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County Continues to Review Valhalla North 60 Lease Info

By Neal Rentz

Westchester County Board of Legislators Chairman Michael Kaplowitz (D-Somers) said last week that lawmakers are extensively reviewing the lease for the proposed North 60 biomedical project and exercising due diligence for the project.

There is no date set for the Board of Legislators to vote on a lease agreement, Kaplowitz said. The board's Infrastructure Committee is taking the lead in conducting a review while the Committee on Budget and Appropriations is also involved, he said.

An appraisal for the county's portion of the land that would be leased must also be completed.

"This is information we don't have right now," Kaplowitz said. "It is a 99-year lease for a \$1.2 billion project. We need to do our due diligence."

Fareri Associates is seeking to construct the three million-square-foot Westchester BioScience and Technology Center on property located north of Hospital Road near Westchester Medical Center, the Maria Fareri Children's Hospital and New York Medical College.

The developer controls 20 acres that is adjacent to and west of the North 60 property owned by Westchester County. A lease is needed from the county to build on its 60-acre parcel.

Mount Pleasant Supervisor Carl Fulgenzi said last week he is concerned about the length of time it is taking county lawmakers to conduct the review. Town officials are concerned that any delay could jeopardize the additional jobs and taxes that are projected to be generated for Mount Pleasant as a result of the state-of-the-art research hub, he said.

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Mt. Kisco Business Community Airs Grievances About Downtown

By Arthur Cusano

As Mount Kisco faces a spiraling number of vacant storefronts, members of its business community brainstormed last week about how to return the village's once bustling downtown to its former glory.

The meeting, organized by Mayor Michael Cindrich and other village officials, attracted about 40 people to the Mount Kisco Public Library last Tuesday night for a spirited two-hour roundtable that addressed a wide variety of issues that may be contributing to the business district's downfall.

Cindrich said that while restaurants and other service industry businesses are faring well, other merchants are struggling.



ARTHUR CUSANO PHOTO

Realtor Jonathan Gordon, standing at left, was among those who spoke at a July 19 forum hosted by Mount Kisco officials on helping businesses in the downtown.

"It seems to me that the hard goods, the retail businesses that sell products, are having a difficult time, while the service businesses are having an easier time," the mayor said.

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Sparkling for a Cause



GRACE BENNETT/INSIDE PRESS PHOTO

Supporters of the League of Women Voters of New Castle gathered at Crabtree's Kittle House in Chappaqua on July 19 for a Sparkle for a Cause Fundraiser to benefit the Citizen Education Fund. Pictured, left to right, are Haley Ferraro, Samantha Mortlock, Lea Barth, Jennifer Mebes Flagg, Ronni Diamondstein, Jan Wells, Leslie Kuhn and Christina Madden. The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan organization, encourages informed and active participation in government and works to increase understanding of major public policy issues.

New Castle Agrees to Take on Wallace Auditorium at Chappaqua Crossing

By Martin Wilbur

The New Castle Town Board voted Tuesday night to accept the Wallace Auditorium at Chappaqua Crossing from property owner and developer Summit/Greenfield despite at least several hundred thousand dollars of needed improvements.

The decision by officials to assume ownership of the 30-year-old, 400-seat facility comes with the hope that it will provide the town with a performing arts center for a variety of productions and concerts and serve as a cultural hub. Officials are also optimistic that the theater could be rented to outside groups.

Under the terms of last year's Chappaqua Crossing site plan approval obtained by Summit/Greenfield, the town had until Sept. 1 to decide whether to take the



New Castle officials voted to accept the Wallace Auditorium at Chappaqua Crossing but extensive repairs at the facility will need to be made.

auditorium.

Last week's resolution, which will continue the current lease agreement through Dec. 31, 2017, unless the deed is conveyed to the town before then, was approved by a 4-0 vote. Councilwoman

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Hala Makowska abstained because the town has yet to undertake a business plan to analyze expenses and revenues.

Supervisor Robert Greenstein said while he understands that the town must spend money to make needed renovations, he did not want to risk losing a facility that would take millions of dollars to replace but the town is acquiring for virtually nothing. If the town declined to take the auditorium, it would likely be demolished by Summit/Greenfield, officials said.

"Looking in the long term and the big picture, and looking at other theaters, Tarrytown and Port Chester and what the

Jacob Burns theater did to Pleasantville, I think we're making a terrific decision and I'm looking forward to enlisting all the residents who have offered to raise money for the theater and start making this an incredible asset to the town, which it will be," Greenstein said.

At a July 12 work session, the board was told that an estimated \$150,000 was needed to replace the original roof as well as \$130,000 for fascia replacement. Annual maintenance costs are projected at \$72,200.

Building Inspector William Maskiell provided officials with an overview of short- and long-term projects that need to be addressed based on a 2015 on-site inspection of the building, many of which

have no cost estimates yet.

He said one of the most important renovations were the steps and patio leading to the entrance.

"The entrance patio is falling apart and the steps going into the building, the repairs there have to be number one on your list," Maskiell said. "Someone is going to fall, someone is going to get hurt."

While the auditorium is about 70 percent ADA compliant, he said, handicapped access would need to be installed. Other needed work would be to upgrade the exterior lighting; improve the entrance doors and various windows; replace wood sections; painting; replacing tiles in certain locations; and removing mold.

During the July 19 meeting, town resident Margaret Ferguson said she was supportive of the town taking over the auditorium but strongly recommended that officials postpone the vote until there is a business plan.

"I know you've done a lot of work. I think it's a good idea, but to me it's a scary prospect to not know where we're going step by step," Ferguson said. "Before anything is spent, there has to be a comprehensive business plan of revenues, repair costs, transition costs of coming to a theater and how we're going to get there."

However, Councilwoman Lisa Katz said the town wanted to obtain ownership to allow a group of residents to form a nonprofit organization that can accept tax

deductible donations.

"We have a phenomenal group of residents that are working really, really hard to make sure that this will be a success," Katz said. "There are a lot of great things planned."

Makowska said she was in full support of the concept but could not back the resolution because of the absence of a business plan, something that she has been pressing for over several months.

"Although I support this project, I feel that not enough financial information is provided to make a fully informed decision," Makowska said. "I do want this project to be successful and do hope that between now and budget time we will have a basic business plan that will help us understand how we're going to pay for it."

Councilman Jeremy Saland said he backed the resolution so the town could hold onto the auditorium, but remained concerned about potential escalating costs the town might have to incur.

Chappaqua resident John Ehrlich, one of the residents who is interested in fundraising, said the town would also have to invest money in improving the auditorium's acoustics. He estimated \$125,000 for acoustic panels, \$20,000 for installation and \$25,000 for a consultant.

The auditorium was named for DeWitt Wallace, a philanthropist and co-founder of Reader's Digest.

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Fulgenzi said there is interest from companies to move to the property, but they could look elsewhere if a lease isn't finalized in the near future.

"We could lose potential tenants," Fulgenzi said.

County Legislator Margaret Cunzio (C-Mount Pleasant), whose district includes the proposed site, supports the project.

"I believe that the North 60 project is an excellent one and it would benefit all of

the residents of Westchester County," she said. "As a former teacher of science and a current college professor, I know firsthand that there is a large market for jobs in these areas and there has been a push in schools to enhance their science related courses and majors. This will bring more jobs to the county, from the construction phase to the operational phase."

Cunzio noted the lease would require a supermajority approval from 12 of the 17 county legislators.



Life-Saving News For Women

What you need to know about cervical cancer screenings...

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Q: What causes cervical cancer?
A: Human Papillomavirus (HPV) causes about 90 percent of all cases. HPV is a sexually transmitted virus that is so common, most people will have it at some point in their lives. Certain strains of HPV can cause changes on a woman's cervix that may result in cervical cancer. Additional risk factors include smoking, extended use of birth control, and having many sexual partners.

Q: What are the symptoms of cervical cancer?
A: It's important to realize that in most cases, there are no symptoms. Uncommon symptoms include unexplained vaginal bleeding, bleeding after intercourse and abnormal vaginal discharge. Given that the HPV strains that can lead to cervical cancer are themselves asymptomatic, it becomes clear why you must be regularly screened for cervical cancer.

Q: How often should I have a Pap smear?
A: New guidelines recommend women have a Pap smear and HPV test every three years starting at age 21 until age 65, provided you have no risk factors or abnormal Pap smears. This regimen makes it extremely likely the disease will be caught while still in the highly

curable pre-cancerous stage. Some women require more frequent screenings. At each visit, your gynecologist will evaluate all risk factors and determine if you need a Pap smear. Although the recommendations call for getting a Pap smear every three years, annual gynecologist visits are extremely important to your health. Pelvic exams, Pap tests and breast cancer screenings help detect problems at an early and potentially highly treatable stage.

Q: What about the HPV vaccine to prevent cervical cancer?
A: Two other forms of prevention include the condom and the HPV vaccination, which protects against several strains of HPV known to cause cervical cancer. It does not, however, protect against all strains. I often recommend to my patients that they get the vaccine when they are considering becoming sexually active. Note that the vaccine does not replace the need to practice safe sex or to get regular Pap smears.

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No. White Plains Library, Community Center Eyed for \$1M Upgrade

By Martin Wilbur

North Castle officials are weighing a potential \$1 million plan to expand and upgrade the community center and branch library in North White Plains that would also enable the facility to serve as an emergency shelter.

Library Trustee Sean Ryan recently made a presentation to the town board to outline the proposed work that has been identified by the library board for the project. Creating additional space for programs, technology enhancements and more parking are part of the plan.

"The reason why we're here is that this building has a lot of shortcomings," Ryan told the board at a July 13 work session at the community center. "Not only is it old but a lot of the features of this building have been way outgrown by the people that use it."

In order to bring the building up to standard as a shelter, new bathrooms with showers must be installed. The town received a surplus generator from the U.S. government that it is currently storing, another requirement to make over the building into a shelter.

The breakdown of the project's cost would be \$489,000 for 50 percent larger community room that would be relocated to the back of the building, Ryan said. More than doubling the size of the library is projected to cost \$250,500 and making

the necessary improvements for the building to become a shelter would have an estimated price tag of \$216,000.

Other renovations, including an upgrade of the current police substation in the building, is expected to run \$179,250.

With the \$150,000 architect's fee, the project would cost \$1,285,608 but the library has set aside \$250,500 toward lowering the cost to \$1,035,000, Ryan said.

A 2,500-square-foot outside deck that can provide the library with flexible space and an increase in parking from 39 to 58 spaces is part of the project as well.

Ryan said with work having been completed to improve the Armonk branch, it is time the upgrades, including providing North White Plains with its own shelter, be addressed. The Hergenhan Recreation Center in Armonk has served as the town's shelter.

"If we can continue to transform as we have been transforming we'll have more and more people in this community that want to use the library," he said.

Eddie Martimucci, the North Castle's director of adult services, said with the growing popularity of programming the North White Plains branch is ill-equipped to handle the demands of a modern library.

"Down here, it really lovely and cozy, but you have to use your parent skills to tune out the story time and if you want to read your newspaper up by the comfy chairs

and that's the kind of thing with expanding this facility we would be able to do, to expand the areas so everybody has their quiet time," Martimucci said.

The library would also be able to improve its technology stations by increasing its science lab capabilities, give patrons the ability to Skype, have more than 3D printing as well as have multipurpose space, added Megan Dean, director of youth services.

In Armonk, there's a children's reading room that's inviting for youngsters.

"It's incredibly stimulating, it's warm and comfortable and it makes you want to be part of that space," Dean said. "We don't have that here and we should. We should have a place for kids to come in and grab a book, sit down and interact with their adult and feel like it's a place they should be and we want to add that here."

The town board complimented. Supervisor Micahel Schiliro asked if there were grants available

Ryan said there are grant possibilities



MARTIN WILBUR PHOTO

An expansion and upgrade of the North Castle Community Center & Library is being considered by town officials. The facility would also become an emergency shelter.

from various sources, including the state. In June, the library received about \$73,000 in state grants, more than \$53,000 of which was for the North White Plains branch.

This week, the town board is expected to approve the architectural fees for Lothrop Associates of White Plains for the deck work.

"Just like Armonk Square was a game changer for Armonk, I believe this can be a game changer for this part of the community," Ryan said.

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Some of the stores that were shuttered, such as Cosi and Borders, had been profitable locally, but their parent company left the area or went bankrupt.

Cindrich added that he has been a longtime advocate for the creation of a business improvement district (BID) that would allow business owners to have a greater stake in the downtown.

There are currently more than 20 empty storefronts on South Moger Avenue and Main Street. Eight of those storefronts are owned by Friedland Properties of New York City.

Company representative Marc LaPointe placed blame squarely on the village for allowing downtown to deteriorate. He said potholes, neglected sidewalks and ongoing parking woes made his company skeptical of a Mount Kisco rebirth.

"My employer doesn't have hope that the parking problem is going to be resolved," LaPointe said. "The joke is that you could ride a lawnmower on the sidewalk to cut the grass coming through the brick. It's not the landlord's property; the town is not maintaining what it should be."

Anthony Chiappinelli, who leases several buildings in the village, said at least some of the woes can be traced to a local law passed in 2009 that made the application process lengthier and costlier for potential tenants appearing before the

planning board.

Another property owner later echoed that sentiment, saying he had lost an important tenant due to an approval process that lasted 18 months.

"People just don't want to spend that kind of money to (have) a board rule on whether or not they can become a tenant in Mount Kisco," Chiappinelli said. "We lost a tenant in our building that just couldn't afford all the rigmarole that has been put up front with these new procedures."

Chiappinelli was one of several speakers who complained the pedestrian bridge at the south end of the Shopper's Park parking lot connecting it to East Main Street remained closed, making it difficult for store employees to park in the Blackeby lot. That, in turn, led to employees' cars taking up space reserved for customers.

"I'll bet we have a third of the spaces taken up by folks that work here," he said. "So that bridge is an important key to helping generate parking availability."

Cindrich said the bridge would be replaced before September.

