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Pleasantville Readies Funding for Manville Road Renewal

By Ed Perratore

Pleasantville took another step closer to upgrading the heart of the village, the Manville Road/Memorial Plaza vicinity, with its vote on a \$2.6 million bond resolution to pay for renovating that portion of Manville Road.

Changes to that segment of the road are mandated by the state Department of Transportation and partially funded by a \$1.5 million federal grant, but the village needed to pay up front for some of the initial design and for the first new traffic lights, curbs and more.

Once the DOT has given final approval to the overall plan for Manville Road, the village can begin submitting expenses to the state for reimbursement. Construction is expected to begin next spring.

Among the most noticeable changes to the intersection will be:

- removal of the intersection's slip lane, replaced by a right-turn lane on northbound Memorial Plaza;
- removal of the traffic light at Manville Road and Wheeler Avenue; and
- creation of a park-like civic center, with benches and trees, at what today is the north end of the Memorial Plaza parking lot, in spring 2021.

While that parking lot will lose roughly 42 parking spaces, upcoming developments should more than restore that capacity. Pleasantville Lofts, a building now under construction at 70 Memorial Plaza—just south of the post office—will include a three-level parking garage with 150 spaces.

Other upgrades to that street may add further capacity. "We're working out the final details, but the strategy is to provide angled parking as opposed to parallel parking on the post office side of Memorial Plaza," said Mayor Peter Scherer at last week's Village Board meeting, "and possibly, yet to be determined, relocation of bus stops currently used by Bee-Line Bus and also Pace (University) buses."

What remains an elusive goal, not unusual for a project of this magnitude, is working out a precise cost of the Manville Road part of the renovation. "In very round numbers, we have the total project cost, and have had it, at about \$2.3 million," said Richard D. Williams Jr., a principal engineer for Insite Engineering, Surveying & Landscape Architecture, P.C. But consulting the DOT's database to price line items such as curbs and signals, and comparing prices with recent local projects, he explained at last week's meeting, only gets them so close.

"I can't predict market demand—how many projects are going out to bid that year, how busy contractors are, changes in material pricing that are happening day

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Richard D. Williams Jr., a principal engineer for Insite Engineering, Surveying & Landscape Architecture, addresses Pleasantville's Village Board during last week's work session.



ABBY LUBY PHOTO

Town of Mount Pleasant Holds Medal of Honor Parade

With the motto "Together then, together now" Chapter 49 Vietnam Veterans of America, Westchester County, marched Sunday morning in Mt. Pleasant's Medal of Honor parade. For more parade coverage see page 8.

North Castle Weighs Feasibility of Rental Units in Eagle Ridge Project

By Abby Luby

North Castle officials have agreed to a feasibility study of the proposed Eagle Ridge project. The \$10,000 study, which is being paid for by the developer, will determine if building only a hotel and no rental units is economically feasible.

Developer Frank Madonna wants to build a 91-room boutique hotel, restaurant, two ballrooms on the first three floors and 70 rental apartments on the top two stories at 3 North Castle Drive in Armonk, the parcel formerly owned by IBM.

A change in the Town Code would be needed to construct multifamily housing in what is now the Office Business Hotel zone. Madonna has contended that a full-service hotel by itself would not be economically feasible without the apartments. The

town's Comprehensive Plan calls for up to a 300-room hotel.

Because there have been numerous concerns and comments at the project's public hearings, at last week's town board meeting Supervisor Michael Schiliro was authorized to sign an agreement to proceed with the study. "This study will look at our current zoning to see if a hotel would be economically viable," said Schiliro. "The professional doing this study knows this market extremely well and he will look at the developer's submission and advise us."

The study will be done by Thomas Dolan of DD Hotel Advisory (DD|HA) out of Woburn, Mass. In a July 23 letter to North Castle Planning Director Adam Kaufman, Dolan said he expected to complete his study within 30 to 40 days and offered to

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to day, month to month," he said. "That's where estimators come in."

At this point, he added, the earlier possibility that actual costs for the Manville Road upgrades could cost 20 to 30 percent higher than anticipated now looks overly optimistic—with 30 percent higher looking more like reality. The village, in response, has hired Calgi Construction Company Inc. of White Plains to improve the estimates. This company will not be a bidder on the actual construction.

Should the eventual costs for the Manville Road changes be 30 percent higher than the current \$2.3 million estimates, the tab would be almost \$3 million for this portion of the project—twice what the federal grant would reimburse. "If we need to end up borrowing more than \$2.6 million, an amended bond resolution would be necessary," said Village Administrator Eric Morrissey.

Also on the agenda for the work session of last week's meeting were other bond resolutions and budget transfers related to the Manville Road/Memorial Plaza renovation. One roll-call vote transferred

\$20,000 from the General Fund to pay Wagner Hodgson Landscape Architecture of Hudson, New York, for initial design work on retaining walls and other early-stage work on the portion of the civic center that borders the current Manville Road slip lane. Another vote will transfer another \$75,000 from the General Fund for design work on the Manville Road upgrades.

The village also voted to issue \$550,000 in serial bonds to fund construction of the civic center, where events such as the weekly Pleasantville Farmers Market will take place. "This project is estimated to cost around \$450,000," said Morrissey. "We've asked for an authorization of \$550,000 in case we do run into some unforeseen circumstances, but we're more confident in this pricing because we are going to be using an existing contractor—we have a three-year contract, with unit pricing already locked in."

For more details on the Manville Road Improvement project, visit www.pleasantville-ny.gov and click on "Projects & Initiatives."

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present his findings in person. According to his letter, Dolan will check the marketing information in the developer's environmental impact statement (DEIS) to determine if "the hotel is feasible under various room to apartment unit ratios."

At last week's town board meeting, Armonk resident Ann Dantzig said she understood why the feasibility study was being done. "Even if the study comes back and says the only thing that's going to make this man (developer) money on that piece of property is a hotel plus rental plus townhouses or some combination thereof, I don't see why it's your obligation to even think about changing the zoning so he has an economically viable investment."

Addressing Dantzig's comment, Councilman Stephen D'Angelo said, "We just want to find out if they can build a 200-room hotel, with very little apartments -- maybe that's the right way to go," he said. "This is all part of the process for us to get information. We're not here to make them money. There's no way this is a done deal."

Jen Bernstein, a long time Armonk resident also questioned the validity of the town's zoning laws under the current comprehensive plan and why it seems the town wants to accommodate the Eagle Ridge developer. "I'm concerned about recent and current proposals for significant zoning changes in the town,"

said Bernstein. "I don't understand why the board continues to hear petitions for substantial zoning changes and grants them on what seems to be a more regular basis. I don't understand the point of the zoning laws if you're not going to enforce them. The town seems to be doing a very good job looking out for developers' financial interests and not necessarily the resident's interests."

Kaufman was on hand to explain the overall scope of the comprehensive plan when it came to zoning issues. "One of the main take-aways from that document is the town wants to diversify the type of housing that's provided in the community and to provide other types of housing other than single family residential," he said. "The zoning that we have in place is being enforced. No one is looking the other way or allowing things that aren't permitted by zoning. The applicant is asking if it makes sense to rezone a piece of property."

In his conjecture about the study, Councilman José Berra said, "Even if it concludes that the project could only be feasible with all that housing, I don't see how that would necessarily drive me to approve it. We are trying to do our homework. We are proverbially kicking the tires and putting a lot of time into it. A number of us share the concerns about density and increasing the crowdedness and parking."

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Q: What steps should I take?

A: If you think you meet the criteria, ask your primary care physician about ordering an LDCT. If you don't have a referring doctor, NWH's nurse practitioner will determine your eligibility and possibly order an LDCT. NWH is going the extra mile to make this potentially life-saving screening 100 percent accessible to everyone who needs it.

Local Elected Officials Vow to Seek Accurate Census Count

By Neal Rentz

Several local elected officials vowed to seek an accurate 2020 census count during a meeting last week in White Plains.

The New York State Complete Count Commission held the public hearing at the New York Power Authority headquarters.

As stated on its Web site, "The bipartisan New York State Complete Count Commission was created to inform and help direct the state's efforts in the upcoming 2020 Census. The Commission is analyzing previous census undercounts and recommending ways to ensure a full and complete count for the 2020 census."

Next year's census made headlines in June when the US Supreme Court voted to not allow the Trump Administration to put a citizenship question on 2020 census forms.

Westchester County Executive George Latimer said the county has set up its own 2020 census committee and municipalities in Westchester have created their own committees. "We all understand that there's over 100 federal programs that total billions of dollars of aid that are allocated based on census data," Latimer said. Some of the federal programs that allocate funds based on census data include Medicare, Medicaid, highway planning and construction, mass transit funding, Pell Grants for higher education, Community Development Block grants for infrastructure projects, special education programs and Head Start, he said.

There must be an accurate count during next year's census, Latimer said. In working

on how to allocate the additional revenues to municipalities from the recently approved higher county sales tax, "I immediately saw where an undercount deprives community A or community B of revenue that they both need and deserve," he said.

Latimer said preparation for next year's census count is the first time in his experience, "where there's this kind of willingness and energy of the local levels of government" to have a complete count statewide. The effort for an accurate count requires public education campaigns and outreach to residents, Latimer said.

At least seven communities in Westchester have created 2020 census committees so far, Latimer said. State funding needs to be sent to the county for next year's count, he said.

Patricia Keegan, district director for Congresswoman Nita Lowey (D-Harrison), read a statement on behalf of Lowey.

Lowey stated, "The Commission is doing critical work to prepare for the 2020 census, insuring that we get an accurate count."

