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## P'ville Gears Up for This Saturday's 15th Annual Music Festival

By Martin Wilbur

Thousands of local and regional music fans are ready to turn out on Saturday for arguably Pleasantville's biggest day of the year.

The Pleasantville Music Festival, with its customary mid-July spot on the calendar, returns for the 15th year, featuring nine hours of great music, family-friendly activities, food and vendors, all with a decided local flavor at Parkway Field at 48 Marble Ave. Gates open at 11 a.m. and the music is scheduled to start at noon.

This year, 18 bands and performers on three different stages will entertain the masses, led by 1990s alternative rock bands Everclear and Soul Asylum along with Aimee Mann on the Main Stage.

"We all look forward to it. It's one of the great days of the year," said Pleasantville Mayor Peter Scherer. "We always have a little bit of trepidation that everything gets pulled off. I think we have a great lineup, a great cadre of managers and volunteers

and a pretty solid advance sale. So we're feeling good about that."

Pulling off the event takes a team effort from nearly all of the village's departments and an army of volunteers to help set up for the day and assist the crowds once the gates open, said Bruce Figler, the festival's executive director.

Figler said he and the other organizers have tried to entice the public to buy their tickets early by offering discounts. When tickets first went on sale, the price for adults was \$50. Last Friday, the tickets jumped to \$60 and if you wait until Saturday to buy them it will be \$65. Seniors (65 and up) and students (12 to 21 years old) get in for \$30 before Saturday and \$35 at the door. Children under 12 years old are admitted for free with a ticket-holding adult.

"It's working. We're doing very well and we do better pre-sales every year," Figler said. "It looks like a very good year if the weather holds up. At the end of the day, even though we've eaten into those people

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Thousands of music lovers will descend on Parkway Field this Saturday for the Pleasantville Music Festival. There will be 18 bands from a variety of genres entertaining from noon to nightfall. For a preview of some of the bands that will be performing, see pages 13-15.

## Convicted Rapist on the Lam for 30 Years Arrested in Mt. Kisco

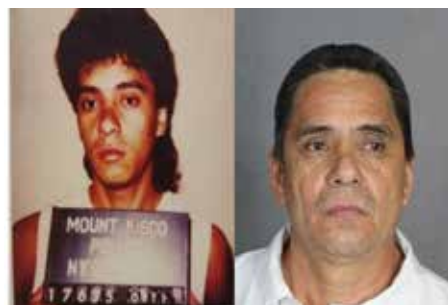
By Martin Wilbur

A man convicted in absentia 30 years ago for a rape he committed in Mount Kisco was apprehended by county police officers in the village last Friday night.

Nelson Gustavo Caceres, 51, was arrested outside a deli by officers and brought to Westchester County Jail in Valhalla. He was arraigned in Monday in Westchester County Court and returned to jail.

"This open warrant has been investigated on a regular basis for the last 30 years," said Westchester County Police Commissioner Thomas Gleason. "Our detectives will not give up until the offender is brought to justice."

Police said that during his 1989 trial in County Court in White Plains, Caceres managed to flee and likely returned to his native Guatemala.



The mug shot of Nelson Gustavo Caceres in 1988 after he was arrested on a rape charge by the Mount Kisco Police Department and his photo following his arrest last Friday. Caceres managed to flee during his trial in 1989 and was convicted in absentia.

Caceres was convicted of first-degree rape and sentenced to five to 15 years in

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## Cuomo Signs Bill Allowing Congress to Obtain Trump's State Tax Returns

By Martin Wilbur

Legislation originally proposed by Assemblyman David Buchwald (D-White Plains) that will allow three congressional committees to request President Donald Trump's New York State tax returns became law on Monday.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo signed the New York TRUST Act, which now permits the state to cooperate with congressional investigations by furnishing the House Ways and Means Committee, the Senate Finance Committee or the Joint Committee on Taxation the New York tax return of any state or federal elected official or local elected official from a municipality with a population of at least 50,000.

Buchwald, a chief sponsor of the legislation along with state Sen. Brad

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Assemblyman David Buchwald was a chief architect of the New York Trust Act, which was signed into law on Monday by Gov. Cuomo.

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who wait till the last minute, they are still a very sizeable part of our audience."

Despite all the preparation, weather, of course, can wreck any plan. But as of Monday, organizers even had that on their side. The five-day forecast called for sunny skies with a high of 87 degrees, according to weather.com.

Superintendent of Public Works Jeff Econom said as this week progresses the work will ramp up. By Wednesday, Parkway Field's grass will be cut and the spots for the food and merchandise vendors, the

stages and the tents will be marked off. Delivery of the backstage tent, the chill tent and the shade tent are scheduled to arrive by Thursday. The stages are expected by Friday morning.

"So we're trying not to be a bunch of busy bees on Friday," Econom said. "We're trying to space it out a little more so it will be a little more organized chaos."

DPW staff and volunteers will clean up Saturday night and the equipment will be taken away by Sunday, he said.

Once again, the festival will emphasize environmentally-friendly practices.

Volunteers will help the crowd separate trash, recyclables, food scraps and other compostable items, Scherer said. Festival-goers are also asked to bring a refillable cup or bottle to take advantage of the water stations that will be set up to provide free cold water, he said.

Figler said heading into the final week the festival could use more volunteers. Anyone interested in helping out can visit [www.pleasantvillemusicfestival.com](http://www.pleasantvillemusicfestival.com) and click on the volunteer tab at the top of the screen. In recent years, they've needed close to 200 volunteers, he said.

"We're doing a lot more so we need more people," Figler said. "The attendance has doubled and so has the need for manpower."

Scherer said he's looking forward to another great day of music and for Pleasantville to put on a great show.

"It's a big deal," he said. "I have often said, and probably won't stop saying, it's too big for us to do and too good not to do it."

For the complete list of performers, the performance schedule on each of the three stages, tickets and general information, visit [www.pleasantvillemusicfestival.com](http://www.pleasantvillemusicfestival.com).

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Hoylman (D-Manhattan), said the measure is in step with the tradition of states cooperating with congressional inquiries.

"It's our system of government, checks and balances that involves states responding when there is a dispute between different levels of the federal government," he said.

Buchwald's original version of the bill proposed in 2017 would have made any elected official's state tax return public. However, that was blocked by the Republican-led state Senate at the time.

In order for New York State to play a role, an official would have

had to file a state return, he said.

Advocates of government transparency applauded the new law on Monday, saying that it will allow New York do its part in ensuring that the roughly 50-year tradition of candidates releasing their tax returns remains strong in New York.

"Every presidential candidate since Richard Nixon has released his or her tax returns, except Donald Trump," said Susan Lerner, executive director of Common Cause New York. "Americans have the right to know if the President is putting his business empire, or the interests of the public, first."

"By signing the TRUST Act into law, Governor Cuomo has put the legal and administrative power of our state behind the simple principle that no person is above the law," added Michael Kink, executive director of the Strong Economy for All Coalition. "At a time when President Trump is trampling legal and constitutional norms, our state lawmakers have strengthened the hand of Congress in their investigations of corruption and malfeasance."

The state Republican Party, however, issued a statement Monday from its chairman, Nick Langworthy, condemning the law while strongly suggesting that it

will face a legal challenge.

"This law is nothing more than presidential harassment," Langworthy's statement read. "Today Andrew Cuomo and Albany Democrats are using it to go after President Trump, but tomorrow it could be any New Yorker. It will never stand up in the courts and they will once again be exposed for wasting precious taxpayer resources on their never-ending partisan witch hunt."

Buchwald, a tax attorney, said the law is not a temporary measure and will be on the books when there is a Democratic president and either one or

both houses of Congress are in Republican hands.

He said he understands why the state Republican Party would prefer to have New York be a bystander on the matter but the state legislature has a responsibility to empower the federal legislature when the people of New York support doing so.

The assemblyman also mentioned that the law will stand up to legal scrutiny.

"I am confident that the courts will recognize that New York State has the full authority when it comes to New York State tax returns," Buchwald said.



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### Q: What are the symptoms of a kidney stone?

**A:** You might feel waves of severe pain in your back or side below the ribs. Pain might spread to your groin and lower abdomen. Nausea, vomiting and blood in the urine are possible. If you experience extreme pain, vomiting, or fever, go to an urgent care facility, or your hospital ER. Otherwise, have your symptoms evaluated by your primary care physician.

### Q: What actually is a kidney stone?

**A:** A stone is rock-like material formed within the kidney. Most stones have a calcium component, and are caused by inadequate fluid intake, an overabundance of calories, and excessive salt intake. Stones with a uric acid component are caused by an excessive meat intake. When a stone passes out of the kidney and enters the ureter, the tube becomes blocked, urine backs up, the kidney swells and pain results.

### Q: What are my treatment options?

**A:** A small stone may "pass" from your body naturally. If necessary, your physician can provide medication for pain and nausea and allow natural passage of the stone. Uric acid stones can sometimes be dissolved

with medication. A large stone blocking a kidney, or a stone associated with an infection, can be life-threatening and must be treated urgently. For stones that cannot pass on their own, a urologist may advise one of three outpatient procedures, depending on the size and location of the stone.

- (a) External shock waves to shatter the stone, turning it to smaller stones that can then pass on their own.
- (b) Inserting a small telescope to laser the stone into tiny fragments.
- (c) If the stone is very large, a telescope is passed directly into the kidney through ones back to fragment and remove the stone.

### Q: Can I help prevent kidney stones from forming?

**A:** Yes, however, once a kidney stone is removed, if a person does not change his or her diet or fluid intake, there's a 70 percent chance another will form. Help prevent calcium stones by remaining well-hydrated. Avoid consuming large amounts of dark leafy vegetables, peanuts, Vitamin C tablets and chocolate. To avoid forming a uric acid-type stone, limit meat, including red meat, chicken or fish.



# Latimer Signs Order Halting Parkland Sale in Wake of Sales Tax Hike

By Lindsay Emery

County Executive George Latimer signed an executive order Monday that prohibits the sale of county parkland larger than two acres, a move that was made possible because of the upcoming 1 percent sales tax increase.

Joined by a bipartisan group of local, county and state officials from throughout Westchester at Greenburgh Town Hall, Latimer also announced budget amendments to halt any sale of county parking lots; the transfer of \$5 million to the county's reserve fund, the first addition to that fund in recent years; and that the 2020 budget will aim to add another \$10 million to the reserve fund, Latimer said. Latimer proposed selling the County Center lot last year if the extra revenue didn't come through.

Last week Gov. Andrew Cuomo signed off on authorizing the sales tax hike for Westchester from 7 3/8 percent to 8 3/8 percent effective Aug. 1. It is projected to raise about \$70 million in revenue for the county for the remainder of 2019 and at least \$140 million in a full year.

"As I sign this order, this states categorically that we will not use that loophole in order to work around the state legislature, that we respect the authority of the Assembly, the Senate and the governor to make decisions about parkland alienation that is what was intended in the state constitution and that is what will be the policy of Westchester County," Latimer said.

As a result of the extra revenue, there will be a county property tax freeze for the next

two years. The legislation authorizing the county to raise the will expire on Nov. 30, 2020, and can be renewed for an additional year.

Latimer said the sales tax increase isn't a gift for the county but is revenue that critical for its own solvency and to help school districts and municipalities constrained by unfunded mandates and a now permanent tax cap.

"Every village and every town that is benefiting from this action is getting something because of our agreed (upon) working together that no other town or village in this state has," he said.

Of the \$70 million that is forecast to be collected this year, 20 percent will be provided to local municipalities and 10 percent to school districts. Only the cities of Yonkers, White Plains, Mount Vernon and New Rochelle and their corresponding school districts will not share in the extra revenue because those municipalities already have an 8 3/8 percent sales tax.

Greenburgh Supervisor Paul Feiner advised that the revenue is welcome, but cautioned officials against overspending.

"Westchester has the distinction of having the highest property taxes in the United States and I think this new law will help us move towards ending that unwanted distinction," Feiner said.

Although it's uncommon for legislators to pat themselves on the back for a tax increase, multiple levels of government worked together because the higher sales tax will benefit individual communities, said Senate



LINDSAY EMERY PHOTO

County Executive George Latimer was surrounded Monday by a throng of elected officials from throughout Westchester. Latimer outlined various plans following the sales tax increase for Westchester that was signed into law last week.

Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins (D-Yonkers). State Sen. Shelley Mayer (D-Yonkers) agreed.

"It's hard to see that an increase in sales tax is a win, but sometimes it is the most modest and progressive solution to a very difficult problem," Mayer said.

