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Rye Playland Packed On Opening Weekend



JON CRAIG PHOTOS

Thrill Seekers took to the Dragon Coaster and Sky Flyer. If opening weekend was a barometer of Rye Playland's future, sunnier skies loom for the 86-year-old county-owned amusement park. Despite losses of \$3 million to \$5 million in recent years, thousands turned out this past weekend. Part of the draw included half-price admission at \$15 for unlimited rides. On Sunday, Mother's Day, all moms were allowed to ride for free. You could find plenty of dads and older siblings minding the stroller. Lines were long for the perennial favorites, including the Dragon Coaster, Sky Flyer, Gondola Wheel and Bumper Cars. Once the draft beer ran out, vendors resorted to selling cans of Bud Lite and Stella for \$6 and \$7, respectively. (Step right up. What a deal, folks!)

Harrison Board of Education: Out with Old, In with New, Tuesday Election Includes \$109 Million School Budget

By Jon Craig

Next Tuesday, Harrison voters will elect three new members to the school district's seven-member Board of Education whether residents like the candidates – or not.

That's because all three school board candidates are unopposed in their first bids to succeed three longtime school board trustees. The trio of incumbents decided against seeking re-election on May 20.

Harrison Central School District will lose a combined 33 years of institutional knowledge with the departure of three of its seven members effective June 30. Bid

farewell to Philip Silano who served five three-year terms; David A. Singer, who served four three-year terms; and Paul Curtis, who served two three-year terms.

Also on Tuesday's ballot is the Harrison Central School District's adopted \$109 million budget for 2014-2015. The tax rate is expected to rise by 3.51 percent, within the state mandated tax cap. The proposed tax levy totals \$99.7 million, up \$3.5 million over the levy for the current school year.

Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Harrison's elementary schools.

Barring a successful write-in campaign, the three candidates who filed petitions

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White Plains School Board to Extend Connors' Term as Interim School Superintendent

By Pat Casey

At its Monday night meeting, the White Plains Board of Education was expected to negotiate an extension of the contract with Timothy P. Connors as Interim Superintendent of Schools for the year beginning July 1, 2014. Authorization to do so was placed on the agenda.

In a statement leading up to the meeting, the Board said that after a nationwide search for a new superintendent and an extended interview process, they had concluded the best option for the district at this time would be to ask Connors to stay on as Interim Superintendent for an additional year.

Greenburgh Superintendent Placed on Paid Leave

By Jon Craig

For more than four decades, Ronald O. Ross, 69, has built a mostly stellar – but sometimes rocky – reputation as a teacher, principal and most recently, superintendent for the Greenburgh Central School District.

So a federal race and gender discrimination complaint filed on May 1 against Ross and five of Greenburgh's seven school board members came as a surprise to his public supporters, but not to private detractors. It also resulted in his being placed on paid administrative leave last week by some of the same Board of Education members who join Ross as individual defendants in the lawsuit. The suit alleges that its eight plaintiffs, all employees of the Greenburgh school district "suffered intangible damages." During an executive session late on May 5, the school board voted to place Ross on paid administrative assignment

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Connors returned to White Plains last year as Interim Superintendent, after having served a seven-year term as Superintendent in the district, from 2002 through 2009.

School Board President Rosemarie Eller said: "We are confident that we have made the proper choice at this time for the students, staff and community. Mr. Connors will ensure continuity and stability as he continues to move the district forward. The search for a permanent replacement will begin in the fall."

Previous to his employment in White Plains in 2002, Connors had been

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by the April 21 deadline are shoe-ins for three-year terms ending June 30, 2017.

They are:



Kelly Mulvoy

Kelly Mulvoy Mangan, 44, who is running for Curtis' vacant seat. Mangan is a retired lawyer and stay-at-home mom. She has twins in second grade and a fifth-grade child, all at Harrison Avenue School.



Robert C. Sullivan Jr.

Robert C. Sullivan Jr., 53, who is seeking to fill Singer's open seat. He is a patent attorney with Fish & Richardson P.C. Two of his children attend

Harrison schools and a third is a graduate of Harrison High. Sullivan served on the citizens' budget advisory committee during the past 10 years.

Melinda "Lindy" Wolverton, 45, who filed a petition to run for Curtis' seat.



Melinda "Lindy" Wolverton

Wolverton has volunteered during the past eight years as a class parent and PTA treasurer. She is co-chair of the 5th Grade Committee for the Harrison Avenue School. She previously worked

as a small-business consultant, giving her experience in finance and operations.

In Harrison, school board candidates run for a specific seat, rather than an "at-large" election in which the top vote recipients fill open seats in order of their vote counts. To vote on Tuesday, Harrison residents must have lived in the school district for at least 30 days and be at least 18 years old.

Voters must be able to produce at least one of the following proofs of residency: a driver's license; a non-driver identification card; a utility bill; or a Westchester County voter registration card.

As there is no registration for school elections, voting in a budget vote does not automatically entitle one to vote in a general election. Therefore, citizens are encouraged to register to vote with the county Board of Elections. Registration forms are available by calling 914-995-5715 or going to www.westchestergov.com/boe on the Internet.

Harrison's proposed annual spending hike is the lowest budget increase in six years, according to Robert Salierno, assistant superintendent for business. State aid is projected to increase by \$117,825 over the current school year. The 2014-15 school budget was balanced by postponing repairs and capital improvements worth \$650,000, and by saving \$520,639 through early retirement incentives offered to six teachers.

Property tax challenges continue to come in and could result in new costs, Salierno has said.

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Timothy Connors

Superintendent in Danbury, Connecticut, Bloomington, Minnesota, and Woonsocket, Rhode Island. He did his undergraduate work at Springfield College in Massachusetts

and has a Master's Degree and a Certificate of Advanced Studies from Harvard. Connors also participated in the Urban Superintendents Program at Harvard.

Monday's meeting will also highlight a public presentation and hearing on the 2014-15 Proposed School Budget, which will be brought before voters for approval on May 20.

A second public hearing at the meeting will review the District-wide School Safety Plan and Code of Conduct under Project SAVE including the Dignity of All Students Act (DASA). The plan provides a framework for the District's safety initiative focusing on prevention, preparedness and crisis response.

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Exhibition Illustrates the Role of Art as a Driver in Technological Innovation

By Pat Casey

Take Science, Technology, Engineering and Math add a pinch of catalyst in the form of Art and the result is STEAM. Or, more simply put, STEM + Arts = STEAM.

If we are on the cusp of a 21st Century Renaissance as many educators believe, then it is most likely being driven by the dynamic synergy between science and art and the acknowledgement that the creativity behind cutting edge innovation comes from the common language of questioning, which is shared by artists and scientists alike.

The STEAM exhibition at ArtsWestchester opening this month "is a testament to how both art and science contribute to a world in which creativity and innovation move the paradigm forward," says ArtsWestchester CEO Janet Langsam.

Curated by Patricia Miranda and presented by ArtsWestchester, Center for the Digital Arts at Westchester Community College, and Regeneron, STEAM features the work of 31 artists that questions, challenges and re-visions the world in which we live with the goal to show that creativity and the arts are an undeniable part of future innovation.

At a preshow walkthrough on May 7, George Yancopoulos, President Regeneron Laboratories and Chief Scientific Officer Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc. said he and his company were drawn to the



Dr. Yancopoulos (left), with a Regeneron colleague, talks with Patricia Miranda and Janet Langsam (right) during the STEAM Exhibit installation.

concept of the STEAM exhibit because they believe in the synergy between the arts and sciences, particularly the creativity in innovation. "It is in the Regeneron DNA, in the core of our company culture," Yancopoulos said. "It's not just about learning the facts, it's about putting them together in creative ways. Art and Science are two sides of the same process."

Upon viewing some of the installed works, Yancopoulos was impressed by the depth of knowledge of the artists and their expression and use of technology. "We are them and they are us," he said, positing from the side of science.

Sherry Mayo, Director, Center for the Digital Arts, Peekskill Extension, said that advocacy for arts technology and the STEAM movement is nationwide and ascribes value to the arts in and across education.

In fact, ArtsWestchester had received a grant from the federal Department of Education to teach STEM through the Arts in Mount Vernon.

Patricia Miranda, curator of the STEAM Exhibit noted that scientists and artists bring impossible dreams to life. "Artists always use cutting edge technology in their work," she said. "Some of their expression is more poetic

but they all are engaging the questions of what is happening in science. To create something from nothing is to flex the creative muscle."

As an example, artist Rebecca Kamen interprets patterns normally observed only at the atomic level. Her installation, Diving Nature: An Elemental Garden, is inspired by the elements in the Periodic Table. Her work is guided by her research in chemistry, cosmology, spirituality and philosophy.

Christopher Kaczmarek has designed a site-specific, interactive piece that transforms to gallery's staircase into an interactive instrument and Maria Michails invites guests of the exhibit to climb onto a bicycle and generate the power to illuminate oversized petri dishes with glowing images of cells that have been exposed to benzene, a well-known carcinogen.

STEAM can be previewed at Family ArtsBash, Saturday, May 17 from 12 to 5 p.m. The exhibit will be on view from Tuesday, May 20 to Saturday, August 16 from 12 to 5 p.m. (Tuesday through Saturday) at ArtsWestchester, 31 Mamaroneck Avenue, White Plains.

A special workshop Education, Arts, technology (E.A.T.) Forum will be held Tuesday, May 20 from 4 to 6:30 p.m. RSVP to gallery@artswestchester.org.

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WCA Adds Two Health Tech Companies to the Blueprint Accelerator Network

By Pat Casey

With Westchester County becoming a hub for medical and bio tech development, it was a bit like being in a high tech Shark Tank at Westchester County Association's Health Tech '14 on Wednesday May 7 at the Tarrytown Doubletree Hotel, as 10 entrepreneurial companies – six finalists vying for the top prize, and four runners-up who had a chance to present their "elevator pitch" – competed in a "Pitch to the Pros" contest for a cash grant of \$10,000 and a chance to become part of WCA's Blueprint Accelerator Network.

The panel of judges included Brian Aoaeh, Partner, KEC Holdings; Dennis Goett, Principal, Sage Capital Solutions; Mark Kronenfeld, MD, Vice Chairman of Anesthesiology, Maimonides Medical Center; Jack Kopnisky, President & CEO, Sterling National Bank, Chair, Blueprint Accelerator Network; John Cohn, Managing Director, Diamond Capital Advisors; Stan Freimuth, CEO, Debt Resolve, Inc.; and John Ritacco, President & CEO, CMS Bank.

The winner, Databean LLC, a Mt. Vernon-based clinical research organization in addition to the cash grant, will receive one year of rent-free private office space, complimentary professional services, advertising in local media, and access to financing and mentoring in Westchester County as part of the Accelerator Network.