New York residents send more in taxes dollars to the federal government to other states than it receives back, Lowey stated. "It is essential that we get our fair share of federal support," she stated, adding that in the 2016 fiscal year the state received more than \$73 billion from 55 federal programs that was guided by 2010 census data.

Lowey stated that she opposed the Trump Administration's efforts to have a citizenship question on the 2020 census questionnaires. "In Washington I have opposed the Trump Administration's efforts to limit participation in



NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

New York State Complete Count Commission Co-Chair Jim Malatras at the July 25 public hearing in White Plains.

the census at every turn," she stated. "In fact, before the Supreme Court ruled against the administration, as Chairwoman of the House Appropriations Committee I insured that the House passed funding bills supporting the census and blocked the citizenship question by law." The House bill included a \$4.6 billion increase for the census, Lowey stated.

"We can't get an accurate count without adequate funding," Lowey said. "Unfortunately, this administration chose to play political football with a fundamental function of our government by attempting to add the nefarious citizenship question. It was an unnecessary

addition and a clear attack on immigrant and other minority communities."

Aside from the state commission's work, efforts have begun in her Congressional district through county and local census committees, Lowey stated. "We must insure that people feel safe enough to participate in the census by coordinating with local stakeholders to get the word out and make sure groups that are vulnerable to underestimation are heard," she stated.

Caleb Hersh, chief of staff for Westchester County Legislator Catherine Borgia (D-Ossining), said there were undercounts in her district during the 2010 census and portions of her district "have historically been undercounted," he said.

"It is cruelly ironic that many places that need the most public assistance are also the most undercounted," Hersh said. "This impairs the ability of our already struggling communities to get critical aid. Many residents in our district struggle with poverty and lack of Internet access making it difficult for them to obtain critical census information."

Commission Co-Chair Jim Malatras told Hersh the Commission is seeking to have the people Hersh was referring to in his comments respond to next year's census. Malatras said if new people are coming into the district, that population needs to be reflected in next year's census count. He added that immigrants might be apprehensive about responding to the census questionnaire even though the citizenship question will not be part of next year's count.

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County Children Name New Ride at Playland Park

By Pat Casey

After 409 submissions from the public, County Executive George Latimer was joined by 1st through 6th grade children attending the County's Nature Camp at Cranberry Lake Preserve in White Plains to choose the name for Playland Park's first new ride in 11 years.

From the five finalists, (Dizzy Dragon, Dragon Spinner, Dragon Twist, Dragonator, and Dragon Tailspin) the campers overwhelmingly chose "Dragonator" for the new ride.

The ride features a large disk with 24 seats facing out, which circles 360 degrees while sliding back and forth on a frame. The

manufacturer calls the ride "Disk'O 24."

Latimer said, "Last month, I asked the people of Westchester to submit their name ideas and we received 409 submissions. While some were nutty, like Ridey McRideface and I-95, most were fun. But what makes 'Dragonator' so special is that the final name was chosen by children of this County, which is who Playland is all about."

Dragonator was submitted by Mount Pleasant resident Larry Gottlieb.

Gottlieb said, "As a lifelong Westchester resident having spent many hours at Playland with family and friends, it's a truly unique honor to name a ride that will hopefully bring joy to thousands of park attendees for years to come. Long live the Dragonator!"



County Executive George Latimer with Cranberry Lake Nature Campers and their choice name for the new ride – Dragonator! Coaster, the green dragon on the sign is Playland Park's updated mascot.

After the naming vote, Latimer was asked about the status of Playland financially, due to litigation the county is engaged in with the current park management company, a private enterprise.

"We are committed to the park," Latimer said. "The county can run the park well. We have done the most we could do with what we have."

This year, Latimer said attendance at the park has been up due to good weather. He noted that marketing is a priority. The more the park is marketed, the more people come and the more revenue is received, Latimer said.

Latimer emphasized that there is a reason for public parks – they are for residents to have something to come to that they normally could not access. He explained that the contracting out philosophy to corporations that focus on profit might not be the right fit for publically owned resources.

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New Pleasantville Committee to Advise on Substance Abuse

By Ed Perratore

Although New York State's efforts to legalize recreational marijuana use fell short last month, Governor Andrew Cuomo and numerous legislators are sure to try again. And Pleasantville, like many other communities, doesn't want to be caught flat-footed—with no strategy in place for dealing with repercussions many describe as inevitable.

That's the impetus behind a formation underway of a Substance Advisory Committee, headed by mental health counselor Colleen Griffin Wagner, a former Pleasantville trustee, who met with the Village Board during last week's work session.

Griffin Wagner's aim for the committee is to bring together diverse voices with a gamut of viewpoints, not merely on marijuana but also on alcohol, opioids, and any other substance with the potential for abuse. "If you look 40 years back, this was Valium," she said. "It was, 'Oh, everybody should try Valium, it's safe.'"

Local Elected Officials Vow to Seek Accurate Census Count

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Alex Roithmayr, chief of staff for Assemblyman David Buchwald (D-White Plains), said the Assemblyman appreciated the Commission's efforts "to insure all communities are accurately represented in the 2020 census."

Buchwald was part of a "friend of the court brief" to the US Supreme Court in opposition to the citizenship question, Roithmayr noted. The state needs to recognize that Westchester

There'll always be another fad, Griffin Wagner added.

Alcohol remains a problem, with 19 percent of adults in the state having reported either binge or chronic drinking in 2018. New York State Association of Chiefs of Police has come out on record against marijuana legalization, pointing to the 62 percent spike in traffic fatalities over the first year after Colorado legalized the drug. And in 2017, 3,224 people died of opioid overdose in New York, with the greatest rise occurring among synthetic opioid-involved deaths—predominantly fentanyl, which has been added to marijuana to boost its effects.

Griffin Wagner's challenge, however, is also to keep everyone, no matter their opinion, from feeling their views are not welcome. "We'd need to make sure the meetings are very non-biased," she said. "Personally, I don't want to tell somebody who's an adult what they can and can't do, but I think we have to send a message to our kids, and keep it clear

has "hard communities to count."

"It is essential that every effort be made to increase initial response rates," Roithmayr said.

Libraries in Westchester need state funds to participate in the census outreach process, Roithmayr said. Churches, Chambers of Commerce and schools can also be part of the outreach process, he added.



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Former Pleasantville Trustee Colleen Griffin Wagner addresses the Village Board at last week's work session.

that we don't want (to give them) access. How do we balance that?"

Achieving that balance is a multi-pronged effort. The committee would consult with police officials, judges, medical professionals who see substance related cases first-hand, teachers and administrators, and other interested parties. It would include research on related laws in nearby municipalities, along with their effectiveness. And it would survey adults in the village about their views on alcohol, marijuana (and cannabis-based products), and other substances of concern.

Much rides on the committee's success: A June study by Smart Approaches to Marijuana (SAM) estimates that ongoing annual estimated costs to law enforcement and emergency services could range, after

marijuana is legalized, from \$157.5 million to \$192.2 million—in a state with the nation's highest state and local tax burden as a percent of the economy.

At first blush, the former village trustee might seem to be duplicating the efforts of a related organization, Pleasantville STRONG. But Griffin Wagner, a founding member of that community coalition, feels that the group's emphasis on total abstinence for youth, however well meaning, stifles dissent.

"I know there's a lot of people who won't come to (Pleasantville) STRONG meetings," she said. "They just won't. They won't come to them because they think it's a teetotaler group."

Griffin Wagner added that it's all about education—and warned that when a substance is legalized in as broad a way as the state nearly passed, kids tend to question the need for them to wait till they're adults. "My biggest fear with marijuana? I want our kids to know it's not safe in your body before you're, really, 24," she said. And she warns that the community is not ready for all-out legalization of marijuana.

Still, she leaves room for dissent. "I also think we can see the other side, that there are people who abused it recreationally for years and years, and their life hasn't fallen apart, and they're good citizens," she said. "We need to balance that."

Whether Griffin Wagner ends up heading the newly forming committee, she is determined to make a difference. "If you're going to legalize (marijuana), we need to get people smart about it. And the state's not going to do that—the other states haven't. We're not ready."



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Simplifying North Castle's Accounting for Its Public Library

By Abby Luby

Last week at the Work Session of the North Castle Town Board, the North Castle Public Library Board of Trustees requested approval to re-bid on a project at the Armonk branch. The library wants to replace the children's sunroom, now the sole remaining renovation project that is part of its 2017-2020 New York State Construction Grant.

Library Director Edie Martimucci explained the new bid. "Prior estimates were way above budget and not doable," Martimucci said. "We've downsized [the design] and we're going to be using the same footprint so we don't have to get additional permits. We will replace the sunroom as it stands with a new version of a sunroom and then the back area is going to remain a nicely landscaped children's garden for outdoor programming." An Eagle Scout Project will help create a sitting area walkway off Whipoorwill Road East with benches and sculpture. Landscaping will use native plants.

Among other projects, New York State Grants have helped pay for renovating three rooms in the Armonk branch: a dedicated Adult Programming space and Art Gallery, a 50% larger Youth Services area with greater resources, and a fully-outfitted café. The only remaining project is the children's sunroom. In North White Plains completed projects include window and door replacement, library electrical and data reconfiguration. Remaining



Exterior view of the present sunroom at Armonk Library.

ABBY LUBY PHOTO

projects are HVAC and bathrooms.

But most of the 45-minute exchange between NCPL and the town board was grappling with the complicated accounting system the town uses for library funds. Sean Ryan, NCPL Board of Trustees President walked the board through the time-line of grant monies received from New York State for capital improvements

in both the Armonk and the North White Plains branches over the last few years. The town oversees the library's fund balance (monies from taxes) and the usual practice is to deposit grant monies to the fund balance without noting what specific projects the grant was for. It's been difficult to keep track of the influx of grant money and outgoing payments for each particular

renovation.

