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## Mt. Kisco Officials Back ShopRite, Family Entertainment Proposals

By Neal Rentz

Proposed zoning amendments to allow a ShopRite supermarket at Mount Kisco's Diamond Properties complex and eliminate the membership requirement for family entertainment facilities at the site were generally supported last week by village officials and residents.

Diamond Properties has signed a lease to move the ShopRite supermarket from its Bedford Hills location to The Park, the company's sprawling 31-acre property at 333 N. Bedford Rd. that includes about 600,000 square feet of space. The new supermarket would measure 70,000 square feet, a similar size to its current location.

Developer James Diamond must obtain zoning text changes from the Village Board to allow a supermarket in the Light Manufacturing (ML) district.

The site is the village's only parcel in the light manufacturing zone.

Diamond told village trustees at their Apr. 2 meeting that changes in the economy have made it necessary to seek new businesses in order for the property to remain competitive. While the complex is financially successful, large office and warehouse space is no longer being sought by many companies, Diamond said.

Some of his tenants have moved out of the building and the now-vacant portions are unlikely to be filled unless new tenants requiring authorization for additional uses are sought, he said. In 2016, Wine Enthusiast, which occupied 20 percent of the building, moved its warehouse operations to New Jersey. Last year, two other outfits moved from the site, and Cosentino is closing

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## Motorists Beware: ConEd Gas Main Project to Begin in Pleasantville

By Martin Wilbur

Motorists traveling in Pleasantville may have to navigate their way through traffic delays or at least exercise some extra patience over the next few months.

Con Edison is scheduled to replace gas mains starting this week on Marble Avenue from the Saw Mill Parkway access road at Exit 27 in Thornwood up to Pine Street. Another portion of the project will commence on Marble Avenue at Hobby Street, then continue onto Bedford Road and up to Key Food.

Pleasantville Mayor Peter Scherer said the work will be done six days a week, Monday through Saturday, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. The village has required that two lanes remain open during the morning and late afternoon rush hours, but there

may be single-lane closures at other times, he said.

Despite the likely inconveniences the project will cause, the work is needed and has to be done before the county is scheduled to repave Marble Avenue, which will probably begin later this year, the mayor said.

"It's a good thing that Con Ed is going to replace their infrastructure," said Scherer. "Unfortunately, there's no good time to do this."

After prep work begins this week, Con Edison has told the village that it will start with the replacement closest to Key Food and the Saw Mill Parkway exit in Thornwood, said Jeffrey Econom, the village's Department of Public Works superintendent. Crews will then make

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## Remembering a Hero



The Moses Taylor American Legion Post 136 in Mount Kisco recently held a ceremony commemorating the 100th anniversary of the death of Lt. Jeff Feigl, a village resident who was killed on the front lines in France in World War I. Participating in the ceremony were, left to right, Don Ford, Michael Cindrich, Daniel Maffucci, Jean Lachaud, Cos Procopis, Paul Hughes, Post 136 Commander Roger Guest and Andre Ferrara. To read more, see page 13.

## County Approves Bill Barring Salary History Questions in Interviews

By Martin Wilbur

The Westchester County Board of Legislators unanimously approved a measure Monday night to combat gender pay inequity and help job seekers who are looking to rejoin the workforce after a long hiatus.

The new law prohibits businesses in Westchester from asking a prospective job candidate their previous salary history as a requirement in a job application or interview.

Separating future earnings from a person's salary history is an important step in fighting the gender pay gap, legislators said. A study by the American Association of University Women in 2013 found that women are paid 6.6 percent less than men in their first jobs. When pay for each

subsequent job is tied to prior salaries, that inequity is perpetuated.

"This is a crucial step in combatting women's pay inequality, but it also removes a barrier of discrimination — whether intentional or unintentional — that will help all job seekers, including older workers, or workers who are making career transitions, or those returning to work after raising children, and it will do so at no cost to businesses," said Board of Legislators Chairman Ben Boykin (D-White Plains).

Women job seekers aren't the only ones protected. Workers, regardless of gender, who leave or lose higher-paying jobs often face resistance from when they're looking for lower-paying work. Employers may believe they can't afford the job seeker, or that job seeker will be unhappy or more

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its marble and quartz showroom and warehouse later this year.

Mayor Gina Picinich said the village needs to be responsive to changes in the marketplace. She added that additional family entertainment at the site would be beneficial for the village.

## Motorists Beware; Con Ed Gas Main Project to Begin in Pleasantville

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their way inward until they reach Hobby Street on one portion of the project and Pine Street coming from the Saw Mill, he said.

The estimated schedule has the work being finished sometime in July, Econom said, but completion could depend on weather and other factors.

"I'm hoping they'll be done in a few months, basically, and then we're hoping in mid to late summer we can get this road milled and paved," Econom said.

Pleasantville has received a commitment from Westchester County to repave Marble Avenue and has arranged to have that work delayed until the gas main work is completed, he said.

The complex presently houses the Grand Prix New York go-kart and entertainment facility and Saw Mill Club East, among other businesses. Diamond did not mention what new businesses he might try to attract to the property.

Two residents who spoke at last week's public hearing supported Diamond's proposed zoning changes. John Hagen said a ShopRite would be a positive addition to Mount Kisco and would generate additional tax revenue for the village.

Another resident, Amy Lerner, said ShopRite and additional family entertainment would attract people from outside Mount Kisco and encourage them to spend money in the village.

Zoning amendments under consideration include allowing for a supermarket of 35,000 to 70,000 square feet as long as there would be at least one parking space for each 200 square feet of gross floor area.

Family recreation operations would also require the same parking requirement and limit accessory uses to three for each facility. Additionally, there would be no signs visible from outside the family recreation operation. A cabaret license could also be obtained for any restaurant use.

Village trustees must also decide whether to grant Diamond's request to drop membership requirements for additional family entertainment operations to move into the site. Grand Prix New York is currently a membership club.

Trustee Karen Schleimer supported changes that would permit Diamond to bring ShopRite to his property, but she said further review regarding potential impacts is needed before she could support waiving the family entertainment membership requirement. She was the only board member who opposed changing the membership standard.

Schleimer said she wanted to wait until ShopRite opened before considering that action. Furthermore, the issue should be discussed as part of the ongoing Comprehensive Plan update process, she said.

"There are a lot of unanswered questions," Schleimer said.

However, Trustee Peter Grunthal said the proposed zoning amendments should be approved by the board, including the request to ease the membership requirement. Any plans to create new family entertainment facilities at the property would be subject to a full review and have to be approved by the Planning Board,



NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

Developer James Diamond is requesting zoning changes to expand uses at his complex at 333 N. Bedford Rd. complex in Mount Kisco. His request that would allow a ShopRite supermarket has received support from the Village Board.

Grunthal said.

The board closed the public hearing but is keeping open the period to accept written comments from the public for 30 days.

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# Utility Company Heads Grilled During State Senate Hearing on Storms

By David Propper

The leaders of three utilities were put on the hot seat during a recent state Senate hearing in Albany to address massive and lengthy power outages caused by two powerful winter storms last month.

State lawmakers questioned Con Edison President and CEO John McAvoy, NYSEG CEO Carl Taylor and Central Hudson CEO Michael Mosher about apparent communications breakdowns that provided erroneous information to the public and significant shortcomings in restoring power to thousands of lower Hudson Valley customers after the two massive storms.

McAvoy said as Con Edison attempted to restore power after the Mar. 2 wind and rainstorm, the onset of the Mar. 7 snowstorm delayed work. McAvoy noted a software defect and modeling problem were the cause of much of the inaccurate information that had been dispensed.

He said Con Edison understands why people were frustrated and upset as they sat in the dark.

"This has been a difficult few weeks for our customers," McAvoy said.

Taylor said he was "very proud" of the work done by his utility's workers after the two storms. He said NYSEG was prepared for the widespread weather event, but the severity of the storms and how soon one occurred after the other hampered efforts. More than 3,000 wires were down and 400 poles broke, along with damage to

other infrastructure, which complicated restoration. About 870 men and women worked 17-hour days to restore customers' power, he said.

"This was an extraordinary effort...in an extraordinary event," Taylor said.

He noted NYSEG has committed millions of dollars into its Brewster division and is developing ways to make its infrastructure more resilient to severe storms.

Central Hudson CEO Michael Mosher said he understands power outages impose great stress and safety risks on customers, but putting the lights back on after major weather events presents many challenges. Before the Mar. 2 storm, Mosher said the utility prepared and called on mutual aid, but it turned out to be the fourth most severe storm in the past 50 years for Central Hudson.

While every customer was restored from the Mar. 2 storm before the Mar. 7 snowstorm, the second event caused another 50,000 outages, he said.

"Any comparison between any two storms and for that matter restoration performance between utilities is difficult and imprecise," Mosher said.

State Sen. Terrence Murphy (R-Yorktown) said much of the frustration came from bad communication, and a stronger response plan must be implemented to improve service. Murphy said despite investigations following other recent major storms, the job done by utilities was "unacceptable."



A recent state Senate hearing in Albany grilled the CEOs of three major utilities in the region that was pounded by back-to-back storms early last month.

"We can't beat Mother Nature, but we owe it to the people we serve to have a practical, effective emergency plan we can put into effect when outages do occur," he said.

When Murphy asked the three executives if each utility was able to put forward an adequate effort, lawmakers appeared bothered by the weak response.

"I think you know the answer to that, that's why we're here," Murphy quipped.

State Sen. Sue Serino (R-Hyde Park) asked whether the companies would reimburse customers for lost food during the storm.

Mosher said Central Hudson doesn't but it provided dry ice for customers during the outages. Taylor responded that NYSEG would be sending information to affected customers regarding potential reimbursement. Con Edison is providing

reimbursement.

Serino said in the aftermath of both Nor'easters, she noticed Putnam faced a more difficult time having power restored and debris cleared than Dutchess County. She said one 93-year-old woman in Lake Peekskill had to be rushed to the hospital after she could not get access to her heart medicine a couple of days following the storm.

When the woman was released, she was taken to a Red Cross shelter in Westchester and was forced to wear the same clothes for eight days. Meanwhile, her home had no power despite being told several times power had returned, leading to more confusion and heartache, Serino said.

"They deserve answers," she said.

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# County Approves Bill Barring Salary History Questions in Interviews

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likely to leave sooner.

"This legislation brings this issue to the forefront and ultimately to a place of fairness," said Legislator Margaret Cunzio (C-Mount Pleasant). "If you are applying for the same job you should be treated and compensated the same way – fairly."

Studies have found that women are less likely to negotiate salaries than men. A survey conducted for online job site Glassdoor, found that 68 percent of women seeking jobs accepted the first salary they were offered without negotiating, compared to 52 percent of men. When they did negotiate, men were

more than three times more successful than women in negotiating for higher pay.

The gender negotiation gap appears to increase with age. The same Glassdoor survey found that 77 percent of women 45 to 54 years old accepted the first salary they were offered.

"Historically, women and people of color have been paid less for the same jobs as men, and that disparity grows exponentially over a career if every salary offered is dependent on the previous job's pay," said Legislator Catherine Borgia (D-Ossining), the primary sponsor of the law. "This legislation will level the playing

field and ensure that all employees have the same opportunity to make the best salary they can negotiate without reference to what they might have been paid in previous jobs. Many industries are already eliminating the salary history question in their hiring practices. It's time for Westchester businesses to do the same."

Similar measures are already on the books in New York City and in several states, and another such provision is being considered by the state legislature in Albany.

## What a Rebel



NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

The grand opening of Rebel Yoga in Thornwood was celebrated with a ribbon-cutting ceremony last Friday. Lifelong Mount Pleasant resident Tasia Sabatino, center, owns Rebel Yoga, which opened last December. Also shown, from left to right, are Aimee Nichols, Pasquale Palumbo, Sharon Spina and Tom Millott from the Mount Pleasant Chamber of Commerce.

## Bedford Schools to Hold Budget Informational Meetings

The Bedford Board of Education will be holding informational meetings for parents and community members on the district's 2018-19 budget.

The administrators will review the spending plan, including the process behind creating it and a breakdown of where the money will be spent.

The Board of Education is expected to adopt the district's 2018-19 school budget on Wednesday, Apr. 11. It will then go before the voters on Tuesday, May 15.

The following are the dates, times and locations of the informational budget

meetings that have been scheduled during the next month.

- Tuesday, Apr. 17, Bedford Hills Elementary School, 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 2, Fox Lane Middle School, 7 p.m.
- Thursday, May 3, Bedford Village Elementary School, 7 p.m.
- Monday, May 7, West Patent Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 8, Mount Kisco Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 9, Pound Ridge Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

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# Controversial Sunshine Home Expansion Plan Nears Approval

By Neal Rentz

The controversial proposal to expand the Sunshine Children's Home & Rehabilitation Center is on the verge of receiving approval for its revised special use permit.

The New Castle Zoning Board of

Appeals reached unanimous consensus Mar. 28 to instruct town staff to create a resolution for the ZBA's April meeting.

Sunshine Children's Home, which cares for medically fragile children, is looking to expand its 33-acre property at 15 Spring Valley Rd. from about 18,000 square feet to more than 147,000 square feet and to increase the number of beds from 54 to 122.

Residents lined up at the February public hearing to argue against the project, contending that the applicant has disregarded local laws. Last November, it was discovered that Sunshine had undertaken unauthorized site work when it was testing one of its three wells on the property. Project opponents argued the applicant's actions should be considered when the board considers the special permit.

At last week's meeting, ZBA members agreed that they would approve the expansion. Reading from a prepared statement, ZBA member Harvey Boneparth expressed his support for the project, saying there would be no significant adverse environmental impacts. Modifications made to the project reduce those impacts, according to town staff.

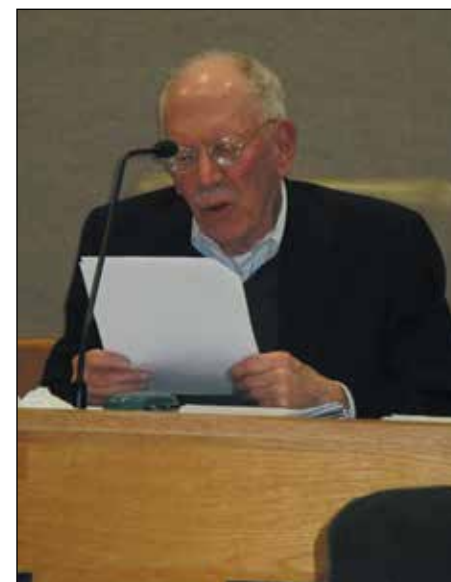
Boneparth said he disagreed with residents who have argued that the work done at the site in November required restarting the state Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) process. A recent memorandum from the town's hydrologist stated that deepening of a well on the property would have no adverse impact on other wells as long as the pumping rate is limited to 10 gallons per minute, Boneparth said.

