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## Car Crashes into Pleasantville Pharmacy; Elderly Customer Hospitalized

By Anna Young

An elderly Chappaqua man crashed his silver Toyota Highlander into Pleasantville Pharmacy on Wheeler Avenue midday on Friday, destroying the front window, large segments of the interior and sending one shopper to the hospital.

The impact of the crash knocked a female customer inside the pharmacy to the floor, and she was brought to Westchester Medical Center as a precaution, but authorities said she was not in critical condition. The driver, Ray MacDonnell, 90, was not injured, nor was his wife, Patricia, 81, who was seated in the passenger seat.

The customer was standing by the front register when the car crashed through the pharmacy, according to employees. Although authorities are not releasing the name of the customer, pharmacy employees did say she is an elderly Pleasantville resident.

At 12:15 Friday afternoon, following a visit to the pharmacy, Ray MacDonnell was backing out of a parking spot on Wheeler Ave. and bumped a parked car. After hitting the other vehicle, MacDonnell put his car into drive instead of park by mistake and barreled into the pharmacy at a high speed — at what appeared to be about 50 miles per hour, estimated one eyewitness.

“There was an elderly woman who tried to run as she had entered the store, and she fell because she was trying to run, she lost her balance,” said the eyewitness who was standing in the front of the store at the time of the accident. “She was not hit by the vehicle. I was very worried about her because of how she fell but thank goodness nobody was seriously injured or killed. It was horrifying. Glass flying, metal... and it sounded like he was about to maneuver his car again while it was inside the

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JONATHAN CUNNINGHAM PHOTO

A silver Toyota Highlander crashed into the Pleasantville Pharmacy midday on Friday.

## Mount Kisco Planning Board Reviewing Solar Power Project

By Neal Rentz

The Mount Kisco Planning Board is reviewing a proposal for a community solar power area that would be located on a portion of the Oakwood Cemetery at 304 Lexington Ave.

The project is proposed by Sunrise Solar Solutions, LLC of Briarcliff Manor on about 4.2 acres of the northern portion of the cemetery's property. Sunrise Solar Solutions President Doug Hertz, who is the Planning Board chairman, addressed his board. He is recusing himself from the project review. The solar power area is being sought for “the very rear of Oakwood Cemetery,” Hertz said.

Community solar is a system where mounted solar panels are installed at a specific location and power is generated

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NEAL RENTZ

Sunrise Solar Solutions President Doug Hertz discussed a proposal for a community solar power area on a portion of the Oakwood Cemetery site at the July 24 Mount Kisco Planning Board meeting.

## Mariani Gardens Owner Faces Deed Restriction on Residential Development

By Anna Young

Representatives from Mariani Gardens appeared before the North Castle Planning Board last week in their next step to seeking a zoning amendment to transform the Armonk nursery into a 43-unit residential development.

Mark Mariani, owner of Mariani Gardens at 45 Bedford Rd., has several hurdles to jump before he discontinues operation of his nursery to build high-end housing units. With developers currently facing a significant deed restriction that prohibits development of buildings on about one-third of the nursery's four-acre site, Chairman Christopher Carthy questioned the likelihood of the proposed development moving forward.

“Until the deed restriction is resolved,

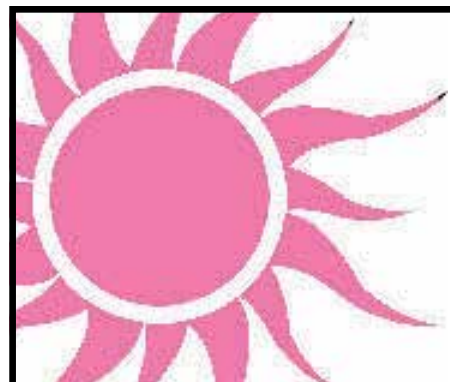
this project as we see it now is not feasible,” Carthy said at the July 30 meeting. “So, the deed restriction is obviously the key to moving forward.”

The restriction was reached in 1979 when the town deeded land in its right of way to a previous owner of the property. The apparent purpose of the deed restriction was to protect Wampus Brook Park, the area around the nearby Town Hall and the sightlines for the historic St. Stephen's Episcopal Church.

As currently proposed, eight of the higher-end units and a portion of a ninth would be in the restricted area, which is closest to Maple Avenue.

Representatives said they have had preliminary discussions with Town Supervisor Michael Schiliro and are

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# Car Crashes into Pleasantville Pharmacy; Elderly Customer Hospitalized

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store.”

While police issued MacDonnell a summons for driving off the roadway, they said the crash is still under investigation.

The Examiner did speak with several pharmacy employees who were present at the time of the incident shortly after it occurred.

“He just lost control,” said pharmacy employee Karen Alvarez, who was standing at the front register when the accident happened. “I just ran. He could have killed someone. It was just that

severe.”

Another employee, Heather Johnson, noted how the MacDonnell’s “were absolutely terrified.”

“They couldn’t believe they hit a store,” she also said. “They seemed startled and lost control of the car.”

Pharmacy employee Alexander Twomey was standing in the back of the pharmacy when he heard a honk and saw the car crash through the front.

“It was just surreal,” said Twomey. “You see it in the movies and you don’t know if you should run or what to do.”

The MacDonnell’s are regular



RAFFAELE FERRAIOLE PHOTO

An elderly customer inside the pharmacy fell to the floor and she was taken to the hospital. Authorities said she was not critically injured.



ANNA YOUNG PHOTO

Ray and Patricia MacDonnell outside the Pleasantville Pharmacy.

customers of the pharmacy and had just finished picking up prescriptions, Twomey said.

“We’re all shook up,” Patricia MacDonnell told The Examiner after the accident.

Despite the wreckage, pharmacy employees resumed business as usual setting up a table on the sidewalk and distributing prescriptions to their loyal clientele. Pleasantville Pharmacy did take to Facebook alerting customers the store would remain open and explained the best way customers can show their support as they face clean-up and renovations.

“As the dust begins to settle and losses are being assessed and papers are being filled out, we also need to rebuild as we wait for insurance reimbursements,” the post read. “In the upcoming weeks and months ahead, it will be tough as we are just a small mom and pop store. With that being said, any and all sales, no matter how small they may be, will most definitely help us.”

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**Q: How can I reduce my risk? Or, if I’m diagnosed – How can I manage symptoms?**  
**A:** Get the help you need to stop smoking. This is a risk factor you can control. By damaging your blood vessels, the chemicals in cigarettes increase your risk for PAD by four times, according to the National Institutes of Health. Also, exercise as regularly as possible, and stick to a diet rich in fruits, vegetables and legumes, and limit meat.

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# Enhanced Communication Sought to Better Protect Schools

By Anna Young

With school threats becoming more frequent, the Westchester County District Attorney's office met with more than two dozen police officers and school resource officers last week to enhance communication that will better protect school communities.

During the first-ever School Resource Officer Summit, held at the Westchester Intelligence Center (WIC) in White Plains, officers from more than a dozen police departments partnered with county officials to help combat threats on social media and discuss other safety concerns.

District Attorney Anthony Scarpino said the goal of the summit was to form a centralized network of information sharing that connects the more than 40 school districts and law enforcement agencies within the county. School safety is at the top of our agenda now, he said.

"These are very difficult times for school districts," Scarpino said at the Aug. 2 conference. "It is at the top of the county executive and the district attorney's agenda because we feel it's important that our students feel safe when they go to school as much as humanly possible."

Andrew Ludlum, acting executive director of the WIC, said creating an information sharing grid is essential to ensuring that anyone who is responsible

*The intelligence staff tracks bullying, Internet threats, social media issues, hate crimes, and student in crisis triggers.*

for school safety receives the same training in a tight and effective communications network.

"What we do here is to steer to the network information and intelligence which will help them do their jobs better and that can touch on social media threats, actual threats of violence, and our goal here is to be primarily engaged in the prevention stage," Ludlum said.

Along with social media threats, the county's intelligence staff also tracks signs of bullying, internet threats, social media issues, hate crimes, and triggers that indicate a student in crisis.

Scarpino added that school resource officers are a valuable link to providing information and developing trust within their districts to combat potential threats.

"There is no silver bullet to this problem, but you are one of the bullets that we use," Scarpino told officers. "We know if we work together that the benefits will be significant to all of us."

Larchmont Det. Lisa Pompilio, a school



District Attorney Anthony A. Scarpino, Jr. addresses the inaugural School Resource Officer Summit at the Westchester Intelligence Center in White Plains.

resource officer for the Mamaroneck School District, agreed that resource officers have become an asset to the students, parents, and school and law enforcement officials. She said information sharing is vital to bridging the gap between the school districts and police department.

"Now as SRO's come into play more often, it's nice to have a group of people where we can reach out to, make some phone calls to, run things across," Pompilio said.

While officials plan to meet with law

enforcement four or five times a year, Scarpino said his office is also developing a school safety commission. The group will consist of law enforcement, school administrators, PTA members and mental health professionals to develop best practices in security.

"We're trying to attack this from as many fronts as we possibly can and try to do the best we can," Scarpino said. "Our main responsibility is to ensure that Westchester is the safest community that we can make it and the healthiest community we can make it and maintain that."

## Swimming for a Cause



On July 22, 126 swimmers at Chappaqua Swim & Tennis raised \$54,000 for Swim Across America Long Island Sound, a nonprofit organization that raises funds for local cancer research and patient support services. The money raised will help the organization reach its 2018 goal of raising \$1.1 million.

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## Mariani Gardens Owner Faces Deed Restriction on Residential Development

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currently looking into mitigating the issue.

The proposal calls for the existing structures on the property to be demolished and redeveloped for residential use. Mariani is looking for a zoning change from the Nursery Business zone to a multifamily designation.

Currently, the proposal includes 16 one-bedroom units averaging about 900

square feet each; six two-bedroom units with an average size of 1,430 square feet; the 16 three-bedroom units will be about 3,000 square feet; and there will be five four-bedroom units at about 3,920 square feet.

The largest townhouse-style units would be situated closest to Bedford Road while the three-bedroom units would be built around the center of the property with an area of open space. The largest

structure rising to 40 feet to the midline of the roof and housing the one- and two-bedroom units would be built closest to Route 22.

"Our goal here is to create a beautiful residential environment that's both of our time yet respectful of the past," project architect John Helpern said. "In our mind, what we're trying to do is the architecture being a modern extension of the nearby historic fabric and hopefully build on the tradition and the familiar."

There will also be five affordable units to comply with the town's affordable housing ordinance. It requires that at least 10 percent of new developments include lower-prices units.

At a work session in June, the applicant's representatives said projected rents would range from \$3,500 to \$5,000 for the smaller units and about \$7,500 and \$10,000 a month for the three- and four-bedroom units, respectively.

There would be 132 parking spaces on the property, more than the required 109, said project planner Rob Aiello. The project would generate up to an extra 30 cars per hour during the morning and afternoon peak hours and during the Saturday peak hour, he said.

