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## White Plains Youth Bureau Celebrates National Mentoring Month

The City of White Plains Youth Bureau celebrated National Mentoring Month with a ceremony honoring the mentors in its Mentoring Program on Jan. 26 in the Common Council Chambers located at White Plains City Hall. Established in 1988, The City of White Plains Youth Bureau's Mentoring Program has a long-standing tradition of matching hundreds of youths between the ages of 7 to 18 years with caring adults that help unlock their full potential, achieve their dreams and strengthen their community. The Mentoring Program, which has served as a statewide model, has approximately 40 active mentors who dedicate a minimum of eight mentoring hours per month.



## White Plains Council Does Not Take FASNY Vote

By Pat Casey

Monday, Feb 1, 2016, was expected to be a big day in White Plains as the final vote by the White Plains Common Council was anticipated to either accept or deny the French American School of New York's (FASNY) Special Permit and Site Plan application to develop and operate a regional K-12 school in the Gedney neighborhood in the south end of the city and end the ongoing discussion.

After several years of back and forth between the school and citizen's groups at city public hearings, a vote in 2015 to deny FASNY's application for a partial closure of a city-owned street, Hathaway Lane – an integral part of the school's site plan – set the stage for a lawsuit by FASNY demanding the Council's denial of the street closing be overturned.

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## Westchester Legislators Propose Bills Based on Work of Family Task Force

By Pat Casey

During the 2016 Westchester budget approval process in December 2015, many members of the County Board of Legislators (BOL) expressed their concerns about lagging sales tax revenues and a budget deficit that they predicted would have a negative impact on County finances and therefore County residents going forward. This concern was paralleled with the development and creation of a Families Bill of Rights that would act as a guide for future planning and legislation.

Acting on these concerns during the January 2016 session, members of the

Board's Democratic Caucus introduced a package they felt would help stimulate economic development in the County. The package includes three bills and a resolution that stems from the work of the Board's Family Task Force.

The first bill would maintain the budget's unrestricted fund balance in the general fund at a level no less than 5 percent of each fund's total adopted budget expenditures. After failing to meet the projected sales tax revenues in 2015, it is feared that 2016 is likely to follow in that path.

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## Greenburgh to Get More Linear Sidewalk Footage on Benedict

At the Jan. 28 meeting of the Greenburgh Town Board, representatives of the Hackley School stated their intention to pay for and construct 1,700 linear feet of sidewalk along Benedict Avenue.

The offer is part of a proposed plan by the school to construct a 116,725 sq. ft. Health and Wellness Complex on the school grounds, including two gymnasiums, an indoor swimming pool, eight squash courts, a wrestling room, a fencing room, and an indoor track.

During the meeting, Hackley attorneys confirmed that about a third of a mile of

sidewalk would enable pedestrians to walk from Route 119 to the Castle Hotel and Spa.

Greenburgh Town Supervisor Paul Feiner and other Board members expressed their appreciation for the offer, stating that pedestrian safety through the construction of more sidewalks throughout the town was a priority.

Supervisor Feiner said that last year an 850 square foot sidewalk was built on Route 119/Benedict as part of the Brightview Senior Living Facility and that Stop and Shop had complied with a

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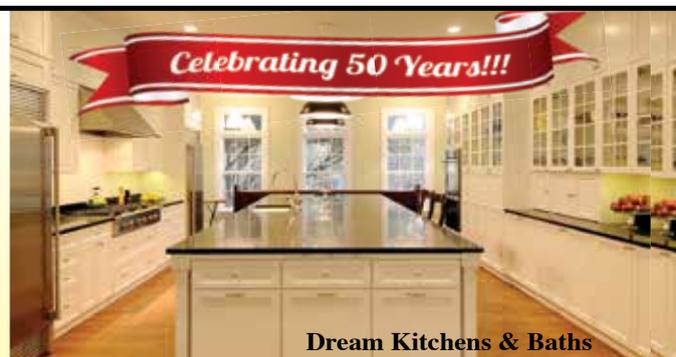
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Also included in the economic development plans was a bill to create more opportunities for employment through apprenticeship training requirements on County construction projects. The final piece of legislation requires the County to enter into Project Labor Agreements (PLAs) on every construction project over \$250,000. Project Labor Agreements are designed to help bring projects to completion on time and budget with safe working environments for everyone involved.

As announced at a December press conference at the BOL, members of the Board's Family Task Force announced the creation of a Families Bill of Rights intended to act as a guide for 2016 priorities. The BOL Families Task Force concluded a series of public meetings

in various parts of the county where they received input on what families in Westchester need to stay, grow and thrive here. This bill of rights outlines the basic economic needs demonstrated by many families across the County and will serve as a tool to make sure that County provides the services it pledged to in the recently enacted 2016 budget.

Fundamental elements of the Families Bill of Rights include: the right to safe, stable, livable, and affordable housing with nearby access to food stores, libraries and green spaces that also provide safe havens for children and teens; the right to appropriate childcare opportunities; the right to meaningful employment in jobs that provide sufficient pay, benefits, and suitable skills-training; the right to an optimal quality of life, including healthy, supportive, safe and fully-funded schools, home life, recreation environments, and substantive youth employment opportunities; the right to an accessible and reasonably priced County-wide transportation system that includes no cost/low cost transportation to public schools; the right to adequate, low-cost physical and mental health care.

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The Hackley School is a private college preparatory school in Tarrytown.

condition to build a 1,600-foot sidewalk on part of Benedict.

Tarrytown-based Hackley School is a private college preparatory school and member of the Ivy Preparatory School League. Founded in 1899 by a wealthy philanthropist, Mrs. Caleb Brewster Hackley, Hackley was intended to be a Unitarian alternative to the mostly Episcopal boarding schools throughout the Northeast. Since its founding, Hackley has dropped its

sectarian affiliations and changed from all-boys to coeducational. Hackley is divided into three schools on the same campus: the Lower School, the Middle School, and the Upper School.

In late 2014, Headmaster Walter Johnson announced his retirement, planning to continue out the 2014-2015, and 2015-2016 school years. In September 2015, Hackley's 12th headmaster had been announced. Michael Wirtz, would officially begin in July of 2016.

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### White Plains Council Does Not Take FASNY Vote

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In the Jan. 20 judgment by Joan B. Lefkowitz, Justice of the Supreme Court of New York, the White Plains Council was ordered to vote on the Site Plan submitted

in 2014 at its next regularly scheduled meeting – Feb. 1.

The resolution, number 138 on the Council meeting agenda, sought the Special Permit/Site Plan Approval and because it had to be addressed because of the judgment, Council members voted to bring the FASNY item to first on the agenda.

Mayor Tom Roach, indicating that there was an appeal in place by the city to overturn the judge's decision for the Council to vote, explained that the city stood



FASNY site plan includes a nature conservancy, bike paths, a roadway entrance from North Street, athletic fields, main campus buildings and parking lots on the property formerly owned by the Ridgeway Country Club in the Gedney neighborhood of White Plains.



Some White Plains residents created a "No FASNY" campaign that they took to meetings at city hall, public information sessions and street demonstrations.

by its decision that without the partial closing of Hathaway Lane, the FASNY application was moot.

Councilwoman Beth Smayda proposed a vote to remove item 138 from the Council's meeting agenda and the vote in favor, stayed compliance with the judge's

order.

Council chambers, which was full of residents expecting to witness a vote, quickly emptied and the Council moved on with other business on the meeting agenda.

## Hyundai May Be First Car Dealership in Greenburgh's Changed Zone

Last year the Greenburgh Town Board changed the zoning on Central Avenue to allow car dealerships to apply for special permits.

Greenburgh Town Supervisor Paul Feiner recently said that Hyundai had

come forward with an application to adaptively reuse the former Barnes & Noble building and site for a conversion to an automobile dealership/showroom and sales lot.

Feiner said the proposal also includes

minor modifications to the existing parking layout as well as a site-wide landscaping plan. The applicant also proposes pedestrian improvements including a sidewalk along the site's frontage with Central Park Avenue. The

special permit and site plan approval would be granted by the Planning Board. According to Feiner, the Planning Board review process, which will include a public hearing, is anticipated to begin shortly.