Ryan asked if the board could attribute the different grants by using certain codes. "We need your help," Ryan said. "Your accounting department has to have all the grant monies listed by project. This will give us the ability to know how much we spent and how much grant money we have. You can do things to help us and we can do things to help you."

As board members examined a clearly laid out grant and expenditure list, some questioned Ryan on the flow of monies from grants, fund balance and donations. "We have a worksheet [from you] that never really shows the cost of the project, what was received in grants or where the money came from," said Councilman Stephen D'Angelo. "Also, the estimate you put in the grant is never what the cost is going to be. It has always been higher and that bothers me."

"No, that's not correct," Ryan told D'Angelo. "We've done slightly over \$800,000 of grants over the last six years. And that is \$175,000 under what was originally budgeted."

"We like it that you are able to secure grants," North Castle Supervisor Michael Schiliro said. "But we want to make sure we understand what you have left, what has to be spent and know where money is coming from and what it's going for," he said. "We need to make sure we are on the same page. Everything has to tie together."

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Depew Street Mixed-Use Project Continues to Face Planning Commission Criticism

By Lindsay Emery

The developer of a Pleasantville mixed-use project presented more material on the wetland evaluation that was recently conducted and more information regarding the traffic review, as well as more mock-up perspectives of the future building.

Brian Dempsey from Provident Design Engineering, PLLC presented the findings from the traffic study of 52 Depew St. that showed the proposed development would not significantly impact the surrounding area.

Planning commission member David Keller drew the commission's attention to the fact that the study was done in the middle of December and said he wanted traffic analysis to be conducted on Saturdays when

the Village has the farmers market, as well as from 7 to 9 p.m. on weekdays instead of the prior time period of 4 to 6 p.m.

"This does not inform me the way I need to be informed," Keller said.

The managing principal of Frederick P. Clark Associates, Michael A. Galante agreed with Dempsey in his memo. Galante also recommended eliminating the southbound left turn onto Depew St. from Grant St. Dempsey said they would consider adding additional signage or prohibiting left turns during the morning and evening peak times.

During the meeting in June, the developer was asked to provide an update to the study that confirms the function of the pocket wetland that is adjacent to the property, applicant's attorney David Cooper said. He

asked the commission to remember the precedent that they set in 2012 when they allowed LaDuca to occupy the property and that this wetland is not that high functioning.

"The empirical data and the expert opinion in the record, demonstrates there's low function and low benefit to this wetland, but whatever function there is will be benefitted from this project," Cooper said.

Chairperson Russell Klein voiced his concerns over the financial hardship aspect of the wetland cleanup, as well as the building being allowed in part of the buffer. Cooper asked if any other projects have had to prove financial hardship and urged the commission to look at the positive impact of cleaning up the contaminated site.

The developer, David Mann, explained

how he arrived at \$2.6 million for the cost of the cleanup by going through the estimates of the amount of contaminated soil that needs to be removed. He said this should be considered a financial hardship because money needs to be raised for the cleanup, even though it will eventually be reimbursed. The reimbursement will therefore go directly back to the investors without any profit.

"It's not profit," Mann said. "It's just enabling the project to go forward."

The commission asked Mann for additional traffic information pertaining to the times that Keller requested, additional perspectives of the building and cut sheets of the materials.

The next meeting will be the first Wednesday of September.

Police Blotter

County Police/Mount Kisco

July 22: Westchester County Police responded to the 400 block of Main Street on a report that an unoccupied gray SUV rolled backwards out of a parking lot, crossed Main Street and came to rest against the curb. Upon arrival, an officer was told by a witness that a man came out of a local store, crossed over to the car and drove off. The wayward vehicle did not strike any other car or cause any property damage so no further police action was required.

July 25: Westchester County Police responded to Main Street on a report that four children were playing in the roadway and impeding traffic. The youths were gone

upon an officer's arrival.

July 25: A resident came to the Green Street precinct to report that someone had written a fraudulent check to steal \$160 from his checking account. His bank, which is looking into the matter, requested he also report the theft to the police.

July 25: A resident reported that her car was damaged by a hit-and-run driver while it was parked in a lot on Kensico Drive.

July 26: Westchester County Police responded to a parking lot on North Bedford Road on a report that a dog was left unattended in a car. An officer located the vehicle, which was running and had its air conditioning on, and the owner was standing nearby.

North Castle Police Department

July 23: Police received a call about a sick raccoon in the area of 41 Wrights Mill Rd. Officers responded and moved the animal, which did not appear to be sick, to a wooded area.

July 24: The fire alarm at 1 Labriola Court was activated. Police responded to find the alarm was set off in error by a possible malfunction. The matter was cleared by the North Castle Fire Department.

July 24: A residential burglar alarm went off at 18 Jackson Road. The alarm indicated motion in the family room and garage door activation. Police responded and found the alarm was set off in error by the homeowner.

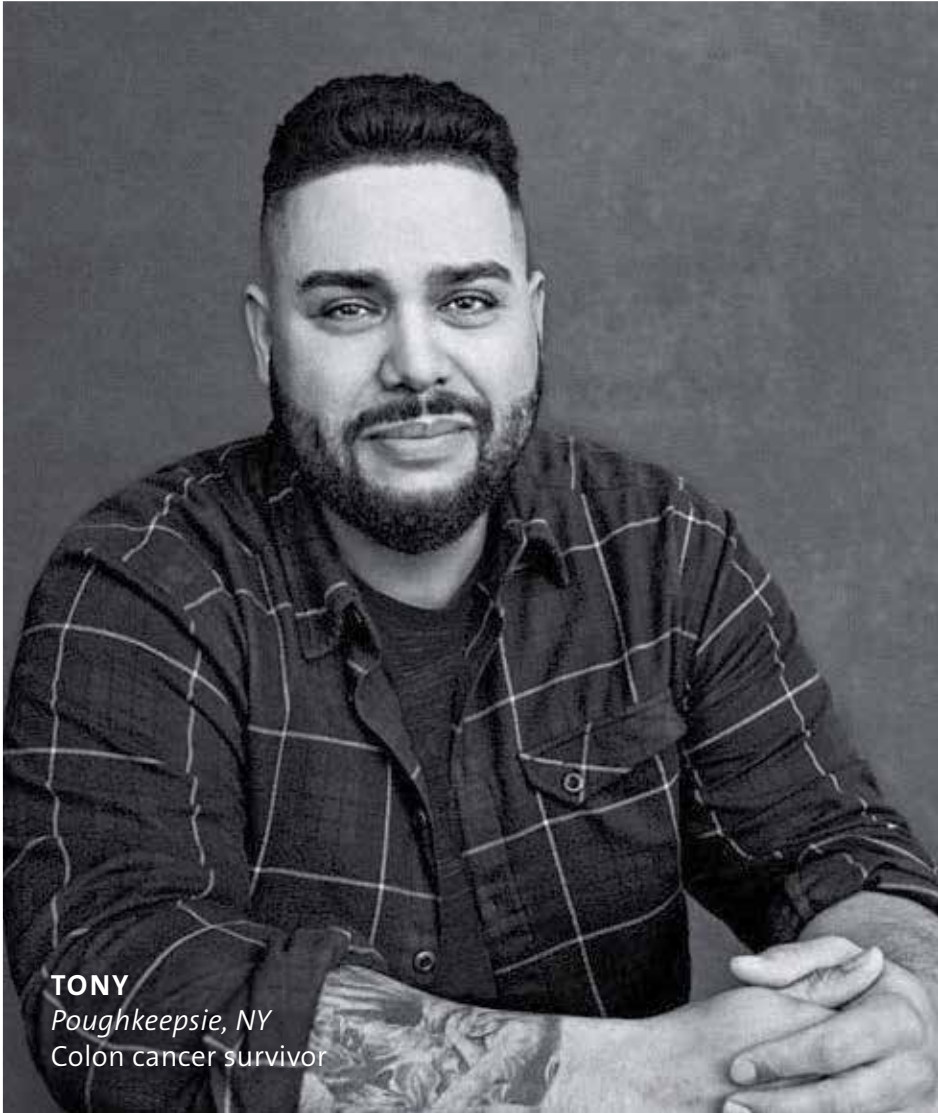
Pleasantville Police Department

July 19: Police arrested a 24-year-old man on Pleasantville Road at 5:45 p.m. for operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license. He is out on bail and will return to court on August 20.

July 20: A report was filed at 10:40 p.m. at 80 Wheeler Ave. surrounding an unknown person that hacked in a cell phone account and a checking account. This is an open case.

July 22: During a storm, a manhole cover was dislodged and put back into place by the police on Manville Road at 5:56 p.m.

July 24: Report of down telephone wires on 488 Bedford Road at 10:14. The matter was corrected by Verizon.




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Town of Mount Pleasant Holds Medal of Honor Parade

By Abby Luby

Sunday was a perfect summer day graced with a light breeze when the Medal of Honor parade in the Town of Mount Pleasant marched down Elwood Avenue. Heralding the 20-minute procession was the 42nd Infantry Division Band from Camp Smith. Residents waved and applauded from their front lawns to veterans and officials alike. Among the veterans marching was Joe Gullotta (88) who fought in the Korean War from 1952 – 1954. Born in Mt. Pleasant Gullotta said, “This parade is about patriotism. The general public doesn’t really know that the Medal of Honor goes to those who went above and beyond the call of duty.”

