



## Veterans Take Off from Westchester on 16th Honor Flight

Sixty-nine veterans took off from Westchester County Airport Saturday, on the 16th Hudson Valley Honor Flight. The veterans were embarking on a day trip to see the monuments to their respective wars in Washington, D.C. Aboard the Honor Flight were 42 World War II Veterans and 27 Korean War Veterans. Among the veterans was a member of the legendary Flying Tigers, as well as a man who witnessed the raising of the U.S. Flag on Iwo Jima from the base of Mount Suribachi. One of the Korean War veterans was a Holocaust survivor who fled the Nazis at the age of 19, and was drafted into service after settling in the United States. There were also veterans of multiple wars in attendance, including a man who served in both Korea and Viet Nam. The veterans arrived at the departure ceremony with a police escort, where they were greeted by County Executive Rob Astorino and a crowd of hundreds. "It is an honor to live in the greatest nation on earth, which you served with such valor so many years ago," said Astorino to the veterans. "As far as we're concerned, you and your buddies are the heroes who literally saved the world." The flight, an Airbus A-320, departed at approximately 8 a.m.



## Greenburgh Considering Utility Pole Replacement Law

The Town of Greenburgh is considering a new law that would fine utility companies for not removing damaged utility poles in a timely fashion.

"Have you seen a utility pole near your home that looks damaged? Has the utility company delayed the removal of the pole or placed another pole next to the damaged one, creating an obstruction? Should the utility company be required to promptly remove the double poles from such areas?" asks Town Supervisor Paul Feiner. The Greenburgh Town Board is planning to take action and has scheduled a hearing for Wednesday, May 24, 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall to discuss the problem.

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## Recycling of Residential Food Scraps Gets Growing Attention

Early this year the village of Scarsdale became the first community in Westchester to accept resident food scraps for recycling at no charge. A drop off location was established at the Scarsdale recycling center.

Greenburgh Town Supervisor Paul Feiner wants to get something similar started in the Town of Greenburgh and is working with the Greenburgh Nature Center to make a plan.

"Food scraps account for approximately 15% of municipal solid waste, with composting such organic materials being an important waste reduction strategy. The Edgemont and Hastings on Hudson school districts are currently teaching students how to turn food into

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PHOTO COURTESY OF MARGARET GOLDBERG, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, GREENBURGH NATURE CENTER. Recycling food products at the Scarsdale recycling center.

## White Plains Schools 2016-17 Budget Easily Passes

By Pat Casey

The White Plains 2017-18 School Budget passed last week with an 86.5% Yes margin. The unofficial tally as the polls closed on the evening of May 16 was 833 Yes to 130 No votes.

Board Candidate Rosemarie Eller received 838 votes; Randy Stein received 815 votes. Both ran unopposed for three-year terms ending July 2020.

Dr. Randy Stein was elected to the Board of Education in 2008 and has lived in White Plains since 1985. Her three children are graduates of White Plains High School.

Dr. Stein graduated from SUNY/Albany and Albert Einstein College of Medicine. An endocrinologist, she has practiced medicine in White Plains for 31

years and is on the staff of White Plains Hospital Center. She is a partner in the WestMed medical group.

Dr. Stein serves on the Board's Finance/Audit and Human Resources Committees.

Rosemarie Eller has been a member of the Board of Education since 2005 and is currently President of the Board. She has two children who have attended White Plains Schools.

Very active in the community, Ms. Eller has been President of the Education Club of Mt. Hope A.M.E. Zion Church and a Sunday School teacher there; a past member of the Board of Directors of Happy Harbor Child Care Center, and a recipient of a Certificate of Recognition

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compost. It's successful. The time has come for adults to follow the lead of some students and to start recycling food," Feiner said in a recent email.

"We will be working with the Greenburgh Nature Center trying to come up with a plan to implement a similar program. Once implemented, Greenburgh residents will be able to drop off food waste at a food composting

location in town. We are currently reviewing possible locations, and have invited representatives of Scarsdale's committee to meet with the Town Board and community and to explain their successful program," Feiner continued.

He invites residents to contact him at pfeiner@greenburghny.com if they want to help out. He'd like to implement the initiative this year.

## White Plains Schools 2016-17 Budget Easily Passes

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for development of youth from the White Plains Youth Bureau.

A graduate of Adelphi University, Ms. Eller is an Associate Director at Pfizer Inc.

Currently Mrs. Eller serves on the Board's Finance/Audit, Policy and Human Resources Committees. She also represents the Board on the White Plains Youth Bureau.

The White Plains School Budget for 2017-18 is \$214,135,854 with \$24,324,849 State and Federal Aid, and \$12,912,182 other revenues, resulting in a tax levy of \$176,898,823, and a 1.75% increase in the tax rate. White Plains property owners will pay approx. \$177.44 more in taxes going to the schools.

The 2017-18 School Budget is up \$5.4 million or 2.58% over last year.

## Greenburgh Considering Utility Pole Replacement Law

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A new law would allow the Town of Greenburgh to determine that when a utility pole on a town highway, street, road or right-of-way is damaged or otherwise poses a potential threat to public safety, the utility company would have 15 days or a shorter reasonable time period as may be necessary to protect the public safety to repair, replace or remove the damaged pole. The Town would provide written notice to the public utility.

Further, when a public utility installs a pole directly next to or in close proximity to another utility pole, written notice to all other public utilities would be made within 30 days of installation. Those utilities maintaining a plant on the existing pole would have 90 days to move their services to the newly installed pole.

