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Mt. Kisco Approves Family Rec Uses for Diamond, Radio Circle

By Sean Browne

The Mount Kisco Village Board approved an amendment to the zoning code last week to include family recreation facilities at the Diamond Properties complex on North Bedford Road and on Radio Circle.

In a 4-1 decision, the board included the controversial amendment for The Park at 333 N. Bedford Rd., which is zoned as the village's only Light Manufacturing district. It is currently home to Grand Prix New York, which includes go-kart racing and bowling, and Saw Mill Club East, among other operations. Radio Circle is zoned Research and Development.

The board also approved a text change to allow a 70,000-square-foot ShopRite to open and operate at the Diamond Properties site. Diamond Properties has signed a lease that would bring a 70,000-square-foot ShopRite supermarket to the complex.

The action comes after the Planning

Board last month spelled out its support for the proposed zoning text changes for additional family entertainment facilities. However, neighbors of The Park opposed the amendment because of concern over traffic congestion, light pollution, noise and other potential drawbacks. No one from the public spoke on the matter at the July 16 meeting.

Most of the board was satisfied that any issues at the site would be addressed.

"I was also concerned about the traffic at 333 N. Bedford Rd. but the proposals that we have in front of us suggest a substantial realigning of a number of roads," said Trustee Peter Grunthal. "That has convinced me that traffic will be a lot better when we have handled those intersections. We have looked at this very carefully and I am very happy to go along with this."

Deputy Mayor Jean Farber assured

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County Reports New Tick Species Discovered in Westchester

By Martin Wilbur

Westchester County Health Commissioner Dr. Sherlita Amler alerted the public last week of a tick species that is new to the area but said precautions used for other ticks appear to be effective.

The longhorn tick, which is native to Asia, Australia and New Zealand, was confirmed to have arrived in the county on July 17 in multiple tests conducted by Fordham University and at the Lyme Disease Diagnostic Center of New York Medical College, Amler said. The identifications were confirmed by the Rutgers University Center for Vector Biology and the United States Department of Agriculture, according to the state Department of Health.

Its appearance in Westchester is

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MARTIN WILBUR PHOTO

County Health Commissioner Dr. Sherlita Amler holding photos of a longhorn tick, including an image of a tick that is fully engorged (right).

Work Before Play



Kelly Andrews, left, and Kathleen Bennett, who are entering Westlake High School in September, stand with County Executive George Latimer on July 13 at Rye Playland after earning their certificate of achievement in the When You Do Well, You Play Well program. The county program recognizes Westchester students who have earned a perfect attendance record or a 3.5 GPA. The students who achieve one of the criteria earn a season pass to Playland.

Treatment Center Reps Meet With New Castle Officials to Allay Concerns

By Martin Wilbur

Representatives of an addiction treatment center that opened recently at Chappaqua Crossing faced New Castle officials last week to answer questions and quell any fears that the facility could be harmful to the community.

Mountainside Treatment Center, based in Canaan, Conn., opened a 4,158-square-foot outpatient services center last month at the former Reader's Digest site to address the needs of its Westchester clients, said John Hamilton, Mountainside's chief clinical outreach officer.

An outpatient location has been operating in Wilton, Conn. since the largest number of its clients come from Fairfield County. Mountainside, which was launched 20 years ago, has a residential facility in Canaan.



A photo from last month's grand opening of Mountainside Treatment Center at Chappaqua Crossing. Some community members have raised questions about the center's clientele and services.

Town approvals weren't required for the operation since it is consistent with other health care-related uses at the site. The deal was considered a private transaction between Mountainside and Summit/Greenfield, town officials said.

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"We realized when we looked at our matrix of where our clients are coming from, that the second greatest area was Westchester County," Hamilton explained during a meeting last Tuesday evening with the Town Board. "So we looked around to see where most of our clients come from and we chose this community as the community our clients would feel most comfortable coming in that we'd replicate kind of the branding and the confidentiality and the community that we serve."

Hamilton said the largest number of its clients that are using the facility are

counseled for alcohol-related matters. Others are being treated for prescription drug and opioid addictions. The outpatient center does not serve people who require methadone treatment, he said. Programs are administered by licensed and certified professionals.

The clients who come to the Chappaqua Crossing site don't require 30- or 90-day residential treatment or extended care and continue their daily lives while attending the program, Hamilton said. The facility provides Intensive Outpatient Programs, which requires attendance three times a week, once-a-week outpatient services and

recovery coaching, Hamilton said.

Hamilton, who was accompanied by community relations development representative Thea Diserio Ross, appeared before the Town Board because Mountainside's arrival has prompted questions and concerns among some residents on local social media sites, including inquiries about its clientele, its services and proximity to Horace Greeley High School.

Town Board members Jeremy Saland and Lisa Katz advised Hamilton and Ross that Mountainside should have been more proactive. Most communities react warily to substance abuse or addiction-

related facilities.

"This blew up on Facebook and while Facebook certainly doesn't dictate what we do, and a lot of people reached out to me and I'm sure my colleagues with concerns that some may be realistic and some that might be outlandish and preposterous, but that could have been avoided by just saying, 'Hey, we're coming,'" Saland said.

Katz suggested to Hamilton and Ross that the facility reach out to the public even though they've been in operation for more than a month. Mountainside has been scheduling tours with the general public and also plans to be involved with community education regarding addictions, Hamilton said.

Supervisor Robert Greenstein, who compared their facility at Chappaqua Crossing to medical offices, said he invited Mountainside to the meeting to provide the public with a clear understanding of what is offered. He said most comments he has received have been positive but there are community members who have posed questions and concerns.

"They've offered people tours, they've had an open house, they want people to know about what they do and not just what they do in the facility, but also I want people to understand what they do in the community as far as education," Greenstein said.

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residents that the village's Planning Board will be deliberate in its review of any family recreation facility, eliminating fears that it would be a rushed process.

"We are only allowing for the possibility of a stronger and more vibrant Mount Kisco," Farber said.

The board's dissenting vote, Trustee Karen Schleimer, outlined a litany of drawbacks to allowing the change regarding family recreation facilities. She had wanted to approve the change for the supermarket to move forward but had hoped the village's Comprehensive Plan Committee could

complete its review and weigh in on the family recreational facilities proposal.

She also expressed uneasiness about the wide range of potential uses that could come into the site. Schleimer pointed to the legislation that provides examples of uses but are not limited to amusement devices, miniature golf, sports/batting cages, climbing walls, trampolines, ropes courses, arts and crafts activities and other activities designed for the whole family.

"My position is and has been since the introduction of this proposal that including a new use, that is unlike anything currently available in our community...without time

to examine and look at what the effect of this use would be in this area would be premature," Schleimer said. "It may turn out that the proposed uses are something that our residents would be delighted to have and it may turn out to be the best thing that could happen to Mount Kisco. My concern is only that we do the proper evaluation and study and do it right."

However, other board members said the new Comprehensive Plan includes proposed realignment of intersections along North Bedford Road to improve traffic flow.



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InterGenerate Opens New Co-operative Garden in Mount Kisco

By Martin Wilbur

An organization that has been creating community gardens and promotes environmental sustainability has opened a co-operative garden where a portion of the harvest will be donated to a local pantry.

InterGenerate has partnered with Arc of Westchester on the garden that is located on the grounds of the Ann Manzi Center in Mount Kisco. Earlier this month, members planted the first seeds in the joint effort that should yield its first harvest this fall, said Susan Rubin, a food and environmental education and a member of InterGenerate. A more extensive planting will be done next spring.

There are several beds at the garden, and as more members come aboard, there will be more extensive plantings in future seasons, she said. Membership is \$50, half of which is refundable. Members will share in the harvest.

"We got a late start but the good news is right now, is when you put seeds in the ground for fall," Rubin said. "We planted a lot of beans and squashes and things and by September, October we'll have lots of nice food there."

A significant portion of the produce from the garden will be donated to the Mount Kisco Interfaith Food Pantry at the United Methodist Church on East Main Street. The pantry supplies an estimated 300 area families every week with a combination of



MARTIN WILBUR PHOTO

The garden on the grounds of the Ann Manzi Center in Mount Kisco, a joint venture involving Arc of Westchester and InterGenerate.

canned and packaged goods, fresh produce and meat or fish.

Furthermore, the weekly Thursday Farmers Market at Neighbors Link will be supplemented by the InterGenerate/Arc of Westchester venture, Rubin said.

Although Arc of Westchester has operated a garden at the site for several years, Rubin said that this is the first time that organization is partnering.

With food insecurity on the rise throughout the county with pockets of poverty, including Mount Kisco and surrounding communities, the garden is a welcome sight for many, Rubin said.

"What's so interesting is I feel like the need now is higher than it's been before," she said. "We're seeing unprecedented levels

of food insecurity and it's amazing because it's this beautiful county and we see such wealth and lushness, but on the other hand there's also poverty that's really not that far away."

Roberta Horowitz, the Mount Kisco Interfaith Food Pantry's, director of food operations and programs, said the pantry has also partnered with Mount Kisco Elementary School and it garden for produce. She said a co-operative garden helps everyone involved.

"Everyone who works there will be able to benefit from the garden and part of it will be donated when it comes to the pantry as well, Horowitz said. "It's really the community working together and one helping the next. So it's a really nice model."

The pantry is open on Tuesdays from 5 to 7 p.m. and Wednesdays from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Rubin said the effort makes a lot of sense. "We can grow food that's healthy and we can make it cheap," she said.

In addition to its partnership with Arc of Westchester on the Mount Kisco Garden, InterGenerate, which was established in 2009, operates gardens in Katonah and Chappaqua. It is also working to open the Millwood Community Garden.

Millwood Garden Aims for 2019 Planting

The Millwood Community Garden is targeting a spring 2019 planting after delays extended too far into the planting season.

The garden, located at the site of the old Millwood Swim Club on Sand Street, has two families signed up and is expecting many more, said Suzi Novak, InterGenerate's vice president and community garden coordinator. It will have 30 beds when fully operational.

"One of the things these gardens do is they give people the opportunity for community that really doesn't exist that many places anymore," Novak said.

She expects that 75 to 80 percent of the people who will garden at Millwood will live within a mile of two of the site.

Last week, the New Castle Town Board agreed to do a survey of the property to erect a fence on the perimeter of the parcel.


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noteworthy because this is the first time its presence has been confirmed in New York State, Amler said during a press briefing in White Plains. The tick was first found in the United States last year at a New Jersey farm and there have also been discoveries in Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina and Arkansas since then, she said.

Amler said that there have been no reported cases of communicative disease associated with the tick in the United States. So far, it's biggest threat has been to livestock and pets, she said.

"You should do what you've always

done and been successful in keeping ticks from your pets," Amler said. "So whatever you've done in the past is what you should continue to do. This tick seems to be susceptible to the same protocols that have always been used."

Symptoms in humans include high fever, low platelet counts or a red rash from reported cases of longhorn tick bites in Asia, she said. It is unclear at this time if the longhorn tick can carry Lyme disease. Also, a female longhorn tick can reproduce asexually, Amler said.