Board member Gideon Hirschman questioned the amount of congestion the excess vehicles will cause during the morning and afternoon peak hours. He

said the location is heavy with school traffic which would lead to a "complete standstill."

Aiello said a traffic study is underway that will examine the level of service. He insisted there wouldn't be a change in traffic and the proposed project would enhance what currently exists. There would be a reduction in trips generated as of right, he said.

"I would be hard-pressed for you to convince me that a business that currently runs everyday will generate more traffic than a residential neighborhood at the peak hours," Hirschman said. "The school itself generates hundreds of cars."

Along with a traffic study, the applicant still must complete a full environmental review, produce evidence regarding the tax benefits, school-age children and obtain a wetlands permit. Another potential stumbling block is its proximity to the Bedford Road Historic District and density.

Representatives said they plan to meet with members of the historic society later this month.

"There's a lot of steps they have to get past and they've identified them, and this could be subject to a lot of change, potentially," board member Michael Pollack said. "To drill down on details right now is premature."

## Mount Kisco Planning Board Reviewing Solar Power Project

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into the grid. Energy subscribers within the utility territory can have the solar power credited to their accounts.

Hertz said aside from seeking site plan approval and special use and wetland permits from the Planning Board his company is asking the Village Board of Trustees to consider a solar farm overlay district to allow community solar use. Village Attorney Whitney Singleton said the trustees could review the overlay district proposal in August and approve it in September or October.

Hertz said if the project was approved there would be "very little disturbance related to it."

His company is seeking to place about 150 solar panels in the area, Hertz said.

The project calls for the removal of 125 trees because they would cause shade in the area of the solar panels, Hertz said. But other trees elsewhere on the property would be planted, Hertz added. Shrubs would also be planted, he said. The project also includes a plan to create a garden on the site which would reduce pollution.

Hertz said his company would enter into a 30-year lease with the cemetery, which could use the land for its purposes once the lease ended and they need additional space for burials.

No date for when the project would be back on a Planning Board agenda was announced at the meeting.

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## Mount Pleasant Bond Rating Increased

By Neal Rentz

Moody's Investors Service has upped the credit rating for the Town of Mount Pleasant.

The rating agency improved Mount Pleasant's from Aa2 to Aa1 on July 31.

According to the town, the rating upgrade has been applied to Mount Pleasant's outstanding general obligation rated debt and to a forthcoming series of bonds this year.

"This upgrade confirms that our conservative and practical approach to managing the operating budget has been effective," Town Comptroller Maria Lanjewar said last week. "As the town prepares to issue serial bonds, it certainly is reassuring to see our fiscal practices recognized as prudent by the investment community."

As stated on Moody's Web site, "The upgrade to Aa1 reflects the town's sizeable and wealthy tax base in Westchester County, NY (Aa1 stable), improved and healthy financial position, and manageable long-term liabilities."

"I am pleased that Moody's has acknowledged our hard work and the town's stable financial position," Supervisor Carl Fulgenzi said. "With the credit rating being one of the primary determinants of the interest we pay on borrowed funds, our local residents will certainly benefit from this upgrade. The higher credit rating will translate to lower interest rates when the town borrows money," he said.

A copy of the full rating report can be found on Moody's Web site (<https://www.moody.com>) or by request from the town comptroller.

## Mount Kisco Seeking Water Main Replacement, Road Repavement

By Neal Rentz

The Village of Mount Kisco is seeking bids for a water main replacement on North Bedford Road and wants Con Edison to repave the road, which would save the village millions of dollars.

Mount Kisco Mayor Gina Picinich said last week the Village Board of Trustees is scheduled to approve the winning bid at its next meeting, which is scheduled for Aug. 13.

Con Edison opened up North Bedford Road in fall of 2017 to do gas line installations for businesses in Bedford and Mount Kisco. The work disrupted last year's Christmas shopping business for merchants operating in the area of the utility's work.

Con Edison's decision to work on the gas lines during the daytime hours parlayed traffic, causing tie-ups on Route 117 on weekdays and for part of Saturday, angering business owners and drivers.

With the work still not completed, Picinich said the Village has been

coordinating with Con Edison and NYS DOT about repaving the road.

Picinich said while the road is unpaved the village wants to go forward with the water main replacement project. While "it's not defoliating," the water main, which provides water to Mount Kisco and Bedford, needs to be replaced, she said.

Having Con Edison repave the road once the water infrastructure work under the road is completed will save the village \$2 million, Picinich said.

Following the completion of the water main work under the street, the village plans to move on to work under the adjacent sidewalk, which will include the placement of new pipe sleeves.

The village is seeking to complete the water main replacement project in October.

The cost of the water main replacement would be bonded by the village, which will seek grants to offset some of the expenses, Picinich said.

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# Millwood Veterinary Hospital Building Addition Proposed

By Neal Rentz

The Millwood Veterinary Hospital told the New Castle Planning Board on July 31 it was seeking approval for a building addition.

The hospital, which is located at 231 Saw Mill River Rd., is asking the Planning Board for a site development plan amendment.

The hospital is proposing a 30-foot-by-33-foot addition to its existing 1,848 square foot building. The hospital is also proposing a new roofline.

Project architect Michel Piccirillo told the Planning Board last week the addition would be constructed at the rear of the current building. The addition would house another pet examination room and also have storage space, he said.

Town Director of Planning Sabrina



NEIL RENTZ PHOTO

The New Castle Planning Board at its July 31 meeting.

Charney Hull said the applicant would need a parking variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

The Planning Board has scheduled a public hearing on the project for Oct. 16.

# Taco Shop Coming to New Castle

By Neal Rentz

Taco fans will soon have a new spot to patronize in northern Westchester.

The New Castle Planning Board voted unanimously on July 31 to provide a special use permit for Taco Street Bar/Kitchen, which will be located at 86 S. Greeley Ave. in Chappaqua.

The property formerly housed a Dunkin' Donuts franchise.

The new bar and restaurant will be owned by David Barmanobic, who also owns the adjacent Pizza Station.

At last week's meeting, Alejandro Molina, the architect for the project, told the Planning Board the outdoor seating that has been located at Pizza Station would continue and would be shared by both the pizzeria and the taco eatery.

Planning Board Chairman Robert Kirkwood said he was concerned about the look of the overhead door that would be at the front of the taco restaurant. Kirkwood said he did not want "a Bronx look."

Molina defended the look of the door, saying it would be constructed



NEIL RENTZ PHOTO

Alejandro Molina, the architect for the Taco Street Bar/Kitchen project in Chappaqua addressed the New Castle Planning Board on July 31. The board voted unanimously to approve the project.

of glass and wood "This is not for safety," he said. "This is the facade. It's not a gate in front." During good weather the door will slide up and be out of view to provide the look of an open bar from the street, he said.

No one from the public spoke during last week's public hearing, which was closed. The vote to approve the application followed.

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# Murphy Calls on PSC to Take Action Against NYSEG

By David Propper

Over the past several months, much ire has been directed toward the New York State Electric and Gas Corporation, which provides power for many residents in Putnam and parts of Westchester County.

Now, state Sen. Terrence Murphy wants to see the lights turned off on their operation in New York.

Murphy, a Republican representing the 40th district, wrote to Department of Public Service Commission (PSC) chair John Rhodes urging the PSC to reopen the region to find another power producer that could be more capable than NYSEG, which has faced a torrent of criticism in the wake of battering storms.

"It is clear NYSEG cannot deliver reliable power to its customers," Murphy wrote.

Murphy said there has been an endless series of service interruptions the past couple of years, arguing drastic steps need to be taken because NYSEG customers have lost faith in their power provider.

On March 2, the Winter Storm Riley, which brought high winds and more than a foot of snow, resulted in long durations of the lights being out due to snapped power lines and flooding. Repair crews were not responsive and

many customers were given inaccurate restoration times, Murphy's press release stated. Then on March 7, another winter storm, Quinn, crushed the region and more customers were left without power for days with no firm idea of when the lights would be turned on.

During that time, state and local officials across the board slammed NYSEG and other power providers for the multiple days that customers were without power.

Since those two powerful storms, Murphy believes customers have lost power due to insignificant storms, with some residents in Somers, North Salem, and Lewisboro losing power for the 10th time this year.

While the state senate was in session, Murphy, chairman of the New York State Senate's Committee on Investigations and Government Operations, authored a bill aimed at reforming how utility companies respond to power outages. The legislation, which would include enhanced vegetation management and look into reimbursement policies, passed the senate, but was never taken up by the state assembly.

"My office continues to work with dozens of constituents who have sought reimbursements from NYSEG for their losses from this year's storms and have yet to receive an adequate



NYS Sen. Terrence Murphy wants to see the lights turned off on NYSEG.

response," Murphy said in a statement. "How much more do we have to go through? Residents and our partners in government are at the end of their rope and understandably so. If NYSEG cannot provide safe and reliable power then the PSC must find someone who can."

Putnam Valley Supervisor Sam Oliverio, who has been critical of NYSEG, doesn't think the company should stop operating in the state, but

should be given more flexibility to cut down trees to avoid downed power lines. He thinks any power company that would come into this area would have trouble keeping the lights on during nasty weather.

"We're not going to solve this problem switching companies," Oliverio, in an interview, said. "No matter who is here, they still have to deal with the tree problem."

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# Obituaries

## Father Daniel T. Davies, O.P.

Father Daniel Davies, O.P., died on Aug. 2 at Cabrini of Westchester in Dobbs Ferry.

He was 90.

Davies was born on May 1, 1928 in Jersey City, N.J., to Daniel Joseph and Lillian Gertrude (Metzler) Davies, and named Daniel Joseph after his father. Davies is survived by his sisters, Sr. Mary Elizabeth Davies, S.C., Lillian Davies Bird, and Ruth Ann Davies Foley, along with many nephews and nieces.

Davies served as a priest for over 60 years in numerous parishes, including ministry as pastor of St. Mary Parish in Johnson City, TN, St. Joseph Parish in Ponchatoula, LA, and Holy Rosary Parish in Hawthorne.

He attended Sacred Heart School, St. Peter's Preparatory Academy, and Dickenson Accredited Evening High School all in Jersey City. On Feb. 2, 1946, he enlisted in the United States Navy and was discharged on Dec. 24, 1947, after serving on the USS Portsmouth and the USS Fargo. After his discharge, he returned to Jersey City and completed high school while working for Western Electric Co., graduating from Dickenson Accredited. He



Father Daniel T. Davies, O.P.

was accepted as a preparatory student for the priesthood in the Dominican Order at Guzman Hall, Providence College.

Davies entered the Dominican Novitiate in 1951 and received the religious name Thaddeus. He made his first profession at St. Stephen Priory on Aug. 26, 1952, and his solemn profession at Precious Blood Church in Monmouth Beach three years later. He studied

philosophy and theology, and in 1958 was ordained a priest at St. Dominic Church in Washington, D.C.