The damaged pole would then be removed within 120 days after installation of the new pole.

The fine for a first offense would be \$1,000.

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# Westchester IDA Backs Conversion of Former AT&T Headquarters

The Westchester Industrial Development Agency (IDA) has approved an inducement resolution for the residential conversion of the former AT&T headquarters at 440 Hamilton Avenue in White Plains.

The IDA inducement approval will make possible the estimated \$87 million purchase, renovation, and expansion

completely vacant by 2018.

The 350,000 square-foot building, which sits on three acres, will be expanded by approximately 20,000 feet, and 10 percent of the new housing stock will be set aside as affordable housing under White Plains ordinance.

The conversion of 440 Hamilton Avenue is expected to create 214 new construction jobs initially, and dozens of permanent jobs for building employees, local retail workers, various professionals, and suppliers. At least 80 percent of manual workers on the project will be hired from within Westchester, according to the developer. It will also provide a substantial capital investment in upgrading the aging facility and a substantial increase in the property tax base going forward.

Aaron Wexler, one

of the former, windowless AT&T headquarters in White Plains into a state-of-the-art, 245 unit residential facility scheduled to open in early 2019. The structure is currently a 12-story, mostly vacant office building expected to be

of the members of American Equity Partners I, LLC, the new owner of 440 Hamilton Avenue said he was pleased with the efforts of the City of White Plains for its efficient processing of the site plan approval for the adaptive re-use and re-

purposing of the building. "Our proposed 245 apartment units, along with a small market and coffee shop, at this important intersection in White Plains will certainly be a contributor to the vitality of the Hamilton Avenue corridor. We are now

looking forward to working cooperatively with the Westchester County IDA, because the economic incentives and benefits that can be provided will unquestionably help facilitate the viability of this project," Wexler said.



Architect's rendering of what the tallest portion of the residential building at 440 Hamilton Ave. will look like after renovation.

## WCA's Advocacy Breakfast Speaker Highlights Implicit Bias



Dr. Walter Gilliam (center) who authored the 2016 study, "Implicit Bias in Preschool," delivered the Kathryn Wasserman Davis Child Advocacy Lecture at Westchester Children's Association annual Advocacy Breakfast last month. The breakfast drew over 150 advocates, educators, parents and supporters of Westchester's children. Pictured with Dr. Gilliam are WCA staff (l-r): Denise Killeen, Maureen Natkin (rear), Betsy Steward, Dr. Gilliam, Cora Greenberg (rear), Allison Lake, Erica Ayala, and Limarie Cabrera.

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# White Plains High School Centennial Photographs on Display at City Hall

In 2016 White Plains celebrated the 100th anniversary of its incorporation as a city. This special year was kicked off by distributing 100th anniversary party hats and noisemakers at the city's annual downtown New Year's Eve celebration. In the spring, Downtown Music at Grace Church held a classical music concert in honor of the city's Centennial that featured two White Plains graduates who have gone on to become internationally acclaimed musicians. In May, the White Plains Historical Society hosted a Centennial Ball at the White Plains

Women's Club.

The city and the White Plains Historical Society hosted "Colonial Day" in Tibbits Park in June of last year, which showcased life in Colonial White Plains and featured a reading of the Declaration of Independence by Master Storyteller Jonathan Kruk. Mr. Kruk re-created an important event in the history of the city: The first public reading of the Declaration of Independence in New York State, which occurred in White Plains. The Recreation & Parks Department and the City Clerk together developed three historic walking

loops which highlight the City's history.

Last fall the city worked with the White Plains School District to engage the current 4th graders to write a letter to 4th graders living in White Plains 100 years in the future. Over 100 letters were received. These were displayed at the Library and then placed in a time capsule.

The final Centennial project also involved the School District. This time White Plains High School photography teacher Dana Quigley worked with her Intermediate Photography students to document White Plains as it looks

today. These photos will be donated to the City Archive. The City Historian has photographs and drawings of White Plains at various points in its history. This project has created a cache of 2016 photos for future generations to study and enjoy. The photographs are now on display in the City Hall Rotunda at 255 Main St.

The student photographers who volunteered for this project are Gabrielle Brand, Ethan Halpern, Lowell Klipstein, Betzabe Lopez, Brandon Munnillal, Luis Palacios, and Isaiah Russell.



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## White Plains to Recognize Veterans with Personalized Flags of Honor

The American flag is a symbol of the country's freedom and the bravery of all who have defended the nation throughout history.

As a tribute to veterans, past and present, the City of White Plains created an assemblage of American flags along Main Street. The following individuals, families and/or businesses proudly sponsored a flag in honor of a veteran who has served or is presently serving our country.