The state Department of Health issued a release urging New Yorkers to take steps to protect themselves, their children and

their pets.

"We will continue to conduct surveillance and research on this new type of tick, but it is encouraging that the same steps that protect against deer ticks are also effective against the longhorn tick," said state Health Commissioner Dr. Howard Zucker.

It is not known how the longhorn tick managed to get to the United States, although some health officials believe that it may have been on a pet or a person who traveled from one of its native areas.

Amler outlined a series of steps that residents should take to prevent tick

bites and what to do should one be spotted on them.

- When outdoors, stay on a path and avoid brushing with vegetation as much as possible.
- Wear light-colored clothing so any tick can be easily seen. If a tick is on clothing brush it off. Upon returning from the outdoors, place clothes in a hot dryer for 10 minutes. The high heat will kill the tick.
- Wear long sleeves and pants and tuck the pants into shoes and socks. Continue to check for ticks on clothes throughout an outing.
- Use a repellent containing DEET, picaridin or IR3535.
- If the longhorn tick does attach to your body, use a sharp pair of tweezers to get under the head of the tick and apply gentle pressure and slowly extract the tick.

"You want to do it this way because you do not want to break the head or mouth of the tick into your skin because if you do, an infection could occur there," Amler said.

A longhorn tick needs to be attached to a person for about 48 hours for it to transmit a disease, she said. When fully engorged, it is about the size of a pea.

Once a tick that has been attached to a pet or a person's skin has been removed, place it in a container to bring to the veterinarian, or if symptoms surface in a human, a doctor can see what kind of tick it is.

Amler said that Westchester Medical Center has a tick clinic that is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 5 to 7 p.m. through August. Anyone who had a tick attached to them or a pet can bring it to the clinic for testing.

For more information and to view a photo of the longhorn tick, visit the county Department of Health website page at <http://health.westchestergov.com>.



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No. Castle, Byram Hills to Have Second School Resource Officer

By Martin Wilbur

North Castle officials are prepared to partner on a second school resource officer with the Byram Hills School District for 2018-19 although the terms of the agreement have not been released.

Police Chief Peter Simonsen said last week that with school security issues at the forefront of public discussion, a second officer on the school campuses would be beneficial for the community.

"The most important thing is that officers can notice people who are on

the fringe and can identify them and help them get the remediation they need," Simonsen said.

At its July 11 meeting, the Town Board approved authorizing Supervisor Michael Schiliro to sign an intermunicipal agreement (IMA) with the Byram Hills School District for the second resource officer. Town Administrator Joan Goldberg said while the two parties have agreed in principle to the IMA, attorneys have not had a chance to sign off on the agreement.

The arrangement between North Castle and the school district for the current school resource officer, Anthony Sabatella, stipulates that Byram Hills pays for half of the officer's costs for 10 months of the year, Goldberg said. She could not say whether the second resource officer, which would be Donald Aronberg, would be similar.

It is expected that the agreement will be signed off on both sides in time for the start of the new school year, she said.

Simonsen said he was not at liberty

to discuss how two officers would be deployed, but they would be shared at least to some degree by the district's four schools.

Use of school resource officers, which usually concentrate on students in secondary-level grades but can be used for all grades, has followed the former Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program in many communities. The latter program focused on students primarily in fifth grade.

The New Recruits

The Town of North Castle saw a trio of new police officers sworn in by Supervisor Michael Schiliro Monday morning at Town Hall. Police Chief Peter Simonsen, left, welcomed to the force, from left to right, Alec Tobia, Matthew Berni and Joseph Keenan. The new officers will begin the Basic Recruit School at the Westchester County Police Academy next week.



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Two Love-ly Eateries Out of Business in Mount Kisco

By Neal Rentz

Mount Kisco has lost two eateries earlier this month when the owner of the restaurant Café of Love and the soup Ladle of Love closed the restaurants, which had each been in business for more than a decade.

Owner Leslie Lampert, who had operated the two establishments

for more than a said Friday her two restaurants closed July 14.

Café of Love, which was located at 38 E. Main St., served modern American cuisine with an international flare using seasonally sourced ingredients from local and regional farms, while Ladle of Love, at 11B S. Moger Ave., specialized in hearty soups. Café of Love had been

in business since 2007 and Ladle of Love operated for 15 years/

Lampert declined to explain why she closed the two businesses, but said she was honored to have been part of Mount Kisco's downtown and proud of the professionalism that her employees brought to their jobs.

"It has been a privilege to have been part of the community for all these years," she said.

Though the two businesses have closed, Lampert plans to remain active supporting the Boys & Girls Club of Northern Westchester, which is located in Mount Kisco. She will also continue to own and operate Ladle of Love's Bronxville location.

Mount Kisco Chamber of Commerce Chamber Co-Executive Director Beth Vetare-Civitello said she would miss Lampert and her two restaurants. While the closing of Café of Love and Ladle of Love are a loss for Mount Kisco, Vetare-Civitello said it shouldn't have large long-term effect on the village. Diners will still patronize the village's restaurants many other restaurants, she said.

"People are still going to look for



Leslie Lampert, the owner of Café of Love and Ladle of Love in Mount Kisco, closed her two businesses on July 14.

places to eat," Vetare-Civitello said. "There's still plenty of places."

Vetare-Civitello said she has spoken to prospective restaurants owners eyeing Mount Kisco but have not told her if they would want to move into the spaces previously occupied by Café of Love and Ladle of Love.

P'ville Lions Club to Hold Annual Hole-in-One Event This Saturday

The public is invited by the Pleasantville Lions Club to the seventh annual Hole-in-One event to be held this Saturday, July 28 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Parkway Field on Marble Avenue in Pleasantville.

Cash prizes will be awarded as follows: \$1,000 for a hole in one and \$100, \$75 and \$50 for closest to the pin. Raffle prizes are \$100, \$75 and \$50, respectively, and are drawn at the end of the day. The best deal is \$20 for 15 golf shots and 15 raffle tickets.

Players are encouraged to have fun and try to win a prize. Each player may use their own clubs or borrow

one from the Lions. Both lefthanded and righthanded clubs will be available. The short irons are the best clubs to use to reach the 110-yard green (7, 8, 9 and wedge irons).

All prizes will be awarded by the Lions Club. Winners will be notified by e-mail, telephone or both. Proceeds will benefit the visually impaired, Rosary Hill Home and local families in need.

In the event of inclement weather, the event will be on Sunday, July 29 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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First-Time Mt. Pleasant Candidate Ready to Challenge for Town Board

By Neal Rentz

In a town that hasn't elected a Democrat to local office in years, Francesca Hagadus believes she has what it takes to buck that trend.

The 25-year Pleasantville resident, who is challenging Republican Anthony Amiano, in November's special election for Mount Pleasant Town Board, said there is a need for candidates like herself who can work with a diverse set of people.

If successful in November, Hagadus, who has received the endorsement of the Mount Pleasant Democratic Committee, would be the only Democrat on the five-member board. But she doesn't view being in the minority as a daunting challenge.

"My goals are neither Democratic nor Republican," she said. "I'd encourage fellow board members to work together for the benefit of the community, which is non-partisan."

Hagadus, who turns 65 on Saturday, vowed to bring greater visibility, transparency and community engagement to the board. If elected, one of her top priorities would be involvement in revising the town's Comprehensive Plan.

"We need to seize the moment to create a plan that meets both the short- and long-term needs of our town; a roadmap to become an accessible location where young adults want to live, young families want to raise their children and empty-nesters can

safely and affordably grow old," said Hagadus, a foreign language teacher who retired in 2015 after working for 32 years in the Chappaqua Central School District. "Then the board must deliver a timely, responsible implementation of the plan."

Since her retirement, Hagadus has filled in for language teachers on long-term leave. She has taught at Pleasantville Middle School and Pleasantville High School and hosted international students studying English at EF Academy in Thornwood. Given her experience as an educator, she said she's like to involve more high school students in the democratic process.

Another goal of hers is to have the entire working together to benefit all of Mount Pleasant while retaining the individuality of each hamlet and village.

Hagadus said she's optimistic she can break through and win election to the Town Board. If victorious, she would pursue a full four-year term in 2019.

"Party politics are just not working for our country, and I think everyone knows it," Hagadus said. "We are seeing increased voter participation from many segments of the



Democrat Francesca Hagadus, in her first run for public office, is challenging first-year Mount Pleasant Councilman Anthony Amiano in a special election this November.

population who see greater opportunity for compromise and unity. With my network of dedicated volunteers and campaign experience in our community, I know we will win this election."

Hagadus has extensive experience working with community and political organizations. She launched Chappaqua Macaroni Kid, a weekly online newsletter informing subscribers of local family activities and supporting local businesses.

She also served as a board member of Up2Us, a local political activist organization,

has been a town Democratic district leader, a member of Indivisible Pleasantville and helped manage Hillary Clinton's Hillary For America's Westchester office in 2016. In addition, Hagadus, has campaigned for several local Democrats.

Hagadus dismissed Amiano's comments in a letter to the editor last week that she said tries to portray her campaign as "radical" and "far left."

"I am running as a taxpayer, mother and teacher with a high degree of community involvement," Hagadus said. "I have lived in Westchester since 1967 and in Pleasantville since 1993. I am not bringing D.C. to

Mount Pleasant or using the position of council member as a steppingstone to any other elected position. By calling me radical and far left, my opponent is trying to create a divisive race. I will reach across the aisle to make the Town of Mount Pleasant the best it can be."

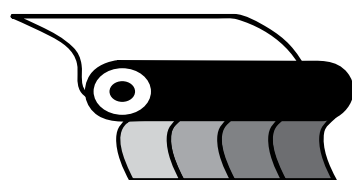
Amiano was appointed to the board in May when former councilman Mark Rubeo was approved to take over as town justice, replacing Nicholas Maselli, who retired this spring. The open board seat triggered this year's special election for the final year of Rubeo's unexpired term.

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July 13: A complainant reported a possible intoxicated driver on North Broadway at 4:35 p.m. The vehicle was described as silver with a Rhode Island license plate. The responding officer reported the parties leaving the area prior to his arrival. Additionally, the officer reported speaking to the business owner who reported the female party driving the vehicle appeared okay.

July 13: A computer check following a traffic stop at 11:52 p.m. on Old Orchard

Street uncovered a suspended registration for insurance not in effect. The vehicle was subsequently impounded and the operator was issued a summons.

July 14: A party arrived at headquarters at 11:42 a.m. to report that on July 9 at about 8:30 p.m. he lost his wallet while at Gavi Restaurant on Old Route 22. The individual reported that the wallet contained his driver's license, social security card and several credit cards. The party reported that the credit cards had been canceled. He also reported checking with restaurant personnel who reviewed

video surveillance footage which did not show anyone taking the wallet. The complainant wished to make this loss a matter of record. An identity theft packet was issued.

July 15: The driver of a vehicle was arrested and charged with criminal possession of a weapon at 10:05 p.m. following a traffic stop on Route 120.