Databean, LLC was the winner of the Pitch to the Pros contest at Health Tech'14, receiving a \$10,000 cash prize as well as membership in the WCA's Blueprint Accelerator Network.

As a first runner-up, Amrita Health Foods, a producer of plant-based nutrition bars, also will join the Accelerator Network.

"We chose Databean because they have reached a point in their business that is scalable," explained John Ritacco, one of the judges. "The Blueprint Accelerator wants to attract new businesses in health tech, biotech, medtech, and other areas of innovation. There were many viable companies here, but Databean is positioned to grow to a level that benefits Westchester."

"This pitch contest attracted some of the region's most promising early stage companies," said Marissa Brett, executive director of the Blueprint for Westchester. "We congratulate Databean, and look forward to supporting their growth through our Accelerator Network."

The Blueprint for Westchester is

the WCA's campaign to revitalize Westchester's economy in collaboration with the county's real estate, business, and academic sectors, with participation from Westchester's six cities and County government. Part of WCA's message in producing the medical tech conference was to let it be known that "Westchester's real estate community has embraced high-tech companies." The healthcare industry in Westchester County alone is estimated at \$15 billion and growing.

All pitch competition participants submitted a written application and business plan prior to the event. The top six submissions were selected for the live pitch session.

The following companies presented their pitches:

Databean is a clinical research organization providing services that guide life sciences companies through regulatory and clinical processes necessary for product approval. Databean is based in Mt. Vernon, New York. For more information visit www.databean.com.

Video SEO Pro was founded by David Vogel and Neco Turnkiewicz. The Westchester County-based agency provides online video production, video marketing, and video SEO services. For more information visit <http://myvideoseopro.com>.

Healthjump, Inc. Led by Chief Executive

Officer Mark Aboitiz, Healthjump, Inc. provides health IT services for providers and their patients, including a patient portal designed to increase patient engagement and health management. Visit <http://www.healthjumpinc.com/index.php> for more information.

Cathi Locati Co. "Areola architect" and artist Cathy Locati provides breast cancer survivors and breast re-construction patients with photorealistic nipples and areolas tattooed in 3D, among other services. Locati is a resident of Tarrytown, New York. For more information visit <http://cathilocatico.weebly.com>.

Amrita Health Foods Founded by Arshad Bahl, Amrita Health Foods produces plant-based nutrition bars that are gluten, dairy, and soy-free, made with non-GMO ingredients, and free of the most common allergens. For more information, visit <http://amritahealthfoods.com>.

Vital Care Telehealth Services Co-founded by Christopher Gaur, Vital Care provides personalized remote patient healthcare monitoring for providers and individuals. Using portable telehealth technology, healthcare providers can interact with patients at home within a customizable regimen. Visit www.myvics.com to learn more.

The four other startups that tried out their elevator pitches were Raadysan Biotech, Innovative Neurons, FlexTraPower, and MedCap.

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Greenburgh Superintendent Placed on Paid Leave

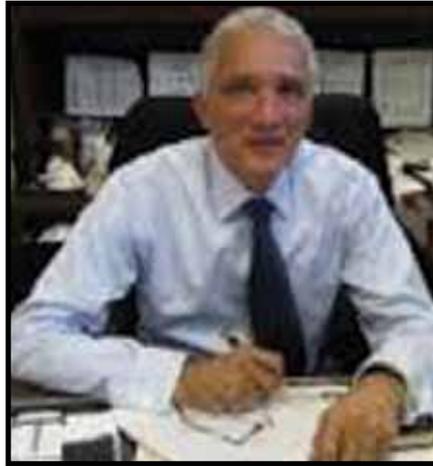
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until a hearing is held on unspecified disciplinary charges that were filed against him on March 27. The federal lawsuit was dated April 25, but not filed until May 1 in U.S. District Court in White Plains.

The 1967 graduate of Howard University began his educational career by teaching in Harlem with Teacher Corps. He was a deputy superintendent with the Hempstead schools on Long Island from 1996-98 after serving as a teacher, assistant principal and principal for 14 years there. Ross was appointed as the first black superintendent with the Mount Vernon School District from 1998-2002. After a two-year stint serving as the Urban League's first Dr. Israel Tribble Jr. Distinguished Fellow for Urban School Reform, Ross was appointed superintendent at the Roosevelt schools from 2004 to 2007. Ross left that Long Island job with critics complaining about his reform style and with the school district amassing a budget deficit. Greenburgh Central Schools hired Ross as principal of Woodlands High School in 2009. He was promoted to superintendent of the Greenburgh schools in 2012.

Ross could not be reached for comment.

The plaintiffs in the lawsuit – which alleges that Ross and the Greenburgh Board of Education created, ignored and tolerated a hostile work environment



Ronald Ross

– include whites and blacks, men and women, and one English teacher of Muslim descent. The suit can be found here on the Internet: <https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/1151544-greenburgh-schools-lawsuit.html>

The 14-page lawsuit provides detail of Ross' alleged racist and sexist rants, ethnic and religious slurs. The federal lawsuits' initial plaintiffs include three white females – two social studies teachers and a science teacher; two black males – the principal at Woodlands High School where Ross once served, and a guidance counselor; two black females, the district director of human resources

and a guidance counselor; and one Muslim of Jordanian/Arab descent, a woman who teaches English.

When confronted about his racist/sexist remarks and nicknames for staff, Ross sometimes let it be known that his mother was African-American and that his father was a white, drunken Irishman, according to complaints filed against him.

The lawsuit claims that Ross has been abusive and offensive to many employees, regardless of sex, race and sexual orientation. He's called many workers – white or black -- bitches, and several of them dykes. According to the lawsuit, Ross has referred to Caucasians as white devils, crackers or trailer trash. And he referred to African-American employees as Oreos, Aunt Jemima, Uncle Tom, Clarence Thomas and "a California raisin," the complaint alleges.

The lawsuit also slams at least five members of the Greenburgh Board of Education for being ineffective in investigating past and present complaints against Ross.

The school board, which last week appointed Tahira DuPree Chase as interim superintendent, said it attempted, unsuccessfully, to address the issues that led up to the lawsuit. Chase is Greenburgh's assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction.

"This situation has greatly affected the district, our community, but, most importantly, our children," school board President Lloyd Newland said in a statement released last Tuesday.

Newland was one of the five school board members individually included as a defendant in the federal lawsuit.

"It has eclipsed what really matters to us – the success and academic achievement of our students," Newland said in his statement. "The board has voted to place Mr. Ross on administrative reassignment and will await the outcome of the hearing of the charges filed against him. We can now turn our focus to our children and this school district."

Jonathan Lovett, a White Plains attorney who filed the federal lawsuit, called the school board's reaction too little, too late, saying the Board of Education only acted because Ross' behavior was made public by the complaints.

A public official in Greenburgh, who met with Ross about the allegations last week, said that one of the school superintendent's earliest and most damaging critics was Sonya Brown. Brown made similar disparaging remarks about fellow trustees when she served on the Greenburgh Town Board, according to the official, who asked not to be identified for fear of reprisals.

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White Plains Wins Top-Tasting Water Competition

The people's choice for best-tasting water in Westchester goes to the City of White Plains. The Westchester County Department of Health held its annual water tasting contest Tuesday in White Plains, where 138 participants sampled water from 10 of the county's water suppliers and gave bragging rights to White Plains.

The blind taste test was held in recognition of National Drinking Water Week outside the Michaelian Office Building on Martine Avenue over a four



The top three winners of the Westchester Top-Tasting Water Competition are: White Plains, Mount Vernon and Village of Scarsdale.

and a half hour period.

The City of White Plains, labeled A in the blind taste test, received 80 points. The runner-up was the City of Mount Vernon, labeled D, with 72 points. Village of Scarsdale, labeled C, came in third, with 64 points.

The contest was held to promote the excellent quality of Westchester tap water and to highlight the role of the county health department in assuring drinking water quality.

The experts say a good glass of water should be clean, crisp, clear and cool. The county's health department samples the waters routinely, and they meet all quality standards.

The 10 participating water suppliers in this year's competition were: Bedford Consolidated Water District, Village of Elmsford, Greenburgh Consolidated Water District #1, Village of Ossining, City of Peekskill, Village of Scarsdale, United Water New Rochelle, City of White Plains,

City of Yonkers and the City of Mount Vernon.

The participants were labeled as follows in the blind taste test:

- B - Bedford Consolidated Water District**
- G - Village of Elmsford**
- I - Greenburgh Consolidated Water District #1**
- D - City of Mount Vernon**
- H - Village of Ossining**
- F - City of Peekskill**
- C - Village of Scarsdale**
- E - United Water New Rochelle**
- A - City of White Plains**
- J - City of Yonkers**

In past years, the winners were: 2013 - Mount Vernon 2012 - Cortlandt Consolidated; 2011 - United Water New Rochelle; 2010 - Ossining; 2009 - Yonkers; 2008 - Croton on Hudson; 2007 - Yonkers; 2006 - Croton on Hudson; 2005 - United Water New Rochelle; 2004 - Yonkers; 2003 - Yonkers.

For more information about the contest or other water quality initiatives, contact the Westchester County Department of Health at 914-813-5000, like them on Facebook at www.facebook.com/wchealthdept, follow them on Twitter at www.twitter.com/wchealthdept or visit www.westchestergov.com/health.

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County Board and HUD Agree on Temporary Stay of Reallocation of \$5.2m in Grants

By Pat Casey

It looks like Board of Legislators Chairman Michael Kaplowitz may have made good on his pledge last month to work with board colleagues and enlist the help of their congressional representatives to reach out to federal monitor James Johnson and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) officials to help stave off reallocation of \$5,227,328 in Community Development Block Grants from Fiscal Year 2012. The county already lost about \$7.4 million from 2011 when it failed to pass the required source of income legislation in time.

At a press conference Friday, Kaplowitz explained that: "Following more than a week of intense negotiations between BOL leadership, HUD, Monitor James Johnson and members of Westchester's Congressional delegation, HUD informed the BOL in a letter on Thursday that the agency would take no action regarding the reallocation of CDGB funds for at least 30 days, until June 9th."

In a letter Kaplowitz sent to Johnson in April, he offered expansion of the role the BOL would take in efforts to satisfy the County's obligations under the 2009 fair and affordable housing settlement.

Six of the 31 mostly white communities that were required to build affordable housing under the settlement are still deemed by Johnson to have zoning that is exclusionary based on race. However,



BOL Chair Michael Kaplowitz outlines a plan to bring Westchester County into compliance with the 2009 fair and affordable housing settlement.

Kaplowitz has said the monitor is working actively with five of those communities to resolve that issue and he (Kaplowitz) has taken the stand that CDBG funds being stopped for another year is "unacceptable, untenable and requires solutions." He asked HUD to extend the deadline for a reasonable period of time before the \$5.2 million is reallocated.