Latimer said the sales tax increase will not impact business because it's irrational for people to drive to Connecticut or New Jersey to buy similar products. He said internet sales are the real threat to small stores, not sales tax.

Ray Sanchez, superintendent of the Ossining School District, said that the added

revenue will have a positive impact not only on the school districts but the students.

"This gives us an opportunity to address the ever-growing needs of our children within our school districts," Sanchez said. "In the case of Ossining, we have growing enrollment and greater needs and we struggle oftentimes in trying to maintain programs that we have and certainly are always seeking ways to address and enhance some of the services we provide."

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state prison for dragging a woman into a wooded area near East Main Street and North Bedford Road in 1988 and sexually assaulted her. The victim had met him earlier that same evening and told police at the time Caceres had become enraged when she would not go with him to his residence.

He was arrested by the Mount Kisco

Police Department shortly after the attack but was free on bail.

Detectives from the Warrant-Fugitive Unit recently developed information that Caceres had possibly returned to Mount Kisco, county police said.

With that lead, law enforcement authorities conducted multiple interviews in the village and recently organized surveillance at several locations, according to police. The

investigation yielded that a person thought to be Caceres was a frequent patron of a local deli in Mount Kisco and was often seen riding a red bicycle, police said.

Last Friday night, officers saw a red bicycle chained to a tree near the deli, which police did not identify yesterday. They took Caceres into custody without incident when he came to retrieve the bicycle a short time later.

Gleason commended the work of the department's Warrant-Fugitive Unit and noted that it never closes out open warrant cases no matter how many years have passed.

"We received a good deal of cooperation in the Mount Kisco community during this investigation and are grateful for the public's assistance," Gleason said. "Mr. Caceres will now serve the sentence that was handed down three decades ago and the victim in this incident will receive the justice she deserves."

In addition to the sentence for rape,

Caceres also faces the felony charge of second-degree bail jumping.

The Warrant-Fugitive Unit's job is to locate and apprehend individuals who are the subject of warrants issued by Westchester County Supreme Court, Westchester County Court and Westchester County Family Court. The warrants are issued for individuals facing felony and misdemeanor criminal charges.

The unit also investigates and enforces warrants issued by local Family Courts and are often called on to represent the county in extradition cases where a suspect is wanted in another state or is being held in another state and has a matter pending in Westchester.

Anyone with information about Caceres' recent activities in Mount Kisco is asked to contact Warrant-Fugitive Unit detectives at 914-864-7901. All calls will be kept confidential.

## Mount Pleasant Ponders Changing Renewable Energy Reimbursement

By Sean Browne

The Mount Pleasant Town Board met with a Energize New York representative last week to consider a local law that would change the method for how property owners would receive reimbursement for installing renewable energy.

Energize New York is a nonprofit organization that provides an alternative to traditional loans to fund clean energy projects in commercial buildings and structures that are owned by nonprofit organizations.

Mark Thielking, co-executive director for Energize New York, asked the board at its July 2 work session to adopt legislation that would allow Energize New York to handle the financing with a property owner directly rather than the charge showing up on the municipal tax bill.

"What's different is that there is no longer a municipal guarantee needed," Thielking said. "The town would no longer be collecting the charge on the tax bill. Energize New York would be billing directly."

Thielking said the change would be beneficial to the town because it would no longer be hassled.

Local municipalities such as Bedford, New Rochelle and Yonkers have made the change, he said. Last month, the Mount Kisco Village Board moved forward with approving the legislation.

Thielking said that the law is ready to be approved in its current form and that no changes can be made since the model legislation was created by the state.

Town Attorney Darius Chafizadeh said planned to review the measure before the board takes any action.

## Support Connection to Hold Wing Nite for Men Only July 17

On Wednesday, July 17, relax and have a night out with the guys whose lives have been affected by a spouse or partner going through breast, ovarian or gynecological cancers. Enjoy good food and the company of others who understand how you feel.

The event will be held at Travelers Rest, located at 25 Saw Mill River Rd. in Ossining from 7 to 9 p.m. The event is free but pre-registration is required. For more information or to register, call 914-962-6402 or 800-532-4290.

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# Two Local Students Advocate for Type 1 Diabetes Federal Funding

By Martin Wilbur

For as long as he can remember, Chandler Edwards has often awoken at night and has had trouble getting back to sleep. He needs to have his blood-glucose levels monitored constantly, whether it's during the middle of the night or before he plays basketball.

Sometimes Edwards can't even spend his lunch period at school with friends, instead eating with the school nurse in her office.

Edwards, who will be entering sixth grade at Greenburgh's Richard J. Bailey Elementary School in September, was three years old when he was diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes, an autoimmune disease that can strike people of any age because the pancreas stops producing insulin.

"It's very important for (researchers) to find a cure," Edwards said. "I don't want to live like this for the rest of my life and I don't want to see kids go through this for the rest of their lives."

He will be doing his part this week as one of two Westchester students and one of 10 from New York State who are in Washington, D.C. for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) Children's Congress. The purpose of the Children's Congress is to convince lawmakers to once again fund the Special Diabetes Program in the federal government's Fiscal Year 2020 budget to continue critical research in the hopes of preventing, treating and eventually finding a cure for juvenile diabetes.

Related issues, such as finding a way to make prohibitively-expensive insulin more



Robert E. Bell Middle School seventh-grader Sophie Rinzler and sixth-grader Chandler Edwards of Greenburgh are representing Westchester at this week's Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Children's Congress in Washington.

affordable, will also be discussed when the Children's Congress delegates meet with members of Congress. Two years ago, Congress appropriated \$150 million for the program.

Edwards and Sophie Rinzler, the second Westchester delegate, who will be a seventh-grader this fall at Chappaqua's Robert E. Bell Middle School, will be joined by peers from all 50 states and abroad for the event.

Rinzler, who was four-and-a-half when she was diagnosed, said she decided to apply to be part of the Children's Congress last winter through the JDRF website, detailing what her life has been like with the disease during the application process.

She has made scrapbooks for her congresswoman, Rep. Nita Lowey, and New York's senators Chuck Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand, also describing the importance of continued funding.

"Type 1 is always there," Rinzler said.



"When I go to school it's there. When I go on vacation it's there. When I play soccer and I'm on the soccer field it's there. When I'm sleeping it's there. Wherever I go it's always following me."

That also includes when Rinzler, 12, is out with friends and they'd like to get a snack or eat pizza, she said. It requires constant vigilance, including keeping track of carbohydrate intake and blood-glucose levels.

While life for people with Type 1 Diabetes is challenging, it also has a profound effect on their families. Amy Rinzler, Sophie's mother, said she and her husband continue to wake up in the middle of the night to check on their daughter. Unlike some people who awaken when their blood-sugar levels are askew, that's not the case with Sophie.

With a son that is two years younger, it complicates situations that most families take for granted.

"For our family, it changes the meals that

we eat, it changes how we plan our vacation," Amy Rinzler said. "My husband and I get up in the middle of the night, every night, still, at midnight and at 3 a.m. to look at her sugar and blood-glucose levels to see what's happening."

Sometimes the readings dictate waking Sophie up for sip of juice or readjusting the settings on her insulin pump, Amy Rinzler said. Other times it may require a shot of insulin, she said.

Both Chandler's and Sophie's diagnoses came as a surprise to their families. Since Type 1 Diabetes is neither hereditary nor determined by diet.

Laverne Edwards, Chandler's mother, said she first noticed her son's constant thirst and frequent urination. He consumed water at an alarming rate, typically a gallon a day as a three-year-old, she said.

"It's an awful disease and I wish that no other child has to go through this because your entire life will change," Laverne Edwards said. "It's not the same as not having it. Everything changes."

Sophie Rinzler said she's excited to be part of the Children's Congress, calling it a "once-in-a-lifetime opportunity."

"It's going to be exciting," she said.

Chandler, who submitted his application just before the February deadline, said he's happy he's attending and looks forward to meeting other students from around the country.

"I wanted to do something to make a change for people," he said.

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# Support Connection Celebrates 25th Walk with Video and Logo

Support Connection announced last week its 25th annual Support-A-Walk, the organization's most important fundraiser each year, will take place on Sunday, Oct. 6 at FDR State Park in Yorktown.

To mark the silver anniversary of the event, Support Connection has created a special logo and commemorative video.

The video starts with the story of the first Support-A-Walk on Oct. 1, 1995. The two co-founders were Nancy Heller, a breast cancer survivor, and the late Rich Adamski, who was motivated by his love for his wife Myra who died of breast cancer. Their vision was to create an event that would bring attention to the needs of people

affected by breast and ovarian cancer. With help from a small group of dedicated, passionate supporters, that first walk was a major success.

Heller's and Adamski's dream grew. They decided to create a place where those living with breast and ovarian cancer could turn for support, understanding and guidance. Using the proceeds from the inaugural walk, Support Connection opened its doors in September 1996. Ever since, money raised from the Support-A-Walk every year has continued to help fund Support Connection's year-round breast and ovarian cancer support services, which have helped thousands of people.

The commemorative video is an inspiring, moving portrayal of how the Support-A-Walk has grown over the years and the difference it has made in people's lives. There are personal interviews with people who have been involved with the event and with others who have benefited from Support Connection's services. To view the video, visit [www.supportconnection.org/side-by-side-for-25](http://www.supportconnection.org/side-by-side-for-25).

The video was produced by Bill Powers, an Emmy Award-nominated television producer, two-time national Telly TV Award winner and national Beacon Award winner for media relations. Powers is also a dedicated and well-respected community

leader and is executive director of the Peekskill Business Improvement District. He has created several other videos for Support Connection.

The special 25th anniversary logo, created by Kelly Duke McKinley, features the tagline "Side by Side for 25" along with Support Connection's highly recognizable heart-and-hands symbol. McKinley is co-principal and creative director of Pak Creative, a brand, marketing and communications team with 30 years of combined experience. Pak Creative specializes in graphic design, with a variety of clients, including at the corporate and nonprofit levels.

Each year the Support-A-Walk draws thousands of participants from across the Hudson Valley and beyond. People of all ages complete a three-mile walk, often in honor of loved ones, a celebration of life and a tribute to those affected by breast and ovarian cancer. There is also a Survivor's Welcome Area. Along the walk path, participants are encouraged by local bands, cheerleaders and other community groups. Families, friends, co-workers and teams are invited to walk together. Individuals are also welcome to participate.

Donations are accepted by check and cash and also online. Supporters can raise funds by creating personal online fundraising pages to ask friends and family for donations. Messages of support, celebration or commemoration can be displayed along the route by purchasing tribute signs for \$50 each.

Support Connection does not receive funds from any national cancer organizations including Relay for Life, Susan G. Komen or Making Strides. By participating in or donating to the Support-A-Walk, community members can make a positive difference in the lives of women and families facing the challenges of a breast or ovarian cancer diagnosis.

To learn more, donate or raise funds for the Support-A-Walk, call 914-962-6402, visit [www.supportconnection.org/support-a-walk](http://www.supportconnection.org/support-a-walk) or e-mail [walk@supportconnection.org](mailto:walk@supportconnection.org).

## Lights for Liberty Vigil in Chappaqua, P'ville This Friday Evening

Chappaqua and Pleasantville will each be holding vigils Friday evening to join the global demonstration to close the U.S. border detention centers.

Left of Main Street, a Chappaqua-based progressive group, will be sponsoring that community's vigil at the gazebo on South Greeley Avenue at 8 p.m. The Pleasantville vigil will take place at the downtown gazebo, with participants gathering at 8:30 p.m. with a candle lighting at 9 p.m.

Participants are asked to bring a candle or candle app on their phone.

For those unable to attend one of the vigils, they are encouraged to protest with a minute of silence from home, work, neighborhood or favorite spot.



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# Two Men Arrested After Crashing in Taconic Parkway Chase

By Martin Wilbur

County police arrested two Brooklyn men late last Wednesday night after they fled from officers in a van with stolen license plates before crashing it into trees as they exited the Taconic State Parkway in Yorktown.

One of the trees struck by the van then toppled onto a county police patrol car as the officer pulled up to the scene, shattering the windshield with the officer still behind the wheel, said county police. The tree did not enter the police vehicle and the officer was not injured.

The two suspects climbed from the van in an attempt to flee but were taken into custody at the scene, police said.

Francisco Torres, 47, was arrested and charged with two felonies, fleeing an officer in a motor vehicle and first-degree aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle. Torres was also hit with three misdemeanors, fifth-degree criminal possession of stolen property, second-degree reckless endangerment and seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance. The drug charge stems from a small amount of heroin found in the vehicle, police said.

