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Scuffle Breaks Out Between Councilman, Journalist Over Hookup Controversy



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Town Supervisor Kenny Schmitt restraining David McKay Wilson as Mike Barile tosses Wilson's cell phone out the emergency door at town hall.

By Abby Luby

A rancorous brawl broke out at the end of the Carmel Town Board meeting September 18 between Councilman Mike Barile and The Journal News columnist David McKay Wilson.

At the end of the meeting about 25 people witnessed Barile lash out at Wilson for allegedly harassing him and blamed Wilson for biased reporting with slanderous implications resulting in a scuffle between the two men. Barile grabbed Wilson's cell phone, opened the emergency door and tossed it out into the night, cracking the phone's screen. Town Supervisor Kenny Schmitt pulled Wilson away from Barile and kept the men apart until calmer heads prevailed.

Wilson later filed a report with the Putnam County Sheriff's Department alleging Barile attacked him during the meeting and threw a plastic water bottle at him, according to The Journal News. The Putnam Examiner reached out to Wilson, but he declined to comment.

The escalating feud between Wilson and

Barile stemmed from Wilson's reporting about Barile's alleged unauthorized connection to a sewer system to Blu at the Lakehouse, Barile's Lake Mahopac restaurant, resulting in a septic violation issued by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). In June, Wilson reported that Barile violated a county permit 26 years ago when he installed a line to the sewer system. Since then, investigations were launched by the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), Putnam County Department of Health and the

Carmel Town Board.

Tensions heightened during the meeting's public comments when questions were directed to the board about the Barile situation. Jean Hopper, a Carmel Democrat running for a town board seat in November against two Republicans, said, "This is a very divisive issue. I wanted to get some answers and make sure our rules and regulations are enforced."

Hopper asked the board about a 1990 resolution that had a contingency clause relating to sewer line installations. While

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Early Voting Coming to Putnam County This Year

By Neal Rentz

Early voting is coming to Putnam County from October 26 through November 3.

A presentation was provided by Board of Elections Co-Commissioners Anthony Scannapieco and Catherine Croft at the Sept. 18 Putnam Valley Town Board meeting.

This will be the first year that New York State will permit early voting, Croft told the Town Board. All early voting in the county will take place at the Putnam County Board of Elections, 25 Old Route 6 in Carmel.

Supervisor San Oliverio asked if in the future if an early polling booth could be in every town. Croft said she would like an

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NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

A discussion of early voting in Putnam County was held at the Sept. 18 Putnam Valley Town Board meeting. Shown are county Board of Elections Co-Commissioners Anthony Scannapieco and Catherine Croft.



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Brewster High Students Make the Grade

Brewster High School seniors Andrew DiFabbio and Aaron Lurin were named Semifinalists in the National Merit Scholarship program last week. DiFabbio and Lurin are among approximately 16,000 students chosen from 1.6 million who took last year's PSAT, the qualifying test for the scholarships. These academically talented high school seniors have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some 7,500 National Merit Scholarships worth more than \$32 million that will be offered next spring. Aside from doing well on the PSAT, Lurin and DiFabbio are both active members of the Brewster community. They've worked together in theater — DiFabbio was even nominated for a Metro Award for his comedic performance in Mama Mia! last spring. DiFabbio has also been a member of the marching band, Model UN, the Math team, Men's Choir and Boy Scouts. Lurin, who plans to study political data analysis in college next year, has been a part of Democratic Congress as well as a student representative to the Board of Education.

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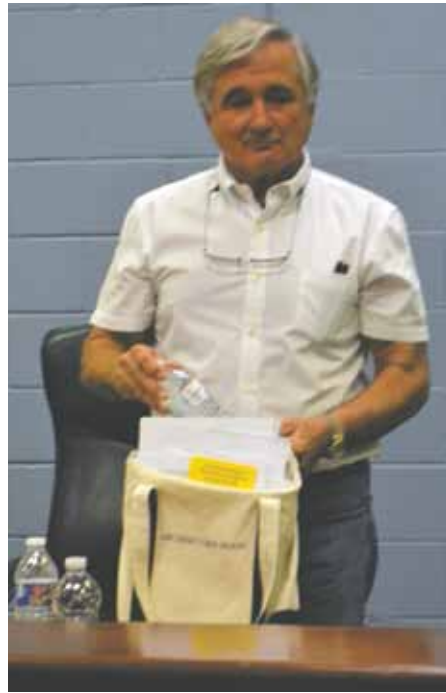
the board couldn't answer her specific question, Schmitt told Hopper, "The board is in the process of interviewing outside legal counsel to advise and assist the board with respect to this whole matter. We've been advised not to comment on the issue while we are reaching out to firms to represent the town in this matter."

Hopper was concerned that local rumors and social media were driving misinformation. "I think it's important that the town board share their reassurances with town residents and get the truth out. It's unfortunate that the taxpayers are bearing the cost of an outside counsel," Hopper said.

Councilman Jonathan Schneider seemed to defend Barile, who was elected in 2017 to the Carmel Town Board and is a Carmel Sewer District No. 1 commissioner. "The accusations that are out there don't help the town at all. I'm going to give the gentleman [Barile] the benefit of the doubt. But we want to do it right and our transparency to the public is extremely important," Schneider said.

While Hopper asked questions, Barile piled two stacks of paper on the dais in front of him. Hopper acknowledged the stacks. "I see all your papers there and I'm curious if you wanted to answer any questions to clear the air?" Barile had no response, other than a statement he had prepared to read after everyone else had spoken.

Norman Marino asked Barile directly, "Have you been paying tax bills to the sewer



ABBY LUBY PHOTO

Councilman Mike Barile piling documents on the dais supposedly related to his alleged sewer hookup at Wednesday's Carmel Town board meeting

district since 1993?" Barile said, "I've been paying three people in this room: myself, my family and my partner. I pay over half a million dollars in taxes every year to this town." Marino, pressing Barile about his

sewer bill, cited a regulation about theft of services for sewer services not paid for. "Since 1993, the restaurant has been hooked up to the sewer and the town hasn't gotten its money," Marino said. "Under the penal law that is theft of services and a class A misdemeanor. I want to know when you hooked up and did you pay a sewer tax?"

Barile remarked, "You're not worthy of an answer." Councilwoman Suzanne McDonough quickly followed by saying, "We will all get answers. Mike is innocent until proven guilty."

Wilson, who pens the Tax Watch column, reported that Barile faces up to \$37,000 in fines. Throughout last Wednesday's meeting, Wilson was snapping pictures of Barile and taking video of those commenting on the issue at the end of the meeting.

Finally, Barile addressed the board and the audience. "I won't respond to anything written in – I think it's called The Journal News – anything written by Mr. Wilson – also known as Dr. Seuss to me." Barile blamed Wilson for printing what he called a misleading headline just recently. "It was a headline that he understood was wrong. The Putnam County Attorney requested a retraction and to print the correct information. Don't hold your breath," Barile asserted.

Braile referred to Putnam Democratic Committee Chairman Scott Reing, who previously stated that Barile should resign from the town board if had indeed hooked up to the sewer without the correct authorization. As reported in the last issue

of The Putnam Examiner, Reing compared Barile's alleged theft of services to a board member stealing \$100 bill from a lockbox in town hall.

"I don't know if he's mentally all there or what," said Barile of Reing. "But to compare me to a \$100 pocket thief . . . – you can kiss it where the sun don't shine."

Barile was emphatic about how devoted he was to the town by his service and multiple donations. "I'm 66 years old and I've lived in this community with my family and my partner for almost 50 years. My history speaks for itself. I have to remind everybody that I'm not getting any money for sitting here."

As reported in The Putnam Examiner, a letter from the DEP stated that Blu at the Lakehouse was connected to the sewer and not using a septic system. Earlier this year, Barile said that the property did use septic. A dye test on the existing septic field was done on September 4 by the DEP and discovered the force main for the Blu Restaurant was online. According to Barile, the cap on the force main at Route 6N and Clark Place had been removed the previous week. The Putnam County Department of Health sent a violation to Barile last week for non-compliance.

On September 3, Barile told The Putnam Examiner that he disconnected from his septic field and connected to the sewer so the DEP could run a test to inspect the manhole and sewer line. He also claimed that the town engineering department had been aware of the sewer hookup.

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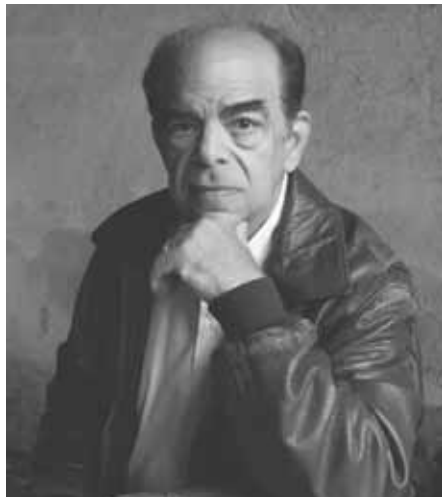
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Garrison Farm Owner Killed in Crash with Tractor-Trailer

By Rick Pezzullo

A well-known farmer in Garrison was killed in a crash with a tractor-trailer on Route 9 in Garrison last week.

Joseph Mercurio, 72, owner of Mercurio Farms and Joseph Mercurio Books in Garrison, died from injuries suffered in an accident that occurred about 10:45 a.m. September 18.



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Joseph Mercurio.