"I don't think there are any negative impacts with regards to this current application," board member Anthony Giardina said. "We're not talking about what we did before."

Giardina pointed to town staff's comments, which stated that the project would actually reduce negative environmental impacts.

A public discussion on the offsite well monitoring program will be held at a later date.

Although Sunshine may be close to obtaining its revised special use permit for the expansion, the applicant faces two separate pieces of litigation. A neighboring homeowner and a group of residents in western New Castle and in Ossining have each filed an Article 78 in state Supreme Court. They contended



NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

New Castle Zoning Board of Appeals member Harvey Boneparth supports the proposal to expand the Sunshine Children's Home & Rehabilitation Center.

that the project required a positive declaration that would trigger the more extensive environmental review process under SEQRA.

## Chappaqua Restaurant Week Celebrated Now Through Saturday

Six Chappaqua restaurants will be participating in Chappaqua Restaurant Week scheduled now through Saturday, Apr. 14. Chappaqua Restaurant Week is the perfect time to support the town's restaurants. Establishments participating in Chappaqua Restaurant Week include Le Jardin, Aesop's Fable, Chappaqua Tavern, Local, Quaker Hill Tavern and Old Stone Trattoria.

For more details, including the restaurants' menus, visit [www.mynewcastle.org/new-castle-community-enewsletter-restaurant-week](http://www.mynewcastle.org/new-castle-community-enewsletter-restaurant-week).

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# No. Castle Historical Society Meeting Arrives at Fortuitous Time

By Martin Wilbur

The North Castle Historical Society is obligated each April to hold its annual meeting. When the organization meets this Sunday at the North Castle Public Library, there is likely to have been some news that its members have been waiting years to hear.

This week it is expected that the county will unveil a plan to restore Miller House/Washington's Headquarters in North White Plains when Kathleen O'Connor, commissioner of Westchester County Parks Recreation and Conservation, addresses the North Castle Town Board Wednesday night.

It couldn't come at a better time, not only to save the 280-year-old landmark on Virginia Road after more than a decade of squabbles on how best to preserve the house and pay for it and whether it should be moved to a more suitable location. It's also timely because Historical Society member Cynthia Kauffman, the co-founder of Daughters of Liberty's Legacy, will portray Ann Fisher Miller and her life as part of the meeting's program on Sunday.

"When I tell her life story, part of it is to have people understand what the role of women was during that time," Kauffman said. "The records really reflect what soldiers did and there are no records, really, of what a lot of the women did.

Their stories have been lost."

Ann Miller raised her family in the house along with her husband, Elijah. The house was used in October 1776 as George Washington's headquarters during the Battle of White Plains. Except for a few days that month, it is believed that Ann Miller never left the house again, Kauffman said.

While Elijah Miller and both of their sons were killed during the Revolution, the couple's daughter, Sarah Miller Cornell, lived in the house until her death in 1838.

The Historical Society program, which also includes Kauffman's co-founder Debra Palazzo discussing the risks women faced during the Revolutionary War, has traditionally been a way to entice the general public, said Sharon Tomback, North Castle's co-town historian.

It's even possible that there may be a few more people interested in turning out with the apparent resolution of the Miller House debate at hand.

"We are very grateful to the current county executive for making this topic the first order of his new administration," Tomback said.

Kauffman said keeping the Miller farmhouse at the location where it has stood since 1738 is essential in telling the story of what happened there to future

generations. Despite its deterioration, it has withstood powerful storms because it was built in a location where it was shielded from both weather and warfare, she said.

It also served as the first Methodist church for many years. Kauffman called the property where it sits "sacred ground." When people will see the house on site, it will help tell the story of what happened there.

For at least 10 years, and possibly closer to two decades, it has been closed off to the general public for safety reasons, she said.

"It's a tragic waste of a learning tool," Kauffman said. "Our goal at Daughters of Liberty's Legacy is to educate people about the history that's around them and how to preserve it, so someone else can learn from it."

Tomback said supporting the preservation of historical homes and buildings is part of the Historical Society's mission. It oversees four buildings, one of which is on the National Register, at 440 Bedford Rd. in Armonk. The public is invited to visit those structures, Tomback said.

The North Castle Historical Society's Annual meeting is scheduled to start at 2 p.m. this Sunday. The North Public Library is located at 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East in Armonk.



Cynthia Kauffman, a North Castle Historical Society member and co-founder of Daughters of Liberty's Legacy, will portray Ann Fisher Miller as part of the program of the Historical Society's annual meeting. It will come just days after county officials are expected to announce plans to refurbish Miller House/Washington's Headquarters in North White Plains.

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# Committee Hits Murphy's Challenger With Unfair Campaign Practice

By Martin Wilbur

The Westchester County Fair Campaign Practices Committee upheld all three complaints recently lodged by state Sen. Terrence Murphy (R-Yorktown) against his likely challenger in the 40th District race later this year.

In a ruling released on Apr. 8, the committee agreed with Murphy's campaign that Robert Kesten lacked sufficient evidence to accuse the senator of receiving as much as \$2.5 million in contributions from hedge funds and charge that Murphy opposes closing the carried interest tax loophole.

Murphy's third complaint arose from the posting of a photo on the Kesten campaign Facebook page showing the challenger at a protest where he stood near a sign which read "Murphy = Corruption." Kesten said he was not holding the sign nor was it his.

While Kesten said Monday he and his campaign will be extra vigilant regarding the wording on literature, social media postings and public comments that he makes, he charged that the committee nitpicked and failed to see the larger picture.

For example, Kesten said Murphy's representative at the committee's hearing, Christopher Arnold, acknowledged that the senator had accepted at least \$11,000 in direct contributions from hedge funds. However, that fails to measure



State Sen. Terrence Murphy



Robert Kesten

how Murphy has benefitted from outside sources not listed in contribution filings, including in his last two general election campaigns.

"These are not monumental charges," Kesten said of the committee's findings. "I think anyone who has observed the way campaigns have been run and how much money has been poured into them from various sources, recognizes the fact that far more money has been spent in previous Murphy campaigns against Ali Boak, against Justin Wagner."

In the first complaint regarding the alleged \$2.5 million in hedge fund contributions, the committee concluded "A candidate should make any data he/she presents in campaign literature (or other communications) as specific and

detailed as possible. Claims must be accurate with regard to detail and context and clearly indicate the time-periods and the amounts involved, and the source of the information."

The committee stated that there was no evidence to link Murphy with any opposition to closing the carried interest tax loophole.

Kesten argued that is one of a growing list of issues where Murphy has refused to take a position, one of the reasons why he jumped into the race last year.

Finally, the committee concluded regarding posted Facebook photo that "there was no evidence presented which substantiated the corruption charge."

Murphy's campaign took full advantage of the committee's findings, saying that Kesten was caught lying.

"Robert Kesten has already lost all credibility with voters and he isn't even his party's nominee yet," said Murphy campaign spokeswoman Martha Ruiz Jiménez. "Most candidates wait until October for desperation to settle in but apparently Mr. Kesten is already there."

This was the second time Murphy filed complaints with the committee, which ruled in Murphy's favor both times.

Kesten, who remains the Democrats' only announced candidate in the race, said Murphy's playbook will be to run to the committee every time he disagrees with or dislikes a comment.

"I guess they will keep doing it as much as they can, trying to tarnish other people because that's the MO of their campaign," he said.

The committee consists of 19 members from assorted political backgrounds. It has no enforcement powers or authority to stop candidates but from using misleading statements or materials but it hopes to set an acceptable standard for political debate.

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# Police Blotter

## County Police/Mount Kisco

**Apr. 2:** A 16-year-old boy who was attending a movie at the movie theater on Main Street reported at 9:13 p.m. that he was punched in the face during an argument with another youth. The victim said he was unable to describe his attacker because it was dark inside the theater when the incident occurred.

**Apr. 4:** A man who parked in the South Moger Avenue parking lot reported at 11:09 a.m. that someone entered his car and removed the parking permit that was hanging from his mirror.

**Apr. 4:** Report of a woman acting

erratically at the Mount Kisco Public Library on Main Street at 2:06 p.m. A library patron reported that the woman had entered the ladies room and was repeatedly banging her hands against the door of a bathroom stall. The woman was gone upon an officer's arrival.

**Apr. 6:** Report of a possible domestic dispute at Mount Kisco Commons on North Bedford Road at 4:34 p.m. The responding officers located a man and a woman engaged in a loud argument but determined the dispute was verbal in nature only. The parties involved in the dispute left the area separately.

**Apr. 6:** A village resident arrived at the Green Street police precinct at 5:40 p.m. to report that she had left her wallet behind after using the ATM at Key Bank on Main Street. She returned to the bank to look for it but could not find it. The wallet contained personal identification, \$200 cash and credit cards. She was advised to immediately cancel her credit cards.

**Apr. 6:** Police responded to a Lexington Avenue restaurant at 7:39 p.m. on a report that a vehicle struck another car in the parking lot and then fled the scene.

## North Castle Police Department

**Mar. 30:** A caller reported at 9:05 a.m. that a party attempted to steal merchandise at Stop & Shop on North Broadway. An officer responded and a report will follow.

**Mar. 30:** A CVS employee reported an active larceny at 6:51 p.m. involving three males who just fled from the store on Main Street. Multiple officers were dispatched to assist.

**Mar. 31:** The manager at La Quinta Inn on Business Park Drive reported at 4:58 a.m. that he heard a possible dispute in the area of Room 165. Officers were dispatched and responded.

**Mar. 31:** A subject arrived at police headquarters at 2:45 p.m. to report that his

electric guitar went missing while he was in the lobby of La Quinta Inn on Business Park Drive.

**Mar. 31:** A Limestone Road resident reported that a bench was stolen from the front of her house at 3:40 p.m. An officer responded to the location.

**Apr. 4:** Report of a dispute on Hallock Place at 5:08 p.m. A caller reported that he is installing electronics at a residence and the homeowner has made allegations that he is stealing from her.

## County Police to Hold 'Coffee With a Cop' Event in Mt. Kisco on Saturday

Westchester County police invite the Mount Kisco community to "Coffee With a Cop" this Saturday, Apr. 14 at Bagel and Bean Cafe at 25 S. Moger Ave.

The event, which will be held from 9 a.m. to noon, will give residents an opportunity to chat with the county police officers who patrol the village. The goal is to build relationships and trust between the officers and the people they serve.

"Police officers most often meet the public while responding to calls or handling stressful incidents," Acting Commissioner Martin McGlynn said. "We look forward to simply sharing a cup

of coffee and some conversation with the people of Mount Kisco."

McGlynn said the event is a great chance for residents to discuss community issues and concerns or find out more about the work police officers do.

"We are grateful to the folks at Bagel and Bean Café for opening their doors to us and hosting this community event," McGlynn said.

Coffee With a Cop was started by the police department in Hawthorne, Calif. and has spread nationwide as a simple and effective way for police to break down barriers and build stronger relationships with the community.


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# Griffin-Wagner Honored, Delivers Departing Message for P'ville Officials

By Anna Young

After serving on the Pleasantville Village Board for the past six years, Colleen Griffin-Wagner said her final goodbye last week during the annual organizational meeting.

Mayor Peter Scherer presented Griffin-Wagner with an Honorable Service Award for her dedicated efforts, improving the quality of life for residents and securing a brighter future for the village.

"Amid all of the moments when all of us struggle to find alignment and to do the right thing for the Village of Pleasantville, you, like everyone who has ever sat here, has proven that you're here for the right reasons," Scherer said.

Wagner, who was first elected in 2012, did not seek re-election this year. Joseph Stargiotti won a second consecutive term and newcomer David Vinjamuri made it onto the board replacing Griffin-Wagner in an uncontested election.

"I ran for trustee six years ago with a genuine desire to be involved and to make a difference in this village. And while I feel that I have contributed to many advancements and improvements over the past six years, I feel that I may be able to accomplish more off the board rather than on," Griffin-Wagner said in a lengthy speech. "I didn't run to just come to meetings and vote. My time on this board has to be well spent and if I'm to be honest with myself it's no longer here for me."

Former trustee Jonathan Cunningham thanked Griffin-Wagner for her service describing her as a "force." Another



ANNA YOUNG PHOTO

Pleasantville Mayor Peter Scherer last week thanked former trustee Colleen Griffin-Wagner for her six years of service on the Village Board.

former trustee, Mindy Berard, said her former colleague always followed her heart and pushed the village forward.

While Griffin-Wagner said she is proud of the village's strong financial position, she implored trustees to aggressively evaluate the budget with a responsible financial policy that ensures continued fiscal strength. She said commercial development is critically important to the village's future and implored the board to make Pleasantville the right place for new projects and developers.

She criticized her former board members for failing to communicate with residents regarding new projects, businesses, improvements and construction. She suggested trustees review all ongoing projects monthly to keep residents informed while searching

for new ways to deliver and share information.

Griffin-Wagner said she was disappointed she wouldn't be able to vote for the village's proposed plastic bag ban or be part of the final decisions regarding the Memorial Plaza civic space project.

She also issued an apology to residents that she will no longer be on the board to support any future assisted living proposals and shared her concern with the way development is tackled by the board.

"What most concerns me now, with respect to the Sunrise (Senior Living) project, is that handling of the process and the confusion that continues to surround

these projects," she said of the project that was officially withdrawn by the applicant. "I regret that I did not demand more structure and rules with respect to how our board approaches new development and how, who and when proposals are heard, when feedback is provided and public comment is accepted."

Throughout her tenure Griffin-Wagner said she's enjoyed meeting and working with the people who represent the village's various volunteer board members and Village Hall staff.

"It has been my honor and my privilege to have served with all of you," Griffin-Wagner said.

## Scherer, Trustees Sworn In During Pleasantville's Reorganization Meeting

By Anna Young

It was a celebratory night in Pleasantville on Apr. 2 as Mayor Peter Scherer was sworn in for a fourth term as trustees Joseph Stargiotti and David Vinjamuri took the oath of office.

Scherer, first elected as mayor in 2009, thanked the community for its continued support and confidence in allowing him to lead the village.

