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## Mt. Kisco Approves Legislation Regulating Solar Panels

By Neal Rentz

The Mount Kisco Village Board approved legislation last Monday to regulate the installation of solar arrays within the village ending several months of planning and sometimes lively debate.

The legislation passed by a 4-1 margin with Trustee Karen Schleimer the dissenting vote.

"This legislation demonstrates that this board is committed to promoting opportunities for clean renewable energy," said Mayor Gina Picinich. "This legislation is very much aligned with the New York State goal that 50 percent of electricity in the state comes from clean renewable sources by the year 2030."

Passage of the law will now allow a proposal for a ground-mounted solar array on about an acre of land at

Oakwood Cemetery to move forward before the Planning Board for review in hopes of obtaining a special use permit. The Oakwood proposal was the impetus behind the legislation that regulates where solar panels may be installed in the village. Its proposal calls for the cemetery to lease land that it doesn't plan to use for several decades.

The project will provide the cemetery with revenue and allow residents to purchase solar power at reduced rates.

The law was debated by residents who were concerned that ground-mounted arrays could be placed in environmentally sensitive areas, including in the Conservation Development and Preservation districts. Some residents also said the cemetery would be an inappropriate location for the solar panels.

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## New Castle Postpones Leaf Blower Hearing Until at Least January

By Martin Wilbur

The New Castle Town Board will postpone resumption of its public hearing on banning gas-powered leaf blowers until members of the town's Sustainability Advisory Board (SAB) have completed meetings with landscapers.

Officials decided last week to hold off reconvening the hearing, which had been scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 4, until they receive feedback and a compromise can be reached. The board scheduled Jan. 15 to discuss the issue again at a work session with the hearing tentatively scheduled to continue on Jan. 22.

There is the possibility that if the SAB and the landscapers have not completed their work or if the Town Board hasn't fully vetted a new proposal that the Jan.

22 hearing could be postponed again to a later date.

Supervisor Robert Greenstein said he would like to see the SAB's working group meet with the landscapers' representatives and prepare an outline of revised legislation that can be brought before the board.

"Get them into a room and try to hammer something out to get everybody's opinion, and try to hammer something out that they feel comfortable with and come back with a product a lot of people have signed off on," said Supervisor Robert Greenstein.

At the opening of the hearing on Oct. 23, nearly all speakers advocated for the banning of all gas-powered leaf blowers by 2021 with only electric and battery-

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## Star of the Show



MARTIN WILBUR PHOTO

Frosty the Snowman found his way home to Armonk Sunday afternoon for the ninth annual Frosty Day. The famous snowman, popularized by the late lyricist Steven Nelson, an Armonk resident, in the well-known Christmas song, greeted crowds on Main Street. For more photos, see page 19.

## Mount Pleasant Officials Consider Carport Solar Power Proposal

By Neal Rentz

The Mount Pleasant Town Board continues to weigh a proposal from Con Edison Development to construct carports in parking lots of municipal facilities with solar panels on the roofs.

While no decision was made at the Nov. 20 work session, most board members said the town should consider the project. It is estimated that the project would reduce energy bills for about 400 town homeowners while positioning Mount Pleasant as a leader in pursuing clean energy sources.

Ian Diamond, senior solar developer for Con Edison Development, one of the Con Edison Clean Energy Businesses that is part of the Consolidated Edison, Inc. family, said the proposal calls for the utility

to construct carports on sections of the parking lots at Town Hall, the Community Center and town pool complex and the Department of Public Works garage parking lots.

Diamond said no municipality in Westchester County has constructed solar carports yet.

Con Edison Development is looking for a 25-year lease to provide 1.4 million megawatts of power that would produce about 1.8 million kilowatt hours of electricity each year, said Christine Nevin, director of media relations for Con Edison Clean Energy Businesses.

Should the proposal be approved by the Town Board, it would then have to be determined which 400 town residents would have access to the reduced cost of

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Picinich said village trustees approved a similar solar project on a capped landfill in March off of Columbus Avenue. Legislation was not needed for that project since it is on municipal property.

The legislation allows for installations smaller than 750 square feet on roofs as well as building-mounted systems and structure-mounted systems. Ground-mounted systems of more than 1,000 square feet and the installation of solar panels on open-air carports over

parking lots will now be allowed but will require a Planning Board special use permit, Picinich said.

"This has been a long and thoughtful process," Picinich said. "I believe incorporating feedback from the community, the (Conservation Advisory Council) and the Planning Board has made this legislation stronger. We have dedicated countless hours to crafting the text so that it would fit our village. This legislation helps to move our community forward as a leader in

promoting solar power."

Schleimer, who supported the solar panel project at the landfill and the portion of the legislation related to rooftop-mounted panels, said the rush to approve the measure was unnecessary.

"I do not understand the need for undo haste in approving projects of this size without further research," Schleimer said.

Of concern to Schleimer was that the larger arrays of at least 1,000 square feet would be permitted in the Conservation

Development and Preservation zones. She added the legislation should include a provision where the village's Tree Preservation Board could be consulted for a solar project requiring the removal of trees of a certain size.

Village officials should meet representatives from Sustainable Westchester and other organizations to learn more about the issue, Schleimer said.

"The solar law is being written by systematically going through each zone without figuring out what the overall goal should be for the village, and solar farms should be discussed in the Comprehensive Plan and instead have been omitted," Schleimer argued.

However, the remainder of the board disagreed. Deputy Mayor Jean Farber said the trustees put much effort into crafting the legislation.

"This did not come lightly," she said.

Trustee Peter Grunthal said he has been seeking legislation to promote solar power for years.

Trustee Isi Albanese said the increased use of solar power would be positive for Mount Kisco and "great for the world."

## Mount Pleasant Officials Consider Carport Solar Power Proposal

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the electricity generated and how they would be selected, Nevin said.

The town would be paid \$20,000 per month for the length of the contract and Con Edison Development would be responsible for the construction and maintenance of the carports. The carports would be 10-and-a-half feet high and take about two months to build, Diamond said.

Last week he delivered a PowerPoint presentation to the Town Board, which showed photographs of carport projects Con Edison Development had built around the country.

Aside from providing solar power, the carports protect parked vehicles from the elements, Diamond said.

Councilman Thomas Sialiano said the town should consider the carports because there is a need for innovative and alternative energy sources.

Councilwoman Laurie Smalley said she was concerned that residents coming to the community center site might not like the look of the carports. However, the board should consider the proposal.

"I like seeing Mount Pleasant in the forefront," she said.

Councilman Anthony Amiano

expressed skepticism about the proposal, saying the lease wouldn't generate much additional revenue for the town. Also, relatively few residents would be able to benefit from the reduced electricity rates derived from the project, he said.

However, the proposal is a way to potentially generate more power from new sources, said Supervisor Carl Fulgenzi.

"We're investing in the future direction of electricity," he said.

Fulgenzi said there needs to be more discussion by the board before a decision can be made.

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The large spectrum of symptoms connected with acid reflux includes "heartburn," a sharp pain in the chest from acid irritating the esophagus; or mild pain in the chest or upper belly. Both typically subside in minutes. Less common symptoms are nausea, vomiting, GI tract upset, and bloating. Severe acid reflux disease can involve regurgitating acid and stomach contents into the throat, and sometimes into the lungs. That can cause chronic coughing, pneumonias or asthma.

#### Q: What causes it?

**A:** Backward movement occurs when the valve between the stomach and esophagus – the lower esophageal sphincter, or LES – weakens. Genetics can weaken it, as can smoking, and certain foods, such as coffee, chocolate and citrus fruits. A hiatal hernia can cause acid reflux by moving the LES from your

abdomen into the chest area. Long-term acid reflux can lead to Barrett's disease, a precancerous, chronic irritation of the esophagus, which must be monitored through regular endoscopies.

#### Q: What are my non-surgical treatment options?

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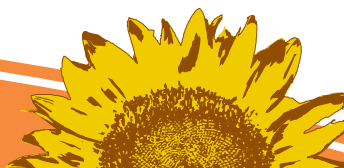
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# No. Castle, New Castle to End Single-Stream Recycling in 2019

By Martin Wilbur

Two local municipalities are preparing their residents for the discontinuation of single-stream recycling on Jan. 1 as the market for recyclable materials has cratered largely because China has imposed new restrictions on the items it accepts.

Officials in North Castle and New Castle each announced during the

past two weeks that it would no longer accept comingled recycling for 2019 and residents should return to the practice of separating paper from other recyclable items such as aluminum, plastic and glass.

North Castle has used single-stream recycling for the past six years while New Castle has done so for about four years.

North Castle Supervisor Michael Schiliro said the town will save an

estimated \$105,000 in 2019 by making the switch. The town's contract with SaniPro expires at the end of the year, and in the new agreement that was approved by the Town Board on Nov. 14 and will be reflected in next year's budget, the savings are realized by reverting to dual-stream.

"We're trying to do everything we can to save money, especially in these times and this saves us a significant amount of money for the taxpayers," Schiliro said. "So we don't feel like it's any additional work. It's difficult for taxpayers but if you can save \$105,000, we think it's worth changing."

Many communities across New York and the United States opted for single-stream recycling over the past several years because it figured to encourage more residents to recycle by making the task easier. However, because some of the material is no longer being accepted by China, and recycling companies and trash haulers are stuck with the items, more pieces that had been recycled are ending up in landfills and incinerators.

Councilman Jose Berra, the North Castle Town Board's liaison to the town's Recycling and Sustainability Committee, said single-stream had been costing the town about \$40,000 to \$50,000 a year.

"I haven't gotten strong feedback in a negative way," Berra said of residents' reaction to the upcoming change back

to dual-stream recycling. "They say that's what I do anyway."

It also became apparent that a sizeable percentage of residents never comingled their recyclables during these past six years, which may make the transition somewhat easier, Schiliro added.

Nevertheless, the town plans to embark on a public education effort to inform residents of the change and what they should do come the new year.

"Just go back to the way you used to do it instead of the way we've been doing it for the last six years," Schiliro said.

In New Castle, reminders and communication will also be sent out to residents. Last week, the town was informed by SaniPro, which also contracts with New Castle, that it would provide them with stickers printed with the word OOPS! to remind residents to no longer comingle recyclables.

There will be no change in service for residents in the Town of Mount Pleasant and the Village of Pleasantville. Mount Pleasant never switched from dual-stream recycling. Meanwhile, since the village sends its recyclables to the county's Materials Recovery Facility, the change that is affecting many towns will not have an impact on Pleasantville residents, said Village Administrator Eric Morrissey.

## New Castle Postpones Leaf Blower Hearing Until at Least January

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operated equipment allowed in the fall. The use of all leaf blowers would have been prohibited from May 15 to Sept. 30 starting next year.

However, there was strong pushback from landscapers and representatives from the industry when the hearing resumed on Nov. 13 who were alarmed at the sweeping changes. It was pointed out that while 18 Westchester municipalities have leaf blower legislation on the books, none authorize a complete ban on the gas-powered machines.

There were also questions regarding the accuracy of some of the information provided in the SAB's presentation to justify the need for the ban.

The leaf blower legislation was proposed by the SAB as an initiative to reduce carbon emissions and to cut down on noise and particle pollution, which can negatively affect the health of both the equipment operators and residents.

While the Town Board remained committed to passing legislation regulating leaf blowers, Greenstein said he didn't want to bring another proposal back before the public if there wasn't a realistic chance of receiving wider support.

"It's obviously stirring a lot of passion and instead of wasting a lot of time on it, I think we should hear these people," Greenstein said.

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# P'villeRecycles Reminds Residents of Pending Plastic Bag Ban at Forum

By James Miranda

Pleasantville residents gathered at the Mount Pleasant Public Library last Monday for the first of two public information sessions to answer questions about the village's single-use plastic bag ordinance that will go into effect next year.

The forum included PleasantvilleRecycles Chair Danielle Barry-Gass and committee member Helen Meurer spelling out the highlights of the Reusable Bag Initiative that the Village Board approved in a split 3-2 vote in July.

The mildly controversial law, which drew criticism from some merchants during the public hearing earlier this year, applies to certain businesses such as groceries, liquor stores and bookstores that use single-use plastic bags. Businesses such as take-out restaurants will still be able to use the bags.

"What PleasantvilleRecycles is promoting is the Reusable Bag Initiative and it's trying to help people remember to use reusable bags because it is really the key to making plastic start to go away," said Barry-Gass, who also included a tutorial on the complexities of Westchester's recycling systems during the roughly 90-minute session.

The law is scheduled to take effect in two phases starting Jan 1. The first phase will be a seven-month transition period where there will be a 10-cent charge for each single-use plastic bag, Barry-Gass said. The emphasis is to educate the affected businesses and encourage shoppers to start

bringing reusable bags with them when they go to the store.

The second phase will be the full restriction of plastic bags, which should be in effect by Aug. 1, she said. Paper bags could still be obtained at that point for a 10-cent fee.

Last week's forum saw a wide variety of comments from the public. Some residents questioned how charging for plastic bags will be effective while others asked about recycling.

"I'm still interested in the economic impact of charging people for a bag in the grocery store," resident Steven Karp said. "If somebody comes [to shop in Pleasantville], if they buy something and they're charged for a plastic bag, it might upset them enough to say 'I'm not going to shop in Pleasantville anymore,' and that's going to hurt the merchants in town and those are my neighbors."

Resident and Pleasantville Garden Club member Dorothee Greenberg said her organization has been trying to get the word out about the importance of using reusable bags.

"Mostly, I want to get the information back to the Garden Club," Greenberg said. "We've been working on encouraging people to get reusable bags."

Pleasantville joins a growing list of Westchester municipalities that have passed a similar ordinance, including New Castle, Larchmont and Mamaroneck.



JAMES MIRANDA PHOTO

PleasantvilleRecycles' chair Danielle Barry-Gass, right, and member Helen Meurer show different types of reusable bags during the first of two informational sessions regarding the village's Reusable Bag Initiative that goes into effect in 2019. The second session is scheduled for Monday, Dec. 3 at the Mount Pleasant Public Library.

Regarding recycling, it was pointed out that there are three main recycling and waste facilities in the county: garbage goes to Wheelabrator Westchester in Peekskill to be burned for energy; recycled materials go to the Material Recovery Facility in Valhalla and yard waste and other materials to be composted are transported to the Department of Public Works (DPW) facility in Mount Pleasant.

Boxes that contain items such as rotisserie chicken containers, milk and orange juice cartons and detergent bottles were displayed to demonstrate what can be recycled and how to recycle them. Items that should not be recycled include dirty pizza boxes and

should be thrown out instead.

At the end of the forum, residents were given reusable bags that had been donated by mothering Mother, a Pelham-based nonprofit organization that encourages behavior that promotes greater health and a smaller environmental footprint.

The second informational session will also take place at the Mount Pleasant Public Library, located at 350 Bedford Rd. in Pleasantville, on Monday, Dec. 3 between 7 and 8:30 p.m.

For more information about Pleasantville's Reusable Bag Initiative, visit [www.pleasantvillerecycles.org](http://www.pleasantvillerecycles.org).

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# No. Castle \$34.6M Tentative Budget Features Small Tax Rate Hike

By Martin Wilbur

North Castle's \$34.6 million tentative budget for 2019 calls for a modest 0.65 percent tax rate increase and a levy that is slightly below the current year's level.

The Town Board, which is scheduled to hold its hearing on the spending plan during its meeting on Wednesday evening, is eyeing using \$200,000 from

the town's healthy unappropriated fund balance to keep taxes in check, said Supervisor Michael Schiliro.

Under the currently proposed budget, taxes on the average home in town, would see a \$36 tax increase next year, said Director of Finance Abbas Suras.

Although spending has been proposed to increase \$1,676,344, representing a

nearly 5.1 percent hike, an increase in revenues and the use of fund balance offsets much of that increase, he said.

Schiliro said town officials want to do what they can to blunt the impact of the lost state and local tax (SALT) deductions. Taxpayers will experience that for the first time during the upcoming income tax season as a result of last year's changes to the federal tax code.

He said 1 percent on the tax rate in the budget is the equivalent of about \$180,000.

While using fund balance to cut taxes is a move that Schiliro said he is usually hesitant to do, the strength of the surplus and the town's overall fiscal health makes it a reasonable decision.

"We have the ability to pull it out," he said. "Because of the SALT situation we can do it. It was well-thought out, the Finance Committee agreed with it (and) it provides some tax relief."