Jonathan Gordon, who works with the village through his company Admiral Real Estate Services Corp. of Bronxville to lure tenants, said the changes in the 2009 law have not allowed the village to recover from the recession as successfully as some

other municipalities. Gordon also urged the village to streamline its business application process and for zoning code changes to allow more service-oriented businesses.

"We're competing against the Internet," Gordon said. "Our zoning code, the way it's written right now, is geared towards soft goods retail. That's exactly what Amazon sells. We need to allow restaurants, entertainment, fitness, all things the current zoning code requires higher (amounts of) parking, which needs to be waived."

Parking woes was one of the issues raised by Tiger Lily boutique owner Cathy Deutsch. She said residents who parked in meter spots all day were keeping customers away.

"They send their children down hour after hour to feed the meters, which blocks our customers from those spaces," Deutsch said. "I complain frequently, but when the parking attendants come, they say there is money in the meter and there is nothing they can do. They do not chalk car tires. I've asked them and they say they don't have the manpower to monitor it. I tell them to come back in a few minutes to give them a ticket but they say no, that's entrapment."

Deutsch also said meters in Shopper's Park malfunction and sometimes fail to print receipts. Another problem is that

drivers seem to be unable to add time using a smart phone as offered by the machine's vendor, she added.

Deutsch complained that downtown appeared shabby, a sentiment echoed by several other speakers.

"The sidewalks are cracked, there is garbage around all of the tree bases, there are not enough trash receptacles and we do not have enough flower planters," she said. "No matter how you cut it, there needs to be more (flowers) hanging or placed strategically around the town. It doesn't feel loved."

Another issue that was addressed was long-term leases. Mount Kisco Seafood owner Joe DiMauro said the length of leases scare away many potential merchants.

"I think more and more entrepreneurs want to come into the town, they want to fill up these empty stores if they had some kind of guarantee from the landlord," he said.

Karine Patino and her brother, David, spoke on behalf of their parents, business owners who speak English as a second language. Patino said there seemed to be tension between the business community and the Mount Kisco Building Department, which at first she thought was directed at Latino merchants. But hearing that other shop owners had similar complaints is something that

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Volunteers Target Fall Planting for Millwood Community Garden

By Martin Wilbur

New Castle residents who hope to establish a community garden on the grounds of the old Millwood Swim Club are targeting plantings this fall if the town can prepare the site in the coming months.

Intergenerate, a local nonprofit organization that has established two other gardens in the area, is partnering with a group of local families to plant 32 beds containing various crops this fall with the hope of harvesting them next year, said Suzi Novak, a town resident and Intergenerate board member.

The town, which took over title to the 1.3-acre Sand Street parcel in 2014, will need to repair the parking area and fencing. Other work scheduled includes the trimming of brush and overgrown weeds and making certain there's ample water supply and proper drainage at the site.

Town officials have estimated that \$10,000 would be needed to do the work and supply funds so volunteers have the materials to build the 16-foot by four-foot by two-foot beds, Novak said.

"The idea would be to have the beds in place, plant the cover crops for the winter, and then in the spring, we pull back and then they're ready," said Quint Smith, a neighboring resident who along with his wife has been active in pursuing the community garden.

Novak said that for the second year

Intergenerate and the community will look to have close to 50 beds. New Castle residents are eligible to rent one bed for \$50 for a season or two beds for \$75. A portion of the garden's crops would be donated, Novak said.

The goal for the future is for the garden to at least cover costs through sponsorships, donations and fundraising once the seed money is provided, according to a proposal submitted from Intergenerate to the town

Mount Pleasant Pool Reopens After Child Suffers Injury

By Neal Rentz

The Mount Pleasant town pool reopened on Saturday, three days after a six-year-old boy had his finger caught in a pool jet for about four hours.

The town's Recreation Department informed residents Friday afternoon that all pools at the town pool complex located at 125 Lozza Drive in Valhalla were ready for full use for the start of a sizzling hot summer weekend.

Repairs needed to be made to the main pool, forcing its closure through Friday after crews worked to free the child from the wall.

On Friday, the smaller pools were open to pass holders only and no guests were admitted.

Mount Pleasant Police Chief Paul Oliva said officers responded to the pool at

earlier this month.

Officials have expressed support for the garden but indicated that it should pay for itself in the future.

"We are looking for a way for the garden to be a little more self-sustaining, so if we could not get around these initial costs but the costs going forward (could be offset), that would be tremendously helpful," said Town Administrator Jill Shapiro.

Plans to create a garden at the site of

the swim club, which closed in 2009, gained momentum several years ago, but community members would have had to spend tens of thousands of dollars.

The other gardens operated by Intergenerate are at Marsh Sanctuary in Mount Kisco and at the Chappaqua Volunteer Ambulance Corps. Intergenerate also operates an egg co-op at John Jay Homestead in Katonah.



The Mount Pleasant town pool was closed last Thursday and Friday after a six-year-old boy got his finger caught in a pool jet on July 20.

about 5:20 p.m. on July 20 and were told by staff they had made several unsuccessful attempts to free the boy's finger.

At about 9:30 p.m., members from the Valhalla Fire Department completed cutting out of a part of the pool wall that was surrounding the boy's finger. He was transported to Westchester Medical Center in Valhalla.

The Valhalla Ambulance Corps, the Westchester County Technical Rescue and paramedics from Westchester EMS assisted, Oliva said. The boy's mother was present throughout the entire incident as paramedics and EMTs monitored his vital signs, he said.

"The condition of the child is not known; however, doctors are optimistic for a full recovery," Oliva said.

Mount Pleasant Recreation Supervisor Jim Martorano said the main pool gutter needed to be replaced and that process was completed on Friday. After work was done, the town was required to obtain Westchester County Department of Health approval to reopen the pool, he said.

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Dealership Groundbreaking Held at Old Hawthorne Multiplex Site

By Neal Rentz

Construction of a new Audi car dealership in Hawthorne was celebrated with a groundbreaking ceremony last Thursday.

Audi Hawthorne, which will be located at the site of the former All Westchester Saw Mill Multiplex Cinemas, is scheduled to open next summer at 151 Saw Mill River Rd.

Audi chose the nine-and-a-half-acre Mount Pleasant location following a study, said Josh Weeks, owner of Weeks Automotive Group, which will own and operated the facility.

“We went out to look for property and we came across the movie theater here that was struggling,” Weeks said. “It was the perfect site for us. We love the location, with access to the Saw Mill Parkway and of course (Route) 9A,” Weeks said.

Weeks said Audi also determined that another store in the Westchester marketplace was needed. The luxury car dealer’s other Westchester location is in Eastchester. The dealership will be 71,024 square feet and will include a two-story, 14-car showroom up to 30 work stalls for vehicle services and a car wash.

“It’s going to be definitely one of the larger Audi dealerships in the country,” Weeks said. “This is a very good market



NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

REDCOM Vice President of Sales, Sam Rockaway, front left, presents a gold engraved shovel to Josh Weeks, owner of Weeks Automotive Group, last Thursday at the site of the former All Westchester Saw Mill Multiplex Cinemas on Saw Mill River Road in Hawthorne. An Audi dealership is scheduled to open next summer.

for Audi.”

The target date for opening is next August, he said.

The former movie theater closed in January after 30 years in operation and has since been torn down.

Weeks said estimated he would have about 60 permanent employees for the dealership’s opening and eventually employ close to 100 workers.

Mount Pleasant Supervisor Carl Fulgenzi said the new car dealership

would provide an economic boost to the town.

“It’s a welcome addition to the town,” he said following the ceremony. “We definitely look forward to the property taxes. We look forward to the jobs it will create. And it’s nice to have a good business like this in the Town of Mount Pleasant.”

REDCOM Design & Construction LLC has hired for the architectural design and construction of the new facility.

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Police Blotter

County Police/Mount Kisco

July 15: A 50-year-old Bronxville man was arrested at noon and charged with aggravated DWI, a misdemeanor, following a traffic stop on Kisco Avenue. He is due to appear in Mount Kisco Justice Court on July 28.

July 17: Report of a burglary at a business on the 300 block of Main Street at 4:37 p.m. An employee reported that someone broke in by removing a window air conditioner and stole a laptop valued at \$450 sometime during the previous two days. Detectives are investigating the theft.

July 17: Police responded to Stop & Shop on North Bedford Road at 9:06 p.m. on a report than an intoxicated customer was causing a disturbance. The man left the store when employees telephoned police. He was gone upon an officer's arrival.

July 18: A man was having difficulty breathing at the CareMount Medical offices on South Bedford Road at 10:33 a.m. He was taken by ambulance to Northern Westchester Hospital.

July 20: Report of suspicious individuals at a vacant home on Laurel Drive at 3:33 p.m. Responding officers determined that the men were

contractors who had been hired to do work at the house.

July 20: Report of a domestic dispute at a Gregory Avenue residence at 5:40 p.m. Two women at the home were engaged in a loud argument but no physical contact had occurred. One of the women agreed to leave the residence to calm the situation.

July 21: Report of a domestic dispute at a Maple Avenue residence at 11:49 p.m. A man at the home reported that his ex-girlfriend began throwing various items at him during an argument. The man did not wish to press charges; the woman was escorted from the residence.

July 22: Report of a former Gregory Street resident who had been evicted from an apartment had returned to the property at 1:54 p.m. after agreeing not to do so. The subject left the property voluntarily after officers arrived.

July 22: Police assisted a West Street

resident at 2:46 p.m. who locked herself out of her house. They helped her gain entrance.

Pleasantville Police Department

July 9: A 31-year-old Hawthorne man was arrested and charged with third-degree assault, a Class C felony, after punching a woman in the face on Memorial Plaza at 12:03 a.m.

July 11: A 48-year-old Pleasantville man was arrested at 8:53 p.m. on a Family Court warrant at his home for failing to pay child support.

July 12: A 24-year-old Thornwood man was arrested at 9:56 p.m. and charged with fourth-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, a Class C felony, and unlawful possession of marijuana, a violation, after being found in possession of marijuana and another unspecified illegal narcotics during a traffic stop on Marble Avenue.

Obituary

Jennie Cipolla

Jennie Cipolla of Pleasantville died on July 18.

She was 92.

Cipolla was born on Dec. 23, 1923, to the late Joseph and Grace (nee Intellisano) Cipolla in Freeman, W.V. She was predeceased by all of her brothers and sisters. She is survived by her loving nephews and niece, Thomas, Steve and Joseph Cipolla and Dusty and Frances Castranova, and many great-

nephews and great-nieces. Cipolla is also survived by her sister-in-law, Gloria Cipolla.

Visitation was at Hawthorne Funeral Home on July 21. A funeral Mass was held at Holy Innocents Church in Pleasantville on July 21, followed by interment at All Souls Cemetery.

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THERE'S A WORD FOR IT

A vocabulary-building quiz
By Edward Goralski

More Wonderful. The quiz this week is composed of more words from the Oxford Dictionaries web site list of "Weird and Wonderful Words." Not to get too weird, but here's wishing you a wonderful experience doing the quiz and hopefully building your vocabulary.

- constellate (v.)**
 A) to establish formally B) gather together C) imagine something
- bruxism (n.)**
 A) grinding of the teeth B) the advocacy of war C) a style of painting
- argute (adj.)**
 A) serious B) shrewd C) sandy
- famulus (n.)**
 A) an assistant B) a game of chance C) a romantic gesture
- divaricate (v.)**
 A) to alter course B) act nervously C) spread apart
- frondeur (n.)**
 A) the rustling of leaves B) a political rebel C) a new field of activity
- anfractuous (adj.)**
 A) winding B) moving upward C) shapeless
- eucatastrophe (n.)**
 A) a basic question B) misplaced praise C) a happy ending

ANSWERS:
 1. B. To gather together in a cluster or group
 2. A. Involuntary and habitual grinding of the teeth, typically during sleep
 3. B. Shrewd
 4. A. An assistant or attendant, especially one working for a magician or scholar
 5. C. To stretch or spread apart; branch off
 6. B. A political rebel
 7. A. Winding or circuitous
 8. C. A sudden and favorable resolution of events
 in a story; a happy ending

North Castle Officials Press for More Road Paving This Year

By Martin Wilbur

North Castle officials hope to move forward with additional road paving this fall to speed up improvements despite the possibility of having to borrow up to \$2 million and an already ambitious capital projects schedule.

Earlier this month the town board considered doing more paving this year on top of finishing the seven-plus miles of road within Windmill Farm following the late 2014 completion of the water main replacement project.

Obstacles facing officials are cost and

whether the Highway Department will have the manpower to do the work.

Town Administrator Joan Goldberg said at the board's July 13 work session that while North Castle is on firm financial footing with a current undesignated fund balance of about \$5.5 million, that doesn't include projects the town has scheduled and identified as important.

However, money is earmarked toward expenses for the community center and library renovations in North White Plains, the Old Route 22 streetscape, expansion of parking at the Hergenhan Recreation

Center in Armonk and costs associated with the Comprehensive Plan update, Goldberg said.

She also questioned whether borrowing for what amounts to repairs. The town would have to take out a bond anticipation note to fund the extra work.

"It's a maintenance expense," Goldberg said. "I can see a scenario where you would bond a million dollars for (the community center) and if you wanted to pull a million dollars out of fund balance."

Supervisor Michael Schiliro said if the town can manage to complete some extra

road work this year, then it should make that effort.

"These are projects we want to get done and roads is at the top of the list," Schiliro said.

But there is also the question whether the town's Highway Department would be able to handle the work. General Foreman Jamie Norris said it isn't only the work but also keeping tabs on the contractor is time consuming while diverting manpower from the department's regular work.

"I don't think we'll have time to do all of this to be honest with you," Norris said.

Councilman Stephen D'Angelo said that while he would want to pave at a faster pace, paying interest on the extra borrowing and being uncertain about whether they can do the work is a problem.

But Schiliro mentioned that a more aggressive road paving schedule is something the board previously identified as important. Councilman Jose Berra agreed with Schiliro, provided the town can navigate the manpower issues.

"This is a priority guys," Schiliro said. "We've said it, we've said it publicly. It's real. We've got to pave more roads as quickly as we can."

Three years ago following a study that saw North Castle's Pavement Condition Index (PCI) at 65, officials said they were committed to improving to an 80 PCI. With the completion of the Windmill paving, the town will be at about a 72.