American Legion Post #135 is honoring Charles Mitchell, U.S. Army, Vietnam War; Michael Boggi III is honoring Michael Boggi, Jr. U.S. Navy; James M. Bradley, Public Safety Deputy Commissioner is honoring Victor J. Bradley, U.S. Navy; Michael Kevin Duffy is honoring Cpl. Hubert T. Duffy, U.S.M.C., Bronze Star, WWII, Matthew Duffy, U.S. Army, WWI, and Sgt. Matthew G. Duffy, U.S. Army Air Force, Bronze Star, WWII, and SP4 Robert G. Duffy, Vietnam War; Rick Hope, Public Works Commissioner is honoring Thomas Hope, U.S. Army, Vietnam War; John Martin Common Councilman is honoring John M. Martin, U.S. Navy and Christopher De Simone, U.S. Marine Corp.; Anne McPherson, City Clerk is honoring Edward Dunphy, U.S. Army and William Sommer, U.S. Army;



Stefania Migone, Public Works Deputy Commissioner is honoring Pierino Vincent Iannace, U.S. Army, Korean War; David P. Miller is honoring Stanley Donald Miller, U.S. Army and Vincent Parys, U.S. Army, Vietnam War; Jeanne Milano Rice is honoring Lt. Colonel Otto J. Milano, U.S. Marines, Desert Storm; Mayor Thomas M. Roach is honoring Petty Officer Thomas M. Roach, U.S. Navy Naval Aviation VP-6; Reverend, Tyrone H. Robinson is honoring Corporal Harrison Robinson, U.S. Army, Korean War; James and Timothy Ryan are honoring James J. Ryan, U.S. Army, WWII; Dr. and Mrs. Richard Sanchez are honoring Captain Michael A. Sanchez, U.S. Army, Iraq; White Plains Central School District (WPCSD) Facilities Dept. is honoring All Service Men & Women; White Plains Jewish War Veterans Post # 191 is honoring All Veterans.

## White Plains Memorial Day 5K Run/Walk and Parade

The City of White Plains will hold its inaugural America the Beautiful - Memorial Day 5K Run/Walk on Monday, May 29. The 5K will be immediately followed by the City's annual Memorial Day Parade.

The 5K is open to all. Participants can pre-register at [wpbid.com/5krunwalk](http://wpbid.com/5krunwalk) or sign up on-site on the day of the event at City Hall Parking Lot, 255 Main Street, White Plains. 5K race fees are \$30 by May 24 or \$40 on-site the day of event. The run /walk will begin at 8:15 a.m.

A portion of the proceeds from the 5K will benefit the Veterans Administration Hospital -Montrose. The City of White Plains would like to acknowledge and thank race sponsors: White Plains Hospital, The North Face, and White Plains Business Improvement District (BID).

In addition, timing for the event will be provided by long-time White Plains business owner Andy Kimmerling of Westchester Road Runner located at 179 East Post Road.

The White Plains Memorial Day Parade



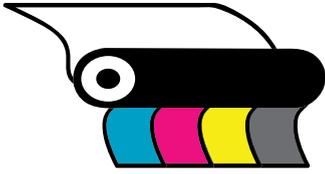
The White Plains Rural Cemetery will be the site of White Plains Memorial Day ceremony where many local war heroes have been buried.

will begin on Church Street and continue onto North Broadway. The parade will be followed by a memorial ceremony at the White Plains Rural Cemetery on North Broadway. Parade start time is 10 a.m.

The City of White Plains has been selected to host active duty service men and women visiting New York City celebrating Fleet Week. We are honored to have them, as well as our area veterans' organizations, march in our Memorial Day Parade.

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# Fordham Westchester to Hold Summer Veterans Writing Workshop

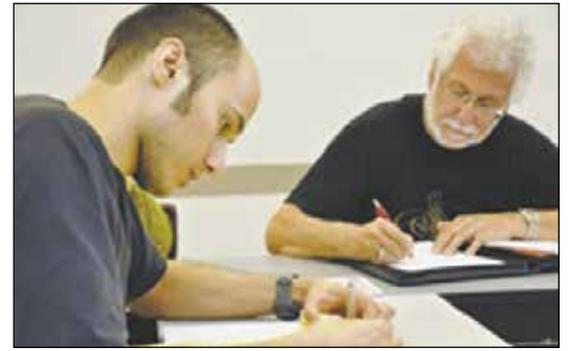
Fordham University has announced that registration is open for the summer session of the Veterans Writing Workshop, which is available at the University's Westchester campus in West Harrison.

The workshop, sponsored by the Fordham Veterans Initiative, is open to all United States veterans and active duty service members free of charge, and takes place over 10 consecutive weeks

beginning on Tuesday, June 6. All classes will take place from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., and will include writing, positive feedback and supportive fellowship. Classes will also be offered at Fordham's Lincoln Center campus beginning Thursday, June 8.

Open to veterans of all writing levels and military experience, the workshop asks, "What's your story?" Program participants meet for two-hour sessions each week where they will be given the tools and confidence to bring their stories to life through writing exercises and feedback from instructors and classmates. The workshop culminates with the publication of "Afterwords," an anthology comprised of works created in the class. Participating veterans will also celebrate their written works with public readings and events throughout the community.

The Veterans Writing Workshop was created in the spring of 2010 by instructor David Surface, who has 20 years of experience teaching writing to all age groups through schools, adult education programs and social service organizations. The workshop at Fordham Westchester has produced an installment of the "Afterwords" anthology annually



Fordham University will host the summer session of the Veterans Writing Workshop beginning June 6 at the University's West Harrison campus.

since 2013.

"We have found that one of the best, and easiest, ways to ensure that veterans feel appreciated, valued and understood is by helping them tell their stories – and making sure those stories are heard," said Surface. "Fordham has been a wonderful partner because they share our mission of helping veterans tell their stories. We're looking forward to another wonderful session this summer."

For more information and to register for the Veterans Writing Workshop summer session, visit [www.veteranswritingworkshop.org](http://www.veteranswritingworkshop.org) and click "register" or e-mail [info@veteranswritingworkshop.org](mailto:info@veteranswritingworkshop.org) or call 866-933-7780.