There are no changes to personnel or programs, Suras said. However, the town will continue to include positions

where there have been several key vacancies that the board hopes to fill, Schiliro mentioned. Vacancies include several positions in the Water & Sewer Department and the head of the Human Resources Department, he said.

Schiliro said the town will search for light adjustments in hopes of trimming expenses, if possible.

"There was no need for us to reduce personnel," he said.

In addition to the fund balance, the town will also be saving \$105,000 because of its decision to end single-stream recycling.

Suras said in the tentative budget there is \$635,000 for new Highway Department equipment including two trucks, two pickup trucks, a nitrogen tank, air compressor and various garage shop tools. Another \$59,000 has been proposed to be spent for upgrades to the server and in IT structure in the Town Hall annex.

Wednesday night's meeting is scheduled to start at 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall.

## Hot to Trot

Hawthorne Elementary School student Gwen Trezza takes part in the sixth annual Turkey Trot to benefit the Mount Pleasant Education Foundation held on Nov. 18 at the Westlake Middle School/High School campus. The Kids Fun Run and Adult 5K helped build community awareness about the foundation and raise money for its programs.



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# Proposed Mount Kisco Cell Tower Locations Draw Residents' Ire

By Neal Rentz

Several Mount Kisco residents last week opposed a plan from a company that provides infrastructure for wireless communications to place a cell tower at Leonard Park or on Rolling Ridge Court.

Mayor Gina Picinich said Homeland Towers is looking to improve cell phone coverage along Route 172 and neighboring areas. Originally, Homeland Towers planned to locate the new tower in Leonard Park but after

hearing concerns from village officials the company is willing to consider Rolling Ridge Court to site the tower.

Robert Gaudio, an attorney representing the company, said a 30-foot tower could be erected in a portion of the Leonard Park parking lot. An alternative is a 100-foot monopole that would be placed at the Rolling Ridge Court water tank.

Village Trustee Karen Schleimer questioned whether with 5G technology (fifth generation cellular mobile

communication) in use if a new cell tower was needed in either location.

Manuel Vicente, the founder and president of Homeland Towers, said the tower is necessary.

"The question is where," he said.

Most residents who spoke during the Nov. 19 Village Board meeting opposed the idea. Richard Gould, chairman of the Leonard Park Committee, said Homeland Towers isn't authorized to place the tower on the village park's property. A requirement of the 1941 agreement in which the parkland was donated to the village banned commercial development at Leonard Park, he said. Placing a cell tower there would violate the agreement, according to Gould.

Mount Kisco Conservation Advisory Council Chairman John Rhodes said the committee opposes placement of a cell tower on parkland.

Another resident, Anita Hall, said she opposes cell towers in residential neighborhoods. If the tower was built on Rolling Ridge Court it would reduce property values and make it difficult for residents to sell their homes, Hall said.

She also urged village officials to research potential health risks.

Village Attorney Whitney Singleton said that under federal law municipalities cannot deny cell tower



NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

Mount Kisco resident Arthur Weiss was one of several speakers who addressed the Village Board last week regarding the proposal to site a new cell tower at either Leonard Park or on Rolling Ridge Court.

applications because of possible health risks.

There was one resident who supported the proposal. Arthur Weiss said cell service is sometimes difficult to get in his neighborhood in the vicinity of Route 172.

The Village Board wasn't ready to vote on either whether to allow a tower at either location. Discussion on the issue will resume at a future board meeting.

## Pleasantville Kicks Off Holiday Pre-sale for 2019 Music Festival

The Pleasantville Music Festival has kicked off its December Ticketfest for the 15th annual festival that is scheduled for Saturday, July 13, 2019.

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# Stewart-Cousins Makes History as First Woman State Senate Leader

By Pat Casey

Andrea Stewart-Cousins (D-Yonkers) is set to make New York history as the first woman to lead the state Senate after a vote by the Democratic Conference on Monday secured her position as Majority Leader, beginning in January.

Stewart-Cousins, 68, was first elected to the state Senate in 2006 and currently represents Greenburgh, part of White Plains, part of New Rochelle, part of Yonkers and Scarsdale. Following her initial election to the state legislature, she also represented Pleasantville and Mount Pleasant.

Stewart-Cousins has served as Senate Minority Leader since 2012. Before the last 12 years in Albany, she served on the county Board of Legislators for 10 years.

Speaking at a press conference after the vote Stewart-Cousins said: "The tasks ahead of us may be great, but I know that we are all here to serve New Yorkers and to build a stronger, fairer, more prosperous state."

"There are many issues that have been ignored and blocked for too long in the State Senate, and thanks to the overwhelming support of New York voters, a new day has dawned," she continued.

"This January, we will make history together and finally give New York voters the progressive, responsive government

they have demanded."

Democrats will take over the Senate for the first time in a decade in January after the party picked up eight seats in the election earlier this month.

Congratulating Stewart-Cousins with a message on Twitter was Gov. Andrew Cuomo.

"Congratulations to Andrea Stewart-Cousins on her election to be leader of the Senate majority and the first African-American woman to lead a majority conference in NY history," Cuomo tweeted. "Today more than ever, we need leaders like her to forge the path ahead. I look forward to working with her."

Others also chimed in to recognize her accomplishment. County Executive George Latimer, who served with Stewart-Cousins on the Board of Legislators, said it is a day which Westchester residents "should feel immensely proud that one of our own will be taking on this important role."

He also pointed out how past successes, such as crafting the legislation that led to the creation of the county's Human Rights Commission, as well as the tough political battles have prepared her for this role.

"Now, she has a chance to put those years of service to the test and lead a chamber in need of forward thinking – and to put another massive crack of her own in that



Andrea Stewart-Cousins, at podium, addresses the press while surrounded by Democratic Conference members after the historic vote Monday that will see her become the first woman state Senate Leader in New York's history.

glass ceiling," Latimer said. "Westchester – and New York State – will be better served by her leadership."

Her public service career began in 1992 when she was appointed Yonkers' director of community affairs, the first African-American woman to hold that position. Before that she spent 20 years in the private sector.

Stewart-Cousins earned her bachelor's degree and her masters of public administration from Pace University.

Pac President Marvin Krislov also sent

out a statement acknowledging the historic occasion.

"She's a double alumna of Pace University, and now she's the first woman to lead a chamber in our state legislature," Krislov said. "Pace students and alumni are hard-working, driven leaders and we're so proud of Sen. Stewart-Cousins for all her hard work, drive and great accomplishments."

The full Senate will hold a vote on its majority leader when it reconvenes for its next session in January.

*Martin Wilbur contributed to this article.*

## Obituaries

### John Barresi

John D. Barresi of Thornwood died suddenly on Nov. 25.

He was 76.

Barresi was born on July 28, 1942, to the late Peter and Theresa (nee Markell) Barresi in the Bronx. He was owner-operator of Enterprise Pest Control, Inc. in Thornwood.

Barresi is survived by his devoted wife, Patricia (nee Izzo) Barresi, of Thornwood and by his loving daughter, April (Jeremy) Hofstetter, of New Fairfield, Conn. He was predeceased by his beloved son, John David Barresi, in 1997.

Other survivors include his three cherished grandchildren, Jonathan, Elyssa and Asher Hofstetter; two brothers, Peter

(Jane) Barresi of Shelton, Conn. and Sam Barresi of Byram, Conn.; two sisters, Joan Barr of New Milford, Conn. and Theresa (Gene) Glassman of Summerfield, Fla.; and sisters-in-law Cathy (Dale Riehl) Izzo and Diane (Rob) Riehl.

Visitation is at Hawthorne Funeral Home on Tuesday, Nov. 27 from 4 to 8 p.m. A funeral Mass will be held at Holy Rosary Church in Hawthorne on Wednesday, Nov. 28 at 10 a.m. followed by interment at Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Hawthorne.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the John David Barresi Scholarship Fund, in care of Westlake High School, would be appreciated.

### William McFadden

William J. McFadden of Thornwood died on Nov. 24.

He was 90.

McFadden was born on Aug. 19, 1928, to the late John and Margaret (nee Corfield) McFadden in Yonkers. He grew up and was educated in Glasgow, Scotland. He was a retired cemetery monument salesman in Valhalla.

McFadden was predeceased by his devoted wife, Madeline (nee Krausser) McFadden, in 1989 and one brother, Jack McFadden. He is survived by his loving

daughters, Heather (George) Dolan of Wappinger Falls, Leslie (Eric Sussman) Bijoux of Somers and Cheryl (Ed) Adler of Rye; his seven cherished grandchildren, Sean, Brent and Keith Dolan, Alex (Wendi) Bean and Erica, Julia and Jackson Adler; and great-granddaughter Anastasia.

Visitation will be at Hawthorne Funeral Home on Nov. 28 from 5 to 8 p.m. A graveside service will be held at Kensico Cemetery in Valhalla on Nov. 29 at 11 a.m.

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# New Castle Approves Six-Month Moratorium for Chappaqua Hamlet

By Martin Wilbur

A six-month moratorium on new applications for most of the Chappaqua business hamlet was approved last Tuesday by the New Castle Town Board so zoning changes can be considered to reinvigorize downtown.

The board agreed to invoke the

moratorium in the Retail Business (B-R) and Retail Business & Parking (B-RP) zones, which takes in a large saw of the commercial hamlet, to preserve the current condition until any zoning changes in those two zones are put into effect.

It will become effective as soon as

the legislation is filed with the secretary of state, which is likely sometime this week, said Town Attorney Nicholas Ward-Willis. However, the moratorium is retroactive to Oct. 30, the date when the board first publicly discussed the likelihood of the freeze to prevent a rush of applications being received until the law is enacted.

There were no speakers who came out to address the board regarding the issues during two sessions of a public hearing since Oct. 30.

Under the law, there would be a prohibition on site plan or special permit

approval, variances, building permits and sign permits for the B-R and B-RP zones.

Spaces with gross floor area of under 3,000 square feet and any improvements needed for health or safety reasons will be exempt for the moratorium.

Ward-Willis said that if the Town Board needs more time after the six-month period ends, they could vote to extend the moratorium another six months.

Officials also agreed to release a Request for Proposal to hire a consultant that would help make the zoning revisions. It was expected that the town would issue the RFP on Monday.

## Mt. Kisco Okays \$1.9M in Library, Police Station Projects

The Mount Kisco Village Board last week approved about \$1.9 million in various capital improvement projects for the library at 100 E. Main St. and police headquarters at 40 Green St.

The police station bid was awarded to Peter A. Carmilli and Sons General Contracting for \$977,168. The library bid went to Grace Contracting for \$905,013.

Village Manager Edward Brancati said the police station work would include roof work, which is expected to last for 10 years, along with interior renovations. The renovations will be completed over the winter while the roof work will be done in the spring, he said.

Both resolutions passed by a 4-1 margin with Trustee Karen Schleimer opposing the appropriations.

Schleimer said she was concerned about the cost of all capital projects in the village, including work to renovate the three firehouses.

Before she would vote for the police station work, Schleimer said she wanted to reach out to the village's Finance Committee for its recommendation.

However, Mayor Gina Picinich said the village had sufficient money in the capital project fund to pay for the work at both venues.

—Neal Rentz

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## Obituaries

### Lois McCarthy

Lois S. McCarthy of White Plains and formerly of Hawthorne, affectionately known as Aunt Lois, died unexpectedly on Nov. 11 at her residence.

She was 56.

McCarthy was born on Nov. 30, 1961, to the late Thomas and Mary Joan (nee Decker) McCarthy in Queens. She was an employment placement adviser with Paxxon Corp. in White Plains.

McCarthy was a Westlake High School graduate, class of 1979, and continued to be a strong supporter of all athletic activities within the Sherman Park Little League and Westlake High School sports in Mount Pleasant. She

was beloved and will be deeply missed by all her friends from the Sherman Park Little League and Westlake communities.

McCarthy is survived by her brother, Kevin (Esther) McCarthy, of Lake Forest, Calif. and many cousins, nieces, nephews and close friends.

Visitation was at Hawthorne Funeral Home on Nov. 18. Services also took place at the funeral home later that day. Interment was private.

In lieu of flowers, donations to Sherman Park Little League, 980 Broadway, Suite 226, Thornwood, N.Y. 10594 would be appreciated.

### Charles Fritz

Charles John Fritz (Skipper) of Mohegan Lake died on Nov. 21.

He was 57.

Fritz was born on Jan. 20, 1961, to the late Charles John and Martha (nee Hastings) Fritz in Yonkers. He is survived by his loving sisters, Teresa (Peter) Glasheen of Thornwood and

Cindy Chipman of Okeechobee, Fla.; brother Kenneth (Deborah) Fritz of Ossining; three nephews, PJ, Christopher and Kenny; and three nieces, Alyssa, Madeline and Regina.

Visitation was at Hawthorne Funeral Home on Tuesday, Nov. 27 at 11 a.m. followed by funeral services at 12:30 p.m.

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### Philip Grimaldi

Phillip Grimaldi Sr., of Mount Kisco and formerly of Mount Pleasant, passed away on Nov. 18 after a courageous battle with Parkinson's disease.

He was 81.

Grimaldi was born on May 28, 1937, in the Bronx to Philip Grimaldi and Josephine DiBenedetto Grimaldi. In 1955, he graduated from Evander Childs High School, a standout member of the football and track teams. He was in the U.S. Army from 1956 to 1958, where he was a medic. He started out as a bricklayer but at 26 years old he became a New York City building inspector.

Grimaldi worked three jobs to give his family a better life in Mount Pleasant. At 37, he enrolled at Pace University and earned a bachelor's degree in professional studies in 1977, graduating cum laude. In 1978, he earned a master's degree in urban affairs from Hunter College. Although he had career opportunities in other parts of the country, he remained local because of his concern for family and his love of Mount Pleasant.

Grimaldi was also an adjunct professor of sociology at Westchester Community College from 1979 to 2017 and a real estate broker who owned Elite Properties in Mount Pleasant, specializing in tax grievances. He was an administrative assistant to the Mount Pleasant town supervisor and grants coordinator for the town from 1980 to 1985 and 1988 to 1990. Grimaldi served on the Mount Pleasant Zoning Board of Appeals (1985 to 1994), was a candidate for town supervisor in 1993, was a longtime Republican Party district leader, president of the Sherman Park Little League (1983-84), a founding member and past president of the Thornwood-Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Mount



Philip Grimaldi

Pleasant Beautification Committee.

He was a voracious reader who frequently polished off three or four books a week. He was happy sitting in his yard with a cigar, scotch and soda and a good crime novel.

Grimaldi is survived by his beloved wife of nearly 57 years, Frances Grimaldi (Gelsomino); sons Phillip Jr. of White Plains and Michael (Joann) of New Fairfield, Conn.; grandchildren Ryan and Emily; sister Geraldine (Robert) Ripp of Pound Ridge and Vero Beach, Fla.; brother Gregory (Angela) of Putnam Valley; brothers-in-law Ralph Gelsomino (Paula) of Harrison and Joseph Gelsomino (Vera DeDominicis) of Fairfield, Conn.; and sisters-in-law Donna DePaolis (Henry) of Katonah and Laura Gelsomino of Hopewell Junction. He will be missed.

Visitation was at Hawthorne Funeral Home on Nov. 25. A funeral Mass was held at Holy Name of Jesus Church in Valhalla on Nov. 26 followed by entombment at Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Hawthorne.

## Police Blotter

### North Castle Police Department

**Nov. 16:** Report of damage to a stone wall on East Middle Patent Road at 2:09 p.m. that occurred sometime in the recent past. The responding officer secured depositions.

**Nov. 17:** A caller reported being involved in a one-vehicle accident at 5:54 a.m. and that he is in front of 403 Main St. Caller stated that he was not injured. The subject was charged with aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

**Nov. 17:** A caller reported at 8:28 a.m. that a white bucket was in the roadway on Route 22. The responding officer moved the object to the side of the road.

**Nov. 19:** An officer reported at 4:50 a.m. that the ditch on the east side shoulder of Route 22 just north of Old Orchard Street needs to be cleaned out to allow water coming off the hill to flow to the nearest

culvert. The water is currently entering the north and southbound traveled portions of the roadway.

**Nov. 19:** A caller reported at 2:57 p.m. having been in a minor car accident. He stated that he opened his door and the other operator drove by and struck his door.

### Pleasantville Police Department

**Nov. 21:** A 45-year-old Pleasantville man was arrested on Center Street at 10:36 a.m. following an altercation with his wife.

**Nov. 22:** A 38-year-old Thornwood man was arrested at 11:50 a.m. following a traffic stop on Marble Avenue for driving with a suspended license.