Astorino, County Promotes Affordable Housing Virtual Tour

A seven-minute virtual tour narrated by County Executive Rob Astorino highlights efforts by the county to make housing more affordable through its subsidy program.

"To attract young families and keep seniors in their homes, Westchester works every day to keep the county affordable," Astorino said. "Every family on a budget knows that expenses never seem to go down. Taxes and housing are two areas where the county has made affordability a priority."

The virtual tour presents rental opportunities, available to prospective residents at 50 to 60 percent of area median income, and home ownership opportunities, at 80 percent of area median income. Projects include:

- Bridleside, North Salem. The 65-unit

affordable rental complex, located on 40 acres with a 3,200-square-foot clubhouse, a recreation field and onsite parking, is made up of 20 one-bedroom, 40 two-bedroom and five three-bedroom units.

- 25 Oak Rd., Cortlandt. The single-family home in Montrose features four bedrooms and two bathrooms, and will remain affordable for up to 50 years.
- Old Route 22, North Castle. A short walk from downtown Armonk, 10 affordable two-bedroom townhouses are being completed for sale.
- 55 Pleasant Ave., Pleasantville. A two-in-one opportunity for ownership, this three-bedroom house also offers a one-bedroom accessory apartment that the owner may rent.
- Waterwheel, Ardsley. Seventeen

homeowner condominiums, including 15 two-bedroom and two three-bedroom units, within this 22-unit development are offered at an affordable purchase price.

- Cottage Landings, Rye. This 18-unit affordable townhouse development consists of 11 one-bedroom units and seven one-bedroom units with dens. Additional affordable housing opportunities are highlighted through Westchester County's One Community Campaign, on its Affordable Housing Photo Gallery.

The homes presented in the virtual tour are products of the 2009 affordable housing settlement. For more information, visit homes.westchestergov.com.

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Farber, Schleimer Seek Re-election to Mount Kisco Village Board

By Neal Rentz

Mount Kisco Democrats Jean Farber and Karen Schleimer are running for re-election this November and this time it appears they may have a Republican opponent.

Farber, 67, is bidding for her fourth two-year term, while Schleimer, also 67, who first came on the board in 2012, will be vying for a third term.

According to the Westchester County Board of Elections, they will be opposed by Patric Kilkenny, a paralegal who forcefully opposed the village's police consolidation last year with the county Department of Public Safety.

Farber said she has been most proud of getting to know the residents, listening to their needs and advocating for them.

"I care about providing services at a reasonable cost, to rebuild Mount Kisco's aging infrastructure and to focus on the challenges facing the small retailers and commercial property owners struggling to fill vacant spaces," said Farber, an associate real estate broker with Houlihan Lawrence.

Schleimer, a real estate attorney, was first elected in 2012 and is seeking a third term. She said she wants to continue helping the village and its residents.

"It is gratifying to be in a position to see things, hear things and effectuate change," said Schleimer, who made an unsuccessful bid last fall for county legislator.



Democrats Karen Schleimer, left, and Jean Farber are running for re-election for the Mount Kisco Village Board this fall. Republican Patric Kilkenny will oppose the two incumbents.

Farber said she was unaware of any Republican candidates for the board. The only time the village GOP has run candidates against the Democrats in the past decade was in 2010.

Farber said she was a supporter of the village police department's consolidation with the Westchester Department of Public Safety last year, which improved police coverage and slashed costs.

The village board is currently working to create a new Department of Public Works facility and is budgeting for the renovation



of the village's three firehouses, Farber said.

"I have always advocated keeping the tax increases under the New York State tax cap and we have been successful every year I have been on the board," she said.

Farber said she has enjoyed serving as the board's liaison to various committees including the Mount Kisco Historical Society, the Memorial Day Parade Committee and the Italian American Parade Committee.

"Mount Kisco is one of the most affordable and enjoyable places to live in

northern Westchester and it's my intention to keep it that way," Farber said. "I will try to make sure that the quality of life we so enjoy continues."

Schleimer said a key challenge for a third term is filling commercial property vacancies downtown.

"They have opened a dialogue with property owners, tenants and residents," she said. "They have received input, sometimes criticism and know better what some of the needs of our community and business people are."

The village has also created an Economic Development Council, she said.

Schleimer said she would press her board colleagues to explore making the village more pedestrian friendly and to work with the state Department of Transportation (DOT) on necessary improvements.

Having the library open on Sundays will be another initiative Schleimer wants to tackle.

She said she was able to act on requests from residents to provide handicapped parking spaces on South Moger Avenue and obtain several free computers for the senior center.

"I have also been able to share information and open discussion to help members of our community feel more comfortable with things that are changing in the village," Schleimer said.

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P'ville Weighs Extending Maximum Meter Time in Bedford Road Lot

By Arthur Cusano

The Village of Pleasantville is looking to extend the length of time drivers may park in the Bedford Road lot after its recent installation of new meters.

"This is just an opportunity to keep the lots consistent," said Village Administrator Patricia Dwyer at the village board's last meeting. "Like the Manville Road lot, which is behind the Dunkin' Donuts, this one is also now a pay-and-display of three hours."

Pay-and-display style meters require motorists to pay up front for a parking receipt that they must place inside their windshield. The board was scheduled to hold a public hearing on the proposed

change at its meeting last night (Monday).

Two new Manville Road lot meters were installed last year, while the Bedford Road meter was just recently installed. The new meter units accept quarters, dollars and credit cards.

"The only criticism we've been getting is that it doesn't give change. So if people put a dollar in, they're going to get a dollar's worth of time," Dwyer said.

While some nearby municipalities, including Mount Kisco, now have meters that can be paid via smartphones with varying results, Dwyer said that wasn't cost-effective for Pleasantville.

"We didn't buy that package," she said. "It's expensive to do that. We do have some where we can see the transaction occur as they occur."

The proposed local law also increases the time allotted for spaces at the west end of the lot from 15 to 20 minutes, which is now the standard amount of time granted for 25 cents in the village.

Dwyer said the change would be welcome by some business owners whose customers may stay a little longer, such as nail salons and restaurants.

"It's notoriously known for two-hour limits, but we found that people really need that extra hour," she said.



ARTHUR CUSANO PHOTO

Pleasantville's Bedford Road parking lot may soon allow up to three-hour parking with new rates if proposed changes are approved.

Buchwald Announces I-684 Repaving Plan for Next Year

Assemblyman David Buchwald (D-White Plains) announced Monday that \$6 million in state funds will be designated to repave portions of Interstate 684 between exits 4 and 6.

At the urging of Buchwald and local advocates, the state Department of Transportation (DOT) has expanded its current maintenance project with the repaving of I-684 between exits 6 and 8, where work began last week. Repaving from exits 4 and 6 is scheduled to be done next year.

In February, Buchwald organized a meeting that included residents, Bedford Supervisor Chris Burdick, representatives of DOT's regional office and other state officials, to find ways to address the repair needs of the highway for drivers and those living nearby who are burdened by the excessive noise. Since that meeting, Buchwald has advocated in the Assembly that the state provide the funds necessary for maintenance. State Sen. George Latimer (D-Rye) and Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney were also vocal supporters of the repaving project.

"I have heard from numerous constituents and town officials about the importance of doing this work on



Assemblyman David Buchwald

an expanded section of I-684, and this project would not have reached this point without their advocacy," Buchwald said. "Our main thoroughfares in Westchester, especially I-684, deserve every opportunity to be improved because it is a safety issue, an economic growth issue and a quality-of-life issue when our roads are in poor shape."

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needs to be rectified.

"I think the lack of respect we've been feeling, it hasn't just been at our side," Patino said. "Now that I see and hear it's from everyone else, I can't say it's against just Latinos. It's a problem and it needs to be addressed now."

Patino also urged the village to hire more bilingual employees and improve communication online and through social media to alert the public.

"The only reason I heard of this meeting is I received e-mails that I signed up for," said Patino. "Did my parents or

other business owners ever get a flyer saying that this meeting was happening? No. Did we get a phone call? No. You can access the page on the Mount Kisco website, but not everybody is going to do that."

The village website will be updated and revamped soon, which would make locating information about meeting agendas and other events easier, said village Trustee Karen Schleimer.

A follow-up meeting may be held in September to continue discussion on the topics raised at last week's meeting, Cindrich said.

The section that will be rehabilitated extends from Chestnut Ridge Road, just south of Exit 4, northward to Harris Road, just south of the interchange for Exits 5 and 6 where I-684 and the Saw Mill River Parkway meet.

Separately, DOT will be conducting a study of the Saw Mill/I-684 interchange to determine whether the roadways in that vicinity should be reconfigured. The portion of I-684 that is now to be repaved is used by more than 55,000 commuters and trucks each day, and it has been over 15 years since the last repaving in this

area.

In addition, the repaving will help alleviate the concerns of residents who have warned that the deteriorated sections of highway, when driven over, cause intolerable noise pollution for neighboring communities.

"This project to fix noise and road condition issues on I-684 has been a long time coming," Latimer said. "Bedford residents are lucky to have Assemblyman Buchwald in their corner, and I am lucky to have such a great partner at the state level."

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Editorial

There are Many Ways to Easily Accomplish a More Sustainable Life

It might not feel like you alone can have an impact on the environment, but over time, small lifestyle changes can make a substantial difference.

Need some ideas to get started? Draw inspiration from the collective efforts of one California olive company working to run operations in an eco-friendly way.

“Our employees are vital to our zero waste efforts,” said Dennis Leikam, environmental manager at Musco Family Olive Company. “Through monthly sustainability topics and a compost program, they’re encouraged to reduce not only our corporate environmental impact, but also their personal impact away from work, as well.”

Over 75 percent of residential waste is recyclable, but most people only recycle 30 percent, according to the Environmental Protection Agency. While it may be unrealistic to produce zero waste at home, you can get closer to that goal.

Such commitment to sustainability is achievable in your own home. Here are some simple actions you can take.

Buy the Right Stuff

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- Buying local.
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Drive Less and Bike More

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- Put a brick in your tank to get a low-flow effect without the cost of a new

toilet.

- Add aerators to faucets. They cost less than \$10 and the accumulated water savings is substantial.
- Limit watering outdoors to the coolest times of day, use a moisture sensor, and landscape with native, drought-resistant plants.

Bring Your Own Bag

Remembering to bring your own bags to the supermarket is hard at first, but is a great habit. Keep market bags in the back of your car and get a foldable tote bag to store in your purse.

Feed the Soil

Take advantage of municipal compost programs. Most allow whole pizza boxes, paper plates, plate scraps, and bones in the green bin – all no-no’s for a backyard bin. Or, get yourself a worm box and compost small food scraps that will help your garden grow. You can also toss veggie scraps into a freezer bag until you have enough to make veggie broth.

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Remember every small step makes a difference.

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Guest Column

Make Sure Hot Weather Doesn’t Cause Serious Health Issue

The summer is in full swing, and when the temperatures climb, so does the risk of heat exhaustion.

The risk is greater for the very young, the elderly and for those who have medical issues that might deplete their fluids and leave them susceptible to dehydration. People who take diuretics for high blood pressure, for example, might have a low tolerance for the heat.

The easiest way to protect those at increased risk of heat illness is to keep them indoors in the air conditioning. If they must go outside, they should do it only for short periods of time, drink plenty of water while outdoors and cover up with light, loose clothing or stay in the shade as much as possible.

As expected, when kids are out of school, they spend much more time outdoors. Get them to take quick water breaks every half hour or so and encourage them to cool off a bit or perhaps play in a shaded area. If they want flavored drinks, suggest something with electrolytes in it such as Gatorade, but avoid anything with caffeine, which can also be a diuretic and lead to dehydration.

Healthy snacks that include fruits and vegetables help kids keep their energy up, but did you know fruits and vegetables can also help keep them hydrated? Making sure they wear sunscreen and a hat will also help protect them from heat-related illnesses.

It’s also important to exercise caution when high school sports practices resume in August. Coaches may ask players to do two or three practices a day. Sports that require athletes to wear a great deal of equipment, such as football, can be particularly dangerous. Although coaches are now much better educated about the risk of heat exposure, make sure your kids understand the signs and symptoms of heat exhaustion or stroke.

Signs of the onset of heat exhaustion

- Excessive sweating
 - Flushing
 - Fatigue
 - Skin may appear clammy
- Any of these symptoms indicate that



By Dr. Jim Dwyer

you should get inside quickly and begin re-hydrating with water. Sitting in front of a fan and misting yourself will accelerate the cooling process.

Signs of heat stroke

- Sweating stops
- Face, skin turns beet red
- Extreme fatigue
- Confusion
- Fever

These are all indications that a person needs immediate emergency medical attention.

A final piece of advice: never leave a child unattended in a car for any length of time. The temperature inside a vehicle can rise so quickly that it can kill a child within 15 minutes. Be mindful when there is a change in your routine or if you are distracted by other events in your life, because a moment’s inattention can turn into a life-threatening situation.

Dr. Jim Dwyer is chief of emergency medicine at Northern Westchester Hospital in Mount Kisco.

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Manny Pinto Lawn Equipment Repair Shop Owner Pleasantville

By Martin Wilbur

When Manny Pinto arrived in the United States from Portugal with his parents and siblings in 1964, he didn't know a word of English.

In two years he learned the language, although it was a bit of struggle for him at school. However, an observant teacher at Pleasantville High School recognized that Pinto had a special talent, which would send him on his life's course.

"In school I had a language barrier because I didn't know any English whatsoever, not a word," recalled Pinto, who today has only a modest hint of an accent. "But I passed, I was passing. Once I hit high school the shop teacher told me, 'Manny, you're very good with your hands.'"

The teacher suggested he attend BOCES, where Pinto took auto mechanic training. Once there, another teacher recommended Pinto to a friend who owned a Thornwood lawnmower business. He worked there after school for a couple of years before moving on fulltime to another area business where he repaired almost any piece of motorized

equipment, from mowers to tractors.