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# Westchester Expands Medicine Drop Boxes Throughout County

By Neal Rentz

County Executive Rob Astorino and state Sen. Terrence Murphy (R-Yorktown) unveiled 12 new drop boxes throughout Westchester last Wednesday that will allow the public to properly dispose of unused prescription drugs.

The \$8,000 state grant obtained by Murphy will pay for the boxes in the municipalities that previously did not have them. The white boxes look similar to a mailbox and are placed in public buildings.

The North Salem Police Department, where Astorino and Murphy made Wednesday's announcement, and the county office building at 148 Martine Ave. in White Plains are among the newest locations.

Murphy, co-chair of the state Task Force on Heroin and Opioid Abuse, stressed the importance of getting rid of unused drugs. The task force has held several "Shed the Meds" medication take-back programs, which have resulted in the disposal of 1,000 pounds of medicine in his Senate District alone, Murphy said.

"The number one issue that people came to us was we didn't know where to bring our medication," Murphy said. "We're here today to announce that every municipality in Westchester County now



NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

County Executive Rob Astorino, left, and state Sen. Terrence Murphy announced last week that an \$8,000 state grant obtained by the senator is paying for prescription drug drop boxes for the last 12

has a medication take-back box."

The boxes are secure and cannot be broken into, he said.

Murphy teamed with Astorino and county Health Commissioner

Dr. Sherlita Amler to bring the boxes to the communities, which didn't have them.

Astorino said he testified before the task force last year in Yorktown about the

epidemic of heroin abuse in the state. The Shed the Meds program was "absolutely needed," Astorino said.

"It's going to help save lives," he said.

The abuse of prescription drugs has become a major problem, Astorino said. "It really a lethal threat that we need to guard against," he said. "Addicts will look anywhere for drugs. And one place that

you may not assume that they will look is in your own medicine cabinet, but that's where they're going to go when they visit grandma, when they come to your house."

Westchester helped pioneer the program in 2008, the county executive said.

"You need to get rid of it the right way. That's also going to keep it out of the hands of those who are addicted to these painkillers and will do anything to get their hands on it," Astorino added.

Proper disposal of unused medication is also critical because they if flushed down the toilet, for example, they can get into the drinking water supply, particularly in the northern part of the county where much of the land is in the New York City watershed.

"You cannot flush these medications down the drain," Murphy said. "It's becoming an environmental problem."

Local police will take the drugs deposited in the drop boxes to a county facility where they will be incinerated, Astorino said.

Existing local drop box locations include Mount Pleasant Town Hall, 1 Town Hall Plaza in Valhalla, New Castle Town Hall, 200 S. Greeley Ave. in Chappaqua; North Castle Town Hall, 15 Bedford Rd. in Armonk; and Pleasantville Village Hall, 80 Wheeler Ave. in Pleasantville.

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# Woman's Club Celebrates Centennial Year with 100 Acts of Kindness

The Woman's Club of White Plains is celebrating its 100th year in 2016.

In 1916, two existing clubs, the Woman's Club and the New Century Club, combined to form what was initially known as the Contemporary Club. In 1948, the club officially changed its name to The Woman's

Club of White Plains. This club was very active in the community and offered women of the time a variety of social and educational as well as philanthropic opportunities as does the present day club.

This year The Woman's Club of White Plains has numerous events and activities planned to commemorate this historic centennial year. In keeping with its tradition of philanthropy and volunteerism, the Club has embarked on the "100 Acts of Kindness" campaign. The first two major events were the "100 Warm Coats" drive and the "Shelter Bags for My Sister's Place."

Peggy Robinson of the Woman's Club spearheaded the effort to donate 100 coats to Burlington Coat Factory's Warm Coats and Warm Hearts Coat Drive. The effort resulted in 110 coats being donated.

My Sister's Place's Emergency Shelters provide confidentially located, safe havens to



Peggy Robinson of The Woman's Club of White Plains with Berna Diggs, Assistant Store Manager, Burlington Coat Factory, White Plains.



(L to r) Sue Lynn and Claudia Melo of the Woman's Club line up items prior to packaging and delivery to My Sisters Place.

individuals and families fleeing abusive partners. While in shelter, support is provided 24 hours a day to all residents as they take critical steps to begin their new journey to safety. These people often leave their homes with truly nothing but the clothes on their backs. The Woman's Club collected various toiletries including basic items such as soap, shampoo, toothbrushes and toothpaste to assist them with starting a new life.

Jean Bello of The Woman's Club was the point person who organized the collection, bagging and wrapping and delivery of the items to My Sister's Place.

The Woman's Club of White Plains has been a mainstay of the community since 1916. The Club provides financial support to numerous non-profit groups and its members volunteer thousands of hours every year. The Club also maintains the CV Rich Mansion, its beautiful historic home in White Plains. The Woman's Club plays a vital and supportive role to women by offering a fellowship unlike any other.

As the centennial year progresses, The Woman's Club of White Plains will expand

its programs and events in celebration of its 100th Anniversary. 100 Acts of Kindness will build on the Club's extensive portfolio of volunteer activities. Some of these acts will harken back to things the Club has historically been involved in but there will be many new ventures. A Gala of the Century (Saturday, Nov. 5) will cap a fund raising calendar that will include a Scholarship Luncheon and Fashion Show (April 16), a Jazz Concert (June 9) and other fund raising events that are all open to the public.

For additional information visit the Club's website at [www.womansclubofwhiteplains.org](http://www.womansclubofwhiteplains.org) or visit The Club on Facebook - The Woman's Club of White Plains.

## White Plains Foot Surgeon Supports Local Shoe Drive for 8th year



For the eighth year in a row, Dr. Bruce Pinker of Progressive Foot Care in White Plains, invited his patients to donate their lightly used shoes and boots to support a shoe drive for Westchester's men, women and children in need. They responded by donating almost 400 pairs of shoes and boots in all shapes and sizes, many of them new. The shoes were donated to Lifting Up Westchester, a Westchester County nonprofit social services agency formerly called Grace Church Community Center, for distribution to individuals from their Open Arms Men's Shelter, Samaritan House Women's Shelter and Soup Kitchen. Pictured are students from The Pleasantville Laboratory School at Pace University with Dr. Pinker, who volunteered to sort the shoes. The school provides living skills development programs and vocational education/experience for students with developmental and intellectual disabilities. Shoes are being distributed to individuals in need through Grace's Kitchen, LUW's soup kitchen in White Plains. The first distribution occurred on Martin Luther King Day with assistance from members of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

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# White Plains Artists Featured at 'The Untitled' Exhibit at CNR

By Pat Casey

The Mooney Center Gallery located on the campus of The College of New Rochelle (CNR) features a juried art exhibit annually. This year, the exhibit's curator Dr. Patricia St. John, Professor of Art Therapy and Art Education at CNR along with colleague Professor Robert Wolf went deeper into the community to find new artists.

Traditionally, the annual juried exhibit featured former CNR students and artists closer to the college's New Rochelle home.

"This year we reached out to ArtsWestchester and the Mamaroneck Artists Guild to extend our invitation," St. John said in an interview. "We were very pleased by the response and the high quality of the submissions we received."