According to the Putnam County Sheriff's Office, Mercurio was driving a white Jeep and collided with a tractor-trailer as he turned left from Snake Hill Road on to Route 9. In the accident, the tractor-trailer flipped over, taking down power lines and causing the roadway to be closed for hours.

Mercurio, who reportedly was conscious at the scene after the crash, was airlifted and later pronounced dead at the hospital. The unidentified truck driver was also injured and airlifted to the hospital, where he was listed in stable condition.

Jennifer Mercurio, Joseph's wife, announced her husband's death on Facebook,

saying, "I am horrified to report that my dear husband, Joseph Mercurio, died today as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident. He was the love of my life and the beloved father of our daughter, Eleanor."

A funeral will be held on Tuesday, September 24 at 11 a.m. Burial will follow at Cold Spring Cemetery.



Tractor-trailer that was involved in fatal crash in Garrison. (photo courtesy of Garrison Fire Dept).



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Harckham Secures \$250,000 for Playground, Pavilion at Carmel Park

State Senator Peter Harckham (40th Senate District) announced he had secured \$250,000 in funding for an inclusive, adaptive use playground and, an all-purpose pavilion at Airport Park, a new park being constructed in the Town of Carmel.

An adaptive use playground is built with a focus on wheelchair, ADA accessible and multisensory, developmentally friendly equipment, where children of all abilities can play together. The pavilion facility will have picnic tables and will include an area to barbecue. It will be available for residents to use for private gatherings as well as a place to host community events.

This is the fourth project funded by Harckham to make children's venues more accessible and inclusive. Earlier this summer, he announced a \$250,000 grant to the Town of Yorktown for an adaptive use playground at Granite Knolls Park, a \$15,000 grant to the Yorktown Community Nursery School to make walkways and entrances ADA compliant and a \$25,000 grant to the Lakeland School District for an indoor playground for special needs students.

"The \$250,000 grant I've secured for the Town of Carmel is being used to build an adaptive use playground for children with differing abilities and, a pavilion that can be used by all families visiting the park," Harckham said. "Supervisor Schmitt, Parks and Recreation Director James Gilchrist and the Town of Carmel Parks & Recreation Department and Recreation Commission, believe, as I do, that we are stronger when



PROVIDED PHOTO

Senator Pete Harckham announced he had secured \$250,000 for the Town of Carmel to build an adaptive use playground for children with differing abilities and, a pavilion that can be used by all families at Airport Park.

every child has an equal opportunity to participate on the playground. When the park is completed, families will be able to gather at the pavilion, which will also feature picnic tables and an area to barbecue, and children

of all abilities will finally have a playground in Carmel, they can call home."

Carmel Supervisor Kenneth Schmitt said, "On behalf of all the residents of the Town of Carmel, I truly appreciate all of the support

that Senator Harckham has provided to the Carmel/Mahopac Community. The Senator Harckham State Grant of \$250,000.00 will go a long way in helping the Town of Carmel build a playground and Pavilion at the Airport Park Facility. Thank you Senator Harckham for always supporting the Town of Carmel."

Early Voting Coming to Putnam County This Year

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additional polling booth for early voting to be opened for next year's presidential election.

Also new in the county will be the use of electronic poll books, which will be used both for early voting and on Election Day, Croft noted. Voters will go to a sign in table and will be asked for their name and address and will provide their signature, she said. A computer search will be made to double check that someone does not vote twice. If there is a dispute, an affidavit ballot can be filled out if the person said they did not vote previously, she said. Records will be checked if there is a dispute, Scannapieco noted.

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New York State Bans Sale of Flavored E-Cigarettes

By Rick Pezzullo

New York State became the first state in the nation last week to implement a ban on the sale of flavored electronic cigarettes and nicotine e-liquids, following a vote on emergency regulations by the Public Health and Health Planning Council.

The ban is the latest in a series of actions to combat the increase in young people using vape products, largely as a result of e-cigarette companies marketing flavors that are intended to get children addicted to nicotine.

“It is undeniable that vaping companies are deliberately using flavors like bubblegum, Captain Crunch and cotton candy to get young people hooked on e-cigarettes - it’s a public health crisis and it ends today,” Governor Andrew Cuomo said September 17. “New York is not waiting for the federal government to act, and by banning flavored e-cigarettes we are safeguarding the public health and helping prevent countless young people from forming costly, unhealthy and potentially deadly life-long habits.”

On September 15, Cuomo directed the Department of Health to convene an emergency meeting of PHHC to consider this ban. Cuomo also directed State Police and DOH to immediately partner to ramp up enforcement efforts against retailers who sell to underage youth, with the possibility of criminal penalties, in addition to announcing that he will advance legislation to ban deceptive marketing of e-cigarettes to teens



New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo.

and children.

As part of the Family Smoking and Tobacco Prevention Act of 2009, the U.S. Congress banned the sale of cigarettes with flavors other than menthol and tobacco.

“The alarmingly high numbers of young people in New York State who are using vape products is nothing short of a public health crisis,” said New York State Department of Health Commissioner Dr. Howard Zucker. “These regulations are a part of many critical steps we are taking to combat this disturbing trend.”

Flavors are considered largely responsible for the dramatic increase in use of e-cigarettes by youth and are a principal reason that youth initiate and maintain

e-cigarette use. According to Department of Health data, nearly 40 percent of 12th grade students and 27 percent of high school students in New York State are now using e-cigarettes, and this increase is largely driven by flavored e-liquids.

High school use in 2018 (27.4%) is 160 percent higher than it was in 2014 (10.5%). While New York’s high school student smoking rate dropped from 27.1% in 2000 to a record low of 4.3% in 2016, aggressive marketing strategies promoting flavored e-cigarettes is primed to turn that trend.

In a 2017 survey of 15 to 17-year-old adolescents in New York State currently using electronic vapor products, 19% of the adolescents said flavors were the reason that they first tried an e-cigarette and 27% said flavors were the reason for maintaining use. Studies also show nearly 78% of high school students and 75% of middle school students report being exposed to pro-tobacco marketing in 2016. Legislation will be advanced next session to prevent these deceptive and misleading advertisements to target youth.

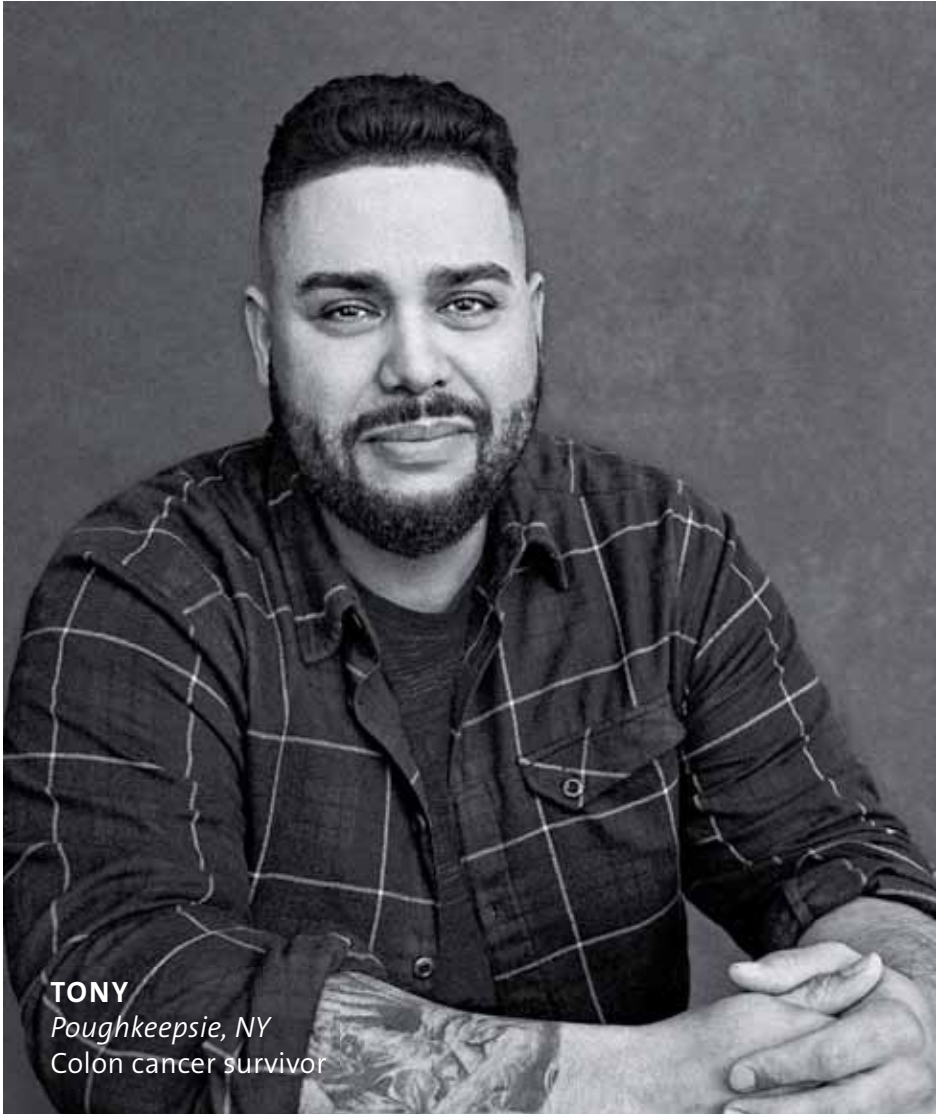
The American Lung Association opposed Cuomo’s emergency action, stating it did not apply to menthol flavored e-cigarettes, which with mint flavored e-cigarettes are favored by a majority of high school students.