For the past 35 years, Pinto, who turned 63 last Saturday, has been the owner of M&F Pinto Lawnmowers, a business he started in Thornwood in 1981. At one time he sold garden and lawn equipment in addition to fixing mowers, but today he devotes his energies inside his Franklin Avenue shop entirely to repairing and servicing equipment, which also includes chainsaws, trimmers and snow blowers, for area homeowners and landscapers.

Pinto said he naturally gravitated to fixing things.

"I was always good with my hands and I was always fooling around with engines, go-carts," he said.

By 1989, Pinto also invented and patented a piece of equipment, a two-wheel trailer to lug landscaping equipment, which is commonly used by landscapers today.

While many local residents have known Pinto for helping them repair and service their lawnmowers, it's not unusual to see him respond to emergencies in Pleasantville or Thornwood as an active member of the

Pleasantville Volunteer Ambulance Corps.

As a teenager, Pinto said he became acquainted with Greg Wind when they worked together at a local packaging company, and who along with his family has been one of

PVAC's pillars. After opening M&F, Pinto decided he should help the community as well.

"With a business, I say these people, they're the ones that keep me alive," Pinto said. "Why don't I turn around and try to keep them alive, you know? So I'm giving back a little."

Despite the time continuous training that's needed, it's been a gratifying experience, particularly working with Pleasantville and Mount Pleasant police and the volunteer fire departments who help the ambulance corps members assist those who need help.

Responding to calls to help neighbors and sometimes even customers can be alternately uplifting and sad. In one instance, he responded to the house of a longtime customer. The elderly woman was unresponsive until Pinto recognized her. He then helped lift her onto a stretcher and gave her a hug. The woman responded with a smile, which perhaps wasn't entirely coincidental.

"When I go to somebody's house they see me, they smile," Pinto said. "They see a familiar face."

In February 2015, he was one of scores of



volunteers who responded to the scene of the Valhalla grade crossing accident that killed six people, one of the toughest nights as a volunteer.

Pinto, who with his wife Migdalia have a grown son and daughter, has

lived in Pleasantville since he came to the United States at 11 years old. Born in Porto, Portugal, Pinto's late uncle, a carpenter, arrived first and settled in the village followed by his father. In 1964, the rest of the family arrived.

He continues to work and has no plans on retiring, although he's toyed with the idea. Pinto decided against it because his parents, who still live in Pleasantville, became worried that something was wrong.

"I was thinking about retiring but once I mentioned that to my parents they started crying," Pinto said. "I stayed and do what I can do. I also have to stay active."

Despite rapid changes in the world over the past 35 years, his business has stayed remarkably similar. The grass still needs to get cut and people still the equipment.

While he continues to work, about 15 years ago Pinto built a mountaintop home in the Catskills where he and his retreat to whenever they can.

"My wife tells me when I go up there you work harder than you do in the shop," Pinto said. "I say you don't understand, this is therapy. So this is where I go, the fresh air and the water."

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Chappaqua's St. Mary the Virgin Announces New Rector

The Church of St. Mary the Virgin Episcopal Church will welcome new rector Rev. Canon Alan Godfrey Dennis to the community in September.

Dennis has served parishes in the dioceses of his native Cape Town, South Africa, Toronto, Connecticut, New Mexico and New York during his 37 years of ordained

ministry.

Dennis has held various roles, including university chaplain and sub-dean of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. Most recently, he was interim rector at St. John's in Greenwich Village.

Widely traveled, Dennis facilitated

numerous workshops and retreats on issues of peace, reconciliation, justice, relationships and liturgy within the church and in the interfaith community.

Dennis was blessed to have the privilege of a continued relationship with his mentor and beloved friend, Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu. With his wife, Jenny, Dennis had an eight-year term as the international clergy couple of Marriage Encounter for Africa.

"My theology and spirituality are both influenced by and expressed through recognizing and affirming all persons as created in the image of God. I celebrate a ministry of inclusion," Dennis wrote to the

parish. "As someone who has experienced the pain of racial discrimination, I am deeply committed to the healing of all who are oppressed and marginalized. I look forward to sharing the wonder of worship and my passionate hope for the church to be the leaven of the community, and a beacon of hope to the world."

The greater Chappaqua community is invited to greet Father Alan, as he likes to be called, and his family at a welcome picnic on Sunday, Sept. 11 after the 10 a.m. service.

Dennis impressed members of St. Mary's parish charged with finding a new rector.



Rev. Canon Alan Godfrey Dennis will be the new rector at The Church of St. Mary the Virgin in Chappaqua in September.

"Our search committee worked diligently to find a new rector with a wealth of

experience," said Senior Warden Mike Fenlon. "With his warm personality and deep spirituality, Rev. Dennis will be an inspiring leader and will strengthen St. Mary's worship and long tradition of service to others."

The church school will kick off the news year the same morning that Dennis will be officially welcomed. There are weekly classes for children three to 18 years old with traditional Bible classes for elementary school children, a Rite 13 program for middle school students and the "Journey to Adulthood" program emphasizing community service for teens. Nursery care is provided for 10 a.m. services.

"I am pleased to see the active children's programs at St. Mary's and hope to be a companion, guide and leader to both youth and adults in the parish," Dennis said.

St. Mary's welcomes people from all religious traditions, wherever they may be on their spiritual journey.

The Church of St. Mary the Virgin was originally built as a private chapel in memory of Muriel Gwendolen Clendenin, daughter of the Rev. Dr. Frank Montrose and Mrs. Gabrielle Greeley Clendenin, daughter of Horace Greeley, on land that was part of the Greeley homestead. The parish continues to be a center for progressive Christianity. Members are of all ages and come from New Castle and other neighboring towns. Some come from other religious traditions, some are cradle Episcopalians and some families are of mixed faith.

For more information about The Church of St. Mary the Virgin, call the parish office at 914-238-8751 or visit www.smtv.org. The church is located at 191 S. Greeley Ave., next to Robert E. Bell Middle School in downtown Chappaqua.

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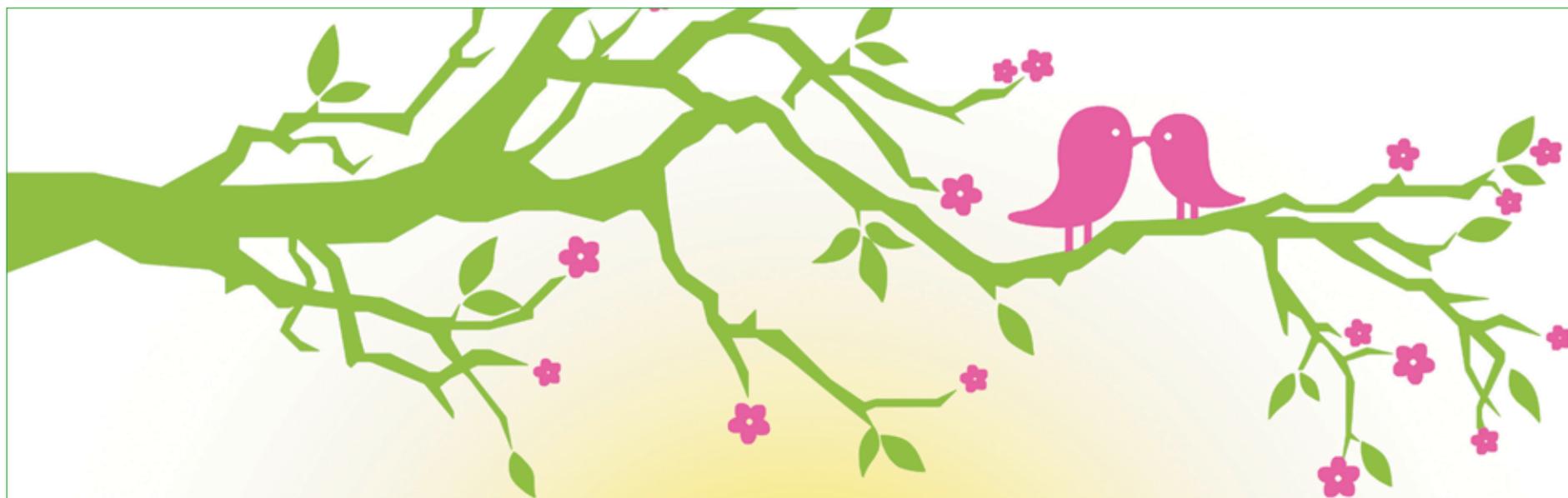
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Safety Tips to Keep in Mind When Working (or Playing) Outside

Some years ago I wrote about a freak accident I experienced at my pool that was really dramatic. It led to my being more aware of taking precautions to avoid getting hurt when working or playing outside the home.

Just this week, another incident prompted me to remind myself and readers of safety tips.

The incident years ago was exceptionally bizarre. I had been in the deep end of my pool finishing exercises to help a bad lower back. Emerging from the pool, I was heading toward my back door when suddenly I heard the sound of heavy collapse behind me, followed by an enormous splash. I turned around to see that a large limb from a dead tree near the pool had fallen into the pool exactly where my head had been bobbing less than a minute before.

That old elm, having avoided Dutch elm disease into maturity, died at least three years prior to that incident. I know I should have taken it down, but it offered a strange beauty in that it had been totally entwined with old wisteria vines that bloomed abundantly each spring. It was probably the wisteria that killed it, but somehow I thought that it



By Bill Primavera

would hold the tree up. Dead trees, especially if they are within falling distance of the house, must be taken down.

This time around, quite simply, I didn't tie the laces to my work shoes properly, tripped and fell squarely and painfully on one knee. How simple would it have been to avoid that?

While most accidents happen inside the home, plenty also happen outside. I've had my fair share of them through the years, from accidentally disturbing a wasps nest and sustaining multiple stings, to tripping on a vine traveling along the ground (the darned wisteria again) and wrenching my back when I hit the deck.

There are as many as 33,000 fatalities each year resulting from accidents outside the home and as many as 230,000 serious accidents that require visits to hospital emergency rooms, according to the National Safety Council.

Statistics also show that most outside accidents happen when people use tools improperly, most commonly lawn mowers.

Here are some safety tips for outdoor activity offered by various manufacturers of lawn mowers and other equipment.

1. Prepare in advance of mowing by walking around the area to remove any objects such as sticks, glass, metal, wire, stones and string that could cause injury or damage to equipment. Nails and wire are the most hazardous items that can be thrown by mowers, capable of killing bystanders.

2. Children should never be in the yard when mowing the lawn and should never ride on the mower. More than 800 children per year are injured riding mowers.

Children must be kept far away from power equipment because many suffer burns to hands and arms when they touch the hot muffler of running engines.

3. Be sure to know how to operate the equipment, where the controls are and what they do.

4. Dress appropriately for outside jobs. Proper footwear is most important. (When I tripped on that vine I was wearing flip-flops and definitely asking for trouble.) Long pants and long-sleeved shirts are preferable (and a deterrent to those nasty deer ticks). Eye protection is frequently needed as are heavy gloves, hearing protection and removal of jewelry, which can get caught in moving parts.

5. Never work with electric power tools in wet conditions. For protection against being electrocuted, a ground fault circuit

interrupter (GFCI) should be used. There are both plug-in types and those that are part of some extension cords.

6. Handle gasoline carefully. Never fill gas tanks while machinery is operating or when equipment is still hot, and do not fuel equipment indoors.

7. Something that few people think about: hoses left loose in various parts of the garden are an invitation for an accident. It's best to have them stored in a hose reel.

8. To prevent back injuries, it's advisable to use a wheelbarrow for heavy stones, but I find the use of a sturdy two-wheeled dolly perfect for moving extremely large rocks from one location to another.

Remember, when using ladders, they should be firmly set or held by a garden helper.

One final note that I want to share that's equally important: block the harmful effects of ultraviolet rays by using sunscreen.

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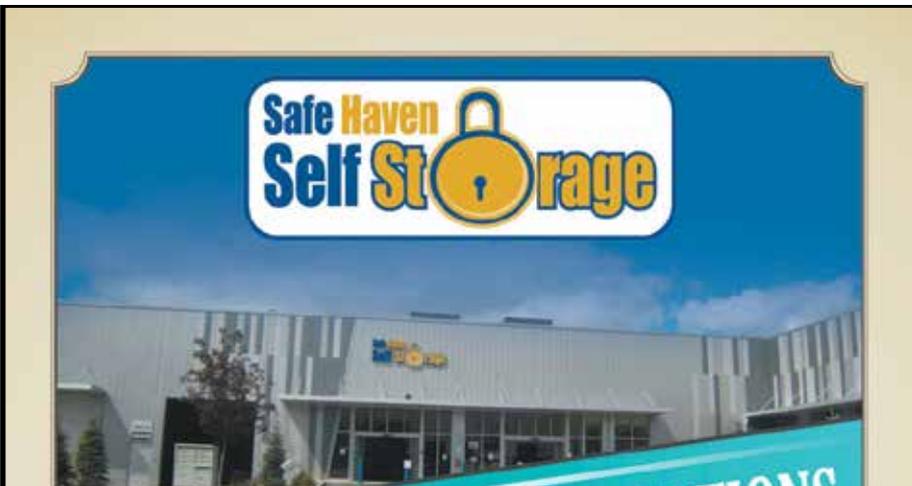
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Ben's of Scarsdale to Introduce New Discount Offers in August

By Jerry Eimbinder

Awaiting hot dog enthusiasts in August are eight cost-saving combination deals to eat in or take out at Ben's of Scarsdale. All of the deals feature Hebrew National beef frankfurters.

Each meal in this new discount program is available daily and includes a free hot dog topping, a free side and a beverage, including bottomless fountain soda. Domestic beer is an option for an extra \$2.49 and imported beer is an alternate for an additional \$3.49.

In addition, three summertime barbecue combinations will be introduced exclusively on Sundays in August.

Prices for "Ben's Top't Dogs" begin at \$12.99 for a hot dog dish with a generously poured coating of baked beans and crispy onion straws on a brioche bun. Five of the eight combination plates offered are priced at \$13.95, including one with a frankfurter topped with corned

beef or pastrami and warm sauerkraut. (Russian dressing is available if desired.) Hearty eaters can opt for corned beef and pastrami for \$3 extra.