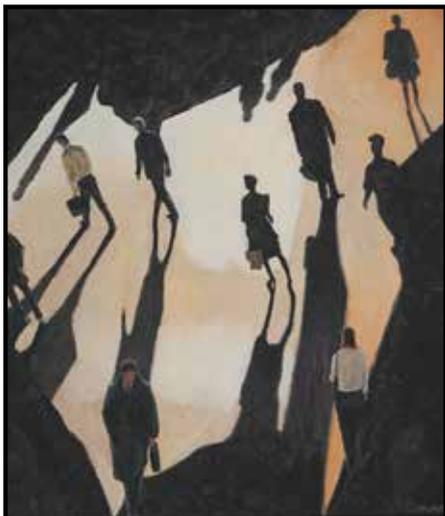
Of the 22 artists responding to the invitation, 21 were accepted and several with more than one piece entered into the exhibit. Of these there were several White



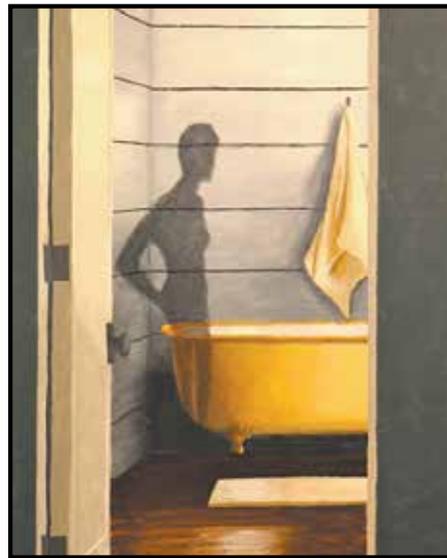
Inside the Mooney Center Gallery at CNR.



Untitled, acrylic by Sharon Sumbolec.



City Shadows 40 x 30 inches, acrylic on canvas by Harvey Milman.



Untitled (Bathroom), 36 x 18 inches, acrylic on canvas by Harvey Milman.

Plains artists including Mary Ann Balco Berry, Harvey Milman, Sharon Sumbolec and Mitchell Visoky.

The name of this year's exhibit bears its

theme: "The Untitled." We had no restrictions, except on size and jewelry and clothing were not allowed, St. John explained, adding that she was surprised by the very high quality of all the artists' submissions.

The Mooney Center Gallery is a large, single-room exhibit space on the ground floor of the Helen & Peter Mooney Art & Educational Technology Center, on

the main campus of The College of New Rochelle. Because of the dimensions of the space, art is selected to complement each other and to give the exhibit visitor a sense of relationship.

"As jurors, we look for art that tells a story, that captures the viewer's attention," St. John said. "A lot of the time selection is

a gut reaction."

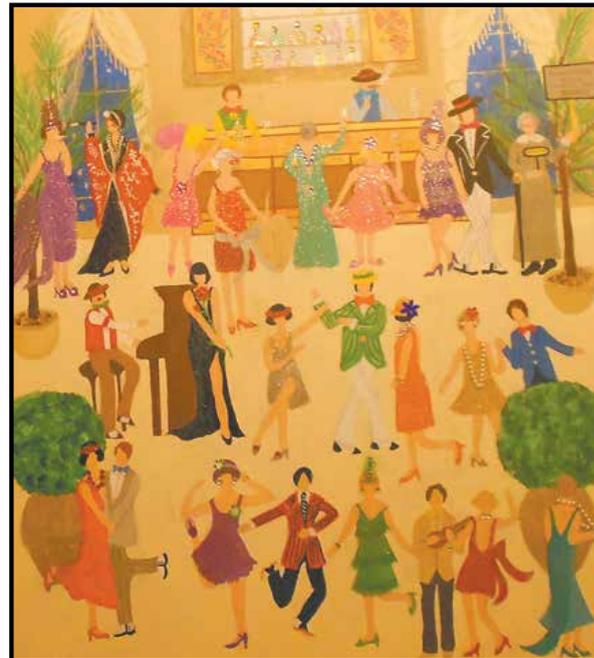
But after many years of teaching and creating art exhibits, St. John's gut reaction is based on experience and three qualities she learned many years ago from a favorite teacher, Edith Kramer, a pioneer in art therapy.

"True art has these three qualities: (1) economy of means, (2) inner consistency, and (3) evocative power," Kramer is quoted from a 1971 publication.

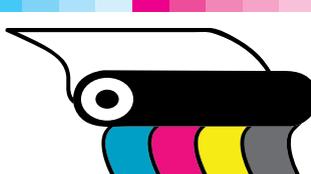
Unique to this year's exhibit, St. John said, was help from four of the artists who volunteered to help with the installation. Each offered a special perspective she said.

All artists' work is for sale. The Mooney Center Gallery is open to the public Monday to Thursday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Friday to Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Untitled exhibit is open through February 9, 2016.



Ragtime, acrylic by Mary Ann Balco Berry



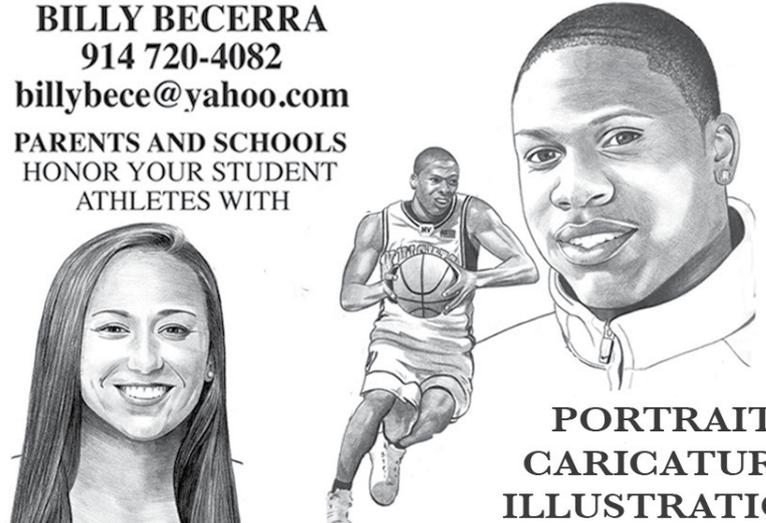
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**Drug Possession.** On Jan. 22 members of the Greenburgh Street Crime Unit conducted a short-term investigation into drug sales at the Alexander Motel, a known drug location and scene of numerous recent drug arrests. Upon completion of executing a search warrant in motel room # 27 members continued surveillance of the location in search of a wanted suspect. At 10 p.m. a car drove into the motel parking lot. A stop was conducted and the driver and front passenger were observed moving their hands and arms within the cabin of the vehicle. The driver was observed thrusting his hands into his rear waistband and the female passenger was observed concealing a skinny glass object in her coat pocket. Both parties were removed from the vehicle and secured. The male driver was placed under arrest for a previously filed Criminal Sale of a Controlled substance complaint. The suspect was in possession of (23) glassine envelopes and (1) plastic bag containing marijuana. The female was also placed under arrest. Both parties were transported to police headquarters. While at headquarters, a prisoner search of the male suspect yielded a large plastic baggy containing an additional (2) glassine envelopes of heroin and (25)

individual twists of crack-cocaine. The female suspect was released to Yonkers Police on an active warrant.

**Grand Larceny.** On Jan. 22, police responded for a report of credit card fraud. On scene, they met with the victim who said an unknown person had accessed her Citibank credit card and charged \$32,841 starting on or about 11/22/2015. The victim also said that other accounts had been flagged for questionable activity. The victim's daughter, whose name was also on the account, spoke with police. She informed them that the Citibank Fraud Department had called her because someone using her deceased father's name had called about the account. Citibank discovered that the caller was using a burner phone and that when he called Citibank, the victim's home phone number shows up. When the bank called the victim's home phone number it was answered by the suspect caller. The victim believes that her home phone and cell phone numbers had been "spoofed." In addition, Citibank informed the victim that when asked pointed security questions and personal information, the unknown person had enough of the victim's information to access the account. Report is for documentation purposes.

**Petit Larceny.** On Jan. 20 police responded to Hmart for a larceny that occurred on 1/16/16. The store manager reported that on 1/16 at approximately 8 p.m., one of his cashiers was approached by two Hispanic males. They went to her register and made a small purchase. After the transaction was completed and the register was still open, the men asked if the cashier could make change. She was handed three \$100 bills and she made change in smaller bills. While the cashier was counting the money the men kept stopping and touching the money and exchanged the money back and forth a few times, in order to confuse her. The total amount taken was \$340. The males took the money and began to walk away from the register, then returned to have a short conversation with the cashier, and she wrote something down on a piece of paper. After a brief conversation with the cashier the two males walked out of the store. The store manager was able to review the tapes for the time frame. The suspects are visible. The video does not show whether the suspects left in a vehicle or only on foot. Copy of DVD was taken to police headquarters for follow up.