As part of the negotiations, the BOL has agreed to present to HUD a specific plan and timeline to enact legislation that would affirm the County's commitment to a set of four "Required Special Assurances" designed to ensure that the

county conforms to the requirement to "affirmatively further fair housing".

In addition to pursuing the legislation that HUD requires, the BOL has established a bipartisan delegation of four Legislators, who are attorney's, to engage HUD and the Monitor as the BOL works toward providing the "Analysis of Impediments" (AI) which is one of the last remaining elements of the 2009 settlement which the county has yet to fulfill.

Kaplowitz, who voted in favor of the settlement in 2009 said: "Despite what some people say, compliance does not mean capitulation, it does mean upholding our end of the 2009 settlement that we agreed to. We have made significant progress in our discussions with HUD and the Monitor in the last week. HUD's willingness to work with the BOL is a clear indication that they share our belief that we can work with all the stakeholders in this settlement to reach a conclusion that satisfies our obligations under the settlement. If we are successful in our efforts it means we would secure the 2012 CDBG monies of \$5.2 million. It would also secure future CDBG monies, bring the County into agreement with the 2009 settlement and avoid future penalties, fines and adverse court decisions....no more no less."

Kaplowitz added, "Westchester County is doing a terrific job of fulfilling

our obligation to build the required affordable housing, last year we passed Source of Income legislation which was another fundamental obligation under the settlement. We intend to work closely with the Monitor, relying on the good work he's done at the municipal level. I hope that the County Executive will view this development as the tremendous opportunity it is and work with the BOL and other County Departments to complete one of the final tasks in the settlement, the submission of an acceptable AI."

County Executive Robert Astorino has consistently said HUD's strategy of threatening to withhold millions in grant money is likely being done in an attempt to force the county to go beyond the parameters of the settlement. In his recent State of the County address Astorino proposed that Westchester County start its own \$5 million block grant program for the communities being "held hostage" by HUD.

On Monday, two days before President Obama's visit to Tarrytown to discuss infrastructure programs and spending, Astorino sent the president an invitation to take Governor Cuomo with him on a tour of Westchester County and to meet with Astorino to discuss the county's 2009 Federal Housing Settlement with the HUD. There is no indication that any action will be taken on the invitation.

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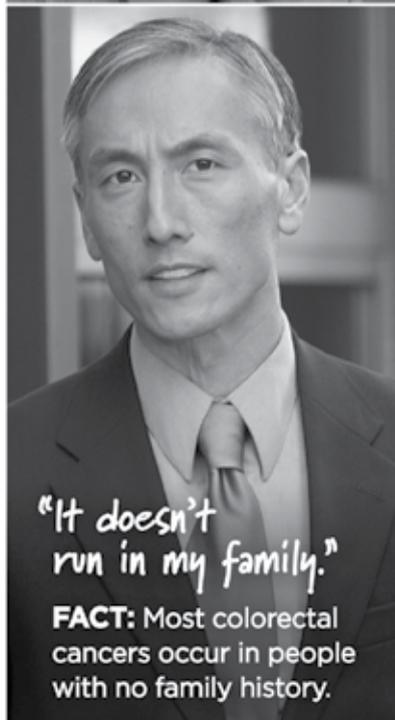
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"It doesn't run in my family."

FACT: Most colorectal cancers occur in people with no family history.

"Why Should I Get Screened?"



"But that test..."

FACT: There are several kinds of screening tests for colorectal cancer.

GYMGUYZ, Mobile Personal Training and Fitness

By Martin Wilbur

So you want to get in shape but don't feel like getting up at 5 a.m. a few days a week before work to hit the gym. Or you don't have the energy to complete your workout in the evening.

For everyone who uses those old and worn out excuses, you'll have to come up with something new. GYMGUYZ, a mobile personal training and fitness company, has recently started operating in Westchester, bringing a certified personal trainer and all the state-of-the-art equipment needed for a complete and stirring hour-long workout right to your door.

Josh York, a Plainview, N.Y. native and GYMGUYZ's founder launched the business in 2008 from his mother's couch when he was 25.

"We literally mobilize our staff of certified personal trainers to bring our state-of-the-art fitness equipment and training programs to the most accessible venue possible—their doors," York said. "It's that game-changing strategy that will allow us to continue growing our clientele through excellent service, as well as our national presence through franchising."

In the past six years, GYMGUYZ has gained a foothold in Long Island, Queens and Manhattan. Now, York is franchising his company looking to expand its reach.

He was introduced to Sam Langer, a 24-year-old Irvington resident, in December and brought him on in March as the company's first franchisee to serve all of Westchester.

Langer, an Indiana University business graduate, was working as a project sports planner for ESPN in Bristol, Conn. when he heard

of GYMGUYZ through his father and learned the company was looking for people to own and operate franchises. For someone who is a fitness enthusiast and who dreamed of opening his own business, GYMGUYZ represented a perfect fusing of his passions and expertise.

"I always loved fitness," said Langer, a certified trainer, who will travel anywhere in Westchester to work with clients. "I've been into fitness for a long time now. I always wanted to do personal training. I wanted to go into business with personal training."

GYMGUYZ is different not only because it travels to meet its patrons in clearly marked vans but also there are no memberships. Those who sign up receive the first visit for free and are given a body, fitness and nutrition assessment to

customize every client's regimen to help each individual meet their goals.

After 15 weeks the client is reevaluated and given a new assessment.

Clients have the opportunity to buy packages ranging from two to seven days a week.

Appointments can start as early as 5 a.m. The latest hour workout starts at 10 p.m.

"It's very convenient for the working family," Langer said.

York said that GYMGUYZ not only does personal training but also group work in order to make it more affordable. If friends, neighbors, co-workers or organizations want to join together, the trainer can go to a park, an office or almost anywhere to accommodate those who want to get fit.

To learn more about GYMGUYZ, call



GYMGUYZ founder Josh York, left, and Westchester franchise owner Sam Langer.

855-469-4899 or visit www.gymguyz.com. To reach Langer directly, call 914-586-2266.



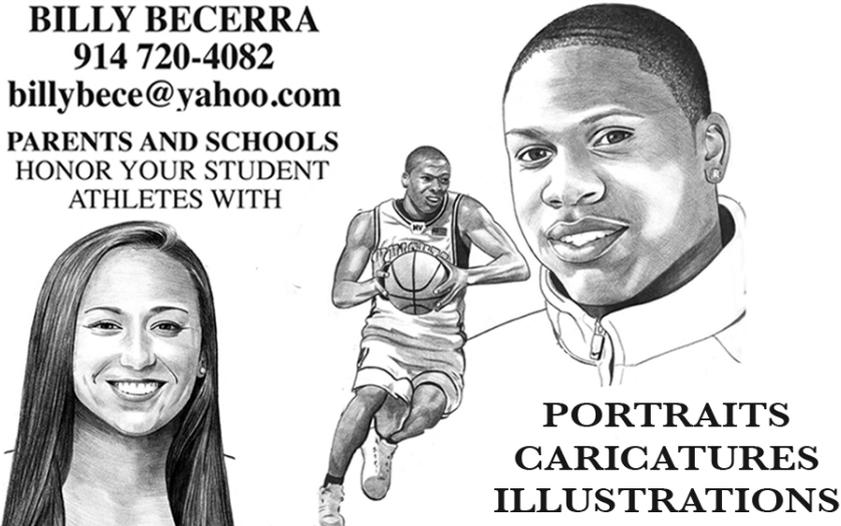
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From the Harrison Mayor and Town Hall, May 12, 2014



Ron Belmont,
Supervisor/Mayor of
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Recently, my office has been contacted by NY State Department of Transportation's Engineer-in-Charge regarding the paving project for Purchase Street/Route 120.

I would like to give you an update of the schedule so you can be aware of possible traffic alterations. The contractor is Morano Brothers and they will begin by prepping the area. They will be working on surveys, basins and gutters for the next few weeks.

On or about May 27, 2014, the reclamation, milling and paving work will begin. These operations will occur at night, during the hours of 9 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday through Friday. Initially, the contractor will concentrate on the northern end, from Lake Street to Westchester Avenue, and then proceed to the southern end, from Westchester Avenue to Ridge Street. There will be some miscellaneous repairs, happening simultaneously on the southern end, while the northern end is in progress. Should you have any questions or concerns about

the upcoming work detail, please don't hesitate to contact my office at 670-3005.

On Saturday, I had the pleasure of participating in this year's St. Vincent's Hospital Spring Sprint. This annual 5k run/walk benefits the hospital's chemical dependency programs and services for children, adolescents and adults. The sprint was well attended, with over 500 participants.

It was a great event and I was happy to lend my support to this very valuable local organization.

Memorial Day will be celebrated this year on Monday, May 26th and the Town Board, along with our Parade Director, Ben DeFonce, U.S.M.C. Ret., invite you to participate in Harrison's annual parade. We will be honoring the men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in the name of freedom. Line up will be at 9:30 a.m. on the corner of Halstead Avenue and Thatcher Avenue, with step off at 10 a.m. The Parade will proceed to Ma Riis Park where honored guests will be introduced. Veterans Groups, Harrison Police, Harrison Fire Departments, Harrison High School Marching Band, Harrison Ambulance Corps and any and all other civic groups are invited to

participate. We hope you will join us on this most important day.

In closing, I would like to bring your attention to the upcoming Harrison library renovation. The Harrison Public Library Foundation (HPLF) is initiating its final phase in fundraising for this major capital improvement project and is asking Harrison residents for their support. The new facility will include a larger children's area, a teen center, additional computers, a modernized community

room and a renovated adult area. To make a donation to HPLF, please visit www.hplf.org.

The next "Lunch with the Mayor" is on May 16th and I will be at Silver Lake Asian Fusion and Sushi Bar located at 87 Lake Street in West Harrison. I will be at this location from 12:30 to 1:30 and look forward to meeting with residents and talking about issues facing our community.

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Assisted Living Center May Sprout Roots at Greenburgh's Sprain Brook Nursery

By Jon Craig

The Greenburgh Town Board was expected to hear from an applicant who wants to buy the Sprain Brook Nursery in order to build a senior assisted living facility on the site.

Town board members were scheduled to hear from Shelbourne Assisted Living Facility based near Philadelphia, Pa. on Tuesday May 13 during the board's regular work session, which is a public meeting that begins at noon.

The proposed assisted living center for an estimated 90 elderly and/or disabled residents needing long-term, specialized housing and/or medical care, would be built near the Greenburgh Public Works garage, and located off of Underhill and Sprain roads.

Last year, a proposed Assisted Living Facility on Maple Hill in Pleasantville attracted heightened concerns from neighbors about increased traffic, damage to the area's woody environs and its impact on home values due to the proposed change in zoning.

Further details were not available on Monday, the Examiner's press deadline.