The passenger, Luis Ramos, 47, was arrested and charged with seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance and false personation, both

misdemeanors. He initially gave officers a false name following his arrest, police said.

The incident began about 11 p.m. when the Real Time Crime Center at county police headquarters in Hawthorne alerted patrol officers that a Honda Odyssey with stolen license plates was traveling on the Taconic State Parkway in Mount Pleasant, according to police. An officer observed the vehicle traveling northbound at Pines Bridge Road in New Castle and attempted to stop it. Police said the van was traveling up to 100 miles per hour. The van's driver also turned off the headlights in an effort to avoid capture, authorities said.

The van exited the parkway at Underhill Avenue at a high rate of speed, lost control near the bottom of the exit ramp and crashed into several trees, coming to a stop in dense underbrush. Police said as an officer pulled up, one of the trees toppled over on to his patrol car. That officer and other cops who arrived on the scene then took both suspects into custody.

Ramos complained of chest pain from injuries suffered in the crash. He was taken by the Yorktown Volunteer Ambulance Corps to Westchester Medical Center in Valhalla and admitted. He was released on Thursday, booked at county police headquarters and turned over to New York City police on an active arrest warrant.

Torres was held overnight at headquarters and was arraigned Thursday



The county police car that had a tree fall on it last Wednesday night after two men from Brooklyn led officers on a chase up the Taconic Parkway and crashed into the tree. The officer who was in the car when the tree toppled was unhurt.

in Yorktown Town Court. He was remanded to the county jail in Valhalla without bail.

The Yorktown Heights Volunteer Fire

Department also responded to the scene and assisted officers in removing the fallen tree from the patrol car.

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## Obituaries

### Barbara and Lewis Massi

Lewis (Lew) John Massi, 88, passed away on May 26.

A lifelong Westchester County resident before moving to Candler, N.C. in 2015, he grew up in Eastchester. Massi graduated from Eastchester High School in 1948 and was drafted into the Army in 1951. He married Barbara Sherlock of Scarsdale in 1951, three months before being sent to Korea where he served as a sergeant with the 40th Division, earning four bronze stars. After an honorable discharge, he attended Columbia University, studying engineering.

He and his wife moved to Armonk in 1961 where they raised two children, Susan and Steven.

Before retiring, Massi was employed by AMF Atomics where he was a design group leader for their rocket program. Later, he was chief draftsman and designer for Peabody Engineering; chief engineering administrator with the Air Correction Division of U.O.P.; and manager of design drafting and engineering services at Universal Voltronics. After leaving the corporate world, he ran his own business overseeing school and business projects and architectural drawings.

Massi was a member of the Armonk Independent Fire Company where he served as president and line officer. Since 1963, he was an active member of the North Castle American Legion and the Armonk Lions Club. He was a charter member of the

North Castle Historical Society and worked on a number of historical projects and local events, including North Castle's American Bicentennial Committee in 1976, the town's 250th anniversary.

Barbara (Sherlock) Massi, 89, passed away on June 30.

Descended from Gov. John Winthrop of Massachusetts, she was the daughter of Edmund C. and Margaret Sherlock of Woodstock, N.Y. An Armonk resident for most of her life, she was the wife of the now deceased Lewis (Lew) J. Massi and the mother of Susan and Steven.

Massi attended Centenary J. College, leaving there to become a vocalist with a big band. She and Lew married in 1951.

Her primary occupation was as an estate manager for several estates. She also participated in numerous community organizations, including the Girl Scouts, Ladies Auxiliary of the Armonk Independent Fire Company, the American Legion Auxiliary and the North Castle Historical Society.

She served on many historical committees, including Armonk's Bicentennial Committee, the Millennium Committee and the Mount Pleasant Historical Society. While on those committees, she wrote several historical papers as well as video and slide shows. Significantly, Massi worked on recording

all 2,000 gravestones in North Castle's old burial grounds and writing a book on their genealogy.

The couple are survived by their daughter, Susan, and partner Elaine; son Steven and his wife, Karla; two grandchildren, Alana

and Kiera; and their third granddaughter, Kristen Giardiello.

A memorial service honoring Mr. and Mrs. Massi was held on July 2 in the Patton Avenue chapel of Groce Funeral Home in Ashville, N.C.

### John Maduras

John Sherman Maduras of Chappaqua passed away peacefully with his loving family by his side on June 29 at the age of 74.

Maduras was born on Aug. 30, 1944, to Mary Petrishin Maduras and John Martin Maduras in Yonkers. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather. He graduated from Gorton High School and New York University, earning his bachelor's and master's degrees. He also earned a JD from Pace University.

Maduras worked for the Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service for 14 years. He was a captain in the U.S. Army, where he served with distinction in Vietnam. He was a partner in the law office of Steven Horn and John S. Maduras and practiced immigration law privately in Chappaqua.

John was a deeply religious member of the parish of St. John and St. Mary, where he served as eucharistic minister for many years. As a child he was an altar server at

St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church in Yonkers. He loved gardening, fixing cars, cooking and playing with his grandchildren and pets.

Maduras is survived by Elsie Mae Irizarry Maduras, his loving wife of 48 years; his devoted children, Katherine Anne Maduras and John Martin Maduras; his daughter-in-law, Devin Maduras; his grandson, John Steven Maduras (Jack); his granddaughter, Samantha James Maduras; and countless cousins and friends. He was predeceased by his parents, sister Ruth Anne Wittmer and brother-in-law James R. Wittmer.

Visitation was on July 2 at Beecher Flocks Funeral Home in Pleasantville. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on July 3 at St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church. Interment followed at Oakland Cemetery in Yonkers.

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# Armonk Mom Helps Families Find Solutions in Hiring a Nanny

By Martin Wilbur

For some parents of young children who must juggle hectic lives, one of the most important decisions they will make is choosing a nanny.

Nicole Levinson, founder and owner of Nanny Solutions in Armonk, may be best-suited to assist families in finding the right person to take care of their children. Levinson had a nanny growing up, someone she's still in touch with today. Then following an advertising career, she searched for a nanny when her twin sons were born. While ultimately successful, that long and arduous process left Levinson frustrated.

About two years ago, ready to return to the workforce, she decided against resuming a commute to the city and instead focused her energy on creating a service to pair nannies with families.

"There was definitely a need for it and that's why I started it," Levinson said. "I think that I chose an agency to find a nanny in the past for my own children and I found that there wasn't that personal approach that I think that a lot of the parents want when they speak to me. I'm a mom of three. I know how it all works and what people want."

In the time since Levinson launched Nanny Solutions, she has made roughly 200 placements throughout Westchester and New York City. She has also helped to fulfill requests for clients in California and Miami. About 20 percent of her business consists of finding household staffing, such as cooks, chefs or nursemaids.



For the past couple of years Nicole Levinson, owner of Nanny Solutions in Armonk, has helped families throughout Westchester and New York City and beyond find a nanny to fit their needs.

Having a strong vetting process, asking good questions and understanding a family's needs is essential when pairing a family and nanny, Levinson said. That includes carefully checking references and credentials.

She also doesn't recruit nannies; potential candidates for placements typically find her, sometimes through recommendations

or word of mouth, other times through referrals.

Levinson said making sure the client and the nanny are satisfied is critical to a successful pairing.

"Each job is very specific. Nothing is the same," Levinson explained. "So I really get into the different personalities of the family. I place nannies with autistic children, Spanish-speaking nannies, all different kinds of nannies. I have very detailed conversations about what the family is looking for. So that's kind of where I think the turnover rate is low because we really take the time to make sure that the family takes the time they need and the nanny is happy with the job."

In Westchester, it is common for there to be live-in nannies, with some families needing the nanny to drive. Meanwhile, in the five boroughs, a majority report to work each day, often because there isn't the space at someone's residence. However, many of those "live-out" nannies are asked to accompany the family to a summer vacation home in the Hamptons, Nantucket or another locale.

"That's what most people do want," Levinson said. "They want somebody who becomes part of the family."

Levinson requires that the nannies that she places have at least two years' experience. To be placed, a candidate must be CPR certified and have at least legitimate two references. Nanny Solutions provides CPR certification classes.

The skills and services needed by the family along with the experience level


determines the pay scale. Live-in nannies receive a straight salary which could range from \$70,000 to as much as \$200,000, depending on the skills required, Levinson said. Nannies who live off-site are paid hourly starting at \$20 to \$25 an hour.

Levinson said that she takes no money from the nanny. The client pays the salary as well as her fee for making the match.

"The most important thing is our children," Levinson said. "I think they just want someone who will love their kids."

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## County Police/Mount Kisco

**July 3:** A man who said he is homeless was arrested on an active Port Chester Police Department warrant at 1:17 a.m. after he was observed walking in the middle of the street on Kirby Plaza. An officer stopped to speak with the man and determined he was wanted for failing to appear in Port Chester Village Court

**July 3:** A resident reported at 9:20 a.m. that he lost his wallet containing \$120 and credit cards when he left it on the roof of his car and drove off from Dunkin' Donuts on North Bedford Road. Officers advised him that the wallet had not been turned in to police and recommended he cancel his credit cards.

**July 3:** A resident reported at 12:37 p.m. that her vehicle was damaged, apparently by a hit-and-run driver, while it was parked outside Mrs. Green's on Lexington Avenue.

**July 3:** Police responded to a parking lot on Carpenter Avenue at 11:10 p.m. on a report that youths were shooting off fireworks. No one was present when the responding officer arrived.

**July 4:** Police responded to Park Drive at 1:02 p.m. on a report that a woman was having a seizure. She was transported by the Mount Kisco Volunteer Ambulance Corps to Northern Westchester Hospital.

**July 4:** A Beverly Road resident reported at 9:42 p.m. that fireworks were being set off in the street near her home. Officers responded but the persons responsible were gone on their arrival.

**July 5:** Police responded to Boltis Street at 10:43 a.m. on a report of an abandoned vehicle. Officers determined that the vehicle, which was parked legally, has been stationary for the last week because its owner is on vacation.

operator told him to “f--- off.” Caller did not obtain a plate for the vehicle. The responding officers reported checking the area and speaking with the complainant. The vehicle was gone on arrival.

**June 29:** Armonk Ambulance was dispatched to Chestnut Ridge Road at 8:35 p.m. after a seven-year-old boy swallowed a marble. The boy was reported not to be in distress. The responding officer reported that the boy is being transported to Northern Westchester Hospital.

**June 29:** An anonymous caller reported loud music on Carey Drive at 11:43 p.m. The responding officer reported that the noise was emanating from a karaoke machine. The homeowner lowered the music; matter adjusted.

**June 30:** A caller reported multiple wood pallets on the shoulder of northbound Route 22 just north of the closed Kensico Dam bridge at 9:56 a.m. The state Department of Transportation was notified.

**July 1:** Report of a tree branch suspended on wires on Cooney Hill Road at 7:37 a.m. The responding officer confirmed that a large tree limb was leaning on primary wires. Con Edison was notified.

**July 1:** Report of a two-car accident on Mount Kisco Road at 1:20 p.m. The operator of one vehicle was transported to Northern Westchester Hospital with a facial laceration. Both vehicles were reported as drivable.

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The packages contained no identifying markings but appear similar to a powdered aspirin product that is available for retail sale.

The flight, which was bound for Orlando, was cleared for takeoff at 11:16 a.m.

—*Martin Wilbur*

# North Castle Police Department

**June 29:** A caller reported a white Lincoln with a white male operator who appeared to be in his sixties with two female passengers just ran a stop sign near where he was walking at 5:05 p.m. When he confronted the operator, the

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## A vocabulary-building quiz

By Edward Goralski

**Summer Stage.** The summer season has taken center stage. Summer brings longer days, warmer temperatures, vacations and this week's quiz. Perhaps a few of the quiz words will make their way to center stage of your vocabulary this summer season.