**Suspicious Incident.** On Jan. 18, the complainant contacted police

headquarters to report a suspicious incident. On that day, around noon, she had received a delivery to her address with another party's name on the shipping label from Verizon with two new iPhones that cost \$850 each. When she contacted Verizon, she was informed that the iPhones were purchased with a fraudulent credit card. She later received a phone call on her cell from a blocked number from a male party with a Jamaican accent. The male did not identify himself but did state that he knew that the phones had been delivered to her residence and that he would be by tomorrow to pick them up. The complainant is concerned because she does not know this party or how he got her cell phone number. She further states that there is always someone at home. The complainant was advised to not answer the door if anyone showed up and to immediately contact police headquarters. The cell phones and shipping box were delivered to the street crime unit.

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# Obituaries

## Ed Zimmel

Edwin L. Zimmel, a longtime White Plains resident, died Jan. 30 at the age of 76. He was born Aug. 8, 1939 in New York City to the late Anna and Louis Zimmel.

He graduated DeWitt Clinton High School in the Bronx, received his Bachelor's degree from C.C.N.Y. and his Master's from Columbia University.

Ed began his career teaching at Highlands Middle School in White Plains and then went on to teach at White Plains High School. He taught for a total of 43 years. He was also a long standing History Professor at Westchester Community College. Ed was also a Track Coach at WPHS for 50 years and was an avid fan of track and field.

He loved riding his motorcycle, his fast cars and his boat, but most of all he enjoyed being with people and it is a testament to the amount of friends that he had.

He is survived by his son David (Valerie) Zimmel of NYC and his brother Phillip Zimmel of Sarasota, FL.

"Heaven doesn't know what's coming! Take it easy E.Z.!"

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the charity of your choice in Ed's memory.

## Tracy Brown

Tracy M. Brown, a long-time resident of West Harrison died suddenly on Jan. 28 at the age of 45. She was born Nov. 8, 1970 in Tarrytown to the late Agnes and William Brown, also of West Harrison.

Tracy worked in various locations in and around White Plains, including Dunne's Pub and most recently Tighe's Tavern.

She is survived by her two children, Caitlyn and Cameron.

She will be deeply missed by the many people who were touched by her life.

Visitation: Tuesday, Feb. 2, 3 to 7 p.m. at McMahon, Lyon & Hartnett Funeral

Home Inc., 491 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains; service at 6:30 p.m.

To make a donation please visit the Tracy Brown Memorial Fund at [www.youcaring.com/caitlyn-brown-and-cameron-brown-513148#.Vq15DhHppZk.facebook](http://www.youcaring.com/caitlyn-brown-and-cameron-brown-513148#.Vq15DhHppZk.facebook)

## Angelo Fucci

Angelo "Sonny" Fucci, formerly of White Plains, passed peacefully on Jan. 28 in Midlothian, VA, surrounded by his loving family. He is survived by his children, Ellen Allison, Phyllis Giordano and Angelo Fucci, nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. A graveside service was held at Gate of Heaven cemetery on Monday, Feb. 1.

## Ellen Salko

Ellen G. Salko, a resident of White Plains, passed away on Jan. 27 at the age of 79. She was born on Oct. 19, 1936 to the late Gerald and Irma Greenebaum. Ellen was a baker, bookkeeper, author, teacher and homemaker. She was predeceased by her beloved husband, Alan Salko. Ellen is survived by her three children; David Salko, Larry Salko, and Judy Bergman; a daughter in law, Lisa Salko, as well as six grandchildren; Jake, Lauren, Jennifer, Ben, Michael, and Matthew.

## Doris Fraser

Doris Mary Fraser, 68, of White Plains, passed away peacefully on Jan. 24.

Doris was born on Sept. 5, 1947, to the late Martha and James Fraser in Mount Vernon. She graduated from Concordia College with a focus in Education and spent several years as a nursery school teacher. She was proud to serve on the board of the Nursery School and Session at the White Plains Presbyterian Church. For the last 22 years, she took great pride and joy in being the Executive Secretary at the YMCA of Central and Northern Westchester.

She is predeceased by her parents, and brother James. Doris is survived by her Husband, Stewart Greenfield, her Sister-in-Law, Ellen Fraser and her sons, step- daughters and nieces families. Peter, Catherine and Alec Dreessen of Putnam Valley, William, Kristin and Emily Dreessen of White Plains, Courtney, Brian, Hailey and Kaitlyn Schwartz of Oxford, CT. Anne, Steve, James and Fraser Gannon of Titusville, FL.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the YMCA of Central and Northern Westchester, 250 Mamaroneck Ave, White Plains, NY 10605.

## Marie Cianflone

Marie Theresa Riviezzo Cianflone, "Nanny" 95, passed away peacefully at her home in High Point, NC on Jan. 24, where she lived with her daughter, Donna Younts and son-in-law James Younts Jr.

Born on August 31, 1920 in White Plains to the late Francesco and Elizabeth (DeRenzis) Riviezzo. She was also preceded in death by a son John Joseph; five brothers Nick, Joseph, Frank, Angelo and Tony; and a grandson, Donald Coggins.

Beloved mother of Jean Thomas, Donna Younts, Leona Cianflone and Irene Phillips. Admired Grandmother to Lisa Hernandez (Marco), Deborah Molina (Jaime), Tina Muraski (John), Donald Hoessler (Kelly), Amber Phillips (Les Settle), Daniel Coggins, Julie Younts Harrell (Mike) and Jodi Epperson.

Great Grandmother to, Anthony Molina (Sandra), Ashley Molina (Kara), Auston Molina, Cristina Nevarez (Moises Maya) Angelica Nevarez, Jacqueline Guerrero (Kelle), Michelle Bowles (Stephen), Brody Hoessler, Avery Krogg, Annabel Settle, Jordan Settle and Jacob Epperson.

Her large and growing prosperity also includes four Great Great grandchildren; Valeria Grimaldo, Antonio Molina, Angelo Marshall, and soon to be Giovanni Maya, and several nieces and nephews.

Graduated from White Plains High School in 1937. Retired from Cordis Corporation.

## Albert Delco

Albert Henry Delco, 65, peacefully passed away Jan. 24 after a battle with cancer. Bert was born March 24, 1950 in the Bronx to Ludwig Ernest Delco and Thea Else Schaefer Delco. He studied architecture at Westchester Community College and followed that passion as a general contractor throughout his life.

Bert is survived by his mother, Thea Delco; daughter, Teah Grant; sons, Brad (Megan) Delco and Reid (Jessica) Delco; five grandchildren, Sophie and Sara

Grant, Davis, Decklan and Dylan Delco; brother Kenneth (Kathy) Delco; nieces, Erika and Elizabeth Delco and Jenniphure (Tyson) Delco Goeltz. Bert was preceded in death by his father, Ludwig Delco.

When remembering Bert Delco there is one word that continually comes to mind and that word is family. Bert had a love for his children that every child dreams to have from a father. He dedicated his whole life to fulfilling their every need and loving them unconditionally. Not only was he a dedicated father but he was a loyal, loving brother and a servant minded son. Bert was a true family man. What an amazing example he left for his children to follow.

The family kindly requests that donations be made in Albert's name to BMT Nursing Fund, C/O Jennifer Giannini, Harkness Pavilion 11 Room 11-1129, 180 Fort Washington Ave., New York, NY 10032.



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# The Allure of Red However or Wherever Used

It never occurred to me as a 16-year-old that I was making a strong statement. Given the first opportunity to decorate my own room, I chose a really bright red for the walls.

My mother waited until I was in my thirties to finally tell me that she always knew I was “different,” so she would make allowances for me, no matter what I wanted to do. Also, it gave her a good story to tell for many years about how, when that house was put up for sale, prospective buyers in that conservative little southern town would enter the room and say, “Wow!”