Other combination dishes include a pair of beef franks on garlic bread topped with sautéed beef and a pile of peppers and onions (\$15.99) and a chewy pretzel bun with two hot dogs and New York City street cart staples sauerkraut, tangy onion sauce and sweet green relish (\$15.99).

The free side choices (the customer selects one) are a house-made potato pancake, a baked round potato knish or an old-fashioned square potato knish. A small side dish of guacamole or vegetarian chili is available for \$2.99 extra.

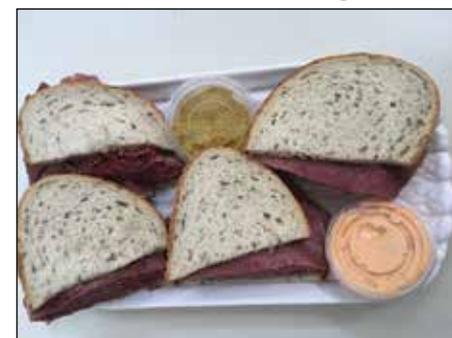
Three sumptuous summertime barbecue combinations will be offered at Ben's of Scarsdale on Sundays from 12 to 8 p.m. One of the deals is priced at \$22.99 and includes a hot dog with sauerkraut or relish, a piece of barbecue chicken, a

quarter-pound beef burger with lettuce, tomato and raw onion ring, potato salad, a corn cobbette, bottomless fountain soda, sliced watermelon for dessert and unlimited pickles and fresh cole slaw.

The other two barbecue deals apply for a half-barbecue chicken (\$23.99) and a hanger or rib-eye steak with sautéed onions (\$29.99).

Ben's of Scarsdale also has ongoing promotional offerings from 4 p.m. to closing, including \$16.95 Wednesday dinner platters of corned beef, meat loaf, chicken in the pot or a "chef's choice" and a \$19.99 turkey dinner on Thursdays.

A \$5 take-home discount exists for Wednesday customers who spend at least \$15 on an eat-in dinner and \$25 or more at the deli counter. By taking advantage of the offer, a customer could bring home a hot corned beef sandwich on rye with mustard, a tongue sandwich (pickled on premises) on rye with Russian dressing



JERRY EIMBINDER PHOTO

Hot corned beef and tongue sandwiches on rye bread at Ben's of Scarsdale.

and a square potato knish for \$23.47 rather than \$28.47.

Ben's of Scarsdale is located at 718 Central Park Ave. in Scarsdale and has a large parking lot. For more information, call 914-468-2367 or visit www.bensdeli.net.

New Chef Named at Port Chester's Saltaire Oyster Bar

By Jerry Eimbinder

Executive Chef Cedric Lamouille has been hired to run the kitchen and update the menu at Saltaire Oyster Bar and Fish House in Port Chester.

"We are currently about 90 percent seafood," Saltaire owner Leslie Barnes said. "With the help of chef Lamouille, our fall menu will be about 70 percent fish, with additional meat and vegetarian options for our composed plates."

Lamouille will also expand the lunch menu "and bring quality to our sweets and classic desserts," Barnes said.

Saltaire's menu changes daily with offerings mostly determined by seafood purchased at the Fulton Fish Market in Hunts Point each morning.

A seafood buyer arrives at the fish market around 1 a.m. to check on the new catch. By 4 a.m., the restaurant's shipment has been handpicked and packed for delivery, and a text message describing the selection is then sent to the kitchen crew. The menus are available daily on premises.

Lamouille was the executive chef on the team that opened Bistro V in Greenwich, Conn. in 2013. Before that, Lamouille was employed by two other Greenwich restaurants

run by Bistro V's owner – Méli-Mélo (French for hodge lodge), where he was the executive chef and head catering chef, and Jean-Louis, where he was sous chef under Jean-Louis Gerin.

Lamouille was born and raised in Annecy, a town in the French Alps bordering Switzerland. Fishing on weekends in Lake Annecy and nearby rivers was his favorite activity growing up.

He graduated from the Phonon Les Bains Culinary Institute and École Hôtelière Savoie Léman in Lake Geneva, France. In 1998, he cooked at Bistrot de L'Etoile in Paris.

Lamouille replaces former executive chef Bobby Will who has joined celebrity chef Jean-Georges Vongerichten's Topping Rose House in Bridgehampton, L.I.

Barnes also owns London Lennie's, a seafood institution in Rego Park, Queens founded by his father in 1959.

Saltaire Oyster Bar and Fish House opened last August in the renovated Willet House Building that was constructed by the Westchester Grain Company in 1903.

Saltaire Oyster Bar and Fish House is located at 55 Abendroth Ave. in Port Chester. For more information, call 914-939-2425 or visit www.saltairoysterbar.com.

Shake Shack Opens First Location in Westchester County

By Jerry Eimbinder

Shake Shack celebrated its 12th anniversary last Friday by opening its first Westchester restaurant at the Cross County Shopping Center in Yonkers.

On the same day Shake Shack also opened its first restaurant in South Korea at Seoul, the country's capital and largest city.

Founded in 2004 by restaurateur Danny Meyer, the chain actually started out as a food cart four years earlier at Manhattan's Madison Square Park. Meyer also founded the famous Union Square Cafe in New York City in 1985.

The chain has 16 locations in New York City and operates eateries in 14 states and Washington D.C. and more than a dozen countries including England, Russia, Japan, Turkey and the United Arab Emirates.

The menu features all-natural beef burgers, cage-free chicken burgers, hot dogs, frozen custard cups and cones and crinkle-cut fries. Beverages include shakes, soda, lemonade, iced tea and coffee. There is also wine and beer from the Yonkers Brewing Company, Bronx Pale Ale, Broken Bow Brewery and Southern Tier Brewing Company.

The burger list offers the Shackburger (a basic cheeseburger on a potato roll with lettuce, tomato and ShackSauce). More elaborate offerings include the SmokeShack with Applewood bacon and chopped cherry pepper; the 'Shroom Burger with portobello mushroom; and the Shack Stack (a cheeseburger and 'Shroom Burger).



County officials, area business leaders and representatives from the Cross County Shopping Center and Shake Shack participated in last Friday's ribbon cutting ceremony for Westchester's first Shake Shack.

Two vanilla frozen-custard creations debuted at the Yonkers location – one containing marshmallow sauce and crispy crunches with the other having dark chocolate chunks, chocolate toffee and malt powder.

The chain's signature shake, called the Shack Attack, is topped with chocolate sprinkles and combines chocolate custard, fudge sauce, chocolate truffle cookie dough and dark chocolate chunks.

The Yonkers' Shake Shack is open Sunday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. On Saturday its operating hours are 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Located at 2090 Mall Walk on the northern side of the property, it has about 100 seats. Patrons will find it across from fashion retailer Zara, facing the north parking lot and the Cross County Parkway. It has a spacious outdoor patio with picnic tables.

Happenings

We're happy to help spread the word about your community event. Please submit your information at least three weeks prior to your event and include the words "Happenings Calendar Submission" in your email subject line. Entries should be sent to Martin Wilbur at mwilbur@theexaminernews.com.

Tuesday, July 26

Point Insurance Reduction Program Defensive Driving Course. This state-approved six-hour course saves drivers 10 percent on liability and collision portions of their auto insurance premium for three years and removes up to four point from the insurance. Will be offered once or twice a month throughout 2016. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 3 to 9 p.m. \$55. Seniors and military personnel (active or retired): \$25. Next session: Aug. 9. Info and registration: 646-413-3295 or visit www.drivercourse.net.

Drop-in Tech Help. Drop in for help with any of your technology devices. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 4:30 to 6 p.m. Free. Every Tuesday. Info: 914-666-8041 or www.mountkiscoliberalry.org.

Italian Language and Culture. Mara De Matteo, born and raised in Italy and passionate about her native language, combines lively conversation with grammatical instruction in her classes. She creates interactive lessons on the richness of Italian culture, past and present, through real-life anecdotes, literature, personal memoirs, films and even photography. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 6:30 p.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887.

Family Story Time. A program of stories, music, rhymes and more. While the stories will be of most interest to children three to six year old, all are welcome. Children are encouraged to wear their pajamas. Led by the library's own Miss Debbie. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 7 p.m. Free. Tuesdays through Aug. 9. Info: 914-769-0548 or visit www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

Armonk Readers Book Club. "What Alice Forgot" by Liane Moriarty will be discussed. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 6:45 p.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887 or www.northcastlelibrary.org.

Wednesday, July 27

Master Networker Meeting. Join this high-energy interactive membership network of learning-based, service-oriented entrepreneurs and business leaders. Come be a guest any Wednesday to learn more about this world-class business training and referral program. Mount Kisco Coach Diner, 252 E. Main St., Mount. 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. Free. Every Wednesday. RSVP suggested. Info and RSVP: Contact Julie Genovesi at 303-929-7203 or e-mail julie@euobella.net or just drop in.

Zumba Fitness. Achieve long-term benefits while having a blast in one exciting hour of calorie-burning, body-

energizing, awe-inspiring movements meant to engage and captivate for life. For all fitness levels. Dance Emotions, 75 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. Every Monday and Wednesday at 9 a.m. and Saturdays at 10 a.m. Drop in or weekly discount rates available. Info: Contact Peggy at 914 960-4097.

Learn to Read Music. Music reading specialist Mary Farrell has spent many years decoding the history of notes. Learn note names, symbols and rhythms. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 10 to 11 a.m. Free. Info: 914-666-8041 or www.mountkiscoliberalry.org.

Baby Time. A fun interactive lap-sit story time that includes songs, rhymes and a few very short stories. The experience gives babies an opportunity to socialize and parents a time to share. Recommended for newborns through 12 months old. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 10 to 10:30 a.m. Free. Every Monday and Wednesday. Info: 914-769-0548 or www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

Pound Fitness Program. A 45-minute full-body jam session that combines cardio, Pilates, plyometrics and isometric movements and poses with the excitement and euphoria of drumming. Using lightly weighted drumsticks called Ripstix, you'll rock your entire body into beautiful shape while torching calories, isolating core muscles and strengthening coordination and balance. Dance Emotions, 75 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. 10:15 a.m. \$20. Every Wednesday. Also Saturdays at 11:15 a.m. RSVP required. Info and registration: Contact Peggy at 914-960-4097.

Toddler Storytime. Finger plays, action rhymes, songs and stories to encourage an enjoyment of books and to stimulate early listening, learning and speaking skills. Recommended for children one to two-and-a-half years old. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 10:30 to 11 a.m. Free. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Info: 914-769-0548 or www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

Senior Benefits Information Center. Counselors offer older adults one-on-one counseling covering a broad range of topics including Medicare health and prescription plans, food stamps, HEAP, EPIC, weatherization, minor home repair and tax relief programs. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 Main St., Mount Kisco. 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Free. Every Wednesday. Info: 914-231-3260.

Preschool Storytime. This interactive story time uses picture books, songs, finger plays, action rhymes and other activities to encourage the enjoyment of books and language. Recommended for children two-and-a-half to five years old. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 11 to 11:30 a.m. Free. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Info: 914-

769-0548 or www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

Support Group for Alzheimer's Caregivers. Temple Shaaray Tefila and Westchester Jewish Community Services have scheduled this forum to provide a place for caregivers to discuss their feelings, share their experiences and support one another. A specialist from the Alzheimer's Association will lead the group and provide educational materials and information. All welcome. Temple Shaaray Tefila's Youth Lounge, 89 Baldwin Rd., Bedford. 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Free. Meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month. Registration required. Info and registration: Contact the Alzheimer's Association at 800-272-3900 or visit www.alz.org/hudsonvalley.

Storytime. For children 18 months to five years old. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 11:15 to 11:45 a.m. Free. Every Wednesday and Thursday. Info: Visit 914-666-8041 or www.mountkiscoliberalry.org.

Wonderful Wednesdays. Kids are the authors for two writing workshops: Little Writers (for children four to six years old) and Selfie (for children seven to 10 years old). Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. Little Writers at 1:30 p.m. Selfie at 4 p.m. Free. Info: 914-769-0548 or www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

"Ran." The final celebrated masterpiece from legendary filmmaker Akira Kurosawa. A reinterpretation of "King Lear," it focuses on a 16th-century ruler who announces that he will divide his kingdom equally among his three sons. In his dotage, he falls prey to the false flattery of the two oldest brothers, while banishing the other, the only member of the family who loves him enough to speak the truth. Presented in a stunning 4K digital restoration courtesy of Rialto Pictures. Part of the Retro Revival Series. Jacob Burns Film Center, 364 Manville Rd., Pleasantville. 2 and 7 p.m. Members: \$8. Non-members: \$13. Info and tickets: Visit www.burnsfilmcenter.org.

The Explorers Club. A new literacy/activity program this fall. Join Miss Debbie to explore a new theme each week (science, art and more) through literacy and hands-on activities. Come read, discover and create. For children five to seven years old. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 3:30 to 4:15 p.m. Free. Every Wednesday. Registration required. Info and registration: www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

Knitting at the Library. Knitters and crocheters of all skill levels. For ages 10 and up. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 4 p.m. Free. Every Wednesday. Info: 914-864-8041 or www.mountkiscoliberalry.org.

Zumba Toning With Amy. Sculpt and

tone muscle groups while dancing and shaking toning sticks to the sassy sizzling rhythms of the Zumba. Toning sticks provided. PFX Fitness, 10 Castleton Rd., Pleasantville. 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Drop-in fee: \$12. Every Wednesday Info: E-mail olin.amyj@gmail.com.

Chappaqua Summer Concert Series: The Chappaqua Orchestra. Recreation Field, 200 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua (next to Town Hall). 7 p.m. Free. Info: Visit www.mynewcastle.org.

Art Series: Auguste Renoir. French-born Renoir was an expert in transmitting the beauty of the female form onto the canvas, but he did it in a way that no other artist before him had. Renoir led the way with the Impressionists and their amazing attempts to capture the changing nature of light and time in their paintings. Discussion led by Professor Valerie Franco. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887.