1. **befuddle (v.)**  
A) to happen by fate                      B) outgrow                      C) confound
2. **claptrap (n.)**  
A) pompous talk                      B) a sudden blow                      C) a sharp conflict
3. **flippant (adj.)**  
A) having little worth                      B) lacking seriousness                      C) easily upset
4. **contrite (adj.)**  
A) opposite                      B) feeling sorrow                      C) artificial
5. **billow (v.)**  
A) to rise up as in waves                      B) display                      C) cause damage
6. **doldrums (n.)**  
A) an amount given                      B) pleasant relaxation                      C) state of sadness
7. **unalienable (adj.)**  
A) precise                      B) familiar                      C) inherent
8. **ascription (n.)**  
A) attribution                      B) object of desire                      C) instruction

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**ANSWERS:**

1. C. To be confusing or perplexing to; cause to be unable to think clearly; confound
2. A. Pompous or pretentious talk or writing; bombast
3. B. Lacking proper respect or seriousness
4. B. Feeling or showing sorrow; affected by guilt
5. A. To rise up as in waves; swell
6. C. A state of listlessness or sadness
7. C. Unable to be taken away; inherent
8. A. Assigning some quality or character to a person or thing; attribution




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## Guest Column

### Missing a Stop or Two When You Drive All the Time

*Missing a Stop or Two on Earth Day  
"Take the last train to Clarksville  
And I'll meet you at the station  
You can be there by four-thirty  
Cause I made your reservation don't be  
slow  
Oh, no, no, no"*

—Bobby Hart/Tommy Boyce

The first Earth Day was celebrated on Apr. 22, 1970, an idea from Democratic Sen. Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin, who successfully persuaded conservative Republican Rep. Pete McClosky to serve as his co-chair.

Nelson had also recruited Denis Hayes from Harvard as the national coordinator. On the first Earth Day, 20 million Americans took to the streets, parks and auditoriums to demonstrate for a healthy and sustainable environment. Colleges and universities organized protests to bring about national awareness, education and government commitment to take responsibility for our environment.

The day gave a clear and powerful voice for all the issues at hand ranging from pollution from factories, oil spills, toxic dumps and pesticides, among others. Also on this list was the pollution from our freeways.

Addressing the latter concern of freeway pollution, one stop missed along the way was the retention of the existing rail mass transit system to reduce highway pollution and road congestion. By 1970, the national highway system was in place, gained at the expense of rail infrastructure.

It was also during this time America experienced the decline of its once

impressive rail system. It is estimated that between the 1960s and the present, the country has abandoned a third of its rail network, making us dependent on oil, while also increasing pollution and congestion on roadways unable to handle the expanding automobile population.

Westchester County was not exempt from this abandonment of mass transit networks. Westchester was once the home of two now defunct railroads. The Putnam Division of the former New York Central (now the MTA) ran passenger service from Yorktown Heights to Manhattan. This line also had an extension to Lake Mahopac that connected to the Harlem line's Golden Bridge station.

The other line, New York, Westchester and Boston, was designed as a rapid transit railway that ran from Manhattan to points north. By the time of its demise, the line's two Westchester terminals were located in Port Chester and the other terminated in White Plains, located on the site of the Westchester Mall. It never made it to Boston.

*"Down around the corner, half a mile  
from here*

*See them long trains run, and watch them  
disappear"*

—The Doobie Brothers

Americans' need for freedom and individuality at the expense of the environment, supported by the rise in



By Richard Cirulli

automobile sales, also led to the abandonment of the intercounty trolley service. At its zenith, White Plains had an intercounty trolley network that connected to Tarrytown, Mamaroneck, Scarsdale and terminated in the Bronx.

Sen. Nelson was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1995, and by 2010, his movement engaged 75,000 partners in 192 countries in

observing Earth Day.

As a thought, as we approach the 50th anniversary of Earth Day next spring, we should consider celebrating the day locally by leaving behind our gas guzzling and asphalt smashing SUVs and take a train to work, school and to shop and/or walk those abandoned corridors.

Can you imagine a Taconic State Parkway free of congestion, empty parking spaces, no parking fees and fines and actually commune with our fellow humanity as we commute without cell phones and texting?

*"If you miss the train I'm on  
You will know I am gone  
You can hear the whistle blow  
A hundred Miles"*

—Hedy West

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## Westchester County Seeks Nominations for Senior Hall of Fame

Do you know a senior who is making a positive difference in Westchester County through his or her professional life, volunteer work or both?

If so, County Executive George Latimer invites you to submit a nomination to the Westchester Senior Citizens Hall of Fame, now in its 37th year.

"The Senior Hall of Fame is a special tradition honoring seniors who give their time and energy to improve the quality of life in our community," Latimer said. "Don't miss this great opportunity to shine a light on seniors who merit special recognition for their contributions."

Nominations are due by Sept. 13 and may be obtained online at [www.westchestergov.com/seniors](http://www.westchestergov.com/seniors).

To be nominated, a person must:

- Be at least 60 years old and live in Westchester
- Made significant contributions to

improve life in the county

- Be an outstanding leader or advocate
- Have professional achievements that reflect innovative solutions to fulfill unmet community needs (if nomination is based on paid professional work)

Past Hall of Fame inductees are not eligible. (See a list of former inductees at [www.westchestergov.com/seniors](http://www.westchestergov.com/seniors).)

All nominations will be reviewed by a judging committee of past Senior Hall of Fame honorees, members from the Department of Senior Program and Service's (DSPS) Aging Network, the county's Senior Council and the Older Americans Act Advisory Council.

DSPS Commissioner Mae Carpenter said that the Seniors Hall of Fame is an important tradition because the senior community has helped Westchester become known for its quality of life.

"Today's older generation molded a way of life that reflects the caring and generosity of its people," she said.

Those selected will be inducted into the Senior Hall of Fame at a festive awards luncheon on Friday, Dec. 6, in the Grand Ballroom of the Westchester Marriott Hotel in Tarrytown. The Westchester County Department of Senior Programs and Services Westchester County Parks and the Westchester Public/Private Partnership for Aging Services are hosting the gala.

Submit nominations online at [westchestergov.com/seniors](http://westchestergov.com/seniors) or e-mail your nomination to Rose Cappa at [rose@theeventdepartmentny.com](mailto:rose@theeventdepartmentny.com) or call 914-747-0519. Cappa is also the contact to learn how to become a Senior Hall of Fame sponsor or to sponsor a particular honoree.

# SMALL NEWS IS BIG NEWS



# Local Band Swahoogie Ready to Roll at P'ville Music Festival

By Lindsay Emery

Swahoogie isn't a word you'll find in the dictionary.

"It's just an attitude of playing," explained Thomas "Zeke" Krouskoff, vocalist and guitarist of the band Swahoogie.

It has to do with the people who are playing the music and bringing one's own twist to a song. Krouskoff said that vocalist and guitarist Scott Kubrin would describe Swahoogie as "a way of life."

Swahoogie is an entirely Westchester-based band. The group, which formed in the '90s, was on an extended hiatus because some of its members started having families. They reunited in 2015 to bring back what was missing.

Krouskoff said the nine-member ensemble has been through some hardships, but being able to play together is like being part of a family, a special opportunity that they are grateful to have in their lives.

When Swahoogie restarted four years ago, it was important for its members to love the music that they perform.

Krouskoff grew up in White Plains and has played with some of

his bandmates for nearly 30 years. Everyone brings their own feel to each song and understands the way the song should be played.

"I write the songs on my guitar in my living room, bedroom or something and then we all get together and it just comes to life in such cool ways where we've known each other for so long that different people coming in, add their own flavor to the song," Krouskoff said.

Recently, Swahoogie played at Garcia's at The Capitol Theatre on June 6 with a 24-song set. The band released a three-song EP and have been featured on 107.1 The Peak with Jimmy Fink. Swahoogie was the spotlight artist twice last year, Krouskoff said.

"Right now, we're just writing new songs," Krouskoff said. "We're actually going to open with a song we just finished and do some recording after, later in July."

He said Swahoogie's members are looking forward to their 35-minute set at the Pleasantville Music Festival, which is scheduled to start at 1:40 p.m. on the Main Stage. The band will likely play their hits such as "Scratchy Dog" and "Welcome to the Party" along with some new material.



Members of the White Plains-based group Swahoogie.

Music lovers who know the band are also excited that they get to perform. Even though it's tough doing original music and being local, Krouskoff expressed his thanks to the festival's organizers for opening a spot for Swahoogie.

"For Pleasantville Music Festival to support us that way means everything to us because it gives us more credibility taking a chance on a local band," he said.

Along with Krouskoff, the band's members include Bruce

Demaree, drums; Bill Lawrence, bass; Scott Kubrin, guitar and vocals; Tom Havard, mandolin, trumpet, vocals; Larry Gardner, keys; and Gabi Sussman, Nancy Toder and Terry Singletary, vocals.

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# BAILEN Siblings Find Their Distinct Voices in Debut Album

By Lindsay Emery

Three-part harmonies written and sung by three siblings is rare, but that is the concept behind the band BAILEN.

The group is led by a trio of siblings making music that includes artists David, Daniel and Julia Bailen. David and Daniel, who are twins, play the drums and the bass respectively, while Julia is their guitarist. Their parents are classically-trained musicians based in New York City, where the children were born and raised.

"They have been amazing inspirations to our music and they are also on our record," Daniel Bailen said of their parents.

The music that the band makes is influenced by artists such as Simon and Garfunkel, Fleetwood Mac, The Beatles and Joni Mitchell, with a more modern sound, he said.

BAILEN released their debut album "Thrilled to Be Here" in April, have toured with Hozier, an Irish musician and singer-songwriter, for 18 shows and headlined at the famed Troubadour in Los Angeles. They also finished their first headline tour in Europe last month where they had two sold-out shows in



SHERVIN LAINEZ PHOTO

From left, David, Julia and Daniel Bailen, the three siblings who formed the band that bears their name, released their debut album "Thrilled to Be Here" in April.

London and Brighton. They are currently on a short break where they plan on relaxing and writing some new music.

Performing with your brother and sister means there's a connection on stage. Daniel said although they are siblings, they each have

distinct voices.

"I don't think it's a sibling band where we're all similar," Daniel said. "I think we pull each other in different directions that balances each other out pretty nice."

The three band members each have a unique

writing style and one can hear the differences in the songs they have written. The band is looking forward to joining the festival circuit next year.

"We're working on the next record already and just getting out there and playing for new people who are hearing us for the first time, growing our fan base and maturing as songwriters and our sound," Daniel said.

BAILEN's keyboardist, Pierre Piscitelli of Eastchester, who helped found the group, grew up attending the Pleasantville Music Festival and was excited to share this experience with the band. Daniel said that the band is looking forward to Saturday, especially with their local connection. They are scheduled for the 3 p.m. slot on the Main Stage.

BAILEN has been unconventional with the way it has spread their music. The band has eschewed putting their music online to be streamed because they believe that discovering music that way can be fleeting, making it difficult for a listener to actually retain the sound and become a fan.

"We really saw a huge reaction to that," Daniel said. "The fans that we would make were really long lasting."

## Bruce Carroll's Socially Conscious Songs Jumpstarts Burgeoning Career

By Lindsay Emery

Lyrics are important to singer-songwriter Bruce Carroll. For Carroll, it comes from the troubadour tradition of the 1960s, where he was influenced by Bob Dylan and later Bruce Springsteen, the way they were able to convey poetry through songs.

This lyric-based songwriting is Carroll's passion and has led him to release two records in two years, "Ruckus and Romance," his first official album, and a six-song EP "Finding You."

Carroll was born and raised in Yonkers, where he went through the Yonkers public school system before heading off to Binghamton University.

He has considered himself a musician since he was 15 years old, when he learned how to play the guitar and started writing songs. Carroll continued to write through



BILLY BURNS PHOTO

Bruce Carroll, who will be performing with his full band on the Chill Tent Stage during the Pleasantville Music Festival, seen here playing at the Towne Crier in Beacon.

high school and college and eventually

moved to New York City to form a band and forging a successful club career.

Fast forward to today, where the current members of Carroll's band are all Westchester based. That's one of the reasons they're excited to play this year's Pleasantville Music Festival, where they are scheduled to perform on the Chill Tent Stage at 3:50 p.m. He recalled attending one of the early Pleasantville Music Festivals and hopes that he can emulate some of the great shows that he saw that day.

Almost all members of the Bruce T. Carroll Band record with national acts, such as Sting and Suzanne Vega, Carroll said.

"We're getting some good air play nationwide on several of the songs and I'm currently writing material for a third album to record in the fall with these same people," Carroll said.

The band will also perform at the River

Spirit Music & Arts Festival in Hastings-on-Hudson in September as well as some other potential festival gigs in the upcoming months.

Carroll has described his music as political. He said he finds what is happening around him alarming and that he puts some of those feelings into his songs.

"I'm a bit political, I'll say that, too," Carroll said. "I'm very aware and in tune with what's going on today in the world."

Carroll said his goal is to challenge the listening public through his music, getting them out of their comfort zone, rather than ignoring the larger picture.

"Political songs can put people off a little bit sometimes, so I try not to put people off," he said. "I try to put socially conscious lyrics into a good kind of non-offensive format."