But let’s face it, red elicits a dramatic response, no matter where or how it is used, from lipstick to a power tie. Remember the dress Scarlett O’Hara wore in “Gone with the Wind” after the scandal broke of her indiscretion with Ashley Wilkes? Or the color of the flocked walls in Belle Watling’s bordello? Always red, right? Even the names of various shades of red evoke drama, some even bordering on immoral: Scarlet, Lust, Flame, Crimson, Wine, Oxblood.

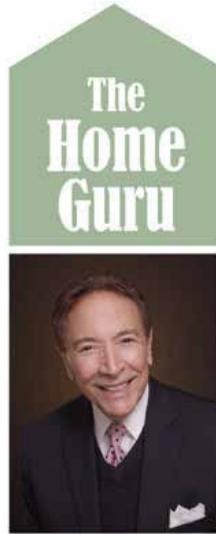
Because red is so bold and captivating, it must be considered carefully and sometimes it is not always the best choice for a room. I once owned a contemporary home in Putnam County with an open floorplan that flowed beautifully. The walls of the entry, living room, dining room and kitchen were originally painted an off-

white with a pinkish cast to it. When I sold that property, the new owners decided to add dramatic color to the living room, which they painted a Tuscan gold, and the dining room a bright red.

When I visited them, I found that visually the space seemed to have been reduced to half its size because both those colors can tend to draw a room in. But because the eye is drawn to red, painting the wall at the end of a long hallway in red can be a good idea.

Benjamin Moore tells us that its Facebook fans pick bedrooms and bathrooms as their favorite rooms to paint red. That surprised me. I would have expected to find dining rooms and kitchens on the list since the color is said to both grab one’s focus (think stop signs and fire engines) and stimulate the appetite.

Research conducted at the University of Rochester by psychologists Andrew Elliot and Daniela Niesta concluded that the color red makes men feel more amorous toward women. Is it any wonder that the color has been adopted through the ages for Valentine’s Day and lustfully for red-light districts?



By Bill Primavera

When it came time to redo the saltbox wing in my historic home, the flooring that had replaced the originally wide planked flooring probably sometime in the late 19th century was very lackluster. Rather than refinish it, I decided to paint it a glossy bright barnyard red and it transformed the room dynamically.

If you’re more conservative and not ready to commit wholly to red, it can be used effectively as an accent, pulling it in through draperies or furniture. Because red is so visually arresting, even one small red piece can transform a room. It can be used in playful ways, such as on stair risers, the interior of a bookcase or china cabinet or the legs of a table.

It’s not just the primary color but there are literally hundreds of reds, from high-octane orange tinted tones to subtler old-fashioned purplish shades like burgundy, maroon and brick that can evoke more traditional environments.

I once had a small, nondescript mudroom that came with green patterned wallpaper when I bought the house, but was transformed when I stripped the paper and painted the walls with a bright brick red paint. In my basic black

and white kitchen, the perfect touch was added when I painted the kitchen counter stools Chinese red.

In several instances, I have taken red outdoors. For many years, I’ve been recommending that every front door should be painted red for its feng shui attributes and have gone so far as to recommend a particular shade: Benjamin Moore Burgundy. And, on my back patio, one cast iron side table provides a nice focus to all the other pieces by standing out in red.

There is a local story I love to tell that’s connected to the reason that barns across America are painted red. I recently was involved in the sale of what I call the Crayola Building in Peekskill. It was there in the latter 19th century that Binney & Smith, the company that first made Crayola crayons, mixed the iron oxide pigments for the red paint that proved to be a good preservative.

It makes you want to find out why people go out and paint the town red, rather than some other color.

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## Super Bowl 50 Culinary Matchups of the Rival Teams



By Nick Antonaccio

We’re in the middle of that period of football wasteland. No home team to root for in the postseason and no built-in reason to quaff our favorite wine or beer as we veg out in our favorite reclining chair.

Super Bowl 50 is as anticipated for its off-the-field festivities as it is for its on-field combat. The season has come down to a single game and the glory and esteem it will bestow on one team.

As I pondered this week’s column, I thought of the rivalry on the gridiron and began transposing it to the bars and living rooms across the country. Super Bowl Sunday brings together friends and family to indulge in the biggest junk food day of the year. Once a year we indulge guilt-free in those waist-widening, artery-clogging foods and drinks we try to fastidiously avoid all year.

So, what to consume on this traditional National Junk Food Day?

Here are several food facts for Super Bowl Sunday from the National Restaurant Association:

--Forty-eight million Americans will order takeout food. What else will we be eating?

--Sixty-nine percent will be noshing on salsa, chips and dips and 63 percent will be inhaling chicken wings. In fact, according to the National Chicken Council, 1.25 billion chicken wings will be devoured. They calculate that is enough to put 572 wings on every seat in all 32 NFL stadiums.

Here’s a Super Bowl challenge for the best food, wine and beer produced in the two rival football regions, North Carolina and Denver.

**Food:** As flamboyant, and talented, as Carolina quarterback Cam Newton has been this season, the cuisine of North Carolina seems a polar opposite. Its Southern-rooted dishes are comfort food at its best. Who can resist righteous pulled pork barbecue, topped with Texas Pete’s sauce, or mouth-watering fried buttermilk chicken served in the finest restaurants in Charlotte or the Outer Banks?

In Denver, local wild game is par excellence. I’ve enjoyed Bison sliders and Denver green pepper chili, followed by a roast of wild boar and elk. No Rocky Mountain Oysters for this columnist.

The winner? This decision is as close as I expect the game to be; my nod goes to Denver.

**Wine:** This is not an easy category. Neither state is particularly famous for its wines. Yet there are a number of gems that will satisfy the discriminating palate.

The wine industry in Colorado is over 100 years old; there are nearly 100 active wineries. Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon and Riesling dominate production. Top wineries include Balistreri and Zephyr, whose wines are predominantly sold in the local area.

North Carolina, likewise, has an active, yet unheralded wine industry. Over 100 wineries produce award-winning Cabernet Sauvignon, Chardonnay and Scuppernong (a local white). Seek out Raylen, McRitchie and Raffaldini wines.

The wines of each state are similar to the two teams. Each will seek to take advantage of the other’s weaknesses. Viewers can do likewise with a small-production winery that tsneaks up on your palate and packs an unexpected wallop. This category is even; the game outcome may be decided on the unexpected.

**Beer:** This is the most difficult category. Each city overflows with craft breweries – over 150 each, several with national reputations. Just as the craft beer industry is evolving, so too the two teams. Carolina

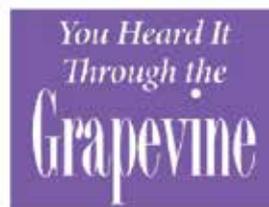
is relying on a new wave of players with self-assured cockiness, just like the surge of up-and-coming brash breweries in Charlotte and Asheville. Denver has the benefit of an established beer base, while providing fertile ground for building a strong foundation for future success.

Here’s a lineup of the most popular beers: Denver: New Belgium, Great Divide and Left Hand, North Carolina: Omega Point, The Event Horizon and Pernicious IPA.

The winner? It’s like the quarterbacks: Payton Manning has a long-term reputation for excellence, backed by a Super Bowl ring, versus Cam Newton, representing the next generation, redefining excellence and popularity, making his big game debut. I have to go with bold and brash.

Whatever your plans are for the Big Day, relax with your favorite junk food, your beverage of choice and enjoy the game.

Nick Antonaccio is a 40-year Pleasantville resident. For over 20 years he has conducted wine tastings and lectures. He also offers personalized wine tastings and wine travel services. Nick’s credo: continuous experimenting results in instinctive behavior. You can reach him at nantonaccio@theexaminernews.com or on Twitter @sharingwine.





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## Bao's to Observe Chinese New Year With Authentic Dishes

By Jerry Eimbinder

Eight recipes, centuries old, will be used at Bao's Chinese Cuisine in White Plains this year to celebrate the Year of the Monkey.

"These dishes have a special meaning to the Chinese as well as a long association with Chinese New Year," owner May Tan said.