Piano Concert Inspired by Louise Fishman. Idith Meshulam Korman, pianist and artistic director of Ensemble Pi, is one of the foremost interpreters of and advocates for contemporary American classical music. During this event, Korman will perform musical works selected in response to the visual practice of her friend, Louise Fishman, whose retrospective is on exhibit at the museum. Fishman and Korman will engage in an informal discussion after of the concert. Neuberger Museum of Art, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. Reception at 7 p.m. Concert at 7:30 p.m. \$10. Purchase College students, staff, faculty and museum Circle Level members: Free. Info and Tickets: 914-251-6100 or visit www.neuberger.org.

"The White Oak of Johnston." Johnny Madison wants to bury his dog under the big white oak on the family farm. But he hasn't been home in 19 years, a long time for a dog and an even longer time for a guy to be running. Written by Thomas J. Morrissey and presented by Morrissey Productions. Whipoorwill Hall, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 7:30 p.m. \$25. Also July 29 and 30. Info and tickets: Visit TheWhiteOak.brownpapertickets.com.

"Equity." An advance screening of this new film, which is being promoted as "the first female-driven Wall Street movie." Premiering to critical acclaim at this year's Sundance Film Festival, it tells the story of an investment banker (Anna Gunn) who is trying to work her way up the Wall Street ladder while a prosecutor (Alysia Reiner) keeps an eye out for corrupt practices. Followed by a post-film discussion and Q&A with director Meera Menon moderated by critic-in-residence Marshall Fine. The Picture House, 175 Wolfs Lane,

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Business of the Week

Mooyah Burgers Fries & Shakes, Briarcliff Manor

By Colette Connolly

The collapse of Lehman Brothers was fortuitous in many ways for Anthony Grippo.

It was in 2008 that Grippo, a former vice president of global futures at Lehman, lost his job and began to think about ways he could take control of his future.

"I wanted to do something on my own, and I've always loved the franchise model," he said.

Grippo is the owner of Mooyah Burgers, Fries & Shakes in Briarcliff Manor, a franchise that specializes in fresh beef burgers, hand-cut fries and ice cream shakes.

He acknowledges that he had little restaurant experience before opening last November. Grippo is also the owner of another Mooyah franchise in Larchmont, and hopes to open six more restaurants throughout Westchester and Fairfield counties over the next couple of years.

Before investing in the growing company, Grippo spent time researching various franchises as well as visiting a Mooyah in Connecticut to taste the restaurant's specialties.

"I tried the food and I also had my family try it, and they loved it," he said.

What sets Mooyah apart from other burger chains is its focus on freshness and allowing the customer to build his or her own burger, Grippo said. Burger buns are made in-house daily served on potato or multigrain wheat buns.

Another key difference is the variety of the menu. It asks customers to "choose a protein" from a variety of burger choices that range from The Mooyah Burger to The Double Diablo, The Well D'Onion and The Farmer's Favorite, a burger wrapped in lettuce. Other protein choices include a black bean veggie burger, an all-beef hot dog and an all-natural turkey burger.

There are nine free veggie toppings – lettuce, tomato, pickles, relish,



COLETTE CONNOLLY PHOTO

Anthony Grippo, far right, owner of Mooyah Burgers, Fries & Shakes' Briarcliff Manor franchise, with his staff.

a range of dressings and the opportunity for customers to add crispy chicken, turkey, beef or veggies to the mix. The children's menu offers burgers, grilled cheese sandwiches, chicken tenders and hot dogs.

In addition to the delicious food that Grippo and his staff serve, Mooyah is an ideal place to bring the kids. There's a section of wall devoted to a large "Moodle Doodle" chalkboard, where children can draw to their hearts' content. The rest of the restaurant's red, white and black-focused décor blends in well with the large renderings of cows on the upper half and pleasant sayings written on the lower half.

"I really want this to be a very kid-friendly destination," Grippo said.

Customers can download the Mooyah rewards app for a free burger when purchasing fries and a drink, in addition to earning points every time a purchase is made.

The restaurant works with community groups and other organizations that raise money for various causes, with a percentage of the sales going toward the fundraising initiative.

Mooyah is located at 1882 Pleasantville Rd. in the Chilmark Shopping Center in Briarcliff Manor and is open daily from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information, visit www.Mooyah.com.

jalapenos, onions, grilled onions, sautéed mushrooms and fried onion strings – and 11 free sauces, including the traditional mustard, mayo, barbeque, spicy ranch and honey mustard.

Each gourmet burger can be customized with five different types of cheese, smoked bacon and a sliced avocado.

The fries, made from Idaho potatoes, are crispy on the outside and fluffy on the inside. Mooyah offers 10 types of milk shakes, featuring varieties of vanilla, cookie dough, mint chocolate chip, Hershey's chocolate, strawberry, banana and more.

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Pelham. 7:30 p.m. \$15. Seniors, students and members: \$12. Info and tickets: Visit www.thepicturehouse.org.

Thursday, July 28

Bridge for Beginners With Joel Goren. Classes for beginners who want to learn the basics of bridge. The lessons are designed for players with little or no previous knowledge of bridge. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 10 a.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887 or www.northcastlelibrary.org.

Knitting Circle. This group is open to everyone who has an interest in knitting. Live, love, laugh, learn and have fun together during these creative journeys. Come share patterns and ideas and celebrate creative spirits together while enjoying the ancient art of knitting. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Free. Every Monday and Thursday. Info: 914-273-3887.

Toddler Storytime. Finger plays, action rhymes, songs and stories to encourage an enjoyment of books and to stimulate early listening, learning and speaking skills. Recommended for children one to two-and-a-half years old. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 125 Lozza Drive, Valhalla. 10:30 to 11 a.m. Free. Every Tuesday and Thursday. Info: 914-741-0276 or www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

Preschool Storytime. This interactive story time uses picture books, songs, finger plays, action rhymes and other activities to encourage the enjoyment of books and language. Recommended for children two-and-a-half to five years old. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 125 Lozza Drive, Valhalla. 11 to 11:30 a.m. Free. Every Tuesday and Thursday. Info: 914-741-0276 or www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

Mahjongg Club. Intermediate players welcome. Participants must bring their own set. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 1 p.m. Free. Every Thursday. Info: 914-666-8041 or www.mountkisco.org.

Bridge for the Advanced Beginner/Intermediate Player. With Joel Goren. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 2 p.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887 or www.northcastlelibrary.org.

"Finding Vivian Maier." The last in a series of three documentaries selected from the Mount Pleasant Public Library's Jacob Burns Curated Collection. Followed by discussion and refreshments. Clinton Street Center, 1A Clinton St., Pleasantville. 2 p.m. Free. Info: 914-769-2021.

Storytime Playgroup. Come hear a story and music and join in on playtime with toys and books. Children, parents and caregivers will make new friends and share time together. For children one to

four years old; with a caregiver. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 2 to 2:45 p.m. Free. Every Thursday. Info: 914-769-0548 or www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

Gaming Old School. Join old school gaming enthusiasts to play board games like a kid again. Open to all ages. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 4 to 5:30 p.m. Free. Every Thursday. Info: 914-666-8041 or www.mountkisco.org.

Bedford Hills Farmers Market. Come down and stock up for the weekend. Fresh picked produce and flowers, handmade soap, bread, cheese, lobster rolls, stunning bracelets and live music. Bedford Hills train station, 46 Depot Plaza, Bedford Hills. 4 to 7:30 p.m. Every Thursday. Info: Visit the Bedford Hills Live Facebook page.

Read to Rover. Dogs love listening to stories. Come meet Rover and read your favorite story. For children five years old and up. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Free. Every Thursday. Info: 914-666-8041 or www.mountkisco.org.

"A Midsummer Night's Dream." Stepinac High School's Alumni Theatre will present three outdoor performances of Shakespeare's enchanting romantic comedy. The cast consists of alumni who performed in productions of the school's Drama Club when they attended the all-boys school and their female counterparts who went to other high schools throughout the region. Stepinac High School's back lawn, 950 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains. 7 p.m. \$15. Also July 29 and 30. In case of rain, performances will be held in the school's Major Bowes Auditorium. Info: E-mail alumnitheatre@stepinac.org. Tickets: 914-946-4800 ext. 200.

"Africa: A Multitude of Wonders" Reception and Program. Local photographer Karen Ann Sullivan will take the audience on a journey to the Virunga Mountains in Rwanda, the Serengeti in Tanzania, the Chobe River in Botswana and Etosha National Park in Namibia through photographs and story sharing. Her exhibit has been on display at the venue since July 1. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. Reception at 6:30 p.m. Program at 7:30 p.m. Free. Info: 914-769-0548 or www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

Friday, July 29

Mindfulness and More. One of a series of fitness classes. Clinton Street Center, 1A Clinton St., Pleasantville. 11 a.m. Free. Info: 914-769-2021.

Zumba With Amy. Low-impact Zumba for the older active adult or beginner. Addie-tude Dance Center, 42 Memorial Plaza (lower level), Pleasantville. 11 a.m. Drop-in rate: \$12. Every Friday. Also Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Info: 914-643-6162 or e-mail olin.amyj@gmail.com.

Summer Sing-Along. Come sing and listen to old and new folksong favorites. Hosted by the Clinton Street Singers and Stringers. Light refreshments provided. Clinton Street Center, 1A Clinton St., Pleasantville. 2:30 p.m. Free. Info: 914-769-2021.

Front Lawn Community BBQ. Featuring kids' games, hamburgers, hot dogs and lemonade. All are welcome and encouraged to bring a dish to share. Pleasantville Presbyterian Church, 400 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 4 p.m. Free. Info: 914-769-0458 or visit www.pvillepresby.org.

Dance Party for Parkinson's Summer Series. A partnership between the Steffi Nossen School of Dance and Burke Rehabilitation Hospital, this is a movement class based on the internationally acclaimed Dance for PD program. The program was developed in a collaboration between the Mark Morris Dance Group and Brooklyn Parkinson's Group to address the needs of people with Parkinson's. No dance experience necessary. Burke Rehabilitation Hospital's Adult Fitness Center, 785 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains. 5 to 6 p.m. Series: \$96 for individuals; \$160 per couple. Class drop-in rate: \$15 for individuals; \$25 per couple. Fridays through Aug. 25. Info: 914-328-1900.

Friday Night Cinema: "Look Who's Back." Based on the bestselling German novel of the same title, this blockbuster film looks at comedy and satire during a time of extreme discontent in German society. The film asks the audience to ponder how seriously people would take Hitler if a character like him ever popped up in contemporary society again. Adult content; in German with English subtitles. Post-screening discussion led by Professor Valerie Franco. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887.

"In the Heights." The universal story of a vibrant community in New York's Washington Heights, a place where the coffee from the corner bodega is light and sweet, the windows are always open and the breeze carries the rhythm of three generations of music. It's a community on the brink of change, full of hopes, dreams and pressures, where the biggest struggles can be deciding which traditions you take and which ones you leave behind. White Plains Performing Arts Center, 11 City Place, White Plains. 8 p.m. Adults: \$35. Students: \$25. Also July 30 and Aug. 5 and 6 at 8 p.m. and July 31 and Aug. 7 at 2 p.m. Info and tickets: 914-328-1600 or visit www.wppac.com.

Saturday, July 30

Pleasantville Farmers Market. Experience the largest, year-round farmers market in Westchester, and the one voted "Best of Westchester" in 2014, 2015 and 2016 by the readers of Westchester

Magazine. With 56 vendors and seven nearby parking lots, the market is a delicious good time. This week, acoustic indie rock duo Tumbleweed Mile returns for the music series and the kids event is the annual Tie Dye T-Shirt Day where parents and kids can create a one-of-a-kind market t-shirt. Rain or shine. The market is a dog-free environment. Memorial Plaza, Pleasantville. 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Every Saturday. Info: Visit www.pleasantvillefarmersmarket.org.

Chappaqua Farmers Market. Bringing locally-raised and produced food to the community in a weekly market, creating a connection between shoppers and small-scale food producers in the region. Chappaqua train station. Chappaqua. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Every Saturday. Info: Visit www.chappaquafarmersmarket.org.

Practice Tai Chi With Larry Atille. Learn specific feldenkrais and chi kung breathing techniques for deep relaxation and apply them to tai chi movement. This is a hands-on class that will be geared to the level of experience of the class and challenge all participants. Wear comfortable clothes and bring a floor mat or towel. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 10:30 a.m. Free. Also July 30. Info: 914-273-3887.

Creative Coloring for Adults. If you're an adult looking for a relaxing, fresh and new activity that will help bring stress relief to your busy life, try this new coloring class. Drop in anytime. Materials provided. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Free. Every Saturday. Info: 914-666-8041 or www.mountkisco.org.

Adult Salsa Class. Addie-Tude Performing Arts Center, 42 Memorial Plaza (lower level), Pleasantville. 11 a.m. to noon. Free. \$12. Every Saturday. Also Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Info: 917-215-1720 or visit www.addie-tude.com.

Teaching Trails: A Community Path for Environmental Education. Join guided trail experience through the woodland forest. Discover who left that track, which tree makes the best animal home or which plant makes its own heat. Program runs about 30 minutes. Greenburgh Nature Center, 99 Dromore Rd., Scarsdale. 11:30 a.m. Free. Every Saturday and Sunday. Info: 914-723-3470 or visit www.greenburghnaturecenter.org.

Faith, Food and Friends. A weekly gathering that includes prayer, song, discussion and dinner for all. Emanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church, 197 Manville Rd., Pleasantville. 5 p.m. Free. Every Saturday. Info: Visit www.emanuelc.org.

Saturday Night Jazz at Chappaqua Station: Hiroshi Yamazaki Trio. With a hat tipped to New York's musical renaissance, Chappaqua Station welcomes local and international musicians to the

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Here's a Hot Tip: Don't Count on Winning the Lottery

Holy moly, a nearly \$540 million prize went to an Indiana winner in the much publicized July 8 Mega Millions drawing. While news of the lucky winner might tempt you to participate in the next Powerball drawing to try your chance at a big payday, it is important to take a step back and consider the reality.

The lottery is constructed in a way that makes it unlikely that any particular individual will win the big jackpots; the odds are roughly 1 in 292.2 million for Powerball (although lots of people will win smaller payoffs, say \$10 or so).

