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# PV Library to Look for More Funding from Voters

By David Propper

Putnam Valley voters will have a wide range of candidates to choose from on the ballot this November. It will also get to select the future funding of its public library.

After collecting enough signatures earlier this year, the library board of trustees is offering residents a Chapter 414 proposal in hopes of collecting more money for the library and its operations.

Currently, the library receives its funding from the town board, but library officials believe that amount is unsustainable for the future and is stunting the progress the community hub can strive for. With a Chapter 414, the library would ask voters in town to decide whether or not they want

to pay more for library services, president of the library board, Terry Raskyn said.

From January to August, the town board has provided the library with \$310,000. The library also gets money, but not much, from various grants and donations.

The additional funding from the Chapter 414 could open up more doors for the library, including keeping the doors open longer and open on every day of the week. The library currently closes by 5 p.m. on Thursdays and Fridays and closes by 4 p.m. on Saturday. It is closed all day Sunday.

More staffing could be hired, which could lead to more programming, library director Deirdre Farabaugh said. Right now, most programs depend on staff availability and getting help from local residents who hold

programs for free or at a discounted rate.

One of the major projects the library would pursue is putting up an electronic sign that would be in front of the library for vehicles to see as they pass along Oscawana Lake Road. It would be a way to keep the community informed, Raskyn said, with library happenings and events and important information the town would like residents to know about.

Currently, the library has a wooden sign that needs to be manually operated when new events are put up. It is untenable and even unsafe, Raskyn said.

"(The electronic sign) is very responsive to what the community wanted," Raskyn said. "They want access to information."

A community room that the library uses

for events and rents out could also be upgraded.

While there is more the library could do with the money, simply having funds for emergencies and keeping up with regular maintenance is critical, Raskyn said. There is aging infrastructure in the building like the HVAC system, she noted. Previously, two bridges needed to be replaced over the past several years after they were completely neglected for decades.

While the wish list for library officials is long, Raskyn cautioned not all these items would be done at once, but over time.

While library officials have touted the positives more funding would do, residents in the past have been wary to put more on

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# NYPD Officer from Yorktown Killed in Bronx Shooting

By Rick Pezzullo

A New York Police Department (NYPD) Officer who lived in Yorktown was killed during a shooting in the Bronx Sunday morning.

Brian Mulkeen, 33, who served with anti-crime unity in the 47th Precinct, was pronounced dead at Jacobi Hospital after being shot in the head, chest and legs around 12:30 a.m. near Laconia Avenue and 229th Street during a scuffle with Antonio Lavance Williams, 27, who was shot dead by police. A preliminary investigation revealed Mulkeen was shot by friendly fire from one of the officers at the scene.

"All of Westchester County mourns NYPD Officer Brian Mulkeen. Mulkeen, a Yorktown Heights native, and nearly seven-year veteran of the NYPD was serving with the anti-crime unit in the 47th Precinct when he was killed," said Westchester County Executive George Latimer. "In honor of his bravery and sacrifice I am ordering that all

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NYPD Officer Brian Mulkeen



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## Putnam Valley Town Day

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their tax bill to provide for it. When the library offered residents a Chapter 414 three years ago, the proposal was shot down with enough residents making clear they didn't want any tax increase.

Once again, voters, instead of just five town elected officials, get to decide the fate of the library.

"This is voters voting on the budget," Raskyn said.

Raskyn argued the tax increase would be modest. A household assessed at \$350,00 would pay \$16-\$18, according to library

trustees.

"You can't even buy a book for that (amount)," Raskyn said. "You can go to Starbucks one and half times for that. Yes, every penny counts, but we're not breaking the bank on this and we so very need it."

One criticism that detractors had of the Chapter 414 three years ago is library trustees--the people that decide how funding should be spent--should be elected rather than appointed, which the library board is now doing. At the annual meeting on October 7, four seats will be up for grabs and any resident that wants to run can

come to the meeting and lobby for a trustee position.

Library trustees have talked to the town board in the past about getting more funding, but it hasn't worked as the town tries painstakingly to remain under the tax cap each year, which Raskyn said she understood.

Farabaugh said the library has tried to offer more than just books for residents with programs like Medicare 101 and trust and will planning, as well as helping people seeking information including job postings. The library also helps people attain

passports now, as well.

Raskyn said adult programming attendance has tripled since 2017, people taking out physical books has doubled and e-books are being taken out at a 20 percent increase from a year ago.

If the Chapter 414 passes this year, then the funding the voters sign off on would remain at that new level annually until the library board decides if and when it would want another increase or decrease.

"Then we go through the petitioning process and it's on the ballot again," Raskyn said.

# NYPD Officer from Yorktown Killed in Bronx Shooting

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flags at County facilities be lowered to half-staff. Mulkeen was a true hero, and we will remember his dedication to his profession and sacrifice always. At this time, we as a county, offer our sympathy and support to his family."

New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio also ordered flags be lowered to half-staff in honor of Mulkeen and Governor Andrew Cuomo gave his condolences.

"I am absolutely heartbroken by the tragic loss of NYPD Officer Brian Mulkeen, who was shot and killed in the line of duty early Sunday morning in The Bronx," Cuomo stated. "At 33, Officer Mulkeen was taken far, far too early from his family and from the city he sacrificed everything to protect. He is the embodiment of bravery

and a true New York hero. On behalf of the New York family, I extend my deepest sympathies to Officer Mulkeen's family and loved ones during this excruciatingly painful period and I ask all New Yorkers to keep them in their prayers."

NYPA Chief of Department Terence A. Monahan said police officers were patrolling the streets around the Edenwald Houses because of gang activity, which included recent shootings in the area.

"Behind that location, three officers in one police car got out of their vehicle to question a man. The man fled and a foot pursuit ensued. As Officer Brian Mulkeen and his partner attempted to apprehend the man, a violent struggle on the ground began," Monahan said. "On body-worn camera video, Officer Mulkeen can be heard

yelling, 'He's reaching for it - he's reaching for it.' At this time numerous shots were fired and our officer was struck a total of three times. Five officers at the location fired their service weapons striking the man. The suspect was pronounced deceased on the scene and his firearm - a .32-caliber revolver - was recovered by police."

Mulkeen graduated from Fordham University and had recently taken a position as a volunteer throwing coach there. He was appointed to the NYPA on January 9, 2013. He lived in Yorktown with his girlfriend, who is also a cop in the Bronx - in the 44 Precinct, according to Monahan.

"As cops we know how rewarding our profession can be. But I'll tell you: There is absolutely no worse moment on our job than this. As we stand here this morning,

a young man with a bright future who courageously patrolled some of New York City's toughest streets has tragically lost his life," Monahan said. "Brian was a great cop dedicated to keeping this city safe. In fact, just last night he arrested a man in possession of a gun in the very same precinct."

"Tonight is a vivid example of the dangers New York City cops face every day. And, there's never a doubt that our officers will continue to put it all on the line to keep people safe," Monahan added. "Tragedies like this are not only an affront to the men and women in blue, but to all the people our cops proudly serve."

Former Peekskill Mayor and current Westchester County legislator candidate

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# New Motion Filed in Putnam County Murder, Rape Case

By Rick Pezzullo

A motion was filed in Putnam County Supreme Court last week alleging evidence was intentionally withheld from the court at a May evidentiary hearing that vacated the conviction of a man who has been in prison since 1996 for the murder and rape of a young girl in Carmel.

Attorneys for Andrew Krivak alleged in the papers submitted September 23 that Putnam County Assistant District Attorney Larry Glasser also withheld exculpatory evidence from Krivak.

Krivak was convicted in 1996, along with a co-defendant Anthony DiPippo, of the crime. Both men have steadfastly maintained their innocence; Dipipo won a new trial in 2016 and was later acquitted of

all charges. He has filed two lawsuits for his wrongful conviction: one against New York State, which has already been settled, and a second one in federal court against Putnam County and others involved in his arrest and prosecution, which is still pending.

In December 2018, in a sworn deposition taken in connection with the DiPippo federal lawsuit, prosecution witness Denise Rose testified for the first time that one of the reasons she failed to report being present during the crime was that DiPippo and Krivak had been armed with guns and had threatened her if she came forward.

Rose, who is the sole fact witness the prosecution intends to call at Krivak's new trial, had testified numerous times before but never stated there were guns involved in the crime.

Prior to the court granting Krivak a new trial, his lawyers moved to include the issue of Rose's new revelation in the hearing. The court denied the motion but vacated the conviction based on newly discovered evidence linking a third party, Howard Gombert, to the crime. After granting the new trial, the court did not set any bail and Krivak remains incarcerated.

During the evidentiary hearing and at the bail hearing held afterward, as well as during the appeal of the bail denial, Glasser argued the state's case was still strong because Rose was still willing to testify.

However, the motion stated that at no time did Glasser reveal that back in February 2019, Rose had admitted to him that the gun testimony was false and that she lied to keep DiPippo from getting any compensation,

according to Krivak's lawyers. Prior to the evidentiary hearing, Glasser had responded to a written demand from the defense that he had no new information which would tend to discredit Rose's testimony.

The motion alleges that Glasser's failure to disclose this new evidence of Rose's admission to perjury, especially in light of the defense's written demand, constitutes prosecutorial misconduct and requires a new hearing; having Glasser taken off the case; and bail to be set for Krivak. The motion also highlights alleged flaws in the investigation which were also discovered during depositions of the lead investigators in the case.

The DA's response is due October 28, and the motion is set to be heard before the Hon. David S. Zuckerman on November 4.

# Putnam SPCA Arrests Two for Animal Cruelty to Horses

By Rick Pezzullo

Two Putnam Valley residents were charged by the Putnam County SPCA with two counts of animal cruelty after a pair of horses were found to be severely emaciated.

Patricia Macquignon, 53, and Michaela Macquignon, 24, both of Bell Hollow Road, could face up to one year in jail and/or a \$1,000 fine each if found guilty of the Class A misdemeanor charges.

"All animals require daily care, which at a minimum means adequate food, clean water, shelter and veterinary care," said SPCA

Chief Ken Ross. "All of this costs money and needs to be factored into the decision of whether or not to own an animal."

A 20-year-old Male Quarter Horse named Red and an 18-year-old Tennessee Walking Horse named Oreo were found after a veterinary examination to rate one out of nine on the equine body condition score (five is normal). The examination found bone structure was easily noticeable, the ribs and withers were protruding prominently, and the horse's skin was in a severe state of neglect due to dermatitis/rain rot.

There was also apparent neglect to the

hooves, with cracks and necrotic tissue present. The horses were removed from the property and signed over to a rescue organization in Dutchess County. Within a short time, the SPCA said the horses have shown immediate signs of improvement with veterinary care and regular feed/nutrition.