The holiday officially arrives next Monday, Feb. 8, but many Chinese will celebrate it for a longer period by eating food believed to bring good fortune. Anyone born in a Year of the Monkey is believed especially susceptible to misfortune.

Bao's holiday dishes will be offered from Feb. 7-22, which marks the end of the 15-day Chinese Spring Lantern Festival. Most of the dishes will then be retired for a while, possibly for the rest of the year.



The dining room at Bao's Chinese Cuisine.



Barbecue roast pig will be served at Bao's on Feb. 8, Chinese New Year, beginning at 3 p.m.

The restaurant's regular menu will also be available each day during the holiday celebration.

The Year of the Monkey occurs every 12 years. Some Chinese consider the monkey as having a mischievous nature; hence the

hope to ensure good times by eating food believed to bring good fortune.

**Bao's Chinese New Year's dishes are:**

1. **Fortune Fish:** Comes with fresh vegetables and seaweed (\$22.95).
2. **Spicy Fish Filet:** A lightly breaded

fried fish filet with a special spicy Szechuan sauce (\$20.95).

3. **Chinese New Year's Delight:** Shrimp and scallops served with vegetables in a crispy edible noodle basket and topped with cashew nuts (\$20.95).

4. **Seafood Rice Cake:** With salted egg yolk (\$18.95).

5. **Spicy Roast Duck with Cellophane Noodle Casserole:** Includes vegetables (\$24.95).

6. **Lamb with Onions and Scallion:** Believed to have a powerful influence on happiness (\$24.95).

7. **Tom Yum Spicy Seafood Casserole:** Includes lobster meat, shrimp, scallops and vegetables (\$22.95).

8. **Mini Meatball, Shrimp, Cellophane Noodle and Vegetable Casserole:** This is a preference for eating at family reunions (\$20.95).

"For individuals having financial worries and seeking a prosperous year, Fortune Fish is thought to be especially advantageous," said Tan, a White Plains resident who lived and worked in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia before coming to the United States.

A special Malaysian New Year's celebration salad will be offered Feb. 7-8 as an appetizer; it can be shared by up to four people.

Tan said its ingredients are traditionally topped with raw fish but cooked shrimp can be substituted on request. The salad includes mango, fish roe, jicama, carrots, lettuce, bean sprouts, blueberries and more.

Bao's is also known for a cook-it-yourself dish called Shabu Shabu, cooked by the

customers on their tables using small portable gas stoves with dual cooking pots. The ingredients are delivered to the table in an array of small plates.

An ultra-potent Chinese rice wine called Er Guo Tau will be available for the hearty.

"It will make your hair stand on end," Tan warned. She suggested customers consider drinking it by the shot rather than the glass.

Alcoholic beverages to be offered include Tsing Tao (Chinese beer), Heineken, Coors Light, Sapporo and Amstel beer, Chinese rice wine, sake, a coconut mojito martini, a French martini made with vodka, Chambord liqueur and pineapple juice (\$10). The Milo Dinosaur, a chocolate drink for children, will also be offered.

Free strawberry-flavored, chocolate-coated hard candy will be available to take home.



The Malaysian New Year's celebration salad, one of many special menu selections to celebrate the upcoming Chinese New Year at Bao's Chinese Cuisine in White Plains.



Strawberry-flavored, chocolate-coated hard candy is a free treat on the counter to take home during Chinese New Year at Bao's. Packaged Chinese cake, at lower left, is available for purchase. The oranges are a symbol of good luck.

Bao's Chinese Cuisine was renovated last year. The dining room's interior was completely redone with new ceiling tiles, tables, chairs, carpeting and colorfully decorated walls with bold Chinese letters. Also new is the stainless steel-walled kitchen, cooking equipment, freezer and a decorative water fountain.

Bao's Chinese Cuisine is located in the White Plains Mall at 200 Hamilton Ave. in White Plains. It's open from 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Friday and 12 to 10:30 p.m. on Saturday.

For more information, call 914-682-8858 or visit [www.baoschinesecuisine.com](http://www.baoschinesecuisine.com). The mall has a parking lot and the restaurant validates parking fees for dining bills of \$35 or more.



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## 2016 Wine & Food Festival Tickets on Sale

By Jerry Eimbinder

Tickets for the 2016 Wine & Food Festival, to be held June 9-11 in White Plains and Valhalla, are now on sale.

The three-event program features the Burger & Beer Blast on Thursday, June 9 at Kensico Dam Plaza, An Evening With Westchester's Tastemakers on Friday, June 10 at the Ritz-Carlton in White Plains and the Grand Tasting Village on Saturday, June 11 at Kensico Dam Plaza.

The Burger & Beer Blast, scheduled for 6 to 10 p.m., will have attendees vote to determine which one of the roughly 30 participating local restaurants takes home the top prize. There will be beef burgers, lamb burgers and cheeseburgers. Beer, wine and spirits can be paired with the burgers. There will also be music and dancing. Individual tickets cost \$75 and a 10-ticket pack sells for \$700.

Fifteen Westchester County chefs will team up to prepare food for the Evening



A scene from last year's Wine & Food Festival, a three-day celebration that will take place in June in Valhalla and White Plains.

With Westchester's Tastemakers on June 10 from 6:30 to 10 p.m. Dishes will be paired with wine and spirits. Tickets cost \$125 (general) and \$175 for VIP status, which includes 5:30 p.m. entry.

An assortment of wines and food samples from 60 restaurants will be offered at the Grand Tasting Village, scheduled from 12 to 5 p.m. on June 11. Tickets cost \$75. Chef demonstrations will be held at 1, 2, 3 and 4 p.m.

The festival is conducted by Westchester Magazine. A portion of the recipes will be donated to Friends of Westchester County Parks and the Food Bank for Westchester.

For more information and for tickets, visit [www.showclix.com/event/wineandfoodfestival2016](http://www.showclix.com/event/wineandfoodfestival2016).



## 34th Annual Free Camp & Summer Activities Fair to be Held in White Plains

The 34th Annual Camp & Summer Activities Fair will take place at the Crowne Plaza at 66 Hale Avenue in White Plains on the afternoon of Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 7 from, 12 to 3 p.m.

Families that are looking for summer camps for their kids can meet more than 40 exhibitors, including camp directors. Families will also be introduced to other summer activities they might want to explore this summer, such as outings, cool venues, and unique classes. Kids will also have fun at this event, which features free games and prizes. The kids can expect

entertainment like free arcade/carnival games, photo booth and prizes both big and small.

Hundreds of families attended in the past. All enjoyed an efficient afternoon, speaking to experts and learning their options, while having bonding time with their kids. Families can register online to avoid the lines by going to [westchestercampfair.com](http://westchestercampfair.com). The event is hosted by NYMetroParents.com, Westchester Parent magazine (divisions of Davler Media Group) and the NY/NJ Chapters of the American Camp Association.

## Gullotta House to Host Two Mega Events Next Week

Gullotta House, a 501c3 nonprofit organization, The Look by Melissa and Operation Prom will present Charity Couture, a night of fashion and fundraising on Thursday, Feb. 11 at 5:30 p.m. at The Briarcliff Manor, 25 Studio Hill Rd. in Briarcliff Manor. A \$100 ticket will provide hors d'oeuvres, champagne and wine, a fashion show, silent auction and shopping with eight high-end vendors such as Chanel, Hermes and Christian Louboutin.

On Sunday, Feb. 14 from 1 to 4 p.m., the Cortlandt School of Performing Arts will

present a live music and cocktail party to benefit the Gullotta House, which is also taking place at The Briarcliff Manor. The Valentine's Day gala will feature music by Ob-La-Di, Bla-da, the definitive Beatles Tribute Band, along with lavish hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, antipasto, a drink special, raffles, prizes and a silent auction in an elegant mansion. Tickets are \$50 per person in advance, \$80 each at the door.

To reserve online, visit [www.gullottahouse.org](http://www.gullottahouse.org) or call Ray or Carol at 914-402-4250.