“The Governor had the opportunity to take decisive action, but instead left menthol e-cigarettes on the marketplace,” said Harold Wimmer, President and CEO of the American Lung Association. “While today’s



announcement was well-intentioned, it will drive our youth to use menthol flavored products in even greater numbers. We will continue to work towards the permanent removal of all flavored tobacco including e-cigarettes from the marketplace. Flavors have been shown to initiate kids to tobacco use and a lifetime of addiction and tobacco-related death and disease. We call on the New York State Legislature to pass legislation to prohibit the sale of all flavored tobacco products including e-cigarettes, cigars, and menthol cigarettes.”

The Department of Health will provide retailers with an approximate two-week grace period before conducting visits to enforce the flavoring ban beginning on October 7. Local health departments and the Department’s District Offices, with State oversight, will handle enforcement. Retailers who violate the ban will face fines of up to \$2,000 per violation, which is defined as each unit of flavored e-liquid or product containing e-liquid that is possessed, manufactured, sold or offered for sale.




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Rally for Climate Justice Draws Large Crowd in Peekskill

By Rick Pezzullo

More than 100 adults and students gathered outside U.S. Senator Charles Schumer's office in Peekskill Friday for a peaceful rally demanding climate justice.

One attendee wore a hat that said "Make America Green Again," while numerous signs carried other messages, such as "Global warming is not cool," "We cannot press snooze on climate change," "Seas are rising and so are we," "If you love your kids love your planet, and "Trump is a fossil fool."

The rally was one of many worldwide as millions of people took to the streets to implore world leaders to take action to combat climate change.

The Peekskill Common Council recently

became the second city in New York State to pass a resolution declaring a climate emergency.

"The human species is on a path to destruction. Our civilization is being sacrificed for the profit of a few," said Peekskill Councilwoman Vanessa Agudelo. "Humanity is in our hands and we are running out of time. We need a Green New Deal. The real power belongs to the people."

Mondaire Jones, a progressive Democrat from Rockland County who is looking to oust longtime Congresswoman Nita Lowey next year, said a Green New Deal would be his top priority if he's elected.

"The planet has unraveled before our eyes," Jones said. "Climate change is real. Every day it seems some animal or species is being added to the endangered list."

A majority of the speakers at the 90-minute rally were area high school, middle school and elementary school students.

Justin Smithson of Peekskill High School sang a rendition of "Heal the World" by Michael Jackson, while fellow Red Devil and rally student organizer Sage Overskei North said government leaders must be forced to take responsibility.

"This is our world, the only world we currently have to live in," she said. "We have to keep our community clean. We have to keep our world clean."

Nick Davis, a sophomore at Ossining High School, also took aim at elected officials.

"Climate crisis is a serious problem. The Earth we continue to live on is not a science fiction movie. We do not have to imagine it. We are living it," Davis said. "Our government is supposed to offer protection to all people that are being governed. Our government is not doing its job."

Courtney Williams of Peekskill, one of the rally organizers who has opposed Spectra Energy's Algonquin Pipeline in her backyard, said a giant card with a list of climate demands would be delivered to Schumer's office following the event. A similar rally took place an hour later at The Blue Pig in Croton-on-Hudson.



RICK PEZZULLO PHOTOS



Students played a big role in rally for climate change in Peekskill Friday.

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Obituaries

Dante Rapacioli

Dante Rapacioli, a resident of Garrison, died September 12 surrounded by his family at Calvary Hospital in the Bronx after a long battle with cancer. He was 54.

He is survived by his daughter Alexis Rapacioli; sisters Anna Maria Anstett and Judy Colamarino; brother-in-laws who were more like brothers to him, Stephen Anstett Jr and Michael Colamarino Sr., nieces and nephews, Stephanie Cutaia(Frank), Stephen III(Lisa), Rina Maria (Sean), Michael Jr and Tommy; grandniece Olive; and numerous uncles and aunts, cousins and numerous friends who were very close to him.

He was born February 16, 1965. From the time of his birth he was given a battle to fight. He was born with Spina bifida. His parents Irene and Celestino Rapacioli made it their business to make sacrifices to insure he would live as normal a life as he could. And they did just that. He was taught to fight and persevere from birth.

Despite his health challenges he went on to be one of the most popular guys in high school. Loved by everyone he met. After high school he spent a few years working at Monument Printers in Peekskill. From there he decided he wanted to be a part of the family business. He worked in the family deli in the Bronx for several years. When the deli moved to Cold Spring, it was there that he made his next mark. He was there every morning by 5:30 a.m. Well known for making

the perfect cup of coffee for each and every person who walked through those doors. He knew every order by heart and had a personal connection to each and every loyal customer. Once the deli was sold, he did not stop there. He then became a part-time investigator. He did this until he could no longer work due to his health issues.

He also had a passion for hunting and fishing in his younger years. He loved all animals in particular he loved dogs and horses. He spent much of his later years at the barn with his daughter, watching her ride. He also loved to play lotto and daily numbers just like his predeceased Uncle Dominick.

Most of all he should be remembered as a giver. Even when he had nothing, he found a way to share. He would help anyone who needed help. Even in the worst of his own times he would share. And it could have been sharing a laugh to make someone feel comfortable. He was one of a kind and touched everyone he met like no other.

Unfortunately in 2009 his health issues began to take him apart. He fought a long furious battle for 10 years.

Thomas Carey

Thomas Carey, a resident of Mahopac died peacefully September 17 in his home surrounded by his family. He was 56. He fought a courageous battle with Stage IV Pancreatic Cancer.

He was born May 11, 1963 in Manhattan, to William and Virginia Carey. He married the love of his life, Tammy (Ward) Carey in April 1997 and had two beautiful children, Thomas Jr. and Terrence.

Mr. Carey worked as a supervisor at Con Edison for 36 years where he built lifelong friendships. He enjoyed spending his free time on Lake Mahopac with family and friends accompanied by "the jug." There wasn't a person with a bigger heart, Mr. Carey was generous to a fault and always willing to lend a hand.

In addition to his wife and children, he is survived by his parents, Ginny and Bill, his

sister Doreen Carey Plunkett and husband Jerry Plunkett, brother Stephen Carey and his many nieces and nephews who so lovingly referred to him as "Uncle Buck;" Christopher and his wife Mary, Stephen and his wife Emily, Ashley, Billy, Danny, Kaitlyn & her husband Tom, Connor, Kevin & Kathleen.

Theresa Pfaffenbach

Theresa F. Pfaffenbach, a resident of Mahopac, died September 13. She was 93.

She was born July 10, 1926 to Thomas and Mary (Donnelly) Acton in Yorktown. She was a wonderful mother, mother-in-law and grandmother. She will be remembered for her warmth and storytelling, regaling her listeners with tales of her jobs at the Federal Reserve, at Alexander's and as a volunteer at the women's center in Mahopac. She was one of seven children and proud of her Irish heritage. Her smile and her joy of life will be sorely missed.

She is survived by her son René and his wife Chai, her son Michael and his wife Debra, her daughter Nina and her husband John, her daughter-in-law Louann, her grandchildren Emily, Kayla, and Alex and his wife Brett, well as her brother Jack Acton. She is predeceased by her husband Fred and their son Daniel.



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Using a Medicaid Trust Without Losing Control

By Salvatore M. Di Costanzo

Over the years, I have found that one of the biggest obstacles preventing clients from pulling the trigger on a Medicaid Trust is the perception that all control is lost over the assets being transferred to the trust. While it is true that legal title to the assets must be transferred to the trustee, a well drafted trust can provide several mechanisms allowing the creator of the trust to maintain a certain degree of control.

The following are some techniques I use in Medicaid Trusts to calm your fears of losing control.

Power to Remove and Replace a Trustee

Every trust has a trustee. The problem may lie in who you choose to be the initial trustee and, if circumstances were to change, how to replace that trustee. Even the closest and most trusted of family members may face their own difficult circumstances that may not make them the most ideal trustee years after their initial appointment.

By way of example, assume that you have a trust naming your only child as trustee. By some misfortune, you and your child become estranged. You have grown worrisome trusting that child to act as trustee. Since the trusts I draft give you the power to remove and replace the trustee, you can easily appoint another family member or close friend as the new trustee.

Power to Change Beneficiaries

Just as every trust needs a trustee, so too does every trust need a beneficiary. In most cases, children or other family members are the beneficiaries of a trust upon termination

of the trust. However, once again, circumstances may arise that may warrant a change in beneficiaries.

For example, assume that you have two sons, each of whom are named as beneficiaries. Unfortunately, one of your sons had just been served divorce papers. You fear that if you die and the trust terminates, his wife might be entitled to a portion of his inheritance. The Medicaid Trusts that I prepare include a limited power to change the beneficiaries among certain classes of individuals, such as your other children, thus eliminating your fears.

Power of the Trustee to Distribute Principal and Income

Most clients will fund a Medicaid Trust with their home and some of their other non-retirement assets. We usually recommend that the non-retirement assets earmarked for the trust be assets that the client never intends to use. However, there may be unforeseen circumstances where the money of the trust is needed such as for a large expenditure, such as for uncovered medical costs.

Although you do not have access to the principal of the trust, our trust provides that the it can make distributions of principal to your children or any other defined class of individuals so that the money can come out of the trust. Once the distribution is made from the trust, the children can use those assets for your benefit.

Revoking the Trust

Ultimately, under New York Law, you can actually revoke an irrevocable trust with the consent of the trust beneficiaries.