"I moved to Pleasantville in 1986 and had no intention of running for the Village Board, certainly no intention of ever being the mayor, and no expectation that I'd be standing here tonight sworn in now for my fourth term as mayor," Scherer said. "The opportunity to live in a community that truly is a community has been a great gift to me and it's why I'm here."

Stargiotti, who starts his second consecutive term on the board and his third term overall, said he feels privileged to be part of the changes the village has undergone during his tenure. He said citizen engagement is essential to improving the village, crediting collaborative efforts between the board

and the public that has resulted in updated plans and zoning and other initiatives.

"I see a lot of great development, some due to nothing that we did and some due to some encouragement that we gave and I think it's a really good thing," he said. "I'm privileged to be here and be a part of it."

Vinjamuri, who began his first term on the board last week, expressed his excitement to serve.

"I hope as we move forward as a village that we can have a dialogue between people of different viewpoints because I think that's really the most important process of governance is working out mutual differences to everybody's advantage," he said.

Vinjamuri, a six-year Pleasantville resident, is an adjunct professor of marketing at New York University. He is the author of "Accidental Branding: How Ordinary People Build Extraordinary Brands" and president of ThirdWay Brand Trainers, a leading brand marketing company. He is also a contributor to Forbes magazine.

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# Obituaries

## Timothy Burke

Timothy Burke of Hawthorne passed away unexpectedly on Apr. 1 in Rockland.

He was 56.

Burke was born in the Bronx on May 15, 1961, to Francis and Madeline Burke (nee Watters). He was the beloved husband of Lisa Burke (nee Mazzola); the loving father of Timothy Ryan and Allison Elisabeth Burke; and the cherished grandfather of Hailey Marie Praslick and Jaxon Roger Burke. He is also survived by his devoted siblings, Patricia, Madeline, Frank, Eileen, Kevin and Mary Ellen; was the loving son-in-law to Patricia Mazzola and Roger (deceased); and brother-in-law to Steven Mazzola (Lori) and Cathy (Jim) Dooley. Also left to mourn his loss are countless nieces, nephews, friends and colleagues. His brother, Terrence, predeceased him.

Professionally, Burke was a dedicated and respected New York City police officer who retired in 2002. He was also an avid golfer.

Family and friends gathered for visitation at Pleasant Manor Funeral Home, Inc. in Thornwood on Apr. 4. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Holy Rosary Church on Apr. 5. To honor him, the New York City Police



Timothy Burke

Department's honor guard will be present to commemorate Burke's service. Interment will follow at Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Hawthorne.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks you consider a donation in Timothy's memory to either the American Heart Association or a charity of your choice.

## Palma Tartaglione

Palma Liberati Tartaglione of Yonkers died on Apr. 3.

She was 95.

Tartaglione was born on Jan. 22, 1923, to the late Giovanni and Anna Rubeo in Yonkers. She was a retired waitress at Manzi's Restaurant in Hastings-on-Hudson.

She is survived by her loving children, Vincent (Carol) Liberati of Wilmington, N.C., Harry (Diana) Tartaglione of Fishkill, Thomas (Carolyn) Liberati of Hawthorne, Anna Batissa of New Fairfield, Conn., Joan (Kevin) Millen of Fairfield, Conn. and Jean (Fred) Daniele

of Shelton, Conn.; one brother, Mark Rubeo, Sr.; two sisters, Nancy Rubeo Riolo and Nina Rubeo Bonacci; 16 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by one grandson, John Tartaglione, six brothers and one sister.

Visitation was at Hawthorne Funeral Home on Apr. 6. A funeral Mass was held at Holy Rosary Church in Hawthorne on Apr. 7 followed by entombment at Gate of Heaven Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations to Rosary Hill Home, 600 Linda Ave. Hawthorne, N.Y. 10532 would be appreciated.

## Evelyn Hamilton

Evelyn K. Hamilton of Port Chester passed away peacefully on Apr. 1 surrounded by her loving family.

She was 84.

Hamilton was born in Harrison on Oct. 28, 1933, to Harold and Minnie Brennan (nee Preston). She was the beloved wife of Hugh Edward Hamilton for 66 years;

the loving mother of China Pierce, Darryl Hamilton, Clint Hamilton and Candy Light; the cherished grandmother of 11; and great-grandmother of 10.

Funeral services were held at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Port Chester on Apr. 7, followed by entombment at St. Mary's Cemetery in Port Chester.

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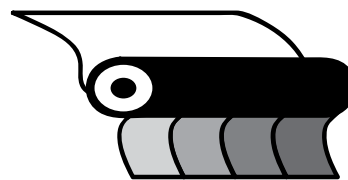
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# New School Trains Next Generation of Dentists in Heart of Westchester

By Martin Wilbur

It was Dr. Edward Farkas's vision to open a new dental college in the Hudson Valley. After all, the difficult process in establishing a place to train tomorrow's dentists had been a contributing factor in New York State having gone nearly a half-century without the launch of a new dental school.

But the opening of Touro College of Dental Medicine in Hawthorne in 2016 isn't only to benefit the future careers of the 110 students who enter the four-year program each July, it will be a public service to thousands of area residents for years to come.

Farkas, Touro's vice dean, said new schools had been opening in other regions of the country, which aligned with a U.S. News & World Report article a few years ago listing dentistry as the top profession in the United States. However, New York has lagged.

Farkas called his dream "a 5 a.m. vision."

"So, when that happened, I took a look around and thought maybe we need more capacity," he said. "There are new schools in Utah, Arizona, California and we're kind of filling that trend."

Located at 19 Skyline Drive on the campus of New York Medical College and in the space once used by IBM as a research facility, Touro College of Dental Medicine takes up the building's top two floors. On

the top floor is the school, where students, dressed in scrubs, learn on mannequins and train for their future profession under a grueling schedule.

During the students' four years, they are introduced to today's state-of-the-art dentistry equipment that serves as the foundation of their education.

One story below is Touro's brand new 32,000-square-foot oral health facility that opened in January with 81 dental stations. Once each incoming class finishes its first two years, they then observe live patients and eventually treat them under the watchful guidance of the roughly 80 faculty and staff members. Most of the faculty, similar to Farkas, work in outside practices.

"The student is part of the dentistry team and there are multiple faculty members that are part of that team and works with them in treating these patients," Farkas said. "So after the students come down, the patients can be rest assured that the treatment will be safe and high quality. That's the message that we're trying to get out."

Patients make appointments and arrive at Touro's facility like they would any dental practice, said Rachael Silva, the school's director of marketing. The draws for the patient are the large number of professionals that are supervising their care, the availability of all types of specialties in one facility without referrals



Students at Touro College of Dental Medicine in Hawthorne work on mannequins as part of their training during the four-year course.

imagery of a patient's mouth allows the dentists and their students to see things that might not be discernible by eye or even traditional x-rays. In instances where crowns, bridges or implants are required, the technology is so precise that molds aren't needed, which reduces the number of visits for major work, he said.

With an aging population and greater life expectancy, proper nutrition is increasingly essential, Farkas said. Taking care of one's teeth is a key component.

Farkas added that Touro College of Dental Medicine has received about 2,500 applications for the 110 annual slots from hopefuls throughout the United States.

"With the help of all those who participated in the process, we are realizing our commitment to the school's mission to educate outstanding dental professionals... who will return to their diverse communities and provide outstanding service with integrity, compassion and empathy and we are sincerely grateful," Farkas said.

and highly competitive pricing, she said.

All major forms of insurance are accepted as well, including Medicaid.

"Our prices are 20 to 50 percent less than most private, traditional practices out there," Silva said. "But the other part of it is you have every dental specialist under one roof every day right there on the spot, so they're all figuring out the best treatment every day."

Touro is planning additional specials and discounts for veterans, seniors and other segments of the population, she said.

Farkas said the digital technology and

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# Mount Kisco Man, Legion Honors WW I Veteran 100 Years Later

By Martin Wilbur

When Jean Lachaud moved into his house in Mount Kisco 21 years ago and learned that it had once been the home of a World War I soldier, it didn't leave much of an impression.

Over time, however, Lachaud's curiosity was piqued over the man who generations earlier had lived in the same house on Millwood Road. Through his research, he discovered that the residence had belonged to the parents of Lt. Jefferson Feigl, who spent at least part of his childhood at that property.

On Mar. 21, 1918, Feigl, a 2nd lieutenant in the 1st Division, 7th Field Artillery Regiment, was the first American artillery officer to be killed in World War I. In the years following his death, Jeff Feigl Square, where the monument of Chief Kisco stands near the intersection of Routes 117 and 133, was named in his memory. He was 22 years old when he was killed on the front lines near Beaumont, France, struck by a fragment from a German artillery shell, according to "Memoirs of the Harvard Dead in the War Against Germany, Volume 2."

As the 100th anniversary of Feigl's death approached last month, Lachaud, president of the American Society of Le Souvenir Français, Inc., a French veterans organization, contacted its representatives to have flowers delivered to his grave at St.

Mihiel American Cemetery in Thiaucourt, France on Mar. 21.

He also appealed to his friend, Andre Ferrara, also a Mount Kisco resident and French Army veteran, to hold a special ceremony at the Moses Taylor American Legion Post located next to Jeff Feigl Square. Ferrara was able to reach out to the post commander and former village mayor Michael Cindrich to schedule the ceremony for the anniversary, although it had to be postponed until Mar. 29 with the threat of a storm.

"It makes me feel like he's not forgotten," Lachaud said of the importance of recognizing Feigl's death. "My idea was to have twin ceremonies, both in France and here at Feigl Square in Mount Kisco. I didn't know anyone at the VFW, but I knew that Andre did."

By all accounts, Feigl was highly respected. The son of Frederick Feigl, a political editor at the time, he went to Harvard and was a member of the freshman baseball team but decided to leave school in 1917 to join the first class of ROTC trainees at Plattsburgh.

Lachaud, who works in technology and is a translator, said that while over the past 20 years he had become increasingly



Three representatives of Le Souvenir Français, Inc., a French veterans organization, at a Mar. 21 ceremony at St. Mihiel American Cemetery in Thiaucourt, France to mark the 100th anniversary of Lt. Jeff Feigl's death.

intrigued about Feigl, it wasn't until he saw the images from the small graveside ceremony and the grave marker bearing his name that the impact of his sacrifice hit home.

"When I received the photos, it's interesting, it became personal," he said. "When I go up the stairs in my house, I use the same railing that Jeff Feigl used. He was a kid."

Ferrara said Moses Taylor, another Mount Kisco resident who had the village's American Legion post named after him, died three days after Feigl on the front lines in France.



A photo of Lt. Jeff Feigl, a Mount Kisco resident, before he was killed on the front lines in France 100 years ago.

Lachaud said during his research, he recalled reading a touching letter Feigl sent home to his parents a few weeks before he was killed that predicted his death.

While there may not be any living relatives of Feigl, it is up to those in local communities to remember those who perished in defending the country, he said.

"Because he was single child, he has no relatives," Lachaud said. "I think it's important he not be forgotten."



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## Editorial

### PSC Hearings a Necessary Step to Make Utilities More Accountable

After the abysmal performance and response by utilities following last month's winter storms, it was encouraging last week to see that the state Public Service Commission (PSC) scheduled a series of public hearings throughout the Hudson Valley and Long Island.

Starting next Monday and continuing for 10 days, PSC staff and representatives will hear from citizens in nine counties, including Westchester.

The PSC has asked the public to focus on one or more of seven questions when each hearing convenes.

How were you affected by the outages?

Do you think you received timely, accurate and adequate information from your utility company about what was happening before, during and after the service outages?

What are your overall impressions about how your utility responded to the outages?

What were your reasons for those impressions?

Did you attempt to contact your utility for information or assistance immediately before, during or after the outages, and did you get the response you were requesting?

What are your recommendations about actions you believe your utility should or should not have taken before, during and after the service outages?

What actions do you recommend the department take in light of all that you know regarding these events?

Con Edison's or NYSEG's authority to operate in their territory shouldn't be threatened if they treat this opportunity seriously to make meaningful changes. In terrain throughout Westchester and the Hudson Valley, when there are events that are as serious as the back-to-back Mar. 2 and Mar. 7 storms, widespread power outages are almost inevitable.

But what Con Edison and NYSEG could control and didn't is what cries out for change. Those demands have been well-documented by many customers and

elected officials – the need for accurate and timely outage and restoration information and mobilizing resources before a serious storm hits.

Perhaps the hearings would have been scheduled anyway, but the business-as-usual responses from three utility CEOs about two weeks ago in Albany before a state Senate hearing where inexcusable.

About five and a half years after Superstorm Sandy, Con Edison and NYSEG operate like nothing needs to change. That's what must change first.

If the state doesn't take action now, there will be virtually no hope for improvement when the next storms strike.

There have been four hearings scheduled in Westchester. They will be on Monday, Apr. 23 at the Larchmont Public Library at 2 p.m. and at Somers Middle School at 6 p.m. and on Tuesday, Apr. 24 at Pound Ridge Town Hall at 2 p.m. and at the County Center in White Plains at 6 p.m.

## Letters to the Editor

### State's New Tax Legislation Runs Afoul of Federal Law

New York State's attempt to thwart the recently passed federal tax law by allowing "charitable contributions" in lieu of taxes will no doubt run afoul of the federal requirement for reporting "quid pro quo" contributions and will not provide the promised benefit to the taxpayers.

"A charitable organization must provide a written disclosure statement to donors of a quid pro quo contribution in excess of \$75. A quid pro quo contribution is a payment made to a charity by a donor, partly as a contribution and partly for goods or services provided to the donor by the charity. For example, if a donor gives a charity \$100 and receives a concert ticket valued at \$40, the donor has made a quid

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**E. Patrick Mosman**  
Pleasantville

### Blame Sunrise, Not P'ville Village Board, for Proposal Falling By Wayside

I think it's unfair of The Examiner to question in a news story whether Sunrise Senior Living got a "fair shake" – as an unnamed source apparently put it – from the Pleasantville Village Board regarding building an assisted living facility on an undeveloped portion of land owned by the United Methodist Church, and for an editorial to somehow blame Mayor Peter Scherer and the board for not being transparent enough.

Sunrise – and the outside investors group that supported it – was foolish to start talking about an assisted living facility barely a year after the board voted down a proposal at the same location from Benchmark Senior Living in 2014 following 18 months of meeting and

hearings, and then trying to submit an almost identical proposal (same architect, same site planners) to a board that already lost two of Benchmark's supporters, and later three.

