"

Cammarata said. "We've been able to attack the net on the opposition and when they're attacking us, we've been able to block or deflect balls at the net. And our defense has really stepped it up this year."

Mahopac is hoping to carry the momentum and energy from the regular season into sectional play.

"This season has been amazing," Cammarata said. "All the girls are so excited and we have so much energy for every game. We're having a lot of fun while we're playing and we're enjoying ourselves. And we seniors appreciate the positive energy from the juniors and sophomores."

Cammarata collected 14 assists, nine kills and two aces as Mahopac opened its week with a 25-11, 25-15, 25-14 win over Scarsdale 'B.' Vitkus added eight kills and 18 digs.

After dropping the first game, 25-21, to Arlington, Mahopac stormed back to take the match, 25-23, 25-17, 25-21 behind Vitkus' 17 kills and 22 digs.

Cammarata rang up 32 assists, along with six kills and five aces and Vitiello chipped in seven kills.

Vitkus led the way in a 25-16, 25-9, 25-13 victory over Carmel, finishing with 16 kill, eight digs and eight aces. Cammarata contributed 13 assists, five kills and six aces, Burgland had 10 digs and Ebinger had eight assists.

When it comes to volleyball in Northern Westchester, it's difficult for teams to get noticed because of the presence of Hen Hud, John Jay and Panas.

However, **LAKELAND** has made a strong case to be recognized among the elite this season as the Hornets sport an 11-4 record.

Lakeland improved its mark with sweeps of **SOMERS** and undefeated Pearl River.

The Hornets only graduated one player from the 2017 team that finished 10-7 and qualified for sectionals.

"This year, our team has much more confidence in ourselves and in what we could accomplish," said senior and captain Anna Tomasini. "We only lost

one player, while many other teams lost a lot of their seniors from last year. We all played together over the summer, and worked extremely hard to improve our skill set as well as our team chemistry."

Tomasini and classmates Jessie Grosson, Christina Kubiscko, Haley Sanjurjo, Kim Teves and Jenna Kenneally form the nucleus of the team for veteran coach Steve Fallo.

Lakeland showed it was a contender in Class A by winning nine of its first 11 matches. The only setbacks were to Tappan Zee and district-rival, Panas.

"The key to us having a great season is really our connection as a team and all working together rather than individually," said Tomasini, a four-year varsity player. "When we keep a high energy level the entire game and give it our all every time we step on the court, we can beat any team that is on the other side of that net."

When the Section 1 Class A Volleyball Championship begin this week, Lakeland is among a group of teams that can win the title. However, the depth of excellent teams in Class A will make it tough on everyone.

"I do agree Class A is stacked with very talented teams," Tomasini said. "However, while talent is obviously important, for any team to come away with the title, they need to work as a whole and dedicate their entire heart to the game. They need to play every game like it is the last time they will step on the court and take nothing for granted."

Whatever the future holds for Lakeland in sectionals, it will not take away what the Hornets have accomplished this season.

"This season has been the best season I have played for the Lakeland volleyball team, so far," Tomasini said. "Our team has become more like a family this year and we will continue to work hard and fight together through each point, set, and match."

In the 25-21, 25-21, 25-23 triumph of Somers, Emily Kubiscko finished with 11 kills and 15 digs, Tomasini added kills, Victoria Tsui registered 12 assists and

Christina Kubiscko had 12 digs and four kills.

Lakeland handed Pearl River its first loss of the season, 14-25, 25-11, 25-16, 25-14 as Emily Kubiscko had 18 kills and 18 digs.

Christina Kubiscko rang up 22 digs and Tomasini added 12 kills.

Emily Kubiscko had seven kills and 22 digs in a loss to John Jay-Cross River. Caitlin Wisker and Tomasini each had five kills.

HEN HUD closed out the regular season with wins over John Jay-East Fishkill, Horace Greeley, Peekskill and Poughkeepsie to finish 18-0, including the league championship.

The Sailors also swept Cornwall, in a best-of-three, to win the Panas Invitational.

Hen Hud will begin preparation for the Section 1 Class A Volleyball Championship, which commences, Friday. Should the Sailors receive the No.1 seed, they will not alter their approach.

"Getting the No. 1 seed would show us that all of our hard work has paid off," senior Ashley Perez said. "As for our preparation, I don't think it will change all that much. If anything, we might have some pressure, but a little pressure never hurt anybody."

Two-time defending Section 1 Class A champion and 2017 state titlist, **WALTER PANAS**, is playing its best volleyball of the season as it will begin defense of its title this week.

Panas swept Brewster and beat Lakeland, in four games, raising its record to 10-3. The Panthers close out the regular season last night against Somers. A victory would have given Panas the league title.

Since losing three of its first five matches, the Panthers have reeled off eight consecutive wins.

"We are playing and looking better every game and continuing to improve," said senior and captain Alexis Diaz. "There was high confidence going into the games with Brewster and Lakeland, and that definitely showed."

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a pass in the end zone to seal the deal.

Putnam Valley advanced to play at No. 2 Pleasantville — the defending state champion — in next Friday's (7 p.m.) semifinal.