July 16: Report of a burglary on the Jennie Clarkson campus on Old Orchard Street at 10:41 a.m. The administrator on duty reported that he just discovered what appears to be a forced entry into the

Adult Independent Living Office, which is located in the Opportunity Center. Additionally, the complainant reported that computer equipment appears to have been taken from the office. The incident may have occurred over the weekend, the employee told police.

July 16: Report of an assault on North Greenwich Road at 4:23 p.m. The Westchester County Department of Emergency Services reported that a female is bleeding from the head after an altercation. Emergency Medical Services was dispatched. An individual was placed under arrest by the responding officers.

July 17: Report of a possible altercation on Bedford Banksville Road at 4:13 p.m. The responding officer reported that the dispute was verbal in nature and was regarding unpaid wages, which is a civil matter.

July 18: A caller reported at 8: 21 a.m. that six tires were dumped in the parking lot at IBM Park on Business Park Drive. The town's Highway Department was notified.

Pleasantville Police Department

July 19: Police arrested a 21-year-old Pleasantville man and an Elmsford man, 20, at 12:23 a.m. on Hopper Street for unlawful possession of marijuana.

Workshop for Parents of Teens With Communication, Emotional Issues

Cognitive & Behavioral Consultants (CBC) will conduct a workshop on Aug. 4 and 5 designed to help parents navigate difficulties that arise when supporting young adults with severe emotional swings.

This weekend workshop was created in recognition of the unique developmental demands of this life stage and with consideration of busy schedules. The program includes a specific focus on family interactions that may be triggered when young adults experience highly charged emotions, and in turn, may

worsen emotional dysregulation in both young adults and their parents.

The workshop will be led by Dr. Suzanne Davino, director of CBC's Step-Up Programs, and Dr. Elizabeth Ronan, coordinator of CBT Programming at CBC.

Davino and Ronan will cover several topics, including mindful parenting, increasing effective communication skills, coping with emotionally intense moments and increasing effective responses and decreasing problematic behaviors.

Each day parents will learn new skills, participate in illustrative exercises, receive consultation from clinicians on individualized situations and connect with other parents experiencing similar challenges.

The workshop will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day at CBC's office located at 1 N. Broadway in White Plains. Additional information regarding registration can be obtained by calling 914-385-1150 or sending an e-mail to Dr. Michelle Greenberg at mgreenberg@cbc-psychology.com.



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THERE'S A WORD FOR IT
A vocabulary-building quiz
By Edward Goralski

Free Association. The words for this week's quiz come from The Free Dictionary's Word of the Day feature. The Free Dictionary, which launched in 2003, is an online dictionary and encyclopedia. In addition to the Word of the Day, it also offers a daily grammar lesson, quotation of the day and much more. Perhaps some of these words will make your day.

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|----------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. shenanigan (n.) | A) a demonstrative display | B) reckless behavior | C) a lavish party |
| 2. hanker (v.) | A) to have a strong desire | B) settle in | C) turn back |
| 3. indisposed (adj.) | A) not recognizable | B) somewhat ill | C) imprudent |
| 4. lambent (adj.) | A) having a relaxed style | B) mournful | C) softly bright |
| 5. commiserate (v.) | A) to order about | B) act as a commentator | C) express compassion |
| 6. carrel (n.) | A) a written agreement | B) a capacious bag | C) a cubicle |
| 7. umbrageous (adj.) | A) indefinitely numerous | B) affording shade | C) first-rate |
| 8. zaftig (adj.) | A) having a full figure | B) having sharp turns | C) changeable |

- ANSWERS:**
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| 1. B. Reckless or malicious behavior that causes discomfort or annoyance in others; mischief | 8. A. Having a full, shapely figure |
| 2. A. To have a strong, often restless desire | 7. B. Affording or forming shade; shadowed |
| 3. B. Somewhat ill or prone to illness; under the weather | 6. C. A partially partitioned nook in a library used for study; cubicle |
| 4. C. Softly bright or radiant | 5. C. To feel or express sympathy or compassion |

New Delivery Service for Mt. Kisco Target Shoppers Set to Debut

By Martin Wilbur

For shoppers who use Target in Mount Kisco and White Plains, a new service will soon be launched to bring same-day delivery for customers who shop online.

Shipt, a leading online delivery marketplace, and the Target Corp. announced last week that the service will begin starting Tuesday, Aug. 14. This augments Shipt's recent growth into upstate New York starting last month.

The service is also scheduled to start July 31 in Kingston and other locations in the mid-Hudson Valley, reach into Long Island on Aug. 7 and Aug. 9 in New York City before coming to Mount Kisco and White Plains.

The imminent expansion of the service gives more than 1.3 million households access to products delivered by Shipt in as little as one hour. New Shipt members who sign up before Aug. 14 will receive an annual membership for \$49 instead of the regular \$99 price.

"Shipt's continued growth across New York provides an added layer of convenience to the lives of on-the-go commuters and families alike, who will now have the opportunity to access the products they love at the press of a button," said Shipt founder and CEO Bill Smith. "Building upon our recent momentum across Upstate New York and the New York City area, Shipt is reaching more households across the country than ever before."

Founded in 2014, Shipt's members have the ability to browse, search and shop the in-store assortment of products online. Members can note preferences, choose a one-hour delivery window and pay for their order, all within the app. Shipt's team of shoppers select, bag and deliver the items.

The annual membership grants access to free, unlimited delivery on orders of more than \$35.

"Same-day delivery was at the top of our list when we were thinking about ways to make shopping at Target even easier," said John Mulligan, executive

vice president and CEO for Target. "Shipt's personalized, customer-focused approach fits perfectly with our commitment to deliver a convenient, exceptional experience and we're excited to begin offering same-day service to the greater New York City metro residents."

Leading up to the latest round of expansion, Shipt plans to add more than 2,000 new shoppers across New York City and surrounding areas to help ensure complete and accurate completion of each order. To apply for a job as a shopper, visit www.Shipt.com

and click "Get Paid to Shop." Through this partnership, Target plans to offer convenient, same-day delivery of the in-store assortment of groceries, essentials, home, electronics, toys and other products from the majority of its stores by the 2018 holiday season.

By the end of the year, the service will be available to 65 percent of U.S. households across 180 markets. In 2019, same-day delivery will expand to include all major product categories at Target.

Emergency Summer Blood Drive Scheduled for Aug. 8 in P'ville

If you haven't already donated this summer, the Pleasantville Volunteer Fire Department and the Pleasantville Volunteer Ambulance Corps will be hosting a summer blood drive at the Pleasantville Firehouse, located at 75 Washington Ave., on Wednesday, Aug. 8 from 2:30 to 8:30 p.m. Since it is also difficult to organize community drives during the summer, blood donors from all towns are welcome.

For questions regarding eligibility (travel, medications, last donation, etc.), call 800-688-0900. To sign up online, visit www.nybloodcenter.org/donate-blood or call 800- 933-2566. Although it is helpful to let the organizers know in advance that you plan to come, walk-ins are always accepted.

For direct access to online registration, visit drm.nybloodcenter.org/PublicScheduler/GroupLanding.aspx?GroupCode=09181.



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\$100G Award Helps Organization to Assist Small Businesses

By Martin Wilbur

A Westchester nonprofit that has advised small, independently owned businesses on branding, marketing, strategic development and other critical services is spreading its message thanks in part to a recent \$100,000 award from JPMorgan Chase.

The Acceleration Project (TAP) has been expanding its reach outside of Westchester and Rockland to assist small business owners in other parts of the metropolitan area, said Jane Veron, co-founder and CEO of the Scarsdale-based organization.

Veron said that TAP had been in contact with JPMorgan Chase for several months prior to news of the award in June. She said TAP fits into the global financial services firm's goal of economic development of investing in local business communities.

The corporation also recognized TAP's potential for working with other award recipients, something they like to see when they dole out money, she said.

"They were very impressed by our ability to mobilize professionals and our pro bono model," Veron said. "Because we do such intensive recruitment and training and oversight of our team, we're able to deliver a very high-quality product and they felt very confident in what we could deliver to businesses."

In conjunction with receiving the award,

TAP works with Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) – organizations that receive funding from various sources including the federal government – that provides low-interest loans to small local businesses, she said. The chances of a fledgling entrepreneur, who often does not have access to capital, receiving a loan from a CDFI escalates when they work with an organization such as TAP, Veron said.

"By partnering with JPMorgan, we're moving to a stronger network of CDFIs," she said.

Another change this summer has been Chief Operating Officer Tracy Jaffe participating in three workshops in other areas of the country to help budding entrepreneurs.

Jaffe has attended small business workshops in Austin, Detroit and Atlanta. During those events, which each drew 500 to 700 attendees, Jaffe said she met with new small business owners in 15-minute conferences, quickly providing some of the expertise that TAP clients have been receiving since its establishment more than six years ago.

A budding entrepreneur who starts a business because he or she loves an industry or product often doesn't have the time and the expertise to deal with developing business strategies of devising



Members of The Acceleration Project's management team, led by CEO Jane Veron, front row, fourth from left, and COO Tracy Jaffe, fifth from left.

a financial plan.

"A small business owner oftentimes they're just going, they're not thinking about who they are and who they want to be," Jaffe said. "So we encourage them to take a step back and crystalize in their mind what exactly is their business, what's their statement for them, what's your mission, what's your vision and who are you."

Locally, TAP has helped a variety of small business owners, from a plumbing company to hair salons, restaurants and clothing stores. One of the more unusual requests came from Treasures, the thrift store at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Armonk.

Rev. Nils Chittenden said he attended an Armonk Chamber of Commerce meeting in 2016 when TAP made a presentation. He called their services "a Godsend" for the shop and the church. Chittenden said

the church hoped they could give them the structure to ask important questions, an outsider's view of the positives and negatives of the shop and recommendations.

A pair of TAP consultants met for four in-person meetings, reviewing business issues with the shop and mapping out a detailed strategy.

"TAP's involvement has been absolutely indispensable to Treasures," Chittenden said. "We were not sure where we were going and they helped us get right back on track and their key recommendation – hiring a part-time paid manager – is going to help us immeasurably. Having independent business professionals constructively say what we needed to hear gave a lot of weight to our subsequent decisions to adopt their recommendations and move forward."

One of TAP's most important features is not only helping small businesses, but calling upon professionals, including many women, who had left the workplace to raise a family but were looking to find.

The model has worked to everyone's benefit, Veron said.

"People still see the value proposition, so people spend their time but they still feel it's valuable for them to work with us on a non-pay basis," she said.

For more information, visit www.theaccelerationproject.org.

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Officials Urge Residents to Check Unclaimed Funds Database

By Anna Young

With \$15.5 billion in unclaimed funds lying dormant throughout the state, county officials conducted a search of the state's unclaimed funds database uncovering \$272 million that belongs to Westchester residents, business and

Last Thursday, state Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli presented County Executive George Latimer with a \$20,280 check in unclaimed funds for Westchester, money that will be used to help close a significant budget deficit.