Sunrise eventually withdrew the full assisted living proposal and floated the idea of a somewhat smaller memory care only facility in the same location, but apparently, they needed a flashing neon sign saying, "NO THANK YOU" to realize that project wouldn't be approved either.

Whether Mayor Scherer called Sunrise's Jerry Liang last month and told him the obvious, I don't know. But if he did, I'd say it was an act of kindness, saving Sunrise from wasting more money and the village from another series of divisive meetings

over a type of development at that location that never appeared to have broad public support in Pleasantville.

I think the Village Board was fair to Sunrise, as it had been to Benchmark, but they just couldn't take the hint.

My neighbors and I in the areas close to the United Methodist Church property continue to implore the leadership of the church – as we have since Benchmark – to sit down with representatives of the neighborhood to try to find common ground on potential development of the woods.

**Bill Stoller**  
Pleasantville



# Pace Celebrates 40 Years of Health Care With Opening of New Center

Celebrating the 40th anniversary of its University Health Center (UHC), Pace University last Thursday opened a new and enlarged facility on its Pleasantville campus.

The first nurse-managed academic health care service on a university campus in the United States, UHC opened its doors at Pace in 1977. A novel concept at the time, the use of nurse practitioners is now common in primary care. UHC offers a wide range of primary health care services and its leading-edge care continues to be a model nationally and internationally.

The center, which moved from the Goldstein Fitness Center to the Paton House, is about 2,000 square feet with four patient exam rooms, a procedure room, larger reception area and a lab. More than 1,700 patients, including students, staff, faculty, alumni and their families are treated there each year.

Its nurse practitioners can treat most common illnesses, prescribe or refill medications, order lab and radiology tests and refer to specialty care. Considered in network to multiple health care insurance providers, UHC also acts as a clinical setting for nursing students and preceptorships.

“This new facility will allow us to see more patients in a more comfortable setting and we have already begun to see an increase in

patients,” said Dr. Harriet R. Feldman, dean of Pace’s College of Health Professions. “We are carrying on a great tradition of patient-centered healthcare in a new, more modern facility that will better serve our campus community.”

In honor of the milestone, Feldman and Karen Martin, associate director, University Health Care, accepted a proclamation from the office of State Sen. Terrence Murphy.

The day’s activities began with a conference “University Health Care at 40: Emerging Trends in Primary Care,” which examined the evolution of the role of nurse

practitioner and emerging trends in health care. The conference included a panel of esteemed nurse practitioners who helped build and shape UHC throughout the years.

Established in 2010, the College of Health Professions at Pace University offers a broad range of programs at the bachelor, master, and doctoral levels. It is the college’s goal to create innovative and complex programs that reflect the changing landscape of the health care system.

These programs are designed to prepare graduates for impactful careers in health care practice, health-related research, or

as educators, and equip graduates to work in health policy and global health fields. Students in clinical programs receive hands-on training in the College’s Interprofessional Center for Health Care Simulation and have the opportunity to apply their developing skills in real-world settings at many of the regions’ leading clinical facilities.

The college is currently comprised of several growing and important areas of study, which include nursing, physician assistant, communication sciences and disorders, and health science.

## Club Fit to Host Open House for 45th Anniversary Celebration




On Friday, Apr. 20, Club Fit will host an open house at its Briarcliff Manor location, carnival-themed event that will be free and open to the public. Membership is not required to attend.

“This carnival-themed open house has been planned to help celebrate our 45th birthday,” said Jacquie Giannico, marketing director for Club Fit. “It’s our giveback, not only to our members but to our community. It’s an evening of total fun for the entire family with great activities happening.”

The Club Fit Open House Carnival Celebration will take place from 5 to 7:30 p.m. The celebration is designed as a night of family-friendly fun and entertainment. A number of activities are planned, including a live DJ, a photo booth, raffles, food and a stilt walker and juggler.

“This gives us an opportunity to get people into our club so that they can feel the excitement and see what it has to offer,” Giannico said. “Health clubs can be intimidating, and we are the furthest thing from that. From our super friendly staff, to our certified personal trainers, we do fitness right. We care about keeping our community happy and healthy.”

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# County Building Opens its Doors to Different Type of Art Exhibit

By Anna Young

A portion of the county Michaelian Building in White Plains was transformed into an art exhibit showcasing a selection of unique work created by individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities from Arc of Westchester.

On Apr. 2, Autism Awareness Day, County Executive George Latimer was joined by Arc of Westchester's Executive Director Richard Sweirart and volunteer gallery manager Rob Miss to unveil

the redesigned Mike's Bridge Gallery. Sweirart and Miss were presented with a Certificate of Merit for their work with individuals with disabilities.

"We're very pleased that this section of the county complex can be returned to the people to show work by those artists that have come through Arc of Westchester," Latimer said of the space that had been empty for nearly a decade.

The gallery, on the building's second floor, is now lined with 12 bright and

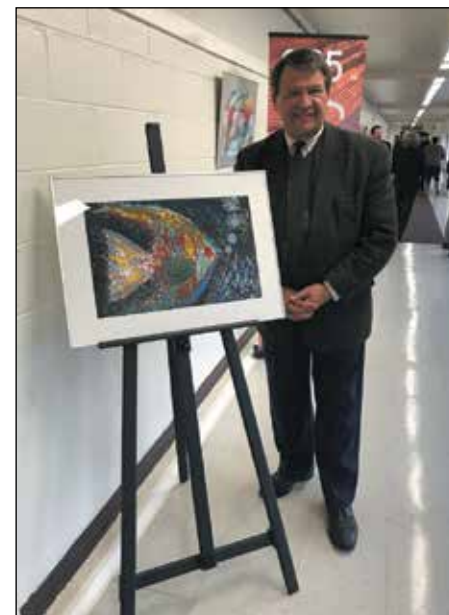
charismatic prints donated by the Hawthorne-based organization, the largest agency in Westchester serving people of all ages who have intellectual and developmental disabilities. Some pieces include abstract images while others showcase soft visuals of animals that bring a sense of tranquility to the legislative hall.

"What you will see today is not only an expression of art but an expression of the soul of people who have many times not had the opportunity to express themselves in a way that's very, very deep," Sweirart said. "Art is something that comes very deeply within each one of us and here today we have a wonderful representation of what this can mean to somebody in their life."

Miss added that the colorful and joyful artwork is a representation of the autism spectrum. He said with reproduced artwork displayed in 17 locations throughout the county, each of the 40 innovators from Arc of Westchester identifies as an artist.

Latimer said there's an obligation to showcase individuality when often those who face developmental disabilities are defined by what they face and must overcome.

"As we look at the artwork here, I'm watching people who can't be categorized by anything other than the artistic talent



ANNA YOUNG PHOTO

County Executive George Latimer with one of the many pieces created by developmentally disabled artists that is on display at the County Building in White Plains. The artists are from the Hawthorne-based Arc of Westchester.

that they put on display and that statement of who they are as a person that's reflected in their artwork," Latimer said. "And that's now for all of us to see and to appreciate what they've accomplished."

## Katonah Museum of Art Accepting Submissions for Juried Exhibit

The Katonah Museum of Art invites submissions of artwork now through May 25 for inclusion in "SIGNAL," a juried exhibition featuring artists residing in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut.

The exhibition will be on view July 1-29 with The Kitchen Curator Lumi Tan to serve as juror. Cash prizes will be awarded at the opening night event on Saturday, June 30, which kicks off the summer season with a free admission event, Garden Party, that includes live music and a signature cocktail.

Artists are invited to submit up to three paintings, drawings, prints,

mixed media, sculptures, photographs or moving-image works executed since 2013. Works in all media are eligible for awards. First prize is \$1,000, second prize is \$750 and third prize is \$500.

Launched in 1995, the Tri-State Juried exhibition is a triennial event through which the Katonah Museum of Art celebrates area artists as part of its commitment to encouraging creative thinking in the community.

For more information about the exhibit and competition and how to complete the online submission process, visit [www.katonahmuseum.org](http://www.katonahmuseum.org).

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## How to Live With and Address Noise Problems in Our Midst

Recently I was made aware that I'm probably a noisy person. Not to myself so much, but maybe to others. More and more, if I'm watching television in one room and my wife is in another, she'll say mine is too loud.

I'll always remember the surprise of once driving onto my property where I was to meet my trusty painter to discuss the job of repainting some of my interior spaces. I was a little late, so I jumped out of my car without turning off the motor or radio to unlock the place. My painter, who had worked for me for a long time, looked at me askance and said, "Knowing the kind of man you are, I never would have thought you'd play loud music in your car!" Yes, I like loud music.

For more than 40 years I lived on a property with no homes near me, but now that I'm living in a condo with neighbors across and down the hall, I guess my reverberating days are over if I'm to be a considerate neighbor.

Just last week, a gentleman across the hall asked if the piano playing he heard



By Bill Primavera

was coming from my unit. Oh, no, I thought! I'm only able to play the American Songbook and I'm so rusty after a 30-year absence from the keyboard that I'm sure Cole Porter and Richard Rodgers are rolling over in their graves. Since that time, I haven't been playing late and have been using the soft pedal when I do.

Many of us have had some kind of proximity to a neighbor who is subject to noise we make. That can create problems, sometimes big ones. When I moved into my first apartment in the city,

it was new, cheap construction and the floor above me had no carpeting. Living there was a single mother who must have regularly worn spiked heels and had a child who could only have been possessed by a demon.

When my wife and I married and shared our first apartment in another new building, there was an older gentleman who lived in the apartment right off the lobby who loved to share his life with the building's other residents. He must have been involved

with entertainment in the 1950s, because he would leave his door open and sing songs of that period without accompaniment. Only in New York, right? His favorite was "A White Sport Coat and a Pink Carnation." Whenever my wife and I want to refer to the intrusion of one person's lifestyle, aka "noise," into another's, all we have to do is sing that song as code and it speaks volumes.

When we moved to the country, the vagaries of close proximity were lessened for sensitive ears and far different. There is the noise of lawn mowers, leaf blowers, and the biggest offender about which most of us complain, barking dogs, especially if they bark uninterrupted for too long. Most town codes have an acceptable length of time an owner can have a dog bark before a neighbor can ask that a warning be issued by the code enforcement officer.

For those of us who share condo or apartment walls, we have the same issues that those in the city have. I recently discussed this subject with a friend who told me that he shares walls on either side of his condo unit with other retired people.

"I know most things about their

lifestyles," he said, "like when the nice woman on one side of me can't sleep and I hear her TV go on in the middle of the night. We just adjust."

Sometimes it's a matter of luck or circumstances. My neighbor in the condo across the hall from my top-floor unit asked me if I hear a noisy motor on the roof as he does. I don't. He also indicated that he hears loud music until 11 p.m. and can't determine its source, while my unit is usually like a tomb. But, you never know.

Just recently, the condo next to mine experienced a major water leak from a burst pipe in the sprinkler system, causing major damage. All the walls and flooring had to be replaced, and the loud drilling and hammering that ensued for more than a month was almost unbearable.

Failing all else, I employed earplugs, the only solution.

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### Dr. Baldev Singh, Neurologist Thornwood

By Martin Wilbur

It might be unusual to find anyone these days who has spent their entire career with one company or organization.

Dr. Baldev Singh, the longtime director of adult neurology at the Westchester Institute for Human Development (WIHD) in Valhalla, has for 40 years been affiliated with the institute that provides education and research as well as services to people with developmental and intellectual disabilities.

Singh said that her husband, Avtar, also a neurologist, told her that some of his colleagues have asked him whether she's still at WIHD, which in the past three years was transformed into a nonprofit organization after having been founded at New York Medical College in 1950.

As long as there are patients and their families that can be helped, Singh said there is no reason for her to leave.

"This place has made a difference in our patients' lives and that's why they wanted me to come," said Singh, who also served seven years as WIHD's medical director.

For much of her career, Singh has dedicated her efforts to caring for developmentally disabled patients with

long-term seizure disorders, allowing her to lead pioneering advances in medication management. As a resident at Flower-Fifth Hospital in New York City and early on her career, Singh saw a variety of patients. But her focus on helping those with developmental disabilities and epileptic seizures quickly became her most gratifying work, she said.

As a young neurologist, she was looking for anything to raise the quality of life for those patients.

"Every time I had the opportunity I'd ask 'How can I improve the patient care? What can I do that other people are not doing yet?'" Singh recalled.

In 2016, Singh was recognized as a fellow by the American Epilepsy Society for her work. On Apr. 26, at its inaugural fundraising gala, WIHD will honor Singh as one of five people on its staff or among its legion of volunteers who have made powerful contributions to the lives of the developmentally disabled.

Singh's modesty forces her to quickly deflect credit, praising WIHD and its staff and administrators for allowing her to follow her passion.

"It's been everybody's effort, really," she said. "It's not just me. I've reached this point with all the help of the administrators, colleagues and the staff with which I work."

Dr. Susan Fox, WIHD's president and CEO, said Singh's unwavering dedication to her patients is perfectly aligned with the organization's mission.

"I think she really embodies what this is all about," Fox said. "It's about the competence of the people who work here, that the caring, compassionate, heart that they bring to the work."

Singh, 69, has been following her passion from the time she was growing up in Patiala, Punjab, India, a city that she compared to Boston for its reputation as an educational center.

Helping others in need was a common trait in her family. She saw her mother dedicating herself to feeding the homeless at a local temple.

"No matter what, any time during the day, if people were hungry, they would be served food and she made things in the morning," Singh said. "We would go to the temple as a little girl, we would walk to the temple and feed homeless people."

Her father, who served in the Indian Army's engineer corps and would open his own business, stressed education for her



and her sister, who became a registered nurse. Singh said in the family's Sikh tradition education is as essential for girls as it is for boys.

"He was the one who always said that you should do something where you look forward getting up in the morning and going there and working," she said.

After graduating from Government Medical

College at Punjabi University in 1970, Singh married and came to the United States for the first time in 1972. The couple had two children. She fulfilled her residency requirements by 1977. While their sons were going to school they lived in Edgemont so they could attend Scarsdale schools. Singh and her husband now live in Thornwood.

She also is an associate professor of clinical neurology at New York Medical College, and since 1982, has been an assistant attending at Westchester Medical Center.

Singh has countless stories helping patients. She has discovered brain tumors that in some cases were causing seizures and she has made sure patients with milder forms of epilepsy receive the care they need to lead a normal life.