## Multiple Genres Comprise the Sound of Up-and-Coming Band Melt

By Lindsay Emery

The band Melt has gained popularity with their hit song "Sour Candy," which has amassed more than two million streams on Spotify and spawned multiple covers on YouTube.

The six members of the band, who describe their music as pop-soul with jam influences, are musicians from New York City and Westchester, said vocalist and keyboardist Eric Dickstein. The band launched at about the end of their high school days just over two years ago.

"The singer (Veronica Stewart-Frommer) and I, we wanted to start a group together and through some friends and friends of friends, pulled together a bunch of people (who)..."

"Became friends," said drummer Josh Greenzeig, finishing Dickstein's sentence. The band had such a great time making music

together, that they've continued playing and performing despite being college students.

Greenzeig grew up in Chappaqua and has performed often throughout Westchester and has attended the Pleasantville Music Festival for many years. Bassist Lucas Saur is also a Westchester native, growing up in Dobbs Ferry. He said they're excited to play where they've grown up and that the festival will be their first show together in the county.

Each member of Melt has different musical tastes that have shaped the way the band has evolved.

"What I think is great is that we come from different musical backgrounds and what I really love about playing in this group is that we're all kind of able to pick what we like best from different genres and put them together," Dickstein said.

Greenzeig said that within the jam perspective, some members are influenced



Members of Melt, which will be part of the lineup at Saturday's 15th annual Pleasantville Music Festival.

by The Grateful Dead and that he is personally influenced by jazz. Since

everyone in the band has different tastes, it's hard to pinpoint a group of artists that have influenced them.

Stevie Wonder, The Meters from the old-school funk era and soul music have also played a role in developing their sound, Dickstein said.

Leading up to the festival, the band has been playing shows in Boston and New York City. Dickstein said its members are thrilled to be a part of Saturday's festival. They are also trying to focus on spending time with one another and writing music to refine their sound before recording more music.

"We're getting back in the studio about a week after the festival, which we're really excited about," Dickstein said. "We haven't put out music in a while so we're ready to get some more content out there."

Melt is scheduled to perform at 2:20 p.m. on The Party Stage.



# A Bit of the Old and the New in Store for Everclear's Fans

By Lindsay Emery

Art Alexakis has had a busy year recording a solo album, but most people will recognize him from his work as the lead songwriter, vocalist and guitarist of the popular alt-rock band Everclear.

Everclear, founded by Alexakis in Portland, Ore. in 1991, is known for its first three platinum records that include popular songs like "Santa Monica," "Wonderful," "Feather of Mine" and "Heartspark Dollarsign."

The rock scene has changed since the height of Everclear's fame, which included a Grammy nomination in 1998 for best rock instrumental with the hit "El Distorto el Melodica," but Alexakis believes that their fans enjoy the old music as well as the more recent material.

"We take care of our fans and we have a good time playing our music," he said.

When the band takes the Main Stage early Saturday evening as the headliner at the 15th annual Pleasantville Music Festival, the

members plan on playing fan favorites and songs from the band's most recent album, "Black is the New Black," from 2015.

If fans want to hear a specific song at the Pleasantville Music Festival, they can tweet @ArtAlexakis or @Everclearband. If it's feasible to include, they will put it on the set list, Alexakis said.

The band may also perform a song or two from Alexakis's solo work that is scheduled for release Oct. 11.

"It's called 'Sun Songs' and I'll be doing some gigs for that," said Alexakis, who will be going on a solo tour in the United Kingdom in October.

During the past few months Alexakis has been busy with a tour he put together called Songs and Stories, where singers and songwriters from 1990s platinum bands converge and perform covers together. Chris Collingwood from Fountains of Wayne, Max Collins of Eve 6 and John Wozniack of Marcy Playground joined Alexakis in 26 markets throughout May and June. These artists not



PAUL BROWN PHOTO

The alternative rock band Everclear will be headlining the 15th annual Pleasantville Music Festival on Saturday, capping nine hours of music throughout the day.

only performed together, but sang solos as well, he said.

Everclear has also been playing shows this summer across the country and is looking forward to the Pleasantville Music Festival with bands that are friends of theirs. After his solo tour, Alexakis said he is excited to see the band's fans again.

Everclear recently played shows throughout the East Coast, including Lancaster, Pa. and Schenectady. Every venue that the band plays has a different flavor, he said.

"I love playing on the East Coast," Alexakis said. "I love playing everywhere."

## Soul Asylum Continues to Grow 25 Years After Reaching Pinnacle

By Lindsay Emery

Dave Pirner always wants a record to have an ebb and flow, where there are loud and soft moments throughout rather than sustaining one pace throughout.

When Pirner, the lead vocalist for the Grammy-Award winning alternative rock band Soul Asylum, started writing, their music was straight ahead punk. The songs that he wrote were relatively simple and influenced by bands like the Ramones, the Sex Pistols and The Clash.

While those bands are still a source of inspiration for Pirner, he has been introduced to other artists. Even though he still loves Metallica, the influence of a broader range of artists seeped into his music.

"I think as time passed by, I started to be interested in other things," Pirner said. "I got into Bob Dylan and Leonard Cohen and

people that were not blasting away, if you will."

Soul Asylum, which is best known for their triple-platinum album "Grave Dancers Union" featuring "Runaway Train," which captured the group's Grammy Award for Best Rock Song in 1994, will be one of the headliners at this Saturday's Pleasantville Music Festival.

Lately, Pirner has been working on a book of lyrics, as well as completing Soul Asylum's newest record. They are currently trying to whittle 22 songs to 11 or 12 for the album, while playing gigs throughout the summer. He said the summer is a great time to perform but playing in festivals hasn't always been a part of the band's scene.

"I mean back in the day they didn't really have outdoor festivals for punk rock bands," Pirner said.

They were used to performing at small



JENEEN ANDERSON PHOTO

Soul Asylum founder Dave Pirner, center, with members of the group will be performing Saturday on the Main Stage.

clubs, usually around midnight, which is a lot different than playing during the day at an outdoor festival. People are there to have fun, so he is excited to play at the

Pleasantville Music Festival.

As a performer that has played throughout the United States, it has showed him how every town and every region has its own vibe, Pirner said.

"So when you go play Alaska, people are very happy that you came all the way to Alaska," Pirner said. "They're perhaps more forgiving, they are perhaps thrilled that anyone is playing in Alaska."

Similar to performing in different parts of the country, the title of alternative rock can also have its own distinctions. Pirner explained how alternative rock can have a positive or negative connotation, but he would like to think that Soul Asylum is alternative in its own right.

"I mean, if alternative is good, then we're alternative because we're not like anybody else," he said.

## Multi-Genre MOSA Ready for Breakthrough Performance at Festival

By Lindsay Emery

The name for the band MOSA came from the frequent mispronunciation of its lead singer's name – Melissa Frabotta.

It would be consistently garbled by the tongue-tied, somehow mixing her first name and last name together.

Even though the name was developed through miscommunication, it has also taken on alternate meanings. Some people often think that Frabotta's real name is MOSA, but she doesn't mind.

"So MOSA, people used to misunderstand that as my name and I like the sound of it, so we figured, let's just call ourselves MOSA," Frabotta said.

MOSA is one of this year's Pleasantville Music Festival's Battle of the Bands winners, an annual competition open to young musicians and musical groups throughout the metropolitan area. They will kick off the festival on the Main Stage at about 12:25 p.m.

Frabotta, who lives in Yorktown, and the

band met each other either through the Westchester music scene and in college. Even though they've been playing with each other for a while, MOSA is a more recent project with a focus on playing original music.

Their debut album, "Who We Are," is described by Frabotta as Americana. But she said she wants people to think of their music as a combination of multiple genres.

"I think my music is definitely a blend of all music that spans out of rock, folk, blues, country music," she said.

She has been influenced by many artists, including elements such as pop, although Frabotta doesn't see much similarity to their songwriting style.

The band has spent its share of time recording and released one of their new songs called "Mama's Got Brand New Shoes" in April. They recorded the song live in a studio in Nashville.

"We did live takes," Frabotta said. "We didn't do any edits. Everything you hear is from one real take."

That method of recording has become very rare as technology has advanced, but Frabotta said that it showed the band the importance of compromises. Frabotta is still learning about recording in studios, but she has heeded some advice she received in the past.

"Someone told me once (in a) live performance, you need to almost refine it while you're performing live and pretend like you're in a studio so it sounds articulate," Frabotta said. "But when you're in the studio recording, you need to perform as if it's a live experience and let loose more because you want the energy to translate."

After the festival, MOSA has two weeks in August booked in the studio to record new music, something that the band is passionate about.

When the band started playing gigs at weddings and bars doing covers of other artists' songs, Frabotta said she thought about all the effort she put into performing and how she didn't feel as satisfied as she



Pleasantville Music Festival's Battle of the Bands winner MOSA, led by lead singer Melissa Frabotta. MOSA will be the first band on the Main Stage on Saturday.

does with original music.

"I just feel more satisfied when I do it, so I'm trying to focus on that more," she said.



## Dusting Off the Subject of Household Dust

Have you ever heard of a dust fetish? I reluctantly admit to at least a keen interest in the subject, having alluded to it a couple of times in my column musings.

Just recently I learned about a new study conducted by a group of scientists who had collected dust samples from 1,200 homes across the United States. It revealed that we all cohabitate with a few thousand species of bacteria and about 2,000 species of fungi, most of which originate outdoors and probably come inside via soil particles or as airborne spores.

Add to our skin cells other flaky stuff like fabric fibers, dust mite excrement, hair, pet dander, regular dirt, debris and microparticles, and you have a pretty nasty brew that can give people with allergies and breathing problems a real hassle.

For anyone interested in forensic investigation, the study of bacteria and fungi in dust can determine whether a home has dogs or cats as well as the ratio of women to men on the premises.

For those with allergy issues, finding a solution can be a quagmire. While some argue that it's simply a matter of pulling



By Bill Primavera

up carpeting and living with bare hardwood floors to control airborne bacteria and fungi, the authors of this new study state somewhat extremely that "If you want to change your bacterial exposures, you just may have to change who you live with!"

Or better yet, "If you want to change the types of fungi you are exposed to in your home, it may be best to move to a different home (preferably far away)."

Well, no wonder we encounter so many people who are sniffing and apologetically tell us, sorry, it's my allergies acting up.

While dust is inevitable, it horrifies some of us, as though its presence on our furniture and floors tells the world something unflattering about us, not only as housekeepers but as human beings. Some of us just don't give a damn.

You may be familiar with the documentary, HBO movie or Broadway version of "Grey Gardens," in which Jackie Kennedy Onassis' aunt and cousin, Edie Beale, and her daughter, are depicted as living in squalor in a neglected ramshackle house, with garbage strewn throughout

and a hoard of cats and raccoons relieving themselves on the floor.

When Jackie arrives to help remedy the situation and registers her shock at the condition of the property, Edie dismisses it by saying simply that her daughter "hasn't been keeping up with the dusting."

Is inattention to dust the first degenerative step to chaos in the home? Maybe for some, depending on their mental attitude about it, and in turn, how unkempt homes can affect its occupants.

One survey reveals that 83 percent of us are happier in a clean house and the act of cleaning itself gives 57 percent of the population a feeling of satisfaction. Further, it shows that 38 percent of women and 24 percent of men experience stress living in a messy environment. It would seem that dusting and cleaning can be therapeutic. Psychologists have found that there is a marked difference in mood before and after cleaning, just as with a therapy session.

But beyond the psychological and unhealthy effects of dust, it can damage almost everything it lands on, from furniture surfaces to clogging up computer keyboards and vents.

There are fancy and simple ways to get rid of dust. The fancy way is with an air purifier of which there are two types: those with fans that pull air through filters that trap the dust and those called electrostatic

precipitators in which an electrical charge is applied to the dust drawn into the device and captured on oppositely-charged plates. Both are available as portable units or as whole-house systems. Prices range from \$100 for a portable model to over \$1,000 for a whole-house system.

Among the houses I've listed or sold, I was aware of only one couple who had a whole-house air purifier system. So, unless people are plagued by allergies, I suspect that most of us dust with old-fashioned elbow grease, using either rags or one of those new magic dusters to which particles cling. Because the latter option can be expensive, a rag can be made just as effective if dampened before use and shaken out frequently.

It's funny how the exploratory process can affect you. As I sit at my computer, I'm very aware that there is a lot of trapped dust on the keyboard. Are the raccoons soon to follow?

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## The Weekly Feature from Entergy

### Local Artist Returns to Exhibit Work at Mt. Kisco, Katonah Libraries

By Martin Wilbur

It is always a thrill for Andre Ferrara to exhibit the artwork he has spent much of his adult life creating.