"Here in Westchester County, the county government itself did a search," Latimer said at the July 19 press conference at the White Plains Public Library. "We have a budget gap that we're trying to close, and we found money."

Auditors from PFK O'Connor Davies released details earlier this month on Westchester County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for 2017 revealing the county finished last year with a \$32.2 million deficit. The report also showed that Westchester faces a projected \$28.7 million deficit for this year's \$1.2 million budget.

"We are happy that we were successful, and we want all of you to be successful too," Latimer said.

The searchable online database, www.osc.state.ny.us, listing all unclaimed

funds owed was set up through DiNapoli's office to help people recover lost money from closed bank accounts, court funds, dividends, insurance payments and other sources. The state holds the unclaimed money in an account until it is returned to its owner, DiNapoli said.

The easily accessible database allows residents to search their name or a deceased relative for free. If it's a simple claim to recover, DiNapoli said the searcher can download and fill out a form and receive a check within days.

After increasing outreach efforts, DiNapoli said his office returned \$460 million statewide last year and continues to return about \$1.5 million a day to residents.

"The most fun part is returning people's lost money," DiNapoli said. "It is your money. It's not a gift from New York, it is our opportunity to return money that we have held in safe keeping."

There are 471,343 accounts valued at \$272,182,687 for Westchester residents. Yonkers was cited as the top city owed with 25,548 accounts amounting to \$41 million. White Plains is listed second with 11,313 accounts valued at \$27.4 million.

State Sen. Shelley Mayer (D-Yonkers) and Assemblyman David Buchwald



MARTIN WILBUR PHOTO

State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli, center, displays an oversized check for just over \$20,000 for Westchester County that was in the state's unclaimed fund account. There is about \$272 million in unclaimed funds for Westchester residents.

(D-White Plains) both shared personal testimonies using the unclaimed funds database to recover money for their family or constituents. Both encouraged residents to claim their lost funds, stressing that every dollar matters.

"It's still a tough economy for many people in our state," DiNapoli said. "So whatever money you can get back from

this program, it's found money. It helps you pay your bills. Maybe it lets you do something special that you wouldn't have been able to do otherwise."

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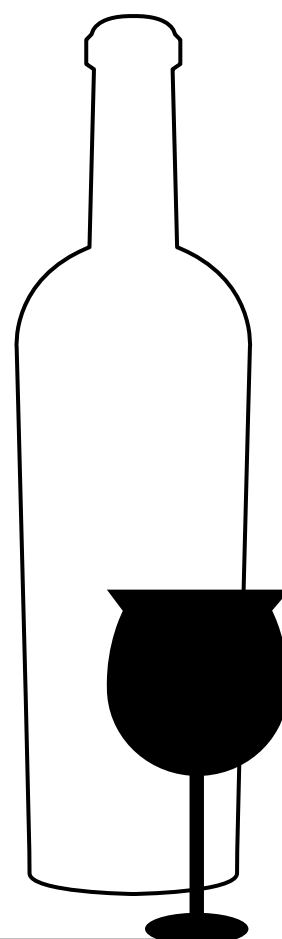
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Editorial

How to Help Prepare Young People for the Workforce

Student loan debt is on the rise and, unfortunately, the high cost of tuition doesn't mean that graduates are guaranteed to find high-paying, meaningful work after earning a degree.

"Our education and workforce development systems are broken right now, and as a result, the country is facing a crisis," said Mark C. Perna, a workforce development consultant, education strategist and author of the new book, "Answering Why: Unleashing Passion, Purpose, and Performance in Younger Generations."

"Millions of jobs in sectors crucially important to our economy and society are open and we have no one with the right skills – or even the desire – to fill them," he said.

Perna lays out a road map for better preparing young people for the opportunities ahead, while also closing the skills gap currently dogging the economy.

Here he offers some of his top insights and recommendations:

- Biases and misconceptions about

younger generations continue to persist and there's an intergenerational struggle to connect effectively. Perna refers to Generations Y and Z collectively as the "Why Generation," because its members want to understand the "why" behind everything they are asked to do. We need to get to know and understand their traits and abilities if we expect them to perform beyond expectations.

- Non-college career paths have become stigmatized in this country. Experts like Perna believe that teachers and parents need to move away from the belief that everyone has to go to a four-year university to be a successful and productive citizen. Fulfilling, high-demand, high-wage careers can be attained by postsecondary training pathways beyond the traditional college route.

- We should prioritize career development exploration and education as part of the K-12 system, Perna stressed. Even many teachers,

counselors and school administrators are themselves unaware of the robust opportunities available to today's youth and have tended to devalue career exploration for the sake of sending everyone through one pathway – college.

- The Why Generation needs to better understand the relationship between self-motivation and outside motivation when it comes to achieving goals – and parents and teachers can help. To succeed today, young people must develop the 'want-to' that fosters passion, achievement and positive self-esteem.

"As young people prepare for and enter the world of work, we need to coach them to do three things: focus, plan and take action," Perna said. "This generation is tenacious and talented, but they need to be motivated to reach their peak performance. They can do it, but we have to help."

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Guest Column

It's Never Too Late: Some of the Most Notable Second Acts and Encores

By Richard Cirulli

Old age is no place for sissies.

—Bette Davis

History will set the highwater mark for Baby Boomers at the late '60s, a time of rebellious zeal and the deconstruction of conventional thinking. Yet today, even with the mellowing of age, we continue to hold on to this spirit as we rebel against the process of aging. Or is this simply denial? I will let you make your own decision. Here are some cases in point.

Regardless of the current feel-good clichés that abound regarding the aging process, Baby Boomers are now confronting the universal nemesis of time that is rising up against our physical, cognitive and financial well-being. Being no sissies, Baby Boomers have counterattacked with nutritional supplements, hormone treatments, surgical improvements, lotions, potions, etc.

Getting older is inevitable, but aging isn't.

—Dr. Christiane Northrup

Karen L. Pepkin and Wendell C. Taylor in their recent book, "Senior Wonders: People Who Achieved Their Dreams After Age 60," profiles 23 individuals and two groups that achieved their greatest successes in their later years. The authors' work concludes these late bloomers shared several themes they refer to as the 3P's: Passion, Perspective on life and Persistence.

I am the master of my fate/ I am the captain of my soul.

—William Ernest Henley

On the other hand, we have F. Scott Fitzgerald's quotation: "There are no second acts in American lives," from his unfinished book, "The Last Tycoon." For Fitzgerald, this was true, and a bit prophetic; he died at age 44, broken and disappointed.

Between these two opposing views of the aging process, I suggest a view from the radius of control within our personal lives. Regardless of clichés, movements and popular culture we are to a degree limited by our genetics, social inheritance and environmental influences. It is within this radius that we can choose to be the captain to navigate our fate.

Moving on, direct your thoughts to some historical facts to assist you in developing your views and opinions.

In 1805, Czar Alexander I, unfairly blamed General Mihail Kutuzov for the Russian Army's defeat at the Battle of Austerlitz, and relegated him to a desk job. He was cruelly treated by Russian society. Then, in 1812, during Russia's darkest hour, in fear of Napoleon's advancing army, he was called back into service. Kutuzov drove Napoleon and his Grande Armee out of Russia. The acclaim is forever imbedded in history in Tolstoy's "War and Peace."

Boomers today can call upon this story as a mantra of inspiration. We can

also call on Hans Christian Andersen's anthropomorphic tale "The Ugly Duckling." I believe there is a little bit of ugly duckling in all of us.

Other well-known historical figures such as Emperor Claudius, Winston Churchill and Ana Mary Robertson Moses, better known as Grandma Moses, came to fame in their later years. A more recent example is the late Harry Bernstein who at age 97, in 2007, wrote an autobiographical novel "The Invisible Wall" that was published the following year, followed by "The Dream" and the "Golden Willow," which were published when he was 99. Bernstein's books were so successful he was awarded the Guggenheim Fellowship.

Another latecomer is Clara McBride Hale who founded Hale House at age 64.

And, I will leave you to ponder one last quotation from "As a Man Thinketh," by James Allen.

Mind is the Master-power that moulds and makes, And Man (Humanity) is mind, and evermore he takes The tool of Thought, and, shaping what he wills, Brings forth a thousand joys, a thousand ills: He thinks in secret, and it comes to pass: environment is but his looking-glass.

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know your **Neighbor** Sophie Rapley, Pleasantville

By Anna Young

Being a leader isn't something that comes naturally to most people. Recent Pleasantville High School graduate Sophie Rapley wants to lead by dedicating her life to helping others and advocating for change.

After a debate class during her sophomore year influenced Rapley to speak up about critical issues, her volunteer, academic and advocacy efforts strengthened as national and global issues intensified.

"Participating in that helped me be more confident in what I was saying and gave me my voice and I think that really helped in terms of getting out there and getting my opinions out there," Rapley said. "I've always been interested in any avenue of learning and I think that taking a leading role has been very important to me and has helped me."

Rapley began volunteering at a young age when she joined the Girl Scouts. Her participation over the years involved spearheading various drives in the community, providing necessities to

domestic violence shelters, leading an initiative for solar panel installation at the regional Girl Scout building in Pleasantville, mentoring younger troops, and most recently, advocating for a reusable bag law in the village.

During the last three summers, Rapley has also volunteered on the Appalachian Service Project in West Virginia, helping to fix houses and providing supplies for those in need.

While the 17-year-old has served in leadership roles in various programs, honor societies, sports teams and organizations since her freshman year, she became more involved in public activism earlier this year as gun control and immigration issues began to dominate the conversation.

"The dialogue in the country we've been seeing really interests me and some things make you angry and you want to change what's going on," Rapley said.

After she and her classmates joined schools nationwide in organizing Pleasantville's school walkout in March following the Parkland, Fla. high school



massacre, she began interning with Congresswoman Nita Lowey's office where her passion for activism has flourished.

"It was a very eye-opening experience for me," Rapley said. "I think being where we are we're very privileged here, and we're in a place where there's other people who may not have it as easy as us. If you're not doing something to help other people you're just accepting the privilege you've been given, and being in a place where you can help and you're not doesn't fit right for me."

Her diligent work in the community and in school earned Rapley the Philanthropic Education Organization (PEO) STAR Scholarship, a \$2,500 award given to a select group of graduating female seniors. It recognizes excellence

in leadership, extracurricular activities, community service, academics and potential for success.

The organization promotes worldwide educational opportunities for women. Rapley was one of 500 recipients for this year's award, with the PEO Chapter AQ of Pleasantville recommending her for the honor.

"It's a very overwhelming feeling because you've done all this hard work throughout high school and it's very nice to get some recognition for the work you've put out there," Rapley said. "Doing it you don't expect to get recognition but once you do it feels like it all the work paid off."

Rapley will be attending American University in Washington D.C. this fall where she will study in the Scholars Program and double major in political science and French. She was also accepted into the university's School of Public Affairs and will participate in its leadership program and explore immigration rights.

Rapley hopes to use her knowledge and experience to become a lawyer or run for public office.