In my mind, buying a lottery ticket is just a nice way to create fantasies and enhance dreams. Even if you win the big prize, there are still a variety of factors that need to be addressed, including taxes. Before winners even see a penny of their winnings, all levels of the government – federal, state and local – will likely get a share.

In reality, an individual's odds of a financial windfall are substantially

higher through an inheritance, a big gain on the sale of a house, an insurance payout or from the sale of a business. Maybe even through a large bonus from your employer.

Regardless of the source, the first step is to step back – and remain quiet. Try and refrain from telling anyone about your new earnings until you have time to speak with experts.

Also, be smart and not impulsive. Consider the fancy new sports car only after you have carefully thought out your future – and created a clear plan for managing your newfound wealth. It is far better to create and maintain a prudent investment plan based on reasonable assurances of a constant – and hopefully growing – income.

As for the lottery or with any other windfall – expected or otherwise – consulting an accountant is imperative. Note that earnings from a jackpot or



By Kevin Peters

any other windfall typically get taxed at the highest federal rate of 39.6 percent. Enlisting the guidance of a tax professional can help you get the most out of your newfound wealth.

And while you are at it, an experienced estate attorney and financial adviser would be good additions to your “team” as well. You might even need someone to help with charitable giving or will revisions.

While too many cooks can spoil the broth, failing to have the right team of professionals in place can make managing a windfall challenging, particularly when long-lost relatives and “friends” come out of the woodwork. Be careful not to jump into investments simply because they sound like fun (such as a bar or restaurant) or because you want to make a family member's dream come true.

Settling on a clear policy for family members and friends who ask you to

buy them things or lend them money can help avoid undue stress. Consider establishing a designated pool of money for lending to friends and family, with set loan-size limits.

You may also want to look into establishing a foundation or a trust. Turning all lending/charity decisions over to a board of advisers whose judgment you trust is another way to manage expectations from charities, family members and friends.

Many people play the lottery faithfully because they believe that eventually the odds will turn in their favor. After all, each week, they have been plugging in family birthdays for over a decade. But consider this: the odds of winning the Powerball jackpot don't change – it's 1 in 292.2 million for every individual drawing.

The odds are rarely ever in your favor.

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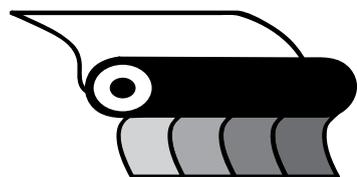
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The Science of Winemaking, From the Laboratory to Your Home



By Nick Antonaccio

I've been penning this column weekly for over eight years. I've written about the miracle of the transformation of grapes into wine, with all its attendant nuances and pitfalls. I've espoused the uniqueness of each

wine based on its heritage and the vineyard environment in which it is cultivated. I've pontificated on the skill and artistry of winemakers who create wines that reflect their vision for seeking great wines.

I've also reported on man's endless effort to improve on nature, to utilize modern techniques and technology to achieve enhanced yields and quality in the vineyard and the winery.

Man consistently attempts to one-up nature, to play God with the natural order. But I wasn't expecting man to alter the efficacy and foundation of winemaking. To create a wine that is produced as much in a laboratory as in a winery and to marry science and economics in an effort to produce a quality wine that is identical from vintage to vintage and is priced substantially less than comparable bottles.

Two companies have created wines in an attempt to trump nature and all its variables and foibles. "Better living

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through chemistry," the DuPont slogan from last century, is aptly applied to these wines.

A Colorado company, Replica Wine, is, according to its website, "unapologetically replicating your favorite wines." Through a program with an independent laboratory, begun 10 years ago, Replica has analyzed nearly 2,000 wines, testing for more than 60 chemistry markers, while amassing "the largest alcohol flavor profile database in the world."

These markers capture a wine's components, including acidity, sugars and tannins. Replica's panel of tasters then compares combinations of these components and those of a selected popular wine. After an iterative blending process is completed, the final sign-off for the knock-off lies with Replica's in-house Master Sommelier.

Currently, five wines are marketed:

1. Pickpocket, a replica of the California cult favorite, Prisoner Red Blend;
2. Knockoff, a replica of best-selling Kendall Jackson Vintners Reserve Chardonnay;
3. Misbehaved, a replica of the wildly popular Meiomi Pinot Noir;
4. Just Right, a replica of Joel Gott 815 California Cabernet Sauvignon; and
5. Embellish, a replica of the esteemed

Erath Oregon Pinot Noir.

At \$10 to \$25, the wines retail for about half of its genetically-correct counterparts. These wines are intended to appeal to those with a Champagne taste, but a beer wallet.

While Replica wines are engineered wines, their core component is grapes. A new San Francisco startup is taking a revolutionary step in replicating wines. No grapes are used in the production of their experimental wines.

Ava Winery creates wine in its laboratory – molecule by molecule. It claims to produce the first synthetic wine. Of course, there are ethical issues in marketing a synthetic product that has similar characteristics and components as its naturally produced counterpart. It may look like, smell like, even taste like a Cabernet Sauvignon, but it is laboratory designed and chemically produced, down to its smallest microbes.

Ava's co-founder, Mardonn Chua, combined numerous components, including tartaric acid, malic acid, tannin powder, sucrose, ethanol, glycerin, various flavor and aroma compounds – and ethanol, the alcohol base. Top off this science experiment with water and voila, a new wine in 15 minutes.

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Does the Ava wine meet the definition of wine? It contains no grapes and has no natural provenance; therefore it is not technically wine. But it does contain alcohol, so it comes under the jurisdiction of government regulations and must be sold through the same channels as other alcoholic beverages. Ava has begun taking orders for the first offering, a synthetic 1992 Dom Pérignon Champagne (\$50 versus \$220 for the winery bottling). However, it has yet to be vetted through the regulatory system.

Each day, technology is opening pathways beyond man's limitations. It is providing the gateway into a realm of science beyond mortal intellect and increasing the capacity for data and genetic analysis beyond the prior millennium of scientific discovery.

How soon before it provides the foundation for other synthetic products to pair with our synthetic wines?

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historic train station. Think intimate lounge setting, warm bourbon glow, farm fresh cuisine and an inclusive spirit of Westchester's vibrant culture. Chappaqua Station, 1 Station Plaza, Chappaqua. 7 to 10 p.m. \$10 per person for table reservation. First come, first served at bar with no cover charge. Every Saturday. Tickets available through Eventbrite. Info: 914-861-8001 or visit www.chappaquastation.com.

Sunday, July 31

Yoga for Beginners. A perfect way to refresh your body and mind. Move, stretch, breathe and renew. All bodies and minds are welcome in this class. Expect Natural, 774 Bedford Rd., Bedford Hills. 8:30 to 10 a.m. \$15 per class. Every Sunday. Pre-registration required. Info and pre-registration: Contact Marta at 914-242-4685.

Nature Walk: Discover the Dragonflies of Muscote Farm. Join naturalist Tait Johansson and Friends of Muscote Farm for an early summer dragonfly walk on the farm's grounds. Muscote Farm, 51 Route 100, Somers. 10 a.m. to noon. Free. Info: 914.232.1999 or visit www.bedfordaudubon.org.

Irish-American Heritage Festival. The festival begins with Mass followed

by entertainment by the Tara Gold Band, Susan Gillespie and the Gerard Irish Band, a bagpipe band performance and the Deirdre O'Mara School of Irish Dancers. There will also be vendors selling arts, crafts, jewelry, clothing and more. Children will enjoy games and other activities planned for them. Rain or shine. Bring blankets or chairs for seating. Ridge Road Park, Hartsdale. 1 to 5:30 p.m. Adults: \$5. Children (under 14): Free. Info: 914-439-5773 or 914-969-7247 or visit aiawestchester.com.

Monday, Aug. 1

Knitting Group. Hats for our servicemen and women overseas and other ongoing projects for care centers and hospitals. Clinton Street Center, 1A Clinton St., Pleasantville. 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Free. Every Monday. Info: 914-769-2021.

Storytime. For children of all ages. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 11:15 to 11:45 a.m. Free. Every Monday. Info: 914-666-8041 or www.mountkiscopubliclibrary.org.

Adventures in Art. A new story time for children five to eight years old where children enjoy a story, learn about an artist and participate in a hands-on art project. Led by the library's own Miss Debbie. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 4 p.m. Free.

Mondays through Aug. 8. Registration required. Info and registration: Visit www.mountpleasantlibrary.org. Registration is also available in person at the library.

Look Good...Feel Better. A workshop that teaches beauty techniques to women undergoing cancer treatment. Includes a hair consultation with a professional stylist and a makeup consultation with a cosmetologist. Attendees can take home a complementary wig and makeup kit donated by cosmetic companies. Phelps Hospital, Room 545, 755 N. Broadway, Sleepy Hollow. 6 to 8 p.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-366-3315 or 914-366-3421.

Zumba Class. Open to all. Drop-ins welcome; no membership needed. PFX, 101 Castleton St., Pleasantville. 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. \$10 a class. Every Monday. Info: Contact Amy Olin at olin.amyj@gmail.com.

"She's Got to Have It." A 30th anniversary screening of the release of this Spike Lee film, which ushered in a new era in independent cinema and introduced the world to Lee. His funny and original take on black female sexuality was filmed in 12 days in Brooklyn on a shoestring budget, grossing more than \$7 million in 1986, making it one of the most successful independent films ever made. Part of the Reel Talk series with programmer Gina

Duncan. Jacob Burns Film Center, 364 Manville Rd., Pleasantville. 7:30 p.m. Members: \$10. Non-members: \$15. Info and tickets: Visit www.burnsfilmcenter.org.

Telephone Support Group for Women With Metastatic Breast Cancer. This Support Connection group offers the opportunity to share information and experiences with women across the country who are living with breast cancer. Share information and experiences. Confidentially discuss concerns and gain support from others who understand from the comfort of home. Open to women nationwide living with recurrent, advanced stage or metastatic breast cancer. 8 p.m. Free. First Monday of each month. Pre-registration required. Info and pre-registration: Contact Support Connection at 914-962-6402 or 800-532-4290.

Tuesday, Aug. 2

Baby Time. A fun interactive lap-sit story time that includes songs, rhymes and a few very short stories. The experience gives babies an opportunity to socialize and parents a time to share. Recommended for newborns through 12 months old. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 125 Lozza Drive, Valhalla. 10 to 10:30 a.m. Free. Every Tuesday. Info: 914-741-0276 or www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

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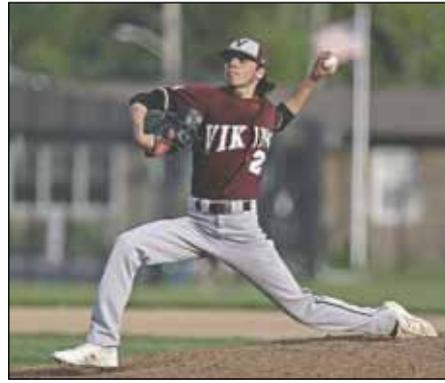
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Briarcliff catcher Jonmichael Dolgetta gets set to bat in the sectional title game.



Fox Lane's Aaron Winkler fires to the plate in the Foxes' playoff game at Ketcham.

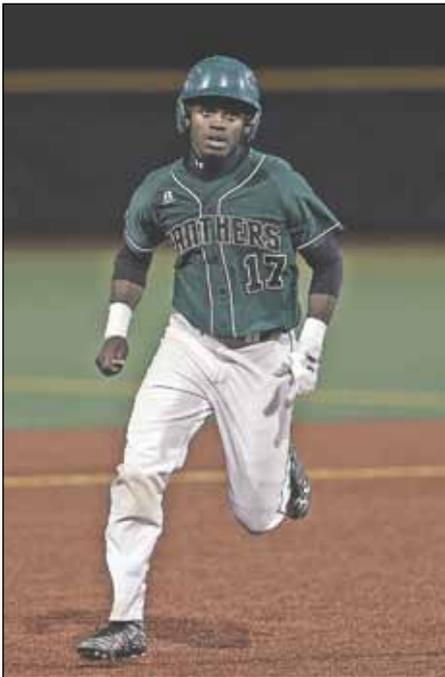


Valhalla ace Steven Franzese throws a pitch in a game vs. Pleasantville at Parkway Field.



Side-arming pitcher Chris Satriale of Pleasantville delivers during a home game at Parkway Field.

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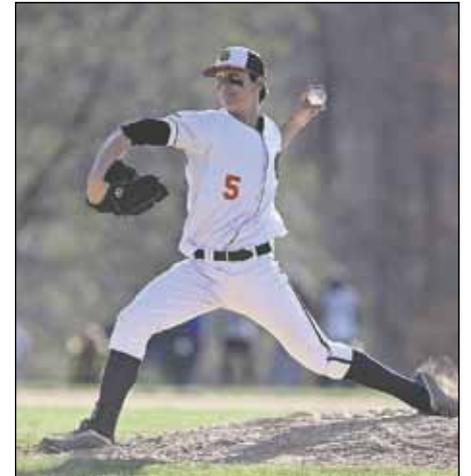
Pleasantville's Javaun Smith runs the bases during a Panther game at Pace's Finnerty Field.



Westlake's Tommy Iazetta pitches vs. host Valhalla late in the season.



Briarcliff's Noah Campo rips a pitch to left in a game vs. the Croton Tigers at Pace.



Standout sophomore Brandon Neck of Horace Greeley fires a pitch during a home game vs. Fox Lane.



Fox Lane southpaw Robert Lichtenberger pitches during a midseason home game.



Valhalla's Jason Wolfthal swings the bat during the Vikings' home win over Westlake.