**Nov. 25:** A 24-year-old Ossining man was arrested at 9:11 a.m. on Marble Avenue for driving with a suspended license following a traffic stop.



# P'ville High Freshman Displays Incredible Skill for Innovations

By Anna Young

Pleasantville teen Grant Becker is taking the village by storm with his innovative projects.

Ever since the 14-year-old was introduced to Maker Faire events in New York City with his mother, Becker has been obsessed with producing original creations out of wood, metal, glass, leather and plastic.

Recently, the Pleasantville High School freshman has collected the wood from trees that have fallen in storms to make an assortment of tables and benches.

"The finished product is really amazing," Becker said. "I find the whole process cool, that you can take a tree that's just brown on the outside and looks lumpy and weird and create it into something really amazing."

Becker's parents, MJ and Doreen, said that they drive to the sound of the chainsaws after storms and take the wood for their son to use. Doreen Becker said Grant has become so enchanted with the natural beauty of wood that his passion continues to grow.

"We were kind of obsessive there for a while," said his father, MJ Becker. "After a September storm we would hear the sound of the chainsaws. It's just amazing how much tree cutting was going on just in our neighborhood."

While trips to the creative fairs may have ignited his passion for inventing, his grandfather provided him with the skills and desire to build with wood, including a state-of-the-art tree house in his backyard. Grant said one bench or table can take him about a week to construct and finish depending on the wood.

"My grandpa makes a lot of tables and he showed me some things," he said. "We do little projects but what started it was that our neighbors had an oak tree that was cut down. We got a four-foot log and we made a bench and two tables."

The teen has created an array of tables and benches for his family and neighbors to enjoy and he is now selling his original pieces on Facebook and at The Glass Onion in Pleasantville and Beehive Designer Collective in Mount Kisco.

With a bench featured outside The Glass Onion and an end table having been sold at the store within the last month, owner Matt Jaros said he's highly impressed with the quality of Becker's work. The youngster is also thrilled to have his work featured in his home community.

"It's very professional and his depth of knowledge on how to construct items is on par with highly professional people," said Jaros. "I'm impressed with his knowledge and his skills."



ANNA YOUNG PHOTO

Pleasantville's Grant Becker, 14, has demonstrated a talent for inventions and woodworking projects well beyond his years.

Becker said he wants to use the money he makes to help restore a 1983 Jeep Scrambler with his grandfather.

Along with his woodworking projects, Becker has also received recognition for his many creations featured at the Maker Faire events, the largest celebration of invention, creativity and innovation. As a fourth-grader, Becker was one of five finalists in Warren Buffet's "Grow Your Own Business Challenge" for his wheelchair bike called, The Go-Go Bike.

The annual competition, which spotlights business-savvy kids, awarded Becker an all-expense-paid trip to Nebraska, where he met Buffet and presented his invention to the famed billionaire and his associates.

While the teen devotes his weekends to crafting, he wants to keep woodworking a hobby. Becker spends time studying, playing hockey and participating in the United States Air Force auxiliary cadet program. He hopes to one day design cars or airplanes.

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## Fox Lane Student Mentors Help Children Where Their Education All Began

By Anna Young

When Fox Lane High School junior Joe Rozgonyi was entering his freshman year, he was determined to do whatever he could to give back to his community.

Rozgonyi, who enjoys working with younger children, rounded up his childhood friends to return to their alma mater, Mount Kisco Elementary School, to launch the program It's Elementary – Giving Back to Where It All Started.

"The idea was that freshman in high school would be paired with second-graders at Mount Kisco Elementary School with the plan to meet every month of the school year for the next four years until both the mentors and mentees graduate," Rozgonyi said. "I discussed my idea with a few friends who also attended Mount Kisco Elementary School and we all agreed this was something we wanted to do."

The program, now in its third year, provides guidance and friendship to children who need extra support as they navigate their way through the primary school grades. Rozgonyi said roughly seven high school freshmen mentors based on their maturity level and enthusiasm for working with young children.

"We handpicked every person we thought would be perfect for this program," mentor Jack Barone said.

The elementary school currently has three mentor groups comprised of freshmen, sophomores and juniors who assist second-, third- and fourth-graders.



ANNA YOUNG PHOTO

Fox Lane High School juniors and founding members of It's Elementary – Giving Back to Where it All Started, who mentor children at their old school, Mount Kisco Elementary. Pictured, from left to right, are Jaak Chasse, Jack Barone, Ciara McIvor, Anna Picinich and Joe Rozgonyi.

The program was also recently launched at Bedford Hills Elementary School.

The same number of elementary students are chosen for each group based on recommendations from the school psychologist.

Mentors need to have attended the elementary school they are volunteering at in order to participate. Each mentor group meets with the elementary students once a month for 90-minute sessions where they do homework, play games, learn activities and crafts and provide a helpful hand or shoulder to lean on.

Mount Kisco Elementary School Assistant Principal Angelique Johnson said her school's students are enthusiastic

when they see their mentors. She said they rave about sharing how much fun they have, that their confidence soars, including making more friends, and that they can't wait to be a mentor when they reach high school.

"While I have observed more outgoing, confident and smiling students when the 'It's Elementary' mentors meet without second-, third- or fourth-graders, the benefits of this program are best described from the perspective of the students," Johnson said. "These comments speak volumes about the connections that our students are making with their mentors."

Rozgonyi said the program's goal is to have both sets of students leave the

program after four years having formed a strong bond. The high school students give back by helping a younger student achieve their personal goals and have someone they can turn to whenever they need, he said.

"We're seeing them grow up," Rozgonyi said. "Since we started working with them, we get to see how they've developed and grown into different people."

While Rozgonyi and the program's other founding members noted that their students were shy when they first met, Barone said the group has created such a strong bond that he hopes that their efforts have benefited the younger children.

"They are all really comfortable opening up to us now," Barone said. "We just want to help these kids and lead them in the right direction."

Mentor Anna Picinich said that her student wouldn't talk to her in the beginning but different activities helped break the ice, which help the child relax and open up. She also said she appreciates how her childhood friends have helped elementary school children create relationships that will carry them throughout their school careers.

"I just love going there," mentor Jaak Chasse said. "Since we went there and had such a good time together there, us seeing kids that aren't having such a good time and helping them really just makes us feel good."

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## Column

### How the Opioid Overdose and Death Epidemic Can Be Reversed

Opioid-related overdoses have reached epidemic proportions, claiming more than 42,000 lives in the U.S. in 2016 alone. Physicians on the front lines are working in their communities and with their patients to reverse this public health crisis.

The American Medical Association (AMA) created an Opioid Task Force in 2014, bringing together national and state medical organizations to come up with ways that practicing physicians could play a role in ending the epidemic. For example, the task force urged physicians to enhance their education.

The latest AMA report shows a remarkable response. Last year, more than a half million physicians and other health care providers took courses related to opioid prescribing, pain management, treatment and related areas. Opioid prescribing decreased by 22 percent between 2013 and 2017.

Despite such progress, opioid-related deaths are still increasing. Why? Experts say no single policy approach can stop the epidemic. Physicians are reducing the prescription opioid supply. But policies must also focus on prevention and treatment. About 90 percent of those needing addiction treatment are unable to get it.

The science shows what works: certain medications prescribed by a physician or dispensed at federally certified opioid

treatment programs. Combining that treatment with medical care, counseling and other services can help patients with substance use disorder lead satisfying and productive lives.

"The numbers speak to a national tragedy. We need to act with resolve as we have with other public health epidemics. Our patients diagnosed with a substance use disorder deserve no less," said AMA President-elect Patrice A. Harris. "Most people agree that we need access to treatments that include medication but that is not readily available for many patients. This epidemic will not be reversed until we deal with access issues and stigma associated with opioid misuse."

Specific actions that should be taken, according to Harris, include:

- Insurance providers should immediately remove barriers so patients can obtain affordable medication treatment combined with counseling.
- Policymakers and regulators should enforce laws that require mental health benefits to be on par with other health benefits. This gives patients access to treatment related to mental health and opioid use disorders.
- Health insurance providers and pharmacy benefit managers should ensure that patients have access to

affordable, non-opioid pain care.

- Physicians should register for and use electronic databases that track controlled substance prescriptions in their state. Using these databases allows physicians to make more informed prescribing decisions. When clinically appropriate, physicians should also co-prescribe naloxone, a life-saving drug that can reverse an opioid-related overdose.
- Patients and physicians should have conversations about safe storage and disposal of opioids and all medications.
- All Americans can help remove the stigma around this epidemic, advocating for comprehensive care for patients in pain and those with opioid use disorder.

To learn more about efforts to end the opioid epidemic, visit end-opioid-epidemic.org.

"There are many reasons to be optimistic. Physicians are leading in the areas where we can have an influence, but unfortunately, we cannot bring an end to the epidemic alone," Harris said. "Much work remains to be done and we'll continue to work with federal and state governments, law enforcement, insurers, educators and others to make headway."

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## Letter to the Editor

### Domestic Violence Victims Can Turn to Hope's Door for Help

Another mass shooting has been linked to domestic violence. The casualties occurred on Monday, Nov. 19 in Chicago where three victims are dead after a man opened fire at Mercy Hospital. The victims included emergency room physician Dr. Tamara O'Neal who had broken off her engagement to the gunman,

pharmaceutical resident Dayna Less and Chicago police officer Samuel Jimenez.

Leaving an abusive relationship can be a very dangerous time for a victim of domestic violence. If you are living with abuse and hoping to leave, please call Hope's Door. Our counselors will guide you as you move forward and will help

you develop a plan to leave as safely as possible.

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**CarlLa Horton**

**Executive Director, Hope's Door  
Hawthorne**

### Lifting Up Westchester Holding Second Student Essay Contest

Lifting Up Westchester, a nonprofit agency committed to giving individuals in need a second chance by helping them to achieve self-sufficiency, last week announced its second annual student essay contest, "Why Second Chances are Important."

Open to all Westchester students in grades 7-12, participants are invited to reflect on what it really means to give someone a "second chance."

This year's essay asks students to reflect on how they have seen or experienced a second chance in action and what they learned from it. The contest also asks students to think through the

complexities surrounding this issue. Can everyone change the course of their life? What would it take to accomplish that? Does everyone deserve a second chance? Does everyone need or deserve a champion rooting for them through the good and the bad?

The essay contest was established in 2017 in memory of Beth Massey Rubens, a lifelong teacher, tutor and mentor who had a love for language arts.

First, second and third place cash prizes will be awarded in three grade groups: seventh- and eighth-graders, high school freshmen and sophomores and juniors and seniors. First prize in each category is

\$500, second prize is \$250 and third prize is \$100. An awards brunch will be held at Ruth's Chris Steak House in Tarrytown.

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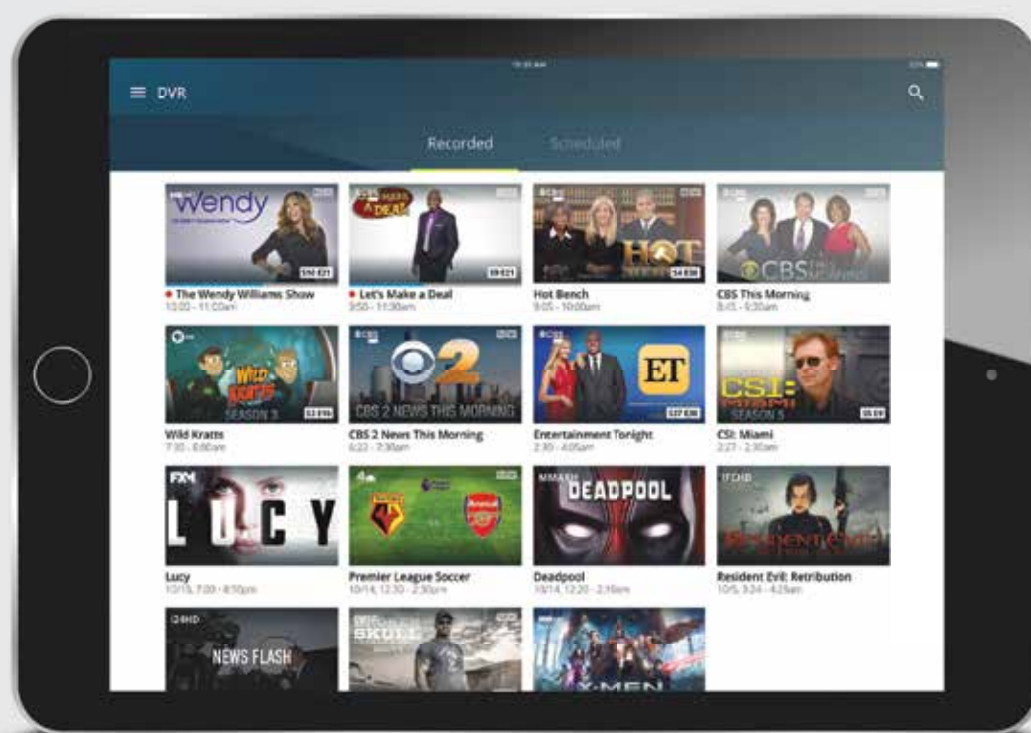
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# Friends, Parenting Podcast Buddies to Reprise Live Show at ChappPac

By Martin Wilbur

For parents, there are always challenges to face and obstacles to overcome. That may be particularly true for mothers.

It's no different for television writer Margaret Ables and actress and author Amy Wilson. But they do their best to try and laugh off the frustrations instead of becoming unraveled by them.

This Saturday night at 8 p.m. the pair will team up once again at the Chappaqua Performing Arts Center to present "What Fresh Hell: Laughing in the Face of Motherhood," reprising their live show last year in Chappaqua.

It is a different version of Ables' and Wilson's weekly podcast that they've been doing for the past two years and is closing in on its one millionth download.

"The idea that every day you open the door and what is it going to be?" said Ables, a Pleasantville resident with three children who are 6, 8 and 10 years old. "Is it going to be the glitter on the rug, the Sharpie, is it the day that the teenager decides that this is the day he hates you? Life is fresh hell. But we just try to explore it in a way that's all comedy because basically, you've got to laugh."

Actually, for the past 25 years Ables and Wilson have had plenty to smile – and laugh – about in between juggling the pressures of their home and professional lives. Ables, who started performing

standup and improv comedy in college, has spent much of her career as a writer for PBS Kids and MTV and as senior writer for Nickelodeon's Nick Mom.

Wilson, who lives in Manhattan and also has three children – a high school sophomore and a 14- and an 11-year-old – has a long list of television and stage credits, including playing the roles of Molly Carver on the ABC sitcom "Norm" and Barb Krolak on NBC's "Daddio," along with an assortment of guest appearances on network shows.

In college, Wilson said she was friends with Ables' sister and then found herself doing comedy shows with Ables. Both women would get married, have three children and had been blogging about parenting.

"About three years ago, Margaret came to me and said 'I think we should try doing a podcast here,'" Wilson recalled. "It took us probably six months to get our act together and get ready to do it."

Now more than 80 episodes later, the podcast, which uses the same 'What Fresh Hell' title, has attracted a spiraling number of listeners. The title is an expression Ables' mother used when Murphy's Law would invariably take over.

However, Wilson said Saturday's show won't be a live version of one of their 45-minute podcasts. Instead it will be tailored to their audience so they can



Actor Amy Wilson, left, and television writer Margaret Ables, the two voices behind the parenting podcast "What Fresh Hell: Laughing in the Face of Motherhood" will bring their unique and comedic take on the subject to the Chappaqua Performing Arts Center this Saturday evening.

connect with the people who attend, she said.

"There's just no warmer audience than groups of women who are out with their friends," Wilson said. "They have a babysitter, they are out and it's just for them."

Ables said of the more than 400 people who bought tickets last year about 20 of them were men, including their husbands.

One segment featured a quiz between their husbands about their own children. To highlight the differences between moms and dads, the score was 0-0 and extra rounds were needed to break the stalemate.

The initial show came about after fellow Pleasantville resident and Soup's On Entertainment head Scott Campbell suggested the idea to Ables.

This year will feature fresh material with their unique take on life and parenting.

"We've fallen into the trap that this is a puzzle to be solved and that if you solve everything right and get them into Harvard, that's what a happy parent is," Ables said. "When I look around that's not what I see. I see a lot of happy parents that are just enjoying their kids and it's not about whether that kid speaks Mandarin Chinese or goes to the top camp or gets the top grade on the SAT."

Ables and Wilson hope the local live show won't be just an annual performance. They have been receiving increasing requests to travel around the U.S., including Austin, Texas, where they will perform next year.