In 1959, Davies served as a parochial vicar at St. Mary's in Johnson City and four years later served in the same role at St. Vincent Ferrer in Madison Heights. He then moved to Sacred Heart Priory in Jersey City in 1969 eventually returning to Johnson City three years later where he served as pastor and superior for six years.

After completing two terms as superior, he attended the Vatican II Institute in Menlo Park in 1979.

He became part of the Province of St. Martin de Porres when it formed in 1979 and served as parochial vicar at St. Dominic

Priory in New Orleans. In 1982, he was appointed pastor of St. Joseph Parish and served for six years.

In 1989, Davies was assigned to Holy Rosary Rectory in Hawthorne where he served as a parochial vicar and a year later was appointed to pastor and superior of Holy Rosary. He then served as parochial vicar at Holy Innocents Rectory before taking a sabbatical in 1997. He returned a year later to St. Vincent Ferrer Priory in New York City and was assigned to Holy Innocent Rectory in 2000, where he

continued his pastoral work for 17 years.

In 2017, Davies moved to Cabrini of Westchester to better provide for his health needs.

Davies's body was received at Holy Innocents Parish in Pleasantville on Aug. 8. The Office of the Dead was celebrated that evening. Very Rev. Darren Pierre, O.P., Socius, was the principal celebrant at the Mass of Christian Burial the next day at Holy Innocents Church. Rev. Gregory Doherty, O.P., was the preacher. Interment followed at All Souls Cemetery in Pleasantville.

## Nancy Boyle Ferone

Nancy Boyle Ferone of Thornwood died on Aug. 1.

She was 88.

Ferone was born on Oct. 12, 1929 to the late Harry and Grace (McNamara) Boyle in Worcester, Mass. Nancy earned a bachelor's degree at Framingham State University in Mass. and a master's degree at Bridgewater State University in Mass. She was a retired Westchester schoolteacher for many years and loved children.

Ferone is survived by her devoted husband, Anthony Ferone, of Thornwood, and her loving daughter, Mary Grace



Father Daniel T. Davies, O.P.

Ferone of White Plains. She also leaves behind her granddog, Coco. She is predeceased by her beloved son, Anthony Ferone, Jr., in 1983, and by her three siblings, Suzanne, Grace and Harry.

Visitation was at Hawthorne Funeral Home on Aug. 3. Funeral services were held at Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Hawthorne on Aug. 4. In lieu of flowers, the family

is requesting donations be made to either, CHOICE of New Rochelle at [www.choiceofny.org](http://www.choiceofny.org) or Legal Services of the Hudson Valley at [www.lshv.org](http://www.lshv.org).

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## Police Blotter

### North Castle Police Department

**July 27:** An Agnew Farm Road resident reported at 1:13 a.m. that someone rang the doorbell of her home and when she answered nobody was there. Police responded and reported that everything was okay, but the caller requested police continue to monitor the property.

**July 28:** Police responded to complaints at 3:17 p.m. of a white male soliciting energy on Old Orchard Rd. The man left upon police arrival and was instructed on proper procedure for soliciting within the town.

**July 29:** A Hobby Farm Drive resident arrived at headquarters at 7:47 p.m. to report the loss of his wife's wedding ring, two engagement rings and pieces of costume jewelry.

**Aug. 1:** A complainant reported at 9:03 a.m. that someone backed into his parked BMW Sedan on 99 Business Park Drive then left the scene.

**Aug. 1:** A Seymour Place West resident reported at 10:11 a.m. that youths may be congregating in their vehicles at various times and littering beer containers and assorted garbage on her property. Police monitored the area but advised her to call if she observes any suspicious activity.

### Pleasantville Police Department

**Aug. 1:** An Ashland Ave. resident reported a burglary at 2:17 a.m. after an alarm went off. The matter is still under investigation.

### New York State Police

**July 28:** A 29-year-old Hackensack, N.J. man was arrested on I-684 in North Castle for DWI following a traffic stop. Investigation revealed that he was impaired by alcohol.

**July 29:** A 27-year-old Stamford, Conn. man was arrested on I-684 in Bedford following a traffic stop and charged with a felony DWI due to two prior convictions. Investigation revealed that he was impaired by alcohol.

### County Police/Mount Kisco

**Aug. 1:** A 23-year-old Mount Kisco man was arrested at his home on West Main Street at 11:20 p.m. after County Police responded to a domestic dispute. He was charged with third-degree menacing, a misdemeanor, after a relative reported that he took a picture off the wall during an argument and threw it at his partner, injuring her hand.



# Two Police Veterans to Head Westchester County Dept. of Public Safety

By Anna Young

Westchester County Executive George Latimer appointed two longtime police veterans to head the Department of Public Safety last week.

During a press conference in White Plains last Friday, Thomas Gleason was sworn in as the department's newest commissioner filling the vacancy created by George Longworth, who retired in January to return to his Dobbs Ferry law practice. Martin McGlynn has served as acting public safety commissioner.

"We have two gentlemen taking on these responsibilities who are extremely well prepared," Latimer said. "Both of them know police work from the ground up, these are individuals who have experienced everything that our police experience. We are fortunate to have both of these men take on these responsibilities."

Gleason, who was sworn in by Judge Kathy Davidson, thanked his family for their support and Latimer for instilling him with his faith and confidence to lead the department. Gleason was chosen after nearly two-dozen applicants were interviewed this year, according to Deputy County Executive Ken Jenkins.

"As a member of this great department for more than 35 years, I think my appointment sends a message to all the men and women in the department, from whether it's the newest rookie or the most senior veteran officer on the job, that one day they can aspire to lead this great department," Gleason said. "I have a deep sense of pride and affection for this department and I want to do all that I can do to make it an even better place before I retire and pass the reigns on to the next commissioner."

Gleason joined the department in 1983 as a patrol officer and quickly rose through the ranks of detective, sergeant and lieutenant after just 10 years on the job. Gleason has worked and supervised in every division within the department, including special investigations, narcotics, welfare fraud, and field services. The Yonkers native was promoted to captain in 2007 and inspector in 2013.

Former Mount Vernon police commissioner Terrance Raynor was chosen to serve as the new deputy commissioner of public safety. Latimer said he was impressed with Raynor's leadership in Mount Vernon and looks forward to what he'll provide the county.

Raynor joined the Mount Vernon Police Department in 1984 and spent time in patrol, the uniformed task force and the motorcycle unit before rising through the ranks. Raynor was made

chief of police in 2003 and served in that role for three years until he became the chief criminal investigator for the county District Attorney's Office. In 2013, Raynor returned to Mount Vernon to serve as police commissioner.

"I look forward to continuing to enhance the professionalism of the police department and working towards making Westchester County the finest county in the country," Raynor said.

Left to right, Westchester County Executive George Latimer, Terrance Raynor, Thomas Gleason, Deputy County Executive Ken Jenkins.



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# Muddy Puddles Mess Fest Raises Needed Funds for Childhood Cancer Research

By Anna Young

Thousands of children and families were covered in mud on Saturday as they spent the day raising money for pediatric cancer research during the sixth annual Muddy Puddles Project Mess Fest celebration.

Despite a heavy rainstorm kicking off the five-hour event, several thousand families throughout the tristate area flooded Kiwi Country Day Camp in Mahopac to honor and remember children who have either been diagnosed with cancer or lost their battle to the disease. Event coordinator Ali Stern said parents and kids are encouraged to be carefree in honor of those who can't.

"Today we throw food, jump in the mud, get messy and have fun," Stern said. "It's a wonderful feeling to see people want to honor these kids."

With many activities offered, including a ziplining course, a food fight station, splatter paint, pie tossing, obstacle course, slip-n-slide, swimming, pony rides, magic shows and much more, the pinnacle portion of the day came when Muddy Puddles Project founders Louis and Cindy Campbell took a dive into the event's giant mud pit.

"There are a lot of disabled children, children with cancer, and children who otherwise can't jump in muddy puddles or do the things that other kids and their parents take for granted," Cindy Campbell said. "This is a metaphor to just jump in



At the Muddy Puddles Mess Fest at Kiwi Country Day Camp in Mahopac parents and kids honored and remembered children who have either been diagnosed with cancer or lost their battle to the disease. They were encouraged to be carefree in honor of those who can't and at the same time raised tens of thousands of dollars for pediatric cancer research.

and take chances and embrace life."

The Campbell's founded the Muddy Puddles Project after their five-year-old son, Ty, lost his battle to brain cancer in 2012. While Ty fought a gallant three-year battle against the disease, he dreamed of jumping in a muddy puddle when he was cured, resembling what his cartoon hero

Peppa Pig did on television.

While Ty never got the chance to jump in that muddy puddle, the Mess Fest was created in his memory to celebrate childhood, Stern said.

"It's our favorite day of the year," Campbell said. "I hope it never ends and people continue to come out and

understand the cause and raise money."

Funds generated from the event benefit the Ty Louis Campbell Foundation. Stern hopes the Aug. 4 event raised close to \$100,000. The nonprofit organization funds innovative research and clinical trials specifically geared toward the treatment of the most aggressive and deadly childhood cancers to improve long-term survival rates and minimize side effects.

They also aim to help care for families with children undergoing treatment by providing financial assistance and uplifting experiences

Somers resident Antigona Gjini attended the event with her family for the first time after friends spoke highly of the Ty Louis Campbell Foundation. You never know what could happen and you need to support and help in any way possible, she said.

"I think showing up shows that you care about people," said 11-year-old Armonk resident Nikolet Vataj, who recently lost a friend to cancer. "It probably means a lot to the parents of those children."

While the event is no stranger to rain, Stern believes Ty looks down on his family every year making sure the puddles are extra muddy for all to enjoy.

"It has rained the morning of this event every year and then it clears up," Stern said. "I truly believe Ty is watching us and making sure this is a great day."



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## Epidavros Days Spa & Salon Mount Kisco

By Anna Young

As an oasis of serenity and wellness, Epidavros Days Spa & Salon in Mount Kisco serves as a perfect reminder to take a break from life's daily routine and indulge.

Designed to provide the utmost in relaxation, the spa, located on 272 N. Bedford Road, provides an array of services and an extensive menu of treatments that will enrich the body and revitalize the mind and soul. The full-range spa offers various facials, massages, body treatments, foot reflexology, hair care, steam treatments, aromatherapy, and make-up services.

"My passion is relaxation but not just relaxation; centering your body and yourself," owner Nadina Aprea-Pitaro said. "The meaning of stress is feeling out of control and here we like to make you feel like we're helping you get to that point where you are in control of your feelings."

Catering to both men and women, Epidavros is equipped with a hair salon, make-up bar and several rooms specifically designed for facials, body treatments and massages. A dry sauna,

personal steam shower, serenity lounge and dressing rooms for men and women are also provided.

Facial treatment rooms are equipped with tables, which flex in three positions to provide guests with the most comfortable anatomical position during their treatment. Highly trained aestheticians work with state-of-the-art equipment and products to offer specialized intensive anti-aging, bio-drainage and HydraFacial treatments.