"The more that I get older the more things I see that are wrong with the world that maybe you don't notice while you're young, and I want to change the things that I'm seeing, and I feel like not doing anything is only making the problem worse," Rapley said. "I want to be part of the solution."

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Medal of Honor Recipients Get Their Day in Inaugural Parade

By Anna Young

Hundreds of military veterans and service members were greeted with rapturous applause as they marched along the shores of Lake Gleneida in Carmel last Saturday during the state's inaugural Medal of Honor Parade.

Those who attended were filled with pride celebrating the military's finest members as veterans from all five military branches were represented. Marching bands, vintage cars and various fire departments joined the roughly .8-mile parade route.

Following the ceremony, elected officials gathered on the steps of the Putnam County Courthouse to honor those who have served.

"To have the first ever Medal of Honor parade here is absolutely incredible," said Rita Cosby, founder of the New York State Medal of Honor Committee. "The real heroes are the men standing among us right now and their comrades and the ones who are still living and the ones (who) have passed on. Their stories are important not just for this generation but for your children."

Cosby also implored attendees to encourage Gov. Andrew Cuomo to sign a bill making July 25 New York State Medal of Honor Day.

While the parade honored all veterans, active service members and the 666 Medal of Honor recipients accredited to New York,



Medal of Honor recipients Paul Bucha, left, and Robert E. O'Malley, right, with Putnam County Executive MaryEllen Odell at last Saturday's inaugural New York State Medal of Honor parade in Carmel.

Medal of Honor recipients Robert O'Malley and Paul Bucha, who also served as the parades grand marshals, were recognized for their courageous service during the Vietnam War.

O'Malley, a U.S. Marine, received his Medal of Honor in 1966 for his actions as a corporal on Aug. 18, 1965, during Operation Starlite, the first major offensive regimental action during the Vietnam War. Bucha, a former Army captain, received his



ANNA YOUNG PHOTOS

The first official New York State Medal of Honor parade attracted hundreds of marchers and spectators from across the region.

medal in 1970 for a reconnaissance-in-force mission against enemy forces near Phuoc Vinh.

Bucha, who was a foreign policy adviser to former President Barack Obama's 2008 campaign, encouraged attendees to not only thank a service member but provide their support and empathy whenever they can.

"Young men and women who wear the uniform of this great country are entitled to all we can do for them," Bucha said. "It's up to us to volunteer."

Putnam County Executive MaryEllen Odell honored both veterans by adding two American flags in their names to the county's Row of Honor along Lake Gleneida.

"Today we honor our nation's first responders," said Odell, who also signed an executive order to keep the Row of Honor in place through November in honor of those who served.

Parade Co-chair Karl Rohde said it was a pleasure seeing veterans appreciated during Saturday's event. He said the parade and festivities gave people a chance to talk to a veteran and thank them.

"This honors all veterans," Rohde said. "Every veteran that served could have done something that earned them a congressional Medal of Honor. It's a team and we're all part of it. You're honoring the Medal of Honor recipients and you're honoring us all."

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Could it Be? Yes, My 500th Column as The Home Guru

Welcome to this milestone column written for The Examiner over a nearly 10-year period.

Actually, "The Guru" gestated more than 15 years ago, first for the former North County News in Yorktown Heights, as a way to promote the start-up business of a fledgling real estate agent. Let's reminisce about what has transpired for all of us as homeowners during that time and for me as a realtor sharing my observations of the housing industry.

It was the tragedy of 9/11 that prompted me to take a second job as a realtor as an adjunct to my public relations business. As a specialist in fine restaurant promotion, my business had taken a hit, as had upscale restaurants at that time. Also, not knowing how safe travel would be after the terrorist attacks, my wife and I made a conscious decision that I should stay home for a while rather than maintain my hectic coast-to-coast travel schedule.

That decision signaled panic time for me, a stranger in my own town where I spent maybe only 20 percent of my time. In switching gears to make a living locally, I relied on two basic skills I used in public relations: salesmanship and writing. I decided to get into real estate because I had always had an interest in it and because I could arrange my scheduled around my PR gigs.

I got my real estate license and, at the same time, to promote my practice, I asked The North County News if I could



By Bill Primavera

start writing personalized articles about real estate, which I found no one else was doing.

Over the years, The Home Guru developed a life of its own.

Four years ago, when I collected an anthology of my columns from this paper into my book, "Musings of the Home Guru: Armchair Observations and Advice about Buying, Selling and Fixing Homes, Both Practical and Absurd," Adam Stone, the publisher of Examiner Media, flatteringly wrote in

his forward, "When Examiner Media launched The Home Guru column I remember feeling somewhat skeptical that a real estate column could remain vibrant in a community newspaper week after week. Boy was I wrong."

I had every advantage in keeping my columns vibrant week after week, when one considers that my subject matter involves where we are born, where we grow up, fall in love, marry, raise our children, experience great joy and sorrow, grow old and finally die. It is the very setting for our life's experience, all the while filling one of our basic needs – shelter. How can it not be a constant vibrant component of our lives?

And especially during the past dozen years, our life's major investment has engaged us like never before. If you are old enough like me to have purchased a home, let's say, 30 or even 40 years ago, you experienced some normal ups and downs in the market and the value of your home.

But what you saw in the giddy years of the Great Bubble (2002-2007) and the Great Recession (2007-2009), and the ensuing steady climb, gave you a roller coaster ride that your parents and grandparents hadn't experienced since the Great Depression. Most of us weathered it through together, and I had the opportunity to report on those years, both exultant and desperate, always writing from personal perspective.

Today, the market is a bit slow, owing to the fact that homeowners seem reluctant to list their homes. I discussed at dinner last week with another realtor that I can't figure out why. My friend shared that his experience reveals that the homeowners who decide to list do so not to upgrade, thereby creating a second sale, but rather to move south,



Involved in establishment of Yorktown's Homes of Distinction program, with Committee Chair Lynn Briggs.



The Home Guru as an activist to save historic homes, along with wife Margaret, in Brooklyn Heights many years ago.



Always a stickler for litter-free streets.



One of The Home Guru's many recommended suppliers: Jan Efraimsen, a cabinetmaker from Yorktown, who constructed all of his woodwork.

resulting in just one local sale.

During these working years, I witnessed great joy, sadness, challenge, opportunity, and yes, even prejudice and discrimination, despite all the federal, state and local laws in place.

On the joyful side, I have most enjoyed working in the field with young couples buying their first homes. Sadly, I've gone through the deaths of spouses, helping widows and widowers downsize their homes and possessions, trying not to shed tears with them in the process, and sometimes failing.

Time and again, I've shared with my readers that I'm no expert as a handyman in providing maintenance tips around the house, but only a communicator of other artisans' skills. I've met scores of them, some of the greatest and most resourceful men and women on the planet, and they've become my good friends.

Finally, I love it when I'm in town, in a drugstore or in a restaurant and

someone I don't know approaches me and tells me that they love my columns. I respond that the pleasure is all mine.

My wife always reminds me to share that my primary job is as a realtor and to ask if I can be of service to them when it comes time to sell their home. So here we go: If you're thinking of buying or selling a home, let me be of service!

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beCandylicious, Pleasantville

By Martin Wilbur

Ashley Daly worked in marketing for more than 20 years, spending long hours away from her family during her frequent business trips and commutes to and from Manhattan.

Instead of working for someone else the rest of her career, Daly, a Pleasantville mother of two children, decided to take a leap of faith and try something that she had dreamed about since childhood – designing her own clothing brand.

So far, things have been working out just fine. Last December, Daly launched beCandylicious, a comfortable leisure apparel and outerwear line mainly for girls and women that not only looks great but makes those wearing the products feel good inside as well.

Earlier this month, Daly, in still what she calls her soft launch phase, opened a small office and storefront on Washington Avenue.

“The brand beCandylicious isn’t just a brand, it’s a mantra,” said Daly, fusing her native southern California soul surfer feel with a New York vibe. “We think if you can be anything, you should beCandylicious.

That means being kind, it means being confident in yourself and striving to pay it forward.”

Customers who browse through the beCandylicious website or who visit the shop will find a smart-looking assortment of tops, leggings, swimsuits, sweatpants, sweatshirts and hats, much of them adorned with fun and colorful images or positive messaging. For instance, Daly used the cake pops she had custom-made at Flour & Sun bakery a few doors away to photograph and include on some of her garments.

There are a limited number of dresses available. All of the clothing is made of high-quality material.

So far, the response has been strong. Daly said she has shipped orders to customers in all 50 states and now has about 21,000 Instagram followers.

“Little girls look up to their moms or older sisters so almost everything that we make in youth sizes we make in adult sizes,” Daly said.

Then there are sweatshirts and trunks as part of Daly’s unisex line called Equal (as in all people are created equal), which



MARTIN WILBUR PHOTO

Ashley Daly, center, president and co-founder of beCandylicious, with employee Melissa Zach, left, and intern Kyra Fichtenbaum.

would also appeal to boys, as well as the Love hats with her candy rainbow insignia.

There is also a variety of fun accessories such as a donut pillow, a pink, round cushion topped with sprinkles that’s scented, a donut and sprinkles headband, gummy bear keychains and necklaces as well as high-end solid sterling, gold and rose gold Lucky Bear pendants.

Most of the girls and women modeling the merchandise are local residents, friends of her daughter and local moms in the neighborhood.

Daly said she’s worked with a woman artist to design the soon-to-debut candy lips image that will appear on other clothing items.

“We’re all about female empowerment, so we’re always looking for ways to support and collaborate with other female artists and entrepreneurs so we’re excited to debut this specific collaboration with our fall collection,” Daly said. “You can see that all the messages are meant to be very positive, so the idea is to make you feel good and confident while also making those around you smile, too.”

While some of the beCandylicious products are seasonal, Daly said most of her merchandise is “seasonally agnostic” and has items available all year. She has customers throughout the United States, including Hawaii, and some residents in this area flee to a warm weather destination for a winter vacation.

Daly said she’s been extremely grateful to the local community that has embraced her new business as much as it has.

“It’s not like the world has a shortage of clothing brands,” Daly said, “so we’re hoping to find a niche with what we refer to as soul candy, the stuff that makes your soul smile, while also making it more accessible.”

As a result of still being in the soft launch, beCandylicious, located at 11 Washington Ave., doesn’t have set store hours but shoppers can make an appointment, shop online or stop in when they’re there. For more information, visit www.becandylicious.com or e-mail ashley@becandylicious.com.

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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. 6:30 p.m. Every Tuesday. Info: 914-273-3887 or www.northcastlelibrary.org.

Armonk Readers Book Club. "Stay With Me" by Ayobami Adebayo will be discussed. Led by Lisa Ragano. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 6:45 p.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887 ext. 3.

Mindful Parenting. Dr. Kira Bartlett and social worker Lauren Safran will talk about the needs of new parents and offer practical advice for coping, such as learning how to have compassion for yourself and being aware of your strengths. Signs and symptoms of pregnancy depression and perinatal mood and anxiety disorders will also be discussed. Chappaqua Public Library, 195 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-238-4779 or www.chappaqualibrary.org.