Medal of Honor recipient Robert O’Malley proudly marched alongside Honorable Loree Sutton, M.D., Brigadier General, U.S. Army retired, and founding Commissioner of New York City’s, Department of Veteran’s Service, and Town of Mt. Pleasant Supervisor Carl Fulgenzi. O’Malley was in the Marine Corps and stationed in



Chiliu, Vietnam for 90 days where he was wounded three times. He earned three purple hearts.

“We need to take a day to recognize and remember soldiers who sacrificed their lives and safety mostly to keep others alive,” said State Senator Peter Harckham (D-South Salem) who marched with the veterans. Rick Palazzo of the Chapter 49 Color Guard of the Westchester County Vietnam Vets, saw purpose in the parade. “This is to make younger people know about our sacrifices and why they enjoy the freedoms



they have today.” Addressing the military and their families, Town of Mt. Pleasant Supervisor Carl Fulgenzi said, “Any day we have to honor our veterans is a good day.”



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Obituaries

Respected Local Journalist Dies at Home in White Plains

Richard Liebson, 61, White Plains resident and long-time reporter for The Journal News/lohud, died in his home on July 28. He succumbed to cancer, which he had struggled with for two years.

Liebson was a well-known reporter covering news in Central Westchester during a good portion of his career.

An obituary published Sunday on lohud.com described Liebson as "one of The Journal News' best-known writers and characters, a beat reporter of the old school."

Liebson grew up on military bases in the U.S. and Germany as the son of an Air Force master sergeant. He was born Jan. 14, 1958 in Landstuhl, Germany. He graduated from Valhalla High School in 1976, and served in the U.S. Army from 1976 to 1980, "writing for Stars and Stripes."

He was hired as a part-time reporter for the Westchester Rockland Newspapers in 1983

Joseph Mottola

Joseph A. Mottola of North White Plains passed away suddenly on July 24. He was 54. Joseph was born in Mt. Vernon on Dec. 11, 1964 to Donna and the late Joseph A. Mottola. He was the beloved husband of Holly (nee Heinzinger). Devoted father of Holly, Samantha and Joseph III. Cherished grandfather of Nicholas and Jax and the loving brother of Camille (Ronnie) and Roseanne.

and promoted to full-time in 1985. He's had a number of beats over the years including education, municipal government and public safety.

Liebson married Victoria Hochman on June 15, 1996. Hochman is a former editor for The Journal News and Newsday and is now manager of public relations for Thompson & Bender, Inc.

In addition to his wife, Liebson is survived by two daughters, Morgan Shelby and Rebecca Liebson of White Plains, two brothers, Bruce Liebson of Greenwich, and David Liebson of Carmel, and two sisters, Liza Liebson and Laura Liebson of Acapulco, Mexico.

Visitation will be Tuesday, July 30, 4 to 6 p.m. at Ballard-Durand Funeral Home, 2 Maple Ave., White Plains. A memorial service will follow at 6 p.m. Liebson requested that no one wear ties.

Professionally, Joseph was a union carpenter with Local 279 in Westchester. Joe's final selfless act of kindness on this earth was the gift of organ donation, in which he gave so others can receive the gift of life through organ and tissue donation.

Visitation was held at Pleasant Manor Funeral Home on July 27.

J. Michael (Mike) Sheehy

Mike Sheehy of Pleasantville and Mashpee, MA died at the age of 72 on July, 13, at White Plains Hospital after a valiant battle with cancer.

He was born in NYC on Aug. 13, 1946. He was the son of Daniel F. and Ruth Sheehy.

Mike graduated from Cardinal Spellman High School and Villanova University. He enjoyed a long career with New York Telephone/NYNEX and Sprint. Over the last eight years Mike passionately worked with children with special needs at Hawthorne Cedar Knolls and BOCES. He lived a kind and gentle life sharing a deep connection with his family, friends, and community.

Mike is survived by his loving wife Georgene Horton Sheehy, sons Michael P. Sheehy, Jim Sheehy (Julia), and his three grandchildren, John, Theresa and Jack. He is also survived by brothers Dan Sheehy and Tim Sheehy, and sisters Kathy Reithman and Meg Mephram.

Mike's funeral mass was celebrated on July 16 at the Church of Saint John and Saint Mary in Chappaqua, NY with interment at the Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Hawthorne. Memorial donations can be made in Mike's memory to his favorite charity, Tunnel to Towers Foundation.





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President Trump Challenges NYS TRUST Act to Block Release of His Tax Records

By Joan Gaylord

Lawyers for President Donald Trump filed a lawsuit this past week in an effort to block New York State's recently enacted TRUST Act. Sponsored by Assemblyman David Buchwald (D-White Plains) and signed into law this month by Governor Andrew Cuomo, the TRUST Act allows New York to release state tax records of any New York government official, including the President, when requested by any of three federal Congressional committees that have an oversight role on tax policy.

The lawsuit, filed in Federal District Court in Washington, D.C., claims that releasing the state tax records would violate the President's First Amendment rights. It seeks to block the House Ways and Means Committees from requesting the records and the state from complying with any request.

Assemblyman Buchwald said the President's attorneys appear to be making a privacy-related claim. He said the courts might issue an emergency order to prevent

the immediate release of the records and to allow time to consider the points included in the lawsuit.

"I expect New York will defend the state's rights and I have every confidence that New York will prevail," said Assemblyman Buchwald.

The New York law followed the decision made by the U.S. Treasury Department to refuse Congressional requests for the President's federal tax returns. The law allows the state to furnish records to the federal House Ways and Means Committee, the Senate Finance Committee or the Joint Committee of Taxation. Assemblyman Buchwald noted that New York already provides the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) with access to New York tax records when requested. Earlier in his career, Assemblyman Buchwald practiced tax law.

"This new legislation is wholly consistent with a long tradition of states responding



Assemblyman David Buchwald

when there are disputes between branches of government," he explained.

If the federal committee chairs do not ask for the information, the New York law as written would not permit the state to disclose the returns, noted Bridget Crawford, a professor of tax law at Pace Law School in White Plains. She added, however, that there would be nothing that would prohibit the state from passing a law that requires public disclosure of tax returns as a condition of a candidate's appearing on a statewide or national ballot in New York.

"Trump's attorneys are making a privacy-related claim, but I do not think it will be successful," commented Professor Crawford. "If the federal committee chairs have a proper motive for requesting the return, such as investigating President Trump's possible conflicts of interests, then New York would be within the bounds of the newly drafted law to disclose them."

Guest Column

A 50-Year Rewind to Woodstock, White Lake and War Happy Golden Anniversary Woodstock ... Many More

*"By the time we got to Woodstock
We were a half a million strong
And everywhere was a song and a celebration
And I dreamed I saw the bomber death planes
Riding shotgun in the sky turning into butterflies
Above our nation
We are stardust
We are golden"
--Joni Mitchell*

We celebrate the Golden Anniversary of Woodstock in August. For us Boomers, it is hard to believe we are celebrating this historical event 50 years later. Yes, time goes by fast when you are having fun.

As Baby Boomers, we also bear the unofficial name du plume and moniker Woodstock Generation, although the author like so many Baby Boomers did not attend the event. Attendance was limited to those 500,000-plus intrepid souls who were hardy enough to challenge the logistics and weather for a "happening" that would be dubbed three days of love, peace, and rock and roll. Not to mention in hindsight a once in a lifetime opportunity to be a part of history.

So, on that fateful Friday morning of August 15, 1969, I called a few friends to inform them I would pick them up and drive them up to Max Yasgur's farm for the three-day Aquarian Exposition at White Lake. I then became quite existential and had an epiphany of sorts. When I left my air conditioned room and walked to the car, a thought passed through me that echoed within like a reverb unit, "tents don't have air conditioning or running water, and what about the dry cleaning? Just imagine what the place will be like without a freshly cleaned and pressed wardrobe at my disposal complete with a few starched bandana's." (Well, I had to be coordinated.) Swiping away the sweat from my brow, I went back to my air conditioned room to call my now (ex) friends, informing

them that due to my allergies to grass and trees (this is true, Boy Scout's honor) I was unable to attend, because my meds would make me too drowsy to drive. I thought I would just wait until the album and the movie came out. Now, is this the mind of a budding radical?

Looking back, free of the rose-colored glasses of nostalgia, while 500,000 youths were camped out at a 500-acre farm for a few days of peace, love, and rock and roll, on the other side of the world 543,482 G.I.s were camped out across 127,212 square miles in Vietnam.

*"Come on all you big strong men
Uncle Sam needs your help again
He's got himself in a terrible jam
Way down yonder in Viet Nam
So put down your books and pick up a gun
we're
Gonna have a whole lotta fun"*

*"And it's one, two, three, what are we
fighting for
Don't ask me, I don't give a dam, next stop
is Viet Nam
And, its five, six, seven, open up the pearly
gates
Ain't no time to wonder why, whoopee we're
all gonna die"
--Country Joe McDonald*

Fifty years later, many of us with children, heck grandchildren, maybe it's time to take a Hajj to our holy shrine in Bethel in our gas guzzling and air-conditioned SUVs, mobile monuments to our generation's prosperity, the wealthiest cohort generation in American history. Why we can even pick up



By Richard Cirulli

our dry cleaning and starched bandanas before we leave and book the best rooms around Bethel Woods. Did I hear someone whisper capitalist pig?

In hindsight, what Woodstock was for our nation was the first budding of a straight branch to grow from the crooked timber of humanity.