For more information, tickets and to listen to the duo's podcasts, visit [www.whatfreshhellpodcast.com](http://www.whatfreshhellpodcast.com). Tickets, which start at \$20 each, can also be purchased at [www.chappaquapac.org](http://www.chappaquapac.org).

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# Local Volunteers Renew Effort to Place Wreaths at Soldiers' Graves

By Martin Wilbur

Over the past few years Cynthia Abbott Kauffman has made sure that veterans who died in battle and buried in several Westchester cemeteries aren't forgotten at holiday time.

Kauffman, who co-founded Daughters of Liberty's Legacy, a local nonprofit organization that promotes the preservation of history, has researched to find the graves of soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice, from the Revolutionary War to the most recent battles in Iraq and Afghanistan. Graves of deceased veterans who made it home will also be decorated.

Volunteers from Daughters of Liberty's Legacy will place at least 200 wreaths at the graves of these soldiers at seven cemeteries around the county during the weekend of Dec. 15-16. On Dec. 15, a special ceremony will be held at Gate of Heaven Cemetery's Taconic Parkway entrance at noon before the wreaths are laid. The public is invited to attend.

There will also be seven specially prepared wreaths to adorn memorials around the county. Those seven wreaths represent each branch of the military.

"It's a time of year where people always think about family and there are a lot of people serving today who are not home for Christmas and hopefully all of them will come home," Kauffman said. "But there are a lot of them who should be remembered

how they gave their lives for our country, and for those who served and did come home, we want to remember them as well."

The local ceremony is part of Wreaths Across America where more than 400 similar ceremonies and wreath-laying efforts will be coordinated simultaneously on Dec. 15 around the United States. The effort was started by the owners of Worcester Wreath Co. in Maine in the early 1990s when they placed extra holiday wreaths at veterans' graves.

Eventually, their wreaths were placed at Arlington National Cemetery, but the campaign wasn't widely known until a photo of those decorated graves went viral in 2005.

For Daughters of Liberty's Legacy, this will be the fourth year that Kauffman, co-founder Debra Palazzo and organization volunteers have participated. The first year they had a handful of wreaths, but by last year the effort had grown to about 200, Kauffman said.

For this year, they have found soldiers who died in one of the nation's battles at seven cemeteries: Gate of Heaven and Kensico cemeteries in Valhalla, Ferncliff Cemetery in Hartsdale, the Rural and Mount Cavalry cemeteries in White Plains and the burial grounds at the White Plains Presbyterian Church and the Hawthorne Reformed Church.

However, in order to buy the wreaths and



Decorated graves in the Civil War section of Rural Cemetery in White Plains.

decorate the graves of all those who died in battle and the other veterans, donations are needed. Each wreath bought from Wreaths Across America costs \$15.

Kauffman said every year the number of graves that have been identified grows and more donations are needed.

"We know we have enough graves that we can place as many as we get," Kauffman said. "Last year we were just about 200, and if we can pass the 200 this year that would be great because that way all the graves that we found we won't have to leave anybody unmarked."

This year's ceremonies will be dedicated to the more than 20 men killed aboard the USS Westchester County, a landing ship tank. It was attacked on Oct. 31, 1968, while serving in Vietnam. One victim of that attack is buried in Ferncliff Cemetery, Kauffman said.

Anyone looking to help can make contributions online at [DOLL1776.com](http://DOLL1776.com). Checks can also be made to Daughters of Liberty's Legacy, Inc. and mailed to 4 Grove Rd., North White Plains, N.Y. 10603. In addition to single donations of \$15, sponsorships or \$105 can be contributed to represent each military branch (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, Merchant Marines and POW/MIA).

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## ChappPAC Rings in the Holidays with 'Elf' Interactive Movie Dec. 8

On Saturday, Dec. 8, the Chappaqua Performing Arts Center will get into the holiday spirit with an interactive movie screening of the perennial holiday favorite "Elf." The screening will offer a unique viewing of the well-loved family film by actively engaging the entire audience.

The New Line Cinema comedy, which this year celebrates its 15th anniversary, tells the story of an elf from the North Pole (Will Farrell) who learns of his true identity as a human, embarks on a journey to New York City to find his biological father (James Caan) and helps New York remember the true meaning of Christmas. This modern-day holiday classic is sure to inspire everyone.

"(It's) a perfect festive outing for the whole family," said John Fanelli, manager of the Chappaqua Performing Arts Center. "This will be an interactive screening. Think 'Rocky Horror Picture Show' but with snowballs."

Audience members will receive a participation bag filled with various items to use throughout the show. These include indoor "snowballs" for a snowball fight in the theater, a bag of pasta and the four major food groups which, according to Buddy the Elf, are candy, candy canes, candy corn and syrup.

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On Saturday, Dec. 8, the Chappaqua Performing Arts Center will present an interactive movie screening of the holiday classic "Elf" starring Will Ferrell, Kristian Ayre, Peter Billingsley and David Avalon.

There will be callouts throughout the movie to further involve the audience as well as an "Elf" trivia contest that will put everyone's memory to the test.

The "Elf" interactive movie screening is presented by the Town of New Castle, Standing Ovation Studios and Soup's On Entertainment. Tickets are \$15 and may be purchased by calling 914-458-5143 or by visiting [www.chappaquapac.org](http://www.chappaquapac.org).

The Chappaqua Performing Arts Center is located at 480 Bedford Rd. in Chappaqua, just inside the gate of Chappaqua Crossing, the former Reader's Digest campus. For the latest news and updates, follow on Facebook (@ChappaquaPerformingArtsCenter).

## Mt. Kisco Chamber to Present Holiday Events in Village This Weekend

By Neal Rentz

The Mount Kisco Chamber of Commerce is seeking to replicate the success of SeptemberFest by organizing two new holiday programs to encourage local residents to shop and dine in the village.

In addition to the village's annual Christmas tree and Menorah lightings, two new events, Thursday Night Lights on Main & Moger and Fire & Ice, have been added to this year's holiday season schedule starting this week.

Beginning Thursday, chamber members will have extended store hours on the four Thursdays leading up to Christmas, said Chamber Co-executive Director Loretta Brooks. Most stores close at 6 p.m. but will be open later into the evening.

Brooks said the chamber hopes that the initiative will attract more shoppers downtown who will remain in the area to have dinner. Parking will be free.

Holiday events will begin this weekend with the continuation of a longtime tradition, the lighting of the village's Christmas tree on Friday. Festivities will begin at 5 p.m. at the Village Green with kids' crafts. Then at 6 p.m., there will be holiday caroling followed by the tree lighting with a visit from Santa.

Residents are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food donation for the Mount Kisco Interfaith Food Pantry.

Festivities will continue on Saturday, Dec. 1 with a new event, Fire & Ice at the Village Green. First at noon, Brooks said ice carvers will be sculpting their creations. Then from 4 to 7 p.m., there will be a bonfire with seasonal music.

The weekend events will culminate on Dec. 2 with the annual Menorah lighting, scheduled for 6:30 p.m. at the Village Green.

For more information, visit [www.mtkiscochamber.com](http://www.mtkiscochamber.com).

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## know your **Neighbor** Camilla Calhoun, Author

By Martin Wilbur

When Camilla Calhoun graduated from college, her dream was to live in Italy and write.

It didn't take long for one of those dreams to come true. Calhoun, an art history major who is fluent in Italian, left her job at the Frick Collection, an art museum where she had worked for about two years after college and moved in 1974 to the Tuscan villa of her future husband, Aldo. She had met Aldo on a vacation to Italy the previous year.

Drawn to the country through her interest in art and the Renaissance, Calhoun fell in love with its people, the food and the culture.

"I just felt like I want to have this other experience in Italy," Calhoun recalled. "It just kept calling me, so to speak."

The writing part took a little bit longer to achieve, but more than 40 years later, Calhoun has published her first book, "The White Moth," which has been recently released. Much of the inspiration for the book came from her mother-in-law, Alda Rafanelli, whom Calhoun

revered. The book traces three generations of her husband's family at the villa and the stories about their lives.

During her four years living in Italy, Calhoun took copious notes on her mother-in-law's stories from a young girl growing up in early 20th century Italy, to living through two world wars and finding out that Aldo's husband was attending meetings led by fascists.

Calhoun said Aldo always exhibited a steely resolve but was a funny and warm person whose culinary masterpieces were epic.

"She was just a very quiet, but I could tell, courageous woman who had a great sense of humor and I was very envious about her life at the villa where we lived and had been occupied by both Americans and Germans. So I wanted to know more about her experiences."

The first time Calhoun, who grew up in Great Neck and Manhasset, Long Island, thought about writing a book about her husband's family came in 1986 after Aldo's funeral in Italy. It was about seven years after she and Aldo had moved to New



York because they didn't want to raise a family once the late 1970s political unrest in Italy broke.

"After her funeral, I was reading a letter she had written a few weeks earlier, and as I was about to turn the light out, I noticed there was a white moth flying in the room," Calhoun said. "I suddenly got the chills because I realized this woman, Aldo (my husband's) mother who had just died, had told me eight years earlier when we left the villa that if a white moth appears after a loved one has died, it's the spirit of that person coming to visit."

Busy raising their two sons, first in Briarcliff and then Millwood, where they lived for 15 years, Calhoun didn't have the opportunity to write the book for more than three decades. She mainly stayed home working part-time jobs while Aldo

worked as a brand manager for a wine company.

In between, Calhoun, who has two grandchildren, took classes with the hope of improving her skills and eventually writing the book. She opened an art gallery in Beacon in the early 2000s and today runs a seasonal art show in Pennsylvania.

The impetus for Calhoun to finish the book and get it published came about in 2016. That was when Aldo passed away and the story that she had put off for so long needed to see the light of day, she said.

Although she self-published, a British publishing house helped her edit the manuscript and provide guidance on how to approach organizing the book.

"I'm sure it's not perfect in any way but I've told the story and it's now out," Calhoun said.

She also felt that having lost her husband it was the right time to honor his mom and his family.

"I wasn't unearthing any family skeletons in their closet," Calhoun explained. "That wasn't the purpose of my writing it. It wasn't to be sensational. It's quieter than that but I still think it illustrates the strength of this woman."

This Sunday, Dec. 2, Calhoun will be at The Village Bookstore in Pleasantville for a book launch and signing from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. The Village Bookstore is located at 10 Washington Ave.

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# P'ville STRONG Provides Sobering News on Youth Marijuana Use

By Anna Young

With a strong chance that New York State will legalize recreational marijuana next year, members of Pleasantville STRONG are advancing their preventative measures to educate parents and students on the substance's dangers.

Pleasantville STRONG hosted a discussion last Monday evening at Pleasantville High School featuring a panel of experts to help guide parents on marijuana awareness and prevention, the wide variety of devices used to ingest the substance, health risks and current trends regarding youths across the country.

"We believe in the prevention field," Pleasantville STRONG Coalition Coordinator Nicole Malgarinos said. "We know that looking at other states across the U.S. that when we see retail marijuana come into communities, no matter what size, we see the perception of risk and harm go down, but with that the numbers in terms of usage rise sometimes catastrophically."

Marijuana is legal in New York for patients who are certified by medical practitioners as having serious diseases and conditions, including cancer, AIDS, severe chronic pain and other ailments. Gov. Andrew Cuomo, who signed the Compassionate Care Act in 2014 to

legalize medical marijuana use, has said that the benefits of legalizing recreational marijuana outweigh the risks.

Recently, Cuomo concluded a series of listening sessions that offered advice on different legislative and regulatory approaches to legalization. The goal is to draft a bill that lawmakers can consider next year.

Dr. Suma Srisaila, associate director of the department of behavior health at Northern Westchester Hospital, noted that 6.5 percent of eighth-graders, 16.6 percent of 10th-graders and 21.2 percent of 12th-graders were found using cannabis at least once in a 30-day span in 2014.

Srisaila added that marijuana use is detrimental to developing neurons and therefore be harmful to adolescents. She said at 12 to 13 years old, the brain is still growing, which helps determine the type of adult someone will become.

Judy Mezey, assistant director for community-based programs for Student Assistance Services, also warned that marijuana is more dangerous to the adolescent brain due to an elevated increase of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), which makes the substance more potent.

She cautioned that many devices and THC oils used to vape marijuana are sold locally or can be found online with no

age restrictions. With flavors disguising the smell of marijuana, Mezey said it's harder to detect and can lead to lung tissue scarring.

Vaping marijuana can also cause bronchitis, asthma and gum disease, Mezey added.

"There's no long-term research on vaping marijuana," Mezey said. "Some very innocuous sounding flavorings that are perfectly safe to ingest by eating, when super-heated and inhaled into your lungs scar lung tissue. Your stomach is not your lungs, your lungs are not your stomach. The flavorings themselves make it toxic to the developing lungs."

Mezey said that youths also ingest the THC waxes and oils through edible products. She said with edibles taking longer to take effect than inhaling, youths are prone to ingesting more because they want a faster high. By the time they feel the effects, they are often already intoxicated, she said.

While youngsters still refer to marijuana as weed or pot, Mezey said the vocabulary has changed. The use of terms such as wax, dabs, oil, butter, shatter, 420 or 710 are increasingly common today.

Mezey said that while data throughout the country has revealed marijuana use has increased hospitalizations and traffic fatalities, she pressed parents to stay

alert and talk to their children about its dangers. She suggested parents monitor social media, listen to the vocabulary used in conversations, recognize the devices and signs of use and provide guidance to combat risky situations.

"They're rolling their eyes, they're slamming the doors but you are in their heads and that is a good place for you to be," Mezey said. "So keep talking. Help them develop strategies in advance. You be the parent and you be there."

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# Crowds, Weather Make Frosty Day Another Smashing Success



Everyone's favorite snowman, Frosty, was out and about in Armonk on Sunday for the hamlet's annual Frosty Day celebration. Despite bone-chilling cold earlier in the holiday weekend and heavy rain the night before, the crowds, possibly the biggest yet in the event's nine-year history, couldn't have asked for a better afternoon. There were some 50 children's activities around downtown, horse rides, train rides, free food samples, musical entertainment and as well as the Frosty Day parade and tree lighting to make for an unforgettable afternoon.



MARTIN WILBUR PHOTOS





# How to Guard Against Burst Water Pipes in Winter

Every year just before the holidays, I receive that trusty call from Dave Goldberg, my retired plumber who served my plumbing needs for close to 50 years. He reminds me to advise readers to disconnect their garden hoses from the outdoor spigot. If not, mayhem may follow.

Other than a fire or tornado, the most damaging event a house can suffer is flooding from a burst water pipe. Yet most people have just a sketchy knowledge of how to avoid this potential disaster.

One of my most memorable mishaps with burst pipes involved a young couple who had found the home of their dreams and wanted to close as quickly as possible because the lease on their rental was about to expire. But their dream was dashed, at least temporarily, by a discovery we made when we arrived at the house for the engineering inspection.

We were greeted by an ominous sound of water leaking and discovered in the family room that water was spraying through the seams of the plasterboard walls and half of the ceiling had collapsed. The engineer quickly shut off the water main, but it was too late to prevent the extensive damage to the walls, ceiling,



By Bill Primavera

built-in cabinetry and flooring.

As an estate sale, the house was empty but the selling agent had been very careful to monitor the heating system so that the pipes wouldn't freeze. She couldn't understand what went wrong. The engineer looked around and found that the garden house had not been disconnected from the outside spigot. He explained that water in the hose had frozen and backed up into the pipe that traveled through the garage, which was unheated, to the family room on the other side of the garage wall, causing the pipes to burst. When the ice melted, the room was flooded.

When water freezes, it has the force of 2,200 pounds of pressure per square inch, Goldberg said.

"One of the most common causes of burst pipes is when people forget to detach their hoses for the winter," he said. "It should always be done by mid-October."

There are many reasons why pipes can burst, Goldberg said. There could be a draft through a tiny crack in a wall. If it is cold enough outside, the wind chill factor can cause a pipe to freeze and it can be anywhere in the house.

For snowbirds who leave their houses for warmer climes, Goldberg said even if a house is winterized, it can be done incorrectly.

"When people had summer houses up here and would close them for the winter, it was easier to drain the pipes because the plumbing was designed for that," he said. "Now, with modern construction, pipes wind around beams and go up and down, and there are many elbows that can trap water. If just a drop of water is left in the elbow and it freezes, the pipe can burst."

Goldberg said the best way to avoid this problem is to have the pipes blown out with an air compressor.