"So many, many stories and we made a tremendous difference for many patients," she said.

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# Return of Popular Burns Series Ready to Explore Art on Film

By Neal Rentz

The word frame has a variety of meanings when it comes to art.

Therefore, it is fitting that the upcoming FrameWorks 2018: Art on Film series at the Jacob Burns Film Center will showcase films touching on a variety of artists and their works. This year's series includes seven documentaries, an animated film ("Loving Vincent" on Apr. 19), one fiction feature ("La Belle Noiseuse" on Apr. 15) and a shorts program. This is the 12th year for the popular series, said programmer Kathryn Bonomi.

"There are a lot of arts or people interested in the arts" in Westchester,

contributes to the popularity of the annual series, Bonomi said.

This year's series opens on Apr. 11 with a screening of "Bosch: The Garden of Dreams," the 2016 documentary directed by José Luis López-Linares. Bonomi said the film, which will also be screened on Apr. 15, is the story behind Hieronymus Bosch's more than 500-year-old landscape painting, "The Garden of Earthly." The painting, hanging at the Prado Museum in Madrid, includes a bird-headed creature eating a naked man, giant strawberries and a pig dressed as a nun, among other images.

Bonomi said the documentary features

how there was a restoration of the painting and interviews art historians and scientists.

"Hitler vs Picasso and the Others: The Nazi Obsession for Art," a new documentary directed by Claudio Poli and scheduled for an Apr. 18 screening, explores how Pablo Picasso in 1937 created his first overtly political work, "Guernica," a depiction of the bombing of the Basque city by fascist forces.

That same year the Nazis presented exhibitions designed to expose the alleged depravity of modern artists, Bonomi said. Their propaganda featured "The Degenerate Art Exhibition" included 650



JACOB BURNS FILM CENTER PHOTO

"Bosch: The Garden of Dreams" is the opening film in the FrameWorks 2018: Art on Film series, scheduled for Apr. 11-19.

## Jacob Burns Film Center Resumes Facilities Rental Program

By Neal Rentz

The Jacob Burns Film Center announced last week it has brought back its facilities rental program.

Burns marketing associate Paige Grand Pré said the program was temporarily suspended during the recent facility expansion. Organizations and businesses can rent space for a sales meeting, corporate retreat, professional development day or other types of events. Rentals are currently available for booking and are subject to availability.

"We are resuming the program now that we have the time, space and staff resources to do so," Pré said.

Rental costs are based on theater capacity. The rate for Theater 1, with a capacity of 249, is \$550 per hour. Theater 2, which can seat 133 people, can be rented for \$450 per



JACOB BURNS FILM CENTER PHOTO

The Jacob Burns Film Center in Pleasantville announced last week it has re-started its facilities rental program.

hour. There is a \$350-per-hour rate for the 72-seat Theater 3, the 41-seat Theater 4 and the Adam R. Rose & Peter R. McQuillan Theater, which seats 31. All theaters must be rented for at least two hours.

The Jane Peck Gallery is available for reservations in conjunction with a theater

rental for \$150 an hour for a four-hour minimum, Pré said. The film center also offers digital recording of events and the services of the Burns' audio-visual personnel and concession staff for additional fees, she said.

A 15 percent discount is available for local nonprofit organizations through the Burns' Community Rentals program, Pré said.

Pre said there would be no impact on regular programming.

"Facility rentals align with two of the goals set by our strategic planning initiatives, to create new opportunities for earned revenue and to share the Burns experience with others," Pré said.

Any organization interested in reserving space at the Jacob Burns Film Center, may inquire by sending an e-mail to rentals@burnsfilmcenter.org.

works by Picasso, Paul Klee and Marc Chagall and other artists and "The Great German Art Exhibition," which included images glorifying the ideals of Aryan superiority, Bonomi said.

The screening of "La Belle Noiseuse," a 1991 fiction film directed by Jacques Rivette about a famous painter experiencing a creative block, will be introduced by the Pulitzer Prize-winning author Edmund Morris. He won the 1980 Pulitzer Prize for biography for "The Rise of Theodore Roosevelt."

On Apr. 12, a program of shorts created by artists who explore facets of contemporary life will be shown. Artists in the shorts program include Matt Bollinger, Steffani Jemison, Jake Fried and Barbara Hammer.

For more information about the FrameWorks 2018: Art on Film series and for tickets, call 914-747-5555 or visit [www.burnsfilmcenter.org](http://www.burnsfilmcenter.org).

# Happenings

Tuesday, Apr. 10

**Opera Ensembles:** Led by opera buff and Taconic Opera Board Member Susan Grunthal, this lecture series begins with duets, trios and quartets and finishes with choruses. Chappaqua Public Library, 195 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. 2 p.m. Free. Every Tuesday. Info: 914-238-4779 or [www.chappaqualibrary.org](http://www.chappaqualibrary.org).

**Back to Nature Enrichment Program.** This new afterschool nature immersion program emphasizes outdoor activities that encourage children to form a love and respect for nature that will last forever. Age-appropriate STEAM education concepts will be woven into the program using nature as a teaching tool. Experienced education staff nurture each child's relationship with nature and their peers while allowing them to explore the wonders of our natural world. A 10-week program that meets every Tuesday and Thursday. Greenburgh Nature Center, 99 Dromore Rd., Greenburgh. 3:30 to 5 p.m. \$550 per child for two days a week. \$300 per child for one day a week. Registration required.

Info and registration: 914-723-3470 or visit [www.greenburghnaturecenter.org](http://www.greenburghnaturecenter.org).

**"Les Enfants de la Chance."** The Holocaust & Human Rights Education Center presents a screening of this film about a boy and eight other children living with hospital staff in France during World War II to prevent their deportation to a concentration camp. In French with English subtitles. The program begins with Christian Bailey, assistant professor of history at Purchase College, who will speak at the reception. Purchase College's Humanities Theatre (located in the Humanities Building), 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. 6:30 p.m. Free. Seats limited to the first 200 RSVPs. Info and RSVP. Contact Millie Jasper at 914-696-0738 or [mjasper@hhrecny.org](mailto:mjasper@hhrecny.org).

**Italian Language and Culture.** Mara De Matteo, born and raised in Italy and passionate about her native language, combines lively conversation with grammatical instruction in her classes. She creates interactive lessons on the richness of Italian culture, past and present,

through real-life anecdotes, literature, personal memoirs, films and even photography. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. Beginners at 6:30 p.m. Advanced class at 7 p.m. Every Tuesday. Info: 914-273-3887

Wednesday, Apr. 11

**America's Chronic Condition: The Rising Cost of Your Healthcare.** There are many complex issues confronting us as we provide, consume and pay for health care. Now more than ever, we need to start prescribing solutions. Hear from experts in a balanced conversation as they discuss the challenges with providing healthcare coverage and keeping costs down. Find out what you need to know as a business owner, employee or healthcare provider. The panelists are Kevin Dahill, of Suburban Hospital Alliance; Mary Jo Jacobs, of USI Insurance Services; Dr. Charles Rothberg, Medical Society of the State of New York; and Eric Linzer, of the New York Health Plan Association. Presented by the Westchester County Association (WCA).

Rescheduled from Mar. 21. DoubleTree by Hilton, 455 S. Broadway, Tarrytown. 8 to 10 a.m. WCA members: \$35. Non-members: \$45. Info and registration: Visit [www.westchester.org](http://www.westchester.org).

**Start, Manage and Grow Your Business With Reference USA.** Reference USA is a powerful business database which contains in-depth information on more than 24 million businesses in the U.S. and Canada. P.J. Pridell, a representative from Reference USA, will present an interactive marketing seminar tailored to the Chappaqua business community. Participants will learn how to create effective marketing plans, conduct competitive analysis and more. A light breakfast will be served. Chappaqua Public Library, 195 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. 9 a.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: Contact Martha Alcott at 914-238-4779 ext. 212 or e-mail [malcott@wlsmail.org](mailto:malcott@wlsmail.org).

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## Indi-Q, Armonk

By Colette Connolly

If you enjoy flavorful Indian food that's not overly spicy, Indi-Q in Armonk is the place to visit.

Owned by White Plains native Jay Patel, the Indian bistro and BBQ restaurant that is Armonk's only Indian restaurant, opened for business in February.

Indi-Q offers customers something different, in this case, a Tapas-style Indian barbeque cuisine that separates it from other Indian restaurants, Patel said. Much of the fare is slow-cooked in a charcoal clay Tandoor oven. While barbecue Indian food might suggest spicy to some, Patel said the items on the menu are more flavorful than spicy.

Patel isn't new to the food industry. His family has been running Indian restaurants across Westchester and Connecticut for 30 years. As a teenager, Patel recalled helping out at his father's restaurant, Tandoori Taste of India in Port Chester. After he graduated from SUNY Albany with a business degree, he managed another family restaurant

in Stamford called The Fez, which specialized in Mediterranean and Moroccan cuisine.

The seven years he spent managing the Connecticut eatery was a critical learning experience, Patel said. Not only did he manage the restaurant, he also ran the bar and was responsible for hiring entertainment.

"It was tough in the beginning because it was a new concept, but it gave me the ability to build something from scratch," Patel remembered of the restaurant that his father later sold.

Some of the popular barbecue dishes at Indi-Q include Chicken Tikka, Tandoori Salmon, Lamb Boti Kabob, Seekh Kabob and New Zealand lamb chops grilled and marinated on both sides in yogurt, ginger and garlic.

Of course, you can still order the traditional Indian classics at Indi-Q such as curry, masala, madras, korma and vindaloo dishes as well as a number of Indian specials.

Patel and his staff include selections such as Lamb Rogan Josh, a slow-



Indi-Q in Armonk, which opened in February, offers barbecue Indian food.

braised lamb cooked in an onion-based gravy and combined with a traditional yogurt curry sauce; Shrimp Malabar, consisting of jumbo shrimp cooked in an aromatic sauce flavored with coconut and seasoned with mustard seeds, black pepper and red chilies; and Biryani, a steamed saffron basmati rice dish seasoned with traditional Indian spices and combined with either chicken, lamb, goat, shrimp or vegetables.

Starters or small plates, as they are known on the menu, include many delicious options, including The Classic Samosa, a pair of crispy pastries stuffed with potatoes and green peas, and Root Fritters, made of turnip, yams, onions and sweet potatoes served with a tamarind sauce and battered and fried in chickpea flour.

"We want to give good quality food

and service so people come back time and time again," Patel said.

Everything on the menu is available for take-out and delivery. Customers ordering take-out for the first time will receive 10 percent off.

Mindful of customers' health needs, Patel said most of the breads and meals at Indi-Q are gluten-free, with lots of vegan options, too.

Some of the homemade breads include the traditional, garlic and onion naan breads and paratha, a multi-layered whole wheat bread; Poori, a puffed whole wheat bread; and Tandoori Roti.

In addition to its regular evening menu, Indi-Q also offers a daily lunch buffet from 12 to 2:30 p.m. for \$14.95 a person. The menu, which includes a selection of the restaurant's best-selling appetizers, entrees and desserts, changes every day, Patel said.

The 2,000-square-foot restaurant also offers catering service. It contains about 20 tables in the main dining room and seating for six in the outer bar area.

While there's evidence of Patel's Indian heritage throughout the restaurant, the décor is decidedly contemporary.

Indi-Q is located at 61 Old Route 22 in Armonk. To make a reservation, call 914-273-5931. The restaurant is open seven days a week for lunch from 12 to 2:30 p.m. and for dinner from 4:30 to 9:30 p.m.

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**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).

**Mother Nature's Storytime.** Nature-themed stories, nature walks, live animals and/or crafts. For children two to four years old; with a parent or caregiver. Dress for outdoor activity. Except in extreme weather conditions, a portion of each class is spent outdoors. Meets six consecutive Wednesdays. Greenburgh Nature Center, 99 Dromore Rd., Scarsdale. 10 to 11 a.m. Members: \$50 for six-week session. Non-members: \$90. Pre-registration required. Info and registration: 914-723-3470 or visit [www.greenburghnaturecenter.org](http://www.greenburghnaturecenter.org).

**AARP Tax Aide.** AARP Tax-Aide IRS-certified volunteers are available to assist taxpayers, especially those with low to moderate incomes and 50 years old and up. No appointment necessary. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free. Info: 914-769-0548 or visit [www.aarp.org/findtaxhelp](http://www.aarp.org/findtaxhelp) or [www.mountpleasantlibrary.org](http://www.mountpleasantlibrary.org).

**Ambassadors for Successful Aging.** Are you aware of the benefits available to you as a Westchester County senior? Information can be provided to you on housing, home care, transportation options, counseling options, memory care, nutrition, vision and dental services along with SNAP, HEAP, EPIC and STAR and other programs that can save you money and help you plan for the future. Feel free to discuss a Westchester County "ambassador." No appointment necessary. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free. Every Wednesday. Also Mondays at the North White Plains branch, 10 Clove Rd., North White Plains. Info: 914-273-3887 or 914-948-6359.

**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.

**Adult Coloring Club.** It's a relaxing,

analog stress-reducer that can give you a sense of accomplishment. Coloring also provides a creative outlet to people who may not be trained artists. The library provides colored pencils and intricate mandala patterns, just bring your creativity. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 10:30 a.m. Free. Every Wednesday. Info: 914-273-3887 or [www.northcastlelibrary.org](http://www.northcastlelibrary.org).

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

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

**Preschool Storytime.** This interactive story time uses picture books, songs, finger plays, action rhymes and other activities to encourage the enjoyment of books and language. Recommended for children two-and-a-half to five years old. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 11 to 11:30 a.m. Free. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Info: 914-769-0548 or [www.mountpleasantlibrary.org](http://www.mountpleasantlibrary.org).

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

**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).

**Stepping On Workshops: Fall Prevention to Reduce Risk From Falls.** Maintaining one's health and independence are important parts of healthy aging. Falls

and fall injuries are more common than strokes and can result in health problems that are just as serious. During the course of the seven-week program learn simple and fun balance and strength training; the role vision plays in helping you maintain balance; how medications can contribute to falls; ways to stay safe when out in your community; what to look for in safe footwear; and how to check your home for safety. The James House at Phelps Hospital, 701 N. Broadway, Sleepy Hollow. 1 to 3 p.m. Free. Wednesdays through May 16. Info: Contact Ellen Woods at 914-366-3937 or e-mail [ewoods3@northwell.edu](mailto:ewoods3@northwell.edu).