In closing, what can we Boomers sing about now? Well maybe something like this:

*And it's one, two three, what are we living for
I don't give a dam
I am just an aging old man
Living off of Uncle Sam*

*Come on all Boomer women and men
Uncle Sam needs our help again
He's got himself in a terrible jam
With social security he can't afford to spend*

*So Come on Boomers and move fast
Put down your cash in a tax sheltered box
And spend some cash on a late bash
For poor old Uncle Sam
Gonna raise our taxes again*

*And it's five, six, seven open up your checkbook
again
Ain't no time to wonder why, Whoopee we'll all
be broke again.*

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Jimi Hendrix ‘Re-Experience’ Band to Rock Stage at Expo

By Michael Giuliano

Fifty years after participating in the Woodstock music festival that shaped a generation, a living piece of music history looks to pay tribute to the now-iconic gathering.

Juma Sultan, a musician who played with Jimi Hendrix at Woodstock in 1969, will be making an appearance at the Hudson Valley Exposition alongside Kiss The Sky, a group known as a Jimi Hendrix “re-experience” rather than just a cover band. Led by guitarist Jimmy Bleu, Kiss The Sky takes a revolving stable of recording artists from the New York metropolitan area and brings them together to capture every essence of the original Hendrix spirit.

Not content to just play the same songs that made Jimi Hendrix a household name, the band is often decked-out in similar or replica clothes that the original band would have worn, and plays with identical instruments with similar amplifying effects to truly recreate the original sound. Bleu even trained himself to play guitar left-handed, behind his back, and with his teeth, all of which were signature Hendrix moves.

“To me, this is one of the most truthful

versions of Jimi’s music I’ve seen,” Sultan said in an interview. “I’ve played with ‘cover bands’ who are good, but he [Bleu] is different. He is very charismatic and brings an original character to the music.”

Sultan, a member of the Blues Hall of Fame, has been playing music since the early 1960’s, when he started out primarily as a jazz musician playing the upright bass. After moving from his hometown of Monrovia, California, to New York City, he was fortunate enough to become acquainted with Hendrix, as well as a slew of other talented musicians. After collaborating several times and strengthening their friendship, Sultan was invited to be a part of Hendrix’s Gypsy Sun and Rainbows band, now playing percussion

instruments.

Over the years Sultan has toured with other former members of Hendrix’s band (each of them also having performed with Kiss The Sky), and is looking forward to performing for a large music festival called WE2019 in North Carolina in August. WE2019 is a two-weekend festival looking to recreate the magic from the original Woodstock concert, featuring eight artists who performed at the last concert 50 years

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—JUMA SULTAN



Juma Sultan, a musician who played with Jimi Hendrix at Woodstock in 1969, will be making an appearance at the Hudson Valley Exposition this weekend.

ago. “It can never be repeated or duplicated,” Sultan said, talking about his experience at the Woodstock concert. “I experienced unity, brotherhood, and love, and that’s something that’s hard to bring out today. The spirit that prevailed there still lives, but it’s dormant [now].” The Hudson Valley Exposition takes place on Saturday, Aug. 3, from 1 to 10 p.m. at Riverfront Green Park in Peekskill. The “Rockin’ the Green” concert, celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Woodstock concert, begins at 4 p.m. on the main stage. Visit www.hvexposition.com for more details.

Crossword by Myles Mellor

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ACROSS

- 1. Paulo
- 4. Fluid-filled structure
- 7. Shakespearean shout of disapproval
- 10. Singer, Rawls
- 11. Difficulty
- 12. Kiev is its cap.
- 13. Unit of energy
- 14. Belonging to the subject of a Chuck Berry song or Yorktown German restaurant
- 16. Biblical suffix

- 17. Improves
- 18. Capital of Nepal
- 20. Overwhelm, at a comedy club
- 21. Man, for one
- 25. Boat races
- 29. Ethnic cuisine
- 31. Lawyer, abbr.
- 32. Mt. Kisco law firm so nice you’ll say it twice, Fishlin &
- 33. It separates “pay” from “view”
- 34. Punching tool

- 35. Manning from NY
- 36. Fighting Tigers of the N.C.A.A.
- 37. “Christ the Redeemer” locale
- 38. Type of bread
- 39. UFO crew

DOWN

- 1. Makes smooth and glossy
- 2. Relating to an artery
- 3. Should, informally
- 4. Arabian capital
- 5. Give ___ (care)
- 6. Unreadable
- 7. Provide money for
- 8. Clanton and Turner
- 9. TV drama settings
- 15. Alaska native
- 19. Gift of the Magi
- 22. Basic
- 23. Most recent
- 24. Period when an animal is in heat
- 26. Moray catcher
- 27. Joyfully
- 28. Musical with the song “N.Y.C.”
- 29. Furry fruit
- 30. Former Winter Olympics host
- 32. Way off

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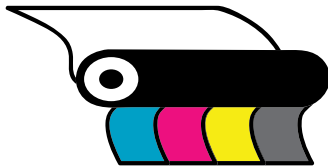


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Summer is a Perfect Time for Children to Invest in Sweat Equity

Free time for your children may be in short supply during the school year as their time may be occupied with a focus on academics, athletics and extracurricular activities.

But once summer vacation rolls around, there may be unclaimed hours or days which can be filled with a worthwhile pursuit: community service.

Teaching children to “give back” through volunteering or fundraising teaches critical lessons about charity, empathy and good citizenship. In addition, volunteering in childhood may be a precursor to financial philanthropy as an adult. Numerous studies show that older adults who volunteer reap physical and mental health benefits, suffer less from depression and report greater life satisfaction.

Summer is a great time to take positive steps through volunteering, and often the lessons are best learned through “sweat equity,” the time commitment and physical effort of helping as opposed to just giving money.

Participating in organized events, such as charity walks or park clean-ups, is one possibility.

Is there an organization where your children can volunteer? If they like

animals, perhaps an animal shelter or wildlife center needs an extra pair of hands. Libraries and places of worship often appreciate summer help, as do recreational facilities. Perhaps your children can share their sports skills or musical know-how with younger ones.

Holding a fundraiser may be another option, and it could be one which enhances a child’s experience of being part of a process, from organizing an event to implementing it to delivering a check to the chosen charity. A lemonade stand stands the test of time, but there are other creative possibilities that kids can generate such as car or dog washes, neighborhood tag sales or talent shows that charge admission.

Donations of goods may be another avenue. Young children may be surprised to learn that not all kids have access to toys or sports equipment, for instance. Having your children sort their possessions into “to keep” and “to give” piles is a start and may open their eyes to how much they’ve accumulated.

Summer is a good time to weed out their outgrown clothes, especially winter gear. Children can help choose a recipient, such as a local shelter. Remember, though, to check with the

agency to see if it has a wish list; many don’t want or have space for someone’s discarded junk. Some items could be detrimental. A broken toy, a recalled crib or an outdated car seat does not make a good gift.

Connecting with the elderly is beneficial for both the children and the seniors involved. Perhaps an elderly neighbor needs a hand with household or garden chores. Or perhaps the community senior center or elder home can use “friendly visitors” to provide companionship and brighten the residents’ days.

In fact, this type of intergenerational interaction has been shown to increase seniors’ health and life expectancies by helping alleviate loneliness, while the impact on children can include more advanced cognitive, social and emotional skills.

The goal is to help shape young adults who care for the well-being of others, and who want to make an impact on the people and places around them. This concept may express itself later as they grow to become investors who care about broader social and environmental



By Peter Chieco

issues as well as issues that affect people in our local communities, such as hungry children.

Feeding hungry children across the globe was the goal of Morgan Stanley’s own Global Volunteer Month, which takes place every June. Ending childhood hunger may be a lofty goal, but with the dedicated and energetic efforts of

volunteers from Australia to Hawaii, the impact can be felt. Many of those same volunteers who participated last month may have once been kids who volunteered during the summer.

Youngsters who spend part of the summer volunteering in their communities may be setting up a pattern for a lifetime habit of charitable giving and heightened awareness of the sustainability needs of our people and planet, creating a better world for all.

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How a Ghost Helped Me Buy a House ...A Fantastic but True Story

In a past column I mentioned, perhaps impetuously, that I had once lived in a "haunted" house and I would someday write about it. Just recently I received a note in the mail from a "devoted fan" who reminded me of this promise and asked me to fulfill it.

Both my down-to-earth wife Margaret and I did experience paranormal activity in one of our homes, our first in fact, when we were just 26 and 28 years old respectively. The very fact that we were able to acquire the property at all was extraordinary. For the first three years of our marriage, we had been apartment dwellers and, at the same time, collectors of antique items and furnishings, but we didn't have a nickel in savings to buy a house.

However, we did have a good friend, Terry Murray, who owned a gorgeous two-family federal townhouse in Brooklyn Heights where we lived. The house had on its first floor an antiques shop and, coincidentally enough, my wife and I had been looking for a commercial rental to establish an antiques shop.

"Why don't you just buy my house and the antiques shop along with it?" Terry asked when we told him of our quest.



By Bill Primavera

"But we have no money to buy a house," we replied. "How about if I give you the time to raise the money for a down payment, say six months?" he suggested.

The offer seemed too good to be true. For that house, priced at \$65,000 at that time (and now valued, according to Zillow at \$3.2 million), a \$13,000 down payment was requested. But Margaret and I had just under \$500 in savings.

We decided to accept the challenge and bought the house, determined to raise the \$13,000 down payment somehow within six months.

The bottom line is that we were able to accomplish that feat and – are you ready for this? – a ghost helped us do it. Here's how:

Along with the property came a married couple who rented the top two floors of the home, built in 1826, in what was by then a landmarked community. When the wife knocked on our door on the first day of our ownership to introduce herself, her first question was, "Did Terry tell you the house was haunted?" My first reaction was to laugh to myself, but I responded that Terry had mentioned no such thing, but I would be delighted if it were true.