Greenburgh Supervisor Paul Feiner said town residents and news reporters have wrongly accused him of manipulating proposed projects, land sales or even the

news whenever applicant details became public before the initial Town Board meeting with a potential developer.

"This is a very preliminary discussion—first discussion that the Town Board has had with the applicant," Feiner wrote in an email. "We want to advise the community what's happening early in the process."

Anyone with questions is asked to e-mail townboard@greenburghny.com or attend the public meetings at Greenburgh Town Hall.

Feiner promised to provide more details about the proposal "after we hear from the applicant."

All town board meetings are televised on public access TV, are streamed live on and archived on this web site: greenburghny.com on the Internet.

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Good Work BOL in Getting HUD to the Discussion Table

Efforts by Westchester County Board of Legislators chair Michael Kaplowitz to work with the HUD appointed monitor to help save \$5.2 million in 2012 Community Development Block Grants for local municipalities will hopefully bring an end to the contentious debate the County Executive has been engaged in with the federal agency.

On the one hand, it seems unfair that communities not even mentioned in the 2009 fair and affordable housing lawsuit

should be affected by the loss of grant money, while on the other, continuing resistance by some richer municipalities could be viewed as just callous.

If political affiliations helped to bring the concerned parties to the table a non-partisan solution will be the only one that will hold. It seems that requirement has already been implemented in the plan set forth last week by both HUD and the BOL.

The sooner CDBG funds are released and all Westchester communities come

into compliance with the 2009 settlement's requirements, the sooner we can all get back to business as usual.

Many points have been made on both sides of this discussion. A very clear political delineation can be seen. But in an election year, let's not make this one issue the rallying point for equally extreme positions.

Perhaps by June 9, this all will be behind us and the political parting can go on somewhere else.

Letters

Does Extra Cost of Heating Oil Conversion Pass the Cost-Benefit Test?

My co-op building currently uses #4 heating oil. Converting from that to either #2 or natural gas represents a significant expense. It is easy for you to applaud the city's possible move to

require such a conversion, since you won't be paying for it. But perhaps you should survey the owners of these buildings to see if this extra cost makes White Plains "more attractive" to them.

Besides, is our air quality so bad? Does this pass the cost-benefit test?

—Clifford Blau, White Plains

Obituaries

Guy Azzariti

Guy Azzariti (Guy Hamilton), husband of Mary Luongo, brother of the late John Azzariti, dies on May 7 at the age of 65. As the founder of Hamilton Music Productions, he performed under the name Guy Hamilton. He was also the former owner of Executive Billiards in White Plains.

Guy was born on January 30, 1949 in the Bronx to the late Frank & Frances Azzariti, attended Mount St Michael and received B.S. in mechanical engineering from Manhattan College. He married Mary Luongo in 2000.

Azzariti was an accomplished entertainer and musician, especially talented on the piano. He shared his love of music leading his band, tuning pianos, teaching children and entertaining his Peanuts Gang of grand nieces and nephews.

In addition to his devoted wife, Mary, he leaves behind his stepson John Cacciatore, his Sheepdog Charlie, his sister in law Kathleen Azzariti, his nieces Kimberly (Jon) Baumstark and Kara (John) Gally and seven grand nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, donations will be gratefully received by New England Old English Sheepdog Rescue, 49 Stonehedge, Lincoln, MA 01773 or at www.neoesr.org.

Anthony Reale

Anthony C. "Tony" Reale, age 93, died on May 7. Tony was born on October 18th 1920 and spent his time in the Civilian Conservation Core during the Depression, the Army during WWII and married Michelina on June 1, 1947. They were married for 67 years and had three children (one deceased, Patsy), five grandchildren and one great grandchild. Anthony worked over 30 years at Arnold Bakers in Port Chester and Greenwich, CT but never really retired until January

31, 2013 when he finished 20 years of pumping gas at J&J Presto Service Center in North White Plains at the age of 92. Tony is survived by his wife Michelina Fischetti Reale, son Charles A. Reale of West Harrison and daughter Marlene A. Presto of Rye Brook. In lieu of flowers the family asks friends to please consider donating to Calvary Hospital, in the Bronx.

Lou Fortunate

Lou Fortunate, 75, of White Plains, died on May 5th, after a long battle with prostate cancer and a heroic fight against associated complications.

Lou was born in Detroit, MI on June 20th, 1938 to Leo L. Fortunate, Josephine M. Fortunate, and a loving extended family that doted on him and his wonderful sisters, Sandy and Karen. You knew there was something special in little Louie when, at a single-digit age, you witnessed him playing the piano as if he carried over the gift from a previous life. Or as a young teenager, leading adult choirs in music and song at Sunday mass. Or when he was awarded a four-year scholarship to University of Detroit Jesuit High School. Or when he led the Detroit Symphony Orchestra at the Rockefeller Center tree lighting ceremony in 1961. But that was just the beginning.

Lou went on to do what he wanted with his life: He moved to New York and wrote catechetical music with Sadlier Corporation that threaded values-oriented concepts deep within the hearts and minds of countless young children for many years, including a few songs featured on TV in Captain Kangaroo and Sesame Street, and many others that are still sung today in churches across the United States. Later in his career, Lou made forays into commercial and country music, where he continued a high output of work. All in

all, he is credited with having written and recorded over 40 albums of music.

Lou was also an employee of the Archdiocese of New York as a master church organist and Director of Music at St. Raymond's church in the Bronx and St. Bernard's and Our Lady of Sorrows churches in White Plains over a span of close to 40 years. Those wonderful choirs, made up of dear and talented friends, raised the bar on church music to unprecedented levels every Sunday, and celestial heights during the holidays. Together, they forever changed the way mass was celebrated.

He is survived by his wife Maryfaith and five children and spouses: Bob, Dianne and Amado, Terry, Tony and Jaime and Carrie and Don, as well as eight grandchildren: Marco, Frankie, Kayla, Jason, Ashleigh, Sean, Ryan, and Ryan's brother-to-be, and one great-grandchild: Annabella, as well as two sisters: Sandy Moore and Karen Tharp, brother-in-law Sam Walker, niece Karen Thomas and nephews Bob and Joe Kosmal and their extended families.

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Police Blotter

Greenburgh Police Department

Grand Larceny: On May 1, Phillip Saxby, 51, of 1005 Old Country Road, Elmsford reported to police that his car had been broken into during the night and that three box speakers worth \$1500 were taken from the trunk. His car, which was parked in his driveway, was broken into by smashing the rear driver's side window. Saxby had posted a "for sale" ad on Craig's List that included a description of the car's speaker system. A male from Pennsylvania contacted him to say that he was interested in buying the vehicle and Saxby gave him his home address.

Grand Larceny: Victoria Maria Michalatos, 22, of 701 Old Country Road, Elmsford, told police that on May 1 her vehicle, which was parked in front of her house, was broken into. The car's passenger-side front window was smashed and her book bag had been taken. The book bag contained at least three credit cards, which Michalatos cancelled. Michalatos was advised that her credit cards had been used at a 7 Eleven and at the White Plains Walmart for a total of \$297.

Identity Theft: On May 1, a Tarrytown woman came to Greenburgh Police Headquarters to report that someone had attempted to use her Social Security number to try to file state and federal income taxes using her information. Leslie Mack, 55, of 11 Dunning Drive learned that her Social Security number had already been used to file her federal income tax when she attempted to file online. The attempt triggered a rejection notice. On April 28, she received two letters: one from Michigan and another from Indiana informing her that her ID had been used to file state taxes in both states. The offender used Mack's address under the name "Monica Brown" on the tax returns. Neither the government nor Mack suffered any financial loss in that theft attempt, according to police.

Criminal Impersonation: On May 1, Helen Bonito, 68, of 414 Benedict Ave., Tarrytown, reported to police that on April 30 she was the victim of a phone scam perpetrated by a man claiming to be an Internal Revenue Service agent. The unknown male told Bonito that she "owed them a lot of money." She told the man that this news was so upsetting to her that she thought she was experiencing a heart attack and began to breathe heavily. The man on the other end of the phone was taken aback at this and admitted that he was not from the IRS and that she should not try to call him back using Caller ID. Not that taken aback as it turned out. The man went on to say that he was calling from India and that he had all of her personal information including her Social Security number. He claimed that he'd gotten the information from "people in

the U.S." Bonito hung up and called her bank, credit card company, and the IRS. She determined that no money had been taken from her accounts and told police that she would monitor her personal information from now on. She filed the report for documentation purposes.

Identity Theft: Alina Williams, 49, of 2 Oak St., White Plains, came to Greenburgh Police Headquarters on May 1 to file a complaint that an unknown person had attempted to open a Credit One credit card in her name without her permission. Sometime between January 10 and January 29, an unknown person had made 11 unauthorized charges totaling \$419.10. A Bank One representative told Williams that the card had been sent to Atlanta, Ga., and that the fraudulent charges were made in that city.

Driving Without A License: On May 2, police stopped Juan Ruiz-Zuniga at Fort Hill Road and Jackson Avenue. Asked to produce his license, Ruiz-Zuniga of 33 Azalea Court in Scarsdale, told police that he didn't have it with him. A database check showed that his license had been revoked on April 26, 2008, for driving a car without proper insurance. The database check also showed that Ruiz-Zuniga's wife, Maria, does hold a valid license and that the vehicle is currently insured. Maria Ruiz was the passenger at the time of the stop and she produced her license for police. Her husband was released at the scene without incident after receiving a court appearance ticket for May 8. Maria Ruiz took over the driving duties.

Scheme to Defraud, 1st Degree: A Hartsdale couple told police on May 2, that they had received a call from an unknown male claiming to be an IRS agent who told them that they had not paid their income taxes from years 2008 to 2012. The caller demanded that they pay the money within a half hour or face arrest. Mankayil and Thressimma Panicker, of 39 Dalewood Drive, did not give the caller any information.

Identity Theft: On May 4, Douglas S. Baumgarten, 50, of 24 Roxbury Road in Scarsdale came to Greenburgh Police Headquarters to report that he had been the victim of identity theft. Baumgarten told police that the theft occurred sometime between April 24 and May 3. The person who stole Baumgarten's personal information including his Social Security number, address and phone number used it to open credit card accounts at Best Buy, Home Depot, Lowe's, Kohl's, Sears, J.C. Penney and Macy's. Baumgarten was advised to contact the credit bureaus and to also make a complaint of identity theft with the Federal Trade Commission.

Grand Larceny: Maria I. Dejesus, 69, of 333 Saw Mill River Road in Elmsford told

police that on May 4 an unknown person took her wallet out of her pocketbook at Sam's Club. Dejesus added that she was in the store seated on an electric shopping cart when she got off to look at some merchandise. She had left her purse in the cart while she was looking at the merchandise. She returned to the cart and saw nothing amiss. When she was getting ready to leave she reached for her wallet, which she'd left in her purse and found that it was gone.