This summer Ferrara will get to double his satisfaction. Not only does he return to the Mount Kisco Public Library with about 15 drawings to be shown in the upstairs gallery space and community room, but he will have a similar exhibit starting July 20 at the Katonah Village Library. He has had two previous exhibits in Mount Kisco.

That's good news for Ferrara, 83, because he has an estimated 200-plus ink drawings that have been crowding out his Spencer Street house. Now he gets a chance to declutter his home – at least for the summer.

"I don't want to bring them back here," Ferrara said. "I want to sell them."

Much of his collection was done while he was a carpenter for 34 years in New York City, a member of Local 157. Typically, he was sent to construction sites in Manhattan and he would often use his lunch hour to sketch many of the city's most recognizable structures that he could view from his perch. There's the Brooklyn Bridge, the Woolworth Building, the twin towers of the first World Trade Center, the Cathedral of St. John the

Divine and many others.

Ferrara's drawings include small, painstaking details. Some of them took more than a year to complete.

What's even more impressive is that he is nearly completely self-taught – except for a brief art class that he enrolled in but never completed shortly after he arrived in the United States from France in the 1960s and began his carpentry career.

"My brothers Jean and Freddie, they were so good at drawing and I said, 'Why not me?'" recalled Ferrara, who spent World War II as a young boy in an orphanage because his father died following a mining accident and his mother couldn't raise six children on her own. "I came to New York and I would look at the buildings and I said 'Oh my gosh, I have to do it.'"

Despite being retired from a little more than 20 years and without the New York skyline to gaze over on a regular basis, Ferrara still loves to draw. Most recently, he has taken a liking to drawing animals, particularly birds. If there's room at the two library exhibits, Ferrara said he may include a few of those works as well.

He also is an accomplished painter but devotes much of his time and energy on art to drawing. A large, nearly museum wall-



MARTIN WILBUR PHOTO

Mount Kisco artist Andre Ferrara with his drawing of the Brooklyn Bridge, one of about 15 works of his that will be displayed at both the Mount Kisco Public Library and Katonah Village Library this summer.

sized portrait of a woman sits in his living room. Ferrara, a Mount Kisco resident for the past 20 years, said years ago a man from South America hired him to paint an image of his wife but never returned to pay him or to take the painting.

Some of the drawings at the exhibits are for sale while a few people can take for free once the exhibit is over, he said.

"I'm going to be 84 years old. What am I

going to do with this?" Ferrara said.

The Mount Kisco Public Library exhibit of Ferrara's works are on display for the remainder of the month. The Katonah exhibit, once it opens on July 20, will be open through August.

The Mount Kisco Public Library is located at 100 E. Main St. The Katonah Village Library is at 26 Bedford Rd. in Katonah.



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# Happenings

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**Science Lab.** Become a junior scientist and learn about different science topics through stories, crafts and experiments. A new topic is discussed each week. For children four to six years old. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 4 to 5 p.m. Free. Also July 17 and 24. Info: 914-273-3887 or [www.northcastlelibrary.org](http://www.northcastlelibrary.org).

**Knitting at the Library.** Knitters and crocheters of all skill levels. For ages 10 and up. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 4 to 5:30 p.m. Free. Every Wednesday. Info: 914-864-8041 or [www.mountkiscoliberalry.org](http://www.mountkiscoliberalry.org).

**Back to the Moon.** An introduction to NASA's aerospace program for children seven to 11 years old. Starting with the Space Race, children will explore the struggles that NASA scientists, mathematicians and engineers faced in their attempts to reach the moon while living in a micro gravity environment. The program will focus on the significance of the upcoming 50th anniversary of the moon landing and discuss NASA's latest mission of returning. Mount Pleasant Public Library, 350 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 4 to 5:30 p.m. Free. Registration requested. Info and registration: 914-769-0548.

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

**Chess.** Learn the rules of the game, basic openings, various tactics and basic endgame strategies in a supportive and fun learning environment. Recommended for beginner and intermediate players in grades K-12. (Chess sets that meet the United States Chess Federation standards will be provided. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Free. Also July 17 and 24. Info: 914-273-3887 or [www.northcastlelibrary.org](http://www.northcastlelibrary.org).

**Dancing at Dusk: Kostas Psarros & Friends.** Renowned Bouzouki player Kostas Psarros presents Rebetika (often known as The Greek Blues), music from the 1960s and '70s and traditional folk music from across Greece. Featuring extraordinary rhythms, a lineup of fascinating instruments with vibrant vocalists and a dance instructor leading traditional group dances, this promises to be an exuberant evening that will have everyone on their feet. Includes crafts and a meet-and-greet with the artists. Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts, 149 Girdle Ridge Rd., Katonah. 5 p.m. Adults: \$16. Children: \$8. Info and tickets: 914-232-1252 or visit [www.caramoor.org](http://www.caramoor.org).

**Mount Kisco Arts Council Summer Concert Series.** Punk band Guilty Giraffe will be performing this evening. Fountain Park at Village Hall, 104 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 6:30 p.m. Free. Series continues every other Wednesday evening through Sept. 18. Info: Visit the Mount Kisco Arts Council's Facebook page or on Instagram.

**Breast, Ovarian and Gynecological Cancer Support Group.** Northern Westchester Hospital at Chappaqua Crossing, 480 Bedford Rd., Chappaqua. 7 p.m. Free. Typically meets the first Wednesday of

every month. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-962-6402 or 800-532-4290.

**New Castle 2019 Summer Concert Series: Tramps Like Us.** This Bruce Springsteen tribute band kicks off the first of six Wednesday evening concerts. Recreation Field, South Greeley Avenue, Chappaqua. 7 p.m. Free.

**Art Series: Emile Galle.** French master artist Emile Galle was one of the collaborators behind the French Art Nouveau movement. Known for his extraordinary designs in glass, Galle's work has a sensuousness and tactility that is beyond compare. Discussion led by Professor Valerie Franco. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887 or [www.northcastlelibrary.org](http://www.northcastlelibrary.org).

**Social Media and Podcast Marketing Seminar.** Learn how to help grow, build and market your social media pages and podcasts with a relevant following. Take your comedy, podcast or business to the next level with this introduction to social media marketing. Led by social media specialist, comedian and podcast host and producer Tracey Carnazzo. Lucy's Lounge, 446 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 7 p.m. \$15. Info and reservations: Visit [www.lucyslaughlounge.com](http://www.lucyslaughlounge.com).

**How Green is My Town?** This project of Grassroots Environmental, a science based nonprofit organization, will help you learn how you can support local leaders in making your town more sustainable. Ellen Weininger, the director of educational outreach, will review the resources, templates, science and tools that municipalities can use to address environmental priorities. This program is in partnership with the Sierra Club Lower Hudson Group. Greenburgh Nature Center, 99 Dromore Rd., Scarsdale. 7 to 9 p.m. Free. Info: 914-723-3470 or visit [www.greenburghnaturecenter.org](http://www.greenburghnaturecenter.org).

## Thursday, July 11

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

**Knitting Circle.** This group is open to everyone who has an interest in knitting. Live, love, laugh, learn and have fun together during these creative journeys. Come share patterns and ideas and celebrate creative spirits together while enjoying the ancient art of knitting. North Castle Public Library, 19 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](http://www.northcastlelibrary.org).

**Charcoal Workshop.** Learn beginner charcoal techniques and draw a variety of objects from observation at this workshop for adults and teens. No experience is necessary and materials will be provided. Ruth Keeler Memorial Library, 276 Titicus Rd., North Salem. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Free. Also July 11. Space limited; registration required. (Register for one or both days.) Info and

registration: 914-666-5161 or visit the library.

**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](http://www.lifelinetheaterinc.org/index.html).

**Bagels & Books.** "Varina" by Charles Frazier will be discussed. Ruth Keeler Memorial Library, 276 Titicus Rd., North Salem. 10:30 a.m. Free. Typically meets the first Thursday of each month. Info: 914-669-5161 or [www.keelerlibrary.org](http://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. Info: 914-741-0276 or [www.mountpleasantlibrary.org](http://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. Also July 18 and 25. Info: 914-273-3887 or [www.northcastlelibrary.org](http://www.northcastlelibrary.org).

**Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia.** This program will offer facts about the impact of Alzheimer's, the difference between dementia and Alzheimer's, disease stages and risk factors, current research and treatments as well as Alzheimer's Association resources. Atria Woodlands, 1015 Saw Mill River Rd., Ardsley. 11 a.m. to noon. Free. RSVP required. Info and RSVP: 800-272-3900.

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

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

**Make & Take Lavender Essential Oil Bath Salts.** Come relax and pamper yourself with the exquisite smell of lavender with a lesson on how to make lavender bath salts. Supplies will be provided as well as recipe books with other ideas. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 3 to 4 p.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-864-0038.

**LEGO Challenge.** Make space-themed LEGO creations like the Mars Rover, space aliens and rocket ships. Open to all ages. Ruth Keeler Memorial Library, 276 Titicus

Rd., North Salem. 4 p.m. Free. Also July 18 and 25. Info: 914-669-5161 or [www.ruthkeelermemoriallibrary.org](http://www.ruthkeelermemoriallibrary.org).

**Pre-K Storytime With Craft.** North Castle Public Library, 19 Whippoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 4 p.m. Free. Every Thursday. Info: 914-273-3887 or [www.northcastlelibrary.org](http://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. Every Thursday. Info: 914-769-0548 or [www.mountpleasantlibrary.org](http://www.mountpleasantlibrary.org).

**DIY Avengers Mason Jar.** Have the Avengers assemble with decorative mason jars that you will create. 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.

**Read to Rover. Dogs love listening to stories.** Come meet Rover and read your favorite story. For children five years old and up. Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco. 5 to 6 p.m. Free. Every Thursday. Info: 914-666-8041 or [www.mountkiscoliberalry.org](http://www.mountkiscoliberalry.org).

**Book Launch and Signing.** Dr. Shelby Harris will be launching and discussing her new book, "The Women's Guide to Overcoming Insomnia: Get a Good Night's Sleep Without Relying on Medication." Harris is clinical associate professor at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and is the former director of the Behavioral Sleep Medicine Program at the Sleep-Wake Disorders Center at Montefiore Medical Center. Scattered Books, 29 Kings St., Chappaqua. 5:30 p.m. Free. Info: Visit [www.scatteredbooks.com](http://www.scatteredbooks.com) or e-mail [info@scatteredbooks.com](mailto:info@scatteredbooks.com).

**"Between Nightmares and Fairy Tales: Works on Paper From 2014-2019."** This exhibit will present a salon style installation of works on paper in black and white and color by Westchester artist Adam Handler. Recognized internationally and nationally for his whimsical, faux naive style of artmaking, Handler's graffiti-like works present a cast of unlikely characters including female figures, ghosts, Pac-men, animals, bats and tulips. New images are constantly emerging! Madelyn Jordon Fine Art, 37 Popham Rd., Scarsdale. 6 to 8 p.m. Free. Exhibit continues through Aug. 24. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Info: 914-723-8738 or visit [www.MadelynJordonFineArt.com](http://www.MadelynJordonFineArt.com).

**Summer Concerts in the Park.** The Town of Mount Pleasant will host the second of seven Thursday night concerts. Tonight, That Duo Show will be performing. Preceded by student opening acts. Carroll Park, James M. Carroll Park, 202 Kensico Rd., Thornwood. 7 p.m. Free. Info: Visit [www.mtpleasantny.com](http://www.mtpleasantny.com).

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# Westchester Country Artist Enjoys Performing for Her Home Crowd

By Martin Wilbur

The life of a touring musician can be difficult despite the adoring crowds and the satisfaction of doing what you love.

That's a big reason why lifelong Westchester resident Rebecca Haviland, a self-described Americana music artist with more than an inflection of country sound, makes sure she always returns home.

This week, Haviland and her band, Rebecca Haviland and Whiskey Heart, have been driving from Ashville, N.C. to Nashville to Knoxville to Warrenton, Va. to Washington, D.C. Five cities in six nights as part of a tour to promote their two latest singles, "Hideaway" and "Stone Cold Lonesome."

But next Wednesday, Haviland and her bandmates – Todd Caldwell, Chris Anderson and Kenny Shaw – will perform in Chappaqua as part of the Town of New Castle's summer concert series.