## Congresswoman Recognizes 16 Local Students Nominated to US Service Academies



Congresswoman Nita Lowey (D-Harrison), last week honored at her annual Service Academy Recognition Ceremony the 16 students from Westchester she nominated last December for admission to the nation's service academies – U.S. Air Force Academy, U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, U.S. Military Academy (West Point), and U.S. Naval Academy. Pictured here (L-R): Connor Gates, Margot Butler, Alexander Piedra, Noah Cohen, Congresswoman Lowey, Mary Punzalan, Kevin Moore, Bill Pereira (Service Academy Review Board member), John Nonna (Service Academy Review Board Chair).

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## Obituaries

### Maria F. Madera

Maria Madera (Bottino) 97, from White Plains, passed away peacefully in her home on May 18. Marie was born in Bisignano Italy on April 17, 1920 to Teresa Corliolano and Joseph Bottino. She came to the United States in 1932 with her sister Antoinette Pisa (deceased) to join their father and start a new life here in America. She married Michael Madera (deceased) on December 30, 1945 in White Plains at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church.

Family gave her the most joy. She was a member of the Columbiettes and enjoyed running the Italian Ice Booth at the OLMC Festa for many years.

Marie is survived by her six children, Michael (Fran) Madera, Rose Marie (Dan) Gizzo, Joseph (Brenda) Madera, Donald (Cathy) Madera, David (Debbie) Madera, and Teresa (Dave) Dawson. She is also survived by her three sisters-in-law, Dolly Davis, Grace Frawley, and Mary Pointer-Trout. She leaves behind 15 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren along with many nieces and nephews.

Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated Tuesday, May 23 at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, White Plains.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105, [rwww.stjude.org/donate](http://rwww.stjude.org/donate); or Jansen Hospice, 670 White Plains Rd. Suite 213, Scarsdale, NY 10583.

### Carmela Rocco

Carmela V. Rocco, a West Harrison resident, passed away May 16. She was 97. Carmela was born July 19, 1919 in Mt.

Kisco to Felix Anthony and Philomena (Loungo) DeLaura.

In October 1938 Carmela married her husband Daniel D. Rocco in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church in White Plains. He predeceased her in 1985.

Carmela is survived by her six children, eight grandchildren, and 14 great grandchildren. Besides her husband, Daniel, Carmela is predeceased by five brothers and four sisters.

### Elinor Merritt

Elinor Lorraine Merritt passed away peacefully at the age of 104 at her home in White Plains. She was born on September 23, 1912 to the late William and Emily Gruenwald. She was the sister of the late Juliet Kaplan.

Elinor graduated from Ossining High School and Packard Business School.

She is survived by her cherished family: daughter-Diane Merritt; daughter and son-in-law Linda and John Loeber; son and daughter-in-law Ronald and Nancy Merritt; daughter and son-in-law Marcia and Joseph Buono. Her two nieces from her sister: Kendra Friedrich and Sharman Faillaci.

Elinor is the loving Grandmother of 12: Kenneth Loeber, Keith Loeber, Scott Loeber, Kimberly Lawrence, Terrence Loeber, Russell Loeber, Victoria DiLorenzo, Jason Merritt, Shawn Merritt, Scott Merritt, Jennifer Buono and Christa Frye.

She is the Great Grandmother of 18: Scott Loeber II, Jordan, Zachary and Cassidy Lawrence, Dorian, Sadie and Farrah Loeber, Nolan and Ryan DiLorenzo, Johanna and Charles Loeber,

Addison and Evan Merritt, Raylyn, Scarlett and Savanna Merritt, Thomas and Jacob Frye.

She is also the Aunt and Grand-aunt of many nieces and nephews in the area.

Elinor worked for a law firm in White Plains and then worked for many years at the General Foods Corporation also in White Plains. After she retired, she gave tours at General Foods in Purchase.

She loved her large family and her many pets. She enjoyed traveling, spending time at the ocean, swimming, dancing, playing bridge, oil painting, horseback riding, cooking and playing tennis. We think her secret to her long life was her glass of milk with a bar of chocolate every night before bed, (smile, she's still with us).

In lieu of flowers, donations to the animal shelters or Pet Rescue of NY ([www.ny-petrescue.org](http://www.ny-petrescue.org)) would be appreciated.

A celebration of her life will be held at a later date.

"Mom worked so hard for her family. She made sure we had everything we needed. So, thank you mom for everything and especially the greatest gift of all, loving us."

### John Sherlock

John J. Sherlock, 94, of White Plains and Somers, died May 14. He was born January 14, 1923 in White Plains to John J. and Catherine Sherlock. On February 3, 1951 John married Angela (Viola), who has predeceased him. He was educated at St. John's Elementary School and graduated from White Plains High School (Class of 1940). John attended Iona, Fordam, and Hamilton College before graduating Syracuse Law School. He proudly served in the U.S. Army Air Corps/Signal Corps

for three years. John worked as an attorney for 30 years in the NYS Court System. He was also an Adjunct Professor of Criminal Law for 20 years, and worked in private practice for 55 years.

John was a member of the Union Hook and Ladder White Plains Volunteer Fire Department for over 50 years. He was one of the founders of The Bernies Football program, which he enjoyed coaching for many years. John and his family spent many summers in Harvey Cedars, NJ where wonderful memories were made.

John, forever and most importantly, was the family man. He will be remembered for his insight of the law and as a friend and confidant to all who knew him. His wisdom will be forever cherished.