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Notwithstanding client's fears of losing control, very rarely do you see clients revoking the trusts for this reason. However, you should know that this is an option so you know that ultimately, this irrevocable arrangement can be reversed.

All of the above mechanisms are sophisticated and not found in boilerplate documents. It is important to work with a seasoned elder law attorney with proper drafting experience.

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Obituaries

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Virginia Vaccarello

Virginia R. Vaccarello, a resident of Brewster, died peacefully September 19 at her daughters' home. She was 94.

Born on June 5, 1925 in the Bronx to Vito and Antoinette (Lasquadra) Guido. On January 6, 1952, she married the love of her life Livio Vaccarello. He died November 7, 2002.

Once she retired, she enjoyed spending time with her family and playing card games with her friends. She also traveled often, which consisted of visiting family and spending time at her Florida home. Her greatest treasures in life were her children, nieces and nephews, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Mrs. Vaccarello is survived by her loving children; Dennis Vaccarello of Yonkers, and Linda Berger of Brewster, five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her nine siblings.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday, September 25 at 11 a.m. at St. Lawrence O'Toole Church in Brewster. Interment will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery in the Bronx. Friends and family may visit Beecher Funeral Home in Brewster on Tuesday, September 24 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m.

William DeBonis

William DeBonis, a 40-year resident of Brewster, died peacefully September 19, 2019 at the New York VA Medical Center in Manhattan. He was 80.

He was born December 25, 1938 in Corona, Queens, NY, to William and Theresa (Ferrucci) DeBonis. He was a graduate of Queens Vocational High School. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1958 until 1962. He later attended NYU and received his Master's degree.

On November 5, 1960 he married the love of his life and best friend Joann Severino at St. Leo Church in Corona, Queens.

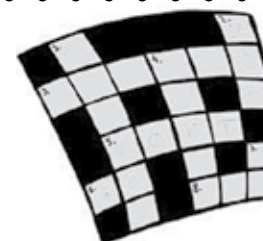
Mr. DeBonis was an Industrial Arts Teacher having worked at PS 118 in the Bronx for 30 years. He retired in 1995. He enjoyed working with his hands, fixing or repairing. He could be found assisting his sons with many projects...he was very knowledgeable. He loved his garden and loved traveling to Florida. He enjoyed swimming and visits to the beach. Above all, he was a family man.

Mr. DeBonis was an active member of the Italian American Club in Brewster for over 30 years. He valued his membership and friends from the American Legion where he volunteered for many years and was also a member of the Elks.

Besides his wife Joann of 59 years, he is survived by his sons William (Isolina) DeBonis and James (Jean) DeBonis, both

of Poughquag, NY; his daughter in law Maryellen DeBonis of Patterson, NY; his brother Donald DeBonis of New Jersey and his eight grandchildren, Valerie, John, Maeghan, Connor, Daniel, Stefania, Nicholas and Isabella. He was predeceased by his son John DeBonis. He will also be forever remembered by his numerous nieces, nephews, and extended family and friends.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday, September 26, at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of the Lake Church in Lake Carmel. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, September 25 at Beecher Funeral Home in Brewster from 4 to 8 p.m.



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PHC Holds Symposium, Screenings for Breast Cancer Awareness Month

For breast cancer awareness month in October, Putnam Hospital Center is hosting two events focusing on education, prevention and support.

First up is the Breast Symposium from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 5, in the hospital's Michael T. Weber Auditorium, 670 Stoneleigh Ave.

This informational presentation will feature hospital medical staff and healthcare professionals discussing the latest innovations in breast health and screening. There will be a multidisciplinary tumor board presentation featuring physicians from radiology, breast surgery, plastic surgery, pathology, medical oncology and radiation oncology.

The clinical discussion will also be supported by health and wellness information, including integrative health and exercise, nutrition, genetics and family history.

Registration is not required but encouraged. Please contact Patient Oncology Navigator Melissa Teran Contreras at 845-230-4791.

Also in October, Putnam Hospital Center has teamed up with Cancer Services Program

of the Hudson Valley to provide screenings to eligible women, age 50-74, with no health insurance or who are underinsured. The screenings are from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Oct. 12, in the hospital's outpatient radiology department, 664 Stoneleigh Ave.

The screenings include a breast exam performed by a specialist and a 3D mammogram.

Space is limited so registration is required. The Cancer Services Program of the Hudson Valley will schedule your appointment at 855-277-4482 and pay for eligible screenings. For directions, parking information and general questions, call Putnam Hospital Center at 845-230 4791 (TTY: 800-421-1220).



40 New Citizens Sworn-in at Putnam Naturalization Ceremony

Putnam County Clerk Michael C. Bartolotti hosted a Naturalization Ceremony on September 18 at the Putnam County Historic Courthouse in Carmel and administered the Oath of Allegiance to 40 new citizens from 25 different countries.

The Naturalization Ceremony opened by the posting of the colors by American Legion Post 1080 Color Guard. The Hon. James T. Rooney Putnam County Judge served as the officiating Supreme Court Justice and offered court remarks. The Hon.

New York State Senator, Sue Serino, offered welcoming remarks. Putnam County Sheriff Robert L. Langley, Jr. led the opening prayer. Kevin Cooke, Deputy Director of Putnam County Veterans Affairs, led the Pledge of Allegiance. Isabella Ciatto, a senior at Carmel High School, presented the gathering with beautiful renditions of the "Star Spangled Banner" and God Bless America."

After the ceremony, a coffee and cake reception was held to welcome the newest citizens.

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The Great Jack O'Lantern Blaze Back for Record 49 Nights

By Rick Pezzullo

Halloween is just around the corner, and for the last 15 years The Great Jack O'Lantern Blaze at Van Cortlandt Manor in Croton-on-Hudson has wowed hundreds of thousands of visitors.

Presented by Historic Hudson Valley (HHV), the largest non-profit cultural organization in Westchester County, the Blaze, which features more than 7,000 illuminated jack o'lanterns—all designed and hand-carved on site by a team of artisans—will make memories for a record 49 nights.

The electrifying fun began on September 20 and will continue until November 30—utilizing more than 200,000 pounds of pumpkins.

Attendance at the Blaze, widely acclaimed as one of the nation's best fall extravaganzas, has increased 870% since it debuted in 2005. Last year, more than 180,000 visitors walked the carefully crafted path. This year, more than 250,000 people are expected to enjoy the Halloween season at the Blaze and other events in the area.

Creative Director Michael Natiello leads a small team of Historic Hudson Valley staff and local artists who carve. In addition, more than 1,000 volunteers help

scoop and light the pumpkins.

New creations this year on the grounds include the Sleepy Hollow Headless Horseman Bridge and a Museum of Pumpkin Art. Returning favorites include the Pumpkin Zee Bridge, Pumpkin Carousel, Statue of Liberty, aquatic creatures, medieval castle and signs of the zodiac.

The leisurely walk is accompanied by a spooky soundtrack created by musician, radio personality and Halloween fanatic Richard Christy. The new tracks, plus soundtracks from Blaze: The Soundtrack Volume I & II are available as digital downloads and streams from iTunes, Amazon and Google Play.

The Great Jack O'Lantern Blaze Shop offers a full bounty of Blaze-specific merchandise such as candles, hats, T-shirts, magnets, caps, mugs and jewelry.

In addition, Café Blaze, by Geordane's of Irvington, offers culinary treats, including soup, veggie chili, muffins, pumpkin cookies and cider. Adult beverages available are wine by the glass, hard cider from 1911 and beer from the Elmford-based Captain Lawrence Brewing Company.

Timed tickets to the Blaze can only be purchased on-line at www.hudsonvalley.org.



RICK PEZZULLO PHOTOS

[hudsonvalley.org](http://www.hudsonvalley.org). Tickets start at \$23 for adults and \$17 for children (ages 3-17). Tickets for children two and under and HHV members are free. For more information, call (914) 366-6900.

Historic Hudson Valley also has other Halloween-themed shows in the area. Horseman's Hollow, back for a spine-tingling 10th year, transforms historic Philipsburg Manor in Sleepy Hollow into an 18th century village driven mad by The Headless Horseman. Award-winning makeup and costume designers and a 40-member cast



of actors put on an interactive, terrifying experience with state-of-art special effects.

Horseman's Hollow is held 16 nights (Oct. 4-6; 11-13; 18-20; 25-27; 31 and Nov. 1-3). Online tickets are \$22 (\$28 on Saturdays). Visit www.hudsonvalley.org.

The Unsilent Picture, based on the Washington Irving story "The Adventure of the Mysterious Picture," was shot on location at Van Cortlandt Manor in Croton. The theater experience is held at Philipsburg Manor throughout October. Online tickets are \$15 for

adults and \$10 for children.

Other events are The Sleepy Hollow Experience, an interactive performance at Washington Irving's Sunnyside which features professional musicians and singers; Home of the 'Legend,' a family-friendly daytime event at Sunnyside that includes a spooky tour of Irving's home, a scavenger hunt, storytellers and other games; and Irving's 'Legend,' where master storytellers Jonathan Kruk and Jim Keyes offer dramatic readings of Irving's classic tale, The Legend of Sleepy Hollow.

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**Business
of the Week**

Marine Diving Service Croton

By Neal Rentz

The Marine Diving Service, which is located in Croton, is not your typical business.

Zdenek Ulman, commonly known as "Z," recalled last week that following his first scuba diving experience he decided to become a scuba diving instructor. "On my way to pursuing my dream to become a scuba diving instructor I stumbled across some of the companies doing some work around the boats and on the docks," he said.