**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.

**Lego Club.** We provide the Legos, you bring your imagination. A fun-building club for students in grades 2-6. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 4 to 6 p.m. Free. Meets the second Wednesday of each month. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-864-8041.

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**MPPL Techies Drop-In.** MPPL Techies are local teen volunteers who will be available to assist patrons for drop in-tech help on Wednesdays. Bring your smartphone, tablet or laptop and a volunteer will help you download one of the many services available for Mount Pleasant Public Library cardholders. Be sure to bring in your fully charged device and your Apple App Store, Android Google Play or Kindle Amazon passwords. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 4:30 to 5:45 p.m. Free. Every Wednesday. Also Saturdays from 2 to 4 p.m. Info: 914-769-0548 or [www.mountpleasantlibrary.org](http://www.mountpleasantlibrary.org).

**Traditional Ecological Knowledge and its Role in Restoration of Industrial Contamination in the 21st Century.** Traditional Ecological Knowledge refers to the evolving knowledge acquired by indigenous people over time through direct contact with the environment. Dr. Chuck Stead who was lead investigator on a major Ford Motor Company clean-up

in the Ramapo Watershed working with the Ramapough Lunaape Munsee Nation has encouraged a return to traditional pathways of recovery for the community and the land. Stead's forthcoming book, "Get the Lead Out," chronicles the dual journey of land stewardship and a contaminated community in recovery. In partnership with the Sierra Club Lower Hudson Group. Greenburgh Nature Center, 99 Dromore Rd., Scarsdale. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-723-3470 or visit [www.greenburghnaturecenter.org](http://www.greenburghnaturecenter.org).

**Sherlock Holmes Film Series: "The Hound of the Baskervilles."** Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson investigate the legend of a supernatural hound, a beast that may be stalking a young heir on the fog-shrouded moorland that makes up his estate. Chappaqua Public Library, 195 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-238-4779 or [www.chappaqualibrary.org](http://www.chappaqualibrary.org).

**Elana Kaplan: Birds in Art:** From East to West, from paintings to sculpture to stained glass windows, birds feature prominently in various forms of art. In this lecture, explore works of art from the Metropolitan Museum of Art that contain bird imagery. The works will include a Tiffany stained glass window, a Brancusi sculpture, European paintings, Egyptian sculpture and Japanese scrolls. Katonah Village Library's Garden Room, 26 Bedford Rd., Katonah. Refreshments at 7 p.m. Lecture at 7:30 p.m. Free; donations welcome. Info: 914-232-1999 or visit [www.bedfordaudubon.org](http://www.bedfordaudubon.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).

**Lucy's Laugh Lounge Comedy Night.** Katie Finn is bringing her comedy pals up to Lucy's for a night of hilarity starring Sean Morton. Lucy's Lounge, 446 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 7:30 p.m. \$20. Info and tickets: Visit [www.lucyslaughs.com](http://www.lucyslaughs.com). Type in the promo code Examiner at the prompt when buying tickets online.

**Thursday, Apr. 12**

**The Breakfast Club.** Designed especially for seniors, the program includes a free breakfast and a presentation on a healthy

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# P'ville Volunteer Firefighter Celebrates 50 Years of Service to Community

It's not often that someone looks back on 50 years of accomplishments, especially in today's hectic world. But this month, one of Pleasantville's unsung heroes gets to do just that as John Perino, Jr. marks his 50th year as a Pleasantville volunteer firefighter.

Born and raised in the Bronx, Perino joined the Pleasantville Volunteer Fire Department in April 1968, shortly after moving to Pleasantville with his wife Mary Ann. A half-century later, he remains one of the most active members of the all-volunteer department, with a list of contributions to his community that few can match.

After coming up the ranks of the Pioneer Engine Company and attaining the rank of captain, Perino joined the chiefs' staff in 1977 and served successively as 2nd assistant chief, 1st assistant chief, and ultimately, chief of the department, a position he held from 1981 to 1983. He achieved this distinction while raising a family and running his own construction business.

When his term was completed, Perino served for 11 years as a deputy chief, always ready to lend a helping hand to those coming up behind him. In all, Perino served for 17 years on the chiefs' staff.

An accomplished firefighter, apparatus driver and pump operator, Perino

continues to set records for active attendance at alarms. A steady hand at any call the department handles, he made it to 220 runs last year, an incredible feat. Whether it's the Engine or the Rescue that needs to roll, Perino will often be at the wheel of either, getting his rig and the personnel safely to the scene. There is no better feeling than having him behind the wheel and operating the pump when the fire is on your watch.

On Sept. 11, 2001, Pleasantville, along with many departments in Westchester, responded with personnel and equipment supplementing FDNY units, where some remained for days. Perino drove Engine 259 to the Bronx with a crew that day, helping the FDNY recover from the staggering loss of 343 firefighters.

The job of every firefighter is to save lives, protect property, put their best foot forward for family and community and set a good example. This is where Perino has excelled with the Pleasantville Volunteer Fire Department. During that time, he has responded to thousands of alarms, including fires, car accidents, gas and carbon monoxide leaks and many other types of calls.

There are countless people whose lives he has touched. Perino embodies the true spirit of what it means to be a volunteer firefighter, a calling that



John Perino, Jr. celebrates 50 years with the Pleasantville Volunteer Fire Department this month.

demands countless hours and effort, but gives back much more in return.

"It has been an honor and a privilege to have served and been a member of the Pleasantville Fire Department for the past 50 years," Perino said. "The department and its members have been a second family to me."

At a point in life when others might choose to sit back, Perino continues to

lead, respond to calls and donate his time, expertise and experience. He is involved in the day-to-day operations of a volunteer department, training and recruiting new members and maintaining its apparatus and equipment. He is a prolific contributor to the department, to the village and to the surrounding towns, hamlets and villages that rely on mutual aid from neighboring volunteers in a time of dwindling volunteerism.

No small factor in Perino's many contributions has been the steadfast support of his wife, Mary Ann, and his children. Without their backing, much of what he has accomplished would not have been possible. The Perino family is an example of the "family affair" that volunteer firefighting often becomes, with traditions and commitment to community passed on from generation to generation. Emulating their father, both of Perino's sons – John Perino III and Andrew Perino – proudly wore the uniform of the Pleasantville Volunteer Fire Department.

The department thanks Perino for his many years of outstanding service. We hope there are those in the community who may be inspired to emulate his example and join their volunteer fire department.

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lifestyle topic and a light exercise program. Phelps Hospital cafeteria (G Level), 701 N. Broadway, Sleepy Hollow. 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-366-3937 or e-mail ewoods3@northwell.edu.

**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 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Free. Every Monday and Thursday. Info: 914-273-3887.

**Bridge for Beginners.** Learn to play the world's greatest card game ever! Fundamentals of the game will be explained. The lessons are designed for players with little or no previous knowledge of bridge. Led by Joel Goren. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 10:15 a.m. Free. Every Thursday. Info: 914-273-3887 or www.northcastlelibrary.org.

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

**Osteoporosis Support and Education.** For individuals with osteoporosis, providing education on nutrition, exercise (weight-bearing, strengthening and balance), activities of daily living and treatment options. Phelps Hospital boardroom (C Level), 701 N. Broadway, Sleepy Hollow. 10:45 to 11:30 a.m. Free. (Park behind the hospital and enter through the auditorium entrance, then proceed down one flight.) Registration required. Info and registration: 914-366-3937 or e-mail ewoods3@northwell.edu.

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

**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.mountkisco.org.

**Yom Hashoah Holocaust Commemoration.** Featuring Holocaust

survivor Agnes Vertes as the keynote speaker and the procession of Westchester's rescued Holocaust Torahs. Garden of Remembrance, 148 Martine Ave., White Plains. 12 to 1 p.m. Free. Rain or shine. Info: 914-696-0738 or e-mail info@hhrecny.org.

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

**Bridge for Advanced Beginners/Intermediate.** With Joel Goren. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Free. Thursdays through May 10. Info: 914-273-3887 or www.northcastlelibrary.org.

**Storytime Playgroup.** Come hear a story and music and join in on playtime with toys and books. Children, parents and caregivers will make new friends and share time together. For children one to four years old; with a caregiver. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 2 to 2:45 p.m. Free. Every Thursday. Info: 914-769-0548 or www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

**Berkshire Farm Foster Care Information.** Berkshire Farm Center and Services for Youth, one of New York's leading nonprofit child welfare agencies, conducts this information session on how to become a foster or adoptive parent. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 2 to 5 p.m. Free. Second Thursday of each month. Info: Contact Judith Liu at 516-406-1853 or e-mail judithliu@berkshirefarm.com.

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

**When Joint Pain Interferes With Life: Options, Innovations and Rehab.** Learn how you can get back to your favorite activities. As we age, it's important to care for joints to ward off injury and pain and continue to do the things we love. Learn more about hip, knee and shoulder health; maintaining healthy joints; minimally invasive hip and knee replacement; shoulder replacement; pain management options; and physical therapy interventions and options. Presented by Dr. Jason Hochfelder, an orthopedic surgeon specializing in hip and knee surgery; Dr. Louis McIntyre, an orthopedic surgeon specializing in shoulder replacement and arthroscopy; Yili Huang, pain management and anesthesiologist; physical trainer Matt Landfield, manager, acute rehab, physical medicine and rehabilitation. Snacks and light refreshments will be served. Phelps Hospital's Hoch Center, Suite 200, 755 N. Broadway, Sleepy Hollow. 6 to 8 p.m.

Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 855-912-8062.

**Steffi Nossen School of Dance Anniversary Concert Series.** The school is celebrating its 81st anniversary with a three-dance concert series. Performances will honor the Steffi Nossen's Community Relations Director Judith Ross for her outreach efforts and breaking down barriers so that all members of the community have access to enjoy dance classes and performances. SUNY Purchase Performing Arts Center, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. 6:30 p.m. Adults: \$20. Students and seniors: \$15. Clients of local social service, rehabilitation and community organizations: Free. Also Apr. 13. Info and tickets: www.eventbrite.com/e/2018-benefit-concert-tickets-44062380767?aff=es2.

**Speech, Language and Reading: What's the Connection?** Mount Kisco-based Susan L. Pike & Associates is a private practice in pediatric speech-language pathology providing diagnostic evaluations and therapy to children who are two to 20 years old. Pike and colleague Laura Rice will be offering a seminar discussing the connection of speech, language and reading. She will explain aspects of oral language that relate to the reading process, and the acquisition of specific reading skills. Pike will also identify characteristics of children who are at risk for learning issues and programs that can help. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 7 to 9 p.m. Free.

## Friday, Apr. 13

**Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group.** Receive the emotional, educational and social support needed to successfully care for someone with dementia. Sponsored by Phelps, The Alzheimer's Association and the Visiting Nurse Association of the Hudson Valley. Phelps Hospital, Room 545, 755 N. Broadway, Sleepy Hollow. 10 a.m. to noon. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-366-3937 or e-mail ewoods3@northwell.edu.

**ZUMBA®** With Amy. Fun cardio dance fitness workout, low-impact approach, easy learning environment. This feel-good workout is exercise in disguise. Free trial class available. Addie-Tude Dance Center, 42 Memorial Plaza, lower level, Pleasantville. 11 a.m. to noon. \$12 drop-in fee. Every Friday. Also Tuesdays from 10 to 11 a.m. Walk-ins welcome. Info: Call or text the instructor at 914-643-6162 or visit www.amyolin.zumba.com.

**"Darkest Hour."** A screening of this 2017 Academy Award nominated movie. In the early days of World War II, the fate of western Europe is up to the newly-appointed British Prime Minister Winston Churchill, who must decide to negotiate with Hitler or fight on against incredible odds. Followed by a discussion

led by author and film buff Carol Durst-Wertheim. Chappaqua Public Library, 195 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-238-4779 or www.chappaqualibrary.org.

**Lucy's Laugh Lounge Comedy Night.** Corinne Fisher has been featured on Last Call with Carson Daly, FOX's Laughs, The Just For Laughs Comedy Festival, Huffington Post and Sirius XM Radio. Also on the bill is Rosebud Baker. Lucy's Lounge, 446 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 7:30 p.m. \$20. Info and tickets: Visit www.lucyslaughs.com. Type in the promo code Examiner at the prompt when buying tickets online.

**The Hit Men.** Starring legendary performers with Frankie Valli, Carole King, Cat Stevens and many others. Want to feel like you're 23 years old again? Time travel through the most magnificent years of rock 'n' roll. Their brand new Time Travel Tour show features new hit songs from the '60s, '70s and '80s, new archival photos and video footage and fascinating new backstage "stories from the road" about their unforgettable experiences with world class rock stars. Paramount Hudson Valley, 1008 Brown St., Peekskill. 8 p.m. \$27.50, \$35, \$47.50 and \$60. Info and tickets: 914-739-0039 or visit www.paramounthudsonvalley.com.

**"The God of Isaac."** An Arc Stages production about a young man who goes on a spiritual quest to find out about his Jewish heritage. Using comic moments from classic American literature and film to help him learn, audiences will find themselves laughing hysterically one moment and wiping a tear the next, as he works through life lessons dealing with his high school Jewish girlfriend, his shiksa wife and his loving, interfering mother. Directed by Stephanie Kovacs Cohen and written by James Sherman. Arc Stages, 147 Wheeler Ave., Pleasantville. 8 p.m. Adults: \$28. Seniors and students: \$22. Also Apr. 14. Info and tickets: 914-747-6206 or visit www.arcstages.org.

## Saturday, Apr. 14

**Pleasantville Farmers Market.** Experience the largest, year-round farmers market in Westchester, voted "Best of Westchester" from 2014 to 2017. With 55 vendors and seven nearby parking lots, it's a delicious good time. Rain or shine. The Market is a dog-free environment. Memorial Plaza, Pleasantville. 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays through Nov. 17. Info: Visit www.pleasantvillefarmersmarket.org.

**Demystifying Medicare.** Assists people who are navigating their way through the Medicare system. The program outlines the various parts of Medicare and lays out the costs associated with the medical and drug insurance provided by the government and private companies. Ossining Public

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# New Jersey in Fowl Weather: I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings

By Brian Kluepfel

It's been an odd week in New Jersey updating a travel book for the Lonely Planet company. It's a trip I had been looking forward to for some time, but driving into a light snow on Easter Monday, I was less than thrilled. Nevertheless, I brought my binoculars because hope springs eternal, even if the irises do not.