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# 25th Annual Support-A-Walk Sunday at FDR State Park in Yorktown

By Rick Pezzullo

It started as a walkathon in October 1995, the brainchild of Nancy Heller, a breast cancer survivor, and Richard Adamski, who lost his wife Myra to the disease.

That event, called Share-A-Walk, drew 800 people and inspired Heller and Adamski to create Support Connection in July 1996.

"We reached for the skies," said Denise D'Amico, who helped coordinate the first walk. "It was amazing to see 800 people and we raised \$50,000."

On Sunday, October 6 at FDR State Park in Yorktown, the 25th annual Support-A-Walk, which generates 40% of Support Connection's annual revenue, will take place with more than 10,000 people expected to turn out to embrace family and friends battling breast and ovarian cancer and remember loved ones who lost their fight but whose spirits live on.

"It's home for a lot of people," said Katherine Quinn, Support Connection's Executive Director since its inception. "It's a bond. This is really amazing what we have here. I sit back sometimes and think it all started as an idea, as a dream. If shows if you really believe in something, and you have the right people working together... the reason we made it is because we're so passionate and we really listen to the people who turn to us."

All of the vast services provided by Support Connection, a non-profit organization not affiliated with any other cancer groups, are



Support-A-Walk honorary chairpersons Denise and Lou D'Amico.

free and confidential. They have professional Peer Counselors on staff, all cancer survivors, available to answer questions and provide support from a Yorktown Heights office. A toll-free telephone service enables the counselors to provide phone counseling

to people across the country. Support groups and other programs are offered in Westchester, Putnam and Dutchess counties, as well as national toll-free support groups and teleconferences.

Quinn, who was first drawn to Support

Connection when a close friend, Isabel, was diagnosed with breast cancer and later died at the age of 41, said Support Connection has provided assistance to more than 10,000 women and their families, stretching as far as France and Belgium.

"When you're coming here it's about hope," Quinn said. "If we weren't here, look at how many people wouldn't have hope. People have found us as a great resource. We're needed now more than ever."

Denise and Lou D'Amico, honorary chairpersons for this year's Support-A-Walk with WHUD radio host Kacey Morabito, have been staunch supporters of Support Connection from the beginning.

"I just have an absolute admiration for this organization," Denise D'Amico said. "It's just become part of our lives. The secret and success of the organization is the caring and compassion from every single volunteer and people who work at the office. You call that office and the caring begins."

Quinn said close to 200 volunteers help with activities at Support-A-Walk, which kick off at 9 a.m. The walk begins promptly at 10 a.m., rain or shine.

"These 25 years have flown by," Quinn said. "It's been good run for us. The first 25 years have energized us to move forward for the next 25 years and beyond."

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# The Scenic Worlds of PV Resident, Tony Winner Joseph Forbes

By Abby Luby

If you've seen a scintillating Broadway stage with wild purple swirls and black, jagged strips vibrating in a shadowy haze of smoke, you must have seen the set of the show *Beetlejuice the Musical*. The visually seductive power of a scenic backdrop like this one was created by Joseph Forbes, a master at creating sets and backdrops, the kind that promises audiences a transformative experience.

For decades, Forbes has built and created scenes for such Broadway shows as *Cats*, *Annie*, *A Chorus Line*, *War Paint*, *Sunset Boulevard*. His deft innovation and skill created the scenes in *Hello, Dolly!* and earned him the 2017 Tony Award for Best Revival of a Musical. The backdrops and scenery for films such as *Ghostbusters*, *Crocodile Dundee*, and *The Money Pit* are other gems created by Forbes.

A Lake Peekskill resident for 30 years Forbes, 67, said one of his most memorable productions was the 1992 Broadway revival of *Guys and Dolls* starring Nathan Lane. The scenic designer was Tony Walton.

"I was relatively new and the work totally revolved around Walton's designs," Forbes recalled. "I was told if I screwed up and the artwork wasn't right, I would be seen as a failure. But that wasn't the case. The show was a huge success and it established me on Broadway which gave me the credentials I needed."

Forbes grew up in Alexandria, Virginia and his middle school experience of acting in a



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Forbes at a studio space in Scenic Art Studios.

play showed him the tantalizing the world of theater. He was good in art and majored in Scene Design at the University of North Carolina.

"After I graduated, I took my entire life savings, which was about \$1,000, and skated off to New York City to make it in the big apple," Forbes recalled. "I was absolutely terrified."

He lived in Greenwich Village and started taking classes at Lester Polakov's Studio and Forum of Stage Design. When he passed the United Scenic Artists Local 829 exam,



Forbes in his office, December 13th, 2016

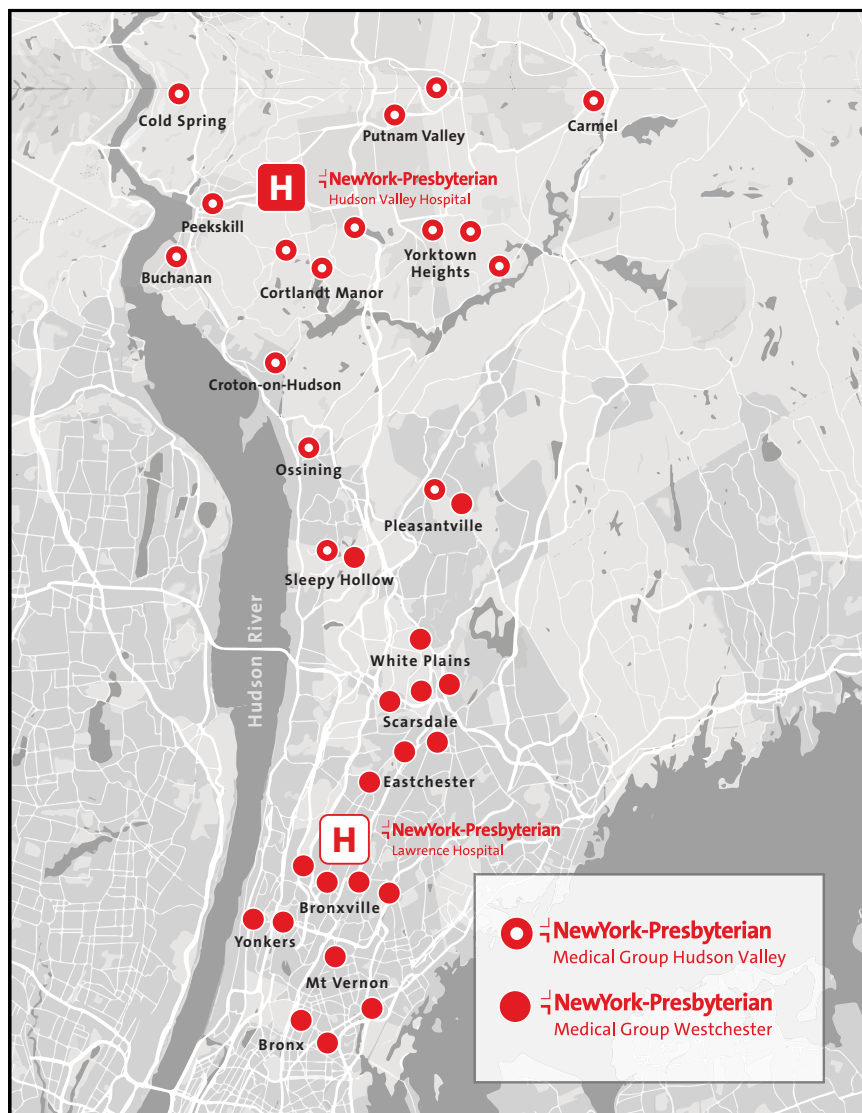
he was his way to making his mark on Broadway stages.

Forbes founded the Scenic Art Studios in Newburgh in 1994. Since then, the company has painted scenery, created backdrops and sculptures for more than 350 Broadway productions including *Book of Mormon*, *Hello, Dolly!*, *Beetlejuice* and *Beautiful*. In April, Scenic Art Studios was awarded the 2019 Tony Honors for Excellence in the Theatre, an award given to individuals and groups whose work doesn't fall into the usual Tony Award categories. Today, the company

can have as many as 50 of their scenic artists working in different locations.

Forbes said his experiences working with a set designer to turn their vision into a reality has run the gambit. "Ultimately the set designer is the boss and the more open dialogue I can have with them, the better." Some designers really enjoy the process, according to Forbes. "When they really look to you to take what they've come up with and apply your talents — that's when the design

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# PV Town Board Okays No Trucks Signs for Tinker Hill Road

By Neal Rentz

The Putnam Valley Town Board voted unanimously on September 18 to have the Highway Department place No Trucks Allowed signs on Tinker Hill Road in an effort to improve safety on the street.

The street was discussed by Ron Cummings, vice chairman of the Putnam County Traffic Safety Board, and town Highway Superintendent Larry Cobb.

"We received a lot of complaints from people about Tinker Hill," Cummings said. The Town Board and Cobb contacted his

board about the street, Cummings said. "We have been working with the New York State Department of Transportation on how to change the laws so that Tinker Hill can be made a safer place."

"I don't like going down that road on a dry day, a sunny day," Cobb said. "People take their lives in their hands going down the road in a truck."

Trucks must follow the truck route in town, Cobb stressed. "It's signed very well. There should be no more excuses," he said.



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Ron Cummings (L), vice chairman of the Putnam County Traffic Safety Board, and Putnam Valley Highway Superintendent Larry Cobb discussed Tinker Hill Road at the Sept. 18 Putnam Valley Town Board meeting.

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## Edward Clinton

Edward P. Clinton, a resident of Patterson, formerly of Larchmont, died September 25 at his home. He was 59.

He was born March 28, 1960 in New Rochelle to James and Elenor (Gieger) Clinton. A graduate of Mamaroneck High School, he then graduated from New Mexico Tech. He married the love of his life, Tami Connolly on May 27, 1989 in Mamaroneck.

Mr. Clinton was a Captain with the Scarsdale Fire Department for 20 years. During this time he began a new profession as an exterminator with Sound Shore Pest Control in Larchmont. Following his years as a firefighter, he continued his work as an exterminator until he found himself learning the ropes in the lumber department at the Home Depot in Brewster.

He was a volunteer with the Town of Mamaroneck Ambulance Corp and Fire Department.

He greatly enjoyed his many cats and dogs through the years. Edward took special care tending to his gardens which surrounded his home.

Besides his wife Tami of 30 years, he is survived by his brother Peter (Ruth) Clinton of Jacksonville, FL, his three sisters-in-law, Dawn (Robert) Fischer of Brewster, Hollie (Tommy) Nordmann of Mamaroneck, and Gay (Frank) Braiotta of Brewster, and his

brother-in-law Todd (Kristine) Connolly of New Rochelle.. Also many nieces and nephews.