Wednesday, July 25

Secondary Tales of First-Rate Women. A discussion of well-known and lesser-known women in the Bible. This spirituality program will be led by Rev. Dr. Carole Johanssen. Phelps Hospital, 701 N. Broadway, Sleepy Hollow. 9 to 10:30 a.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-366-3937 or e-mail ewoods3@northwell.edu.

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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.

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

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

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

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

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.

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

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

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.

Solar Race Cars. Come build a solar-powered race car. Participants will learn about energy, with an emphasis on solar power, by investigating a solar panel and assembling and racing Westchester Children's Museum's solar-powered cars. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 4 p.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-273-3887 or stop in at the library.

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"Romeo and Juliet." Muscoot Farm will present a fast-paced adaptation of Shakespeare's classic. One of the farm's hayfields will serve as the backdrop. Attendees will take a hayride to the theater where they can take out their own chairs, blankets and picnic baskets. Directed by Mary Roberts. Muscoot Farm, 51 Route 100, Katonah. Gates open at 5 p.m. Performance at 6 p.m. \$20. Info: 914-864-7286. Tickets: Visit www.muscootsummer.brownpapertickets.com. Also available at the door.

Mount Kisco Arts Council Summer Outdoor Concert Series: Dan Black and The Digging. Brooklyn-based saxophonist Dan Blake's wide-ranging career traverses many different musical communities both in and out of the jazz world. Fountain Park, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 6:30 p.m.

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Mark it Down: Big Day Ahead on the Celtic Calendar

Not to run afoul of current religious beliefs, it has been said that if you scratch the surface of anything Irish you will uncover strong remnants of beliefs and customs predating those fifth-century Christian missionaries who crossed stormy oceans and seas to try their hand at calming the wild blood of the Celtic tribes they found in Ireland.

Those same stormy seas gave Ireland, both then and into fairly recent history, no small measure of insularity, a mixed blessing – or salvation – depending upon your point of view.

Any study of “the old ways” leads one to the Celtic calendar. And for those of you who think we’re in a global shift of seasons, with winter lingering now long past the equinox, note that the Celts kept it simple. There were two seasons – warm and cold. And the cold season didn’t end until midnight on Apr. 30. How timely, especially given our recent experience here in the Northeast with early spring snowstorms.

There are four “main events” on the Celtic calendar – Samhain (Nov. 1), Imbolc (Feb. 1), Beltaine (May 1) and Lughnasa. Right now, we are on the cusp of the biggest one, Lughnasa, which occurs on Aug. 1. Pronounced LOO-na-suh, it is the

feast day of one of the chief Celtic deities, the great god Lugh, a mighty sun god and warrior with a magically strong arm and the father of the Irish mythical hero Cúchulainn, whose feats in battle resound through the ages.

Lugh is often depicted as having three faces, a common element running throughout pre-Christian Celtic beliefs. In fact, when St. Patrick arrived in Ireland in 432 C.E. and sought to teach the Celtic tribes the “mystery” of the Trinity, it was no mystery at all. They’d been raised on gods with three faces since they’d been weaned, and easily transitioned from one belief set to another.

Lugh’s feast begins the harvest season, the midway point between the summer solstice and the autumnal equinox. His great contribution to mankind is to secure the harvested crop from the greedy clutches of the Crom Dubh, a sinister god who would starve all.

Over time, Lugh’s feast has morphed into a number of modern-day practices, such as the ritual climbing of Croagh Patrick, a very revered mountain in County Mayo, on Reek Sunday, the last Sunday in July. There’s also the Puck Fair in Killarney, which occupies several days and nights of riotous merrymaking in mid-

August. Both are vestigial remnants of a pre-Christian time and remind us that the past is never far removed in things Irish.

“Dancing at Lughnasa,” a splendid play by Irish playwright Brian Friel, which subsequently was made into a movie, familiarized many with the name of the feast, if light on details directly related to it. The Irish traditional group Lúnasa, delighting audiences for 22 years, take their name from it.

What I’ve been listening to lately is Lúnasa’s second album, “Otherworld.” Recorded and released in 1999 on the Green Linnet label, this critically acclaimed album became the fastest-selling in the label’s history.

The band, formed in 1996, is still going strong, and recently released its eighth studio album. The current lineup includes founding members Seán Smyth (fiddle, whistles, viola) and Trevor Hutchinson (double bass, cello), along with Kevin Crawford (flute, whistles, bodhrán); Cillian Vallely (uilleann pipes, whistles); Ed Boyd (guitar); Colin Farrell (fiddle, whistle); and Patrick Doocey (guitar).



By Brian McGowan

There are five tracks on “Otherworld” that make my all-time favorites list. Tops is the reel “The Miller of Drohan.” Smyth and Crawford are masterful on flute-like low F whistles, and together with then-member Mike McGoldrick on a B flat flute, they drive the tune forward with a steady pulse. Listen on YouTube, or better, buy the album.

Other gems on the album include “January Snows,” “Autumn Child,” “O’Carolan’s Welcome” and “The Butlers of Glen Avenue,” also known as “The Roaring Barmaid.” Always innovative, but true to the trad genre, Lúnasa will be enchanting listeners for years to come.

Pleasantville resident Brian McGowan was born and raised in the Bronx and is a second-, third- and fifth-generation Irish-American/Canadian, as his immigrant ancestors followed several paths to the New World. Reach him at brian.m.mcgowan1952@gmail.com, or on Twitter (@Bmcgowan52M). To see more of his writing on “things Irish,” follow his blog “Rethinking Irish” at www.rethinkingirish.com.

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Free. Concerts continue on alternating Wednesdays through Sept. 19. Info: Visit www.mountkiscoartsandcouncil.org.

New Castle 2018 Summer Concert Series: Rebecca Haviland and Whiskey Heart. Haviland is a Grammy Award-winning vocalist performing grassroots American music. Bring a chair or a blanket and a picnic basket. There will be beer and wine from DeCicco & Sons, multiple food trucks and fun activities for the kids. Recreation Field, 200 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. 7 p.m. Free. Info: Visit www.facebook.com/events/403881140112906.

Art Series: Intensity at the Museum of Modern Art. This summer, MOMA explores the concepts of form (human, animal and robotic) in the robotic works of Mexican artist and mechanical engineer Fernando Palma Rodriguez and the ceramic sculptures of New York-based sculptor Julia Phillips. Discussion led by Professor Valerie Franco. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887 or www.northcastlelibrary.org.

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

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Thursday, July 26

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.

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.

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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.mountkiscoblibrary.org.

“The Land Before Time.” A weekday summer hours screening of this animated film presented by Jacob Burns Film Center Kids. Jacob Burns Film Center, 364 Manville Rd., Pleasantville. Noon. Members: \$9. Non-members: \$14. Children (13 and under): \$7.50. Info and tickets: Visit www.burnsfilmcenter.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.mountkiscoblibrary.org.

Bridge for Beginners/Intermediate. With Joel Goren. North Castle Public

Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Meets most Thursdays. Free. 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.

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.mountkiscoblibrary.org.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF SAS CAPITAL ADVISORS, LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/17/2018. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and mailed by SSNY to: **201 Willett Avenue #302, Port Chester, NY 10573. Purpose: Any lawful acts or activity.**

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Pleasantville Farmers Market, Patrons Donate 700 Lbs. of Food

Pleasantville Farmers Market shoppers and vendors contributed just over 700 pounds of fresh food for the bi-annual Hillside Food Donation Day last Saturday.

This event highlights the ongoing, weekly effort of Pleasantville Community Garden volunteers to collect donated food from farmers and bakers at the market to ease food insecurity in Westchester. Shoppers were asked to consider buying an extra item of fruit, produce or bread and contribute as well.

Many shoppers, unaware of the weekly generosity of the market's vendors, were startled to hear that more than 4,100 pounds of fresh food has been contributed from vendors so far this year.

Executive Director and founder of Hillside Food Outreach Kathy Purdy talked to market patrons and shared information about volunteer opportunities. About 21 percent of individuals in Westchester are food insecure on a weekly basis.

Last Saturday, shoppers responded by making significant contributions for the one-day event. Overall, 701 pounds of fresh food was acquired – 530 pounds donated by shoppers and the balance from farmers at the end of the market day. All items were delivered to those in



Volunteers from the Pleasantville Community Garden teamed up last Saturday with Hillside Food Outreach to collect more than 700 pounds of food from patrons and vendors at the Pleasantville Farmers Market to benefit the pantry. Pictured, from left, are Christina Szrypak, Pleasantville Community Garden volunteer, Hillside Food Outreach Executive Director Kathy Purdy and David and Devin Juros, also from the Pleasantville Community Garden.

need through Hillside Food Outreach.

"The great success of the July 21 event at the Pleasantville Farmers Market highlights the incredible generosity

of the market's shoppers, farmers and bakers," said David Juros of the Pleasantville Community Garden. "We are thankful for the amount of

food donated and so happy to be able to provide the conduit to get this fresh, healthy food to the Westchester residents in need through our partner organizations."

"We cannot thank our shoppers and vendors enough," added Steven Bates, executive director of market operations for Foodchester, Inc., the nonprofit operator of the Pleasantville Farmers Market. "And we truly appreciate the volunteer efforts from the Pleasantville Community Garden and Hillside Food Outreach. Without their logistical help this effort could not happen."

Since the partnership between the garden, the market and Hillside began in 2014, more than 51,000 pounds of fresh food have been delivered to those in need, Bates said.

Hillside Food Outreach delivers groceries to those in need and who are unable to access local pantries. They have a team of more than 250 volunteers that deliver to over 1,600 men, women and children throughout Westchester. Hillside Food Outreach also has branches in Putnam and Fairfield counties.

For more information, call 914-747-0095 or visit www.hillsidefoodoutreach.org.

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Chanticleer. This three-time Grammy-winning vocal group celebrates its 40th anniversary by performing works by Palestrina, Lassus, Gibbons, Byrd, Steven Stucky, Chen Yi, Matthew Aucoin, Ellington, Rodgers & Hart, Berlin and other classics from their extensive and varied repertoire. Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts, 149 Girdle Ridge Rd., Katonah. 7 p.m. \$25, \$30, \$35 and \$40. Info and tickets: 914-232-1252 or visit www.caramoor.org.

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Mount Kisco Summer Concerts in

the Park: Billy & the Showmen. This group, which has performed for more than 50 years, will bring the audience rhythm and blues, Motown, funk and soul. Leonard Park, Mount Kisco (near the pool complex). 7 p.m. Free. In the event of rain, the concerts will be moved to the C.C. Pieragostini Multipurpose Room at the pool complex. Info: Visit www.mountkisco.ny.gov.

Briarcliff Chamber of Commerce Summer Concert Series: Homegrown. This family- and pet-friendly concert series is a celebration of music and the best that Briarcliff has to offer. Grab a blanket, lawn chair and experience live music. Food and drink from 105-Ten and Mission Taqueria will be available. Law Memorial Park, 1031 Pleasantville Rd., Briarcliff Manor. 7 to 9 p.m. Free. Info: Visit www.briarcliffchamber.org.