"Things can go wrong even if a house isn't abandoned," he said. "If a family takes a winter vacation, for instance, it's not enough precaution just to leave the heat on. Suppose there is a power failure or the supply of fuel runs out?"

Goldberg cited the popular use of wood and gas-burning stoves as another cause of burst pipes because it gives a false sense of warmth. It may be 70 degrees inside, but if the heat doesn't reach the outside walls where the pipes are located, problems may ensue.

As a safeguard, he recommended that nontoxic antifreeze be added to the heating system so that if the power goes off, the water won't freeze.

"It's like putting antifreeze in a car,"

Goldberg said, "and it should be checked annually to see that it's still at an effective level."

For insulating pipes in the basement or crawl space, he suggested using a heating strip that turns on automatically like a thermostat, and then to wrap both the pipe and heating strip with insulation.

Another safeguard in frigid weather is to keep water running, both the hot and cold taps where the pipes are against an outside wall. I'm familiar with this technique because when my wife and I lived in an old house, which was somewhat drafty, we would keep the water dripping in the mudroom half-bath that was exposed on two sides by outside walls.

"Remember to keep the water dripping," she always said. I'd usually respond, "I know, I know, you already told me." I would get myself into trouble by turning the faucet off anyway, just by force of habit.

But seeing the damage that a burst pipe can do, I didn't mind the occasional admonishment.

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# Sustainable Westchester Agrees to New Two-Year Deal

Sustainable Westchester recently announced that its Westchester Power Program Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) has negotiated new fixed rates for a second two-year contract from Jan. 1, 2019 through Dec. 31, 2020.

The new rates will be 7.96 cents per kilowatt hour for 100 percent renewable energy, with standard supply a fraction of a penny less at 7.71.

Residents will receive rates that are lower than the 2015 Con Edison utility supply average, which the program launch pricing was based. This means that residents will benefit from a five-year period of stable electricity supply rates. Commercial users will receive a rate that is two cents lower than the contract expiring on Dec. 31.

Another key feature of the new contract is that rates will be the same for both residents and small businesses.

All but one of the 20 municipalities in Con Edison territory opted for the green supply, which will be matched with state hydro power renewable energy certificates. The current contract is based on Green-e National Wind RECs. Standard electricity supply consists of a mix of fossil fuels, coal, oil and gas along with nuclear and supplemented with a small portion of renewables.

Three municipalities that had opted for standard supply in the first contract, selected renewable supply for the new two-year contract. In addition, two municipalities new to the Westchester Power program, Ardsley and Sleepy Hollow, opted for the renewable supply.

“This marks a promising shift in the mindset of local communities and increased awareness of the importance of initiatives to protect the air we breathe and the environments in which we live,” said Laura Rossi, co-chair of Sustainable Westchester.

Constellation NewEnergy, Inc., the supplier for the original agreement, was awarded the new contract after an extensive Request for Information (RFI) inquiry and final Request for Proposal (RFP) process. The bid review team included Bedford Supervisor and Sustainable Westchester Vice Chairman Chris Burdick, Ossining Supervisor Dana Levenberg and Karl Rabago, director of Pace University’s Climate Center. Rabago also serves as chair of the Center for Resource Solutions and has held multiple positions in the energy industry, including Commissioner on

the Texas Utility Commission.

“One indication of our program’s success is the portfolio of final proposals we received from qualifying suppliers,” said Program Director Dan Welsh. “It was an invigorating exercise to evaluate the rate submissions with such an esteemed review team. The interest and competitive bids we received bode well for the future of the renewables market and the potential for CCAs throughout New York State.”

With its launch in 2016, the Westchester Power program served as the state pilot for CCAs to secure

competitive rates and renewable energy for residents and small businesses in participating municipalities. The Public Service Commission has since extended authorization to create similar community energy structures for municipalities across the state.

The CCAs are also charged with promoting the state “Reform the Energy Vision (REV)” energy plan. Sustainable Westchester has active programs in battery storage, solar energy and most recently heat pump and home energy efficiency, all of which are critical pieces of that plan.

Residents and participating municipalities will receive a Westchester Power notification letter shortly. This letter will explain the supply option chosen by each village, town and city, the pricing structure and contact information for Westchester Power should they have questions.

Con Ed customers can opt out of the program, or change their electricity supply option at any time without any exit or contract fees.

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## Tuesday, Nov. 27

**Pom-Pom Pumpkin Patch.** It's fall and still pumpkin season so create your own pumpkin patch using orange pom-poms, googly eyes and other materials. All materials will be provided. For children four to 10 years old. (Children younger than five must have a caregiver.) Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-864-0130.

**English Conversations.** For speakers of other languages seeking to improve their English. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Free. Every Tuesday. Info: 914-666-8041 or [www.mountkiscoliberalry.org](http://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. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 6:30 p.m. Every Tuesday. Info: 914-273-3887 or [www.northcastlelibrary.org](http://www.northcastlelibrary.org).

## Wednesday, Nov. 28

**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. 9 a.m. 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.

**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](http://www.mountpleasantlibrary.org).

**New Mommy and Daddy Meet-Up.** Whether it's your first child or your fifth, this is a great way to get out of the house, meet new friends and enjoy time with your baby. World Cup Nursery School, 160 Hunts Lane, Chappaqua. 10:25 to 11:10 a.m. Free. Every Wednesday. Info: 914-238-9267 ext. 20.

**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-

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**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 (except Dec. 26). 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](http://www.mountpleasantlibrary.org).

**Bilingual Storytime.** Sing songs and read picture books in English and Spanish. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 11:15 to 11:45 a.m. Free. Every Wednesday. Info: Visit 914-666-8041 or [www.mountkiscoliberalry.org](http://www.mountkiscoliberalry.org).

**Affordable Care Act Navigator.** A trained navigator provided by the county Department of Health will be available to help people with choosing and signing up for health insurance under the Affordable Care Act and the state health marketplace. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 2:30 to 7 p.m. Free. Every Wednesday. Also Thursdays from 1 to 6 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Appointment required. Info and appointment for Wednesday sessions: 914-336-6026. Info and appointment for Thursday and Saturday sessions: 914-813-5192.

**Meditation Series: Midday Mind Break.** Benefits of meditation include increasing focus and memory; increased health; reduced stress, anxiety and pain; and increased productivity and happiness. Led by Alka Kaminer. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd., East, Armonk. 12:15 p.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887 or [www.northcastlelibrary.com](http://www.northcastlelibrary.com).

**Chair Yoga With Alka Kaminer.** Experience greater flexibility, cardiovascular endurance and improved balance, strengthening and toning of muscles, better digestion, stress reduction, mental clarity, improved breathing, relaxation and an overall sense of well-being. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 1 p.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887.

**Presentation on End-of-Life Choices.** Laurie Leonard, executive director of End-of-Life Choices, New York, will explain how to navigate today's healthcare system to improve end-of-life care and expand

options to ensure that loved ones' values and wishes are respected. New Castle Town Hall Assembly Room, 200 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. 2 p.m. Free. Info: 914-238-4779 or [www.chappaqualibrary.org](http://www.chappaqualibrary.org).

**Chess Workshop for Young Adults.** Come learn chess with the help of guided instruction and supervised play. Included will be the study of strategy and tactics to make you an even better player. For children in grades 5 and up. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd, Pleasantville. 4:15 to 5:15 p.m. Free. Also Dec. 12. Registration requested. Info and registration: 914-769-0548 or [www.mountpleasantlibrary.org](http://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 to 5:30 p.m. Free. Every Wednesday. Info: 914-864-8041 or [www.mountkiscoliberalry.org](http://www.mountkiscoliberalry.org).

**Art Series: Katonah Museum of Art.** This autumn and winter the Katonah Museum of Art will host an exhibit on extreme jewelry of the 21st century, examining a range of purposes, materials and styles. As a contrast, we will also look at the jewelry collections from the antiquities collections at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, where style, form and function always hold court. Discussion led by Professor Valerie Franco. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887 or [www.northcastlelibrary.org](http://www.northcastlelibrary.org).

**Great Books Group.** "The Boy Without a Flag" by Abraham Rodriguez Jr. will be discussed. Led by Martha Alcott and Sally Scudo. New Castle Town Hall Conference Room A, 200 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-238-4779 or [www.chappaqualibrary.org](http://www.chappaqualibrary.org).

**Pleasantville Sing-Along and Tree Lighting Ceremony.** Holiday classics will be performed by the Pleasantville Middle School Chorus. Complementary hot chocolate will be served. Co-sponsored by Pace University and the Pleasantville Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the Village Recreation and Parks Department. Tree Island, Manville Road and Great Oak Lane, Pleasantville. 7 p.m. Free. Info: Visit [www.pleasantville.com](http://www.pleasantville.com).

**"The House That Jack Built."** A director's cut of this boundary-pushing film, transgressive cinematic visionary Lars von Trier presents one of his most daring, masterfully provocative works. In five audacious episodes, failed architect and arch-sociopath Jack (Matt Dillon) recounts the elaborately orchestrated murders – each, as he views them, a towering work of art – that define his "career" as a serial killer. Mixing his trademark pitch black humor, transcendent surrealism and renegade musings on everything from history to architecture to cinema, von Trier fashions a radical, blazingly personal inquiry into

violence, art and the twin acts of creation and destruction. With Uma Thurman, Siobhan Fallon Hogan, Riley Keough and Bruno Ganz. Jacob Burns Film Center, 364 Manville Rd., Pleasantville. 7 p.m. Members: \$9. Non-members: \$14. Info and tickets: Visit [www.burnsfilmcenter.org](http://www.burnsfilmcenter.org).

**Separation/Divorce Support Group.** A new group for men and women separated, in the process of separating or post-divorce. Establishes a safe place where attendees can deal with the pain and loneliness brought about by the ending of a significant relationship. This nondenominational group will use the 12 Steps to focus on its members and the choices made to cope and adjust. Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, 15 S. Bedford Rd., Mount Kisco. \$10. Every Wednesday. 7 to 8:30 p.m. Info: Contact Ilene Amiel at 914-980-0898 or e-mail [12stepdivorcegroup@gmail.com](mailto:12stepdivorcegroup@gmail.com) or visit [www.meetup.com/Mount-Kisco-12-step-Separation-Divorce-Support-Meetup](http://www.meetup.com/Mount-Kisco-12-step-Separation-Divorce-Support-Meetup).

## Thursday, Nov. 29

**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 and Thursday. Info: 914-741-0276 or [www.mountpleasantlibrary.org](http://www.mountpleasantlibrary.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.

**Life Line Theater Music Program.** An outlet for unlocking the potential of children and adults with special needs through integrated arts and life skills programs. Drop in anytime and join founder Billy Ayres as he uses singing, dancing, creating plays, artwork and gardening to help participants realize their strengths and potential contributions to their communities. Ayres has created a technique called improvisational integrated music/drama. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free. Every Thursday. Also Fridays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Info: Visit [www.lifelinetheaterinc.org/index.html](http://www.lifelinetheaterinc.org/index.html).

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Dorri's Diner	468 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains, 10605	10/17, 10/24, 10/31, 11/7, 11/14, 11/28, 12/5,	9:30 am
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# African-American Trailblazer, County Resident Dies at 103

Greenburgh resident Olivia J. Hooker, the first African-American woman to have entered the U.S. Coast Guard in February 1945, died peacefully at her home last Wednesday. She was 103.

Hooker was born in Muskogee, Okla. on Feb. 12, 1915. During the infamous Tulsa race riots of 1921, Ku Klux Klan members ransacked her family's home while she hid under a table with her three siblings. Hooker later was a founder of the Tulsa Race Riot Commission in hopes of demanding reparations for the riot's survivors. She was the last known survivor of the riots.

In 2003, she was among the survivors to file an unsuccessful federal lawsuit seeking reparations.

After the riots, Hooker's family moved to Columbus, Ohio, where she earned her Bachelor of Arts in 1937 from Ohio State University. While in college, she joined the Delta Sigma Theta sorority where she advocated for African-American women to be admitted to the Navy.

She would go on to become the first African-American woman to enlist in the United States Coast Guard. Today, a Coast Guard Training Center in Washington D.C. is named in her honor.

She moved to New York after her service. In 1947, she received her masters from the Teachers College at Columbia University. In 1961, Hooker received her doctorate in psychology from the University of Rochester. She later became a psychologist and a professor at Fordham University. She was referred to by many as a national treasure.

In Tulsa, on the day of her death, Hooker was remembered by many throughout the local community.

"She's a champion. She had an undying spirit that her good will toward her neighbor was not even quenched by the terrible incident in 1921," Pastor Turner of Vernon A.M.E. Church said in a published report.

"She was an advocate for Americans with disabilities, working tirelessly on mental health issues in correctional facilities and, at the age of 95, began volunteering in the Coast Guard Auxiliary," Admiral Karl Schultz, the commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard, said in the same report.

Hooker was inducted into the American Women of Heritage Spirit of Women Archives in Greenburgh in 2015. The Greenburgh Town Board honored



MARY ANN BALCO BERRY PHOTO  
Dr. Olivia Hooker, left, was inducted into the American Women of Heritage Spirit of Women Archives in Greenburgh in 2015. To the right are fellow inductees Dr. Mary Lane Cobb, Mary R. Williams and Lois Taplin Bronz.

her with a ceremonial street naming at the time.

"Olivia was loved in Greenburgh and contributed to our community," said Town Supervisor Paul Feiner. "She always had time for everyone, whether it was the President of the United States or children interviewing her for a project about her life. Olivia was very nice and modest. And frequently called about town-related issues that concerned her. She will be missed."

In a statement, state Sen. Andrea Stewart-Cousins said: "As the last survivor of the Tulsa Race Riot, Dr. Olivia Hooker was a witness to one of the worst race-based massacres in our nation's history...She worked tirelessly to pursue justice for the victims of the Tulsa Race Riot and to speak out against hate and violence...I was proud to have her as a constituent and a friend. Her life should be an inspiration to all Americans and an example of what can be accomplished when we confront hatred and bigotry."

Hooker was inducted into the New York State Veterans Hall of Fame in 2012 and was honored on her 100th birthday with a Senate resolution.

Other honors she received included the American Psychological Association Presidential Citation in 2011; on Feb. 9, 2015, U.S. Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand spoke in Congress to pay tribute to Hooker; President Barack Obama on May 20, 2015, recognized her Coast Guard service and legacy while in attendance at the 134th Commencement of the United States Coast Guard Academy; and on Nov. 11, Google honored Hooker by telling her story as part of a Google Doodle for the Veterans Day holiday.

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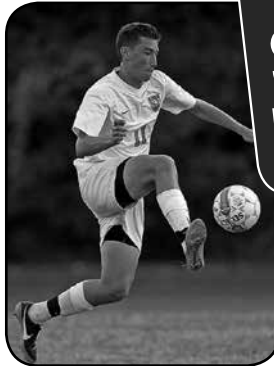
### A vocabulary-building quiz

By Edward Goralski

**Leftovers Again?** Hopefully you saved room for some more leftovers. Although in this case the leftovers are vocabulary words not food. The quiz for this week is composed of words that did not make it into earlier word quizzes. A nice thing about these leftovers is that the only thing they should increase is your vocabulary.

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|------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. cleave (v.)         | A) to hit hard              | B) separate with a tool | C) discharge                |
| 2. middling (adj.)     | A) mediocre                 | B) stormy               | C) wandering                |
| 3. contagion (n.)      | A) self-restraint           | B) discord              | C) a corrupting influence   |
| 4. pertinacity (n.)    | A) a persuading argument    | B) personal existence   | C) persistent determination |
| 5. light-minded (adj.) | A) flippant                 | B) lacking in maturity  | C) sharing the same idea    |
| 6. moil (n.)           | A) absolute value           | B) drudgery             | C) magical power            |
| 7. gobe-mouche (n.)    | A) a large amount           | B) a child's sled       | C) a credulous person       |
| 8. unbosom (v.)        | A) to reveal one's thoughts | B) set loose            | C) weaken                   |

- ANSWERS:
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| 4. C. Persistent determination; perseverance;       | tenacity |
| 5. A. Showing inappropriate levity; flippant        |          |
| 6. B. Drudgery; toil                                |          |
| 7. C. A gullible or credulous person                |          |
| 8. A. To reveal one's thoughts or feelings; confide |          |
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| 1. B. To separate or cut with a tool, such as a sharp instrument; split |  |
| 2. A. Lacking exceptional quality or ability; medio-                    |  |
| 3. C. A harmful, corrupting influence                                   |  |



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# Dickens Classic 'A Christmas Carol' Opens This Friday at WBT

"A Christmas Carol," a new musical adaptation of the Charles Dickens classic, will be performed at Westchester Broadway Theatre in Elmsford from Nov. 29 through Dec. 23.