John is survived by his children: Tara Sherlock of Mt. Vernon, John J. Sherlock of Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, Caitlin Hall of Mt. Kisco, Robert Sherlock of Riverhead, NY, and Matt Sherlock (Heidi) of Westminster, MD. He is also survived by five grandchildren: Hannah, Marian, Matthew, and Erin Sherlock, and Jillian Parry-Davis (Jason), his great-grandchild Violet Marie Davis, and his niece Ret. Lt. Commander Barbara Sherlock and her children Courtney and Ilana Sherlock-Black of Center Hall, PA.

A visiting will take place Wednesday 4-8PM, with a Mass of Christian Burial Thursday 11:00AM at St. Bernard's Church in White Plains. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to The Bernies Football Program at 69 Heatherbloom Rd. White Plains, NY 10605.



## Speed Cameras Near Schools Should Be Allowed in Westchester

Legislation being pushed by New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio in Albany and introduced in the New York State Senate and Assembly, would increase the number of speed cameras in school zones from 140 cameras to 750; a great idea. The legislation, if approved would allow cameras to be installed up to a half

mile away from school entrances. The current limit in NYC is a quarter mile. The cameras would be operational seven days a week from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. And the city would be required to install signs within 300 feet of a camera alerting drivers that the devices are in use.

This legislation could save lives. It's a

no brainer. Only one problem with the bill: It only applies to NYC. Suburban communities like Greenburgh can't implement this safety initiative near crosswalks going to area schools.

In recent months I have received many complaints about speeding near schools from parents and children who worry about safety. The town has been building more sidewalks near schools, but it will take many years and millions of dollars to

make our town a truly pedestrian friendly community.

Why should the lives of children in NYC be treated differently from the lives of children who cross the street in Westchester? Speed cameras should be authorized near schools throughout the state.

I would welcome your efforts to lobby state lawmakers to adopt this legislation.

—Paul Feiner,

Greenburgh Town Supervisor

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# Proposed Updates to SEQRA and What They Mean



By Seth  
Mandelbaum

More than 40 years have passed since New York implemented the State Environmental Quality Review Act, commonly known as SEQRA. The State Legislature enacted this sweeping law in 1975 to “establish a process to systematically consider environmental factors early in the planning stages of actions that are directly undertaken, funded or approved by local, regional and state agencies.” The State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) then promulgated the SEQRA regulations.

Over the years, SEQRA has become

the major component of the planning and zoning process across the state. Unfortunately, the regulations, which were last updated in 1996, are frequently used by opponents and/or municipalities to delay or defeat development projects that they oppose. While this is done in many ways, the most common are to require endless “studies” to continually request additional information before deeming a SEQRA document to be complete or ready for a public hearing, and to keep public hearings open month after month.

This year, DEC has proposed additional amendments to the SEQRA regulations with the stated goal of streamlining the process without sacrificing meaningful environmental review. It is anticipated that the amendments will be adopted.

According to the DEC, the proposed changes are modest in nature and are not intended to alter the basic structure of an environmental review.

They include:

- Expanding the number of actions not subject to further review. Known as “Type 2 actions,” these are projects that the DEC has deemed have no significant environmental impacts. In addition to existing Type 2 actions such as repair and maintenance of existing structures, facilities and roads, construction of one, two or three-family residences, and

license, lease and permit renewals, the DEC proposes adding additional actions including installation of cellular antennas on non-historic listed structures, installation of small solar energy arrays, minor subdivisions of four or fewer lots, and adaptive reuse of previously disturbed sites meeting certain criteria.

- Modifying certain thresholds for actions deemed more likely to require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (known as “Type 1 actions”), by reducing the number of residential units and parking counts that trigger Type 1 designation.

- Making “scoping” of Draft Environmental Impact Statements (DEIS) mandatory. By requiring that every DEIS have a “scope”, which essentially is an outline of the relevant potential environmental issues to be studied in detail, DEC’s intent is to weed out irrelevant or minor issues, making the process more efficient and focused.

- Making the acceptance procedures for DEISs more predictable by better defining the criteria under which the agency reviewing a DEIS must deem the document complete for the purposes of commencing the required public hearings. This will give applicants greater certainty in the process, and will give municipalities and agencies reviewing the DEIS more guidance in determining that the document is ready for a public

hearing.

It is a positive development that DEC is updating the SEQR regulations in order to streamline the process, while encouraging the development alternative energy, green infrastructure and affordable housing, and continuing to identify and mitigate potentially significant environmental impacts in a fair, efficient framework. However, the DEC should consider several additional amendments to the SEQRA regulations in order to further these goals while facilitating meaningful and fair environmental review processes.

Specifically, the lack of an enforcement mechanism for the failure to comply with the timeframes set forth in the SEQRA regulations will render them meaningless in actual practice. This lack of certainty is one of the biggest issues with the current implementation of the regulations and often leads to a lengthy and open-ended review process. If the DEC would consider additional provisions that make the process more certain (without being any less protective of the environment), for example, by imposing default acceptance of a DEIS after a certain number of days or requiring that the public hearing be closed after a specific time period, it would go a long way toward achieving the stated goals of the proposed amendments to the SEQRA regulations.

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# When a Couple Puts Asunder What God Hath Joined

Recently I received another one of those calls. A couple is in the process of getting a divorce and they want me to come and do a comparative market analysis on their home in preparation for its sale. Divorce, along with death, is one of the main catalysts in the sale of homes.