Ulman said he was hired to do underwater work with commercial scuba divers and his reputation in the business grew. "We did a lot of salvages and repairs and underwater cutting and search and recovery," he said. "Later on, I decided to open up my own Marine Diving Service company for salvage and recovery because I saw a need for an organized business doing just that."

Ulman said part of his business is to search for sunken items, barges and other types of vessels. He said his company earlier this year salvaged a sunken large barge in New York City. Many times there are accidents and other emergencies that require boats to be repaired underwater, he said. He noted when there are holes in a boat his company is able "to take care of it before there is a problem."



MARIA BELE PHOTO

Croton resident Zdenek Ulman, commonly known as "Z," is the owner of Marine Diving Service, which he opened four years ago.

If there is a large sunken vessel that needs to be brought to the surface "it becomes a joint effort between other companies with the barges and cranes," Ulman said. For

his part, he will offer his underwater work, such as surveillance and rigging, in an effort to make the repairs and assure the sunken vessel water-tight. Water in the hull of a

sunken vessel must be replaced with air, he said.

"The longest salvage we had was 34 hours straight," Ulman said. "The operation doesn't stop until the vessel is up because I can't really stop midway." The average salvage is 20 hours straight, he said.

Ulman has opened up another division of his company to clean local lakes. "A lot of these beaches are closed this summer because of the invasive aquatic vegetation and also because of the algae," he said. Ulman's company recently purchased a machine that removes the invasive plants by their roots, instead of the traditional method of cutting them. One of the company's recent projects was to improve water quality on the Esopus Creek in the Town of Saugerties in the Kingston area of Ulster County.

"People are very happy," he said. "They can swim again." The roughly two-week effort also allowed boats to move through the creek again without being tangled with the invasive plants, he said.

Ulman said algae pose serious health risks and invasive plants can be hazard for swimmers.

Marine Diving Service is located at 3, Ripley Pl #3 in Croton. For more information, call 914-313-6394, send an e-mail to marineservice247@gmail.com or visit <https://www.marinedivingservice.com/>.

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Fixtures: Getting Weird about What Stays and What Goes

As a realtor, I find that some home sales can be particularly interesting, as much for the small details as well as the big issues. A case in point is the subject of fixtures in a house for sale: what stays and what goes.

Buyers and sellers who seem perfectly nice and normal throughout the sales transaction can suddenly lose their cool when the seller asks at the last minute that a modest chandelier over a kitchen table be excluded among the fixtures included in the sale.

"Oh no, you don't," the buyer might say, "it wasn't excluded in the listing!" And, the fight begins. This very scenario happened to me a while back.

The seller had forgotten to discuss the chandelier's exclusion with his listing agent on the listing. It was a very ordinary fixture, surely one not worth fighting about.

"But we bought it early on in our marriage, the seller protested to his agent. "Our family gathered under it every morning at breakfast, every night at dinner," he was reported to have said, and so it went. But my buyer didn't relent. I appealed to his better judgment. "That chandelier is an inexpensive



By Bill Primavera

Tiffany reproduction," I argued, "and couldn't have cost more than \$100. I'll buy one that's more than twice its quality as a closing gift for you," I said. "No, I want that one," he said.

It looked as though it was going to come to a showdown. Just prior to this incident I had heard a story about how the sale of a home was lost because the seller had changed her mind about leaving her washer and dryer with a house because those particular models, with which she had fallen in love, literally, had been discontinued and she didn't want to risk her emotional health with trying another brand.

Oh, my goodness, I declared, you're going to risk losing a

house over a matter like a cheap kitchen chandelier? See reason here, I admonished the buyer. Sanity finally prevailed and the seller was allowed to keep the fixture to which he was so strongly attached.

Shortly after that experience, I was involved with another dispute, and you guessed it, it also involved lighting fixtures, this time in a gorgeous historic home when the seller had affixed the highest-grade wall sconces and chandeliers you could imagine

in every room, all quite appropriate to their 18th century surroundings. My buyers oohed and aahed over every one of them in every room. Only after they decided to make an offer after the first showing did I make the inquiry of the seller's agent about exclusions and, sure enough, the lighting fixtures were "available for sale." My buyers were not happy, and neither was I.

Give yourself a test. Which of the following items would normally not be included as fixtures in the sale of a home: built-in stereo system, electric garage door opener, wall-to-wall carpet, built-in microwave oven, water heater, dishwasher, built-in stove, drapes, refrigerator, washer and dryer.

You are correct if you answered that the last four items are not included. All the other items are automatically included since they are attached and have become fixtures.

The literature on the subject is somewhat simplistic. For instance, lumber sitting by the side of a house is personal property because it is not permanently attached to the structure or the land, and is therefore not included in a home's sale price; however, when that lumber is nailed or bolted together to become a fence, the wood fence is a fixture attached to the land and is included in the sale.

Oddly, while the examples I gave about

chandeliers would identify them as fixtures, their light bulbs are not permanently attached to the structure, so they remain personal property. Very few sellers remove their light bulbs from the light fixtures (as they are entitled to do) unless it's a particularly contentious sale. (Although, when I sold my first home, I ended up hating my buyer so much that I removed every light bulb from the house and every roll of toilet paper from the bathrooms. Hopefully, I've matured since those early years.) If a home seller wants to exclude a fixture from the sale, it must be specifically itemized and excluded in the sales contract.

When a dispute arises whether or not an item is included in a home sale, it is accepted practice that courts favor (a) buyer over seller, (b) tenant over landlord and (c) lender over borrower.

Well, I guess we all know where we stand in such battles.

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Happenings

Tuesday, September 24

PATTERSON FIRE DEPT. BOOK SALE Sept. 21-29. Sat/Sun from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Mon-Fri from noon-6 p.m. Early Bird Sale on Sat. Sept. 21 from 8-10 a.m. for \$30. Discount for teachers with ID. Rt. 311, Patterson.

Blood Drive at Trinity Lutheran Church: 2 - 8 p.m., 2103 Route 6 Brewster. Please go to lower parking lot and go into Shepherd's Hall. Come donate and help save a life. Homemade baked goods available.

Wednesday, September 25

Eurogame Club: 6:30 p.m., This new Eurogame Club meets on the first and fourth Wednesday of the month Game Schedule: A variety of games are available at club meetings. This group is led by Richard Fetzer; registration is requested. Register online @ www.mahopaclibrary.org, or call 845-628-2009.

Thursday, September 26

The Tri-State IBM Retirees Meeting: United Methodist Church Hall, E Main St, Shrub Oak. The scheduled speaker is Rick Danzler, Director of Sales and Marketing for The Knolls, a continuing care retirement community. Social and coffee at 1 p.m., meeting at 1:30 p.m. Contact info: Peg Ryan

(914)528-5915.

Estate Planning: How to Protect Yourself and Your Parents. 1 p.m., Get answers to the following important issues. Presented by Michael A. Martin of Martin Law, PC Registration is requested; register online at www.mahopaclibrary.org, or call 845-628-2009, ext 100.

Mahopac Public Library's Balloon Club for Teens: 3:15 p.m., Learn how to make balloon animals, have fun and earn community service credit. Earn double community hours for special events. Next event is on Sunday, October 6 at the Mahopac Street Fair. For information call Gail Perillo at 845-628-2009, ext 136.

Friday, September 27

CARMEL FIREL DEPT AUXILIARY GIRLS NIGHT OUT: 6:30 p.m., -9:00 p.m. at Carmel Fire House, 94 Gleneida Ave, Carmel. Vendors (Avon, Thirty-One, LulaRoe, Stampin' Up!, and more), raffles, 50/50, refreshments.

Movie Night: Yesterday @ Reed Library. 7 p.m., (doors open at 6:45) Free popcorn and our signature punch. Call the library to reserve your seat: 845.225.2439.

All About Hair: 6 p.m., The Secret Hair Studio will teach you how to create your own curly hair styles and how to braid using hair on mannequin heads in this hands-on session. For Ages nine and up. For more

information or to register, contact the Patterson Library at 845-878-6121 x10 or go to www.pattersonlibrary.org and click Calendar.

Saturday, September 28

PUTNAM VALLEY TOWN DAY: 2 p.m. Kick Off. Rain Date for Fireworks only: Sunday, September 29. Fireworks warning shot is around 8:45 p.m. with a no later than 9 p.m. start time. Putnam Valley Town Park. Fun for the entire family.

The Reform Temple of Putnam Valley Free children's Programs for High Holidays: 362 Church Road, Putnam Valley. 9:30 a.m. there will be a creative and fun Jewish learning experience for children ages 4-7 taught by Jill Shoffiett, a renowned local artist. Other children's programs include: --On Rosh Hashanah on Monday, September 30 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., also taught by Jill Shoffiett. On Yom Kippur, Wednesday, October 9 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. taught by Jill Shoffiett. A teen discussion on Yom Kippur, from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. taught by Isabelle Molle. Please RSVP to 845-528-4774 Visit rtpv.org

Sunday, September 29

Brewster Theater Company's Armchair Actors Present ANIMAL

PLANET: A lively afternoon featuring script readings, scenes, and songs from: 12 Angry Pigs, Sylvia (a play about a dog), Old Possum's Tale of Practical Cats, The Owl - the Bull and the Forest, Stories from the Pound, and more. 2 p.m., Registration is requested; register online at www.mahopaclibrary.org, or call 845-628-2009, ext 100.