## Via Vanti! Introduces Prix-Fixe Espresso Lunch

By Jerry Eimbinder

Via Vanti! in Mount Kisco began offering a daily \$11.99 prix-fixe lunch last Tuesday that includes a cup of soup, a main course and a free espresso. Customers can select a crispy pizzette, a grilled panini or a salad as the main course.

Three different pizzettes are available including the Michelangelo, a combination of Italian sausage, roasted red and yellow peppers, mozzarella

and gorgonzola. The panini choices are eggplant with mozzarella, lemon rosemary chicken with spinach, cheese and olive spread and sausage and pepper with smoked mozzarella. Four salads are also on the menu.

The espresso lunch is available from noon to 3 p.m.

Via Vanti! is located in the Mount Kisco train station at 2 Kirby Plaza. For more information, call 914-666-6400.

-Jerry Eimbinder



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## Tuesday, Feb. 2

**Tuesdays at Dorry's.** This week's presentation will be given by Susan McCarthy, RDC, about SHORE (Sheltering the Homeless is Our Responsibility), a volunteer group founded in 1985 to help people with housing needs, draws its strength and support from the communities in central Westchester County, where it carries on its mission to help homeless families in the county find permanent housing and get back on their feet in homes of their own. SHORE began by sheltering homeless men. Now the group shelters homeless families, mostly women and children. At the moment they provide housing for 22 families. They are looking to do more. Tuesdays @ Dorry's gathers "conversation partners" weekly for informal table talk. There is no charge. Just come and order your food from Sylvia and enjoy the discussion and the company. Food ordering begins at 5:30 p.m. Presentation and discussion 6 to 7 p.m. Dorry's Diner, 468 Mamaroneck Avenue, White Plains; 914-682-0005.

## Wednesday, Feb. 3

**Noonday Free Concert.** Downtown Music at Grace welcomes critically acclaimed pianists Svetlana Gorokhovich and Irena Portenko for a performance of virtuosic works for piano four-hands. The program will include the Ravel Rhapsodie Espagnole, Three Slavonic Dances of Dvorak and a concert fantasy on the Blue Danube Waltzes. This concert is made possible with the generous support of Renate and Cormac Daly in recognition of contributions made to the White Plains Community by Roland Barnes and Charlotte Szabo; 12:10 p.m. at Grace Episcopal Church, corner of Main St. and Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains.

**Win-Win: How to Run a Successful Secondhand Clothing Sale.** Americans send 10.5 million tons of used clothing and textiles to landfills and incinerators every year. Learn how to host a great sale – and give some of your clothes a new life. Co-sponsored by the Lower Hudson Sierra 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](http://www.greenburghnaturecenter.org).

## Friday, Feb. 5

**Youth Bureau Dance Benefit.** Due to the snowstorm, the White Plains Youth Bureau Annual Dance Benefit was rescheduled to Friday, Feb. 5; 7 p.m. at White Plains Performing Arts Center, 11 City Place, White Plains; General admission tickets \$30/\$50 VIP tickets \$125 (includes invitation to post-performance reception). Honoring Dennis Power, Millie Castro and Susan Brownbill-Vega. Artistic honoree Sarita Allen, former Alvin Ailey principal dancer.

## Saturday, Feb. 6

**YWCA Camp Open House.** The YWCA is holding an open house for summer camp. Come meet our staff, learn more about our programs and enroll; 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Information will be available for: Camp Funkist – ages 4 through 14, co-ed, non-competitive summer camp; Gymnastics Camp – co-ed program ages 6-plus; Summer Programs for People with Developmental Disabilities. YWCA White Plains & Central Westchester, 515 North Street, White Plains. Free on-site parking.

**YWCA Family Fun Day.** Juggling and magic show with Ned Gelfars, crafts, games and fitness fun; 12 to 2 p.m.; individual tickets cost \$4/per person. There is also a family package available \$15 for four or more family members. Tickets are available for purchase at the front desk; YWCA White Plains & Central Westchester, 515 North Street, White Plains. Free on-site parking.

**Teatown's Hudson River Eaglefest.** Featuring viewing of eagles at various points along the river. This year there will be local musical acts performing in the Eaglet Stage tent, including a performance by Grammy Award-winning singer/songwriter Tom Chapin, food offerings from RiverMarket Bar and Kitchen and Wobble Café and children's activities and storytelling in heated tents. About 25 participating environmental organizations will be on hand. Croton Point Park, Croton-on-Hudson. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Advance ticket sales: Adults (12 and over) \$13. Children (6-11) \$8. Children (under 5) Free. Day of event: Adults (12 and over) \$15. Children (6-11) \$10. Children (under 5) Free. Info and tickets: Visit [www.teatown.org](http://www.teatown.org).

## Sunday, Feb. 7

**Arctic Fest: Wings and Wolves.** Master falconer Brian Bradley of Skyhunters in Flight will present the feathered

ambassadors that call the high arctic home and will do a flight demonstration. Guests will also visit resident arctic gray wolf Atka and the other ambassador wolves, including the critically endangered red wolves and Mexican gray wolves. Includes hot beverages. Wolf Conservation Center, South Salem. Noon. \$20. Space limited; pre-registration required. Info and pre-registration: Visit [www.nywolf.org](http://www.nywolf.org).

**Surviving in Winter.** Learn how to survive in the cold and, weather permitting, learn how to build an igloo. Cranberry Lake Preserve, North White Plains. 1 to 2:30 p.m. Free. Info: 914-428-1005.

**Chinese New Year.** An early start to Chinese New Year celebrations! Learn about the Zodiac animals and meet some of the center's own Zodiac residents. Greenburgh Nature Center, 99 Dromore Rd., Greenburgh. 2 p.m. Members: \$5 per person. Non-members: \$8 per person. Info: 914-723-3470 or visit [www.greenburghnaturecenter.org](http://www.greenburghnaturecenter.org).

**Camerata Chamber Players' Winter Interlude Romantic Period Favorites.** Enjoy a mid-winter festival serving up a repertoire of beloved "strictly for strings" compositions from the Romantic Period. Violinist Victor Lioni is the founding creative force behind the Camerata, serving as its music director and conductor since its inception in 1986. Lioni is also the conductor of the Westchester Youth Symphony, which calls Westchester Community College main campus home, and a member of the Metropolitan Opera. Westchester Community College's Classroom Building, Room 200, 75 Grasslands Rd., Valhalla. 3 p.m. \$20. Seniors: \$18. Students: \$14. Info and tickets: Visit [sunywcc.edu/SmartArts](http://sunywcc.edu/SmartArts).

**Westchester Philharmonic Friends & Family Concert.** A family friendly concert featuring opera star Dawn Upshaw, a multiple Grammy Award winner and Mount Vernon resident, and the Westchester Philharmonic conducted by Ted Sperling. Upshaw and the Philharmonic will perform the hauntingly lyrical "Three Songs" by Osvaldo Golijov. Sperling will also offer concertgoers a guided tour to the works being performed, which will include Mozart's iconic overture to "The Marriage of Figaro" and a full orchestra arrangement by Yoon Jae Lee of Mendelssohn's beloved "Octet." The Performing Arts Center at Purchase College, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. 3 p.m. \$30 to \$97. Students 17 years

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## Tuesday, Feb. 9

**Tuesdays at Dorry's.** This week's presentation will be given by Hasan Arslan, Assistant Professor, Criminal Justice and Security Department, Pace University, Pleasantville. Dr. Arslan returns to discuss another topic with us in an interactive discussion on issues concerning violence in our communities and our world. Tuesdays @ Dorry's gathers "conversation partners" weekly for informal table talk. There is no charge. Just come and order your food from Sylvia and enjoy the discussion and the company. Food ordering begins at 5:30 p.m. Presentation and discussion 6 to 7 p.m. Dorry's Diner, 468 Mamaroneck Avenue, White Plains; 914-682-0005.