## Anthony Mura

Anthony Della Mura, a resident of Mahopac, formerly of Mt. Vernon, died peacefully and unexpectedly surrounded by his loving family on September 22 in White Plains. He was 77.

He was born on February 13, 1942 in Maiori, Italy to Gennaro and Assunata (Massoli) Della Mura. After finishing college in Italy, he came to America at the young age of 23, to live the "American Dream." As a young immigrant, he had to learn a whole new language, find work but he was filled with joy when he met the love of his life, Josephine DiCairano. They were married on December 10, 1966 in Mt. Vernon, and were blessed with three wonderful children; Carmine, Vincent, and Susie.

Before he retired, he worked for the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea (A&P) Company as a Dairy Manager in New Rochelle, where he made many life-long friends and his regular clients were like family to him.

To Mr. Mura, nothing was more important than family, he was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, father-in-law, brother, uncle, cousin and a friend to many. For Mr.

Mura, spending time with his family and friends was his greatest joy; he especially loved spending time with his beloved grandchildren, who fondly called him Grandpa. His faith was an essential part of his life and he was a member of St. John the Evangelist Church in Mahopac for many years.

He was an avid soccer fan and the team he was most passionate about was S.S.C. Napoli. Mr. Mura was, in true Italian fashion, a superb gardener. He spent many hours joyfully toiling away in his garden. He loved to share the bounty of his labors with family and friends.

He is survived by his best friend and devoted wife of almost 53 years; Josephine, his three loving children; Carmine Della Mura and daughter-in-law Christi of Mahopac, Vincent Della Mura of Mahopac, and Susie Della Mura of Mahopac; two cherished grandchildren Matthew and Michelle Della Mura, whom he adored and each child held a special place in his heart. Also survived by his brothers Carmine Della Mura of Mt Vernon, NY, Pietro Della Mura, of Shrub Oak, his sisters; Vincenza Minerva, of Parsippany NJ, Suor Chiara Della Mura, in Portugal and Giovanna Coelho of Duluth, GA and many adoring nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sister Suor Bibiana Della Mura.



She joins her mother, Georgianna; her father, Donald; stepfather, Bob Sloat; sister's, Holly Rodriguez and Geraldine Sniffen; brother, Joseph Sniffen and lifelong friend, Lucio LaForgia, in Heaven. She is survived by her husband, David Maglin; children, Erika Miller (Charles Moncion), Crystal White (Dennis) and John Carlos; grandchildren, Kiara, Isabella, Charles, and Olivia Moncion; siblings, Donald, Miracle, Frances, Alfred (Barbara), Robert (Mary) and Charles (Marie) Sniffen and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated Saturday, October 5 at 10 a.m. at Holy Name of Mary Church in Croton-on-Hudson. Flowers are being accepted or in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the World Wildlife Fund ([www.worldwildlife.org](http://www.worldwildlife.org)) in Rose's memory.

## Roger Gair

Roger Edward Gair, a resident of Putnam Valley, died September 22. He was 70.

He was born December 24, 1948 in New York City to Harry and Harriet Gair. He is survived by his wife Lilly M. Gair, two sons Stephen Harry Gair and Christopher Shaffsick, a daughter Elizabeth Osgood and two brothers Anthony Gair and Donald Gair. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

## The Scenic Worlds of PV Resident, Tony Winner Joseph Forbes

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grows, changes and morphs into a living, breathing thing right up to opening night."

There have been many changes over the many years Forbes has built and created sets and backdrops. A big difference has been the escalating costs for both film and theater productions. "Today scenery for a Broadway musical can easily cost \$1 to \$2 million – and that's just for the scenery," said Forbes. "The smaller shows have smaller budgets and could be \$250,000. But there's a lot that goes into it. It's why ticket prices are so high."

Also, in the 1990s, communicating directly with someone like the Tony Award-winning theater producer David Merrick on a Broadway production was, for Forbes, straightforward. "Now you have to deal with giant corporations like Warner Brothers or Disney," explained Forbes. "These guys are the producers, they own intellectual property for the show and it's an entirely different animal."

When Forbes realized he was out-growing New York City, he and his wife looked north. "We discovered Putnam Valley was a little slice of paradise and it was only an hour from the city." He and his wife Debra Forbes and their two children, Emma and Colin, made Putnam Valley their home. Today, Colin is in the movie industry working with HBO and Emma is a marine scientist working on climate issues in Hawaii. Debra Forbes is the Vice President/Charge Scenic Artist at Scenic Art Studios.

Ten years ago, Forbes started teaching scene building at SUNY Purchase, but he left last year. Because teaching was and is

so important to Forbes, in 2004 he founded a not-for-profit theatrical scene painting school, also in Newburgh, called the Studio and Forum of Scenic Arts. The school offers a six-semester program that can be cut short for those with a drawing and painting background. Also, every Saturday there is a class in traditional painting skills. Every year the school takes a high school intern, sometimes from the local Newburgh Free Academy; others have been from the Royal Academy in London and the Royal Academy in Scotland.

"For some interns we offer tutoring in English and math," said Forbes. "If we want these kids to succeed. They need to understand math and know how to write." Forbes said he was passionate about his school. "When you see a 20-year old kid lighting up the first time they see how a completed set comes together, there's no feeling in the world like that. That's what drives me."

Forbes sees an abundance of opportunities today for those pursuing a career in scene building and set design, especially with new film studios opening in the greater metropolitan area. Recently Robert De Niro announced opening studios in Yonkers and New York City, another is said to be opened by HBO in Poughkeepsie.

"There's a lot of work in this field and the union is having has trouble finding artists who are qualified," Forbes explained. "Scene painting is a hidden gem and it's really for someone who has good, artistic ability. If you are good at it, it offers a tremendous lifestyle, wages usually start at \$50/hour and full benefits packages. And, it's a lot of fun."

## Rosemary Underwood

Rosemary (Rose) Theresa (Sniffen) Underwood, a resident of Croton-on-Hudson, died September 25. She was 57.

She was born October 19, 1961 to Donald James and Georgianna Elizabeth (Beardsley) Sniffen in North Tarrytown. She recently retired from a lifelong career with two school districts and was able to finally travel and enjoy retirement.

She was a devoted wife, mother, mother-in-law, sister, sister-in-law, aunt and grandmother. She enjoyed cooking, gardening, playing cards, and watching tennis. She loved, most of all, animals, including her cat "Whiskey" and spending time with her grandchildren, at the Hudson River and the lake in New Hampshire. She opened her heart and her home to many over the years and will be truly missed by family, friends and all that knew her.

## Vote to Pay for Ambulance Corps Boilers Withdrawn in Putnam Valley

By Neal Rentz

Faced with a lack of votes among his colleagues on the five-member Putnam Valley Town Board, Supervisor Sam Oliverio Jr. withdrew a resolution to fund the emergency purchase of two boilers for the town's Volunteer Ambulance Corps at the September 18 meeting.

The total cost of purchasing the two boilers would have been \$24,500. With no support of a majority of the Town Board, Oliverio took his purchase resolution from last week's agenda. "I didn't have the votes," he said.

Oliverio said money for the boilers was approved "through the budgetary process"

for the 2019 budget, but added a majority of his colleagues did not agree with him

Oliverio said purchasing the boilers would not have raised taxes because the money would have come from the town's fund balance.

In an interview following last week's meeting Oliverio said the Ambulance Corps asked for an increase in funding for the current year of 18 percent, but the Town Board decided to hike spending for the ambulance corps by three percent.

With the failure to attract a majority of board members to approve the purchase of the boilers, the Ambulance Corps will have to raise the money on its own, Oliverio said.



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## Editorial

# 25 Years of Providing Hope and Help

Whether it's a business, a friendship or a marriage, reaching 25 years is quite a milestone, and an achievement certainly worth celebrating.

On Sunday, October 6, the 25th Support-A-Walk will be held at FDR State Park in Yorktown, Support Connection's annual fundraiser that draws thousands of people with a special bond and a common mission.

More than 10,000 individuals have received guidance and emotionally assistance from the remarkable and dedicated staff at Support Connection since the unique non-profit organization was started to offer a helping hand and a compassionate ear to women and their families and friends affected by breast and ovarian cancer.

All of their confidential services, which have steadily grown over the years, are free. There is no other place like it, since all the professional peer counselors on staff, and other staff members, are cancer survivors

and know first-hand the fear and anxiety that a cancer diagnosis creates.

"We're needed now more than ever," said Kathy Quinn, Support Connection's longtime Executive Director, and who this year's Support-A-Walk Honorary Chairpersons Denise and Lou D'Amico called the "heart and soul" of the Yorktown-based entity. "This is really amazing what we have here."

Amazing, without a doubt, since Support Connection relies on donations and is not affiliated with any of the larger national cancer groups. It's as grassroots as it gets, and it is thrived and survived because of the generosity of average citizens who want to make a difference for a loved one in need.

Support-A-Walk is an event like no other, where the human spirit is on full display. For a few hours on the first Sunday in October, those currently battling cancer or in remission can come together with others in their shoes to share a hug and stories on

what is and isn't working for them in their personal fight.

It's also powerful when families and friends unite at the walk to fondly remember someone who has left this Earth but has left behind memories to always cherish.

The success of Support Connection has shown that dreams can come true, and when people with passion for a cause never lose sight of what the purpose is, anything is possible, especially when the lives of people are at stake.

"The first 25 years has energized us to more forward for the next 25 years and beyond," Quinn said. "It's been a good run for us."

To ensure that run continues for another quarter of a century, get up early and walk on October 6 at Support-A-Walk. You're guaranteed to be inspired and empowered.

## Letters to the Editor

# Spot Zoning: Arbitrary, Discriminatory, Unreasonable

A call to arms was sounded at the September 24th Kent Town Board Meeting by a standing room only Town Hall audience in the fight against a forthcoming petition for a zoning amendment to change Kent's zoning law. 150 concerned and outraged residents emphatically voiced opposition to the proposed Rt 52 Kent Truck Stop/Hotel development, and ardently appealed to the Town Board to unanimously vote "NO" on an anticipated zoning amendment. Although yet to be submitted for the Town Board Agenda, Michael Caruso, the attorney for the developer, Kent Country Square, LLC, has publicly stated they are drafting a petition to request a change to Town Zoning law to permit five story construction.

Residents cited the well-developed 2008 Town of Kent Comprehensive Plan, which was forged in an attempt to reconcile community goals for conservation and

development over the next twenty years, and which defines the primary planning issues as preserving rural character, protecting natural features, and strengthening the established settlement pattern; as well as the existing Kent Town Code zoning law limiting development to three stories as rational to prohibit the change.