New Rabbi, New Year, New Beginnings: Hebrew Congregation of Somers Rosh Hashanah services also Monday, September 30 and Tuesday October 1. Tickets are free. Registration is required. Email info@hebrewcongregationofsomers.org or call 914-248-9532 for reservations.

Tuesday, October 1

Matter of Balance Workshop with Naomi Cohen: Putnam Valley Friendship Center. The workshop is scheduled on Tuesdays for eight weeks (Oct 1, 8, 15, 22; Nov 5, 19, 26; Dec 3). The workshop will take place from 11 a.m., to 1 p.m., and will include lunch. The Putnam Valley Friendship Center is located at 117 Town Park Lane, Putnam Valley, NY 10579. Registration is required. SIGN-UP with Kathleen Gallagher or call 845-808-1730.

SMALL NEWS IS BIG NEWS

Police Blotter

Putnam Sheriff

In June, the Putnam County Sheriff's Department received a grand larceny complaint from an elderly resident of the Plaza at Clover Lake Nursing Home Facility in Patterson. Deputy Vincent Dalo interviewed the complainant who informed Dalo that she had noticed that her credit cards had been moved and that money was missing from her wallet. The 82-year-old woman subsequently discovered her credit card had been used to make an unauthorized purchase. Investigator Ryan McMahon was assigned to conduct an investigation into the allegations. McMahon's investigation led to the arrest of one of the health aide workers of the facility. On September 8, Takara Baldwin, 29, of New Windsor, was placed under arrest at the Plaza at Clover Lake facility. Baldwin was arrest processed and charged with Identity Theft in the First Degree (Class D Felony), and Grand Larceny in the Fourth Degree (Class E Felony).

On September 5, at approximately 5:59 pm, Deputy Matthew Shelters observed a vehicle stopped in the middle of the roadway in the area of Route 22 in the Town of Southeast. Shelters approached the vehicle. A subsequent investigation revealed the vehicle's driver, Erica Turen, 45, of Patterson, was allegedly intoxicated. It was also determined that the vehicle contained Concentrated Cannabis and that the Cannabis allegedly belonged to Turen's daughter, Amber Holic, 19, who had arrived on the scene. Both Turen and Holic were placed under arrest and transported

to the Putnam County Correctional Facility for arrest processing. Turner was processed and charged with Driving While Intoxicated- Operating a Motor Vehicle while having a Blood Alcohol Content of .08 or more (Misdemeanor), and Driving While Intoxicated (Misdemeanor). Holic was processed and charged with Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Seventh Degree (Class A Misdemeanor).

State Police

September 14

State Police from Brewster arrested Andrew E. Seibert, 30, of Carmel, for DWI. He was traveling on Route 52 in Carmel when he was stopped for a violation of the vehicle and traffic law. Investigation revealed he was under the influence of alcohol and was subsequently arrested.

State Police from Dover Plains arrested Tricia L. Kendziera, 27, of Beekman, for DWI. She was traveling on Route 55 in Pawling when she was stopped for a violation of the vehicle and traffic law. Investigation revealed she was under the influence of alcohol and was subsequently arrested.

State Police from Cortlandt arrested Ubaldo G. Campos, 43, of Carmel, for DWI with a prior conviction within 10 years, and Aggravated Unlicensed Operation in the 1st degree, both class E felonies. He was traveling on East Main Street in Peekskill when he was stopped for a violation of the vehicle and traffic law. Investigation revealed he was under the influence of alcohol and was subsequently arrested.



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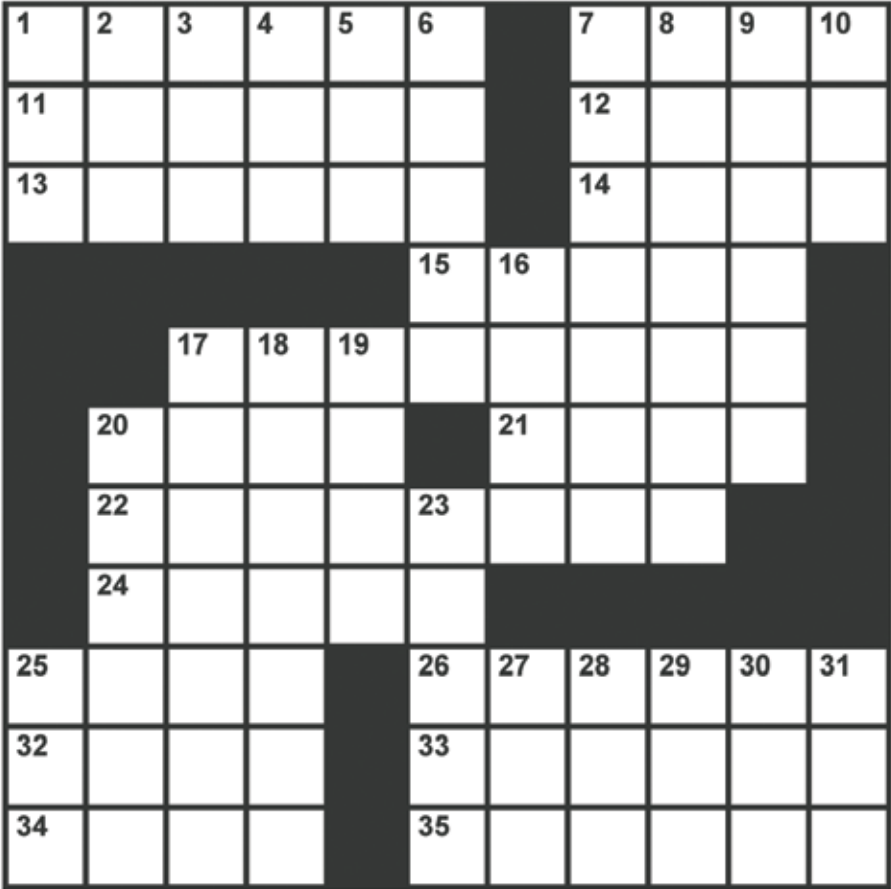
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Crossword Puzzle



Crossword by Myles Mellor

Answers on page 15

Across

- 1. This Yorktown optometrist will make your sight fourteen karat, ____ Vision
- 7. PGA part
- 11. Kind of soup or salad
- 12. Small amount
- 13. ____ of noodles
- 14. People in charge, abbr.
- 15. Justice Kagan of the Supreme Court
- 17. Schwarzenegger classic movie
- 20. Architectural drawing
- 21. Especially
- 22. Uncovered
- 24. "____ to bed"
- 25. It's just for openers
- 26. This new Thornwood restaurant will leave you feeling "full," - ____ North
- 32. It may have a big head
- 33. Anxious
- 34. Bookie's quote
- 35. Plops down

Down

- 1. U.S. document issuer
- 2. Winning tic-tac-toe row
- 3. Inc., abroad
- 4. Mavericks' city, on scoreboards
- 5. Summer, in Cannes
- 6. Pushed forward
- 7. Current measurer
- 8. Italian title

- 9. "Our Lady" of the Roman Cath. Church
- 10. After expenses
- 16. Volcanologist's study
- 17. Did some sowing
- 18. "____ of the Lost Ark", Harrison Ford movie
- 19. Goals
- 20. Leveled a surface
- 23. Fake
- 25. Blood group system
- 27. Low digit
- 28. Abbr. after a general's name, maybe
- 29. Perp prosecutors
- 30. Spanish bear
- 31. Dict. offering



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.

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

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Supreme Court of the State Of New
York County Of Putnam** U.S. Bank
National Association, Not In Its Indi-
vidual 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 Plain-
tiff, Claiming, Or Who May Claim To
Have An Interest In, Or General Or
Specific Lien Upon The Real Prop-
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Defendant(s).

**TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFEN-
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The basis of the venue designated
above is the location of the Mortgaged
Premises. **TO Catherine A. Cerce-
na Defendant in this Action.** The
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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
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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

was recorded at Book 4972, Page 275
in the Office of the Putnam County
Clerk on November 13, 2006. The
mortgage was subsequently assigned
by an assignment executed July 30,
2012 and recorded on August 15,
2012, in the Office of the Putnam
County Clerk at Book 6028, Page
210. The mortgage was subsequently
assigned by an assignment executed
March 27, 2013 and recorded on No-
vember 12, 2013, in the Office of the
Putnam County Clerk at Book 6315,
Page 332. The mortgage was subse-
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Page 397.

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The Gift of Gabby!

Mahopac Shuts Out Ossining, 3-0

NIKKI GALLAGHER PHOTO

Mahopac sophomore Gabby Gonzalez (2A) sets up a choice scoring chance against Ossining's Sophia Rocco in the improving Indians' 3-0 win over the visiting Pride last Wednesday when Indian sniper Krista Dietz scored twice and assisted on Kate Kasparian's goal while the Indians improved to 3-2-1. G Katie Iarussi posted seven saves for Mahopac, which also managed a 1-0 league win against Arlington on Friday with Dietz banging the boards off a Tatiana Moran assist. Mahopac will square off with rival Carmel today for local bragging rights.

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Grid Notebook

Somers Stuns Rye, Yorktown Remains Unbeaten, Carmel Crushes

By Ray Gallagher

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If it weren't for state-ranked (No.3) New Rochelle in Class AA, we'd be hard-pressed to forecast Class AA, A and B this fall, but four-time defending champion New Ro' makes AA an easy call this season, as it has for much of this century while winning 13 sectional titles since 2000.