## Rescheduled Events:

**LWWV Healthcare Discussion.** The League of Women Voters of Westchester presentation of the film "Fix It" Healthcare at the Tipping Point at White Plains Public Library was postponed from Sunday, Jan. 24 due to the snowstorm. The new date will be sometime in April. This new 55-minute film made from a businessman's perspective, takes an in-depth look into how our dysfunctional and inefficient healthcare system is damaging our economy, suffocating our businesses, discouraging physicians and negatively impacting the nation's health, while remaining un-affordable for a third our citizens. This is the first showing in this area. Discussion of the film will be facilitated by Assembly Woman Amy Paulin and Dr. Elizabeth Rosenthal, Physicians for a National Health.



## EXAMINER SPORTS

# Layne Burns Woodlands with Seven Three's in Tigers Blowout Win

By Albert Coqueran

It does not matter where the game is played, what time of the year, what the records are or which team is favored to win, when neighboring rivals White Plains High School and Woodlands High School play each other in basketball, the game always evolves into a staunch contest motivated by crowd infused enthusiasm.

It was not any different on Saturday, Jan. 30, when White Plains and Woodlands matched-up at Woodlands High School.



White Plains forward Braxton Gill (left) and Woodlands forward Kaellan Henderson tip-off another Tigers versus Falcons rivalry game at Woodlands High School on Saturday.

The Tigers stunned the Falcons by a margin of 31 points, beating them 80-49. But regardless of the lopsided score, the excitement in the Woodlands Gym resembled a vintage Tigers versus Falcons basketball battle.

Woodlands (7-7 overall, 4-0 Class B) is in First Place in Conference 3-B and is trying to follow-up on its achievements last season after winning the Class B Championship and making its first ever New York State Finals appearance in the school's history.

White Plains (8-7 overall, 2-3 AA) is trying to rebound from a lackluster, 5-15 record last season, while being ousted



Woodlands Head Coach Robert Murphy (left) and White Plains Head Coach Spencer Mayfield (right) are all smiles after acknowledging that they will be inducted together this year in the New York State Basketball Hall of Fame. But immediately after tip-off Saturday, they were back to trying to outwit one another on the basketball court, as they have done for over 20 years.



ALBERT COQUERAN PHOTOS

Tigers C. J. Layne talks things over with teammates Lamar Noel (left) and Tyleik Jackson (right) in the third quarter, before he hit five straight three-point shots. Layne had seven three-pointers in the game, as the Tigers stunned the Falcons, 80-49. The Tigers made a school-record 14 three-pointers in the game.

in the First Round of the Playoffs, after winning an Outbracket Game.

Nonetheless, all records and past feats and failures are meaningless when White Plains and Woodlands tip-off at center court. It is all about, which is the better team in our area on that given day and what team is going to give their respective fans the most thrills in that particular game. On Saturday, White Plains won both aforementioned categories.

It was quite apparent in the first half that the Tigers traveled across the Greenburgh border to prove to Woodlands and themselves that they could play defense. The Tigers seemed possessed, while guards Luis Cartagena, Mathieu Scott and Lamar Noel ran all over the court pressing, diving for loose balls and getting steals, while forwards Spencer Loads and Braxton Gill hammered the Falcons under the basket.

"The way White Plains played today, they took us out of the way we wanted to play, and that is what the game is all about," commented Falcons Head Coach Robert Murphy.

The first quarter, for the most part, was uneventful on offense for both teams and ended with the Tigers ahead 15-10. However, the Tigers offense started to intensify when Scott

went on a tear, while scoring eight points in the second quarter. At 2:41 of the second frame the Tigers led by 14 points, 32-18.

Nonetheless, when Tigers 6'-2" senior forward Gill, got loose on a fast break and jumped over the rim and dunked, the crowd wearing orange and black went crazy and the Tigers went up by 20 points, 38-18.

And as the first half belonged to the vigorous Tigers defense and on offense to Cartagena with 14 points and Scott with eight points; the second half undoubtedly belonged to Tigers' C.J. Layne.

Layne ran the baseline losing his defenders as Cartagena got him the ball behind the arc. Layne hit three three-point shots in a little over two minutes. And when he hit his third three-pointer from 25 feet at the buzzer to end the third quarter, the White Plains fans erupted with enthusiasm as the Tigers led, 59-32.

Layne started the fourth quarter as he ended the third, getting the pass and hitting three-point shots. Every time the ball left his hand, the White Plains fans jumped to their feet in anticipation. Layne hit five straight three-point shots in the second half and sank seven in the game. "My team was getting me the ball in the

right position and everything was falling," said Layne, who totaled a game-high 24 points. "This game made us closer as a team, we played like a legit team today." "Oh man, after C. J. hit his first couple of three pointers, I knew he was going to erupt, so I and the team just tried to find him more and he got good results," commented Cartagena, who netted 22 points of his own.

"Like I tell my team every day, they can beat any team but they could also lose to any team. But if we play the right way, I like our chances against most teams," said Mayfield.

What made this local rivalry game even more interesting is that both teams' Head Coaches are being inducted as part of the 2016 Class of the New York State Basketball Hall of Fame, on March 13, in Glenn Falls, New York.

Falcons Head Coach Murphy is also renowned for his longtime tenure as the former Head Basketball Coach at Poughkeepsie High School. Murphy has accumulated over 320 career-victories coaching in NYS, with League and



White Plains forward Spencer Lodes (right) rejects a shot attempt by Woodlands Kaellan Henderson in the third quarter of the Tigers blowout win over the Falcons, 80-49.

Sectional Titles credited on his resume.

Last season, Murphy led Woodlands to their first ever NYS Finals in the history of the school. "I have just been blessed to have some outstanding teams not just here at Woodlands but also at Poughkeepsie High School," Murphy said.

Tigers Head Coach Spencer Mayfield is being rewarded for his 22 years coaching in New York State with over 340 career-victories, including eight League Titles, two Sectional Crowns and two NYS Championships. "I have had a lot great players in White Plains and many good assistant coaches, teachers and administrators and this is for all of them," acknowledged Mayfield.

# ..... EXAMINER SPORTS ..... Stepinac's White Plains Campus to Host Next Level Camp for Boys

Boys entering grades one through nine will have a flexible new option for day camp in 2016, when the Next Level Camp for Boys opens at Archbishop Stepinac High School in White Plains, New York. The "brother camp" of Next Level Camp for Girls, which empowered more than 250 girls in its inaugural year last summer, Next Level allows boys to attend full or half-day sessions for one or more consecutive or non-consecutive weeks from June 27 through August 5, 2016. Both camps offer weekly sports,

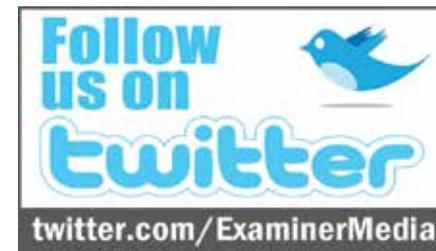
academics, arts and camper-choice electives, with a focus on building character and confidence.

Ed Metzendorf, founder and director of Next Level Camps, says that after growing up at summer camp and working in camp-related businesses for nearly two decades, he was inspired to create gender-specific day camps that would empower children, while meeting the scheduling needs of today's busy families. Testing the concept with the launch of the girls' camp in 2015, he found that parents appreciated the very flexible scheduling options for a skill-based camp program that blends team and individual sports, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) projects and unique activities. Next Level also partners with My Remarkable Self to teach leadership and life skills that help make children socially, academically and emotionally successful, and promote friendship, communication and cooperation.

"At Next Level Camps, it's easy for campers to come for a week or more, leave for vacation, and come back to camp for one or more weeks. We customize campers' schedules to meet their interests and needs, and our single-gender camps allow children to develop self-confidence,

try new things and advance their skills without the fear of being judged by the opposite sex. Our camp counselors are well-trained teachers, parents, and collegiate and high school coaches and athletes who are excellent role models, and who encourage campers of all abilities to explore their interests in a safe environment, with primary emphasis on sportsmanship and skills, playing with pride and playing for fun," says Metzendorf.

Next Level offers many registration options, Metzendorf encourages parents to visit [www.nextlevelboyscamp.com](http://www.nextlevelboyscamp.com) for more information.



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