It features an original score as well as many of the traditional carols. See Scrooge and Tiny Tim and all of the timeless characters we've all grown to know and love with a surprising new twist.

With a large cast, look for colorful production numbers and lots of dancing,

an uplifting evening of holiday cheer.

David Edwards will star as Ebenezer Scrooge. Emma Barishman, Sarah Colt, Joseph Cullinane, Courtney Lynn Curry, Jackson Fanelli, Rachel Gifford, Alex John Johnson, Alexandra Milbrath, Joey Sanzaro, Brandon Shockey, Edward Simon and Daniel Walstad will star as the other memorable Dickens characters.

Guest starring will be a local group of musically talented performers 10 to 17 years old who are trained in voice, dance

and theater.

"A Christmas Carol" is directed by John Fanelli, with musical direction by Julianne Merrill, musical staging by Joseph Cullinane, lighting design by Andrew Gmoser, set design and technical direction by Steve Loftus, sound design by Mark Zuckerman and costume design by Keith Nielsen. Victor Lukas is the PSM and props are by Grumpy's Props.

Show times are Wednesday, Thursday and some Fridays at 1 p.m. with lunch



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Enjoy a new adaptation of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" from Nov. 29 through Dec. 23 at Westchester Broadway Theatre.

served at 11:30 a.m. There are performances on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings with dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the show at 8 p.m. On Sundays, lunch is served at noon for a 1:30 p.m. show and dinner is served at 5:30 p.m. for a 7 p.m. show.

For tickets and more information, call 914-592-2222 or visit [www.BroadwayTheatre.com](http://www.BroadwayTheatre.com).

## Arc Stages Celebrates Community With Inter-Generational Art Show

Arc Stages will present its next art exhibit, "Community: A Collaborative Art Project," with its opening this Friday, Nov. 30 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The show, comprised of postcard-sized works exhibited from end to end at Arc Stages' gallery, is a celebration of Pleasantville's creativity and community spirit. The event is free and proceeds from the auction will benefit Arc Stages' capital campaign.

In July, a group of volunteers began coordinating this community art project. Contributors of all ages were invited to draw, collage or paint on a five-inch by seven-inch postcard. The only requirement was that the work share a centerline that was pre-drawn on every

card. When displayed continuously, this sometimes bold, sometimes subtle line connect each work to those on either side. The pieces are united by this common thread, yet each is the distinctive product of an individual imagination.

Community members created work at the Pleasantville Farmers Market, at home, at Pleasantville High School and in after school art classes run by local artist Greg Nemec, allowing everyone to contribute to this collaborative piece.

"This show is a celebration of community itself – of the things that connect us to our neighbors and the power of art to bring people together," said Claire Schiffman, a curator of the Arc Stages gallery. "As part of a community we are all totally unique

and totally connected. At Arc Stages we want to promote creativity in all its forms, and we are fortunate to be part of a community that inspires us and supports us in that mission."

'Community' will be on view until January 19, 2019.

The Arc Stages capital campaign is underway, raising funds for a new, larger theater that will allow the company to grow and flourish for years to come. It will also provide additional area for classrooms, set building, props, costumes and more.

Arc Stages is located at 147 Wheeler Ave. in Pleasantville. For more information, visit [www.arcstages.org](http://www.arcstages.org).

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**GIVEN** that a Public Hearing will be held by the Westchester County Board of Legislators on the matter of the Westchester County Budget for the year 2019 and the Memorandum of Proposals of the Committee on Budget & Appropriations, if applicable, at the Westchester County Board of Legislators which is located at 148 Martine Avenue, 8th Floor in White Plains, New York, on December 5, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. The County Budget and the Committee on Budget and Appropriations Memorandum of Proposals, if applicable, will be open to inspection by any persons at the office of the Clerk of the County Board of Legislators during business hours. Information concerning the entire Budget, as well as copies of the Budget itself, may be viewed on-line at [www.westchestergov.com](http://www.westchestergov.com) or obtained from the office of the Budget Director, 3rd floor, Michaelian Office Building, 148 Martine Avenue, White Plains, New York 10601. (Please note that the charges for the various budget documents are as follows: \$30.00 for the Proposed 2019 Operating Budget; \$30.00 for the Proposed 2019 Capital Budget, \$25.00 for the Special Districts Budget or \$75.00 for the complete package. The Budget {operating, capital and special districts} is also available on CD for \$15.00) Those attending the Public Hearing have the right to provide written and/or oral comments concerning the entire budget. Dated: No-

vember 23, 2018, **SUNDAY VANDERBERG, Clerk of the County & Chief Administrative Officer, Board of Legislators Westchester County, New York**

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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](http://www.mountpleasantlibrary.org).

**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 Thursday. Info: Visit 914-666-8041 or [www.mountkiscoliberalry.org](http://www.mountkiscoliberalry.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.mountkiscoliberalry.org](http://www.mountkiscoliberalry.org).

**Skin Creams Workshop.** Learn how to make your own coconut lotions for day and night. Great for yourself or as a gift, completely natural. Each participant will have two skin creams to take home. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 1 to 2 p.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-273-3887 ext. 3.

**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. 5 to 6 p.m. Free. Every Thursday. Info: 914-666-8041 or [www.mountkiscoliberalry.org](http://www.mountkiscoliberalry.org).

**Westchester's Winter Wonderland.** A one-of-a-kind holiday event featuring the Santa Experience, unlimited skating, a circus, great rides, food trucks, gift vendors and more on weekends and select dates through December. Kensico Dam Plaza, 1 Bronx River Parkway, Valhalla. 5 to 9 p.m. \$20. Continues Thursdays through Sundays through Dec. 23 and daily from Dec. 26 to 31. Thursdays, Sundays and Dec. 26, 27 and 31 from 5 to 9 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays from 5 to 10 p.m. Info: Visit [www.Wwinterwonderland.com](http://www.Wwinterwonderland.com).

**Job Search 123: How to Nail That Job.** The first of three seminars to provide you the tools to help find the right job. Tonight's session helps attendees create a picture of the right job based on their skills; your "must-haves" and your deal-breakers; identify your job criteria and learn how to apply the "80 percent match rule" to job descriptions; and use tools that reveal your personal strengths for use in your resume, cover letters and interviews. Session will include work sheets and handouts. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. Free. The remaining sessions are scheduled for Dec. 6 and 13. Info: 914-666-8041 or [www.mountkiscoliberalry.org](http://www.mountkiscoliberalry.org).

**Lucy's Laugh Lounge: Bro Down Hoedown With Amarie Castillo and James Jarrot.** Lucy's Lounge, 446 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 7:30 p.m. \$20. Info and

advance tickets: Visit [www.lucyslaughs.com](http://www.lucyslaughs.com). Type in the promo code Examiner at the prompt when buying tickets online.

**The Wallflowers in Concert.** The Grammy-winning roots/rock group fronted by Jakob Dylan returns. Though he is the son of a legend, Dylan's similarities to his father are occasional. In fact, The Wallflowers are more influenced by Tom Petty & the Heartbreakers than original 1960s folk rock, though lyrically, Jakob remains a close companion to the original Dylan. Tarrytown Music Hall, 13 Main St., Tarrytown. 8 p.m. \$48, \$68, \$78 and \$88. Info and tickets: Visit [www.tarrytownmusicall.org](http://www.tarrytownmusicall.org).

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**Family Wreath Making.** Come work with evergreens and build your own holiday wreath. Learn the perfect bow technique with wire ribbons, add in pinecones and ornaments or keep it clean and simple with your own design. Wrap, twist and tie with the fresh scents of evergreens. Led by Charlotte Mouquin. Pelham Art Center, 155 Fifth Ave., Pelham. 4 to 6 p.m. Members: \$41. Non-members: \$45. Info and registration: Visit [www.pelhamartcenter.org](http://www.pelhamartcenter.org).

**Christmas Tree Sale.** The North White Plains Fire Company No. 1 will again be selling Christmas trees this year as a fundraising event. Proceeds to benefit the fire company. All ages are welcome. North White Plains firehouse, 621 N. Broadway, North White Plains. 4 to 8 p.m. Parking free. Trees are priced according to size and type. Fridays from 4 to 8 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. through Dec. 23 (or until sold out). Info: 914-949-3575 or e-mail [ncsf11@optonline.net](mailto:ncsf11@optonline.net).

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**Friday Night Film Series: "Loving Vincent."** This animated film presents a young man who comes to the last

hometown of painter Vincent van Gogh to deliver the troubled artist's final letter and ends up investigating his final days there. It was shot in live action then hand painted in oils by various artists around the world. Captivating, the film is visually and dramatically engaging. Post-screening discussion led by Professor Valerie Franco. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887 or [www.northcastlelibrary.org](http://www.northcastlelibrary.org).

**Friday Night Films: "Wonder Woman."** Post-screening discussion led by Carol Wertheim. Chappaqua Public Library, 195 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-238-4779 or [www.chappaqualibrary.org](http://www.chappaqualibrary.org).

**The Old Mill Singers Present "All I Want for Christmas."** A program of holiday songs directed by Danny Gray. Clear View School, 480 Albany Post Rd., Briarcliff Manor. 8 p.m. \$15. Seniors: \$12. Children: \$5. Also Dec. 1. Info: Visit [www.oldmillsingers.org](http://www.oldmillsingers.org) or the group's Facebook page. Tickets: Visit [www.nycharities.org/events/EventLevels.aspx?ETID=10887](http://www.nycharities.org/events/EventLevels.aspx?ETID=10887) or [www.nycharities.org/events/EventLevels.aspx?ETID=10888](http://www.nycharities.org/events/EventLevels.aspx?ETID=10888).

**"The Foreigner."** The Armonk Players present this inventive comic romp by Larry Shue. The play is set in a fishing lodge in rural Georgia and tells the story of a pathologically shy young British man named Charlie who pretends that he can't speak English in order to avoid making conversation with strangers – the other guests at the fishing lodge. Eventually, the other guests decide to air their secrets around Charlie – many damaging revelations made with the thought that Charlie doesn't understand a word being said. That he does, fuels the play's nonstop hilarity and sets up the wildly funny climax in which things go uproariously awry for the "bad guys" and the "good guys" emerge triumphant. Whippoorwill Hall, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 8 p.m. Adults: \$20. Students (18 and under): \$10. Also Dec. 1, 6, 7 and 8 at 8 p.m. and Dec. 2 at 2 p.m. Info and tickets: Visit [www.ArmonkPlayers.org](http://www.ArmonkPlayers.org).

## Saturday, Dec. 1

**Pleasantville Farmers Market.** Experience the largest, year-round farmers market in Westchester, voted "Best of Westchester" from 2014 to 2018. The farmers market is a dog-free environment. There will be seasonal vendors throughout December. Pleasantville Middle School, 40 Romer Ave., Pleasantville. 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays through Mar. 30, 2019. Info: Visit [www.pleasantvillefarmersmarket.org](http://www.pleasantvillefarmersmarket.org).

**Chappaqua Farmers Market.** Locally-raised and produced food to the community creating a connection between shoppers and small-scale food producers in the region. First Congregational Church

of Chappaqua, 210 Orchard Ridge Rd., Chappaqua. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. First Saturday of each month through April 2019. Info: Visit [www.chappaquafarmersmarket.org](http://www.chappaquafarmersmarket.org).

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**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 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 10:30 a.m. Free. Every Saturday. Info: 914-273-3887.

**Wolves of North America.** Learn about the mythology, biology and ecology of wolf families and discover why it's a special time for packs in North America. Whether the wolves are living on the Arctic tundra or the woodlands of the southwest, wolf families are out searching for prey as they prepare for winter. Guests will visit ambassador wolves Atka, Alawa, Nikai and Zephyr and possibly the critically endangered red wolves and Mexican gray wolves. Wolf Conservation Center, South Salem 2 p.m. Adults: \$14. Children (under 12): \$11. Also Dec. 8, 15 and 27-31 at 11 a.m. and Dec. 2, 9 and 16 at 2 p.m. Pre-registration required. Info and pre-registration: Visit [www.nywolf.org](http://www.nywolf.org).

**Open Art Studio.** All supplies are provided to create your own artwork. For children four years old and up; with parent or caregiver. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Free. First Saturday of every month. Info: 914-666-8041 or [www.mountkiscoliberalry.org](http://www.mountkiscoliberalry.org).

**Adult Salsa Class.** Addie-Tude Performing Arts Center, 42 Memorial Plaza (lower level), Pleasantville. 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Free. \$12. Every Saturday. Info: 917-215-1720 or visit [www.addie-tude.com](http://www.addie-tude.com). Call or visit website because classes are subject to change.

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# Romanian Cinema Continues to Make Waves at Jacob Burns

By Neal Rentz

The holiday season is traditionally a time for the multiplexes to feature blockbusters and smaller films seeking Academy Award consideration.

At the Jacob Burns Film Center in Pleasantville, the holiday season is when it reprises its popular Romanian film series, featuring movies hard to view anywhere else in the metropolitan area.

The seven-film series, Making Waves: New Romanian Cinema 2018 that will run from Nov. 29 until Dec. 5, is curated by Mihai Chirilov. Chirilov, a film critic, will introduce each screening and host post-screening question-and-answer sessions with filmmakers and producers.

The high quality of Romanian films over the past decade has been a key to the success of the nation's film industry, said Chirilov, artistic director of the Romanian Film Festival in New York City since 2006. He is also artistic director of the Transylvania International Film Festival, which he co-founded in 2002.

"Almost every year there is a Romanian film picked up for distribution in the United States, which is quite an achievement," he said.

"I Do Not Care If We Go Down in History as Barbarians" directed by



JACOB BURNS FILM CENTER PHOTO

"The Story of a Summer Lover," directed by Paul Negoescu, will be the closing night feature in the Making Waves: New Romanian Cinema 2018 series at the Jacob Burns Film Center in Pleasantville.

Radu Jude is the opening night feature. Chirilov said Jude is one of the most prolific directors of the Romanian New Wave and has attained almost cult status in the United States with his critically acclaimed films.

The film won the top prize at the Karlovy Vary International Film Festival in the Czech Republic and is Romania's entry for the Best Foreign Language Film Oscar, Chirilov said. The film's producer, Ada Solomon, will introduce the film and answer questions after the screening.

"In its bold exploration of one of the darkest pages of Romania's history, and

specifically, the sensitive issue of anti-Semitism, the film invites unexpected contemporary parallels," Chirilov said.

"The Story of a Summer Lover," directed by Paul Negoescu, is the closing night feature in this year's series. Chirilov described the film as "a light-hearted and slightly cynical romcom about a man split between two women."

In between, there are five other films exploring a wide range of topics during the weeklong series.

Chirilov said many Romanian films have common threads. They are often uncompromising, employ a cynical and sometimes dark humor and usually

explore complex moral dilemmas that are likely to stir debate and take the audience on a powerful emotional journey, he added.

Aside from the filmmakers, a key figure in the rising popularity of Romanian cinema is Corina Suteu, Suteu, as director of the Romanian Cultural Institute in New York, initiated the Romanian Film Festival 11 years ago, Chirilov said.

"Her creative vision and top-notch managing skills turned this initially small festival into a compact and multi-layered yearly event in New York," he said.

Chirilov, who lives mainly in Bucharest, said he looks forward to returning to the area every year.

"I like to think that after so many years I became part of the film community in Pleasantville and I always look forward to meeting the cinephiles there and welcoming them at the house for a taste of Romanian dishes and wines after the screenings, discussing the films we have just seen," Chirilov said.

The Jacob Burns Film Center is located at 364 Manville Rd. in Pleasantville. For more information, including the full schedule and to buy tickets, call 914-747-5555 or visit [www.burnsfilmcenter.org](http://www.burnsfilmcenter.org).

## Happenings

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**Crafts,** Holiday Art Show and Tree Lighting. The Northern Westchester Artists Guild will present its annual art show and boutique throughout downtown Chappaqua. The Chappaqua Orchestra's Community Sing at Robert E. Bell Middle School followed by the tree lighting at The Greeley House. There will also be an old-fashioned crafts workshop at The Greeley House where children of all ages may create crafts and decorate the community tree. Art show starts at 11:30 a.m. Community Sing at Robert E. Bell Middle School, 50 Senter St., Chappaqua at 3:30 p.m. Crafts workshop from 4 to 6 p.m. and tree lighting at about 5 p.m. at The Greeley House, 100 King St., Chappaqua. Info: Visit [www.newcastlehs.org](http://www.newcastlehs.org).