Body treatment rooms are outfitted with overhead heat lamps, heated tables and private showers to enhance the exfoliating and detoxifying experience. Clients have their choice of treatments like sunless tanning, cellulite buster body treatment and a detoxifying seaweed wrap.

While typical 30-90-minute massages are offered, including Swedish, deep tissue, hot stone, medical and couples, Aprea-Pitaro said their specialty is craniosacral massage therapy. The gentle, noninvasive form of bodywork addresses the bones of the head, spinal column and sacrum to release compression and



ANNA YOUNG PHOTO

The staff at Epidavros Days Spa & Salon, 272 N. Bedford Road, Suite 3 in Mount Kisco.

alleviate stress and pain.

"Our mission for our clients is to come here, be taken care of and face the world with a different perspective," Aprea-Pitaro said.

Epidavros offers party packages for private corporate events, bridal and birthday parties. Exclusive deals are also featured throughout the week.

While Epidavros has been around for nearly two decades, Aprea-Pitaro, who also serves as the salon's hairdresser, assumed ownership in 2014 and was excited to incorporate her styling expertise into the business. The salon provides services

in styling, coloring, extensions, removal and enhancements.

The hair care and color products are green-ammonia free, gluten free, vegan, and not tested on animals, Aprea-Pitaro said.

With highly trained consultants on staff, Aprea-Pitaro said she is always looking for new ways to provide customers with the ultimate spa experience. Later this month, the spa will introduce breathing lessons on weekends and a special membership program for clients.

"It's very gratifying seeing someone walk out feeling great," Aprea-Pitaro said. "Having a centered self helps you to combat anything that comes your way."

Epidavros Days Spa & Salon is located at 272 N. Bedford Road, Suite 3 in Mount Kisco. It is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; and Saturday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. They are closed on Monday. For more information, including salon hours, or to schedule an appointment, call 914-244-4422 or visit [www.epidavrosdayspa.com](http://www.epidavrosdayspa.com).

## The Calming Power of Water Bring Health and Wellness Benefits

*"The sea, once it casts its spell, holds one in its net of wonder forever."*

– Jacques-Yves Cousteau

Recently, I moved to one of the villages along the Hudson River. My morning exercise now includes a walk along the water with my dog Griffin. Generally, we follow the same path each day unless Griffin wants to take a detour to dig in the sand.

On that path, there are variations to observe each day with curiosity: where the tide level is; whether the water is calm or choppy; what color the river is depending on the sunlight's reflection; how it sounds; and what types of shore birds are out in the morning.

Oceans, rivers, lakes, streams, waterfalls and even puddles spark feelings of creativity and playfulness in me. It's interesting to consider some of their other health and wellness benefits.

### Calm Sounds

Sounds of the water are soothing; you've probably noticed that noise machines (the kind that feature sounds designed to help us sleep more restfully) include brooks babbling, waves softly crashing at the shore or raindrops quietly falling against the ground. Though the sounds of some types of water aren't necessarily

### Nourish

quiet, the repetitive and uncomplicated acoustics offer ease to the listener.

### Fresh Air/Sunshine

Getting outside to walk along the Hudson River allows us to enjoy being in nature. Fresh air can clear the mind and allow us to be more focused throughout the day. And the vitamin D produced by your body when it absorbs sunlight helps to boost the immune system and even out your moods.



By Joanne Witmyer

### Stress Reduction

When our minds are overstimulated by electronic devices, loud noises or artificial lights, it's beneficial to be near water's simple rhythms of waves and the ebb and flow of the tides. This helps us to reduce stress and focus on the elements of nature.

What is your favorite place to be near, on or in the water? I look forward to you sharing with me!

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# Letter to the Editor

## Federal Legislation Will Assist Individuals Suffering From Alzheimer's

The House of Representatives recently passed the Palliative Care and Hospice Education and Training Act (PCHETA) (S.693/H.R.1676). PCHETA will increase the availability and quality of care by establishing palliative care and hospice workforce training programs, creating a national education and awareness campaign about the benefits of palliative care and enhancing research in its delivery.

I commend and thank Congressman Eliot Engel for his leadership in

introducing this bill, which will be a great step forward for the care of individuals with Alzheimer's disease. Although there was encouraging news recently about a new medication that has been effective in reducing amyloid in the brain in clinical trials, there is still no cure for Alzheimer's. By focusing on managing pain, easing symptoms and increasing comfort, palliative and hospice care can improve the quality of life for those in the late stages of the disease, those for whom a cure will come too late.

PCHETA now moves on to be considered by the Senate. It is my hope that it will quickly pass and become law, so that the benefits of palliative care and hospice will be more widely utilized. Until there is a cure for Alzheimer's, we must do all we can to ensure that those with the disease have the highest quality of care that can be provided.

**Norma Valentin**  
**Alzheimer's Ambassador**  
**Bronxville**

## Mosquitos With West Nile Virus Found in Westchester

The Westchester County Health Department announced that this season's first two batches of mosquitoes carrying West Nile Virus in Westchester were identified in Yonkers. The area surrounding the positive mosquito batches was inspected by the Health Department, which has treated nearby catch basins to protect against further mosquito breeding nearby.

Westchester County Executive George Latimer recommended residents follow the Health Department's West Nile Virus prevention advice to avoid mosquito bites by using repellents and removing standing water after it rains.

"Mosquitoes are often thought of as merely a nuisance but they can carry serious diseases, including West Nile Virus," Latimer said. "It's important to remember we can keep mosquitoes from breeding and biting us in our own backyards if we pour out standing water after it rains and remove or turn over wheelbarrows and watering cans."

To date, these are the first two positive batches out of 134 batches of mosquitoes collected in Westchester that were tested for West Nile Virus by the New York State Department of Health. Statewide, the state Health Department had identified 69 positive mosquito batches as of July 20.

"The summer months are when we expect to find mosquitoes carrying West

Nile Virus here," said Sherlita Amler, MD, Commissioner of Health. "Besides removing standing water around your home, to protect yourself and your family when you spend time outdoors, it's a good idea to use repellents, especially from dawn to dusk, when mosquitoes are most active."

Throughout the season, the Department traps and tests mosquitoes to track the presence of mosquito-borne viruses in the County. Last year, West Nile Virus was identified in five local mosquito batches out of 380 submitted for testing and three people were diagnosed with West Nile Virus.

West Nile Virus infection most often causes a mild or moderate flu-like illness, but can be more serious particularly for people 60 and older, and those with other health complications. Three residents were diagnosed with West Nile Virus last year and all recovered.

To reduce the chances for mosquitoes to breed and bite around your home, follow these tips:

- Avoid the outdoors in the late afternoon and early evening when mosquitoes are active and feeding, and use insect repellents when outdoors during these times. Follow the label instructions.
- To protect infants over two months of age, adults can apply insect repellents with up to 30 percent DEET to their

own hands and then rub it onto their children. Products containing DEET are not recommended for use on children under two months of age.

- Wear long pants, long-sleeved shirts and socks when outdoors, especially in areas where mosquitoes are active and feeding.
- Discard or turn over cans, plastic containers and ceramic pots outside your home to avoid accumulating water.
- Remove standing water from outdoor toys and play houses.
- Remove discarded tires.
- Drill holes in the bottoms of all recycling containers that are left outdoors.
- Turn over plastic wading pools, buckets and wheelbarrows when not in use.
- Change the water in birdbaths at least twice weekly.
- Keep storm drains and gutters clear of leaves and debris.
- Chlorinate swimming pools, outdoor spas and hot tubs until properly winterized or drained for the season. Also, if not chlorinated, drain any water that collects on their covers.

Residents who notice large areas of standing water on public property should report them to the Westchester County Department of Health at 914-813-5000.

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

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](http://www.nybloodcenter.org/donate-blood) or call 800- 933-

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## SIX WAYS TO PREPARE FOR A NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Want to ensure the transition from summer to school goes smoothly for your family? Check out these six tips.

- 1. Make a smooth transition.** Been sleeping in all summer? Now's the time to get your body back into the routine of early mornings. Start slowly, setting the alarm earlier until you reach the time you'll be waking up for the school year. Parents can assist younger kids with this transition.
- 2. Get the right education tools.** From highlighters to USB drives to loose-leaf paper, be sure you have a comprehensive list of all the school supplies and education tools you'll need for a successful year ahead. As far as tech tools like graphing calculators are concerned, opt for those that are jam-packed with all the latest features. For example, the Casio fx-CG50 offers the ability to draw three-dimensional graphs, such as planes, cylinders and spheres, and view them from various angles in order to better analyze their shape. It also features a cross-section option and a special zoom function for in-depth analysis.
- 3. Organize your agenda.** Make sure everyone is ready for the busy

year ahead. Plan your children's participation in after school activities. Then, display relevant items on a calendar where the whole family can see it to ensure no one misses a club meeting, rehearsal or team practice.

- 4. De-stress.** The hectic back-to-school season can create tension and stress. Encourage hobbies that help students unwind as the school year gets back into full swing. For beginners of music, check out new tools that can make the learning process fun and easy, such as Casio's LK-265 keyboard, which features an LCD display that shows both music notation and correct hand positioning.
- 5. Get healthy.** Crowded classrooms are a good place to pick up germs. Keep kids healthy with a daily multivitamin, plenty of fresh fruits and veggies and lots of sleep. Regular exercise is also an immunity booster, so encourage kids to get active.
- 6. Adapt to new school resources.** Families aren't the only ones getting ready for back to school. Districts are incorporating the latest tech into classroom learning. Such tools include Casio LampFree Projectors, an eco-friendly technology that gives

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Members of the Polly Cooper Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution collected 70 backpacks outside Scattered Books bookstore in Chappaqua in support of Operation Backpack and Kids' Klostet. With more than 18,000 children living in homeless and domestic shelters in the tri-state area, Operation Backpack provides each child with a backpack filled with grade-specific supplies. After aiming to collect 20 backpacks, Vice-Regent Kathy Schreiber (pictured) said she was overwhelmed by the community's generosity and is thrilled to support Kids' Klostet.



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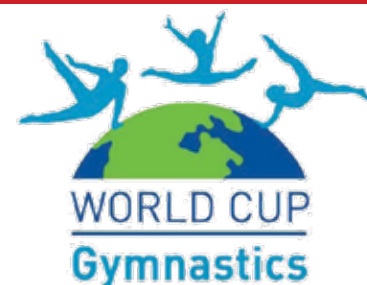
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## TIPS FOR CREATING A SUCCESSFUL BACK-TO-SCHOOL CARPOOL

It's time to get back into the school mindset, which for parents means school supplies, packing lunches and carpools.

A carpool arrangement can be the school year's greatest gift, but the key to a seamless schedule is good communication and a solid set of rules. With these best practices, parents can help ensure a safe and smooth ride for all the carpool passengers throughout the school year:

**Develop a contact list:** Compile a contact list that includes the names of every child and adult involved in the carpool, along with addresses and phone numbers. Print several copies of the list. Keep one copy in the car and share the remaining copies with the other families participating in the carpool.