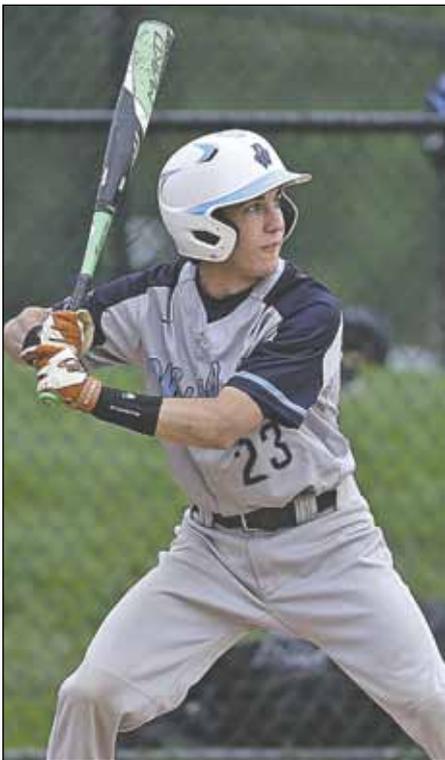


Byram Hills first baseman John DiMarco swings the bat in a game vs. visiting Rye.



Shortstop Gavin Astrella of Valhalla throws to first base trying to complete a double play after retiring Pleasantville's Javaun Smith at second.

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Byram Hills star Frankie Vesuvio bats during a Bobcat home game midway through the season.



Greg Guilliani of Byram Hills throws a pitch in the Bobcats' home game vs. Pelham.



Pleasantville senior Jon Carlo Angiolillo races toward third base in a game at Westlake.

Westlake senior catcher Drew Kapica awaits a pitch.



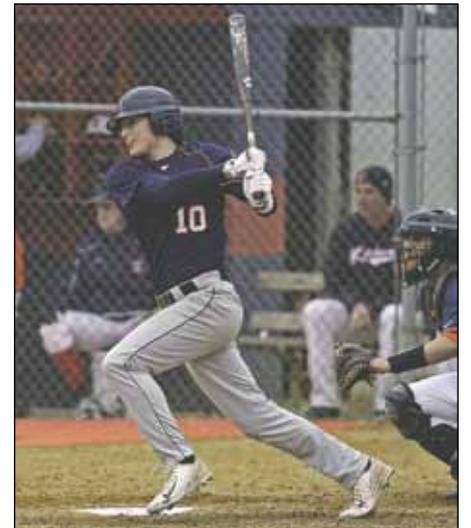
Horace Greeley senior shortstop Satchel Schultz scampers after a pop fly.



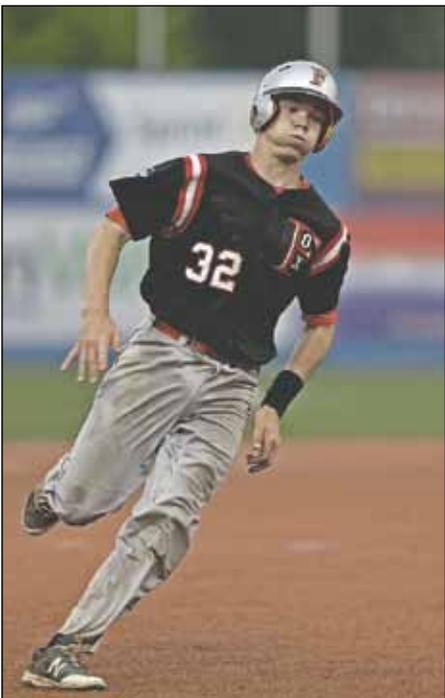
Cameron Johnson of Briarcliff delivers a pitch in the Class B championship game.



Briarcliff's Joe Canonaco heads back to first base during a Bears road game.



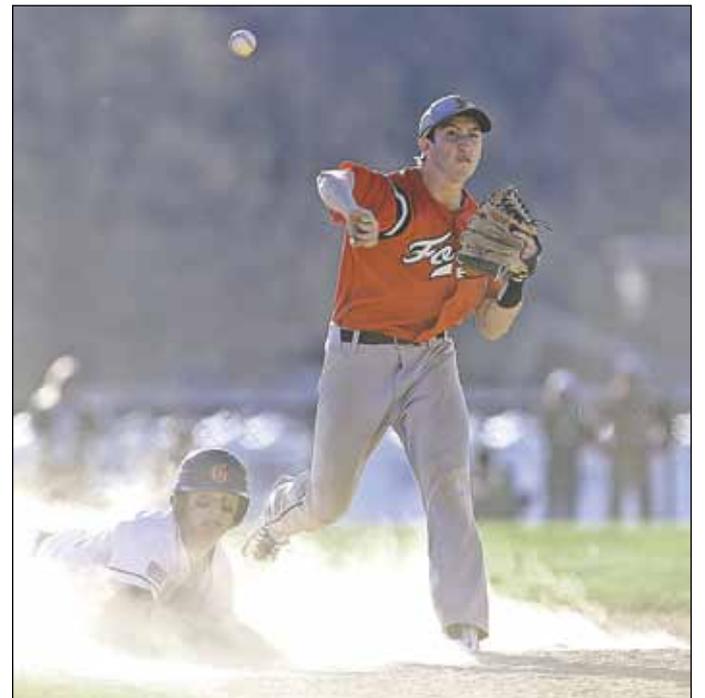
Bobby Garbuio of Greeley lines a pitch toward center field in a game vs. Roy C. Ketcham.



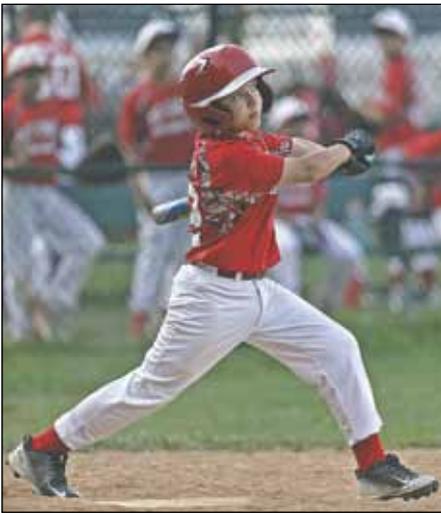
Henry Davis of Fox Lane runs to third base in a game vs. Carmel at Dutchess Stadium.



Matt Latino of Westlake goes high in the air for a wayward throw as Valhalla's Jack Gorman steals second base.



Fox Lane infielder Sean Fopeano tries to complete a double play in the Foxes' come-from-behind win at Greeley in mid April.



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Mt. Kisco's Tommy Rozgonyi hits the ball toward right-center field in last Wednesday's 11U game.



Pleasantville's Charlie Dispenza runs to third base in his team's 15-5 win over Mt. Kisco.



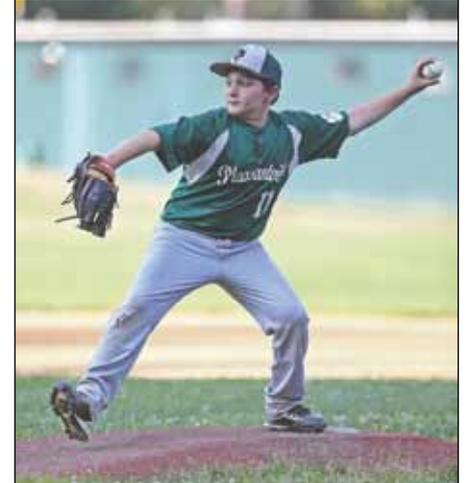
Griffin Senyek of Pleasantville drills a pitch to left field in last Wednesday's 11U LL game at Parkway Field.



Mt. Kisco infielder Dominic Larizza tries to reach a wide throw to second base as Pleasantville's Jaden Lieb slides into the bag.



Pleasantville first baseman Jaden Lieb pulls down a high throw for an out in the Panthers' win over visiting Mt. Kisco.



Pleasantville southpaw Ethan Taboh delivers a pitch in the Panthers' 15-5 victory over Mt. Kisco last Wednesday evening.

focus on LITTLE LEAGUE Pleasantville vs. Mt. Kisco 11U



Nate Brauning of the Mt. Kisco 11U LL team swings the bat at Pleasantville's Parkway Field.



Joe Reich of the 11U Panthers sends a pitch down the right-field line vs. Mt. Kisco.



Pleasantville's Ryan Pojednic waits to bat in last Wednesday's game.



Mt. Kisco's Chris Bueti fires a pitch in last Wednesday's 11U game vs. host Pleasantville.



Mt. Kisco outfielders Dominic Larizza (left) and Nate Brauning set their sights on a fly ball during last week's 11U game vs. Pleasantville.



Pleasantville infielder Will Lent fields a throw at second as Mt. Kisco's Dominic Larizza steals a base.



Trevor Fraoli of Mt. Kisco pitches in relief in last Wednesday's game vs. the Panthers at Parkway Field.

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Starting pitcher Alex Eimer delivers to the plate vs. host East Fishkill.



Wyatt Dutton of Bedford Hills/Katonah pitches in relief during last Tuesday's game vs. the Patriots.



BH/K's shortstop Nick Fassert waits for the umpire's call after making a tag at second base.



Luke Spieler runs toward second base in last Tuesday's game.



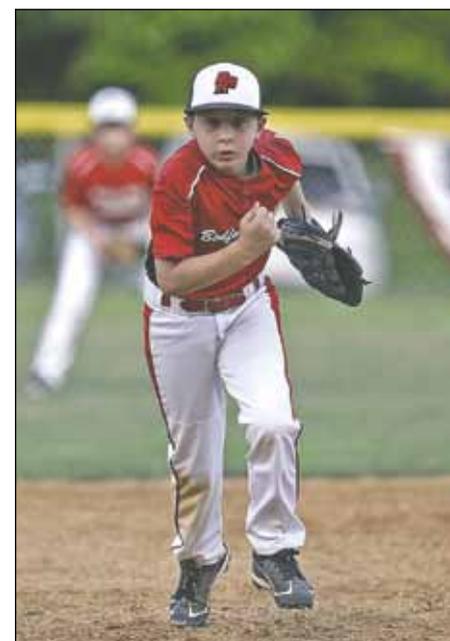
Leftfielder Peter Portuguese tries to catch a fly ball after making a long run during the Bedford Hills/Katonah 10U team's loss to East Fishkill.



BH/K's Lucas Danisi sends a fly ball toward right field in last Tuesday's 10U Little League game.



BH/K shortstop Alex Eimer fields a late throw to second base in last week's game at East Fishkill Rec Park.



Third baseman Matt Konopka charges in for a possible bunt in last week's game vs. East Fishkill.

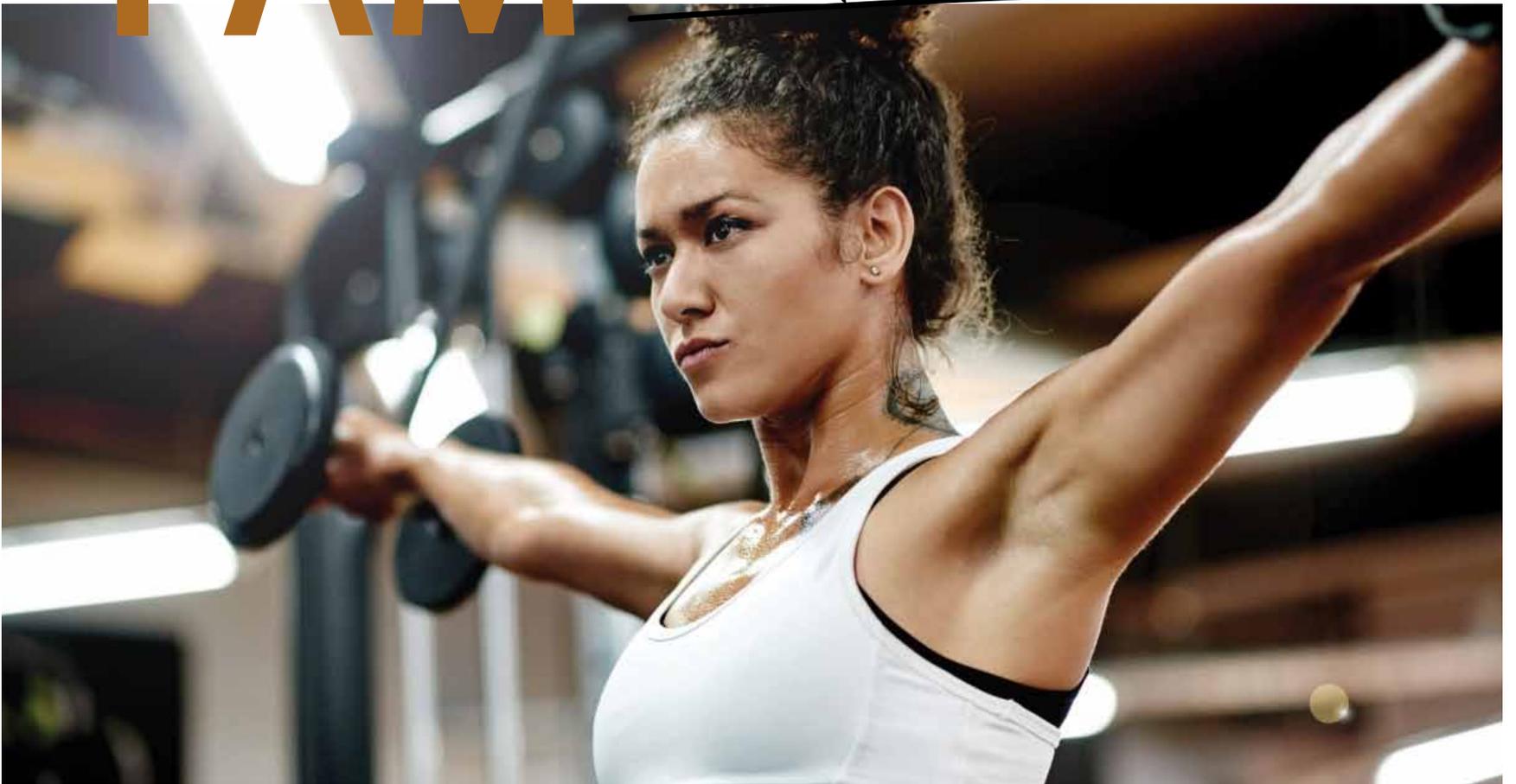


Bedford Hills/Katonah first baseman Luke Spieler reaches for a throw vs. the East Fishkill Patriots.



Bedford Hills/Katonah 10U players, left to right, Matt Konopka, Luke Spieler and Lucas Danisi gather near third base during an East Fishkill pitching change in last Tuesday's game.

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