Depending on which statistics are to be believed, perhaps more than 50 percent of us today decide not to heed the Bible’s warning in Matthew that “what God hath joined together, let no man put asunder.”

When I got married at a young age, I knew intuitively that it would be “til death do us part.” And through years of developing into maturity, adaptation to each other’s changes, enduring disappointments and problems, as well as sharing the heights of great moments, indeed, the marriage has flourished and become more cherished each year.

But for those who have a different experience with marriage, a major element of divorce is the division of property, which frequently involves the sale of a jointly owned home. When a realtor is representing such a sale, in essence, she or he is working for both parties, and that can be an exercise in understanding and diplomacy, especially if the split is acrimonious.

If the former partners are no longer speaking to each other but conducting all business through their respective lawyers and their real estate agent, it can demand double duty in communications all around.

“The unfortunate thing is that you would expect that when a home is bought or sold, it would be an occasion for joy, because the people involved are either walking away with money or moving into a new house,” according to one lawyer to whom I spoke who specializes in real estate.

“But with a divorce it can be emotionally and financially draining on the couple and even beyond their control if there is a court order to get the house sold,” he continued, “and for the lawyers and realtor – there can be two different matrimonial and real estate lawyers involved – it also can be a real strain. The situation is negatively charged when you’re working with people who may have reached the lowest ebb they’re

likely ever to have in their lives.”

I’ve experienced one situation with a different kind of ending that gives me a great deal of pleasure to report here. It involves a couple who showed up at my real estate office some years ago unannounced and asked for me. Flatteringly enough, they said they had chosen me to list their home because, as readers of this column, they got to know me and trusted my judgment. Then they dropped the bomb that the sale of their home was necessary because they decided to get divorced.

I’m certainly no psychologist or divorce counselor, but in the course of a long conversation, it became apparent to me that they had enjoyed a solid marriage for many years, and I suspected that they were simply engaged in an argument and using the potential sale of the house as a pawn to get their feelings out with the help of an objective observer,

namely me.

Based on these gut feelings, all I could say was, “Wait a minute. Are you sure you really want to do this?” Both the wife and husband looked at me blankly, probably caught off-guard that they had encountered a realtor who was killing his chances of a deal. But they responded by both smiling and taking my advice to cool down, go home and discuss the situation further.

Bottom line, the couple is still together in the same home, we even became friends and they’ve never again mentioned divorce to me. It gives me a good feeling that, like most realtors, I am engaged in something more than just selling houses, but am of genuine service in helping guide people through transitions and some rough spots in life.

My handling of the situation lost me a sale, but it did fill my heart with gladness.

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By Bill Primavera

# Nature Decides to Display Her Power Over Man's Determination



By Nick Antonaccio

Modern man is at the top of his homo sapiens game.

Since we first stood upright, we have been subject to the constant whim and temperament of Mother Nature.

Throughout our evolutionary lifecycle, our efforts to master and control nature have come in fits and starts, with successes and failures coming in long waves of experimentation and fights for survival.

But in the last century, we have achieved more in advancing control over our

destinies than in all of the 50,000 years of humankind's modern behavioral history.

Yet, just as we are feeling increasingly immortal and omnipotent, just as we feel in total control over the natural order on earth, nature comes down on us with a vengeance to remind us who's in charge and how precarious our lives, and livelihoods, can be. The randomness of nature's forces, whether atmospheric conditions or biological mutations, keep us constantly on edge, as we take two steps forward and one step back in our campaign for dominance over nature.

We experience this conflict on many levels, both global and local. And since

this is a wine column, my focus tends to be as much wine-centric as human-centric.

The proliferation of bountiful and excellent wines has never been greater than in the early decades of the 21st century. I've come to expect continued progress, perhaps even dominance, over nature's influence in the vineyards.

Just as vineyard owners were feeling confident that they had mastered the tempestuousness of nature, along came stark reminders last month of its feckless disregard for man's attempts to conquer the vicissitudes of nature's dominance.

And not just one reminder, but two. Not just a statement, but a statement with

a bold exclamation point.

Over the span of several weeks numerous wine regions were assaulted by devastating frost and/or debilitating hailstorms.

In the quiet of a late spring morning, with grapevines coming out of their winter hibernation and bursting with the early flowers that produce the rich, robust grapes of a successful harvest, French vineyard owners awoke to an abnormally late frost. Crops were lost all across France.

Nature has a particularly malevolent attitude toward the Burgundy region of France. Not just wielding its might by casting freezing temperatures into the midst of bucolic vineyards, but by emphasizing its omnipotence by hurling giant nuggets of hail onto nascent grapes struggling to survive. This was the second consecutive year of hailstorm devastation, dealing a particularly heavy financial burden on grape growers whose fortunes rise and fall with the weather.

The fickle hand of nature can be excruciatingly discriminatory, not isolated to specific wine regions such as Burgundy, but singling out small swaths of vineyards across France. Just as location and weather patterns are key factors in the success of one vineyard over another, so too can they be a detriment. Valley-based grapevines tend to enjoy early morning fog, which enhances the maturity and sugar content of developing grapes – except when that fog and mist succumb to frost, which kills young buds or grapes. Grapevines grown at a higher elevation may not be as fruit forward; however, they are less susceptible to damaging frosts.