"We spend most of the summer driving, so it's great to do a show only 15 minutes away," said Haviland, who grew up in Rye Neck and Harrison. "It's a nice comfort thing as well. We get a lot of support from The Peak (107.1 FM). They've been so helpful supporting local music. I think this helps excite our local fanbase to appear. Our fans have always been so supportive, so it's a good place to run out and do a show."

The concert is part of a busy schedule Haviland has been keeping, which started in the spring. The Chappaqua performance

comes less than two months after the band released "Hideaway." They also performed another local show at Lucy's Lounge in Pleasantville on June 20, which was sandwiched between appearances at New York City's SOFAR Sounds the night before and the Pearl Street Warehouse in Washington the following evening. Those performances were a week before "Stone Cold Lonesome" came out.

In addition, Haviland will be recording her next album this fall.

She said "Hideaway," which has received strong reviews, is a song that she's been waiting to do for a while, fusing her usual Americana/country sound with an indie vibe.

"I've been in a bit of a nostalgic period in my life, in my career and I really wanted to create songs that for me conjured memories," Haviland said. "While they're specific for me, I also wanted to make sure they're appealing to everyone to bring into the context of whatever they're reminiscing about."

Meanwhile, "Stone Cold Lonesome" is what she called a "check-out-the-guy-at-the-bar song."

Those who come out for next Wednesday's concert are also likely to hear selections from the group's "Bright City Lights" EP from last year.

For Haviland, the granddaughter of jazz musicians who were a fixture in local and regional clubs in their day and helped



Country artist Rebecca Haviland has been keeping a pretty demanding schedule lately but will be performing next week in the New Castle summer concert series.

## Schedule of New Castle's 2019 Summer Concert Series

**Wednesday, July 10:** Tramps Like Us (Bruce Springsteen tribute band)  
**Wednesday, July 17:** Rebecca Haviland and Whiskey Heart  
**Wednesday, July 24:** Arena Rock Tribute (1970s and '80s classic rock)  
**Wednesday, July 31:** FDR Drive (Top 40 and classic hits)  
**Wednesday, Aug. 7:** The Haks (Rock & roll, rhythm & blues and Motown)  
**Wednesday, Aug. 14:** The Chappaqua Orchestra

*All concerts are free and are scheduled for 7 p.m. at the New Castle Rec Field on South Greeley Avenue in Chappaqua near New Castle Town Hall.*

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virtuosity defies description and has to be heard to be believed. Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts, 149 Girdle Ridge Rd., Katonah. 7 p.m. Adults: \$26 to \$42. Children: \$13 to \$42. Info and tickets: 914-232-1252 or visit [www.caramoor.org](http://www.caramoor.org).

### "Woodstock: 3 Days of Peace & Music."

You know about Woodstock, the epic 1969 festival where 500,000 people gathered for an occasion that helped define their generation. But did you know that the director's cut of the Oscar-winning documentary was released in 1994 with more than 40 additional minutes of performances? To celebrate Woodstock's 50th anniversary, sit back and soak up almost four hours of this fabled event with everyone from Crosby, Stills & Nash to Joan Baez, The Who, Sly and the Family Stone, Jimi Hendrix and many others. Jacob Burns Film Center, 364 Manville Rd., Pleasantville. 7 p.m. Members: \$10. Non-members: \$15. Info and tickets: Visit [www.burnsfilmcenter.org](http://www.burnsfilmcenter.org).

### Friday, July 12

**Summer Sings!** An event sponsored by the Katonah Women's Civic Club Singers. Includes refreshments. Katonah Memorial House, 71 Bedford Rd., Katonah. 10 a.m. to noon. Free. Also Aug. 23. Info: Contact Rita Schaffer at 914-763-8149 or e-mail [senorita28@aol.com](mailto:senorita28@aol.com).

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**Movie Madness.** Come for a family movie. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 3:30 to 5 p.m. Free. Every Friday. Info: 914-273-3887 or [www.northcastlelibrary.org](http://www.northcastlelibrary.org).

**Ossining Food Truck Fridays & Concert Series: Soul Projekt.** Ossining continues its summer concert series with an evening of food trucks, craft beer, wine and cider and music. Louis Engel Waterfront Park, 25 Westerly Rd., Ossining Food trucks at 5 p.m. Music at 7 p.m. Free admission. Info: Visit [www.OssiningChamber.org](http://www.OssiningChamber.org).

**Entergy Screenings Under the Stars: "Hotel Transylvania 3."** A screening of this family movie. Bring blankets and chairs for seating. Kensico Dam Plaza, 1 Bronx River Parkway, Valhalla. Entertainment at 6 p.m. Movie at dusk. Free. Info: 914-231-4033.

**Friday Night Film Series: "Hampstead."** Based on the true story of a man threatened with eviction from his shack in Hampstead Heath, this comedy, stars Diane Keaton, as an American widow living in the London suburb of Hampstead who teams up with a man who lives on the Heath (Brendan Gleeson) against unscrupulous property developers in the neighborhood. With James Norton. Post-screening discussion led by

Professor Valerie Franco. North Castle Public Library, 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East, Armonk. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-273-3887 or [www.northcastlelibrary.org](http://www.northcastlelibrary.org).

**Friday Night Films.** "Under the Tuscan Sun" will be screened. Part of a series of screenings and discussion of films directed by women. Led by Carol Durst Wertheim. Chappaqua Public Library, 195 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. 7 p.m. Free. Info: 914-238-4779 or [www.chappaqualibrary.org](http://www.chappaqualibrary.org).

**Empire State Stand Up Showdown Preliminary Contest.** Preliminary rounds have nine comedians going up against each other and only three contestants advance to the second round. The contest's grand prize of \$1,200 goes to the winner. The crowd and judges vote. Lucy's Lounge, 446 Bedford Rd., Pleasantville. 7:30 p.m. \$25. Also July 14 and 19. Info and tickets: Visit [www.lucyslaughlounge.com](http://www.lucyslaughlounge.com).

**Dover Quartet.** Since their 2013-14 Ernst Stiefel String Quartet Residency at Caramoor, the Dover Quartet have graduated from a young quartet into one of the most sought-after ensembles. Winners of the Cleveland Quartet Award and recipients of the Avery Fisher Career Grant, they have been lauded for their "expert musicianship, razor-sharp ensemble, deep musical feeling, and a palpable commitment to communication." (Chicago Tribune) Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts, 149 Girdle Ridge Rd., Katonah. 8 p.m. Adults: \$25 to \$57. Students (18 and under): Free. Info and tickets: 914-232-1252 or [www.caramoor.org](http://www.caramoor.org).

### Saturday, July 13

**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, meet the market's beekeeper from Hudson River Apiaries from 9:30 to 11 a.m. and the music series will feature folk singer-songwriter Susan Kane from 10 a.m. to noon. 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](http://www.pleasantvillefarmersmarket.org).

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

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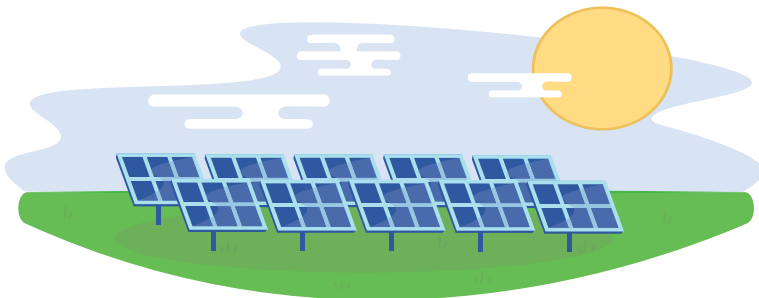
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# The Symbolic Bird: What's on Your Sigil?

By Brian Kluepfel

Birds are popular symbols for sports teams, on family crests and even on national flags. They seem to represent power and freedom and many other things of which we humans are incapable.

It's been a good run for bird-themed sports teams. In 2016 and 2017, the Pittsburgh Penguins won hockey's Stanley Cup. Last year the Philadelphia Eagles won the Super Bowl and this year the Toronto Raptors the NBA title. I must admit that when the Jets, Mets, Rangers or Knicks are eliminated – generally halfway through the season – I'll try to ride the coattails (or tail feathers) of a bird-related team to the championship. Given the Mets' showing through June, I say come on St. Louis Cardinals!

Our great national symbol, the Bald Eagle, seemed to be on display everywhere last week for the July 4 festivities. Let's not forget that a generation ago, the eagle, along with other high-in-the-food-chain birds (peregrines, ospreys), faced the real danger of extinction until laws were

passed banning the use of DDT.

Some other laws that protect wildlife, like the Endangered Species Act and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, are in grave danger of being weakened by the pro-business, anti-environment Trump administration. But it's important to remember that Republican (and New Yorker) Teddy Roosevelt was a great advocate for protecting wildlife and he essentially established the National Parks System. And the DDT ban, as well as the Endangered Species Act, were passed during the Nixon presidency.

We've seen birds co-opted by governments. The Shah of Iran, Mohammad Reza Pahlavi, considered his dynasty a continuation of "The Peacock Throne," a gaudy Persian symbol taken from India, and which suited a venal, egotistical man

deservedly driven from power.

Uganda, ruled by such tyrants as Milton Obote and the infamous Idi Amin, has the grey-crowned crane in the center of its flag. This crane, stepping forward on the ensign in a representation of progress, is a gentle omnivore, which could certainly not be

said of some of the rulers.

Speaking of back-stabbing politics, we could hardly leave out the families in the uber-popular Game of Thrones series who include birds as part of their sigil (or family crest). The Arryns, who have a very weird Freudian thing going on with the humans, have a falcon (probably flying as high as possible to keep away from the creepy people). House Swyft doesn't have a swift; in fact, they've adopted a blue bantam rooster. A lesser house, the Mallisters, have a sharp silver eagle on their flag, reminiscent of Poland's coat of arms or perhaps Albania's flag.

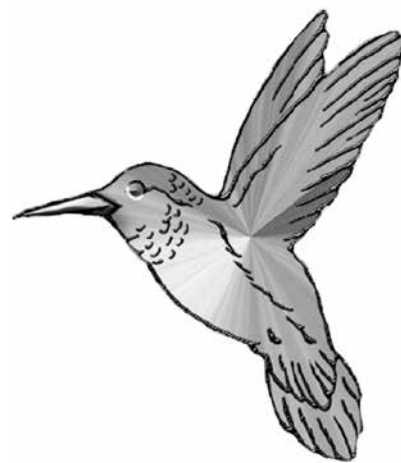
Everybody likes a nice bird symbol, well-drawn and on a sharp background, to give some weight to their organization. But those of us that

are part of the Audubon remind you that it's a good thing to have the real birds around as well. It's our shared mission as a fellow species to co-exist with these beautiful creatures who are also a crucial part of the ecosystem as scavengers and hunters.

So support your local sigil and go out for a nice afternoon of birding. You'll get some good exercise and maybe a few memorable sightings. And on our Audubon walks, everyone is always welcome.

Brian Kluepfel is a member of the Saw Mill River Audubon and edits its newsletter in

addition to authoring travel books for the Lonely Planet series of guides. He has also published guides with Fodor's and his articles have appeared in Westchester Home and Birdwatching Daily. He lives in Ossining.



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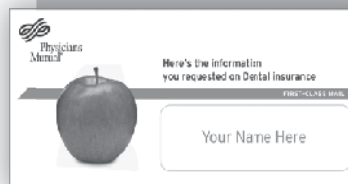
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# When a Least Likely Component Has a Significant Impact



By Nick Antonaccio

Nature has always intrigued me. As a youngster, the ferocity of weather dazzled me, from experiencing the magnificence of a thunderstorm to the unbound energy of hurricanes and tornados. But I never became a meteorologist.

In adult life, I have become captivated by the processes involved in winemaking and am continually amazed at the natural process of the transformation of pressed grape juice (must) into an alcoholic beverage. But I'm not an oenologist.

The transubstantiation of fruit into a complex elixir is a marvel of nature. The combination of events and interactions of varied elements that must interact in perfect harmony – every time they interact – is a feat that boggles my mind. Last week I reported on a newly-developed synthetic form of yeast that may alleviate certain allergic reactions to wine. A reader queried me on the role yeast plays in wine production.

As with all things scientific, a logical

structure and chemical interaction can explain this marvel. But the process of taking an agricultural product like grapes and converting it to wine, that has numerous variations, to me is more alchemy than laboratory. Wine is a living, breathing organism, changing as it progresses through its life cycle, influenced by its changing chemical composition both in the winery and in the bottle.

Early in the life cycle of wine, an amazing transformation occurs. In its most elementary formation, wine is a byproduct of grape juice, yeast, bacteria and oxygen. Crushed grapes carry on their skins various forms of yeast. These yeasts transform the natural sugars in the juice into alcohol and carbon dioxide.