The first installment of the NYS Sportswriters rankings came out last week and Section 1 is, as usual, is strongly represented in Class A and B. New Ro' is the only Class AA program among those ranks, and unranked Somers (2-1) just threw a monkey wrench into the Class A rankings with its stunning 28-24 upset of No.5 Rye (2-1); this, on the heels of Coach Tony DeMatteo's Tuskers' 30-12 loss to No.9 Yorktown (3-0) the week before.

Somehow, defending Class A champion John Jay (3-0), currently ranked No.12 in NYS, is flying under the local radar with so much focus on Rye, Somers and Yorktown, but Coach Jimmy Clark's Indians were feasting on bears last Friday in Brewster during their 34-14 victory, so Class A is a crapshoot right now with as many as four or five legit contenders.

Early on, Class B looks like its boiling down to two teams, including defending Section 1 champion Ardsley (3-0), ranked No.4 in NYS, and No.6 Byram Hills (3-0), who just happens to have one of the more inspirational young coaches in the region in Doug Carpenter, the former John Jay CR standout.

Be this as it may, someone is bound to throw us a curve ball, but New Rochelle



RAY GALLAGHER/BILL KENNEDY/BOB CASTNER PHOTOS

Brewster LB Franco Milano gets hold of Jay's Max Miraglia with help from Bear Paul Catalano in Bears' 34-14 loss to Indians.

looks like the clear Class AA favorites; four teams – Rye, Somers, Yorktown and John Jay -- appear to be legit contenders in Class A; and both Ardsley and Byram Hills are the cream of the Class B crop... for now!

Just gonna throw this out there before

we dip in to the weekly recap: There are a ton of really, really sub-par football programs in Section 1 this year, and the difference between the haves and the have-nots is profoundly evident as much as it is worrisome...

CLASS A

SOMERS is just impossible to figure right now. A week after Yorktown ran roughshod over DeMatteo's Tuskers, the coach had the actual gall to predict that a win over Rye would be the greatest regular season upset of his 51-year career. And when Somers junior RB Jack Kaiser scored with 18.9 seconds remaining, an improbable 17-point comeback was complete upon DB Nate Rosenzweig's game-sealing INT. Kaiser finished with 152 yards on the ground and three workmanlike scores. Rosenzweig, who stepped up for injured senior RB/DB Charlie Balancia, added 71 rushing yards and a TD.

"We had a great week of practice and we stayed mentally tough and fought," Kaiser said.

That toughness and work ethic resulted in Coach DeMatteo literally dancing along the home bleachers like a school girl in a plaid skirt on the last day of school; this, after his immaculate prediction at the team dinner #TheLegendGrows.

"That was so great to see," Kaiser said.

JOHN JAY's tempo and speed were too much for **BREWSTER** in the Indians' 34-14 defeat of the host Bears (2-1) last Friday when Indian QB Luke Mercer hit on 8 of 14 for 94 yards, including three touchdown passes to WR Max Miraglia. Mercer added 17 carries for 162 yards and yet another score as the Indians (3-0) built a 28-7 halftime lead. Jay RB Jack O'Reilly added 92 yards and a touchdown. DB Paul Catalano had a 55-yard pick-6 to get Brewster some hope before the half, but it wasn't nearly

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Brewster RB Mike Martinez chugs for tough yards in Bears' 34-14 loss to visiting John Jay Friday.



Mahopac RB Henry Botchway looks for crease in Indians' league loss to John Jay EF Friday.

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Yorktown's Keith Boyer picks up block from OL Jack Tinari in state-ranked (No.9) Huskers' romp of Tappan Zee Friday.

enough against the defending Section 1 champs.

"They are the real deal, fast and furious," Brewster Coach Ed Mulvihill exclaimed! "The QB made good decisions all night and defensively they swarmed to the ball. They are going to be a tough matchup for someone in playoffs."

LAKELAND was hoping to be 3-0 at this point, but a Week 1 loss to Brewster foiled its plan, but here Coach Mike Meadows' Hornets are at 2-1 as we enter Week 4 after a 42-20 win over host Beacon. Lakeland is above .500 in Week 3 for the first time in quite some time after QB Tyler Santucci hit on 10 of 15 passes with career highs on yards (245) and TD passes (5). Hornet WR Landon Ruggieri snatched two of those passes for scores and 126 receiving yards. WR Mike Castelli added six catches for 110 yards and three scores. Hornet RB Matt Makar moved the chains all night, with 28 carries for 134 yards and a touchdown.

Defensively, Hornet John Giuffrida led the defense with 12 tackles, Jake DiFede (9 tackles) was big and Jason Green recorded a sack and four tackles. Sophomore Kevin Hickey added six tackles and Jorge Duque added seven. Rob Nardelli and Adamo Iabriola each picked off a pass.

PANAS Coach Paul Ronga, in his first season, earned his first win, a 28-6 win over host Poughkeepsie when QB Mark Perez fired three touchdown passes for the Panthers (1-2), giving him five for the year. Two of those TD strikes went to WR Robert Ennis. Panther RB Dean Ragone rushed for a score.

CLASS AA

CARMEL went off on visiting RCK Friday, 33-0, doing so behind a career performance from Ram QB Andrew Nunez who connected on 9 of 13 for 170 yards and two TD strikes to WR Alex Beauchesne, who had four catches for 100 yards. Nunez added a rushing TD. Carmel RB James Cox added 17 carries for 119 yards and a touchdown while RB Andrew Bumgardner also rushed for a score for the Rams (2-1).

MAHOPAC RB Vin Bastone rushed 12 times for 83 yards and two scores but it wasn't enough in the Indians' 33-13 loss to host John Jay EF Friday.

"Right now, we just need to work harder to get better," Indian Coach Dominick DeMatteo said.

CLASS B

State-ranked (No.4) Ardsley's 21-7 win over **PUTNAM VALLEY** went as expected but the Tigers held a 7-0 lead when QB Ryan Singer put the host Tigers on the board. However, that was it for PV, who dropped to 0-3.

NWE/Putnam Top 5 Grid Poll

No.1 YORKTOWN – Class A Huskers (3-0) are gonna be 6-0 heading in to the playoffs – unless unbeaten Fox Lane is better than we think they are -- and that record should/could

provide a critical No.1 playoff seed in what has become a wide open Class A. In the 56-28 win over TZ, Husker RB Dylan Smith put up a gaudy 223 yards and three TDs on just 11 totes. WR/RB Keith Boyer had six carries, three of which found paydirt, for 66 yards in all. RB/QB/WR Sean Vogel rushed for 53 yards and a score. So many players is a real nice problem for Coach House.

No.2 CARMEL – Class AA Rams (2-1) will tune up this Friday vs. Ramapo before visiting Arlington in a Week 5 doozy that will have a major say regarding league bragging rights and the potential No.2/3 seed in the playoffs, which Carmel might secure if they bring their A-game from this point forward. Carmel has been a steady program the last 25 years, eh? Oh, that's when Coach Todd Cayea showed up.



Yorktown QB/RB Sean Vogel sprints for paydirt in Huskers' romp of Tappan Zee Friday.

No.2A SOMERS – Class B Tuskers came out of this brutal stretch at 2-1, which is not bad considering perennial powers Yorktown and Rye were on the docket in Week 2/3, but the roll they get on now with TZ, Fox Lane and Nyack should result in a 5-1 regular season mark and a potential No.2/3 playoff seed depending on what Yorktown and John Jay do the rest of the way. Our best guess if both the Huskers and Indians win out and finish 6-0 based on their remaining schedules, but the Tuskers have been down this road before and managed a way to the finals.

No.4 BREWSTER – Class A Bears' (2-1) had little chance against the speed and tempo of defending champion John Jay, but that should not deter them from the goal of reaching the quarterfinals.

No.4A MAHOPAC – Class AA Indians (1-2) have a legit shot at going 3-2 with host Mount Vernon and visiting Suffern up next, but road warriors Arlington in Week 6 and rival Carmel in Week 7 could spoil the party by setting Mahopac up for a really rough post-season play-in game. Remember, this season is primarily about building for the future and passing the torch.

SHRUB OAK ATHLETIC CLUB

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Soccer Notebook

Class A Yorktown, Somers Notching Big Wins on Pitch

Mahopac, Somers Girls Make Early-Season Splashes

By Ray Gallagher
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YORKTOWN striker Tim O'Callaghan, often the best athlete on the pitch, is starting to really feel his oats of late. The senior captain had a monster week for the surging Huskers, who have won four in a row, including a 5-4 nail-biter over an improved **PANAS** club, and **BREWSTER**, 7-2. O'Connor was doing work in both wins, putting up seven goals, including four against Panas and the game-winner. But the Panthers were pesky and would not go quietly. Kyle Arraiano has four goals and two assists to lead the Panthers this season.

"Yeah we expected Panas to be a game to get the bench in a little bit, but they were definitely better than we expected," said O'Callaghan, who had nine goals and four assists through Thursday. "They had a speedy striker that we had trouble with and he countered us real well. They came out of the half very strong and we were caught a little off guard. I think they deserve a little more respect than we gave them though."

"I think it took me a couple games and a couple position rotations to figure out what spot could put me in the best position to score," he added. "My boys are figuring out different ways to get me the ball in good spots and I'm definitely on a hot streak right now I hope I can keep it going moving forward."

Huskers Mikey O'Connor (6G, 2A on the year) also scored and



RICK KUPERBERG/BOB CASTNER PHOTOS
Yorktown's Tim O'Callaghan drilled four goals in Huskers' 5-4 win over Panas last Thursday and has 9G, 3A on the year.