Many wine regions suffered the indignity of bruises, lacerations and destruction. In addition to Burgundy, vineyards in the French regions of Bordeaux, the Loire Valley, Champagne, Languedoc and Alsace will likely suffer crop losses of 20 to 50 percent. In neighboring Italy, similar calamities and devastation struck in low-lying vineyards in Tuscany, Piedmont, Veneto and Lombardy.

Are these meteorological phenomena a sign of a permanent decline in future wine production? Have they established a new paradigm for grape growers, winemakers and consumers? Perhaps, but let's look at the season to date across the Atlantic. My, my, what a difference longitude can make. In the United States, nature has been smiling upon vineyards. Seasonal variations have been mild, portending another exceptional crop in 2017.

Man and nature. Adversarial conflict? Peaceful coexistence? As long as our relationship continues to be two steps forward, we can cope with one step back.

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or corporations, if any having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises described in the complaint; Defendants.

To the above named Defendants **YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED** to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the Plaintiff's Attorney within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York) in the event the United States of America is made a party defendant, the time to answer for the said United States of America shall not expire until (60) days after service of the Summons; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

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## The Latest Foodie Fare Around the County



By Morris Gut

### Savor Opens at the Westchester

Simon, operator of The Westchester Mall on Bloomingdale Road in White Plains, has premiered a newly designed eclectic food court on the 4th floor. It is not totally complete,

but right now you can take a break from shopping at Bluestone Lane, an Australian-inspired coffee bar; Winston's New York, a burger joint featuring a signature 'PB & B



Happy Hour Crudités at Le Sirene, Larchmont.

Burger, topped with Applewood smoked bacon and peanut butter; and Mighty Quinn's BBQ, out of New York City. Yet to open are Tomato & Co. Neapolitan Pizzeria, Hai Street Kitchen & Co., and Juice Generation.

Personally, I am a big fan of Mighty



Chocolate Torte at Ernie's Wine Bar, Bronxville.

Quinn's in Manhattan's East Village. Pit Master Hugh Magnum, who hails from Houston, does one of the best BBQs in the City. And I might just want to try one of Winston's PB&B burgers. Owner Craig Koenig also offers vegetarian options. Once Tomato & Co. opens I will be tempted by their garlic knots and truffle cheese bread. Hai Street Kitchen is a fresh, urban Japanese concept out of Philly and serves a unique Sushi Burrito.

There is plenty of seating including a new seasonal outdoor patio with fireplace. Children will have their own play area, and there is also a high-tech media lounge for adults. There will be a live entertainment schedule, too. Apparently, Savor will stay open until 9 p.m. daily. For further info: [www.simon.com/savorthewestchester](http://www.simon.com/savorthewestchester).

### The Banh Mi Shop Opens in White Plains

The food buzz surrounding this new Vietnamese eatery claiming a space on Mamaroneck Ave., near the corner of E. Post Road, White Plains began over a year ago. The anticipation almost grew into a roar once the new signage went up. And yet, another few months would go by without a whisper of opening. Then driving by one early April evening, I noticed the doors had finally been opened by proprietor Len Dang. The long wait was over. The foodie public had been clamoring for another Vietnamese restaurant for a long time.

I had to try it. My first meal was one of their Original Banh Mi sandwiches, crispy baguette layered with Vietnamese ham, roasted ground pork, cucumber, cilantro, spicy mayo and pickled vegetables. I ordered a side of roasted Brussels sprouts with lemongrass and garlic. Both items were served in light cardboard brown containers. I want to tell you folks, the sandwich and the sprouts were delicious! I kept thinking about those Brussels sprouts all week.

While eating, I spoke with amiable Mr. Deng who confided he was happy to open in White Plains. About his menu? He added that while keeping to tradition, he was taking a more modern approach to his cuisine. On my next visit, I have to try the Pho, one of the Vietnamese big bowl noodle soups.

The Banh Mi Shop is located at 148 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains. They are open seven days a week. Some seating inside. Take-out. Catering. Local delivery. Phone: 914-686-6888. Website under construction at this writing.

### Ernie's Wine Bar, Bronxville for Great Eats and Music

In recent months, I have been impressed with the great food, fine wines and hospitality I have encountered at cozy Ernie's Wine Bar & Eats in Bronxville. Current

proprietors Luisanna, an excellent home cook, and her husband Frank Scalera, a dentist by profession, had been customers when Ernie's first was opened by founder Philip Hedger in 2013. They bought the place last year when Mr. Hedger decided to go back to England. Ever since then, they have been adding their own signature to the convivial atmosphere and daily bill-of-fare.

Out of Ernie's tiny kitchen come laudatory renditions of American/Global dishes bursting with flavor. Oenophiles, take note. The carefully selected wines served here, many from small-batch independent producers, can be heavenly. It is a wonderful place to unwind, take in some music on special nights, and indulge. The small bar is great for networking, too.

Recent food tastings here have included Luisanna's amazing polpettina meatballs, cheese and charcuterie platter, Duck Wontons, Duck Confit, Mushroom and Pea Risotto, and Baked Cod with Vierge Sauce. For dessert, Ernie's decadent Chocolate Torte with its nutty crust is a winner.

There is a live entertainment schedule featuring jazz and folk music and occasional poetry readings. You can sign up for updates.

Ernie's Wine Bar & Eats is located at 7 Pondfield Road, Bronxville, across from Metro North. The restaurant is open for dinner Monday through Saturday. Hours: 4:30 p.m. to midnight. Happy Hours: Monday through Thursday: 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Open Sundays for private events. Private wine room for parties up to 12. Municipal parking; free after 7 p.m. Phone: 914-652-7859. [www.ernieswinebar.com](http://www.ernieswinebar.com).