There were some interesting sightings this week. A bed and breakfast near Princeton had a population almost solely of American goldfinches, New Jersey's state bird. The innkeeper, it seemed, got tired of using various types of birdseed which made a mess on the ground, thus attracting squirrels, who ate all the planted flowers, and foxes. So, now with the birdhouses stocked only with mess-free nyjer seed, which goldfinches love but most birds don't, the Inn at Glencairn is an honor to its home state.

On a day trip to Cheesequake State Park in Manasquan, which has nothing to do with dairy products or temblors but instead is based on a Lenape Native American name for the area (chese-oh-ke or upland village), I struggled through a 1.5-mile loop

twice on a frosty Thursday. My birding rewards were few: a lone Great Egret on a lake and a handful of black-capped chickadees scattered among the reeds. At the end of the trip, closer to the visitor's center and a food source, titmice, woodpeckers and blue jays also appeared, but it was not the spring birding bonanza one expects in April.

Driving over to Princeton, I saw a kestrel bound off a roadside sign, but it was one of those instances where it was impossible to go back and take a better look without causing some sort of traffic disturbance or fatality. Thanks, Kes, we'll catch you on Route 33 East next time. (For movie buffs, if you ever get to catch Ken Loach's "Kes" and can get past the Yorkshire accents, it's a great film.)

Today's "sighting" was perhaps the most beautiful – and the most depressing. On our drive into Lambertville, near the site of George Washington's historic Delaware River crossing, we passed the Mercer County Wildlife Center. We arrived only 20 minutes before closing time but took a

quick tour of the caged birds who had been rescued.

There was a gorgeous Harris's hawk, one of the true beauties of the American southwest, all black and russet-red. It had been donated to the center after its human falconry partner lost interest. There was a massive bald eagle that cried eerily as we watched from a short distance, its child-like screeches somehow sad. We guessed it was used to being fed by humans and reacted to our presence. Its caged majesty reminded me of the Andean condor we saw two years ago at the Bronx Zoo, the largest flighted bird, accustomed to soaring over the Andes, reduced to a cage on Southern Boulevard.

The saddest sight of the day, however, was an American raven, which had been kept as a pet, against all laws of nature and the State of New Jersey. So much has been written about corvid intelligence lately, and the great sadness here was that neighboring wild ravens flocked around the cage and called in vain, seemingly hoping to devise a way to free their black-feathered brother.

I'm against caged or captive birds. I realize that perhaps viewing birds in such situations is a common first step for many people, children especially, to learn about them. My curiosity may have been piqued by my own family's odd collection of parakeets and peach-faced love birds. But it doesn't have to be that way.

Many avian specialists do wonderful things to educate the public about birds, and help dire populations reproduce in captivity. But as nicely as we treat them, birds don't belong cooped up. I think this was the lesson I learned from the ravens. Our desire for control and possession of beauty and intelligence drives us to lock up creatures that should fly free, driving native populations to the edge of extinction – particularly beauties like macaws.

Education is one thing, enslavement is another. Just let them be.

Ossining resident Brian Kluepfel is a Lonely Planet travel book author and the editor of Saw Mill River Audubon's quarterly newsletter. You can find more of his work at [www.thewritingkoop.com](http://www.thewritingkoop.com). Some of this text originally appeared as a blog post at [www.brianbirdwatching.wordpress.com](http://www.brianbirdwatching.wordpress.com).

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Melissa Grigione, Ph.D. Pace Univ. Croton Free Library.

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Library, 53 Croton Ave., Ossining. 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Free. Walk-ins welcome; pre-registration requested. Info and registration: 914-231-3236.

**Family and Systemic Constellations Workshop.** A revolutionary approach to addressing personal and systemic issues, whether in relationship to others, at work, with one's self or the world at large. It provides a unique level of perspective that supports healing, wholeness and change. Today's topic is creativity and living your potential. Led by Eve-Marie Elkin. The Aligned Center, 1 Bridge St., Suite 64, Irvington. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. \$40. Info: 914-292-0930 or e-mail info@thealignedcenter.com.

**Spring Awakening Fair.** Bethel Senior Living is hosting this event, which includes tours, Reiki and aromatherapy, a chair yoga demo, craniosacral massage, healthy food tasting, music therapy, and elder lawyer, lifelong learning information, fine paper goods, jewelry, refreshments, giveaways and more. Bethel Springvale Inn, 62 Springvale Rd., Croton-on-Hudson. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Free. Info: 914-739-4404 or visit www.bethelwell.org.

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

**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. Call or visit website because classes are subject to change.

**Star-Driven Film Series: "All About Eve."** Post-screening discussion led by film historian and Chappaqua librarian Philip Harwood. Chappaqua Public Library, 195 S. Greeley Ave. Chappaqua. 2 p.m. Free. Info: 914-238-4779 or www.chappaqualibrary.org.

**Steffi Nossen School of Dance Anniversary Concert Series and Gala.** The school is celebrating its 81st anniversary with its gala and the final night of the three-dance concert series. Performances will honor the Steffi Nossen's Community Relations Director Judith Ross for her outreach efforts and breaking down barriers so that all members of the community have access to enjoy dance classes and performances. SUNY Purchase Performing Arts Center, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. 7:30 p.m. \$50 to \$175. Info and tickets: 914-

328-1900.

**Edward Arron in Concert.** This Westchester-based cellist, known worldwide for his elegant musicianship and satiny tone, will be joined for this concert by pianist Jeewon Park and violinist Tess Lark. Ossining High School, 29 S. Highland Ave., Ossining. 8 p.m. \$35. Students: Free. Info and tickets: Visit www.friendsofmusicconcerts.org.

## Sunday, Apr. 15

**North Castle Historical Society 46th Annual Meeting.** Discover illuminating facts about women's lives before and during the American Revolution. Presented by Debra Palazzo and Cynthia Abbott Kauffman of Daughters of Liberty's Legacy. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 2 p.m. Free. Info: Visit www.northcastlehistoricalsociety.org.

**Briarcliff Manor-Scarborough Historical Society.** Noted local historian Scott Craven will take visitors on a historic tour of Haverstraw Bay, one of the most interesting and important sections of the Hudson River estuary. It is the widest and most shallow section of the river. With almost 18 square miles of water, it constitutes an enormous watershed – with iconic hills, smokestacks, headlands and other features. Its history, natural beauty and sunsets are treasures to our area. Briarcliff Manor Public Library, 1 Library Rd., Briarcliff Manor. 2 p.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-941-7072 or e-mail sglick@wlsmail.org.

**Jeremy Denk in Concert.** Denk is one of America's foremost pianists. Winner of a MacArthur "Genius" Fellowship, the Avery Fisher Prize and Musical America's Instrumentalist of the Year Award, Denk was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2016. Purchase College's Concert Hall, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. 3 p.m. \$25, \$45, \$55 and \$65. Info and tickets: 914-251-6200 or visit www.artscenter.org.

**Captivating Springtime Classical Music Treasures.** Enjoy time-honored compositions by Mozart, Haydn and Beethoven. Presented by the Camerata Chamber Players, which boasts a memorable 31-year history from its inception. Westchester Community College's Classroom Building, Room 200, 75 Grasslands Rd., Valhalla. 3 p.m. \$20. Seniors: \$18. Students: \$14. Info and tickets: 914-606-6262 or visit www.sunywcc.edu.

**Rustles of Spring: Celebrating Paul Dunkel.** One of Copland House's most heartily-applauded commissioned works, "Crossings," by two-time resident Pierre Jalbert is one of the highlights of this concert of music about changing seasons, life cycles and transformations.

"Crossings," inspired by the composer's French-Canadian ancestry and its migration from the Old World, has been widely performed since Music From Copland House premiered it at Merestead in 2011 and subsequently recorded it. The work and its composer were among those widely championed by founding flutist Paul Lustig Dunkel, whose life and career is celebrated at this wide-ranging concert that also includes music by Aaron Copland and William Albright. Followed by a post-concert meet-the-artists reception. Merestead, 455 Byram Lake Rd., Mount Kisco. 3 p.m. \$25. Friends of Copland House: \$20. Students (with I.D.): \$10. Info and tickets: Visit www.coplandhouse.org.

**Third Sunday Walk.** A family friendly walk for adults and children five years old and up. Rain or shine. Prun Sanctuary, 275 Saw Mill River Rd., Chappaqua. (Meet at Woodmill Road trails entrance). 3 p.m. Free. Rain or shine. Meets the third Sunday of every month. Info: 914-666-6503 or visit www.sawmillriveraudubon.org.

**Steve Earle and the Duke: 30th Anniversary of Copperhead Road.** Three-time Grammy Award recipient and 11-time Grammy nominee Steve Earle is a legendary artist of American music. With more than 20 albums and collaborations with some of the most prolific artists in the contemporary music history, Earle continues to perform and bring his talent to his fans across the country. Earle has performed with the likes of Sheryl Crow, The Indigo Girls, The Pogues, Lucinda Williams, Shawn Colvin, Patti Smith, Chris Hillman, The Fairfield Four and The Del McCoury Band. During his four-decade career, he has also become a writer/author, actor, playwright, record producer and radio host. Paramount Hudson Valley, 1008 Brown St., Peekskill. 7 p.m. \$47, \$60.05 and \$74.35. Info and tickets: 914-739-0039 or visit www.paramounthudsonvalley.com.

## Monday Apr. 16

**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. or just drop in.

**Morning Bird Walk.** Go birding with the Saw Mill River Audubon. Beginners welcome. Rain or shine. Rockefeller State Park Preserve. (Use Sleepy Hollow Road entrance.) 8:30 a.m. Free. Meets the third

Monday of each month. Info: Visit www.sawmillriveraudubon.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. Info: 914-666-8041 or www.mountkiscoliberal.org.

**Bird House Painting.** Come paint your very own decorative mini birdhouse. Supplies will be provided. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 6 p.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-273-3887 ext. 3.

**How to Have a Positive Hospital Birth Experience.** A quick overview to help families choose their provider and place to give birth based on the type of experience they envision or need. Topics will include evidence-based practices during labor, understanding the birth "culture" of a hospital, informed consent and a discussion about frequent questions such as, "Do I need a birth plan?" "Do I need a doula?" Led by midwife Michelle Lehmer Chiafulio. Phelps Hospital Auditorium, 701 N. Broadway, Sleepy Hollow. 6 to 8 pm. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-421-1500.

**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.

**"A Fine Line."** In this documentary, filmmaker Joanna James explores why only 6 percent of head chefs and restaurant owners are women, and spotlights the national conversation relating to equal pay, workplace harassment, parental leave and career advancement. James recounts her own single mother's successes and struggles as a local small-town chef and restaurateur and features insightful interviews with world-renowned chefs. Followed by a special tasting reception celebrating women chefs and Greek cuisine and a Q&A with filmmaker Joanna James, film subject chef Valerie James and author and chef Maria Loi. Moderated by Programmer Karen Sloe Goodman. Jacob Burns Film Center, 364 Manville Rd., Pleasantville. 7 p.m. Film and Q&A: Members--\$10. Non-members--\$15. Film, Q&A and tasting reception: Members: \$45. Non-members: \$50. Info and tickets: Visit www.burnsfilmcenter.org.

**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. Every Monday. Info and tickets: Visit www.nomacomedy.com.



# On the Road in Search of a California Wine Gem



By Nick Antonaccio

There is a direct disconnect that marks the state of retail wine sales in the United States today. The quality of wines being produced domestically has been on the upswing every year over the past quarter century. It seems each year that the industry overcomes the obstacles Mother Nature imposes. Quantity may be affected, but not quality. This bodes well for consumers seeking quality at reasonable prices.

On the other hand, it has become increasingly difficult to discover new wines. The overwhelming quantity of wine in the retail marketplace is produced by a small handful of mega corporations and distributed by an even smaller handful of national distributors.

The smaller, artisanal wineries and winemakers are easily lost in the barrage of labels by the industry corporate leaders. The typical production of these smaller producers is less than 5,000 cases, rarely sufficient to sustain the appetite of large

distributors bent on repeat sales and sustained retail shelf space.

I've undertaken a personal quest to ferret out exceptional domestic wines that rarely occupy retail shelves. There are several wine shop owners who share my passion and goal. They seek out small distributors and are willing to offer selections with limited availability. Their customers understand the pitfall of finding a unique wine, becoming enamored with its bouquet or flavor profile and then rarely, if ever, seeing the wine again. It is a fleeting love affair worth enduring.

But what of the artisanal wines that never land on a Westchester wine shelf?

Are they doomed to tasting room sales, struggling in relative obscurity? The solution to this consumer dilemma is becoming increasingly clear to me. If limited production winemakers find it difficult to reach out to a consumer base,

then it behooves consumers to seek out these wineries.

Last year, and again this year, my wife and I embarked on pilgrimages to find the hidden gems of California wine country.

The strategies we employed on our travels through Napa Valley and Sonoma

County were presented in last week's column.

This week, I share several of these adventures up and down wine country highways and byways.

We began our journey on the northern trails of Napa in the town of Calistoga. Our goal was to find a headquarters from which to travel the lesser-known side roads of the Silverado Trail. We found this at the Calistoga Ranch Resort. The rooms are built into the sides of the eastern ridge above the valley, with vistas across most of the valley floor. In near proximity are several wineries we had discovered online and from sommeliers at local restaurants. But the greatest insights were in front of us each day as we checked in with the front desk and concierge at the ranch. We were in pursuit of winemakers who were "living the dream," making cult-like wines in arguably the most prestigious and expensive vineyards in the world.

We engaged our enthusiastic staff at the ranch each day for their insights. Little did we realize that the front desk was a venue for local winemakers to engage staff in conversation and invite them to sample their wines. The staff was living the dream of personalized tours and tastings of wines they otherwise would

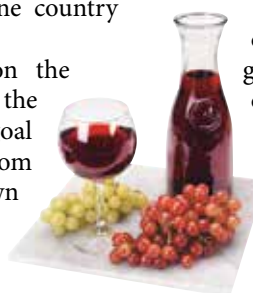
not encounter. They unselfishly shared the names and arranged several exclusive appointments.

We were now living the dream ourselves. Electronic gates swinging open at a hidden driveway at the mention of Shannon, our enthusiastic oenophile at the ranch; following "Waze"-challenged directions to the home of a virtual winemaker; or squeezing in a lunch break at a local farm-to-table restaurant.