Zak Stanik added two assists.

O'Callaghan added three goals and two assists in the rout of Brewster. O'Connor tickled twine twice while James Calidonna and Ciaran Donohue each put up a goal. G Scott Weitman kept the Bears off the board for 60 minutes in his first varsity start. Brewster scored on a header by Jourdy Cerrato and Louis Romero breakaway. The Bears (1-4) have struggled out of the gate.

SOMERS senior M Andrew Lasher (8G, 3A through Thursday) bagged a hat trick in a 4-0 win over **LAKELAND** last Tuesday. Tusker Ethan Cukaj scored once against the previously unbeaten Hornets. Bennett Leitner dished two assists for the state-ranked (No.20) Tuskers, who come in behind Byram Hills (No.16), Rye (No.10) and Pearl River (No.2).

These are the early powers that

be, but Rye looks like the club to beat (as of late Sept.), but Somers is well coached and skillful.

"Our boys are playing really well right now," Somers Coach Brian Lanzetta said.

CARMELE's Nicholas Fernandes scored a pair of goals in a 4-1 win over Suffern. Kid can play some soccer, but the Rams are lacking punch behind him.

In **BREWSTER**'s 2-1 win over Lakeland, Bryan Jaramillo gave the Hornets a lead in the closing minutes of the first half, off an assist from Nick DeSantis. However, Brewster's Luis Romero found Kevin Sugamente to knot the score before the half and Dan Giron hit the game-winning marker in the 55th minute from Marco Gulla. It wasn't a great week for either the Hornets or the Bears, who seem a notch below the big dogs in Class A.

CLASS A OSSINING is



Yorktown's Michael O'Connor pushes up field against Panas in Huskers 5-4 win over Panthers last Thursday.

ranked No.9 in NYS and looks like a primary contender against top-ranked Mamaroneck. In what looks like a rare down year among the perennial Dutchess County powers, might the Pride be poised to snag a title? Ossining's Nolan Lenaghan (12G, 2) and Eric Monges (1G, 7A) have created a formidable 1-2 punch.

GIRLS SOCCER

When the **MAHOPAC** girls' soccer team lost Colgate-bound senior Carly Steinberg, a pre-season All-American, to a season-ending knee injury, and the Indians transitioned from former 11-year Coach Ross Fumusa to current Coach Casey Carroll, there could have been a period for lament. Instead, the Indians, who went 12-6 last season and have been to two Class AA Final 4's the last three years, took the next-girl-up approach and continued on their merry way, romping their way to a 5-1 start to the 2019 campaign

despite a 4-1 loss over visiting perennial Class AA powerhouse North Rockland, ranked No.7 in the state. The Indians were short a couple of key players that day and have put the loss behind them.

In a 2-1 win over Clarkstown North, the Indians saw Mia 'Monsta' Klammer and Jenna Daly tickle twine off assists from UConn-bound Grace DeVincenzo and Alyssa Chiulli.

In an impressive 4-1 season-opening win over Mamaroneck, Klammer was at it again, flashing the skills that make her one of the section's premier scoring threats. Sabrina Nogula and Jenna Daly each added a goal while assists went to Alexa Rispoli, DiVincenzo, Marissa McCarney and Piper Klammer, the freshmen with a ton of promise.

In a big 2-1 win over Rye Saturday, the Indians got goals by Mia Klammer and Grace

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Somers' Kayleigh Kenny and Lakeland's Francesca Gerbasi get after 50-50 ball in Tuskers' 2-1 OT win against the Hornets last week.



Somers' Michael Miceri attempts to beat Lakeland's Steban Minchalo in Tuskers' 4-0 win over Hornets last Tuesday.



Haldane's Marilyn Cedillo and Put Valley's Mazzie Maxwell mix it up in Blue Devils' 4-0 win over Tigers.

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Volleyball Notebook

Yorktown Serving with Authority, Beats Panas

By Tony Pinciario

Coaches discuss the importance of seniors to the success of a team because of their experience and leadership.

YORKTOWN came into the 2019 varsity volleyball season without any seniors, but the Cornhuskers are thriving.

Yorktown swept **LAKELAND** and, after losing the opening game, won three straight to take the match. As a result, Yorktown is

6-0 on the season.

"The girls are all contributing each day in practice and in games, and continuing to develop," Yorktown Coach Gigi Kemp said.

Following its opening-set-loss to perennial power **PANAS**, it would have been understandable if a young Yorktown team lost the match. Instead, Yorktown responded with the poise of an experienced team and took the next three games -- 25-20, 25-23, 25-21.

"Poise is a word we often use in practice and in games," Kemp said. "It's a team power word and a work in progress each day. Composure is our other word we use to empower us to keep our confidence up."

Junior Jackie Cane led the way against Panas with 20 kills. She also had two aces and five digs. Sophomore Allison Torres had registered nine kills, 12 digs and one block. Junior Jackie Knoesel collected 18 digs and eight aces. Junior Allison Silverman rang up 25 assists, three kills and seven digs and classmate Olivia Facse had 13 assists and 13 digs.

In Yorktown's 25-11, 25-15, 25-17 win over Lakeland,

Cane had 13 kills, five aces and four digs. Allison Torres contributed 10 kills, Knoesel had 11 digs and Silverman registered 17 assists.

PUTNAM VALLEY senior setter Kristina Turner reached

a major milestone -- surpassing 1000 varsity assists two weeks into her third varsity year.

"Kristina is a committed volleyball player," Putnam Valley coach Nicole Turner said. "She was the first player in Putnam Valley program history to get all-section honors."

"She is a strong team leader and will do whatever she can to get a touch on the ball and help her team win the point."

In her sophomore year, Turner rang up 361 assists and last year increased that number to 498.

"This is a true display of her growth as a player, as well as her teammates who surround her," coach Turner said. "In our three matches this week, Kristina recorded 55 assists, 17 aces and 12 kills. Genesis Cruz and Mya Bert recorded 26 and 22 kills, respectively."

Putnam Valley, now 5-3 this season, defeated Woodlands and Palisades Prep and lost a tough five-setter to **CROTON**. Croton won the first two games, 26-24 and 25-23 before Putnam Valley evened the match with wins of 25-17 and 28-26. Croton took the decisive game, 25-22.

HEN HUD improved to 8-0 this season with sweeps of Beacon and Yonkers and a



Putnam Valley's Kristina Turner celebrates her 1,000th assists with teammates and Coach Turner, her sister Nicole.



BOB CASTNER PHOTO

Yorktown's Aniyah Seales hammers home a point in Huskers' win over visiting Panas last Thursday.

four-set triumph of Westlake.

Mackenzie Calhoun finished with a match-leading 30 assists in the 25-6, 25-16, 25-11 win over Beacon. Madisen Lupica rang up 10 kills and Callie Pidioriano collected 19 digs and seven aces.

Lupica and Ashanti Davis were dynamite at the net against Westlake, both with career-highs 18 kills and 15 kills, respectively. Julietta Antman registered a career-best 10 ace serves and Pidioriano had 24 digs and two ace serves.

Caitlin Weimar had a match-best 19 kills and 16 service points, including five aces, against Yonkers. Pidioriano had 17 service points, including eight aces and 10 digs. Lupica added 12 service points and 14 digs and Calhoun finished with 12 assists.

Vastly Improved Mahopac Making Strides in Win over Ossining



NIKKI GALLAGHER PHOTOS

Mahopac players celebrate a goal in vastly improved Indians' 3-0 win over visiting Ossining Tuesday.



Mahopac junior Tatiana Moran has been a steady playmaker for the Indians this season, setting up a big goal in a 1-0 win over Arlington.



Ossining's Ryann Engelbracht defends Mahopac's Caitlyn Reilly in Pride's 3-0 loss to Indians.

Class A Yorktown, Somers Notching Big Wins on Pitch

DiVincenzo off assists by Alyssa Chiulli and Marissa McCarney. Gifted senior keeper Isabel Omboni made 11 saves. Junior Shannon Becker notched her first varsity goal in a 4-0 win over John Jay EF earlier in the week behind additional goals from Grace DiVincenzo (2G), and Mia Klammer, who also had two assists. DiVi and Monsta have been a lethal combo up top.

"Grace and I have played together for the last two years and this is our third year together, so we understand the way each other plays and know what runs to make and where to be on the field," Mia Klammer said.

State-ranked (No.5) **SOMERS** flexed some serious muscle this week in a 2-1 overtime victory over host **LAKELAND**,

which is also having a solid season. However, Tusker Megan Dineen scored the game-winning goal with two minutes left in the final OT stanza. Somers M Jessica Rodriguez also scored while Dahlia Pepe and Karlene Kurtz each notched an assist for the Tuskers. Nicole Haughney scored Lakeland goal off an assist from Nadia Parisi. Somers has been incredibly steady the

last decade and there's little reason to believe Coach Paul Saia's Tuskers won't be in it to win it this fall, though Magnus and several others across the river are legit challengers.

HEN HUD's Kira Varada scored four goals in a 4-0 win over Beacon win. Whether its soccer or lax, this kid has a nose for the goal.

A Country Niles!



John Jay Puts Distance Between It and Brewster in 34-14 Rout



RAY GALLAGHER PHOTOS

Despite an aggressive attempt by Brewster DB Justin Niles (16), John Jay WR Max Miraglia (22) exploited the Bears' defense for three TD grabs, including this juggling snag in the Indians' 34-14 win over the host Bears last Friday night when the two unbeaten met and separated atop the league standings... see Grid Notebook