**Create a calendar:** Discuss scheduling needs and clearly outline who goes where and when each day of the week. This calendar may change over time, so consider sharing a document electronically for easy updates and to keep everyone on the same page.

**Prioritize safety:** New car seat options

are making it easier to ensure every child is protected in the back seat. For example, the Graco TurboBooster TakeAlong Highback Booster and Backless Booster provide safety on-the-go and are designed for ultimate portability. In both highback booster mode and backless booster mode, big kids from 40 to 100 lb. can be safely transported. In highback mode, the seat back nests inside the seat bottom, making it simple to transport the booster from car to car. In backless mode, the seat folds to become 50 percent smaller and comes with a carry bag for additional portability. To learn more about these booster seats, visit [gracobaby.com](http://gracobaby.com).

**Minimize distractions:** Carpool lanes are often busy, so it's important to stay focused. Don't listen to a podcast or look at your phone. Instead, concentrate on the task at hand -- getting children safely where they need to go.

**Provide snacks:** After school, kids are typically hungry and will want a snack during the car ride home. Talk to the other parents about what food you plan



Keep safety and portability top-of-mind when organizing school carpools.

to provide for their children. Be mindful, many children have allergies or dietary restrictions, so factor this in before snack time.

A well-run carpool is a blessing for any busy parent. With these tips, you'll

be able to start the new school year off on the right foot and ensure the carpool runs smoothly and safely.

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## Achiko Lortkipanidze Fencing Coach

By Neal Rentz

Fencing may not be as popular as many other sports in America, but for Mount Kisco resident Achiko Lortkipanidze, it has been, and continues to be, a vital part of his life.

Lortkipanidze was a member of the 1996 Republic of Georgia Olympic fencing team that competed in Atlanta during that year's Summer Games. He continues to pursue his passion for the sport as a lead coach at the Tim Morehouse Fencing Club in Port Chester.

He was born in Georgia in 1970, which at the time was part of the Soviet Union.

From an early age Lortkipanidze made fencing an important part of his life. His father, Guran, who passed away in 2011, was the third generation of his family to be a fencer. He was the Republic of Georgia national fencing coach for four decades and was a Junior Word Champion in the sport.

Growing up in Georgia's capital city of Tbilisi, Lortkipanidze traveled with his

father to fencing camps and participated in fencing competitions as early as age four. He decided to dedicate himself to fencing at age 12. "It was hard, hard work," he said. For example, training for the Olympics meant practicing up to 20 hours per week.

The hard work paid off for Lortkipanidze when he won the Soviet Union fencing championships and earned a spot as a World Cup finalist.

Though he was eliminated in the first round of competition at the 1996 Olympics, Lortkipanidze said he has fond memories of the Olympic experience. He enjoyed interacting with athletes from around the world in the Olympic Village, which was a destination for other celebrities, including then-president Bill Clinton.

His father, who did fencing sparring exercises with his son, was very proud of his achieving a spot on the Olympic team, Lortkipanidze said.

Some of the keys to becoming a successful fencer include endurance and proper footwork, Lortkipanidze explained.



NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

Mount Kisco resident, Achiko Lortkipanidze, a member of the 1996 Republic of Georgia Olympic fencing team, is a lead coach at the Tim Morehouse Fencing Club in Port Chester.

Training for competitions includes running several miles on a regular basis.

Lortkipanidze described Tbilisi as "more European" and modern than some other cities in the Republic of Georgia, with a population of about one million.

When the Soviet Union dissolved in 1991, the Republic of Georgia became an independent nation. "I came to the United States in 1999 because at that time I couldn't coach in Georgia and make money to live," he said.

He returns to his native country every other year to visit.

Lortkipanidze initially moved to Nebraska, where he lived for two years. He then moved to Denver, Colorado, where he

resided for three years before moving to New York State.

Mount Kisco has been his hometown since 2006 because he wanted to live close to his place of employment. He formerly worked as a fencing teacher in a facility in Hawthorne.

Lortkipanidze and his wife, Ellen, were married six months before he left his home country. They have two sons, Guran and Nicka, who are continuing the family's fencing

tradition.

Lortkipanidze has coached in both his home country and in the United States. His students have achieved significant results at both the national and international level, including a silver medal at the 2012 Cadet World Cup and multiple medals at 2012 North American Cups and Junior Olympics. The teams he has coached have participated in tournaments around the world including Poland, Germany and Austria, and his students are slated to compete in Budapest in October.

"I really love fencing," Lortkipanidze said. "Number one, I love working with kids."

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## THERE'S A WORD FOR IT

### A vocabulary-building quiz

By Edward Goralski

**Outstanding!** School is out for the summer, many have placed an out of office message on their work computer, and the longer hours of daylight means more time outside. So it seems appropriate that the words in this week's quiz all contain "out" in them. Perhaps a few will help your vocabulary stand out this summer.

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|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. <b>loutish</b> (adj.)    | A) amply supplied             | B) boorish                 | C) disconnected           |
| 2. <b>pout</b> (v.)         | A) to exhibit displeasure     | B) move continuously       | C) seize upon             |
| 3. <b>accoutrement</b> (n.) | A) an accessory item          | B) a description of events | C) a necessary condition  |
| 4. <b>couth</b> (adj.)      | A) few                        | B) brave                   | C) refined                |
| 5. <b>outvie</b> (v.)       | A) to go too far              | B) surpass in competition  | C) endure hardships       |
| 6. <b>gadabout</b> (n.)     | A) an annoying person         | B) a novelty item          | C) a pleasure-seeker      |
| 7. <b>surtout</b> (n.)      | A) a serving table            | B) a man's coat            | C) a professional gambler |
| 8. <b>bijouterie</b> (n.)   | A) a highly prized possession | B) an exclusive shop       | C) a jewelry collection   |

- ANSWERS:**
1. B. Having the characteristics of a lout; awkward;  
2. A. To exhibit displeasure or disappointment; sulk  
3. A. An accessory item of equipment or dress.  
4. C. Refined; sophisticated; polished  
5. B. Outdo or surpass in competition or rivalry  
6. C. A habitual pleasure-seeker  
7. B. A man's overcoat resembling a frock coat  
8. C. A collection of trinkets or jewelry



## The Asphalt Jungle Changes Meaning in the Suburbs

When you hear the term *The Asphalt Jungle*, the title of a 1950 film noir based on the novel of the same name by W. R. Burnett, you probably think of underworld activities in the city, but in the suburbs, the words could very well describe the constant battle of maintaining our town roads.

And the surprisingly bad condition of many of our roads today affects the perception of our towns and neighborhoods, as well as the perceived value of our homes.

When I owned a single-family home, it was the first home as one entered my street.

And I was keenly aware at one point that it had not been paved in at least 25 years while I was living there. I became very sensitive to this issue when one buyer prospect asked, "Why does your street look so bad?"

However, I remember well when one morning I woke to the sound of equipment operating in the street below my window, and I thought, oh, no, what the heck is happening now? But I rejoiced when, 'lo and behold, I spied



By Bill Primavera

through the trees along the street an enormous truck filled with steaming asphalt, a smell that I happen to like, almost comparable to the slight high I get when using rubber cement.

I quickly got dressed and ran down to the street to personally welcome the crew and the highway department head at that time who was there to personally supervise the job.

Why was it such a long time between pavings? I asked him. He replied that because of tightened budgets, roads which had been on a 10-year cycle for re-paving had been

extended to a 20-year cycle." I guess somehow my street got lost in the shuffle because I could personally testify to the fact that its life far surpassed even the extended cycle.

When I was a child, I traveled with my older sister and my brother-in-law across country and at that time, the main interstate highway going across the southwestern states was Route 66 and this major road was all concrete rather than asphalt, but from the 60s onward,

most roads are done in asphalt because of its ease of installation, and repair. However, the heaviest traveled roads are still concrete which is better in bearing the load of really heavy trucks.

You may know the story about how the concrete and automobile lobbies conspired to get the interstate highway system together in this country in the 1950s at the expense of public transportation. It's a fascinating study.

When I moved to my town more than 40 years ago, the main road, then cared for by the county, was still concrete, installed in sections with cracks in between that produced a large, consistent sound as you rode over them. Soon after our arrival, it too was covered with smooth asphalt that looked and rode much better.

You may wonder about the composition of an asphalt mix. Actually liquid asphalt is the heavy black material that is left from crude oil after the other products like gasoline and motor oil are refined from it. Paving asphalt is composed of six percent liquid asphalt, mixed with sand and stone.

The materials are heated to about 300 degrees while mixed, dumped into a very long "slow boy" truck, which then

delivers the paving material to the site. The advantage of the large "slow boy" is that it features a conveyor which pushes the mix out on to the road without having to be lifted and dumped."

After the asphalt is spread evenly along the road, a roller, which operates with water cascading over its surface, flattens and compresses the mix, with the water keeping it from sticking to the drum.

Because of that procedure, my street was transformed from the ugliest to the nicest looking in town. The downside was that it made my abutting landscaping look a little overgrown, so I had to catch up with the Joneses and prune everything back so that it matched the sleeker look of the street.

There was always something to keep me busy outside, and this was a small price to pay to guard against the possibility of my stumbling into a pothole in front of my house.

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## Tuesday, Aug. 7

**English Conversations.** For speakers of other languages seeking to improve their English. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 3 to 4 p.m. Free. Every Tuesday. Info: 914-666-8041 or [www.mountkiscoliberalry.org](http://www.mountkiscoliberalry.org).

## Wednesday, Aug. 8

**Zumba Fitness.** Achieve long-term benefits while having a blast in one exciting hour of calorie-burning, body-energizing, awe-inspiring movements meant to engage and captivate for life. For all fitness levels. Dance Emotions, 75 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. 9 a.m. Every Monday and Wednesday at 9 a.m. and Saturdays at 10 a.m. Drop in or weekly discount rates available. Info: Contact Peggy at 914 960-4097.

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

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

**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 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 10:30 a.m. Free. Every Wednesday. Info: 914-273-3887 or [www.northcastlelibrary.org](http://www.northcastlelibrary.org).

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

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

Info: 914-231-3260.

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

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

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

**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.

**Emergency Blood Drive.** As a result of a statewide blood emergency declared on June 11, the Pleasantville Volunteer Fire Department and the Pleasantville Volunteer Ambulance Corps will be hosting this summer blood drive. Donors from all towns are welcome. Walk-ins welcome; advance registration requested. Pleasantville Firehouse, 75 Washington Ave., Pleasantville. 2:30 to 8:30 p.m. For questions regarding eligibility (travel, medications, last donation, etc.): 800-688-0900. Advance registration: 800-933-2566 or visit [www.nybloodcenter.org/donate-blood](http://www.nybloodcenter.org/donate-blood).

**Knitting at the Library.** Knitters and crocheters of all skill levels. For ages 10 and up. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 4 to 5:30 p.m. Free.

Every Wednesday. Info: 914-864-8041 or [www.mountkiscoliberalry.org](http://www.mountkiscoliberalry.org).