Each winery was unique. From touring the modern facility at AonAir Wine to sitting at the dining room table of the owners of WaterMark Wine, we shared the dream with the winemakers, bonding with nature and becoming mail-order fans of our newly discovered favorite wines.

In a future column, the behind-the-scenes story of select wineries as entrepreneurs' dreams materialize into success.

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# Armonk Chamber Ready to Honor Dedicated Community Members

By Martin Wilbur

Every spring the Armonk Chamber of Commerce announces the person it will honor as its Citizen of the Year. For 2018, the organization did something out of the ordinary.

The chamber has named Judy Gilmartin-Willsey, owner of Framings on Main Street, and the Armonk Independent Fire Department as its honorees. Gilmartin-Willsey and the fire department will be recognized at the annual golf outing and dinner on Tuesday, May 15 at the Whippoorwill Club in Armonk.

Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Stacy Wilder said the idea is to highlight not only a longtime contributor to the community but the many organizations that improve the quality of life in town.

"We'd like to honor as many local organizations, charities that we can," Wilder said. "So that was kind of a nice fit."

Gilmartin-Willsey opened her store nearly 30 years ago when she was home after her daughter was born and her husband was laid off. Both worked in advertising, but Gilmartin-Willsey had family that has operated a framing shop in Hawthorne.

With few other options at the time, they used their life savings to open up a 300-square-foot shop near the old lumberyard. They outgrew the space in six months and moved to another location, before moving to the corner shop on Main Street six years later, she said.



The Armonk Independent Fire Department is the first organization to be recognized during the Chamber of Commerce's annual Citizen of the Year dinner and golf outing.

Gilmartin-Willsey said she was "completely shocked" when informed that she would be Citizen of the Year.

"My philosophy is we get so much, we get so much from this town that I feel like it's my duty to have a decent looking, attractive window," she said. "I feel like it's my responsibility to be part of the town and I never, never say no to anyone who comes in here asking for a donation for a silent auction, any of that stuff."

But to qualify for Citizen of the Year is more than having a good looking storefront. Gilmartin-Willsey, a White Plains resident, was co-founder of the chamber, helped create the Armonk Winter Walk in 1991, which later evolved into Frosty Day and remains a key contributor and organizer. She was a strong supporter of the development of Armonk Square and has volunteered for

the Armonk Outdoor Art Show.

Wilder said Gilmartin-Willsey embodies the community spirit that the chamber looks for when choosing its honorees.

"We look for people with long-term civic engagement, people who use their enthusiasm as well as their influence to make great things happen for all different sectors of the town and Judy, in addition to being that presence for so many years, she's been a great cheerleader for many of the things that have happened in town," Wilder said.

For 85 years, the Armonk Independent Fire Department and its volunteers has served the town, saving lives and property. Given the level of training and dedication required to become a volunteer firefighter, it's fitting the department will be the first organization to be honored, Wilder said.

In addition to fighting fires and providing emergency medical care, members also teach fire safety to community, school and youth groups and are required to participate in multiagency drills in case of large-scale emergencies.

"Everybody loves the fire department, obviously, and they've been doing what they've been doing since the 1930s," said



Judy Gilmartin-Willsey has been named this year's Armonk Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year.

Wilder. "It's a great organization to honor.

She said guests will be able to sponsor a firefighter's dinner/tee hole at the event and/or contribute to the local Stayin' Alive charity, which provides grants to area first-responders. Stayin' Alive will be holding its annual 5K in Windmill Farm later that week.

Information regarding registration to the May 15 event, support a firefighter or donate to Stayin' Alive can be found at [www.armonkchamberofcommerce.com](http://www.armonkchamberofcommerce.com).

## Mt. Kisco Chamber Announces 2018 Honorees for May 9 Dinner

The Mount Kisco Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors last week announced the honorees for the 2018 Citizen of the Year and Organization of the Year, shining examples of a commitment to a lifetime of service to others.

Longstanding Mount Kisco residents Jack and Eva Marshall will be honored as the Citizens of the Year and the Boys & Girls Club of Northern Westchester will be recognized as the Organization of the Year at the chamber's celebratory dinner on Wednesday, May 9 at Mount Kisco Country Club.

The chamber's tradition is to recognize and honor local citizens and organizations for their civic contributions to the Mount Kisco community through purposeful work and dedicated service to others.

Jack Marshall owned and operated J.A. Marshall Sheet Metal, which is still operated by his son. He is a proud veteran, serving after World War II and during the Korean conflict. He is a current member and past president of American Legion Post 136 as well as the Mount Kisco Rotary.

Marshall has also dedicated 69 years of service to Mount Kisco's Independent Fire Company.

His wife, Eva, is tremendously generous with her time and lends her boundless energy to multiple organizations. She continues to volunteer at Northern Westchester Hospital and is the current president of the Mount Kisco Historical Society. She has years of service with the Mount Kisco Fire Department Auxiliary, Legion Auxiliary and Friends in Service of

Helping (FISH).

"Jack and Eva are an inspiration to all of us, not only for the lifetime of service to others, but that their commitment actively continues into their golden years," said Mount Kisco Chamber of Commerce Co-President Kris Mullen.

The Boys & Girls Club of Northern Westchester has been serving the community since 1939.

"Growing up in Mount Kisco, the Boys & Girls Club has always been a safe haven for kids and the center of activity," said Chamber Co-President Jane Pieragostini. More than 500 children attend the Boys & Girls Club daily in Mount Kisco, which provides committed teachers, mentors, tutors and volunteers. The youngsters learn to swim and play with amazing results. Over 85,000 free nutritious meals are served each year and nearly 50,000 kids have learned to be water-safe.

For the last eight years, 100 percent of at-risk high school seniors have graduated and gone on to college or technical school. The Boys & Girls Club builds academic success, health and life skills and productive future citizens. With more than 40 programs, the club's team has significantly expanded College Quest and Civic Advocacy Programs, ensuring that today's youngsters will be the community leaders of tomorrow.

The Citizen of the Year Dinner is open to the public. Tickets can be purchased in advance by calling the chamber office at 914-666-7525 or by visiting [www.mtkiscochamber.com](http://www.mtkiscochamber.com).

## Pleasantville Community TV to Honor Ben Cheever April 21

On Saturday, Apr. 21, Pleasantville Community TV (PCTV) will honor Ben Cheever, author, PCTV producer and ex-board member with the 2018 "Make PCTV Great Again" award at its annual gala fundraiser.

Family, friends and PCTV supporters will join in the celebration at the C.V. Rich Mansion, 305 Ridgeway in White Plains, from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m.

Cheever has published four novels, "The Plagiarist," "The Partisan," "Famous After Death" and "The Good Nanny," and two nonfiction books, "Selling Ben Cheever" and "Strides." He also edited "The Letters of John Cheever," Ben's father who was a novelist and short story writer who captured a Pulitzer Prize.

Cheever has also freelanced for The New York Times, The New Yorker, Town & Country, Gourmet Magazine, Runner's World, Reader's Digest and The Nation and has contributed to Audiofile, a magazine for people who love audio books.

Cheever, a profound dog lover, has also volunteered as a dog trainer at Educated Canines Assisting With Disabilities (ECAD). He is often seen with his dog, "Hotcakes." He is also on the board of the Friends of the Rockefeller Preserve.

A Pleasantville resident, Cheever is

married to Janet Maslin, the former film critic for The New York Times. Cheever has two sons, John and Andrew. He has been an active PCTV board member for more than five years. Cheever also launched his PCTV show "About Writing" in 2002, and it remains one of the most viewed shows on the public access station.

PCTV, a nonprofit community public access station incorporated in 1997, is located at 2 Lake St. in Pleasantville. Its mission is to provide a platform for community members to help build a sense of local cohesiveness, increase awareness of important topics, open avenues of communication and provide an opportunity for self-expression. PCTV also publicizes and covers village activities and archives Pleasantville Board of Education meetings online.

The PCTV Gala is its major fundraiser of the year to help defray costs associated with operating the studio.

Gala tickets are \$140 each. Visit [www.pctv76.org](http://www.pctv76.org) to purchase tickets online. To purchase tickets by mail, please send a check made out to Pleasantville Community TV (PCTV), P.O. Box 426, Pleasantville, N.Y. 10570. Call 589-8976 with any questions or e-mail [pctv@pctv76.org](mailto:pctv@pctv76.org).

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**NOTICE OF ANNUAL PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET, ANNUAL MEETING, SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION, LIBRARY ELECTION AND VOTE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Board of Education of the Chappaqua Central School District, Westchester County, New York will hold a Public Hearing on the Budget at the Academic Commons at the Horace Greeley High School, Chappaqua, New York, on Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at 7:30 pm for the purpose of presenting the budget document for the 2018-19 school year. **NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for School District purposes during the 2018-19 school year (the Budget), exclusive of public moneys, may be obtained by any resident of the District during business hours, effective April 30, 2018, except Saturday, Sunday or holidays, at each of the District's school houses, the Administrative Offices, at any public or free association library located in the School District, and on the District website. A Real Property Tax Exemption Report prepared in accordance with Section 495 of the Real Property Tax Law will be annexed to any budget of which it will form a part; and shall be posted on District bulletin board(s) maintained for public notices, as well as on the District's website.

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**A.**To elect 1 (one) member to the Board of Education, 3-year term, commencing July 1, 2018 and expiring on June 30, 2021.

**B.**To vote upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures for School District purposes for the 2018-2019 School year (the Budget).

**A.**To vote upon the appropriation of the necessary funds for the 2018-2019 fiscal year of the Chappaqua Central School District Public Library (the Library Budget).

**A.**To elect 1 (one) member to the Board of Trustees of the Chappaqua Central School

District Public Library, five-year term, commencing July 1, 2018 and expiring June 30, 2023.

**B.**To vote on the following proposition: **CAPITAL RESERVE FUND PROPOSITION** Shall the Chappaqua Central School District be authorized to establish a capital reserve fund pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law, to be designated as the "Buildings and Facilities Improvement Reserve Fund," which shall be for the purpose of paying all or a portion of the costs of renovation, construction, reconstruction and improvements to the District's buildings, facilities, and athletic facilities and fields, including original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances, planning costs, site improvements, and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith; the maximum amount of such fund shall be \$10,000,000 (plus accrued interest and investment earnings thereon), with a maximum term of 10 years; the source of the funding to be unexpended unassigned fund balances in the general fund at the end of each fiscal year and/or other legally available funds that may be placed into said reserve fund.

**C.**To vote on any other proposition legally proposed. **NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that petitions for nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education and office of Library Trustee must be filed with the Clerk of the District by no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2018. Vacancies on the Board of Education and Library Board are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at large. Nominating petitions must be signed by at least forty-one qualified voters of the district, shall state the residence address of each signer and the name and residence address of the candidate. Petition forms may be obtained from the District Clerk on weekdays when school is in session, during regular business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at her office at the district's Education Center, 66 Roaring Brook Road, Chappaqua, New York. **NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that registration of voters is required pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law. If a voter has registered to vote with the School District and has voted at an annual or special school district meeting within the last four calendar years, (after January 1, 2014) s/he is eligible to vote at this Election and Vote. If a voter is currently registered to vote with the Westchester County Board of Elections, s/he is also eligible to vote in this Election and Vote. All other persons who wish to vote must register. Registration may be done on any business day at the office of the District Clerk, during business hours, at the Education Center at 66 Roaring Brook Road, Chappaqua, New York, up to May 10, 2018, five (5) days prior to the election and vote. Any person possessing all of the following qualifications may register to vote: **1.** Is a citizen of the United States;

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**Tracey Hardaway**, as Heir to The Estate of Lucious Nelson a/k/a Lucious Nelson, Jr., Lucious Nelson a/k/a Lucious Nelson Jr's respective heirs-at-law, next-of-kin, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, devisees, legatees, assignees, lienors, creditors, and successors in interest and generally all persons having or claiming under, by or through said defendant who may be deceased, by purchase, inheritance, lien or otherwise, any right, title or interest in the real property described in the complaint herein, Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company, Singer Energy Group LLC, New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, United States of America - Internal Revenue Service, Defendants. Index # 69178/2017 Filed: 3/26/2018

**SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS** Plaintiff designates Westchester County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgaged premises is situated.

**TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S): YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED** to answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your Answer or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a Notice of Appearance on the attorneys for the plaintiff within twenty (20) days after service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service; or within thirty (30) days after service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York; or within sixty (60) days if it is the United States of America. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

**NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT** THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure \$247,209.72 and interest, recorded in the Office of the Westchester County Clerk on March 10, 2006, in Control No. 460660270, covering premises known as **442 Garden Avenue, Mount Vernon, NY 10553**

The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above.

**NOTICE: YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME**

If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered

and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action.

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

Dated: Bayshore New York  
March 23, 2018

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and 2. Is eighteen years of age or older; and 1. Has resided in the School District for a period of thirty days immediately preceding the day of the Election and Vote. **NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the register of voters so prepared shall be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the District and shall be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the District between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., prevailing time, beginning May 10, 2018, except Saturday or Sunday. Said register will be open for inspection at the polling place on the date of the election and vote. **NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the Board of Registration shall meet at Horace Greeley High School on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, during the hours of voting as aforesaid for the purpose of preparing a register of qualified voters for meetings to be held subsequent to such election and vote. **NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that, applications for absentee ballots for the Annual Meeting, School district election and Vote may be obtained at the Office of the School District Clerk. The completed application must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days prior to the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter or the day before the election, if the ballot will be picked up personally by the voter. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk by no later than 5:00

p.m., prevailing time, on May 15, 2018. **NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that a list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available for inspection from qualified voters of the district in the said office of the District Clerk during regular office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., prevailing time, until the day of the Annual Meeting, Election and Vote. Any qualified voter may file a written challenge of the qualifications of a voter whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge. **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the School District Clerk is hereby authorized to amend the Notice of the Public Hearing on the Budget and Annual Meeting, Election and Vote, from time to time, as in her discretion, such amendment may be required. **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the School District Clerk shall cause the Notice set forth above to be published four (4) times within the seven (7) weeks preceding the Annual Meeting, Election and Vote, the first such notice to be published at least 45 days prior to the Election and Vote, in accordance with Section 2004 of the Education Law. **BOARD OF EDUCATION CHAPPAQUA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT WESTCHESTER COUNTY, NEW YORK** By: *Liisa K. Elsner, District Clerk*



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