Residents vehemently contested the use of Spot Zoning, the process of singling out a parcel of land for a use classification totally different from that of the surrounding area, for the sole benefit of a single owner of such property, or a single development interest, at the expense of the community as a whole. Spot Zoning occurs whenever the change is other than part of a well-considered and comprehensive plan calculated to serve the general welfare of the community; it is the antithesis of zoning undertaken in accordance with that well-considered plan.

Whether Town Officials heed the sentiments of their constituents remains to be seen. How they vote on the zoning amendment will tell all. Will they acknowledge Spot Zoning for what it is: an abuse of the power delegated by the state to its municipalities; an infringement of the property rights of the many as against a privileged few?

I urge all to make your voices known - demand our Town Leaders fulfill their responsibility to faithfully represent their constituents as well as follow the Town Code. Attend the October 22nd Town Board meeting to air your public comments.

Very truly yours,  
Maureen Galway-Perotti  
Town of Kent

# Eckhardt Has Earned My Reelection Vote

These two may not seem linked: a New York State \$200,000 grant to renovate the historic Old Town Hall theater that was announced last month, and a New York State \$100,000 grant to support the Peaceable Hill Water District that was announced a few years earlier. The first will bring fresh vitality to Brewster Village and support our talented arts community. And the second is a significant local infrastructure improvement. The first was brought to life by our State Senator Peter Harkham, a Democrat, and the second by representative to the State Assembly, Kevin Byrne, a Republican.

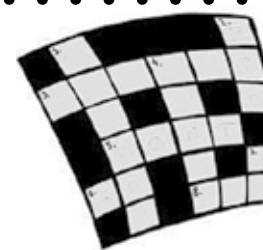
The connection: Southeast Town Board member Lynne Eckardt, who is both effective and tireless in making good things happen for residents like me. In both cases, Lynne reached out to these two important elected officials, spent time with them, and

advocated for our needs.

On a personal level, I'm especially excited about the theater grant, which will support the valuable work of the Studio Around the Corner. I'm a children's book writer, and the Studio Around the Corner has hosted book events for me. I want the organization to thrive—not just for me but for all the artists we're lucky enough to have in town.

So on Election Day—or by early voting if I can't wait—I will cast my ballot for Lynne Eckardt, a vote for energetic, hard-working, committed representation in Southeast.

Sincerely,  
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**Business  
of the Week**

# Dr. Scott Schwartz Croton-on-Hudson

By Neal Rentz

White Plains resident Dr. Scott Schwartz has been leading a dental practice in transition in Croton-on-Hudson.

The practice on Baltic Place had been owned by Dr. Bard Levey for about 20 years, Schwartz said recently. Levey is planning to leave the area and for the past two months they have been working together on the ownership transition. Levey has helped him in such areas as teaching him about the area and an open house was held recently to introduce Schwartz to Levey's patients and give them a chance to say goodbye to Levey, Schwartz said.

Levey will stay for a few more weeks and then become a professor at the University of Tennessee, Schwartz said.

One of the first things Schwartz did in his new practice was to send out letters and e-mails about the transition. Schwartz added the practice's Instagram and Web site are being updated. Schwartz's personal Instagram account is The Tooth Guy. The practice is also on Facebook.

Schwartz, who previously practiced in New York City and White Plains, has been a dentist for six years. "I love the medical field. I never wanted to become a medical doctor," he said. Schwartz said he followed a family friend who was a dentist. "I fell in love



PROVIDED PHOTO

Dr. Scott Schwartz (far right) recently took ownership of the dental practice on Baltic Place in Croton. Also shown above from the left are hygienist Delsi Barrera, Dr. Bard Levey, who will be leaving the practice in a few weeks, and office manager Jasmine Bost.

with it right away," he said.

"We provide almost all dental services," Schwartz explained, adding his practice his offering more services than the previous practice did.

One of the services is "crown in a day," Schwartz said. Traditionally, a person gets a temporary crown for about two weeks until the permanent crown is created off site, Schwartz said. But permanent crowns

are available on the same day in his new practice. "We'll take a digital scan and we'll mill the crown in-house and it's made in about 30 minutes or so," he said.

"One of the biggest things that we're trying to do here is to have the best, newest, state-of-the-art equipment," Schwartz said. For example, the practice is implementing new cameras to look inside a patient's mouth and show the image on a big screen television screen.

Some of the other services provided include root canals and implants, Schwartz noted. Services are provided for family members of all ages, he said. "I'd like to keep it as a family practice," he said. Though most of his patients live in the Croton area, other patients live elsewhere in Westchester, Schwartz said.

The current Croton practice is the first one Schwartz has owned. Being an owner has "definitely more responsibility," he said. His new responsibilities include working with the staff. "I have a great team," Schwartz said. "They've been really helpful for me getting through this transition."

Schwartz said he wants his practice to become "the go-to dental office in this area."

*The office of Dr. Scott Schwartz is located at One Baltic Place in Croton. For more information, call 914-271-6224 or visit <https://youramazingsmile.com/>.*

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# Fall Chores in the Garden Can Be the Most Gratifying

As a realtor, I show homes that have various types of yards and gardens. Especially when a client is from the city, I am always sure to point out the care and maintenance that is required outside.

I remember well when I first moved from the city to my country home, I was a bit overwhelmed by the attention and sweat my property required. After just one growing season, however, I was hooked as an ardent gardener and accepted the considerable toil with pleasure.

I have found that, for me, autumn in the garden and yard can be most gratifying as deciduous trees and perennials start to yawn, preparing for a long winter's sleep, accompanied by that sweet smell that comes from plants releasing their chemistry and the crisp, clean sound of decaying leaves falling to the ground. It forecasts shorter days. The only outdoor chore that remains is clearing walkways of snow and ice.

While spring is probably everybody's favorite time in the garden, the fall signifies the finiteness of garden chores. When a weed is pulled, it stays pulled and doesn't replace itself with double the aggression. When perennials are deadheaded, the gardener can take a furlough from assuring

that they are properly fed and watered, but will welcome them back in spring after they both have rested.

The proportions of any garden change as the perennial and annual growth are whacked back, which makes the vistas more open from one bed to the other. Also, it eliminates many of the planning mistakes from one season to the next, as errant plans are abandoned and bulbs and perennial roots are moved to other locations.

More creative joy comes from choosing which mums to feature as the color transitions from fall to winter. While you will see drifts of mum plants on some properties that have

every color in the fall palate, I always liked to stick to one color, two at the most.

For the longest display of mum flowers, it's best to buy those where most of the plant is still buds. When the mums fade, just leave them where they are; they maintain a nice mound throughout the winter and you can cut them back in early spring. If you're lucky, they may return, but sometimes they don't, depending on winter conditions.

I now live at Trump Park where there is a fantastic landscaping program three seasons of the year. But I look back on my long-term gardening chores with great

pleasure and nostalgia. My most gratifying fall jobs was always building up the mulch beds to make them look well-tended and keeping the perennial roots from heaving.

I always asked my tree service provider to send me a truck load of wood chips if they are very clean (no leaves) and processed into smaller chips. Truly, it's as good as expensive mulch. In fact, I liked it better because it offered more texture and looked more natural to me.

Here are other garden tips at this time of year:

1. Harvest any vegetables left on plants. It's important to pull out all of the crops because debris left over the winter can cause diseases to enter the soil and reappear the next spring.

2. This is the time when you can add horse manure or compost to the soil because that allows plenty of time for it to break down.

3. For those who like to bring houseplants inside, they should all be gathered into a shady area for a few days to get them used to low light conditions. Make certain that they are clean and free from little critters.

4. Perennials that are overcrowded or growing in a large ring with the center portion missing means that it's time to subdivide. You'll become popular with your neighbors if you share the excess. Cut back the remaining perennials to three to six inches in height.

5. Prepare for brilliant displays of daffodils, tulips and crocuses in spring by

planting bulbs now. Do not plant them in tidy rows but rather "broadcast" them in drifts on the surface and plant them where they land for a more natural look.

6. For those who have the patience to endure the rigors of rose maintenance, it is time to prune dead branches and cut off any old flowers. Rose bushes should be mounded using topsoil or mulch and the canes should be cut back to six to 12 inches. For better protection, the bush can be covered with a bushel basket.

7. Also, this is the best time to transplant shrubs or young trees to new locations.

I don't advise readers about preparing lawns in the fall for next spring because I must confess that for years I didn't aerate and thatch the soil and I didn't fertilize. Because my former property was first cultivated in the early 18th century, I felt that I got a free pass to a very naturalized lawn accepting crabgrass and dandelions with grace.

But then, I engaged a wonderful lawn care service that took care of all those great chores that I said I was too busy to do. I do hope that it wasn't because I was too lazy.

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## Wednesday, October 2

**Destress & Declutter:** Reed Library 11 a.m. Learn clutter-reducing techniques for your home, head and heart. Reduce anxiety and increase productivity. Please call the library to register, 845-225-2439.

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educational activities designed for pre-schoolers to 3rd graders. Tickets Entrance fee covers all activities including hayrides, pony rides, arts & crafts, live entertainment, self-guided tours of the Farm & Wildlife Center.

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## Saturday, October 5

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## SMALL NEWS IS BIG NEWS

## NYPD Officer from Yorktown Killed in Bronx Shooting

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Frank Catalina recalled Mulkeen attending Monroe Woodbury schools with his children.

"He was the sweetest, kindest kid I've ever met! He played on a CYO basketball team I coached and he lived three houses away from ours," Catalina posted on Facebook. "His parents, Brian and Camille, are unbelievably kind and wonderful people. Every time we lose a cop or soldier, we hear how great of a person they were, so you can add this testament to my homage to someone who was not far from my own son. Terrible loss for NYPD and horrific

loss for his family, parents, sister, girlfriend and extended family. Please keep them in your prayers."

The New York Police and Fire Widows' and Children's Benefit Fund, also known as Answer the Call, said they are donating \$25,000 to Mulkeen's family.

A wake for Mulkeen will be held Thursday, October 3 in Orange County from 1 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. at Smith, Seaman & Quackenbush Funeral Home on 117 Maple Ave. East in Monroe. A funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, October 4, at the Church of the Sacred Heart at 26 Still Road in Monroe.

## SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF PUTNAM SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS AND NOTICE

**Index No. 501607/2018**

**Date Filed: 9/12/2019**

**HSBC Bank, USA, National Association**, as trustee, for the J.P. Morgan Mortgage Trust 2007-A1, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Plaintiff, -against- **James Corry a/k/a James C. Corry**, if he be living or dead, his spouse, heirs, devisees, distributees and successors in interest, all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to Plaintiff; **Merrill Corry a/k/a Merrill B. Corry**, State of New York; and "JOHN DOE", said name being fictitious, it being the intention of Plaintiff to designate any and all occupants of premises being foreclosed herein, and any parties, corporations or entities, if any, having or claiming an interest or lien upon the mortgaged premises, Defendants.