**Origami.** Join Westchester Origami Workers, a regional group of Origami, USA to share models and techniques. Open to all adults. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 1 to 3 p.m. Free. First Saturday of every month. Info: 914-666-8041 or [www.mountkisco.org](http://www.mountkisco.org).

**Creative Workshop: You Can Paint in Watercolor.** A relaxing, yet stimulating workshop where participants will learn skills to paint in watercolor. Led by Doris Pancaldo, who has painted and studied in watercolor for 42 years. She has exhibited

her paintings in many shows and galleries throughout Westchester. Pancaldo was a judge for the prestigious Armonk Outdoor Art Show. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 1 to 3 p.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-273-3887 ext. 3.

**Westchester Choral Society Holiday Concert.** With the arrival of the holiday season, members of the Westchester Choral Society look forward to presenting a merry and bright afternoon of music. The concert will include Benjamin Britten's "A Ceremony of Carols" and several additional favorites, such as Handel's "Judas Maccabaeus" and "Blow, Blow, Thou Winter Wind" by John Rutter. The chorus will also ask for audience involvement in choosing and singing some popular carols. Rye Presbyterian Church, 882 Boston Post Rd., Rye. 4 p.m. \$25. Students: \$10. Info and tickets: Visit [www.westchesterchoralsociety.org](http://www.westchesterchoralsociety.org).

**Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center: Windstorm.** Come listen to an exceptional lineup of wind players tackling a demanding and rewarding repertoire that celebrates the unsurpassable sonic array of a wind quintet. Purchase College Recital Hall, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. 5 p.m. \$35 to 62.50. Info and tickets: 914-251-6200 or visit [www.artscenter.org](http://www.artscenter.org).

**A Merry Magic Holiday Show.** David Seebach unwraps a holiday package brimming with festive wonders and delights. You will be captivated by this award-winning magician and his incredible illusions and wonderful Yuletide fantasies. Audiences are invited to join him onstage for humorous interludes with never-to-be-forgotten surprises. A fun-filled family event featuring beautiful costumes, dazzling magic and your favorite Christmas melodies. Westchester Community College's Academic Arts Theatre, 75 Grasslands Rd., Valhalla. 8 p.m. \$24. Seniors and students: \$22. Children (under 13): \$18. Info and tickets: 914-785-6262 or visit [www.sunywcc.edu/smartarts](http://www.sunywcc.edu/smartarts). Tickets may also be bought at the box office 30 minutes before the scheduled performance time.

**Joe Lovano Plays Bernstein.** This year is the 100th anniversary of the birth of Bernstein and tributes abound. Jazz star Joe Lovano is featured in this concert featuring homegrown arrangements of The Maestro's music by pianist and Purchase College's Head of Jazz Studies Pete Malinverni and performances by some of the college's award-winning faculty and rising start from the Jazz studies program. Purchase College's PepsiCo Theatre, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. 8 p.m. \$20 to

\$60. Info and tickets: 914-251-6200 or visit [www.artscenter.org](http://www.artscenter.org).

**Taghkanic Choral Holiday Concert.** In his first appearance as music director, newly appointed Maestro Jason Tramm will lead the chorale in a festive holiday concert, "Rejoice: Music Both Ancient and Modern." The concert features brass quintet and organ and a blend of joyful music from contemporary choral masters and masters of centuries past. The program includes Gabrieli's "O Magnum Mysterium," Whitacre's "Lux Aurumque," Tallis' "O Nata Lux," Gjeilo's "Ave Generosa," Pinkham's "Christmas Cantata," Walker's "Rejoice" and Brahms' "O Heiland Reiss." Followed by a reception. Valhalla United Methodist Church, 200 Columbus Ave., Valhalla. 8 p.m. Adults: \$25; Seniors and students: \$22. Children (under 12): \$12. Also Dec. 2 at 4 p.m. at Trinity Episcopal Church, 7 S. Highland Ave., Ossining. Info and tickets: 914-440-3596 or visit [www.taghkanicchorale.org](http://www.taghkanicchorale.org).

**Joan Osborne's Dylanology.** Osborne, joined by powerhouse rock vets Anders Osborne and Robert Randolph, unleashes her sizeable gifts as a vocalist and interpreter up The Bard's celebrated canon. The seven-time Grammy-nominated multiplatinum-selling singer and songwriter winds her

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supple, soulful voice around Dylan's poetic, evocative lyrics, etching gleaming new facets in them along the way. Tarrytown Music Hall, 13 Main St., Tarrytown. 9 p.m. \$38, \$48 and \$65. Info and tickets: Visit [www.tarrytownmusichall.org](http://www.tarrytownmusichall.org).

## Sunday, Dec. 2

**Pack Chat for Kids.** This is the best introduction to wolves for families with young children. Kids will learn about the mythology surrounding wolves and the important role they play in the natural world. This is an exciting time for wolves as they are out searching for prey preparing for winter. Guests will visit ambassador wolves Atka, Alawa, Nikai and Zephyr and possibly the critically endangered red wolves and Mexican gray wolves. Wolf Conservation Center, South Salem. 11 a.m. Adults: \$14. Children (under 12): \$11. Also Dec. 9 and 16 at 11 a.m. and Dec. 15 and 29 at 2 p.m. Pre-registration required. Info and pre-registration: 914-763-2373 or visit [www.nywolf.org](http://www.nywolf.org).

**Gun Safety Forum.** A representative from the Westchester chapter of Moms Demand Action will speak on issues of gun safety. Topics covered will include strategies for change and pending gun legislation. Community Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 468 Rosedale Ave., White Plains. 11:30 a.m. Free. Childcare can be provided if requested by noon on Nov. 28 by e-mailing [admin@cucwp.org](mailto:admin@cucwp.org).

**The Holiday Boutique at Philipsburg Manor.** Holiday shoppers can browse local wares and support Historic Hudson Valley's educational programs while checking off their entire gift list. Stocked with Hudson Valley-inspired and holiday-themed merchandise, including artisan foods, books about the region, winter solstice-scented candles, handcrafted jewelry and regional artists' work, the shelves are full of unique items for everyone that can't be found elsewhere. Today, there will be a poetry reading with Eileen Rockefeller from 1 to 3 p.m. Philipsburg Manor Visitor Center, 381 N. Broadway, Sleepy Hollow. 12 to 5 p.m. Open Thursdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. 5 p.m. and Sundays from 12 to 5 p.m. through Dec. 22. Info: Visit [www.hudsonvalley.org](http://www.hudsonvalley.org).

**Meet the Animals.** Meet the doves, chinchillas and the tortoise that reside in the Nature Lodge and learn about their behaviors and natural history. Cranberry Lake Preserve, Old Orchard Street, North White Plains. 1 to 2 p.m. Free. Info: 914-428-1005.

**History in the Palm of Your Hand.** Local historian and colorful character Scott Craven will give one of his terrific lectures, exploring how to look at local

history through everyday common objects. If you've seen and heard any of his previous lectures you know this one will be fun and interesting. Presented by the Briarcliff Manor-Scarborough Historical Society. Briarcliff Manor Public Library, 1 Library Rd., Briarcliff Manor. 2 p.m. Free. Seating is limited; advance registration recommended. Info and registration: Contact Karen Smith at 914-941-4393 or e-mail [mail@briarcliffhistory.org](mailto:mail@briarcliffhistory.org) or Shelley Glick at 914-941-7072 or e-mail [sglick@wlsmail.org](mailto:sglick@wlsmail.org).

**Mermaid Theatre of Nova Scotia Presents "The Rainbow Fish."** The company's original adaptation of Marcus Pfister's award-winning book is about a beautiful fish with scales of silver and a heart of gold. The performance, which also includes two of the author's companion tales, "Rainbow Fish Discovers the Deep Sea" and "Opposites," will enchant even the youngest child with its shimmering scenery and innovative puppetry. Purchase College Concert Hall, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. 3 p.m. Adults: \$25 to \$45. Children (16 and under): \$13.75 to \$23.75. Info and tickets: 914-251-6200 or visit [www.artscenter.org](http://www.artscenter.org).

**The Maccabeats Premier a Cappella.** Using nothing more than the human voice, a clean-cut presentation and a little Jewish humor, this group of singers is able to connect with fans of all backgrounds and ages. Sit back, relax and enjoy with your entire family. Chappaqua Performing Arts Center, 480 Bedford Rd., Chappaqua. Doors open at 3 p.m. Menorah lighting at 3:15 p.m. Performance at 3:30 p.m. Adults: \$36. Children: \$18. VIP seating: \$72. Info and tickets: Visit [www.chabadbriarcliff.com](http://www.chabadbriarcliff.com).

**Lucy's Laugh Lounge: Robert Kelly.** Kelly's comedy is deeply rooted in his own life and relationships which makes it honest, abrasively funny, yet refreshingly vulnerable. He has been winning over audiences for years touring clubs, colleges and theaters, including repeat performances at Montreal's Just for Laughs Festival. His one-hour special, "Robert Kelly: Live at the Village Underground" debuted on Comedy Central and is now available on Netflix. Lucy's Lounge, 446 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 7 p.m. \$25. Info and advance tickets: Visit [www.lucyslaughs.com](http://www.lucyslaughs.com). Type in the promo code Examiner at the prompt when buying tickets online.

## Monday, Dec. 3

**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.

719 Bedford Rd., Bedford Hills (next to ShopRite). 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. Free. Every Monday. RSVP suggested. Info and RSVP: Contact Tina Campbell at 914-441-1383 or e-mail [tinacampbell@masternetworks.net](mailto:tinacampbell@masternetworks.net) or drop in.

**Morning Shorts Program.** "The Valetudinarian" by Joshua Ferris will be discussed. Led by Rebecca Rogan. New Castle Town Hall Conference Room A & B, 200 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. 10 a.m. Free. Info: 914-238-4779 or [www.chappaqualibrary.org](http://www.chappaqualibrary.org).

**Here We Are Together: Story Time for Children.** From newborns to school-age children, with a parent or caregiver. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 11:15 to 11:45 a.m. Free. Every Monday (except Dec. 24). Info: 914-666-8041 or [www.mountkisco.library.org](http://www.mountkisco.library.org).

**Superstars of Ballroom: Christmas Edition.** Five champion couples are featured as some of the best dancers in U.S. and World competitions perform in a variety of styles. Including Argentine tango, cha-cha, rumba, samba, Paso Doble, mambo, jive, waltz, quickstep, foxtrot and Viennese waltz. Westchester Broadway Theatre, 1 Broadway Plaza, Elmsford. Lunch at 11:15 a.m. Show at 1 p.m. \$69 per person (plus tax). Dinner at 6:15 p.m. Show at 8 p.m. \$89 per person (plus tax). Show only: \$55 per person (plus tax). Info and tickets: 914-592-2222 or visit [www.Broadwaytheatre.com](http://www.Broadwaytheatre.com).

**DIY Bird-Feeder.** Make a bird-feeder with popsicle sticks and glue. This bird-feeder will be fun to make and the birds will love it, too. For children six to 10 years old. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-864-0130.

**Belly Dancing.** Learn this captivating Middle Eastern dance and enrich your cultural knowledge. Whether you want to dance professionally or just have fun and get in shape, this is the place to start. Josie's International School of Dance, 42 Memorial Plaza, Level B, Pleasantville. 7 p.m. \$20. Every Monday. Info: 914-332-8670 or visit [www.josiedance.com](http://www.josiedance.com).

**Lucy's Laugh Lounge Open Comedy Mic.** Lucy's Lounge, 446 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. Sign up at 7 p.m. Show at 7:30 p.m. Free. Also Dec. 10, 17 and 19. Info and tickets: Visit [www.nomacomedy.com](http://www.nomacomedy.com).

**PleasantvilleRecycles Q&A Sessions.** Learn about the Reusable Bag Initiative and what the Carryout Bag Ordinance means for shoppers and businesses. Also, find out what should be recycled and what should not. Attendees will also receive a free tote bag set for fresh produce, courtesy of mothering Mother. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 7 to 8:30 p.m. Free. Info: 914-769-0548 or visit [www.PleasantvilleRecycles.org](http://www.PleasantvilleRecycles.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. Typically, the first Monday of each month. Pre-registration required. Info and pre-registration: Contact Support Connection at 914-962-6402 or 800-532-4290.

## Tuesday, Dec. 4

**Music & Movement.** Shake, shimmy and dance. For children two to five years old. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 11:15 to 11:45 a.m. Free. Every Tuesday. Info: 914-666-8041 or [www.mountkisco.library.org](http://www.mountkisco.library.org).

**Neil Berg's Broadway Holiday.** Direct from New York, five of Broadway's brightest stars will take audiences on a journey through Broadway history with the music of Kander and Ebb, Rodgers and Hammerstein, Lerner and Loewe, Andrew Lloyd Webber, Leonard Bernstein, Stephen Sondheim, Cole Porter, Irving Berlin and many more. Westchester Broadway Theatre, 1 Broadway Plaza, Elmsford. Lunch at 11:15 a.m. Show at 1 p.m. \$69 per person (plus tax). Dinner at 6:15 p.m. Show at 8 p.m. \$89 per person (plus tax). Show only: \$55 per person (plus tax). Info and tickets: 914-592-2222 or visit [www.Broadwaytheatre.com](http://www.Broadwaytheatre.com).

**Senior Afternoon Cinema: "Billy Elliot."** An 11-year-old boy from County Durham, England is torn between his unlikely talent and love of dance and the disintegration of his family during the violent 1984 British coal mines strike. Directed by Stephen Daldry, the film stars Jamie Bell, Julie Walters and Jean Heywood. It received three Oscar nominations. Part of the Jacob Burns Film Center's Senior Afternoon Cinema series. Jacob Burns Film Center, 364 Manville Rd., Pleasantville. 1 p.m. Members: \$9. Senior non-members: \$11. Non-members: \$14. Info and tickets: Visit [www.burnsfilmcenter.org](http://www.burnsfilmcenter.org).

**DIY Decorate a Cookie.** Decorate a couple of cookies for National Cookie Day. Sugar cookies and icing will be provided. Cookies donated by The Pastry Corner. While the cookies are peanut free, they are produced in a facility that is not nut free. For children four years old and up. Children under five must have a caregiver. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-864-0130.



# Our Virtual Tour of Modern Spain and its Wines Continues



By Nick Antonaccio

For the past few columns I've been focusing on my renewed infatuation, and building appreciation, for the wines coming into the United States from Spain.

I recently attended a celebration of the wine, food and design of all things Spanish, sponsored by the Wines From Spain trade organization. I enjoyed new (for me) wines in the walk-around session and expanded my knowledge of regions, terroirs and producers in several seminar settings. Repeatedly, I was impressed with the quality – and value – of so many of the wines now arriving on our shores.

From conversations with winemakers I deduced that a number of old-line traditional producers are reaching out to producers in other wine-producing countries in order to learn new techniques for the vineyard and the winery.

But I was most impressed with the younger generation, who have stepped into the mud- and wine-stained shoes of their parents to manage family-run wineries in existence for three, four, sometimes five generations. They are expanding their knowledge through

formal wine education and by utilizing modern technology. Much of this is attributable to the formation of the European Union. Through generous financial funding and cooperative communication, Spain has emerged from a poor, economically challenged country (notwithstanding the continuing impact of the Great Recession) into an influential economic force. In turn, wine production and, by extension, wine consumers, have benefited greatly.

With this as a backdrop, I decided to reprise a series I penned more than 10 years ago on these pages.

There are many Spanish wines available, but many are represented by small wineries, or small importers or small distributors. Therefore, a number of my favorites may not be available in your local wine shop. Fear not. With this virtual tour series as a reference, you will be able to find fine representations from each featured region. And when you do, let me know; I'm always seeking new experiences and my next favorite wine.

On to our virtual tour.

Long stretches of white sand beach, historic towns emblematic of local seafarers, unique cultural architecture, modern cities with sophisticated nightlife and fabulous local wines not readily available elsewhere.

Does this sound like the French

Riviera? The Italian Riviera? Provence? California's Central Coast? Yes, it does – and the Spanish Mediterranean Coast.

This week's virtual tour takes us along Spain's eastern coast, beginning in the south along the Playa del Sol beaches, northward through the port city of Alicante, the sophisticated culture and architecture of Valencia, the rich history and architecture of Barcelona and the popular beaches along the Costa Brava in the northern extreme of the region, at the foothills of the Pyrenees. This vast stretch has something for everyone, including seekers of unique wines previously unavailable to American consumers.