White Plains Police Department

Marijuana Possession: On April 23, about 4:30 p.m., Sharona Sowell, 32, of 159 S. Lexington Ave., Apt. 8F, White Plains, was charged with unlawful possession of marijuana. Police confiscated a clear zip lock bag from Sowell with nine clear small baggies containing what was suspected to be marijuana inside the larger bag. Sowell was due to return to court on May 7.

Outstanding Warrant: An open container of alcohol led to an additional charge of failing to answer an earlier summons on May 1. Mitchell J. Anderson, 56, of 25 Operations Drive, Valhalla, was found sitting on a bench near 99 Court St., White Plains, drinking a 24-ounce can of Coors beer. He was released on \$250 bail for the warrant, and \$100 for violating the city ordinance on open containers.

Third-degree assault: Two teenagers from Hawthorne and White Plains reported that on April 26 about 11 p.m., they were attacked by a group of four men in their late teens wearing hooded sweatshirts outside of the Barnes & Noble bookstore, 230 Main St., White Plains. The clash began with a verbal argument. The White Plains teen was hit with a clenched fist multiple times to the left and right side of his face, causing minor injury. A female witness offered to drive them to the City Center garage, 237 Mamaroneck Ave., where the victims called police. No arrest was made.

Petit Larceny: Marieliz Feliz, 18, of 155 Adams St., Bedford Hills, was arrested for shoplifting on April 25 about 8:40 p.m. at Sears, 100 Main St., White Plains. Police said that Feliz was seen by Sears security selecting a pair of earrings, removing them from a package and put them into her ears. She reportedly left the first floor of the store without paying. The earrings were valued at \$79.99. She was released on \$500 bail and was due to appear in court on April 26.

Credit Card Fraud: On April 25 about 8 p.m., Tejwani Charo, 33, of 10 City Place, Apt. 21 B, White Plains, reported that fraudulent purchases had been made on an American Express card at two Nordstrom's stores. About \$2,400 was charged, police were told, to purchase

three pair of designer shoes at the Westchester Mall store. And about \$2,600 in Nordstrom goods were charged on the Amex card from the Paramus, N.J., store, according to the police report. Store video was being checked since a store employee recalled details about the customer. The suspect was described as a black female with a slim build, in her early 20s, wearing a black jacket and blue jeans.

Burglary: Laptop computers, jewelry and cash with a total value of \$8,250 were reported stolen from an apartment at 1 Broad Parkway, White Plains, sometime between 8:30 a.m. and 1:50 p.m. on April 29. Reyna Garcia returned to find her apartment ransacked and two computers, a Dell and a Mac valued at \$2,000 missing. Numerous rings and multiple watches valued at about \$6,000 also had been taken, police were told, in addition to about \$250 in cash and change.

Footloose: A Foot Locker employee from the Galleria store at 100 Main St., White Plains, reported that a 6-foot 2-inch tall Hispanic male wearing a blue Yankees baseball cap, a black North Face jacket, blue shirt, white t-shirt and jeans fled the store toward Buffalo Wild Wings on Mamaroneck Avenue with a pair of black and orange Nike "foamposite" sneakers worth about \$250. No arrest was made.

Peddling Without Permit: A 17-year-old boy from the Bronx was due back in court May 14. He was ticketed for illegal fundraising in White Plains, while using an invalid, illegal blue permit, saying he was with the New York City Youth Club. The boy was carrying a green box. He produced his cousin's New York state driver's license. He was released on \$100 bail pending a court appearance. An official from the NYC youth club was notified.

Petit Larceny: A 25-year-old man from 1 Wards Island, N.Y., was charged with shoplifting after he allegedly stole 12 cans of Enfamil baby formula at Wal-Mart, 275 Main St., White Plains, about 4:20 p.m. on April 28. The Enfamil formula was concealed in a gray shopping bag. The suspect, Michael Seequan Smith, was held without bail pending a court appearance.

Third-degree Assault: A 36-year-old White Plains man was arrested and charged with assault after he allegedly punched a bouncer after getting drunk and refusing to leave the Lazy Lounge, 152 Mamaroneck Ave., about 1:40 a.m. on April 28. The 24-year-old lounge employee, Jonathan Parra Duque, also of White Plains, was struck on the left side of his face. When police arrived, they saw blood streaming down Duque's face, according to the report. The suspect, Jordani Ramos of 10 Howard Ave., was held pending an arraignment.

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Both camp programs, WeeZee's Camp Sensational and Kiwi Country Day Camp's Kiwi Konnections, offer early drop-off starting at 7:30 a.m. and late pick-up until 6:30 p.m., providing flexibility for today's busy working parents.

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Children enjoy a game of gaga at WeeZee Camp Sensational for children four to 12 years old. WeeZee is offering two flexible summer camp programs for children this summer.

summer camp experience. Campers will depart WeeZee at noon by bus and enjoy Kiwi's hot lunch program, afternoon recreational swim, sports, adventure, boating and much more.

Campers will return to WeeZee by 4:30 p.m. every day. Kiwi Konnection runs eight weeks, from June 30 through Aug. 22 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Costs vary by program. For more information, call 914-752-2100 or visit www.weezeeworld.com.

WeeZee The Science of Play, is located at 480 Bedford Road in Chappaqua. It is an 18,000-square-foot play, fitness and learning facility featuring more than 150 elements of cutting-edge equipment and programs. The WeeZee philosophy is built upon the sensory sciences, which has proven results for children one to 12 years old with a demonstrated increase in their athletic, social and academic performance through the facility's sensory environment.

There is free play, structured group classes and personal training sessions at WeeZee. It improves performance and helps build confidence. The invigorating environment stimulates the senses to perform at a higher level. Every child engages with seasoned Sensory Fitness Coaches, who are all trained experts in individual/field sports, music, dance, culinary arts, crafts and more.



Children enjoy water play in the Rain Room at WeeZee Camp Sensational.

changes daily and a fun theme for every week. Half- and full-day camp programs are available, making use of WeeZee's 18,000-square-foot sensory gym and Chappaqua Crossing's beautiful 116-acre campus.

Children four to 12 years old can participate in sports, science, music, culinary, nature and art

activities and explore WeeZee's sensory gym, including water play in a one-of-a-kind Rain Room, sports training in the Pro Zone and music in the Groove Grove. There is also hiking, treasure hunts, multimedia art projects and sports fundamentals along with special programs, guests and festivities. Camp Sensational runs nine weeks, from June 30 through Aug. 29, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Kiwi Konnection

Children in grades kindergarten and up who enroll in the program spend the mornings at WeeZee enjoying their favorite activities and the afternoons at Kiwi Country Day Camp for a traditional



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Get Moving!

Parenting Pep Talk



By Dr. Jaime Fleckner Black

Childhood obesity is a growing problem in America. In the past 30 years, obesity rates in children have more than doubled and adolescent rates have quadrupled. While some forms of obesity have genetic contributors, behavioral and environmental factors play a role in nearly all cases of obesity in children and adults. In most people, consuming more calories than you expend leads to weight gain and may cause obesity along with its various adverse health consequences. Healthy eating and regular exercise lead to a variety of positive health outcomes and reduces risk of disease.

Children should be physically active for at least one hour per day and adults for two and a half hours per week. The health benefits increase substantially, however, if adults get five hours of physical activity each week. This may sound excessive, but consider the statistics on activities relating to entertainment. 18-year-olds spend an average of seven and a half hours a day watching TV, playing video games, and using their cell phones and computers on a typical day. Only one-third of high school students get the recommended levels of physical activity. Children and

adults who exercise regularly tend to feel less stressed, have increased confidence, and are better able to learn. Based on the Let's Move! Campaign, here are some tips for helping all of us improve our health.

Break Up TV Time and Study Time

Do you or your children really like to watch a particular TV show? Do the kids get so much homework that they sit for hours? Exercise doesn't have to come all at once. Do something active during commercials (or pause every now and then). Make it fun. Who can do the most jumping jacks or pushups? Who can do the silliest cartwheel? If the kids have a paper to write, encourage them to get up every 30 or so minutes to stretch or maybe jump on a mini trampoline

for a few minutes. It will increase their daily movement and also provide them with some energy to refocus and complete tasks. Exercise can be accumulated.

Plant a Garden

Gardening has so many benefits. Planting and maintaining a garden takes movement and work and is therefore a good source of low-intensity exercise. In addition, you can't plant junk food like potato chips in a garden. You can, however, plant potatoes and other vegetables and teach your children how to prepare

what you grow healthily.

Drink Smart

Beverages can be very sneaky. According to the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition, 37 percent of our daily calorie intakes come from liquids. Soda, juice drinks, and even 100 percent fruit or vegetable juice add to calories

consumed each day. Coffee is virtually calorie free but not when milk and sugar are added. Consider eating fruit rather than drinking juice. Skim milk, or better yet almond milk, has lots of protein with fewer calories. Adding cucumbers, limes, or watermelon to water can help make hydration more fun with less regret.

Be a Role Model

"Do what I say, not what I do" just doesn't work. If you show your children that healthy eating and exercise are a priority despite stress and obstacles, they are more likely to follow suit. Try to remember how good it feels when you are exercising regularly and eating right as opposed to being in a rut. Modeling healthy behaviors is the best way to encourage maintaining good habits.

Dr. Jaime Black is a licensed psychologist practicing in Westchester and New York City. Jaime works with high-functioning individuals on the autism spectrum, doing psychotherapy, conducting evaluations, and facilitating various socialization groups including an improv social skills group. Visit www.spectrumservicesny.com, e-mail JaimeBlackPsyD@gmail.com or call 914-712-8208.

When it's Time to Buy a Carpet, Some Things to Consider

When I rented my first apartment without roommates, my first purchase for it, even before I bought a bed, was a rug, a beautiful Karastan with a tree of life pattern in predominantly blue and red. I bought it as a hand-me-down from an eccentric friend who was a window dresser for Saks Fifth Avenue who decorated and re-decorated his apartment frequently. I was a beneficiary of his discards.

In the many years since that impulsive

purchase that ate up a month of my salary--impulsive because I had to sleep on that carpet until I could afford a bed--I've purchased many rugs as my digs grew from that first studio in the city to a large home in the suburbs. I always bought oriental and privately, second-hand, until now when my wife and I wanted all new for an all new home.

When asking around for a good place to buy, I was referred to Kalaydjian Oriental Carpets in Bedford Hills where the mother/daughter team of Alice and Lisa Kalaydjian hold sway. I was told they offer the greatest experience and service in oriental rugs.

"Yes my family has been in the business for more than 185 years," said Alice, of Armenian descent, whose father had factories throughout Iran that manufactured fine quality rugs and other facilities that cleaned them.

"In those days, the industry there was quite different," added Lisa, "but since the revolution in the '80s, production has moved to other countries, including China, which does a good job in replicating Persian rugs."