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

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

**Mount Kisco Arts Council Summer Outdoor Concert Series: Libertine Project.** Come listen to this funky, rootsy, rock and blues band. Fountain Park, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 6:30 p.m. Free. Concerts continue on Wednesdays through Sept. 19. Info: Visit [www.mountkiscoartscouncil.org](http://www.mountkiscoartscouncil.org).

**Comedy Show Hosting Seminar.** Ryan DeNisco leads a panel of seasoned comedians who will teach you the ins and outs of being a good host in comedy. What to do when things go wrong? Lighting comedians? Running long? Running late? How to be as professional as you can. Lucy's Lounge, 446 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 7 p.m. \$15. Info and reservations: Visit [www.lucyslaughlounge.com](http://www.lucyslaughlounge.com).

**Art Series: Summer at the Whitney Museum.** This summer the Whitney presents photographs, protest art, dances for the summer solstice and images of light and fire by artists Mary Corse, David Wojnarowicz, Harold Edgerton and Sybil Kempson. These exhibits celebrate movement, sculptural space and composition. Also take a look at some of the works from the Whitney's permanent collection, as well as their pieces on display in their outdoor spaces. Discussion led by Professor Valerie Franco. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887 or [www.northcastlelibrary.org](http://www.northcastlelibrary.org).

**Separation/Divorce Support Group.** A new group for men and women separated, in the process of separating or post-divorce. Establishes a safe place where attendees can deal with the pain and loneliness brought about by the ending of a significant relationship. This nondenominational group will use the

12 Steps to focus on its members and the choices made to cope and adjust. Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, 15 S. Bedford Rd., Mount Kisco. \$10. Every Wednesday. 7 to 8:30 p.m. Info: Contact Ilene Amiel at 914-980-0898 or e-mail [12stepdivorcegroup@gmail.com](mailto:12stepdivorcegroup@gmail.com) or visit [www.meetup.com/Mount-Kisco-12-step-Separation-Divorce-Support-Meetup](http://www.meetup.com/Mount-Kisco-12-step-Separation-Divorce-Support-Meetup).

## Thursday, Aug. 9

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

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

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

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

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

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

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# Theater of Nature Showcases Work of Artist Lubomir Tomaszewski

By Anna Young

World-renowned artist Lubomir Tomaszewski was overcome with emotion when he saw his most celebrated works of art hanging in The Art Gallery at the Rockefeller State Park Preserve Sunday afternoon.

The Art Gallery officially opened the doors to its latest exhibition on Aug. 5 featuring Tomaszewski's many works in sculpting, painting and smoke-fired images. The exhibit called "Theater of Nature" showcases Tomaszewski's unique ability to combine metals, stone, woods and paper to project a seamless balance between nature, wildlife and figurative images from the worlds of theater, ballet, and music.

"It's so beautiful," Tomaszewski said of the gallery. "It's above any expectations."

Tomaszewski was born in Poland where he studied sculpture at the Academy of Fine Arts in Warsaw, while also pursuing painting and porcelain design. In 1966, he emigrated to the United States in search of creative freedom and has lived and worked in Easton, Conn. with his wife ever since, gaining international recognition.

His art has been featured in over 250 exhibitions globally and is displayed in many museums, galleries, and private collections, including Laurence Rockefeller and former President Jimmy Carter.

The 95-year-old artist was the moving force behind the Emotionalism movement in the early 1990s. His group, The



'Swan' - collage, smoke/fire.

Emotionalists, were devoted to returning the natural language of expression in art to incite a deeper emotion in the viewer by providing more content and less show. Through this movement, Tomaszewski developed his signature style of painting with fire and smoke.

"He brings out the most wonderful figures in bronze and in steel," curator Audrey Leeds said.

Leeds, who puts on seven exhibitions a year, said she chose to honor Tomaszewski because he proficiently features nature in his work. She said she loves to feature artists who have a nature driven mission.

Throughout the two-hour reception, art lovers shuffled in admiring Tomaszewski's work and speaking with him about his craft. Attendees said they were thrilled to meet him and thanked him for his generosity and years of creativity.

"His sculptures are amazing," Duchess County resident Kara O'Neill said.



Lubomir Tomaszewski at the opening of his exhibit "Theater of Nature" at the Rockefeller State Park Preserve.

"How he incorporates the rocks into his sculptures to create animals and people that look realistic is amazing."

With 28 pieces of artwork on display ranging from \$800 to \$30,000, Leeds hopes viewers will walk away with a greater appreciation for Tomaszewski's unique style of art.

"Art is such a personal thing," Leeds said. "People may respond to the medium that he uses, and others may respond to the

subject matter or relate to it."

More than a dozen paintings and several sculptures are on display to Sept. 16. Outdoor sculptures will be displayed for the remainder of the year.

The Art Gallery at the Rockefeller State Park Preserve is located at 125 Phelps Way in Pleasantville. For sales or more information, visit [www.friendsrock.org](http://www.friendsrock.org), email [proleeds@aol.com](mailto:proleeds@aol.com) or call 914-631-1470 ext. 0.

## The Walled City of Lucca - Italy's Medieval Masterpiece

Lucca, Italy's most magnificent medieval, completely walled city is just an hour away from the birthplace of the Renaissance, Florence. Yet amazingly, out of the millions of travelers from all over the world that visit Florence every year, very few ever go to Lucca.

Lucca is one of the most captivating, memorable walled or un-walled cities you'll ever visit anywhere. Great peaceful vibes, stress free, once inside the womb of Lucca, you've left civilization outside.

Spending just one day in Lucca is like going back in a time machine. Yet at the same time, Lucca has all the modern amenities you'd ever want for any vacation. It's the perfect place to escape to and maybe never leave. Just imagine how safe you'd feel with all the insanity going on in the world, to be safely hidden away in a beautiful medieval city protected by a huge 40-foot high massive wall

and feasting upon mouthwatering Tuscan food and wine.

The wall was built during the 14th and 15th centuries to protect Lucca from aggressive neighboring tribes and invading armies. The wall has also helped the people of Lucca sleep better for 2,000 years. No Ambien needed here.

Lucca was the first Italian city to accept Christianity, thus it's 99 beautiful churches.

One of the first things to do in Lucca after exploring the twisting and winding narrow streets is to take a walk around the ramparts or top of the huge wall, which has been turned into a park with vistas of the entire Tuscany countryside around the city. The distance around the wall is two and half miles. It's also lovely to cycle or take a morning jog around the ramparts of this massive medieval wall.

The most historic and beautiful sights of Lucca are San Michelle

Church with its medieval façade and the San Martino Cathedral, which is next to the impressive 13th Century bell tower, the Casa dell'Opera del Duomo.

My favorite Lucca hotel is the classic yet affordable Universo Hotel. One block away is the historic San Giovanni Church that has sensational one-hour "Puccini Concerts" every night. You also can visit the house Puccini lived in, which is now a museum.

The delicious food of Lucca has been heavily influenced by the ancient Etruscans who favored cooking with an abundance of fresh herbs like rosemary, sage and thyme. Meat is favored more often than fish. Cinghiale, a deliciously, rich Ragu, is spectacular.

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By Richard Levy

Florence and without all those annoying tourists. Stop by a bakery and pick up Lucca's famous Buccellati cake, a large wreath shaped cake filled with raisins and laced with Anise.

If you're into cycling take the "Bicycle Tour of Wine County" from Lucca, it's about 10 miles each way and you'll get to stop off and taste Tuscan wines

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**Mount Kisco Summer Concerts in the Park: The Sun Kings.** The group will perform a musical tribute to The Beatles. Leonard Park, Mount Kisco (near the pool complex). 7 p.m. Free. In the event of rain, the concerts will be moved to the

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# Exploring the Wines of an Up and Coming, Yet Ages-old, Wine Region



By Nick Antonaccio

Over the last few years, Americans have been exposed to new grape varieties from new wine regions in record numbers, and we have been very receptive. These wines have for the most part been of a quality level unparalleled in the United States market. These competitors have made inroads into the traditional domestic market. Yes, Pinot Grigio and Pinot Noir are still beverages of choice, but many consumers have been experimenting with other wines, boosting sales and expanding our palates as never before. Albarino from Spain, red blends from France and the United States, Prosecco from Italy and Rieslings from France and Germany have all been embraced by American wine consumers.

I'm always open to new wines making an entrance onto the stage of American offerings. I never know which of the wines competing for my palate and my wallet will be successful. Of course this whole process can be overwhelming; many Americans

find a wine they enjoy and become fiercely loyal to the grape or the producer.

However, experimentation should always be the hallmark in these heady wine times.

One country that I believe should be garnering greater attention is still flying under the radar: Austria.

Grapevines are believed to have been planted in Austria over two thousand years ago by occupying Roman armies. Vineyards flourished along the eastern borders in near proximity to Vienna and the Danube River. Early wines, influenced by the favorable microclimate along the Danube, were light and sweet, suiting the taste of local citizenry.

Centuries later, as Austrian monks began cultivating the vineyards, revamping and enhancing wine production, so too were the country's political and cultural stars on the rise. More sophisticated wines were in demand as Strasbourg and Vienna

became cultural capitals, drawing the cognoscenti to their music halls and cafes.

Centuries of avid wine consumption came to a crashing demise in 1985. To enhance flavor and body artificially, over one million gallons of wine were adulterated with a toxic chemical used in

the production of anti-freeze. This scandal effectively ended the Austrian wine industry, but ironically jump-started a new era in fine Austrian wines.

As a result of the scandal, new regulations were implemented and monitored; winemakers focused on quality wines to revive the industry. (Very) slowly, wine consumers discovered these new and improved wines, made from indigenous grapes that were both unique and appealing.

Today, there are thirty-six grape varieties approved for planting: twenty-two whites and fourteen reds.

The most popular white shipped to the United States is Grüner Veltliner. It is crisp, minerally and laced with hints of tropical fruit. Like Albarino or Sauvignon Blanc? Try a \$12 Grüner.

Other tantalizing whites trickling into the United States: Riesling, Neuburger, Weissburgunder, Zierfandler and Rotgipfler.

It is the reds that are now trickling into the United States. Although saddled with unfamiliar, indigenous names, these wines could be the next new favorite wine for many Americans. A sampling of the top red wines:

Blafränkisch: Blackberry and cherry flavors, with high acidity and big tannins make this wine perfect for robust game

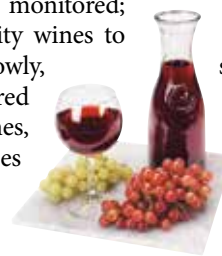
dishes. Like big, bold wines from the Northern Rhone or Bordeaux? Try several \$15 Blafränkisch wines.

Zweigelt: A lighter, middle ground style, redolent of raspberries and strawberries, this wine is perfect for quaffing and for a BBQ. Like Beaujolais? Try a slightly chilled \$15 bottle of Zweigelt.