Well I can assure the reader here that the house indeed came complete with a ghost...and that ghost, a gentleman whose name was Jacob Hicks (I'll tell how I learned his name below), helped us to raise that \$13,000 for the down payment within six months. Seriously. Here's how:

Just a few weeks after we took possession, one Saturday morning, I was vacuuming the shop in preparation to open at noon. Because both Margaret and I had full-time jobs in public relations, we ran the shop only on Saturdays and Sundays. In fact, it was called The Saturday Shop.

Over the din of the vacuum cleaner, I thought I heard footsteps on the floor above me, then I sensed something over my shoulder, turned around, and there, facing the bright sunlight through our front windows, I saw the shadowy figure, almost translucent, of a large man wearing a bowler hat (inside, I wondered?) and an overcoat...winter clothing in the dead of summer. Without speaking a word, I communicated to this apparition that I really didn't feel that I could handle this, and the message I received back, was simply: "Very well, sorry" and in an instant, the apparition was gone. And again, I heard footsteps over my head.

How could I keep this happening to myself? Being in the public relations field, I had a good contact at the Lifestyles section of The New York Times who was also a friend. I called her and related my extraordinary tale, hoping she wouldn't think I was pulling her leg. "You have to

let me write about this," she responded.

The article appeared in the Saturday Times the next week. While I was getting ready to open the shop that morning, still shaving, I heard voices outside on the sidewalk. I looked out of my second story window and saw a line of people forming, waiting for the shop to open at noon. Normally on a Saturday, Margaret and I would take in about \$200, which in those days was good money. On this first Saturday of such notoriety, however, we earned just under \$2,000 and within six weeks, we had the \$13,000 we needed for the down payment. Thanks, Ghost.

I learned the name of my ghost through an amazing occurrence some years later. In a museum located in Brooklyn Heights is a painting depicting a Brooklyn street scene in the mid-1800s. It shows local residents who lived there at the time and each person's image has a number attached to it. In one corner of the painting, I spied my ghost, looking as I had seen him in my shop. Following the number attached to him in the legend at the bottom of the painting, he was identified as Jacob Hicks, the very person who had owned my home at that time!

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Comparing the Essence and Similarities of Wine and Chocolate



By Nick Antonaccio

This past weekend, as I sat at my keyboard contemplating the 616th published column of You Heard It through the Grapevine, an urge struck me to indulge in one of the topics of my previous focuses.

So it is that I am sitting here this Sunday evening, with a glass of red wine at hand and an artisanal bar of Amedei chocolate nearby.

As I cogitate over what is at hand, I realize that the similarities between wine and chocolate go beyond their agricultural heritage and processing. It is in the consumption of each that the similarities are equally striking.

When I guide my guests in one of the many wine-tasting seminars I conduct, I walk them through several steps to better understand and savor each glass of wine they consume. So too with a chocolate tasting seminar I conducted several years ago.

For each wine and chocolate experience there are five steps (the 5 S's) that assist in

It is in the consumption that they are striking.

honing our senses and enjoyment.

Step 1: "See" the wine. This is your first interaction and provides an overall indication of the style, from light to robust. Hold the glass of wine up to the light. Generally speaking, the lighter the color the lighter the weight and intensity of the wine. Conversely, the deeper the color, the more body and richness. So too with chocolate. A light brown color indicates that more milk product was added during processing. A dark, burnt umber color indicates a high concentration of cacao butter and less milk.

Step 2: "Swirl" the wine in the glass. This infuses oxygen into the wine and opens the bouquet to your olfactory senses. For chocolate, gently "squeeze" a small piece between your fingers. The

higher the cacao butter content, the more quickly it will melt; the lower, the longer it will take. Cacao butter is the foundation of the highest quality chocolates, providing the richness and smoothness desired by connoisseurs.

Step 3: "Sniff" the wine. Bring the glass to

your nose; it is in this step that your overall impression of the wine will be set, as well as its nuances. Our sense of smell has tens of thousands of olfactory receptors, which transmit the aromas of a wine to our brains, resulting in a pleasurable or off-putting impression. So too with chocolate. Bring a piece of chocolate to your nose and breathe in the fragrances. Our olfactory receptors are inundated with the aromas that form our impression of the particular brand and style of chocolate. High quality chocolate will have deep and rich aromas, without metallic or medicinal undertones.

Step 4: "Sip" the wine. Our tongue and mouth dominate our sense of taste. Here is where our palates determine if a wine is bitter, sweet, salty, sour or savory. These senses translate to our perception of a wine to be fruity or dry, soft or tannic. So too with chocolate. As you taste a piece, savor it as it melts in your mouth. How does your palate perceive it? Smooth or gritty? Robust or velvety? Sweet or bitter?

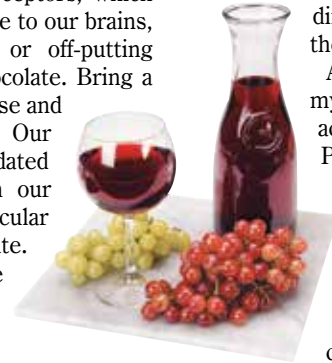
Step 5: "Swallow" the wine or chocolate. The finish is the final impression on your

palate. A long, lingering, sensation is another indication of the quality of each. For wine, it transmits a desired level of complexity and finesse. So too with chocolate. A high level of cacao butter will dissipate on the palate, highlighting the flavors; a low level will leave a waxy or greasy coating in your

mouth, muting the flavors and diminishing the experience of the next bite.

As I take another sip from my glass of fruity and mildly acidic Zinfandel (although Port is likely the best pairing with chocolate), my senses of smell and taste are enhanced by the richness and moderate bitterness of the 70% Amedei chocolate. Ah, I love writing this column.

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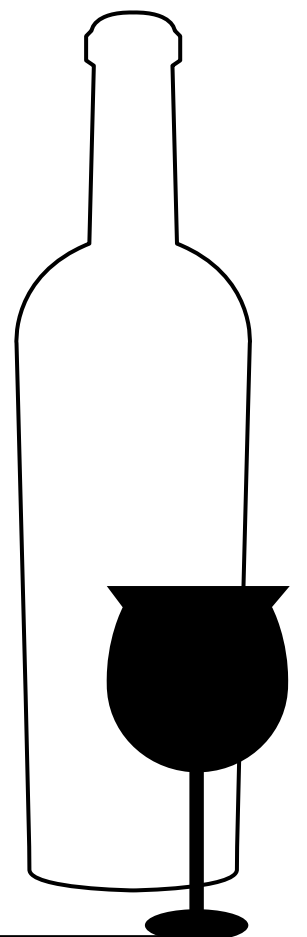
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Tuesday, July 30

Game Changers. Play board games with your friends. For children six years old and up. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 4 to 5 p.m. Free. Tuesdays through Aug. 13. Info: 914-273-3887 or www.northcastlelibrary.org.

DIY Wood and Paper Stars. Create colorful hanging stars out of coffee stirrers and tissue paper. For children eight to 12 years old. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-864-0130.

Italian Language and Culture. Mara De Matteo, born and raised in Italy and passionate about her native language, combines lively conversation with grammatical instruction in her classes. She creates interactive lessons on the richness of Italian culture, past and present. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 6:30 p.m. Every Tuesday. Info: 914-273-3887 or www.northcastlelibrary.org.

Legendary Tuesday Night Jam. This jam has fostered many great musicians over the years. Some have gone on to tour, win Grammy Awards and achieve celebrity status. You never know who you'll hear. Come on down, play or listen, dance, drink and enjoy. All levels of musical talent are welcome. Lucy's Lounge, 446 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 8 p.m. No cover charge. Every Tuesday. Info: 914-747-4740.

Wednesday, July 31

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 through Aug. 14. Info: 914-769-0548 or www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

Bridge Group for Advanced Players. Are you good at bridge but you'd like to get better? Come learn from the masters. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 10:15 a.m. to noon. Free. Every Wednesday. Info: 914-273-3887 or www.northcastlelibrary.org.

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

Toddler Storytime. Finger plays, action rhymes, songs and stories to encourage an enjoyment of books and to stimulate early listening, learning and speaking skills. Recommended for children one to two-and-a-half years old. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 10:30 to 11 a.m. Free. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday through Aug. 16. Info: 914-769-0548 or www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

Preschool Storytime. This interactive story time uses picture books, songs, finger

plays, action rhymes and other activities to encourage the enjoyment of books and language. Recommended for children two-and-a-half to five years old. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 11 to 11:30 a.m. Free. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday through Aug. 16. Info: 914-769-0548 or www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

Mother Goose. Listen to stories and sing along with the librarian for a fun morning. Storytime incorporates picture books that focus on colors, shapes, letters and more. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 11 to 11:30 a.m. Every Wednesday. Free. Info: 914-273-3887 or www.northcastlelibrary.org.

Bilingual Storytime. Sing songs and read picture books in English and Spanish. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 11:15 to 11:45 a.m. Free. Wednesdays through Aug. 14. Info: Visit 914-666-8041 or www.mountkiscoliberal.org.

People Love Yarn. Share your knowledge or learn from the group. All skill levels welcome. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 1 to 3:30 p.m. Free. Every Wednesday. Info: Contact Louann Rooney at rooneylm@optonline.net.

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. English only on Wednesdays. Appointments available in Spanish on Thursdays and Saturdays. Info and Wednesday appointments: 914-336-6026. Info and Thursday and Saturday appointments: 914-336-6935.