By Bill Primavera

If my shopping experience has anything to do with the home, I always ask questions, and this time around, we talked about current trends in rug buying.

"We used to see hand-made purchases of heirloom quality, works of art that could take five or six years to make," Alice said, "but today, people are more price-oriented toward rugs that may have a certain look but lack durability because buyers feel that in five or 10 years they are going to want to change their décor anyway."

"A major part of our business has become the restoration, cleaning and repair of fine quality rugs," Lisa said.

She explained that their facility, which had housed her father's car dealership before they set up shop 17 years ago, now accommodates a major operation devoted to rug sales, restoration and cleaning.

"As far as I know, we are the only rug dealer in the region that does hand cleaning on our own premises. And, we don't use any harsh chemicals," Lisa said.

"Also we have a restorer who does magnificent museum quality restoration work. And if a fine rug has been too badly damaged, we can salvage it for runners or pillows," she added.

What impressed me most about Kalaydjian was the service offered, which I needed because of my own little quirk. My taste in oriental carpets is contrary to popular preferences, which are now trending toward neutral tones, the browns, while I still like the traditional bright reds and blues, a leftover from that first carpet I slept on.

I did find one such carpet in a smaller size among the racks in the store, and Lisa is now on a search to find larger carpets for me with that color palette and in a tree of life pattern. When she finds it, this time around I won't be sleeping on it. Then again, I will be placing it in front of one of those incredible new electric fireplaces, which I defy anyone to guess is a fabulous fake, so you never know. I just may stretch out on a plush rug in front of it and doze off.

To experience many generations of rug expertise for either purchase, cleaning or repair, visit Kalaydjian at 761 N. Bedford Rd. in Bedford Hills or call 914-666-7571.

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Lisa and mother Alice Kalaydjian, proprietors of Kalaydjian Oriental Carpets in Bedford Hills, with The Home Guru.



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Weekdays ½ appetizer specials, drink
specials, WINGS!
- **Black Bear Saloon** – 4-7PM,
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- **Bob Hyland's Sports Page Pub** –
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- **City Limits** – 9PM, Daily
\$4 wines and draft beers, \$7 cocktails,
25% off appetizers!
- **Brazen Fox** – 4-8PM, Weekdays
\$4 drafts, \$5 martinis, \$5 cocktails, \$5
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- **Elements** – 4-8PM, Daily
\$3 and \$4 drafts, \$5 wine and well
drinks, \$6 select martinis, \$8 mojitos
- **Executive Billiards** – Happy Hour,
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- **Lazy Boy Saloon** – 4-7PM, Weekdays
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menu at the bar.
- **Wicked Wolf Tavern** – 4-7 PM,

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appetizers

Vintage – 11AM-7PM
Live bands, \$4 drink specials

TUESDAY, May 13

Beechmont Tap Room & Grill
Country Night with \$3 signature
whiskey cocktails

The Brazen Fox 10-11PM
Bonus Night

Black Bear Saloon Tijuana Tuesdays
& Karaoke \$2 Coronas and Tequila
shots

Elements Jazz Tuesdays – Leslie
Pintchik Trio

Lazy Lounge Bar Trivia – 9PM

Ron Black's Beer Hall Battle of the
Brains Trivia – 8PM \$100 for the
winner!

Wicked Wolf Tavern Tijuana
Tuesdays - \$2 Coronas, \$2 Tequila
Shots, \$2 Tacos

WEDNESDAY, May 14

Black Bear Saloon Trivia starts at
8:30PM; \$5 Bomb shots, \$4 Pinnacle
Drinks, \$3 Domestic Drafts, \$2 SoCo
Lime shots, \$1 tacos

Bob Hyland's Sports Page Pub Trivia
Night – 7:30PM sign up, 8PM start

Brazen Fox Ladies Night 5-11PM. A
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the Breast Cancer Foundation.

Dunne's Pub Music Seisun – 7:30-
10:30PM Traditional Irish music with

Brian Conway and friends!

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Executive Billiards Ladies' Night
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10PM; featuring special beer of the
night.

Sam's of Gedney Way Wine
Wednesday

Wicked Wolf Tavern Acoustic
Wednesdays featuring Dan Barrios
9PM

Vintage Team Trivia – 7:30PM with
Quiz Master Dan Doherty

THURSDAY, May 15

Black Bear Saloon
Relapse Thursdays; \$2 Bud Lights and
\$2 Fireball shots all night long!

Brazen Fox Suds for Scrubs – 9PM
Show your Medical ID for \$5 drafts!

Dunne's Pub Oktoberfest every third
Thursday

Elements Comedy Night Wits &
Whiskey

Ron Black's Beer Hall DJ Bingo
7:30PM

FRIDAY, May 16

Beechmont Tap Room & Grill Live
Music

The Brazen Fox DJ party After 11 PM

Porter House Live DJ – 11PM

Vintage The Normal Now \$10 cover
9PM

SATURDAY, May 17

Beechmont Tap Room & Grill DJ
Party

The Brazen Fox DJ Party After 11 PM

Lazy Lounge Live DJ!

Porter House Live DJ – 11PM

SUNDAY, May 18

Lazy Lounge Live DJ!

Wicked Wolf Tavern Sunday Funday
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MONDAY, May 19

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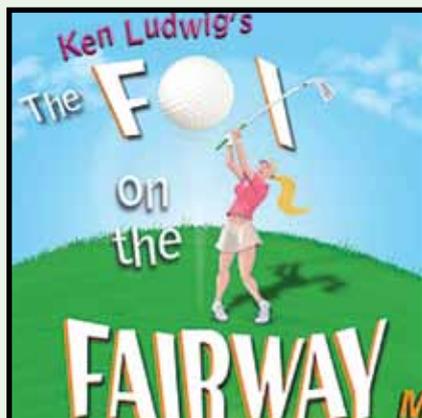
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WPPAC Presents Ken Ludwig's "The Fox on the Fairway"

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A tribute from playwright Ken Ludwig ("Lend Me A Tenor" and "Moon Over Buffalo") to the great English farces of the 1930s and 1940s, the play takes audiences on a hilarious romp which begins as Quail Valley Country Club prepares to take on archrival Crouching Squirrel Country Club in the Annual Inter-Club Golf Tournament.

With a sizable wager made between



the two Executive Directors at stake; the contest plays out amidst three love affairs, a disappearing diamond, objectionable sweaters and an exploding vase.

The cast includes Jorge Acosta (Tito Merelli in WPPAC's production of Lend Me A Tenor), Amanda Renee Baker, Marianne Matthews, Nick Piacente, Susan Slotoff and Cordell Stahl. The Fox on the Fairway is directed by Jeremy Quinn, WPPAC's Producing Artistic Director and director of

WPPAC's acclaimed productions of Les Miserables and Lend Me A Tenor.

The Fox on the Fairway will play the White Plains Performing Arts Center Friday, May 16 and Saturday, May 17 at 8 p.m.; Sunday, May 18 at 2 p.m.; May 22 to 25 (Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.; Sunday at 2 p.m.) and May 29 to June 1 (Thursday at 2 p.m.; Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.; Sunday at 2 p.m.).

For tickets call 914-328-1600 or visit wppac.com.



Happenings



We're happy to help spread the word about your community event. Please submit your information at least three weeks prior to your event and include the words "Happenings Calendar Submission" in your email subject line. Entries should be sent to Pat Casey at pcasey@theexaminernews.com.

Tuesday, May 13

Online Genealogy Tools For Beginners (Demo). The number of online resources for researching your family tree has mushroomed. With general sites that cover a whole country and combine a number of different resources, local sites that focus on a specific community, and pointer sites that list and provide links to dozens of other web pages, it's hard to know where to start. Join us at lunchtime to get a handle on the many resources available and to learn the best way to start your own research. Bring your lunch. Coffee and tea provided; 12:00 p.m. White Plains Public Library, 100 Martine Avenue, White Plains.

Tuesdays at Dorry's. Marge Arsham has been active with Seeds of Peace in the U.S. for many years. The organization began by bringing together 46 Israelis, Palestinians, and Egyptians in 1993. Now, two decades later, over 3,000 young leaders and several hundred educators from the Middle East have graduated from their International Camp. Marge will tell us about their activities and her experiences with the organization. Tuesdays@Dorry's is an informal gathering of people who share dinner while listening to and discussing issues of importance. No reservations are required. The public is welcome. Food ordering begins at 5:30 p.m. and the presentations are from 6 to 7 p.m. Dorry's Diner, 468 Mamaroneck Avenue, White Plains. Call 914-682-0005 for more information.

Caramoor Volunteer Fair. Come and find out what you can offer your community while you explore a rich dose of culture and artistic offerings. Includes training to become docents to lead tours for visitors and education programs; archivists and architectural archivists; to volunteer for the Rosen House Gift Shop; ushers; greeters; garden volunteers and administrative assistants. Caramoor, 149 Girdle Ridge Rd., Katonah. 2 to 4 p.m. Free. Info: 914-232-1252 or visit www.caramoor.org/volunteerfair.

White Plains Council of Neighborhood Associations Meeting. White Plains Superintendent of Schools, Timothy Connors will talk about the upcoming 2014-2015 School Budget and

other school related issues. Linda Puoplo, White Plains Deputy Commissioner of Planning will speak on Community Development and the Block Grant Program. Light refreshments will be served. Open to the public. 7:30 p.m. at Education House, 5 Homeside Lane, White Plains.

Wednesday, May 14

White Plains Outdoor Farmers Market. The Farmer's Market will open weekly, on Wednesdays, through November 26th from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Farmer's Market is located on Court Street between Main Street and Martine Avenue. The Market welcomes returning and new vendors offering farm-fresh, locally grown fruits and veggies, fish, fresh meat and poultry, breads, baked goods, jams and jellies, pickles, homemade salami, smoked duck breast, pate and much more.

Stories & Stuff: "May Flowers" Preschool story time, including a craft activity, for ages 4 and 5 without adult. Literacy connections are made at "Stories & Stuff" where stories are centered around a theme and children listen and interact with corresponding rhymes, songs and/or finger plays. A final craft project ties in with the topic fostering a sense that stories are imaginative, yet lasting, and continue to enrich our creative thoughts and play; 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. White Plains Public Library, 100 Martine Avenue, White Plains.

Noonday Getaway Concert. Rags, Blues and All that Jazz, Peter Muir continues his exploration of the toe-tapping piano style that set America alight a hundred years ago. Music of Scott Joplin, Fats Waller and others; 12:10 p.m. Free Admission. Grace Episcopal Church at the intersection of Mamaroneck Avenue and Main Street in White Plains.