Blauburgunder: Called Pinot Noir elsewhere in the wine world, this expression, grown on terraces above the Danube, close to Vienna, is typically fruit forward with overtones of chocolate and smokiness. Like Central Coast California Pinot Noir? Try several \$16 Blauburgunder wines.

Ready to experiment? You can get on a plane and fly to Vienna and its multitude of wine bars and cafes. Or try Café Sabarsky on the upper east side of Manhattan. You'll be teletransported to Vienna, replete with period décor, food menu and a wine-by-the-glass list begging for experimentation.

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## Happenings

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**Friday Night Film Series: "The Full Monty."** This 1997 Britcom tells the story of six unemployed former steel workers in 1972 Sheffield, England who decide to make some cash by becoming male strippers and creating their own Chippendales-style act. This comedy, a winner at England's version of the Oscars, and its entry for the Academy Awards that year, made quite a bit of cash itself internationally while also breaking box office records as the highest grossing film in the U.K. Post-screening discussion led by Professor Valerie Franco. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887 or [www.northcastlelibrary.org](http://www.northcastlelibrary.org).

**"Cabaret."** The White Plains Performing Arts Center's Stage 2 production of this 1967 Tony Award winner for best score and best musical. Features memorable songs, including "Willkommen," "Cabaret," "Two Ladies" and "Maybe This Time," telling the story of the infamous Kit Kat Klub at the cusp of the 1930s in pre-World War II Berlin. As Germany slowly yields to the

emerging Third Reich, the Kit Kat Klub invites audiences to leave their troubles at the door and indulge. White Plains Performing Arts Center, 11 City Place, White Plains. 8 p.m. Adults: \$37. Students: \$27. Also Aug. 11 at 8 p.m. and Aug. 12 at 2 p.m. Info and tickets: 914-328-1600 or visit [www.wppac.com](http://www.wppac.com).

### Saturday, Aug. 11

**Pleasantville Farmers Market.** Experience the largest, year-round farmers market in Westchester, voted "Best of Westchester" from 2014 to 2018. With 56 vendors and seven nearby parking lots, it's a delicious good time. This week, there's arts and crafts with Amy Salib from 9:30 to 11 a.m. and the music series features blues guitar and harmonica duo the Barebones 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](http://www.pleasantvillefarmersmarket.org).

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

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

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

**Tell Me a Story of Pound Ridge: 50 Objects 50 Stories.** The Pound Ridge Historical Society has created an exhibition and accompanying book to provide the public with an eclectic look at the town. Highlights of area history, each story in some way gives a glimpse of our distant and not-so-distant past in the hope of awakening an interest in town history in newcomers and our young folk. The 50 objects displayed will have their story told in the accompanying book available for purchase or loan. On display, antique tools, dolls and artifacts will sit alongside

trains and a diorama of a Revolutionary War battle. Pound Ridge Historical Society, 255 Westchester Ave., Pound Ridge. 2 to 4 p.m. Free. Saturdays and Sundays through November. Info: 914-764-4333 or visit [www.poundridgehistorical.org](http://www.poundridgehistorical.org).

**The Sixties Show.** The greatest 1960s music re-creation show in the world. The band features former members of Bob Dylan's, Roger Water's (Pink Floyd) Ray and Dave Davies' (The Kinks) bands and current members of legendary multiplatinum pop superstars The Smithereens. Westchester Broadway Theatre, 1 Broadway Plaza, Elmsford. Dinner at 6:15 p.m. Show at 8 p.m. \$89 per person (plus tax). Show only: \$55 per person (plus tax). Info and tickets: 914-592-2222 or visit [www.broadwaytheatre.com](http://www.broadwaytheatre.com).

**Lucy's Laugh Lounge Comedy Night.** Ryan Lakestream and Jonathan Bar-Ness are producing their first show together. Come out for an all-star lineup with headliner Mark DeMayo (Comedy Central, Showtime, Optimum's Unmovers) with Frankie Becerra, Johnny Figaro, Kate Sisk and Farooq Hussain. Lucy's Lounge, 446 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 7:30 p.m. \$20. Info and advance tickets: Visit [www.lucyslaughs.com](http://www.lucyslaughs.com). Type in the promo code Examiner at the prompt when buying tickets online.



# ExaminerSports

## Briarcliff 16U Team Defeats Rye in the GHVBL Title Game

By Andy Jacobs

The Briarcliff Bears were not about to let an early two-run deficit nor some sweltering heat stand in their way on Sunday afternoon.

With ace pitcher Brett Ostrover yielding just two hits over the final five innings and Alex Benson delivering a clutch two-out single to drive in the go-ahead run in the bottom of the fifth inning, the Bears defeated the Rye Grays 5-3 in the championship game of the 16A division of the Greater Hudson Valley Baseball League at a sunbaked Rogers Park in Danbury.

"Well, all year we've been having slow starts," said Bears head coach Scott DeIeso after his team was forced to overcome deficits of 2-0 and 3-1 against the Grays. "But we've come back and battled every time. We've had a bunch of come-from-behind wins this year. And they showed their resiliency today."

The Bears, the top-seeded team after a regular season in which they won 13 of 16 games, found themselves quickly behind against Rye, which sent eight batters to the plate in the top of the first inning. Ostrover wound up walking three batters, but recovered in time to get Miles Mullaly to ground out to second base and leave the bases loaded.

Briarcliff answered with an unearned run in the bottom of the inning as Ostrover reached on an infield hit with two outs and pinch-runner Jason Oppong soon scored when Patrick Poggi's grounder to short was bobbled. But Rye regained its two-run margin in the second inning as Sean Thompson drew a one-out walk, moved to second on a wild pitch and then came home on Declan Lavelle's bouncing single up the middle.

In the bottom of the second, the Bears closed to within a run again with a bit of



Brett Ostrover of the Briarcliff Bears 16U team blanked Rye over the final five innings of a 5-3 victory in the GHVBL championship game.

small ball. Benson led off with a walk, stole second base and then moved to third on Will Henshaw's ground out to second. A passed ball brought home Benson with Briarcliff's second run. But the inning ended with Joe Scanga, who had reached when his high infield pop fell in front of three perplexed Rye players, getting picked off.

It hardly mattered, though, because from then on Ostrover found his command and kept the Bears in the contest. A leaping grab by Oppong in center field helped him out in the top of the fifth inning, which ended with Ostrover fanning Matt Carter to strand two runners in scoring position.

"Brett's our horse," said DeIeso, also the varsity coach at Ossining High School. "All year, he's been the guy we give the ball



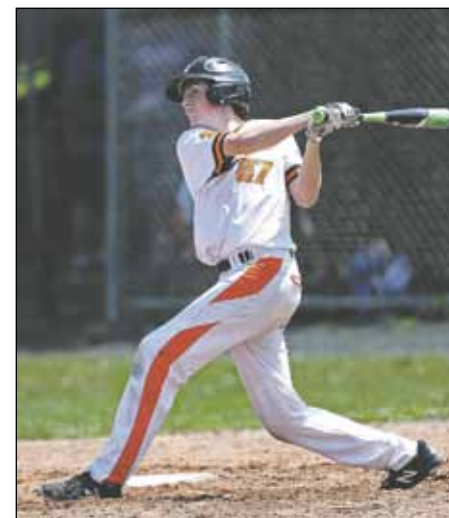
Alex Benson, who delivered the game-deciding hit in Sunday's final, runs to third base vs. the Rye Grays.

to whenever we face a good team. And he always gives us a quality start."

The Bears had left the bases loaded in the bottom of the fourth, but in the fifth they finally broke through to grab their first lead of the day. Ostrover led off by belting a double to the right-center field gap and advanced to third on a sacrifice bunt by Poggi. After Anthony Mingoia reached on a fielder's choice, a sacrifice fly by Aidan Healy tied the game at 3-3.

A single to right field by Benson brought in Mingoia, who had moved to second on Healy's fly ball, with what proved to be the game's decisive run. Benson was soon caught stealing, but finally Ostrover could walk out to the mound with a lead. After he retired the first two Rye batters in the sixth, he hit Ian Ahearn with a pitch. Briarcliff catcher Julian Matthews then fired a strike to second to retire Ahearn on a steal attempt.

In the bottom of the inning, the Bears pushed across a big insurance run against relief pitcher Ahearn. Henshaw led off



The Bears' Will Henshaw swings for the fences in Sunday's GHVBL title game at Rogers Park in Danbury.

with a walk, was sacrificed to second by Matthews and came around to score as Scanga ripped a single up the middle to give Briarcliff a two-run lead.

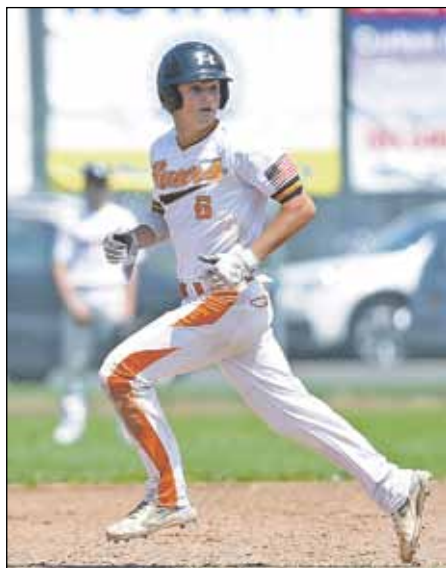
"Oh, it's huge," said DeIeso about the insurance run the Bears scored in the sixth. "I mean, it can change the whole outcome of the game. If you go with just a one-run lead with that big hitter up (Rye's Thompson), you pitch him differently. You get two runs, we went right after him. It was huge, that run."

Ostrover made sure there would be very little drama in the seventh inning. It took him less than two minutes to retire the Grays in order, starting with a Thompson ground out to third base. Both of the next two Rye batters swung at the first pitch, flying out to left field and then grounding out to second base, to end the ballgame.

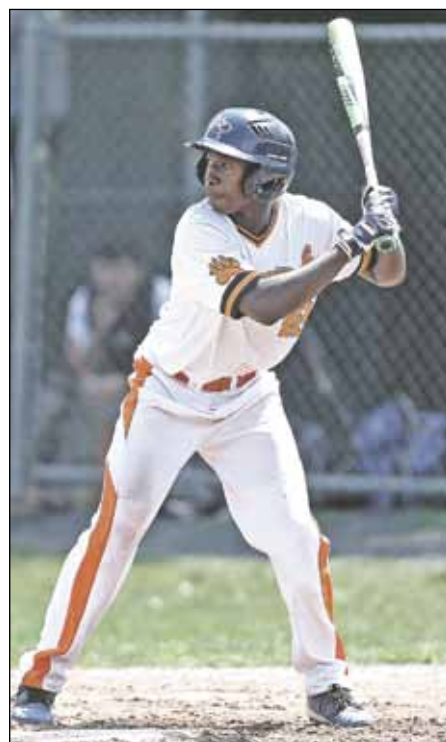
"As a coach, those are the most nerve racking innings, especially for a championship game," said DeIeso about watching from the dugout in the seventh. "That's probably their best hitter up there and thank God we got that extra run. When you get a quick two outs like that, it kind of calms your nerves and the team's nerves. But that was what you've gotta do. You get a lead, you go after all their hitters and that's what he did."