**PROPERTY ADDRESS: 44 Salem Ridge Road, Carmel, NY 10521**

**TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED** to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or a notice of appearance on the attorneys for the Plaintiff within thirty (30) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may appear within sixty (60) days of service hereof. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

**TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:** The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Hon. Victor G. Grossman, a Justice of the Supreme Court, Putnam County, entered Sept. 11, 2019 and filed with the complaint and other papers in the Putnam County Clerk's Office.

**NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT** of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure \$504,000.00 and interest, recorded in the Putnam County

Clerk's Office on August 16, 2004, at Liber 4299 of Mortgages, page 237 covering remises known as 44 Salem Ridge Road, Carmel, NY 10521 a/k/a Section 65, Block 1, Lot 27.

The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above. Plaintiff designates Putnam County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgaged premises is situated.

**NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME IF YOU DO NOT RESPOND TO THIS SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE MORTGAGE COMPANY WHO FILED THIS FORECLOSURE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT, A DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED AND YOU CAN LOSE YOUR HOME.SPEAK TO AN ATTORNEY OR GO TO THE COURT WHERE YOUR CASE IS PENDING FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON HOW TO ANSWER**

**THE SUMMONS AND PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY. SENDING A PAYMENT TO YOUR MORTGAGE COMPANY WILL NOT STOP THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION.**

**YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.**

Dated: August 26, 2019  
Frank M. Cassara, Esq.  
Senior Associate Attorney

**SHAPIRO, DICARO & BARAK, LLC**  
Attorneys for Plaintiff

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*The annual Putnam County Columbus Day Parade will take place Sunday, October 6, in Mahopac, NY. The line up will be at 1:30 pm, with the parade starting at 2:30 pm.*

The assemblage of bands and marchers will be following a new and shortened parade route along Route 6 (East to West) lining up and commencing at Lake Casse Road (on Route 6). It will conclude with music and food at the beautiful Mahopac Chamber of Commerce County Park on Route 6N in downtown Mahopac.

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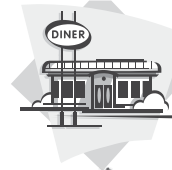
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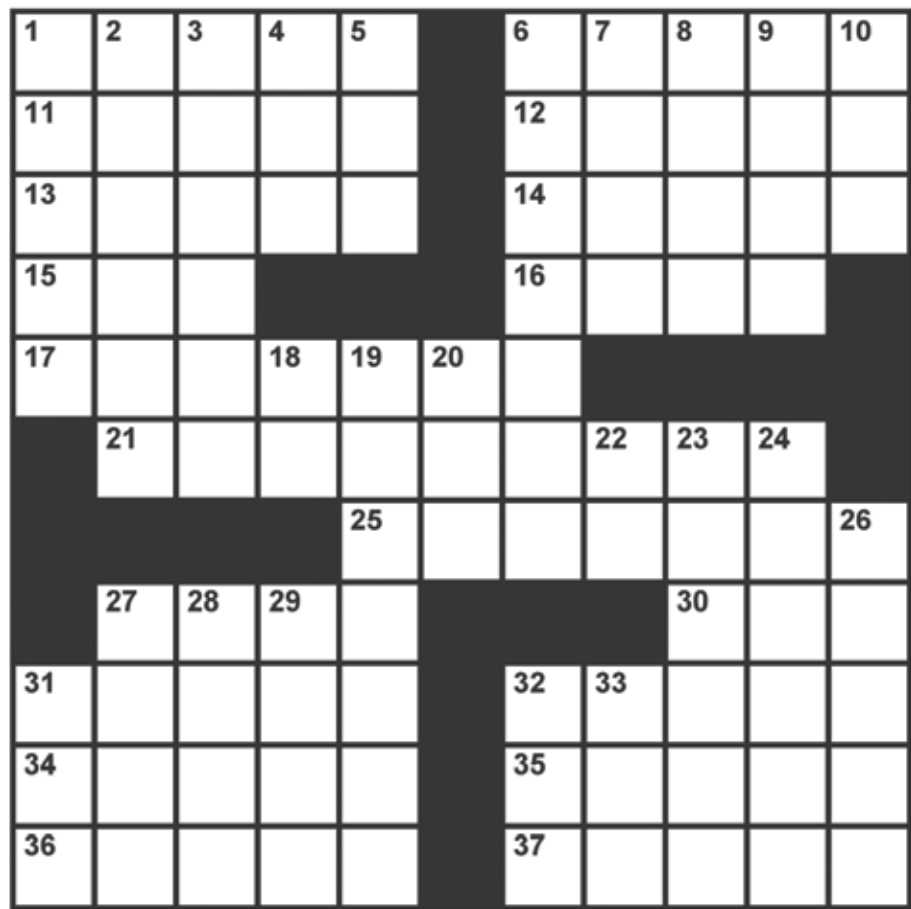
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Crossword Puzzle



Crossword by Myles Mellor

Answers on page 15

**Across**

- 1. Salt away
- 6. Acted as a ringer
- 11. Volcano outputs
- 12. Network connections
- 13. Skip the usual wedding preparations
- 14. In the slightest degree
- 15. Cornfield sound
- 16. Puts down
- 17. Any way you spell it, this Mahopac ice cream shop means “quality”
- 21. Physical problems
- 25. Cleopatra paramour or Carmel Jeweler
- 27. Character in Asimov’s “Foundation Series”
- 30. Mole org.
- 31. Out of port
- 32. Expert
- 34. Child’s playground toy
- 35. Receive charity
- 36. Part of a table setting
- 37. Equals

**Down**

- 1. Smart one
- 2. African republic
- 3. Statement of belief
- 4. Oracle competitor
- 5. Compass point
- 6. Wall Street worker
- 7. Little bit
- 8. W.W. II turning point

- 9. Snaky swimmers
- 10. High-speed Internet inits.
- 18. \_\_\_ Bean, retailer
- 19. Burning up
- 20. Most spotted card
- 22. Quiet!
- 23. Tertiary period
- 24. Marksman
- 26. “Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows” director David
- 27. New Year’s Day game
- 28. Largest continent
- 29. Monthly budget item
- 31. Teaspoon, abbr.
- 32. Payroll processing company
- 33. Anonymous Jane

Putnam Valley Town Day



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Fortified Wine: It's Time It Receives the Recognition It Warrants



By Nick Antonaccio

The notion of naturally produced wines has gained significant support and popularity in the United States. Left behind have been naturally produced wines that are fortified. These wines have been further processed with alcohol, typically brandy, a good deal of which are naturally produced.

I was never a big fan of fortified wines. But I've been fortunate in the past few years to enjoy a number of excellent, palate pleasing wines that happen to be fortified.

Sometimes it's been port, other times sherry, on a few occasions madeira. I will freely admit that it has taken me a number of years to develop an appreciation for this style of wine. I believe my experiences were likely influenced by the bad rap to which these wines were subjected. There was the fortified wine of my teenage years, Thunderbird, followed, as a responsible twenty-something by Dry Sack Sherry (yecch). It was a bottle of vintage 1970 Dow Port I received

on my 40th birthday that opened a new world of sensory pleasures to me; it was more sophisticated and more complex than many table wines I had previously enjoyed.

Even today, each time I pour a glass from an open bottle, it is different than the first or most recent pour from that bottle. I find this is the defining element of these wines. They are living, breathing organisms that for several decades undergo constant changes in aromas and flavors. Each pour is steeped in nuance and is meant to be contemplated. Think of a Shakespearean passage that holds a different meaning each time it is read.

There are several types and styles of fortified wines, depending on their country of origin, the fortification process employed and the length of aging.

1. Port. This has been the signature wine of Portugal since the 16th century. The fortification is achieved from adding brandy to fermenting red wine, which halts the fermentation at a critical stage, sustaining the sugars present in the barrel. In this manner, the wines are able to develop their signature structure of raisins and a slight sweetness, making them perfect as dessert wines.



2. Sherry. During the Age of Discovery, Spanish explorers stocked their ocean-going ships with fortified wines, insuring that the wines would not spoil on long voyages. Produced from white grapes and ranging from lighter-

bodied to deep, complex, full-bodied styles, Sherries have a much more diverse profile than Port. Although fortified in the same manner as Port, the brandy is added at the end of the fermentation process, resulting in a drier style than Port and easier to blend to a winemaker's preference. This makes most Sherries a preferred aperitif wine.

3. Madeira. On this island off the Portuguese mainland, wine is fortified in a manner similar to Sherry, with one pronounced difference. Upon completion of fermentation, the wine is distilled in oak casks – literally slow-cooked for up to three months before bottling. The concentrated end product has sophisticated, complex flavors that are best enjoyed in front of a roaring fire (with your favorite cheese).

4. Marsala. This is not the bottle that is in your kitchen pantry. Produced in Sicily from white (or red) indigenous grapes, it is fortified in a similar manner to Port. It is a lighter, softer, nuanced wine that is best when served chilled and paired with fruit or hearty cheeses. Recently revitalized, Sicilian winemakers have made this a wine to be

'isolate your personal palate preferences'

sought out. The best way for you to introduce yourself to these wines is through a wine-by-the-glass list at a local restaurant, tapas bar or wine bar. Once you've isolated your personal palate preferences, purchase a bottle at a local wine shop.

I encourage you to take a step back – clear your perceptions of fortified wines – and enhance your wine experiences with a fresh look at what's being offered today. Your palate, and your psyche, will thank you.

Nick Antonaccio is a 40-year Pleasantville resident. For over 20 years he has conducted numerous wine tastings and lectures. Nick is a member of the Wine Media Guild of wine writers. He also offers personalized wine tastings and wine travel services. Nick's credo: continuous experimenting results in instinctive behavior. You can reach him at nantonaccio@theexaminernews.com or on Twitter @sharingwine.

Crossword  
Answers

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**ESTOPPEL NOTICE** On August 26, 2019, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Pleasantville, Westchester County, New York (the "Village") adopted a Bond

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Westchester County, New York. Noreen Regan Deputy Village Clerk, Village of Pleasantville, Westchester County, New York

**Town of Putnam Valley Work Session October 2, 2019 5 P.M. Public Hearings**

1. Expansion of septic pump out law
2. Deicer law Regular Meeting
3. Presentation of Town Budget by Sherry Howard, Town Clerk.
4. Discussion: rescind Town law prohibiting paint ball games and activities within the Town of Putnam Valley.
5. Schedule of 2020 Preliminary Budget Meetings.