The Mediterranean Coast wine region encompasses the largest number of Spain's official wine regions – 13 of the 69 classifications. We will be exploring the wines of four major areas: Alicante, Jumilla, Valencia, Priorat/Monstant and Penedès.

Our tour this week takes us to the southeastern port cities of Alicante and Valencia. Although separated by hundreds of miles of idyllic coastline, they share the same commercialized wine-production history. Since the 19th century these sister cities were known for mass production

wines exported to the rest of Europe for bottlings of cheap, nondescript wines – similar to the California bulk wine business. (Think Carlo Rossi in the 1960s, still vibrant into the 21st century.)

In the 1990s the local producers decided to experiment with grapes that might be suitable to the local terroir –

sandy to clay-like soil, temperate climate and cooling sea breezes. The result: newly introduced artisanal wines from Monastrell, Garnacha and Moscatel grapes, with a smattering of Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon.

Although not yet as popular as wines from other regions, there are quite a few worth seeking out.

As we continue our virtual tour through the Mediterranean Coast, our next stops will explore the Spanish wine regions garnering high praise in the United States.

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## Pace Field Hockey Defeats Saint Anselm to Advance to NCAA National Semifinals

History Made! The Pace University field hockey team earned the program's first-ever postseason win on Sunday afternoon, defeating Saint Anselm College, 6-1, in the NCAA Championships First Round. The Setters, who improve their record to 18-2, will now advance to play in the national semifinals at the NCAA Division II Festival next week in Pittsburgh, Pa.

"It's an awesome feeling right now," said head coach Kayte Kinsley. "The fact that our first-ever postseason win comes in the NCAA Tournament is huge. We are all pumped to be going to Pittsburgh."

Pace, which earned home-field advantage courtesy of being seeded No. 3, jumped all over the sixth-seeded Hawks on Sunday. The Setters scored their first goal less than eight minutes into the contest as senior Halley Rose (Dauphin, PA/Central Dauphin) found the back of the net off an assist from classmate Katrina Mikitish (Pittston, PA/Pittston Area).

Rose would go on to tally another goal

in the first half, giving Pace a 2-0 lead in the 28th minute. Freshman Mia Radici (San Diego, CA/Scripps Ranch) provided the helper on the Setters' second tally.

Taking a 2-0 edge into halftime, the Setters opened things up in the final 35. Sophomore Lieke van Nieuwenhuizen (Utrecht, Netherlands/St. Bonifatius) and Mikitish recorded goals within just four minutes of each other to provide the home team a 4-0 lead at the 40:23 mark.

Following the Hawks' lone goal of the game in the 43rd minute, van Nieuwenhuizen and senior Jenna Sanossian (Miller Place, NY/Rocky Point) added two more goals to the Setters' ledger.

Sanossian's goal was a historic one as it marked the 100th career point for Rose, who provided the assist on the play. Rose, already the Setters' all-time leading scorer, will enter the final week of the season with 41 career goals and 18 career assists.

### Up Next

The third-seeded Setters will now take on the No. 2 seed, East Stroudsburg University, next Thursday at 5 p.m. in Pittsburgh, Pa.



Pace University's Jane Kasparian races for the ball with Saint Anselm's Emma Bartle during the second half of Sunday's NCAA quarterfinal playoff game.

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Pace University goalie Grace Henderson stays ready as she waits for a shot to arrive late in the second half of the 6-1 NCAA Tournament triumph over visiting Saint Anselm.



Halley Rose, who scored both of Pace's goals in the first half of Sunday's playoff game, celebrates after assisting on another goal in the second half.



Jenna Sanossian of Pace takes the ball across the field in the second half of Sunday's NCAA quarterfinal playoff game, won easily by the host Setters.



The Setters' Lieke van Nieuwenhuizen, a sophomore from the Netherlands, celebrates one of her two goals in the second half of the NCAA playoff win on Sunday.



Katrina Mikitish of Pace moves the ball up the field in the 6-1 win over Saint Anselm. She had a goal and an assist to help the Setters advance to the Division II semifinals.



The Setters' Paige Predmore gets set to pass the ball in Sunday's big win.



The Setters' Lieke van Nieuwenhuizen, who scored two goals Sunday, chases the ball in the 6-1 NCAA playoff victory over Saint Anselm.



Pace University senior Rebecca Kaufmann controls the ball in the second half of the Setters' lopsided NCAA Tournament victory over visiting Saint Anselm on Sunday afternoon.



# Setters' Second-Half Comeback Falls Just a Bit Short

By Andy Jacobs

Watching her team play its first half dozen games this season has left Pace women's basketball coach Carrie Seymour feeling like someone who's spent a lot of time at a carnival.

"We've been like a roller coaster," she conceded late Sunday afternoon after her Setters had taken her on yet another wild ride. "Our effort has been too up and down."

Hosting Post University at the Goldstein Fitness Center, the Setters fell behind by 16 points in the third quarter, then fought back to within a point before dropping a 71-67 decision to the Eagles. Despite 21 points from Lauren Schetter and 20 from Jackie DelliSanti, Pace lost for the fourth time in six games this year.

"We just went through the motions the first 25 minutes," said Seymour, now in her 27th season at the Setters' helm. "Our effort has to change. Our effort, our emotion. It's one of those things you can't coach. But we were just very flat and played like we were content to just let the game get out of our hands."

After a first quarter in which the lead changed hands five times and the Setters trailed by just two points, Post began to take command. The Eagles outscored Pace 25-11 over the final eight and a half minutes of the half to build a 46-33 cushion at intermission. Post's Sha'Raya Haines connected on a 3-pointer with 35 seconds remaining and Hannah Benac added another one at the buzzer to cap the Eagles' surge.

"Some of it is youth," said Seymour, whose starting lineup Sunday included a pair of freshmen guards, Lauren Hackett and Brianna Wong. "Some of it is not understanding how prepared you have to be to be competitive. And we're paying the price for it because last year we had two seniors that played a lot of minutes and they understood how



Pace junior Jackie DelliSanti shoots the ball in the third quarter of Sunday's game.

prepared you had to be and what it takes to be prepared for a game."

A couple of free throws by Schetter with 4:43 left in the third quarter narrowed the Setters' deficit to nine points, but Post then went on a 7-0 burst to open up its largest lead of the day at 59-43 with exactly three minutes to go in the period. Seymour called for a timeout and chided her players that "we're not on the same page" as they sat down to huddle.

Whatever else she said seemed to work as the Setters returned to the court and proceeded to score four consecutive baskets, including two by Allie Monteleone, the senior guard playing her first game after hurting her knee early in the preseason. The quarter ended with Pace suddenly within eight points.

Following a basket by Lauren Chambers that gave Post a 63-53 lead with just over eight minutes remaining, the Setters responded with a 7-0 spurt as Schetter made a turnaround jumper in the lane, Monteleone provided an old-fashioned 3-point play and DelliSanti scored on a pullup jumper near the foul



Senior guard Allie Monteleone drives to the basket in Pace's 71-67 home loss to Post on Sunday afternoon.



Pace University's Stefanie Svoboda dribbles near midcourt as she's pressured by Post's Melanie Polanco in the third quarter of Sunday's game at the Goldstein Fitness Center.



The Setters' Lauren Schetter tries to score inside during the first half of Sunday afternoon's game vs. the Post University Eagles.

line.

Another bucket from Chambers gave the Eagles a 65-60 advantage, but Schetter answered with a short baseline pop and Wong, who finished with 12 points and four steals, followed with a layup, moving the Setters to within a point with 3:30 left on the clock. But that was as close as Pace would get.

A basket by Melanie Polanco and two free throws from Mia Crooms stretched the Eagles' lead back to five points with 1:33 to go. Still, the Setters weren't quite done yet. Two foul shots by Monteleone and one by Schetter with 50 seconds left narrowed the deficit to 69-67. After an Eagle turnover, Pace had a couple of big chances to change the outcome.

But in an exasperating sequence for the Setters, both Schetter and DelliSanti missed shots underneath that would've tied the score, and in between them Monteleone misfired on a contested 3-pointer from the top of the key with 24 seconds remaining. Polanco then made two clinching free throws with 12 seconds left.

"The hole we dug, regardless of what we did in the run, the hole we dug getting down by 16 at one point, was just too much," said Seymour. "It's hard to flip



Pace University head coach Carrie Seymour pleads for a call in the second half of Sunday's non-conference home game vs. Post University.



Pace freshman guard Brianna Wong fires a shot from the top of the key vs. the visiting Eagles.

a switch. If your energy is bad, it's hard to turn it on and off. And the frustrating thing is we don't know why the energy was bad."

The Eagles wound up making 17 of their 19 shots from the foul line and outrebounded Pace by a 41-28 margin to put an end to the Setters' two-game winning streak.

"Of course we all would've loved to have won the game," said Seymour. "But we still would've felt the same way. Like coming out not ready to go from the beginning. Taking 25 minutes to realize, 'OK, we've got to pick up our energy and we've got to buckle down a little bit and follow the scouting report.' There's a lot of things that happen in games that if you're watching don't appear to be big things. But they're huge things as far as whether or not we're gonna be able to be competitive. And we missed out on a lot of those key things today."





Andrew Brown runs with the football during the Foxes' Homecoming win over Brewster.



Oscar Monroy considers his options as he dribbles past midfield in the Foxes' home game against Mahopac.



The Foxes' Zach Micucci (right) is followed closely by teammate Avery Skolnick as they head toward the finish at the league championship at Croton Point Park.



Tennis standout Leah Tuluca gets set to hit a forehand during one of her matches at first singles.



The Foxes' Daysi Vasquez chases after the ball in a game against the Roy C. Ketcham Indians.



Members of the Fox Lane girls' cross country team run together at the start of the Westchester County Championships.

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Michael Washington cuts across the field as he carries the ball during a Fox Lane home game.



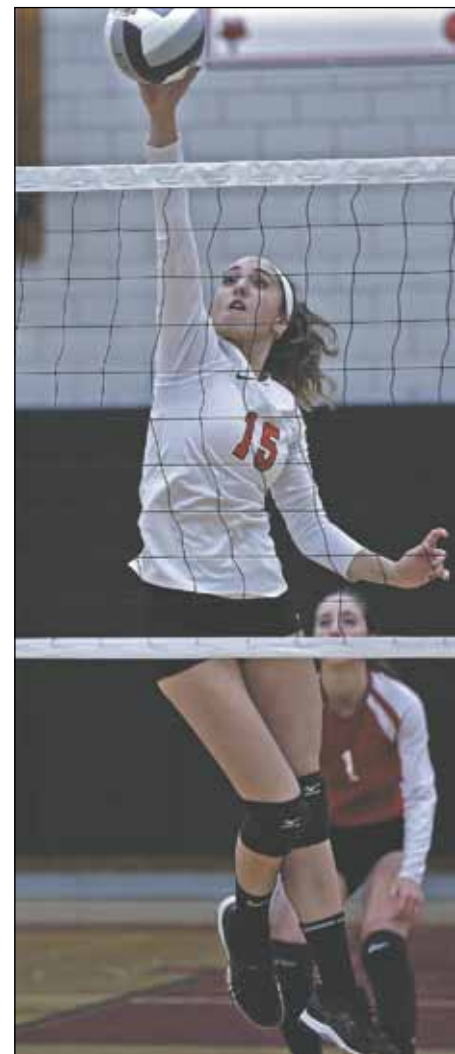
Alexandra Griffin searches for open teammates as she controls the ball near midfield.



Charlotte Bradsell keeps her eyes on the approaching ball as she prepares to bump a return.



Natalie Bazyk moves the ball up the field in Fox Lane's tournament win over Pleasantville early in the season.



The Foxes' Adriana Piccolino sends the ball over the net during a home volleyball match vs. Greeley.



David Alberto prepares to settle the ball during a home game late in the season.



# Westchester Knicks Hand Long Island Its First Loss

By Andy Jacobs

The Long Island Nets arrived at the Westchester County Center last Tuesday evening as one of the two teams still unbeaten in the NBA G League this season. They departed a few hours later no longer in possession of a winning streak.

An Isaiah Hicks go-ahead basket with 21 seconds remaining gave the Westchester Knicks the lead for good and Luke Kornet soon sealed the outcome with a pair of free throws in a 93-90 victory that snapped the Nets' season-opening four-game win streak. John Jenkins scored a game-high 25 points and Hicks added 24 as the Knicks improved to 6-3.

"Sometimes when it's not pretty, you've gotta find ways," said Knicks head coach Mike Miller after his team had overcome a 12-point, third-quarter deficit. "Maybe it's a loose ball, maybe it's a rebound, maybe it's grinding it out to get fouled and get a free throw. Whatever you have to do, you do what the game calls for."

The Knicks built a 50-43 halftime advantage, but the third quarter wound up being nearly as disastrous as the one they played just 48 hours earlier when the Erie BayHawks outscored them by a whopping 47-22 margin en route to snapping their modest three-game winning streak. A 3-pointer by Theo Pinson, followed soon by baskets from Alan Williams and Dzanan Musa enabled Long Island to tie the game just over a minute into the period.

Consecutive layups from Williams, the league's leading rebounder and a veteran of 62 NBA games with the Phoenix Suns, started a 24-10 blitz by the Nets and left Westchester facing a 74-62 deficit with four and a half minutes remaining in the third quarter. Long Island made 13 of its 21 shots from the field in the period and held an eight-point cushion when it was



Kadeem Allen of the Westchester Knicks slips past the Nets' Dzanan Musa for a shot in the lane during the second half of last Tuesday night's game.

over.

"Well, it wasn't so much making the shots," said Miller about Long Island's third-quarter explosion. "We weren't getting back. That's the whole thing. They're the number one paint team in the league. We gave up too much in the paint during that time. And then we kind of drop our heads down. We tried to shuffle in some new bodies and change the tempo and do something different. That was the little run we had to weather. As it turned out, we just had to get through that point and start chipping back into it."

Long Island missed its first half dozen shots in the fourth quarter and the Knicks



Isaiah Hicks of the Westchester Knicks shoots the ball in last week's 93-90 victory over the Long Island Nets.

closed to within 82-80 on a pair of free throws by Kadeem Allen, who finished with 19 points and five assists. A 3-pointer by Jenkins, the sweet-shooting guard from Vanderbilt who has already scored over 30 points four times this season, cut the Nets' lead to 86-85 with four and a half minutes to go.

A bucket by the Nets' Williams gave Long Island a 90-87 edge with 1:58 to play, but Jenkins answered just over a minute later by slicing through two defenders for a scoop in the lane that brought the Knicks back within a point again. Long Island guard Shannon Scott then misfired on a 3-point shot with 35 seconds remaining, setting the stage for some timely heroics from Jenkins and Hicks.

Using a high pick and roll, the two combined to give Westchester its first lead since early in the third quarter. Jenkins delivered a bounce pass to the cutting Hicks, who slipped past Williams for the game-deciding layup. The Nets had two



John Jenkins drives to the basket in Westchester's win over the Long Island Nets.

chances to regain the lead, but Pinson missed on a 3-pointer and Mitchell Creek couldn't convert on a drive to the basket with 2.5 seconds on the clock. The two free throws with 1.5 seconds remaining by Kornet, a 7-foot-1 center on assignment from the New York Knicks, provided the final points for Westchester.

"We're still building slowly as we go and I think all these little steps make a difference," said Miller, whose team was able to leapfrog Long Island in the standings by week's end with a pair of home wins over the Wisconsin Herd. "If we keep building the habits and doing the things we need to do, we'll put ourselves in a good position."

Despite the impressive 8-3 record at the moment, and sitting atop the Eastern Conference, Miller expects even more from his players in the weeks ahead.

"I think we're far from a finished product," he said. "We're still evolving. We still have a lot of work to do, but I think we have a much higher ceiling that we can get to in time."



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Mitchell Creek of the Long Island Nets dribbles across midcourt in last week's G League game at the County Center.



Dzanan Musa, the 2018 first-round pick of the Brooklyn Nets, tosses up a shot in the third quarter of last Tuesday's game against the Westchester Knicks.



Long Island Nets guard Theo Pinson fires a jump shot over Westchester's Kadeem Allen at the County Center.



Westchester's Luke Kornet (left) and Paul Watson surround Alan Williams of the Long Island Nets as they await a possible rebound in last Tuesday's G League game at the Westchester County Center.

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