After fermentation, the small amounts of bacteria remaining from the dead yeast cells create a secondary (malolactic) fermentation, that results in a softer, less acidic wine. All through the fermentation, aging and bottle life processes, oxygen is ever-present and interacts with the

components in wine to assist in refining and aging (or spoiling) wine over a period of time.

Let's take a closer look at the role of yeast in winemaking. Given my lack of scientific skills, I researched several sources for an

understanding of this phenomenon. Here is my best effort at distilling and presenting an analysis, from the perspective of a right-brain dominant mind.

Numerous strains of yeast develop in vineyards. Each one affects fermentation in a slightly different way, hence influencing varying characteristics of wines. These yeast strains are a critical component in the concept of terroir.

While many winemakers trigger the fermentation process with the "wild" yeasts carried by the harvested grapes, a number seek out natural strains that have been cultivated elsewhere and packaged to meet specific characteristics sought by a winemaker. Grape must be inoculated with the purchased yeast and these organisms carry out their transformative role.

Each yeast cell secretes more than 20 enzymes, which in turn create over 30 chemical reactions that initiate and perpetuate fermentation. The winemaker's influence is in selecting the proper strain of yeast and then nurturing it throughout its reproductive and dying cycles.

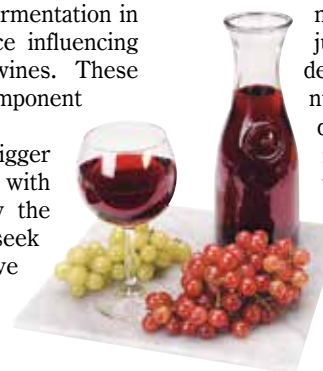
Yeast cells are quite productive. One drop of fermenting juice can contain five million yeast cells that are capable of doubling their number every two hours under perfect conditions.

Complete fermentation can take up to 14

days, creating a frenzy of activity. It is not unusual to witness a froth of carbon dioxide bubbles on the surface of the fermenting barrel or tank as the density of yeast cells climbs into the hundreds of millions per ounce of juice. Once the yeast cells deplete all of the oxygen and nutrients in the juice, most die off and fermentation is complete (unless the winemaker chooses to retain the remaining bacteria, triggering the secondary – malolactic – fermentation process).

The marvels of science are diligently at work in the seemingly simple process of fermentation. The art of winemaking will always be dependent on a microscopic organism with a penchant for reproduction. I'll drink to that. At this, I've become expert.

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## GREATER HUDSON VALLEY BASEBALL LEAGUE

### Mt. Kisco at Pleasantville Sunday, July 7, 2019



Mt. Kisco's Spencer Grayson fires a pitch during Sunday's 11U game at Pleasantville.



Jonathan Diorio of Mt. Kisco awaits a pitch in Sunday's game vs. host Pleasantville.



Nathan Lieb of Pleasantville runs toward third base in Sunday's win at Parkway Field.



Mt. Kisco 11U first baseman Joseph Cerone tries to tag out Riley d'Erizans of Pleasantville on a pickoff play in Sunday afternoon's game at Parkway Field.



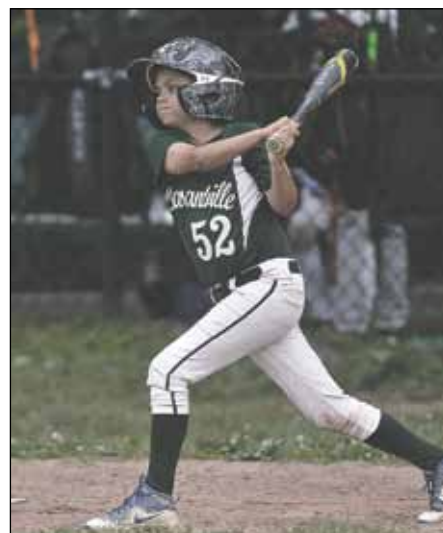
Mason Rizzi of Pleasantville delivers a pitch in Sunday's 12-7 victory over visiting Mt. Kisco.



Pleasantville second baseman Nicholas De Giglio is about to make a backhand catch of a soft line drive in Sunday's GHVBL game vs. visiting Mt. Kisco.



Mt. Kisco infielder Michael Salvatorelli fields a late throw as Pleasantville's Brendan Oxboel O'Brien steals second base.



Pleasantville batter Brendan Oxboel O'Brien takes a mighty swing in his team's win over Mt. Kisco on Sunday.



Mt. Kisco catcher PJ Stonsby tags out Nathan Lieb of Pleasantville on a close play at the plate.



Pleasantville base runner Riley d'Erizans is caught in a pickle as he tries to scamper to third base during Sunday's game.



Pleasantville infielder Trey DiCarlo throws to first base for an out during the 12-7 win over Mt. Kisco.

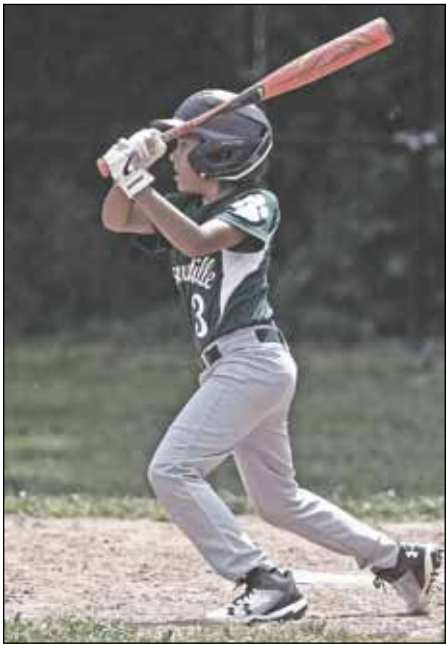




Mt. Kisco second baseman Alex Montano-Miller reaches up for a high throw in GHVBL action on Sunday against Pleasantville.



Hayden Collyns races toward second base in Pleasantville's 12-7 victory over visiting Mt. Kisco on Sunday.



Pleasantville's Nicholas De Giglio hits the ball toward right field in Sunday's game at Parkway Field.



Mt. Kisco batter Ryan Barone hits a pitch up the middle in Sunday's 11U Greater Hudson Valley Baseball League game against host Pleasantville.



PJ Stonsby of Mt. Kisco arrives at third base during Sunday afternoon's game vs. host Pleasantville at Parkway Field.

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# New Castle's 9U Team Earns a Lopsided Victory Over John Jay Lewisboro



Second baseman Jack Porter makes the throw to first.



Jack Porter heads for third.



Dylan Gilet takes his lead off third base.



Robert Hickey pitches during New Castle's 14-4 win over John Jay last Wednesday in a GHVBL 9U game.



Jack Porter locks in on a pitch.





Hudson Valley's Greg Jones, the first-round pick of the Tampa Bay Rays in the 2019 MLB Draft, runs the bases in last Wednesday's game.



Renegades starting pitcher Rodolfo Sanchez tossed five shutout innings against the visiting Cyclones.



Brooklyn's Joe Genord belted a three-run homer in the ninth inning Wednesday to break a 5-5 tie and lift the Cyclones to a win over the Renegades. He also homered and drove in five runs the night before in another victory over Hudson Valley.



The Hudson Valley Renegades' Carlos Vargas swings the bat in the fourth inning of the 8-5 loss to Brooklyn last Wednesday night.



Hudson Valley's Nick Sogard is followed closely by teammate Jordyn Muffley as they run around the bases on a second-inning double by Carlos Vargas.



Brooklyn starting pitcher Matt Cleveland fires to the plate during last week's game at Dutchess Stadium. The Cyclones overcame an early 4-0 deficit to defeat Hudson Valley.



The Brooklyn Cyclones' Yoel Romero lines a single to left field leading off the second inning vs. the Hudson Valley Renegades.



Renegades left fielder Beau Brundage makes a dazzling catch in the fifth inning to rob Brooklyn's Zach Ashford of a hit.



Brooklyn's Luke Ritter grounds to third for the final out in the top of the first inning during last Wednesday's game vs. the host Renegades.



Brooklyn's Luke Ritter reaches on an infield hit as Renegade first baseman Jacson McGowan fields the late throw.



Brooklyn second baseman Luke Ritter throws to first trying for a double play as the Renegades' Cristhian Pedroza slides into the bag and shortstop Sam Haggerty looks on in the fifth inning of the Cyclones' come-from-behind 8-5 victory.



Brooklyn outfielder Jake Mangum awaits a pitch as he bats vs. the Renegades.

## focus on NEW YORK-PENN LEAGUE Renegades vs. Brooklyn Wednesday, July 3, 2019 Dutchess Stadium







Junior right-hander Nick Giattino struck out a team-leading 41 batters for the Foxes this season.



Shortstop Adriana Piccolino scampers to her left trying to field a ground ball up the middle during a Fox home softball game.



Senior Olivia Dey searches for an open teammate as she holds the ball behind the cage.



The Foxes' Jeremy Tettenman reaches to hit a backhand return during a match at second singles.

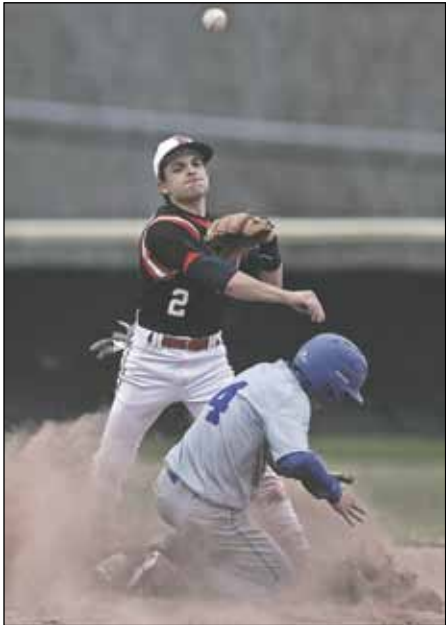
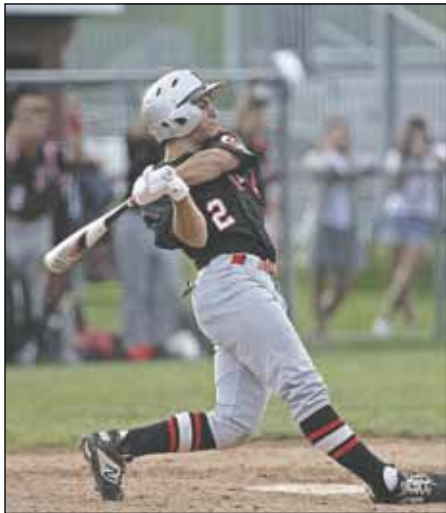


Ensen Scaglio competes in the 3200 during the state qualifying meet at Arlington High School.

# FOX LANE

## Spring 2019

### *A Look Back*



Shortstop Jack Williamson throws to first to complete a double play in the Foxes' home win over Carmel early in the season.



The Foxes' Danielle Sulema watches the flight of the ball off her bat in a late-season game.



Jaak Chasse moves the ball up the field in a Fox road game back in April.

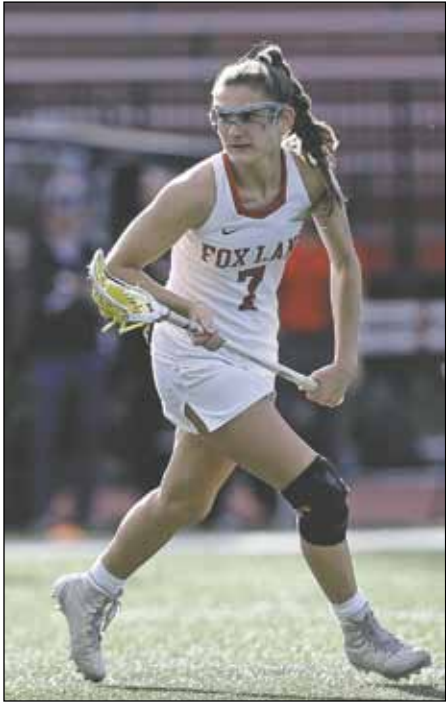
Senior catcher Dean Massari hit over .500 this season and belted a home run in the Foxes' playoff game at Arlington.



The Foxes' Jake Bazyk gets set to unleash a shot at the cage during a game against the Wappingers Warriors.



Ken Dorazio, playing first singles for the Fox Lane tennis team, follows through on a serve during a midseason home match.



Natalie Bazyk controls the ball during a Fox Lane win over visiting Briarcliff late in the regular season.





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