Please be advised that the next meeting of the **Planning Board** will be held at **Town Hall, 265 Oscawana Lake Road on Monday October 7, 2019** for the purpose of considering the following applications: **Regular Meeting Start Time: 6:00pm**

**AGENDA PUBLIC HEARING** The following public hearings have been scheduled for **October 7, 2019 at 6:00PM** (or as soon thereafter as agenda conditions permit) at the **Putnam Valley Town Hall, 265 Oscawana Lake Road, Putnam Valley, New York, 10579**. All interested

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parties are invited to attend and will be heard. A copy of the application materials and plans may be inspected during normal business hours at the office of the Planning Board Clerk, Town of Putnam Valley Town Hall. 1. **Putnam Valley Fire Station- Oscawana Lake Road (TM#72.20-1-7.12& 7.11/File2019-0199)** The subject property consist of +/- 10.3 acres of land and is located on Oscawana Lake Road and within the R-2 Zoning District. The applicant is proposing soil remediation of contaminated fill that was placed on the Fire Department and the Ambulance Corps. Properties. The remedial design project includes re-grading the unstable slopes and construction of a clean soil cover over the top of the contaminated fill. 2. **Sposato Adam- 694 Sprout Brook Road TM#72.15-1-23/File 2019-0198)** The subject property consist of +/-1.004 acres of land and is located on 694 Sprout Brook Road and within the R-1 Zoning District. The applicant is proposing an accessory apartment attached at the rear of the existing residence. A Site Development Plan and Special Use Permit is required. **SKETCH 3. Gjonaj, Chris- White Rock Road (TM#73.-2-30.1/File2017-0170)** The subject property is comprised of +/- 3.9 acres and is located on White Rock Road within the R-3 Zoning District. The applicant is proposing to construct a single family residence, driveway, septic system and well. 4. **Fields, Harrison-15 Locust Glen**

**Road (TM#73.-1-44/File 2019-0202)** The subjects property is comprised of +/- 1.99 acres and is located on 15 Locust Glen Road within the R-3 Zoning District. The applicant is proposing to construct a log cabin home on existing foundation. 5. **Copper/Bier- 23 Twin Pines Road (TM#74.-1-5/File 2019-0201)** The applicant is proposing to demolish and reconstruct a single- family residence. The subject property is located in the Three Arrow Co-op and within the R-3 Zoning District. 6. **Putnam Valley Fire Station- Oscawana Lake Road (TM#72.20-1-7/File2019-0196)** The property consist of +/- 10.3 acres of land and is located on Oscawana Lake Road and within the R-2 Zoning District. The applicant is proposing to construct a Fire Station building +/-30,000 sq.ft. in size, with well and septic system, 127 parking spaces, stormwater management facilities and related site improvements. 7. **Putnam Valley Volunteer Ambulance Corp. (TM# 72.20-1-7.11/File2019-0204)** The applicant is proposing an amended site plan for improvements to allow shared access and parking with proposed fire station on adjacent property. The Planning Board will consider adopting a resolution declaring intent for lead agency for the Fire House and Ambulance Corp. project. **EXTENSION 8. Fiorentino, Annette- Wiccopee Road (TM#41.-2-14/File2017-0169)** **APPROVAL OF MINUTES 9. Approve**



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**SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS AND NOTICE of Object of Action Supreme Court of the State Of New York County Of Putnam** U.S. Bank National Association, Not In Its Individual Capacity But Solely As Trustee For The RMAC Trust, Series 2016-CTT Action to Foreclose a Mortgage Index #: 500437/2019 Mortgaged Premises: 7 Lakeview Road Carmel, NY 10512 SBL #: 55.20 - 1 - 9

**Plaintiff, vs Catherine A. Cercena** If Living, And If He/She Be Dead, Any And All Persons Unknown To Plaintiff, Claiming, Or Who May Claim To Have An Interest In, Or General Or Specific Lien Upon The Real Property Described In This Action; Such Unknown Persons Being Herein Generally Described And Intended To Be Included In Wife, Widow, Husband, Widower, Heirs At Law, Next Of Kin, Descendants, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Legatees, Creditors, Trustees, Committees, Lienors, And Assignees Of Such Deceased, Any And All Persons Deriving Interest In Or Lien Upon, Or Title To Said Real Property By, Through Or Under Them, Or Either Of Them, And Their Respective Wives, Widows, Husbands, Widowers, Heirs At Law, Next Of Kin, Descendants, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Legatees, Creditors, Trustees, Committees, Lienors, And Assigns, All Of Whom And Whose Names, Except As Stated, Are Unknown To Plaintiff, Hsbc Bank USA, N.A., People Of The State Of New York, United States Of America Acting Through The IRS John Doe (Those unknown tenants, occupants, persons or corporations or their heirs,

distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, guardians, assignees, creditors or successors claiming an interest in the mortgaged premises.) Defendant(s).

**TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT:** You are hereby summoned to answer the Complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Supplemental Summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff(s) attorney(s) within twenty days after the service of this Supplemental Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this Supplemental Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York). In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

The Attorney for Plaintiff has an office for business in the County of Erie. Trial to be held in the County of Putnam. The basis of the venue designated above is the location of the Mortgaged Premises. **TO Catherine A. Cercena Defendant in this Action.** The foregoing Supplemental Summons is served upon you by publication, pursuant to an order of HON. Victor G. Grossman of the Supreme Court Of The State Of New York, dated the Twelfth day of September, 2019 and filed with the Complaint in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Putnam, in the City of Carmel. The object of this action is to foreclose a mortgage upon the premises described below, dated October 25, 2006, executed by Catherine A. Cercena to secure the sum of \$343,400.00. The Mortgage

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**YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.**

DATED: September 18, 2019  
**Gross Polowy, LLC**  
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**Mahopac Lets  
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over RCK, 6-1  
over Mount  
Vernon**

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Mahopac's Nick Biagini, Chris Perrone, Mendim Berisha, Bryce Sobieski and Nick Pawliczko are all smiles during the Class AA Indians' 3-0 League I-AA whitewash of visiting RCK last Friday when Berisha scored twice. The Indians (4-6-1) followed that up with a 6-1 win over visiting Mount Vernon Saturday... see Soccer Notebook



## Sports

## Soccer Notebook

## Somers Boys', Girls' on Impressive Early-Season Tears

By Ray Gallagher  
Examiner Sports Editor@Directrays

There are good stories all about the Section 1 pitch, but Somers, where the reigning Section 1 champion boys' program is back on course, and lady Tuskus are making a splash similar to years past, is on fire.

## GIRLS SOCCER

**SOMERS** is shaping up as a legit Class A girls' title contender, currently ranked No.5 in NYS. Coach Paul Saia's Tuskus are 7-1-1 after their 6-0 whitewashing of Walter Panas last Thursday. Somers scored two goals in the first half and broke it open with four in the second half. Tuskus Ella Kittredge and Jessica Rodriguez each tickled twine twice while Alexis Atkinson and Ilaria Adornetto also found the back of the net. Dahlia Pepe, Alexa Vanga (2A), Danielle Accocella, Victoria Righetti and Angelina Hurtado each set up goals, putting nine Tuskus on the score sheet.

"I do like the balanced scoring," Coach Saia said. "It should make things more difficult for the opposing team. I would like to see us score more often, though. Last week was rough having three games in five days with two of the games going to OT. It would be nice to have won all three, but Greeley was tough on us, as were both John Jay and Lakeland. The girls have been resilient though, and I'm extremely proud of them. We had the same situation this week, three more games in five days. We need to stay healthy and continue to strive to play our best soccer, which we haven't done yet."

In a 3-0 win over Briarcliff, Tuskus Noelle DeMarinis said to hell with balance and scored a gorgeous hat trick, doing so off

assists by Alexis Atkinson, Dahlia Pepe and Tori Righetti.

Currently, Magnus, ranked No.3 in NYS, is the team to beat in Class A, but tradition-rich Somers is right there with them as the only state-ranked team on this side of the Hudson (Pearl River No.9, Tappan Zee No.19).

**MAHOPAC** senior Jenna Daly scored the Indians' lone goal with 17:37 left in the first half of a 2-1 loss to reigning Section 1 Class AA champion Arlington last Tuesday. The Indians put seven shots on goal and actually looked like the better team for much of the first half, but the state-ranked (No.6) Admirals are a battle-tested outfit, which saw sophomore Casey Stowell bury the game-winning goals less than 10 minutes into the second half, a half that belonged to Arlington.

The Indians (6-2) rebounded in Thursday's 3-0 win over RCK when Grace DiVincenzo, Daly and Mia Klammer each finished their runs with a tally. Saturday's 3-2 win over Scarsdale saw Klammer notch two goals and an assist, with another by Grace DiVincenzo. The goals were set up by Olivia Conlin and Daly.

Earlier in the season, UConn-bound senior DiVincenzo scored five goals in three games, including a victory over Class A heavyweight Rye.

Mahopac (6-2) should get on a roll with its next four opponents playing at sub-par levels. Mahopac will host rival Carmel this



RAY GALLAGHER/RICK KUPERBERG PHOTOS

Brewster's Alex Rosales neatly clears zone in 8-0 loss to Somers' Joey Grippo and his visiting Tuskus.

Wednesday (6 p.m.). Mahopac is hoping to put it all together and get back to a third Final 4 in four years.

## BOYS SOCCER

**SOMERS** threw a hurting on **WALTER PANAS** in a 6-0 shutout. Tuskus senior

M Drew Lasher scored two goals, dished an assist and continued to look like one of the elite players in the section. Bennet Leitner and Joe Grippo each had a goal and an assist for Somers (8-1) while Michael Miceri and Derek Marques each had a goal.

Jose Giron had two assists, and Evan Mazzola had an assist. The Tuskus followed that up with an 8-0 win over host Brewster Saturday morning. Mazzola had two goals and one assist and would have had the goal of the game if not for being off-sides on a gorgeous sidwinding kick. The Tuskus, who have won five in a row, saw Lasher add a goal and dish two assists to bring his season-best totals to 11G and 6A.

The Lickens brothers of Brewster were up against it in goal: Louis Likens (18 saves) and Joseph Likens (2 saves) were under fire. Ethan Kukaj, Sean Dickson, Zane Bramson, Bennett Lietner and Jacque Vera all scored for the Tuskus.

Through no fault of anybody's, **YORKTOWN** hasn't exactly kept the best scoring records over the years, but we're here to tell you that senior striker Tim O'Callaghan is, in all likelihood, torching the record books with 17 points through Thursday (11G, 6A). We're not sure about the actual record books, but we

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Somers' Ethan Cukaj heads one on goal in Tuskus' 8-0 win over Brewster's Brian Flores and the host Bears Saturday.



Lakeland's Nicole Haughney and Somers' Jessica Rodriguez are all in on this 50-50 ball in recent action.