Cheeseburger With a Side of Climate Change: The Global Impacts of What We Choose to Eat. Large-scale meat and dairy production has a tremendous impact on the local and global environment, from intensive resource usage to climate change. The current corporate animal agricultural production model also raises animal welfare, public health and environmental justice concerns. This program will discuss these issues and provide recommendations for environmentally-friendly food choices. Presented in partnership with the Sierra Club Lower Hudson Group. Greenburgh Nature Center, 99 Dromore Rd, Scarsdale. Refreshments at 7 p.m. Program at 7:30 p.m. Free. Info: 914-723-3470 or

visit www.greenburghnaturecenter.org.

Full Moon Movie Night Under the Stars. A wild night out for adults 21 years old and up with wine, wolves, a wild film and under the full moon. Discover the world of one of Yellowstone's most famous wolves in "The Rise of Black Wolf," a one-hour film by Emmy Award-winning wildlife cinematographer Bob Landis. Beach chairs or blankets recommended. Following the film, guests will have the opportunity to visit Atka and the center's critically endangered wolves. Please bring flashlights. Wolf Conservation Center, South Salem. 8 p.m. \$20. Pre-registration required. Info and pre-registration: Visit www.nywolf.org.

Friday, May 16

Unabashedly. The Katonah Museum Artists' Association (KMAA) exhibition titled Unabashedly, juried by Bartholomew Bland, Director of Curatorial Affairs, Hudson River Museum depicts a diverse interpretation of freewheeling creativity. Opening along with the annual ArtsWestchester Arts Bash on Friday, May 16, the KMAA exhibit takes place on the 9th floor of ArtsWestchester, 31 Mamaroneck Avenue, White Plains. The KMAA is hosting a special Exhibition Reception on Saturday, May 31 from 3 to 5 p.m. Public welcome. The exhibit closes Friday, May 27 at 5 p.m.

Photography Competition. Westchester Photographic Society's thought provoking competition, entitled "Open Mind Light" in which each maker has significantly contributed his/her own originality, talent, humor and/or philosophy to the subject. Members compete in print, slides, and digitally projected categories. This evening is inspiring for both members and the guests. WPS welcomes all photographers, whether budding or professional, to become members. Mutual support for the enhancement of our craft is our specialty. 8pm, Westchester Photographic Society, Tech Bldg., WCC, No charge; Guests are welcome, 914-827-5353 www.wpsphoto.org.

Fox on the Fairway. A tribute from Ken Ludwig to the great English farces of the 1930s and 1940s, The Fox On the Fairway takes audiences on a hilarious romp which pulls the rug out from underneath the stuffy denizens of a private country club. Filled with mistaken identities, slamming doors, and over-the-top romantic shenanigans, it's a furiously paced comedy that recalls the Marx Brothers' classics. Directed by Jeremy Quinn, producing artistic director at the

White Plains Performing Arts Center. May 16-18 (Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.; Sunday at 2 p.m.) May 22-25 (Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.; Sunday at 2 p.m.) May 29-June 1 (Thursday at 2 p.m.; Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.; Sunday at 2 p.m.) Tickets: \$35 adults; \$25 for students high school and younger. Visit the theatre box office, purchase the tickets online at www.wppac.com or call 914-328-1600. For Group Sales call 914-328-1600. White Plains Performing Arts Center, 11 City Place, White Plains.

Saturday, May 17

Real Frogs – Audible Frogs – Hot Dog! Listen for sounds of spring in the woods, go ponding to discover tadpoles and other animals, and enjoy delicious hot dogs, veggie dogs and s'mores; 1 to 4 p.m. Donation requested. Co-sponsored by the Friends of Cranberry Lake. Cranberry Lake Preserve, Old Orchard Street, North White Plains; 914-428-1005.

Volunteer Work Corps Day. Help with invasive plant removal, trail work, beach clean-up and more. A great way to have fun, get some exercise, and give something back to the earth; 1 p.m. Edith G. Read Wildlife Sanctuary, Playland Park, Rye; 914-967-8720.

Family Arts Bash. ArtsWestchester's resident artists open their studio doors to Westchester's kids and families. It will also feature STEAM, an exhibition that showcases the work of 31 artists and artist collaborations that explore how science, technology, engineer, math and arts overlap, interact and innovate. This year, Family ArtsBash will include face painting, puzzle mania, cookie decorating, a maker-faire, and many more workshops for the whole family; 12 to 4:30 p.m.; ArtsWestchester, 31 Mamaroneck Avenue, White Plains.

Sleeping with Wolves On Atka's Birthday. Join us for the Wolf Conservation Center's (WCC) popular nocturnal adventure experience that gives you a chance to camp out overnight with the 20 wolves that call the WCC home! It will be a special evening - a time to celebrate Ambassador wolf Atka's birthday! With all the howls, circling vultures, and nature's nighttime chatter, you'll feel like you're camping under the stars with wild wolves. We might not be Yellowstone, but we're pretty close! 6 p.m. Friday night to 8:30 a.m. Saturday morning; \$285 per four person tent; Singles, \$150 (must bring your own tent). Pre-registration is required. Information and registration are available at www.nywolf.org.

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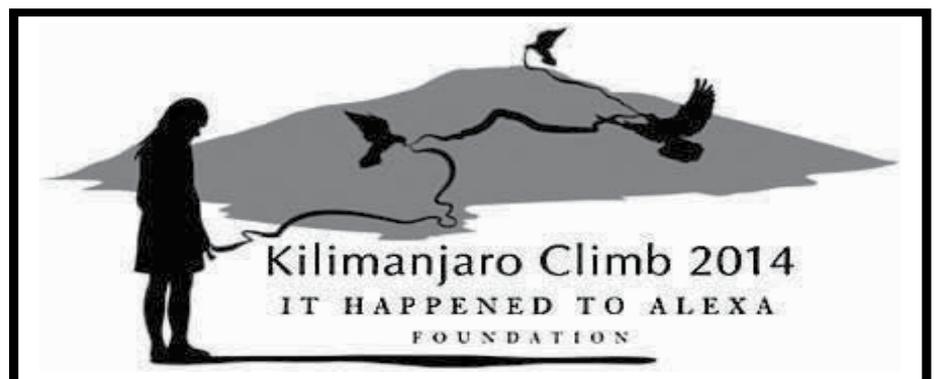
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EXAMINER SPORTS

The 47th Annual Glenn D. Loucks Track & Field Games at White Plains High School

By Albert Coqueran

Once again there was a spectacle to witness at White Plains High School, when 353 Track & Field Teams brought 3,134 participants from nine states of the United States and from as far away as Canada to compete in the 47th Annual Glenn D. Loucks Track & Field Games from Thursday, May 8 to Saturday, May 10. "It is an amazing event. The Executive Committee that operates the Loucks Games surely does a fabulous job," said White Plains Athletic Director Jennifer DeSena. "But seeing these athletes work so hard to accomplish who they are, is wonderful," acknowledged DeSena.

On Saturday, May 10, the Opening Ceremony of the final day of the Glenn D. Loucks Games was watched by many spectators who assembled tents in the stands that reflected their team's affiliation.



Fred Singleton (left), the Meet Director of the Loucks Games presented the Outstanding Female Athlete Award to senior Kaylan Gordon of Ramapo High School, who won the Triple Jump at a second all-time meet record of 40.5 inches and won the Long Jump at 19 feet and three and a half inches.

Kathryn Davis, the Director of the WPHS Marching Band led 71 members of the Tigers Symphonic and Marching Band in the Canadian and United States National Anthems.

The highlight of the Opening Ceremony was when former White Plains High School Athletic Director Nick Panaro, who still serves on the Loucks Games Executive Committee, presented the Eleanor Loucks Memorial Award to former White Plains High School Principal Manson Donaghey (1967-'80), who was one of the original founders of the Glenn D. Loucks Track & Field Games. Panaro himself was a recipient of the prestigious award in 1995 as was Michael Greenspan (2013), who presided over the Opening Ceremonies.

Donaghey was also presented Proclamations from White Plains Mayor Thomas Roach and the City of White Plains Common Council, Westchester County Executive Robert Astorino, NYS Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins, United States Congresswoman Nita Lowey and a Certificate of Recognition from New York State Governor Andrew M. Cuomo. "From everything that I read and meeting him now, he is a remarkable man who was essential at a very difficult time," stated Mayor Roach. "Today we all stand on the shoulders of those who came before us. You have to give thanks to those who came before us and established the traditions that we so take for granted today," proclaimed the Mayor of the City of White Plains.

Loucks Games Meet Director Fred Singleton, who is also the White Plains Men's Head Track Coach, orchestrated the event from the field like a maestro waving his baton over 3, 143 athletes. Chuck Stogel of the Loucks Executive Committee was the Public Address Announcer for the entire three days of the event.

At the conclusion of the three days of competition at the Glenn Loucks Track &



ALBERT COQUERAN PHOTOS

Tigers Lauren Woods begins her 400 Meter Open Run, on Saturday, May 10, at the Loucks Games. Woods ran her personal best of the year at 60.82, but did not place in the event." I will take it. It is my personal best in this event for the season and there is still time to improve," said Woods.

Field Games, Singleton sent the winning teams and Outstanding Athletes names up to the press box and Stogel announced them. The Champions in the Men's events with 50 points was Arlington High School. The Woman's Championship ended in a tie between Medgar Evers College Preparatory School and New Rochelle High School. The Combined Team Champions were Medgar Evers Preparatory School in First Place with 78 points, Arlington H.S. placed second with 74 points and Mt. Vernon High School finished in Third Place with 34 points. All Loucks Games Champions placing first in individual or team events were awarded "The Olympian" trophy.

Also awarded "The Olympian" trophy for achievement at the Glenn D. Loucks Games were the Outstanding Male and Female Athletes of the event. The Woman Outstanding Athlete Award was presented to senior Kaylan Gordon of Ramapo High School, who won the Triple Jump and Long Jump events. The Outstanding Male



Manson Donaghey (left) was Principal at White Plains High School from 1967-1980. He was also one of the original founders of the Glenn D. Loucks Track & Field Games. Donaghey was presented the prestigious Eleanor Loucks Memorial Award by former WPHS Athletic Director Nick Panaro (right) at the Loucks Games, on Saturday, May 10. Panaro still serves on the Executive Committee of the Loucks Games.

Athlete winner was Richard Rose from Boy's and Girl's High School, who won the 400 Meters with a Loucks Games meet-record of 46.38, which was also the fastest time in the country this season.



On Saturday, May 10, the Opening Ceremony on the last day of the Glenn D. Loucks Track & Field Games, at White Plains High School, included two members of the Tigers Track Team, senior Gabriel Darman (left) and senior Rachel Okun (right) lighting the Games Official Torch to start the games.



The top five winners of the Men's 200 Meter Run included (l-r) Shnyden Pierre in fourth place, Anton Porter in second Place, Champion Trenton Beram, third place finisher Semasa Oni and placing fifth from Sleepy Hollow High School senior William Stallings. They were presented their awards at the Winners' Podium by William T. Curry, M.D. (right), the Grantor of Awards.