To DeIeso, there was never any doubt who would be on the mound in the final inning for the Bears even when Ostrover began the game by walking Ahearn on four pitches.

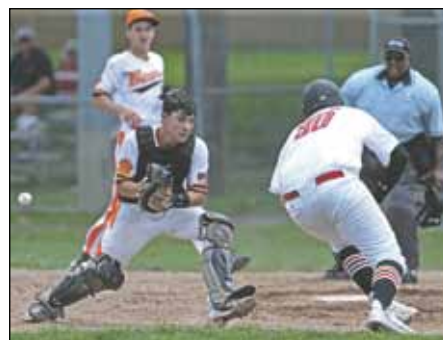
"We thought a little bit of nerves and jitters when he was throwing the ball up," he said. "We kind of saw in the second inning, a little error scored a run, but his velocity was good, his command was good for the most part. We knew what we were gonna get with him out on the mound and he delivered. From there on out, it was just shutting 'em down constantly. It was great."



The Bears' Joe Scanga runs toward second base in Sunday's GHVBL 16U championship game.



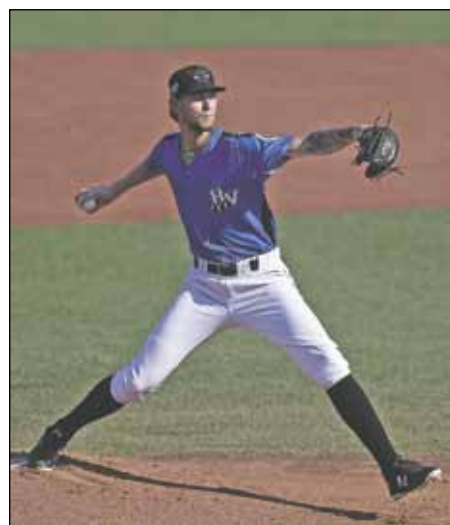
Jason Oppong of Briarcliff awaits a pitch during Sunday afternoon's 16U championship game vs. Rye.



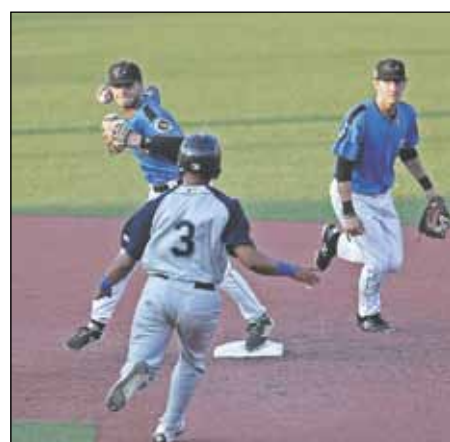
Briarcliff catcher Julian Matthews tries to tag out Rye's Sean Thompson at the plate in Sunday's title game, but the ball gets away.

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Renegades starting pitcher Easton McGee delivers to the plate in Sunday's come-from-behind 6-5 win over visiting Brooklyn.



Renegades shortstop Tyler Frank throws to first to complete a seventh-inning double play as second baseman Ford Proctor looks on and Brooklyn's Wagner Lagrange runs the bases.



Brooklyn first baseman Chase Chambers fields a throw from third just in time to nip the Renegades' Bryce Brown in the second inning.



Jaion Vilera of the Brooklyn Cyclones fires a pitch to the plate in Sunday's game against Hudson Valley at Dutchess Stadium.

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Hudson Valley catcher Erik Ostberg runs the bases during Sunday's game.



Hudson Valley's Ford Proctor races to second base with a leadoff double in the bottom of the first inning vs. the Brooklyn Cyclones.



Brooklyn's Nick Meyer runs to third base in the second inning of Sunday's game at Dutchess Stadium.



Brooklyn's Chase Chambers, who homered in the first inning of Sunday's game, gets set to bat in the top of the fourth inning vs. the host Renegades.



The Renegades' Adrian Rondon hits a first-inning RBI single in Sunday's game at Dutchess Stadium.



Brooklyn third baseman Brian Sharp watches the flight of his foul ball in the 6-5 loss to the Renegades.



Hudson Valley first baseman Jacson McGowan takes a mighty swing as he bats in the first inning of Sunday's game vs. Brooklyn.

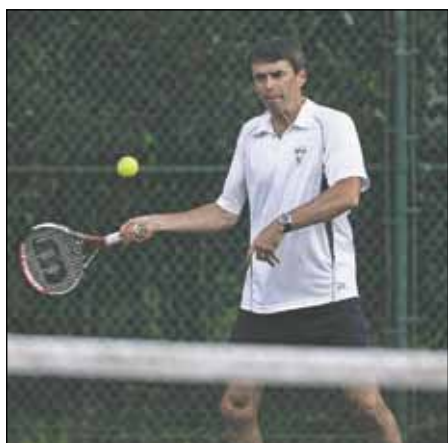




David Reisner of the Pleasantville Tennis Club concentrates on a backhand volley en route to a win at first doubles.



Rich Brail of Pleasantville covers the net and hits a backhand return in his victory at second doubles last week in the WICTL championship match vs. Mt. Kisco Country Club.



Bob Dillon, captain of the Pleasantville Tennis Club team, gets set to hit a forehand in his match at fourth doubles. He and his teammates repeated as WICTL champions with their win over Mt. Kisco.



Andy Ballou of Mt. Kisco Country Club concentrates on a backhand volley in his championship match at second doubles last week vs. Pleasantville.

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# WICTL Championship Pleasantville Tennis Club vs. Mt. Kisco Country Club Tuesday, July 31, 2018



Mark Leeds of Pleasantville hits an overhead smash in his title match at third doubles.



BJ Tucker of the Mt. Kisco Country Club hits a forehand volley in his match at first doubles in last Tuesday's WICTL title showdown with host Pleasantville.



Pleasantville's Gregg Finn hits a forehand volley in his match at first doubles last Tuesday evening.



David Factor of the Pleasantville Tennis Club follows through on a serve at third doubles in last Tuesday's WICTL championship match vs. Mt. Kisco.



Pleasantville's Stu Berg hits a backhand volley during his fourth-doubles match in last week's WICTL championship against visiting Mt. Kisco Country Club.



Pleasantville Tennis Club's Paul Kissner lines up a forehand while playing his second-doubles match in last Tuesday's title clash with Mt. Kisco CC.



Mt. Kisco Country Club's Scot Karr gets set to hit a backhand while playing second doubles in the WICTL championship match last week.

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Mt. Kisco's Matt Ziminsky puts away an overhead during action at first doubles in last week's WICTL title match at the Pleasantville Tennis Club.



Mike Hart of Mt. Kisco prepares to smack a forehand volley while playing against host Pleasantville in a WICTL title match at fourth doubles.



Joe Bronzo of Mt. Kisco watches his scoop volley clear the net during third-doubles action against host Pleasantville.



Mt. Kisco Country Club's Larry Waterhouse hits a serve in his match at third doubles in the WICTL championship.



Mt. Kisco's Mikey Hart keeps his eyes on the ball in his title match at fourth doubles last Tuesday evening against host Pleasantville Tennis Club.

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# New York Liberty Set to Play Their Final Two Home Games

**By Danny Lopriore**

New York City -- The New York Liberty completed their two-game schedule of home games at Madison Square Garden on Monday with a 96-80 loss to the high-flying Seattle Storm in front of a packed house.

Local fans will be able to see the Liberty up close when the team plays its final two home games of the season at the Westchester-based County Center in White Plains, August 8 and August 12. The team finishes up the regular season with four road games in August, having failed to make the postseason playoffs for the first time in four years.

Despite thousands of excited young fans from day camps throughout the New York area filling the arena with noisy support, New York dropped to 7-21 after the loss to the Storm, who boast the best record in the league at 22-7.

The Liberty stayed close to the Storm, tied 44-44 at halftime and leading 61-60 after three quarters before Seattle finished with a 35-20 fourth-quarter surge.



Rookie guard Kia Nurse of the New York Liberty shoots the ball over Alysha Clark of the Seattle Storm in Monday's matinee game at Madison Square Garden.

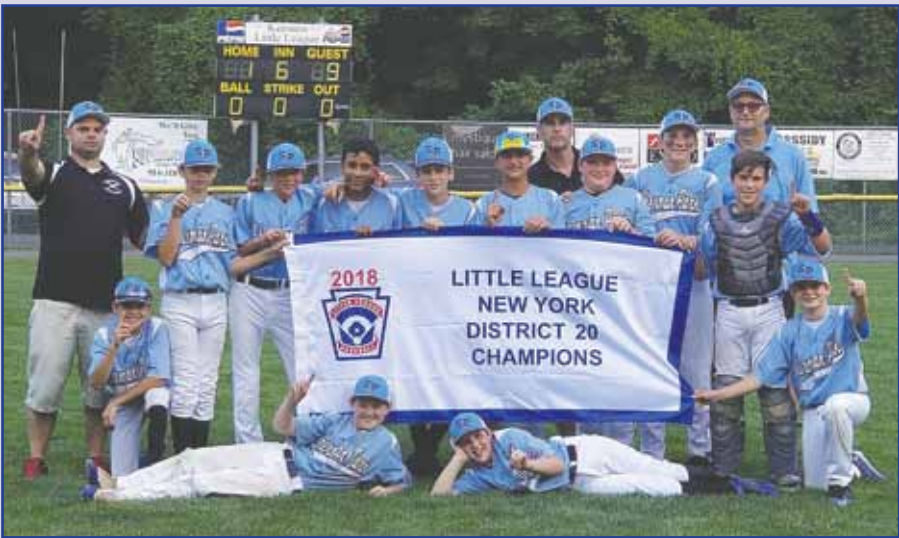
Rookie forward Kia Nurse got her first start of the season and matched team captain and WNBA All-Star forward Tina Charles' team-high 20 points. Nurse said the Garden experience was positive and looked forward to closing the season with a few wins.

"It's always a great place to place today with all the young kids supporting us," said Nurse, a standout at the University of Connecticut before turning pro this year.

"But basketball is basketball whether it's in a high school gym, the County Center or here. I want to improve and we want to improve as a team. We'll be working through the next few games toward that goal."

The Liberty hosts the Los Angeles Sparks Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the County Center and the Atlanta Dream Saturday at 2:30 p.m.

# DISTRICT CHAMPS!



Members of the Sherman Park 12U Little League team pose with their championship banner after capturing the District 20 title with a 9-1 victory over White Plains. Their bid to reach the Little League World Series ended with a sectional loss to Cortlandt.



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## SUMMER HEAT



Briarcliff's Brett Ostrover  
Fires a Pitch to the Plate  
in Sunday's 16U Title Game  
at Rogers Park in Danbury

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