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Brewster G Louis Likens was under fire all game but pushed this shot aside in 8-0 loss to Somers' Joques Vera and Tuskers Saturday.

can't recall a member of this program doing this kind of damage through eight games for the last three decades. O'C has emerged into one of the finest finishers and playmakers in the section while leading Yorktown to a 6-3



Somers senior captain Andrew Lasher rips shot in 8-0 win over Brewster.

start. "He's doing a tremendous job of leading the team," Assistant Coach Justin Huff said. "He's a four-year varsity player for a reason; putting up monster numbers despite being man-marked and even double and triple covered at times because of our formation."

**LAKELAND** did everything in its power to lock O'Callaghan off last Wednesday, which opened the door for Ciran Donohue and George Poppivic to notch a goal and an assist in the Huskers' 3-2 win over Hornets. Husker Peter Tinaj added a goal and keeper

Dylan Lopez made seven saves for surging Yorktown, winners of six in a row. Senior F Genti Gashi notched both Hornet goals, with assists coming from freshman Bryan Jaramillo and senior D Ryan Brannigan. Lakeland (5-3-1), one of the best-coached teams in the region, continues to improve while reestablishing its rich tradition during a rare down season (5-13 last year).

Lakeland's 5-3 win over rival Panas (4-5) was largely on the back of senior F Augie Karaqi, who dialed up a career-high four goals for the Hornets. Jason San Lucas added a fifth while Bryan Jaramillo dished a pair of assists. Panas striker Tristan Phillips bagged a hat trick, scoring twice off PKs.

**OSSINING'S** Nolan Lenaghan has 16 goals and three assists for the state-ranked (No.8) Pride (8-2), which took a tough 3-2 loss to Greeley on the chin. Greeley's Owen Parsons nailed a penalty kick with 1:51 to play, ending the Pride's six-game winning streak. Kevon Evans gave the Pride a 2-1



Brewster's Kevin Sagastume and Somers' Joey Grippo play head ball in host Bears' 8-0 loss to Tuskers Saturday.

lead, building on a goal from Lenaghan, set up by Evans. Word on the street is that Ossining didn't go for the jugular after taking the lead, which is unforgivable against a program as solid as Greeley. The Pride need to play 80 minutes if they are going to produce a Class AA title with state-ranked (No.1) Mamaroneck looming.

**HEN HUD** won on the road in Poughkeepsie, 2-0, behind goals from Brandon Velasquez and Tyler Robinson. Gio Cardona came up big with game-winning shot in OT to get the Sailors (5-5-1) a 2-1 win over Lourdes Saturday.

**MAHOPAC** chalked up its third W of the season in a 3-0 whitewash of visiting RCK Friday and followed up with a fourth in a 6-1 rout of Mount Vernon. Against RCK, Mendim Berisha tallied twice and Bernardi added another for the Indians (4-6-1). Mount Vernon's defense was porous, allowing free runs for the Indians to put them away early.

**CARMEL** (6-3-1) lost 2-0 to RCK but the six W's is encouraging.

Soccer coaches are encouraged to email results and comments to [raygallaghersports@gmail.com](mailto:raygallaghersports@gmail.com) for inclusion in our weekly notebook (YOU owe it to YOUR players).



Lakeland's Linda Daly sets up her shot in Hornets' 3-2 win over Panas and Panther Kayla Guevara last Tuesday.



Panas' Kayla Guevara tries to track down Lakeland's Sydney Nivar in Panthers' 3-2 loss to host Hornets last Tuesday.



# Sports

## Grid Notebook

# Lakeland Locks up Lourdes, State-Ranked Yorktown Still Unbeaten

By Ray Gallagher

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In a week of brutal local blowouts, perhaps **LAKELAND's** 22-20 win over host Our Lady of Lourdes is start of business this week, seeing how it was one of just a few single-digits games in the region. After winning three in a row and improving to 3-1, the optimism surrounding the future of the Lakeland program is real at The Hive, given the fact that the junior varsity team is holding teams pointless in three of four games and allowed just one tuddy all season.

The varsity squad just went on the road and won at Lourdes, which is a shell of the Lourdes teams we've witnessed the last five seasons under veteran Coach Brian Walsh. Still, this is a game Lakeland likely loses in prior years, so when Hornet junior QB Tyler Santucci connects on 13 of 19 for 140 yards and two TDs, plus a 2-point conversion, Coach Mike Meadows knows he's set under center. And when junior WR Rob Nardelli (4 catches, 62 yards, TD) and hard-nosed sophomore Nick Badillo (5 catches, 50 yards, 4 rushes for 16 yards) are making significant impacts, Meadows has some complimentary skill players in the offing.



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Hen Hud Coach John Catano rallies the troops in Sailors' manhandling of Beacon Friday night at Lakeland.

So, when seniors RB Matt Makar (13 rushes, 42 yards, TD) and WR Landon Ruggierri (3 catches, 18 yards, TD, 2-point conversion) get ready to pass the torch, the

coaching staff is banking on serious Class A contention as early as 2020.

We've heard this before out of Lakeland and drank the Kool-Aid all too often. For

much of the last 20 years, Lakeland simply hasn't put a premium on football (through no fault of prior coaches or staff members), but Meadows, now in his third season, appears to have steered the program in the right direction. Let's hope so. Week 5 vs. reigning champion John Jay, ranked No.9 in NYS, is clearly a long shot, but an opening round playoff win and a quarterfinal playoff appearance should be goals set in stone.

Lakeland senior John Gufridda (13 tackles) led the defense while Jake Defede (5 tackles) and Jorge Duque (5 tackles) were key figures in holding the Warriors at bay.

Now for the blowouts, starting in Class A.

**SOMERS** went off on host Tappan Zee, 35-8, with RBs T.J. Deagan and Jack Kaiser (124 yards rushing) each scored two touchdowns for state-ranked (No.20) Somers, which played without versatile RB/DB Charlie Balancia (injured) yet again but improved to 3-1. Somers QB Jackson Kossow rushed for 73 yards and hit on 7 of 14 passes for 164 yards and fired two TD passes, including one to Daniel Rios. The Somers defense was stout with LB Kaiser and DB Nate Rosenzweig each posting an interception. Rosenzweig has truly stepped his game up in the absence of all-purpose senior Charles Balancia.

**YORKTOWN** toyed with Horace Greeley during a 49-7 shelling of the visiting Quakers, who could do nothing against the state-ranked (No.7) Huskers (4-0) in all phases of the game.

Yorktown RB Dylan Smith continued what looks like a potential All-NYS season, rushing for 90 yards on six carries, including three touchdowns, his longest a 41-yard jaunt.

Husker QB Trey Johnson completed 3 of 5 passes out of 5 for 135 yards, including a 55-yard touchdown pass to TE Ben Robinson and a 58-yarder to Keith Boyer.

Special teams-wise Yorktown was led by Dan O'Brien (8 kick returns for 400 yards) and Dean Patierno (4 punt returns for 146 yards, including 2 touchdowns of 59 and 75 yards).

Defensively, Alex Debenedictus (7 tackles), Smith (5 tackles), Jack Tinari (5 tackles, sack), Ed Capone (sack), Gabe Valentin (sack) and Vincent Cappelli with a fumble recovery) each came up big for the Huskers.

**BREWSTER** blew out winless visiting Poughkeepsie, 47-6, last Friday when the offense and defense scored at will against one of the poorest outfits in the section; this, among many. Brewster (3-1) RB Tommy Consolato got the offense going with two first-half scores while Paul Catalano and Jahq Williams each had a pick-6 in the second quarter.

Defending Section 1 Class A champion John Jay cruised past **WALTER PANAS**, 49-17, doing most of its damage in the first half. Undefeated (4-0), state-ranked (No.9) John Jay scored three touchdowns on special teams, meaning the Panthers have much to do on specials. Panas fell to 1-3 but took away some positives, including QB Mark



Mahopac linemen hold their blocks for QB Jack Casey to deliver a strike in Indians' rout of Mount Vernon Saturday.



Yorktown RB-WR Sean Vogel avoids a host of Quakers in Huskers' trounce of visiting Greeley Friday.



Mahopac players celebrate TD by LJ Nardecchia (24) in rout of host Mount Vernon Saturday.



Lakeland QB Tyler Santucci and RB Matt Makar are key figures in Hornets' 3-1 start.

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# Sports

# Grid Notebook

## Lakeland Locks up Lourdes, State-Ranked Yorktown Still Unbeaten *continued from previous page*



Yorktown TE Ben Robinson hauls in 55-yard TD gran in Huskers' rout of Greeley Friday.

Perez's two TD passes to WR Robert Ennis (127 yards).

**HEN HUD's** home opener on its spanking new field was put on hold due to technical issues, but the Sailors (2-2) went over to Lakeland as its first home venue of the season and produced a 27-0 win over visiting Beacon. Sailor QB Braden Ellis fired touchdown passes to Mike Tosi (48 yards)

and Sergio Silvario (51 yards) and added a score on the ground. Hen Hud RB Ryan Travis found paydirt from 28 yards. The Sailors hope to christen their new stadium this Friday vs. winless Poughkeepsie, followed by Brewster in Week 6.

### CLASS AA

**MAHOPAC** and **CARMEL** each cruised to triumph, the Indians (2-2) ending a two-game losing streak and the Rams (3-1) winning their third in a row on homecoming day.

The Carmel Crazyies were treated to quite a day when the Rams rushed for 286 yards and saw six different players score, including RB Andrew Bumgarner (2 TDs), RB James Cox (19 rushes for 159

yards) and QB Andrew Nunez (5-7, 74 yards, 2 TDs).

The Carmel defense allowed only just 38 yards passing and picked off two passes.

Mahopac senior WR Zach Esteves (121 yards) snared three balls, bringing each to the house, one from sophomore QB Anthony DeMatteo and two from senior QB Jack

Carey.

"Esteves has been a tremendous leader thus far this year," Mahopac Coach Dominick DeMatteo said.

Mahopac RB Vin Bastone rushed five times for 44 yards and a TD while sophomore RB Matt Courtney added 41 yards on the ground. Indian RB Matt Piekutowski also found paydirt. The back half of the schedule after Suffern in Week 5 is brutal; with Arlington in Week 6 and Carmel in Week 7 a combined 6-2 through four weeks.

### CLASS B

**PUTNAM VALLEY** held a 14-0 lead on host Pleasantville, but the 2018 Section 1 Class B runner-up Tigers (0-4) allowed 42 points bridging the second and third quarters, including five TD strikes from QB Mike LaCapria, four of which went to WR Jared Williams, whom the Tigers could not match up with.