"This was an impressive game for both teams," Elsasser said. "It was physical in the trenches on both sides. The team went into today's game with a specific game-plan and executed it. Today, the team came together and fought together. We had multiple goal-line stands and a blocked field goal in a crucial part of the

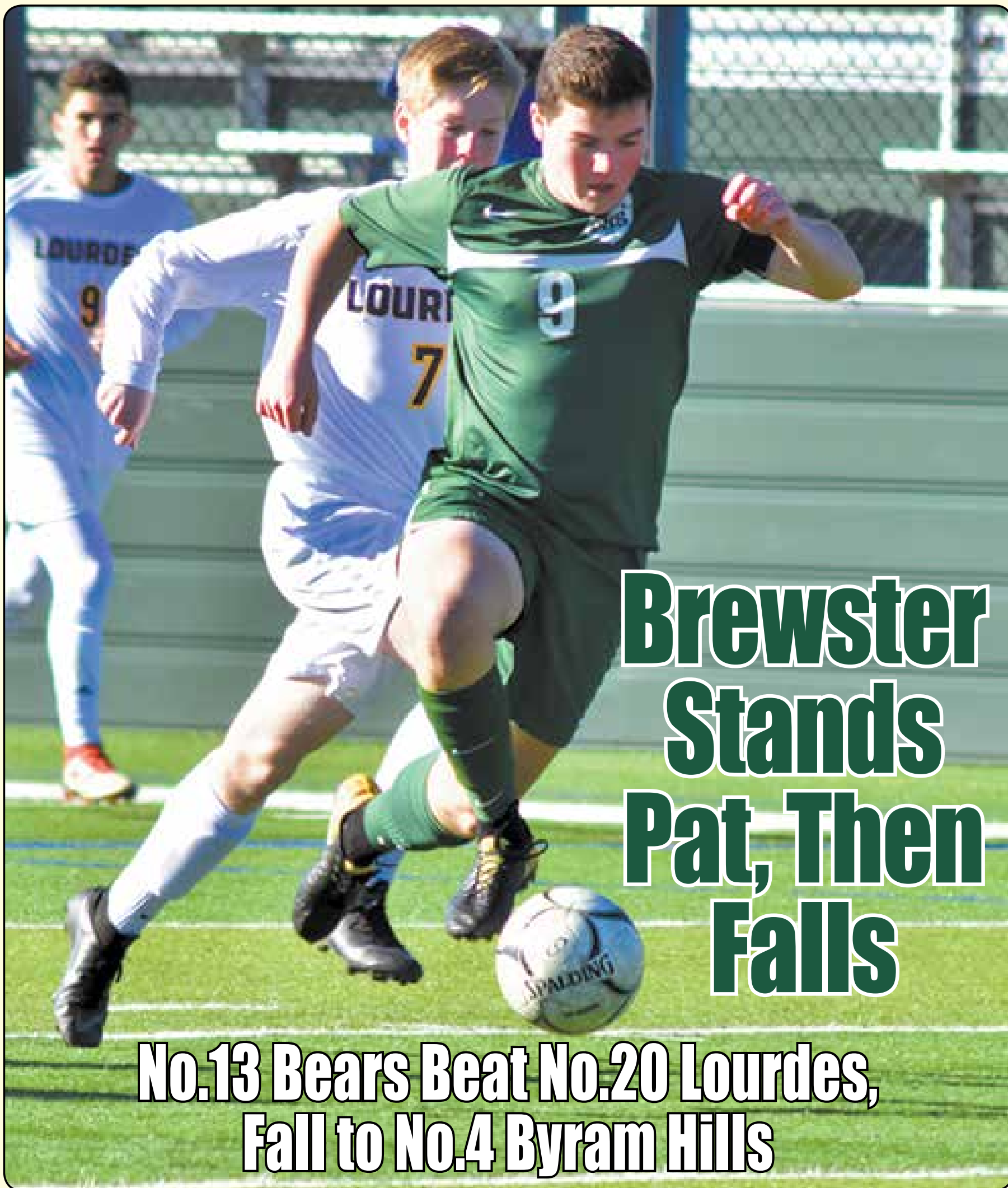
game. Darnel Shillingford came up big in the first OT with a 20-yard TD catch on the first play. John Listwan followed that up with a hard sweep into the end zone for two. Nanuet scores and ties it and in the second OT Darnel Shillingford catches another TD pass for the lead. Nanuet drove back down the field but Cioffi cut off a route in the end zone and came up with a game-ending interception. The team came together and played hard for the guys around them. I am very proud of them for what they accomplished today."

CHSAA

KENNEDY CATHOLIC beat a AA team Friday night, taking down St. Joe's by the Sea, 37-34, to improve to 6-1 under third-year Coach Dominick Tassone, who, undoubtedly, has the Kennedy program back on the righteous track. Behind the likes of Myles Proctor, Seth Surret, Zach Sellinger, Eric Volpi, Wyatt Rumpf, Cole Esposito and others, the Gaels have emerged as the front-runners for the Class A NYS championship after Brendan Lebitsch nailed the game-winning 32-

yard field goal to send the cool kids on the grassy knoll home as a bunch of happy campers.

Proctor dashed for 165 yards and two TDs and added 75 receiving yards and another score. TE Volpi (4 grabs, 85 yards, TD) and RB Surret (11 rushes, 55 yards, TD and a passing TD) led a dynamic offense while Esposito (sack) and Rumpf both blew up the line of scrimmage and notched double digit tackles for the Gaels, who draw visiting Cardinal Spellman next Friday (7 p.m.).



Brewster Stands Pat, Then Falls

**No.13 Bears Beat No.20 Lourdes,
Fall to No.4 Byram Hills**

RAY GALLAGHER PHOTO

Burly Brewster F Pat Feehan scored the lone goal in the 13th-seeded Bears' 1-0 win over visiting No.20 Our Lady of Lourdes last Thursday in the outbracket round of the Section 1 Class A Boys' Soccer Tournament, but the Bears were eliminated in Friday's opening round when they suffered a 3-1 loss to No.4 host Byram Hills, a perennial powerhouse... see Soccer Notebook