Blood Drive. The Pleasantville Volunteer Fire Department and the Pleasantville Volunteer Ambulance Corps is hosting a summer blood drive. Donors from all towns welcome. The NY Blood Center is offering anyone who comes a great summer t-shirt to wear proudly. Student donors 16 to 19 years old will also be given a \$15 gift card to Dunkin' Donuts. Pleasantville Fire House, 75 Washington Ave., Pleasantville. 2:30 to 8:30 p.m. Info: 800-688-0900. Registration 800-933-2566 or visit www.nybloodcenter.org/donate-blood.

Astronauts Are People Too. An interactive, hands-on program about living and working in space for children three to six years old. With an emphasis on STEAM, this workshop includes the reading of Canadian astronaut, Commander Chris Hadfield's children's book, "Darkest Dark," and will explore what life is like for astronauts living on the International Space Station. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 4 to 5:30 p.m. Free. Registration requested. Info and registration: 914-769-0548 or www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

Knitting at the Library. Knitters and crocheters of all skill levels. For ages 10 and up. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 4 to 5:30 p.m. Free. Wednesdays through Aug 14. Info: 914-864-8041 or www.mountkiscoliberal.org.

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Happy Birthday Harry Potter Celebration. July 31 is a magical day. It's Harry Potter's birthday, and the beloved fictional wizard turns 39 in 2019. Come for some treats and crafts. For children seven to 13 years old. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-864-0130.

Art Series: Guy Pene DuBois. This 20th century American painter of French heritage depicted the culture and society around him: cafes, theaters and the Roaring Twenties in his own inimitable style. Discussion led by Professor Valerie Franco. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887 or www.northcastlelibrary.org.

New Castle 2019 Summer Concert Series: FDR Drive. This group will perform Top 40 and classic hits. The fourth of six Wednesday evening concerts. Recreation Field, South Greeley Avenue, Chappaqua. 7 p.m. Free.

Thursday, Aug. 1

Baby Time. A fun interactive lap-sit story time that includes songs, rhymes and a few very short stories. The experience gives babies an opportunity to socialize and parents a time to share. Recommended for newborns through 12 months old. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 125 Lozza Drive, Valhalla. 10 to 10:30 a.m. Free. Every Tuesday and Thursday through Aug. 15. Info: 914-741-0276 or www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

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

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

Bagels & Books. "A Place for Us" by Fatima Farheen Mirza will be discussed. Ruth Keeler Memorial Library, 276 Titicus Rd., North Salem. 10:30 a.m. Free. Meets the first Thursday of each month. Info: 914-669-5161 or www.keelerlibrary.org.

Toddler Storytime. Finger plays, action rhymes, songs and stories to encourage an enjoyment of books and to stimulate early listening, learning and speaking skills.

Recommended for children one to two-and-a-half years old. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 125 Lozza Drive, Valhalla. 10:30 to 11 a.m. Free. Every Tuesday and Thursday through Aug. 15. Info: 914-741-0276 or www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

Bounce the Baby. Enjoy simple stories, fingerplays and lap-sit songs for early literacy skills. Incorporates board books that focus on singing to, moving with and playing alongside your babies as instructed by the librarian. For children three to 18 months old. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 11 to 11:30 a.m. Free. Thursdays through Aug. 15. Info: 914-273-3887 or www.northcastlelibrary.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. Thursdays through Aug. 15. Info: Visit 914-666-8041 or www.mountkiscoliberal.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.mountkiscoliberal.org.

Pre-K Storytime With Craft. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 4 p.m. Free. Thursdays through Aug. 15. Info: 914-273-3887 or www.northcastlelibrary.org.

Family Storytime. Stories, songs, fingerplays and other activities. For children one to four years old and their siblings and caregivers. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 4 to 4:30 p.m. Free. Thursdays through Aug. 8. Info: 914-769-0548 or www.mountpleasantlibrary.org.

Book Discussion. "Ella Enchanted" by Gail Carson Levine has stood the test of time. The story is a retelling of "Cinderella" featuring various mythical creatures including fairies, elves, ogres, gnomes and giants. Discussion of chapters 1-14 will touch on the themes of fairy tales and free will. Crafts and games are included. For children eight to 12 years old. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-864-0130.

Read to Rover. Dogs love listening to stories. Come meet Rover and read your favorite story. For children five years old and up. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 5 to 6 p.m. Free. Thursdays through Aug. 15. Info: 914-666-8041 or www.mountkiscoliberal.org.

Block Party: Sami Stevens Trio. This rhythm and blues group performs for the fourth of seven Katonah Museum of Art concerts. Includes complementary soft drinks, craft beer, wine and specialty cocktails along with light refreshments. Rain or shine. Katonah Museum of Art, 134 Jay St., Katonah. 6 to 8 p.m. Members: \$20. Non-members: \$25. Children (under 18): Free. Info and tickets: Visit www.katonahmuseum.org.

Grateful Dead Meet-Up 2019. Join Dead Heads in your neighborhood – and around the world – when Trafalgar Releasing and Rhino Entertainment celebrate the 9th annual Grateful Dead Meet-Up at the Movies!

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This can't-miss event, happening on what would have been Jerry Garcia's 77th birthday, features the previously unreleased complete June 17, 1991, concert from Giants Stadium. Widely considered one of the greatest shows of the band's final decade of performing, this concert also sounds unlike any Dead show you've ever heard as it was one of only two recorded on 48-track. As a special treat, this screening will also feature a reveal of the Grateful Dead's 2019 boxed set, featuring the Dead's legacy manager, archivist and producer David Lemieux. Part of the Sounds of Summer: Music Films Old and New Series. Jacob Burns Film Center, 364 Manville Rd., Pleasantville. 8:30 p.m. Members: \$10. Non-members: \$15. Info and tickets: Visit www.burnsfilmcenter.org.

Friday, Aug. 2

ZUMBA® With Amy. Fun cardio dance fitness workout, low-impact approach, easy learning environment. This feel-good workout is exercise in disguise. Free trial class available. Addie-Tude Dance Center, 42 Memorial Plaza, lower level, Pleasantville. 11 a.m. to noon. \$14 drop-in fee. Every Friday. Also Tuesdays from 10 to 11 a.m. Walk-ins welcome. Info: Call or text the instructor at 914-643-6162 or visit www.amyolin.zumba.com.

Entergy Screening Under the Stars: "How to Train Your Dragon 3: The Hidden World." In this PG-rated, animated comedy, Hiccup discovers that Toothless isn't the only Night Fury. Hiccup must then seek "The Hidden World," a secret Dragon Utopia, before a hired tyrant named Grimmel finds it first. Kensico Dam Plaza, 1 Bronx River Parkway, Valhalla. Entertainment starts at 6 p.m. Screening at dusk. Free. Refreshments available for purchase. Info: 914-864-PARK or visit www.parks.westchestergov.com.

Friday Night Film Series: "In Defense of Food." In this galvanizing documentary, author Michael Pollan focuses on ways to reverse the damage to people's health resulting from today's "industrially driven" diet. He explores the contemporary food industry and

the idea that people can live healthfully by following his seven-word motto: "Eat food. Not too much. Mostly plants." 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.

Film Clips and Discussion. The queens of tap at MGM, Eleanor Powell and Ann Miller, will be discussed. Powell and Miller were two of the greatest female tap dancers in Hollywood musicals. Powell is best known as the MGM Queen of Tap for her solo numbers. Miller began her film career in the 1930s and continued to appear in many MGM musicals throughout the 1940s and '50s. See how both women advanced the genre of dance on film with their amazing command of tap. Chappaqua Public Library, 195 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-238-4779 or www.chappaqualibrary.org.

Country Line Dance. Dancing followed by a complete dinner. All proceeds to go to the scholarship fund at Fox Lane High School and New York Boys' State. Moses Taylor American Legion Post 136, 1 Legion Way, Mount Kisco. 7 to 11 p.m. \$15 per person. First Friday of every month. Info: 914-241-0136.

Westchester Photographic Society: Using Your Speedlight. Westchester Photographic Society members and accomplished photographer Ron Carran will demonstrate how and when to use flash in photography. All photographers, beginner to professional, are welcome. Must be 18 years old and up. Westchester Community College's Technology Building, Room 107, 75 Grasslands Rd., Valhalla. 8 p.m. Free. Info: 914-827-5333 or visit www.wpsphoto.org.

Saturday, Aug. 3

Pleasantville Farmers Market. Experience the largest, year-round farmers market in Westchester, voted "Best of Westchester" six years in a row from 2014 to 2019, with over 50 vendors and eight nearby parking lots. This week, the market's Health & Sustainability segment will provide information on the NY Milk Bank and infant feeding nutrition, when to introduce complementary food as well as information on metals and baby food and some juices; Carolyn Ramsey of the Pleasantville Garden Club will demonstrate gardening techniques to children

through a fun, planting take-home project; and the Acoustic Medicine Show – singer-songwriter Joe Tobin – will be featured in the music series using bluegrass instrumentation and harmonies while blending with jazz, folk and blues. Memorial Plaza, Pleasantville. 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Rain or shine. Please note the market is a dog-free environment. Saturdays through Nov. 16. Info: Visit www.pleasantvillefarmersmarket.org.

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

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. 10 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.

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 or www.northcastlelibrary.org.

Wolves of North America. Learn about the mythology, biology and ecology of wolf families and discover why it's a special time for packs in North America. Whether the wolves are living on the Arctic tundra or the woodlands of the southwest, wolf families are out searching for prey as they celebrate the birth of pups. Guests will visit ambassador wolves Alawa, Nikai and Zephyr and possibly the critically endangered red wolves and Mexican gray wolves as well. Wolf Conservation Center, South Salem. 2 p.m. Adults: \$14. Children (under 12): \$11. Also Aug. 10, 11, 18, 24 and 31 at 11 a.m. and Aug. 4, 17 and 25 at 2 p.m. Pre-registration required. Info and pre-registration: Visit www.nywolf.org.