### NWE/Putnam Top 5 Grid Poll

**No.1 YORKTOWN** – Class A Huskers (4-0) have to face a pair unbeaten tigers, or maybe two paper tigers; we're not exactly sure, what with Nyack and Fox Lane the last two weeks. Nyack hasn't beaten anybody worth its weight and Fox Lane has an RB in Michael Washington who could be a nightmare for the Huskers, but we just don't see anything preventing a 6-0 regular season.

**No.2 CARMEL** – Class AA Rams (3-1) go on the road for a tough assignment with Arlington Friday (6 pm); this is pretty much a pick-'em game but we like the Rams'

chances. Rams hope to run the table to get Coach Todd Cayea his 150th career win at Mahopac in Week 7; couldn't have been planned better if they tried since a massive portion of those wins have come against the rival Indians.

**No.2A SOMERS** – Class B Tuskers (3-1) are highly regarded as one of the top four Class A teams along with Yorktown, Rye and defending champ John Jay; oh, and by the way undefeated, unranked Clarkstown South is pretty legit despite flying under the radar. So, something's gotta give regarding a Final 4 with five team in the mix. We'll find out the truth about South this weekend as they hit up Rye.

**No.4 MAHOPAC** – Class AA Indians (2-2) have Suffern (2-2), Arlington (3-1) and rival Carmel (3-1) left, so if they finish up 2-5 the naysayers will be out in force. If they figure out a way to win two of the final three games, then this will be a truly inspiring regular season, but the Admirals and Rams are longshots.

**No.4A BREWSTER** – Class A Bears' (3-1) have Beacon and Hen Hud left on the docket, which should, if they bring their A-game, enable the Bears to go 5-1 with a realistic chance to host a home playoff game at the Bears' Den, which is a formidable 12th man come post season.

**HM LAKELAND** – Class A Hornets (3-1) went up to Lourdes, beat the refs, beat a legendary coach and bested the Warriors, who may be down this year, but still provide a quality test the Hornets haven't been able to pass in recent years.

# Lakeland, Yorktown Wrap up Solid Week of Action

By Tony Pinciario

**LAKELAND** found itself in an unfamiliar situation entering the week as the 10-time defending Section 1 Class B champion Hornets were coming off of a loss – 1-0 to Dexter (MI) – at the Max Field Hockey National Invitational.

The Hornets did not dwell on their first loss of the season. Instead, they were back to their high-scoring selves with a 7-2 win over John Jay-Cross River and 9-0 triumph of Somers.

"The loss against Dexter was a learning experience," senior and captain Jenna McCrudden said. "As a team, we had countless opportunities to score while Dexter took advantage of their few opportunities and scored. Having the ball in their offensive end the majority of the game and not getting any results has shifted our focus to being smart offensively and working as a team."

In the teams' first meeting since Lakeland defeated John Jay-Cross River in the 2018 Section 1 Class B title game, McCrudden, along with Emma Fon and Lauren Salazar, each had two goals. Mia Smith also scored and McCrudden and Fon collected assists.

Lakeland improved to 4-0 in league play with the win over Somers as Salazar rang up three goals and two assists.

Emma Halderman and Fon each scored twice, Keirra Ettere had one goal and two

assists, Emma Ryan had a goal and Erin Daly added two assists.

"Winning two games has really got us back on track to our goal of winning the section," McCrudden said. "Being 4-0 in our league, right now, is really important for us. Going into second half of the season is looking really good for us. We have a lot of challenges coming up, but we've grown so much since preseason."

The week was not going the way **YORKTOWN** varsity field hockey would have liked. The Cornhuskers dropped their first two games – 3-1 to Hen Hud and 2-1 to Our Lady of Lourdes. Both games were even at 1-1 at halftime.

Yorktown was in need of a win to salvage the week and regain momentum it had from the previous week. Senior Melina Iavarone provided the morale boost that Yorktown needed. Iavarone had two goals and two assists as Yorktown dominated Nyack, 7-0.

Yorktown is now 3-6-3 and has four regular-season games remaining.

"Melina is a hard-working player who does everything she can to improve," Yorktown Coach Bernadette Gannon said. "Melina starts with summer league and does anything, as well, in between."

Iavarone assisted on two of the five Yorktown goals – Lexi Borges and Alyssa Albano -- in the first half. Borges began the offensive eruption. Sam Penneys and Alex

Bold also scored in the first half.

Kelsey McDonnell and Maddy Marr also had two assists. McDonnell's return to lineup, following an injury, also helped boost Yorktown.

"Melina works very well with Kelsey and they connect on the field together," Gannon said. "Melina had some pretty goals that she should be proud of. Having Kelsey back makes our offense click. She knows when to set someone else to score and when to take the shot. After two tough losses, this was a needed win. Hopefully, this was the momentum the girls needed to get through the last four games."

Yorktown's final four games are at Somers, at Brewster, home to Walter Panas and at Edgemont.

In the loss to Lourdes, Iavarone scored, assisted by Ellie O'Donnell. Addie Araneo made four saves for Yorktown.

Bold opened the scoring against **HEN HUD**, with O'Donnell assisting. However, Hen Hud evened the score at 1-1 on an Emma Schembari goal.

In the second half, Alana Espinoza and Logan Gougelmann scored for Hen Hud.

**PUTNAM VALLEY** dropped a 2-1 verdict to Pleasantville and rallied from a two-goal halftime deficit to earn a 2-2 tie with Albertus Magnus.

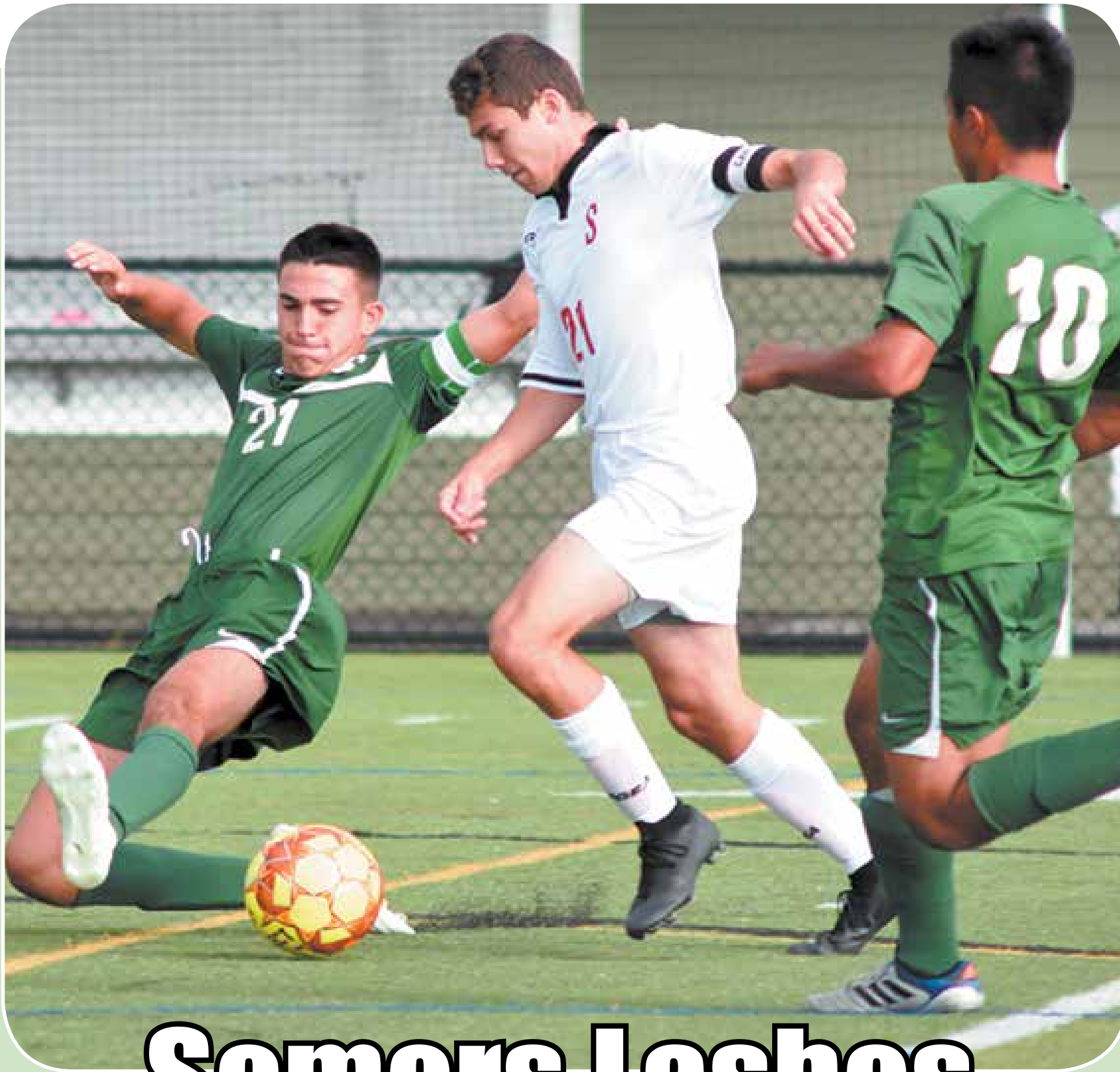
Alie Granieri and Sara Lussier scored three minutes apart in the second half against the

Falcons. Sydney Goldberg and Julia Carlin each had assists and Isabel Healy made five saves.

"At first, the Magnus game seemed to be very slow moving for us," Putnam Valley Coach Courtney Hyndman said. "The girls were putting in the effort, but not being successful in their attempts to score or move the ball down the field. We called a timeout about halfway through the second half and the captains had the opportunity to say a few words. They truly pumped up the team and went back in to play the remaining 15 minutes much stronger. Three minutes later, they scored which completely shifted their mindset for the rest of the game. They were hungry for another goal, and they got it. I think this tie showed the girls how all of their hard work is paying off. We lost to Magnus early in the season and now we tied them. They have been making many adjustments in practice and they have started to see a difference in themselves, which I think will push them in a positive direction for the rest of the season."

**CARMEL** edged **MAHOPAC**, 2-1, in the rivalry to end all rivalries. The Rams had come-from-behind goals scored by Laila Rosenquest and Shannon Ravert while Krista Dietz scored the game's first goal for the Indians, who will host the Rams on Saturday, Oct. 12th at 11 a.m. in a game that could go a long way toward determining league bragging rights.





# **Somers Lashes into Brewster!**

## **Tuskers Show No Mercy, Punish Bears, 8-0**

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Somers senior M Andrew Lasher (right) and the visiting Tuskers had their way last Saturday morning in an 8-0 win over Brewster despite this terrific, well-played ball by Brewster senior M Eduardo Monges (left), who made a gorgeous sliding tackle on Lasher, who had the last laugh with a goal and two assists and now has 11G and 6A on the season for the 2018 NYS Class A runner-up Tuskers... see Soccer Notebook