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Jazz at Pierson Park: Pablo Masis Quintet. Trumpeter Pablo Masis has toured internationally and has performed with Michael Bubl , Josh Groban, Chad Lefkowitz-Brown and Gladys Knight. Since moving to New York City, he has become an active freelancer as well as an educator at the Brooklyn Conservatory. Pierson Park, West Main Street at the Hudson River, Tarrytown. 6:30 p.m. Free. In case of rain, concert is canceled on Facebook by 3 p.m. Presented by NewYork-Presbyterian. Info: Visit www.jazzforumarts.org.

Ossining Waterfront Summer Concert Series: KJ Denhert. This urban-folk jazz artist will be performing her flawless and original music. Concessions provided by some of Westchester's best food trucks are available. Louis Engel Waterfront Park, Westerly Road, Ossining. 7 p.m. Free.

Friday Night Film Series: "Arrival." This 2017 Oscar-nominated sci-fi drama breaks many rules about narrative storytelling as it follows a young linguist who is hired to communicate with aliens before war breaks out. With a blockbuster

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK: COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR GSAA HOME EQUITY TRUST 2007-5, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-5, Plaintiff, -against- ANDRES A. PENA A/K/A ANDRES PENA A/K/A ANDRE PENA, CITIBANK, N.A., GREENPOINT MORTGAGE FUNDING, INC, JOSE URENA, "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the Subject Property described in the Complaint, Defendants. Index No.: 69643/2017 Date Filed: 11/30/17 Summons Plaintiff designates Westchester County as the Place of Trial Designation of Venue is based upon the situs of the Subject Property Subject Property: 797 Hartsdale Road White Plains, New York 10607 To The Above-Named Defendants: **YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED** to answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the Plaintiff's Attorney within twenty (20)

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Are Your Wine Preferences Static or in Flux?

Here's a quick poll to determine your drinking patterns and preferences compared to the nation as a whole.

1. Which beverages do you prefer?
2. Are you drinking more or less than five years ago?
3. Have your preferences evolved over those five years?
4. Are you spending the same on a bottle of wine as in the past?
5. Are you drinking the same wine as in the past?
6. Have your sources of wine purchases changed recently?

In researching the data supporting the consensus answers to these questions, I discovered a number of statistics and trends that I'd like to share with you. Measure this data against your responses to the above poll questions.

To place the wine industry and economy in perspective, consider this data:

Wine sales were 341 million cases last year, an increase of 2.7 percent. While this set a record, it represents a decline in growth from the trend of the last 10 years. This seems counterintuitive. After all, the United States is the leading consumer of wine in the world. Annual wine sales over the last decade have steadily increased at a



By Nick Antonaccio

reasonable pace. Why the shift in growth?

There is a sea change underfoot in the demographic composition of the United States. The Baby Boomer generation is reaching Social Security-eligible age at the rate of 10,000 per day. At the opposite end of the spectrum, Millennials are reaching legal drinking age at a rapid pace.

As Baby Boomers age, they are consuming less wine and purchasing lower price-point bottles. As Millennials mature, their disposable income isn't growing and they prefer lower price-point wines. These trends do not portend well for the future overall health of the wine industry.

The telling statistic: in 2017, per capita consumption declined for the seventh straight year.

Who is supplying your grape juice fix? There were 9,762 wineries in the United States as of last month. California overwhelmingly leads the pack with 4,425 (45 percent), followed by Washington, Oregon and New York (collectively 20 percent). California is the perennial leader in production as well with 284 million cases, representing 83 percent of United States wine volume. Again, Washington, Oregon and New York are left in the dust

with an aggregate of 31 million cases (10 percent).

The polarization of producers is clear. Just 2 percent of the wineries in the United States produce a whopping 84 percent of the wine. Seen from the opposite perspective, 7,818 wineries each produce less than 5,000 cases per year, including 4,105 producing less than 1,000 cases each.

What are Americans drinking? Wines priced below \$10 sustained overall sales growth for years. This is no longer the case. These wines declined 1.7 percent in 2017. Wines priced above \$10 increased 5.7 percent in the same period.

Cabernet Sauvignon and Chardonnay still lead the pack in consumer popularity. Trending upward are Pinot Noir and red blends. And then there are rosé wines. Seemingly from every wine region. Produced from an ever-increasing number of grape varieties. Sales increased 48 percent last year. Have you been increasing your wine budget for sparkling wines? I have. Sales increased 32 percent last year.

A growing trend in sales is the Direct to Consumer channel. Fully 10 percent of retail wine sales are now sourced through consumer purchases of offerings shipped

directly from wineries. This represents a 15 percent year-over-year growth rate, as consumers increasingly bypass traditional brick and mortar shops. The average price of the 5.8 million cases shipped last year was \$39, significantly higher than the overall average.

Just as the United States economy is experiencing radical change as it evolves in the 21st century, so too the consumer wine economy. Change is moving forward, albeit at a slow pace. But this change is inexorable, fueled by deeply imbedded tectonic shifts in American demographic and wealth profiles.

Where do you sit on the broad wine spectrum as it evolves? Are you stuck in your safe choices or are you stepping outside your comfort zone into the new wine culture? Send me your answers.

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You Heard It Through the Grapevine

Happenings

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cast of Amy Adams and Jeremy Renner, the film is based on "Story of Your Life," the critically acclaimed time-bending short. Post-screening discussion led by Professor Valerie Franco. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887 or www.northcastlelibrary.org.

Joey Alexander Trio. Returning after his Caramoor debut at the 2015 Jazz Festival, Alexander brings an original swing and improvisational style and an artistic maturity well beyond his years. He is the youngest jazz artist to ever be nominated for a Grammy (twice) and is a rising international star. Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts, 149 Girdle Ridge Rd., Katonah. 8 p.m. \$40, \$45, \$55, \$65 and \$75. Info and tickets: 914-232-1252 or visit www.caramoor.org.

Saturday, July 28

Coffee With Wolves. Visitors are encouraged to bring their newspapers and spend a relaxing morning with our ambassador and red wolves. We'll provide the coffee – and the wolves! The wolves can be very active in the early morning so visitors remain quiet and subdued, as this is a peaceful, private moment for all involved. Wolf Conservation Center, South

Salem. 8:30 a.m. \$12. Pre-registration required. Info and pre-registration: Visit www.nywolf.org.

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. This week, children can participate in Cooking With Chef Laura from 9:30 to 11 a.m. and the music series will feature singer-songwriter Sarah Browne from 10 a.m. to noon. 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.

Chappaqua Farmers Market. Locally-raised and produced food to the community creating a connection between shoppers and small-scale food producers in the region. Chappaqua train station, Chappaqua. 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Every Saturday. Info: Visit www.chappaquafarmersmarket.org.

ACT Practice Exam. A full-length ACT® practice exam that simulates the test-day experience and are proven to increase scores. Plus, there will be same-day grading. Students should bring a calculator, pencils North Castle Public Library's North White Plains branch, 10

Clove Rd., North White Plains. 10:15 a.m. to 2:15 a.m. Free. Registration required by July 25. Registration: Visit www.revolutionprep.com/partners/137922.

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

Wolves of North America. Learn about the mythology, biology and ecology of wolf families and discover why it's a special time for packs in North America. Whether the wolves are living on the Arctic tundra or the woodlands of the southwest, wolf families are out searching for prey as they celebrate the birth of pups! Guests will visit ambassador wolves Atka, Alawa, Nikai and Zephyr as well as the critically endangered red wolves and Mexican gray wolves. Wolf Conservation Center, South Salem. 11 a.m. Adults: \$14. Children (under 12): \$11. Also July 29 at 1 p.m. Pre-registration required. Info and pre-registration: Visit www.nywolf.org.

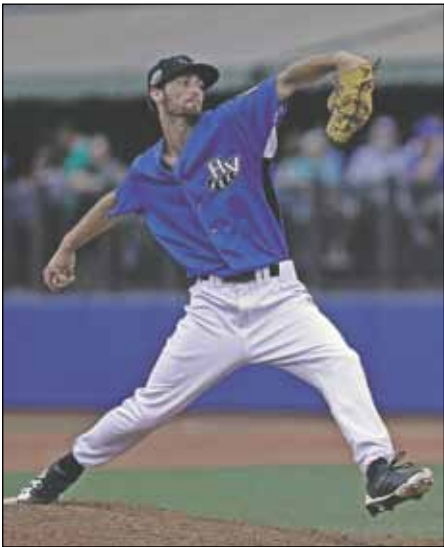
Adult Salsa Class. Addie-Tude Performing Arts Center, 42 Memorial Plaza (lower level), Pleasantville. 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Free. \$12. Every Saturday. Info: 917-215-1720 or visit www.addie-tude.com. Call or visit website because classes are subject to change.

The Animation of Ray Harryhausen: "The 7th Voyage of Sinbad." The third of five Saturdays in July and August featuring giant crabs, prehistoric beasts, an oversized octopus and battling skeletons. Led by film historian and librarian Philip Harwood. Chappaqua Public Library, 195 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. 2 p.m. Free. Info: 914-238-4779 or www.chappaqualibrary.org.

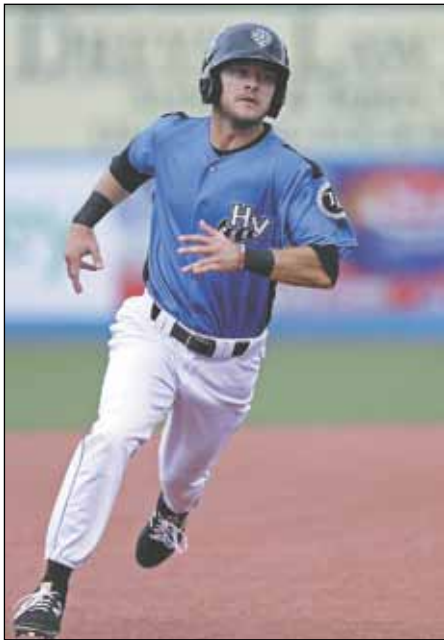
Pack Chat for Kids. This is the best introduction to wolves for families with young children. Kids will learn about the mythology surrounding wolves and the important role they play in the natural world. This is an exciting time for wolves who are out searching for prey as they celebrate the birth of this year's pups. Guests will visit ambassador wolves Atka, Alawa, Nikai and Zephyr as well as the critically endangered red wolves and Mexican gray wolves. Wolf Conservation Center, South Salem. 2 p.m. Adults: \$14. Children (under 12): \$11. Pre-registration required. Info and pre-registration: 914-763-2373 or visit www.nywolf.org.