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

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

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

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Pack Chat for Kids. This is the best introduction to wolves for families with young children. Kids will learn about the mythology surrounding wolves and the important role they play in the natural world. This is an exciting time for wolves as they are out searching for prey as they prepare for the birth of this year's pups. Guests will visit ambassador wolves Alawa, Nikai and Zephyr and possibly the critically endangered red wolves and Mexican gray wolves. Wolf Conservation Center, South Salem. 2 p.m. Also Aug. 4 and 25 at 11 a.m. and Aug. 10, 24 and 31 at 2 p.m. Adults: \$14. Children (under 12): \$11. Pre-registration required. Info and pre-registration: 914-763-2373 or visit www.nywolf.org.

Empire State Stand Up Showdown Second Round. This round takes the best from the preliminary rounds and brings them one step closer to that \$1,200 grand prize. Audience and judges both help decide who advances to the finale. Lucy's Lounge, 446 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 6 p.m. \$25. Info and tickets: Visit www.lucysloughlounge.com.

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ESTOPPEL NOTICE On July 22, 2019, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Pleasantville, Westchester County, New York (the "Village") adopted a Bond Resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, and the validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Village is not authorized to expend money or the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding **contesting** such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of publication of this notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the New York State Constitution. Summary of Bond Resolution 1. Specific Objects or Purposes - The purchase of one (1) police vehicle to replace a similar vehicle previously in service for one year or more, at an estimated maximum cost not to exceed \$60,000. 2.

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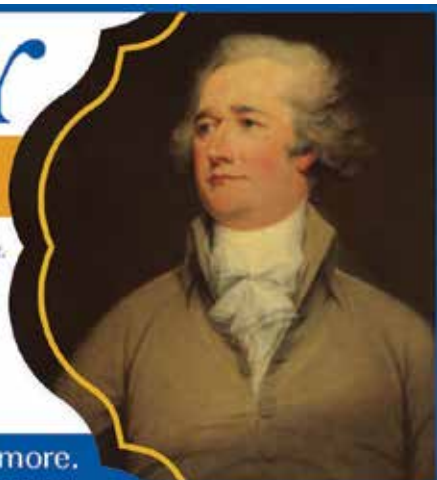
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Notice is hereby given that the **TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY** has received a wetlands application from the following applicant: **WT 14/19 Barbara Cassar 39 Chippewa Road TM# 51.73-1-10 WT15/19 Shari Heyen 12 Quincy Road TM# 84.7-1-18**

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF BOND RESOLUTION SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Pleasantville, Westchester County, New York (the "Village"), at a meeting held on July 22, 2019, adopted a bond resolution, which is subject to a permissive referendum, that authorizes the issuance of \$2,600,000 serial bonds of the Village to finance the reconstruction and improvement of Manville Road, including sidewalks, curbs,

gutters, drainage, landscaping and grading or improving the rights of way, with flexible pavement of a type described in Local Finance Law Section 11(a)(20)(c), including surveys, preliminary plans and detailed plans, specifications and estimates required in connection therewith (the "Project"). The period of probable usefulness is fifteen (15) years and the bonds are payable from amounts to be annually levied on all the taxable real property in the Village. Pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder ("SEQRA"), the Village has previously determined that the Project constitutes an "unlisted action" which, under SEQRA, will not have a significant effect on the environment. No further action under SEQRA is required. **Noreen Regan Deputy Village Clerk, Village of Pleasantville, Westchester County, New York**

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New Castle's Jack Porter fires a pitch during Friday's playoff game.



The Bulls' Mason Bodo hangs onto second base after arriving safely at the bag against the Lagrange Lumberjacks.



New Castle second baseman Christian Weynand awaits the umpire's call on a close play in Friday's GHVBL 9U playoff game against Lagrange.



New Castle first baseman Robert Hickey watches the ball jump off his bat as he swings in the last inning of Friday's GHVBL playoff game.



Robert Hickey runs to third base in the Bulls' home playoff game vs. Lagrange.

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Drew Wolfson of the New Castle 9U Bulls swings for the fences in Friday's playoff game.



Dylan Gilet of the New Castle Bulls stays ready at third base.



New Castle outfielder Brandon Carney makes a backhanded catch to take away a hit in Friday's 8-3 playoff loss to Lagrange.



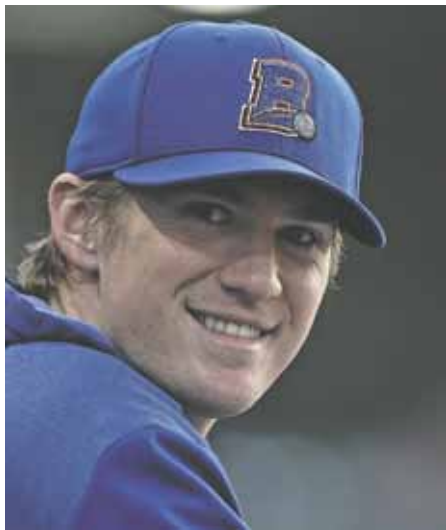
Rob Malmgren of the New Castle 9U Bulls delivers to the plate against the Lagrange Lumberjacks in Friday's GHVBL playoffs.



New Castle infielder Christian Weynand is a bit too late with the tag on a steal of second base in Friday evening's playoff game at Gedney Park.



The Bulls' Ethan Murphy hits the ball up the middle against the Lumberjacks.



Pitcher JD Busfield and the rest of the Boulders have plenty to smile about with nine wins in their last 11 games.



Rockland's Richie Fecteau swings the bat in the sixth inning of the 3-2 come-from-behind win over the Quebec Capitales.



Rockland starting pitcher Jake Zokan went six scoreless innings, allowing just one hit, in the Boulders' 3-2 win over Quebec.



Boulder infielders, left to right, Senoo Katsuya, Ryne Birk, Matt Oberste and Richie Fecteau gather together during a pitch change vs. Quebec.

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ROCKLAND BOULDERS

Saturday, July 27, 2019

Palisades Credit Union Park



The Boulders' Senoo Katsuya connects for one of his three hits in Saturday night's victory over the Capitales.



Senoo Katsuya hustles down the first-base line after smacking a single in the first inning vs. the visiting Capitales.



Boulder third baseman Richie Fecteau makes an off-balance throw to first base during the 3-2, 10-inning win over Quebec.



Second baseman Ryne Birk tracks a pop fly during the Rockland Boulders' home win on Saturday.



The Boulders' Chase Harris awaits a pitch in Saturday's game at Palisades Credit Union Park.



Grant Heyman of the Boulders hits a drive down the right-field line as he bats in the sixth inning on Saturday night.



Boulders first baseman Matt Oberste delivered the game-winning sacrifice fly in the 10th inning on Saturday, a long blast to center field that scored Ryne Birk all the way from second base.



Rockland's Blake Grant-Parks, currently hitting .360, scampers around the bases in the 3-2 win over Quebec.



Noah Benson of Briarcliff sends a shot toward the cage in the Bears’ regional playoff win over Mattituck.



Dylan Donnery of Westlake manages to maintain control of the ball as he topples to the turf in the sectional playoffs against Briarcliff.



Will Mykytiuk of Byram Hills goes airborne as he tries to get to the front of the cage in the Bobcats’ early-season win at Mahopac.



Briarcliff freshman Matt Waterhouse is about to score the first goal of the game in the state Class D playoff game vs. Mattituck at Adelphi University.

BOYS’ LACROSSE

Spring 2019

A Look Back



Jaak Chasse of Fox Lane searches for an open teammate as he moves with the ball behind the cage.



Fox Lane’s Joe Rozgonyi tries to maneuver past the Wappingers defense in a game up at John Jay High School.



Pleasantville All-American Jack Howe moves toward the cage in the Panthers’ home game against the John Jay Indians.



Pleasantville goalie Brian Wilson runs the ball up the field after making a save.



Byram Hills senior Ben Mautner is intent on getting to the cage during the Class C championship game against the Rye Garnets.



Bryce Gell of Greeley searches for shooting space as he’s defended by Benny Rakower of Byram Hills in a game hosted by the Quakers.



Westlake sophomore Andrew Llamas tries to run past Briarcliff’s Aidan Murnane in the quarterfinals of the Class D sectional playoffs.



Greeley’s Alex Cottler brings the ball toward midfield in the Quakers’ easy playoff win over Tappan Zee.



Andrew Kanovsky of Briarcliff starts to celebrate with the Bears in command late in their sectional playoff game against Westlake.



Pat Doherty of Pleasantville controls the ball behind the cage during the Class D championship game at Lakeland High School.



Pleasantville and Briarcliff players battle for possession of a ground ball during their meeting on the Panthers' home turf in the regular season.



Briarcliff's Jack Ricciardi tries to dodge his way past Pleasantville's Ray Raefski in the Section One championship game.



Casey Begleiter controls the ball for the Byram Hills Bobcats, who wound up easily advancing to the Class C title game.



Fox Lane goalie Sean Bailey guards the cage during a road game back in April.



Byram Hills goalie Griffen Rakower tries to stop a point-blank shot vs. host Mahopac in late March.



Westlake's Greg Cafaro takes the ball toward the cage in a road game against the Mahopac Indians.



Matt May of Pleasantville celebrates after scoring a goal against John Jay.



Horace Greeley goalie Matt Maitland is poised to make a save in the Quakers' playoff victory over visiting Tappan Zee.



Horace Greeley's Spencer McGowan dodges his way to the cage in the Quakers' easy victory over visiting Carmel.



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