EXAMINER SPORTS

Welcome Back to White Plains High School Manson Donaghey

By Albert Coqueran

On Wednesday, May 7, at Sam's of Gedney Way Restaurant, about 100 people from the White Plains community, including friends, dignitaries, former students and colleagues and families of former colleagues assembled to pay tribute to Manson Donaghey, the former Principal at White Plains High School from 1967-1980.

Donaghey is one of the original founders of the Glenn D. Loucks Track & Field Games. He traveled from his home in Pembroke, New Hampshire, last week to be honored with the Eleanor Loucks Memorial Award, at the 47th Annual Glenn D. Loucks Track & Field Games, on Saturday, May 10.

Noting Donaghey's many contributions to WPHS, the Loucks Games and the White Plains community, the Executive Committee of the Loucks Games scheduled an array of recognitions for Donaghey, including the gathering at Sam's on Gedney Way in his honor.

Manson began his educational administrative duties in the White Plains Central School District as the Principal at Post Road School in 1960. Donaghey soon moved on to assume the position as the Principal of Battle Hill School, while securing funding to revamp the curriculum and establish new programs at the kindergarten through ninth grade school.

In the summer of 1967, Donaghey was selected as the new Principal of White Plains High School. However, his appointment to this esteemed position came at a time in history that increased



ALBERT COQUERAN PHOTOS

Manson Donaghey (second right) was the Principal at White Plains High from 1967-'80 and one of the original founders of the Glenn D. Loucks Track & Field Games. Donaghey celebrated with (l-r) son-in-law Claude Jumet, his daughter Diane Donaghey Jumet and City of White Plains Mayor Tom Roach, at a gathering in his honor at Sam's of Gedney Way Restaurant, on Wednesday, May 7.

the challenges of an already demanding administrative position.

Donaghey recalled the racial tension in the atmosphere in 1968, four years after the passing of the Civil Rights Bill. One of the major demands put to his administration by students was the inclusion of Black History into the curriculum at White Plains High School. Donaghey accepted the challenges put before him, which

included deescalating inter-racial fights on campus and demonstrations inside and outside of White Plains High School. He promoted good will and with the help of educators on his staff, he settled the local issues bringing communication and harmony to, at the time, an extremely troubled diverse high-school community.

"My first year (as Principal) was 1967 and that was quiet but in 1968 when White Plains High School along with other largely integrated high schools had racial upset after the enactment of the Civil Rights Bill and the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. We had several students form a group that demanded a Black History curriculum," remembered Donaghey. "To a lot of the staff at that time that had no meaning, it did not to me, I came from New Hampshire and knew only a few Black people; I never realized at that time how broad and important Black history was and it was not in our curriculum," stated Donaghey.

With the assistance of Arthur Bruesewitz, the then Chairman of the Social Studies Department at WPHS, Donaghey led the way to reshape the curriculum at White Plains High School in part to include Black History, which was interwoven with the Social Studies curriculum in 1968.

Donaghey recalled how he relocated Dan Woodard, a respected Black educator in White Plains, from Assistant Principal at Highlands Middle School to Assistant Principal at White Plains High School. Woodard, the present Chairman of the Loucks Games Executive Committee, was instrumental along with Donaghey

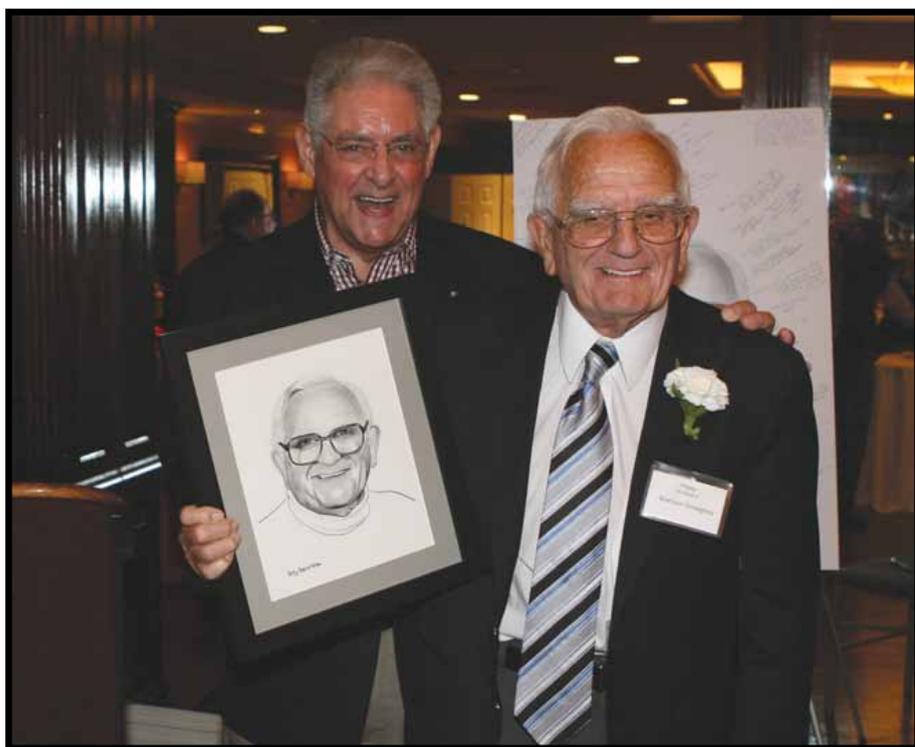
in bringing peace and harmony to the high-school community and advancing the curriculum at White Plains to include more Black educators and Black History. "Dan was a tremendous resource during this time; we spent a lot of nights at the projects and back at the office trying to figure out how to deal with our situation," acknowledged Donaghey.

Donaghey is also a Past President of the Rotary Club in White Plains. He is credited with starting a student exchange program with White Plains High School and his alma mater Concord High School, in New Hampshire, through the Rotary Club. The model of the student exchange program Donaghey started is implemented today by Rotary Clubs throughout the world.

Arthur Morzello, a Past District Governor of Rotary District 7230 of Greater New York, attended the event at Sam's Restaurant and presented Donaghey, with a portrait illustration of the former principal, which was drawn by local illustrator Bill Becerra.

Donaghey was accompanied to the event by his daughter Diane Donaghey Jumet and his son-in-law Claude Jumet. Donaghey also gave special recognition to his former supervisor, then White Plains Public Schools Superintendent Carroll Johnson (1954-1969) for his support during his tenure as Principal of White Plains High School. Johnson's son Walter Johnson and daughter Kate Johnson Sussman attended the event.

Chuck Stogel, a member of the Loucks Games Executive Committee was the Master of Ceremonies for the event honoring Donaghey at Sam's of Gedney Way. Stogel is also the Public Address Announcer for the Loucks Games.



Andrew Morzello (left), a Past District Governor of the Rotary Club District 7230 of Greater New York, presented Manson Donaghey an illustrated portrait of himself drawn by White Plains native Billy Becerra, as to honor him for his dedication to the community, education and the Rotary Club over many years. Donaghey was the President of the White Plains Rotary Club from 1977-78.



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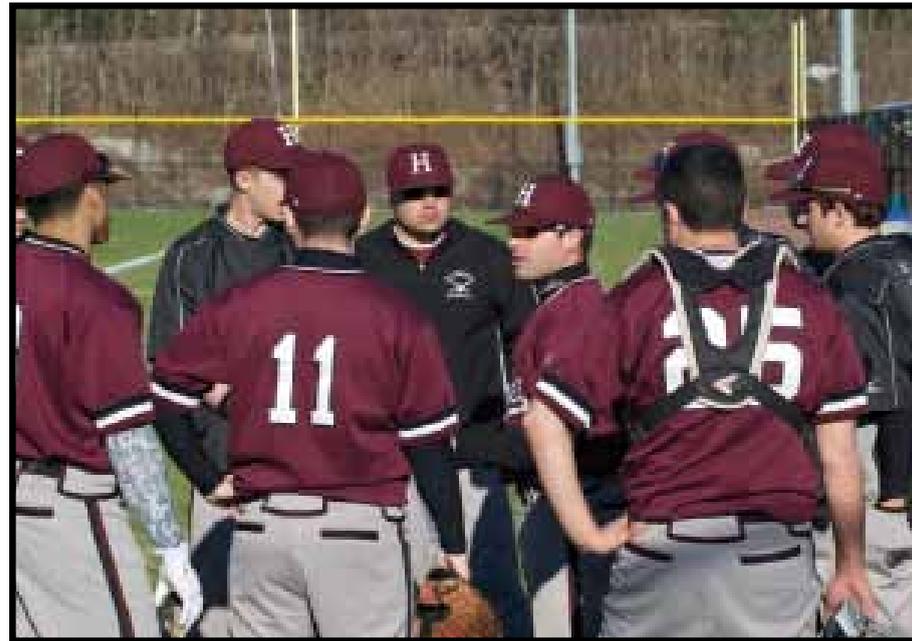
Harrison Baseball Offense Struggles Through Two Shutout Losses

By Skip Pearlman

Every team goes through it, and every manager wishes they had the answer that could turn it all around.



Harrison's JD Barnett went 2-for-3 at the plate and pitched in relief in a loss to Byram Hills Saturday.



The Harrison baseball team dropped two games to Byram Hills Saturday.

But teams go through offensive slumps, and there are no easy solutions, no magic answers.

The Harrison High baseball team is currently looking for a remedy, after the Huskies took two on the chin over the weekend – falling 2-0 to Byram Hills Saturday afternoon in Armonk, after

dropping a 5-0 decision to the same Bobcats Saturday morning in Harrison.

In the 2-0 loss at Byram Hills HS, Matt Gertz picked up the win for the Bobcats, with Andrew Gurgitano (0-2) taking the loss for Harrison. Gurgitano went the distance and gave up one earned run on five hits, striking out two without a walk.

Huskies Manager Marco DiRuocco liked what he saw from his sophomore starter.

“Gurgitano pitched phenomenal,” he said. “He pitched an excellent game, did very well... he was around the plate, his fastball was low in the zone and the curve was excellent. He kept us in the game.”

But the Huskies' offense remained quiet against Gertz. “We struggled offensively,” DiRuocco said. “Gertz was effective, but we've just been struggling at the plate. We've got to be more aggressive.”

In the 5-0 loss at Harrison, Armend Pushka earned the win for Byram Hills, while Matt Baker (2-4) took the loss for Harrison (4-11). Baker went five innings, and JD Barnett pitched two innings in relief.

“Again, Baker kept us in the game, but we struggled to score runs,” DiRuocco said. “Our pitching and defense have been doing well... we've just got to put some offense together. That's our biggest struggle right now. But the kids have a great attitude, and they keep working hard.”

Harrison was set to host Rye Wednesday at 5:15 p.m., the Huskies host Nyack Thursday at 4:30, and host Somers Saturday at 11 a.m.

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