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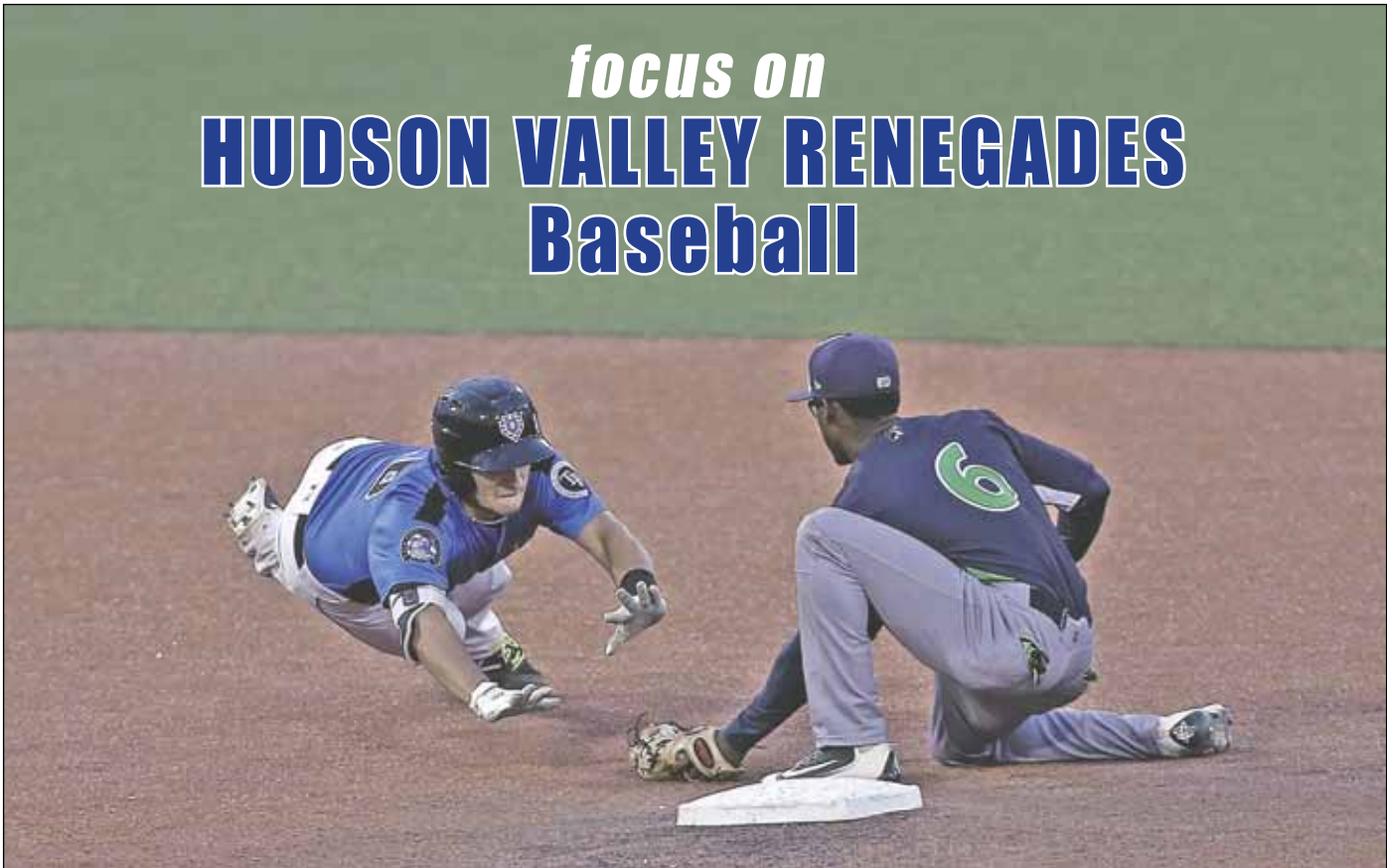
Tanner Dodson of the Renegades threw three hitless innings to earn the win in the 9-0 victory over the Vermont Lake Monsters on Saturday evening.



Garrett Giovannelli runs the bases in the third inning of the Renegades' 9-0 win over Vermont.



Slugging catcher Chris Betts homered in three consecutive games at Dutchess Stadium last week and now has seven this season, second-most in the NY-Penn League.



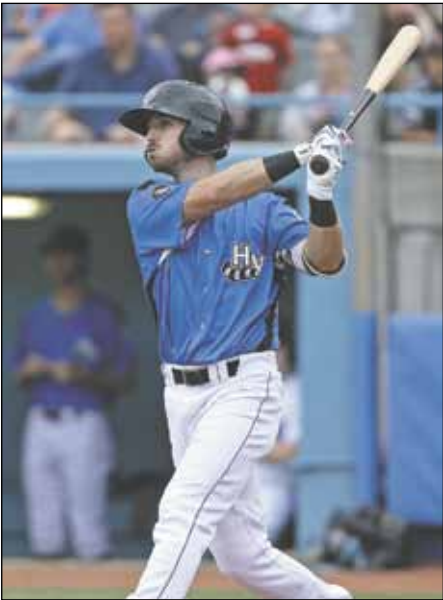
The Renegades' Chris Betts is tagged out trying to get back to second base by Vermont's Marcos Brito in the seventh inning. Hudson Valley scored eight unearned runs with two outs in the seventh to break a scoreless tie.



Renegades third baseman Tyler Frank charges in for a high-bouncing ball in Saturday's game vs. the Vermont Lake Monsters.



Hudson Valley center fielder Jake Stone tracks a fly ball during the 9-0 victory at Dutchess Stadium.



The Renegades' David Parrett swings the bat in the victory over Vermont on Saturday night.



Jackson McGowan of the Hudson Valley Renegades hits a grounder to third base in the fourth inning of Saturday's home game.



Renegades starter Blake Pflughaupt delivers a pitch in the first inning of Saturday's game at Dutchess Stadium.



Hudson Valley shortstop Ford Proctor pursues a pop fly during Saturday's game.



Declan Bruder of the Wildcats fires a pitch in Saturday's 4-3 win over Shrub Oak. He struck out nine batters in 4 2/3 innings and also belted a run-scoring triple.



Wildcats second baseman Nicholas McClure holds the ball aloft after making a leaping grab in the first game of Saturday's doubleheader vs. Shrub Oak.



Gianluca Persampieri of the Mt. Pleasant 10U Wildcats delivers a pitch during the first game of Saturday's doubleheader, won by visiting Shrub Oak.

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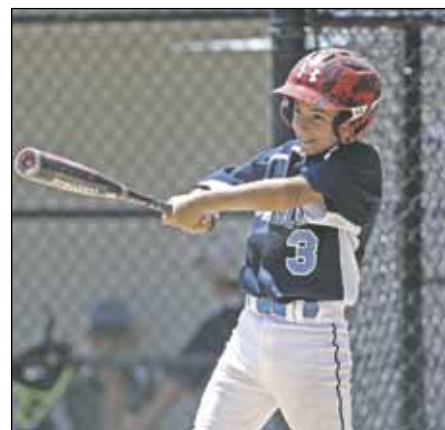
Mt. Pleasant first baseman Frankie Vessa stays ready in the infield during Saturday's doubleheader.



The Wildcats' Kieran Murray lashes a pitch up the middle vs. Shrub Oak at Volunteer Field in Hawthorne.



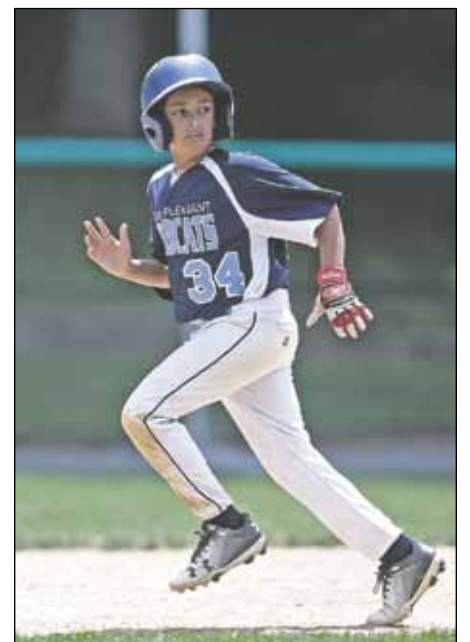
Anthony Ardis of the Wildcats hits the ball toward left field in the second game of Saturday's doubleheader at Volunteer Field.



The Wildcats' Marcus Jackette swings the bat during Saturday's doubleheader against the visiting Shrub Oak Storm.



Mt. Pleasant's Peter Dispenza heads toward second base in Saturday's second game vs. Shrub Oak.



Mt. Pleasant's Nolan Gurney runs to second base in the Wildcats' 4-3 win over Shrub Oak.



Matthew Pippo hits the ball to the opposite field in the Mt. Pleasant Wildcats' win over Shrub Oak in the second game of a twin bill.



Fox Lane's Gianna New is double-teamed during the sectional playoff game against host Yorktown.



Kallie Hoffman of Byram Hills tries to maintain possession of the ball as she moves across the field in a home game against New Rochelle.



Briarcliff's Julia Dallesandro tries to get to the cage in a road game vs. the Greeley Quakers back in early April.



Pleasantville goalie Jessica Mullane guards the cage during a Panther home game.



Westlake's Emily Sardo is chased by a trio of Valhalla players in a rivalry game hosted and won by the Wildcats.

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A Look Back



Grace Capko of Pleasantville heads toward the cage in the Panthers' road win against Valhalla.



Pleasantville's Jenna McAllister controls the ball in the Panthers' game at Brewster early in the season.



Hailey Rosenthal of Greeley moves toward the cage in the Quakers' game against the Wappingers Warriors at John Jay High School.



Fox Lane goalie Caroline Harrington and Megan Moky provide the last line of defense for the Foxes in their sectional playoff game at Yorktown.



Lindsey Grotta of Byram Hills races up the field with the ball during the Bobcats' sectional playoff game against Hendrick Hudson.



Pleasantville's Lauren Drillock gets set to fire a shot on a free-position opportunity.



Juliana Colabatistto of Westlake is closely guarded by Shannon Brosnan of Valhalla as she tries to move toward the cage.



Westlake's Jesi Oswald controls the ball behind the cage as Valhalla's Ana Pereira tries to slow her down.



Kathryn Finnegan of Pleasantville takes the ball up the field during the Panthers' win over Briarcliff in the title game of the Mt. Pleasant Cup.



Byram Hills' Lilly Ceisler pursues a loose ball in the home playoff game vs. Hen Hud.



Horace Greeley's Nikki Potter takes the ball up the right sideline in the final minutes of an early-season Quaker home game.



Tess Krensky of Fox Lane sets her sights on the cage in a game at Greeley.



Kelly O'Donnell of Briarcliff races up the field with the ball during the championship game of the Mt. Pleasant Cup at Westlake High School.



Horace Greeley's Lily Ives prepares to send a shot on goal in the Quakers' home game against Fox Lane in early May.



Ashley Goldstein of Briarcliff has possession of the ball in the Bears' game at Greeley.

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Fox Lane's Callie Wortmann fires a shot toward the cage during a home game vs. the Mahopac Indians.



Westlake's Lia Poggioreale takes the ball across midfield in a game against the host Pleasantville Panthers.



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