### Tasty Happy Hours at La Sirene, Larchmont

When the Bruno family opened Le Sirene on Palmer Ave. in Larchmont about two years ago, they brought a distinct sense of casual-chic along with them. The Salerno-bred family also operates Sestina, San Pietro and Caravaggio in Manhattan. Brother Cosimo Bruno is usually at the helm in Larchmont. And as a special hint: I must tell you that Le Sirene's Executive Chef Alberto Pepe is, to my palate, one of the best Italian cooks in the county.

After a long hiatus, I dropped in for their



Banh Mi Shop, White Plains.

Happy Hours and some live music in the bar/lounge. The place was popping. Nice crowd. Cosimo and his staff made sure a steady stream of complimentary appetizers were placed on the bar for everyone to indulge. There were tasty pizzas from the wood burning oven, lovely bowls of crudité in iced bowls with dipping sauce, shoestring-style fried zucchini, and what may be the best arancini (rice balls) I have ever tasted, crusty and creamy and cheesy inside.

Le Sirene holds its Happy Hours Tuesday through Thursday and Sundays from 5 p.m. There are live piano and vocals on Thursday evenings. Le Sirene, 1957 Palmer Ave., Larchmont. Open Tuesday through Sunday. Prix Fixe Lunch & Dinner menus available. Take-out and delivery. Major credit cards. Free parking. 914-834-8300. [www.lesirenorestorante.com](http://www.lesirenorestorante.com).

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## Tuesday, May 23

**Tuesdays at Dorry's.** This week's guest speaker Sheila Dauer will discuss Harms to Women's Rights, Justice and Reproductive Health since President Trump. Dauer was Director of Amnesty International USA's Women's Human Rights Program during the program's existence from October 1997 through December 2008. She served on the staff of AIUSA from 1979 to 2008. In 1991, she prepared AI's first international report on women's human rights, Women in the Front Line. Tuesdays@Dorry's gathers conservation partners every Tuesday to share a meal and learn from presenters invited each week. Food ordering starts at 5:30 p.m. presentation 6 to 7 p.m. Dorry's Diner, 468 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains, 914-682-0005.

**Broadway Tonite!** This Broadway tribute will take audiences on a fascinating and unforgettable journey through the greatest Broadway shows – old and new – filling the stage with beautiful costumes, dramatic singing, exciting choreography and dynamic music and dancing. Sing along with songs from "Anything Goes," "West Side Story," "Jersey Boys," "Les Miserables," "Beautiful," "A Chorus Line," "Phantom of the Opera," "Cats," "Wicked,"

"Pajama Game," "42nd Street," "Chicago," "Cabaret" and more. Westchester Broadway Theatre, 1 Broadway Plaza, Elmsford. Lunch at 11:15 a.m. Show at 1 p.m. \$64 per person (plus tax). Show only: \$50 per person (plus tax). Dinner at 6:15 p.m. Show at 8 p.m. \$84 per person (plus tax). Show only: \$50 per person (plus tax). Info and tickets: 914-592-2222 or visit [www.BroadwayTheatre.com](http://www.BroadwayTheatre.com).

## Wednesday, May 24

**Farmer's Market.** The White Plains Downtown Farmer's Market is open for the season, Wednesdays, on Court Street between Martine Avenue and Main Street, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. through November 22.

**Noontime Getaway Concert.** Downtown Music at Grace welcomes REBEL – Court, Country & Chapel: Jorg-Michael Schwarz, violin, Karen Marie Marmer, viola, John Moran, cello and Dongsok Shin, harpsichord, principals of the celebrated REBEL Ensemble for Baroque Music, play works of Fux, Bach and Telemann. Free Admission. Concert begins at 12:10 for 30 min. at Grace Episcopal Church in downtown White Plains at the intersection of Mamaroneck Ave. and Main St. This concert is made possible with the generous support of a friend of Downtown Music at Grace.

**Sunset Yoga.** Westchester Parks Foundation, in partnership with New York-Presbyterian, Whole Foods Market Westchester and Tovami Yoga, will kick off its 2nd annual "Sunset Yoga in the Parks," a summer series of four free yoga

classes that take place in Westchester County parks. The classes, taught by teachers at Tovami Yoga, are open to all levels, and are a great introduction to all beginners; Kensico Dam Plaza (1 Bronx River Parkway, Valhalla) at 6:30 p.m. Last year, nearly 500 people participated in the series. To register and for more information, visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2nd-annual-sunset-yoga-in-the-park-series-kensico-dam-plaza-tickets-34374971465>.

## Thursday, May 25

**"Long Strange Trip."** The first full-length documentary to piece together the epic history of The Grateful Dead, one of the most influential musical groups of their generation. Award-winning filmmaker Amir Bar-Lev artfully assembles candid interviews with the band, road crew, family and notable Deadheads to illuminate the fiercely independent vision, perpetual innovation and uncompromising audience commitment that made the Bay Area band such a cultural phenomenon. Jacob Burns Film Center, 364 Manville Rd., Pleasantville. 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Members: \$20. Non-members: \$25. Info and tickets: Visit [www.burnsfilmcenter.org](http://www.burnsfilmcenter.org).

## Friday, May 26

**Night of the Horseshoe Crab.** The Night of the Horseshoe Crab is for people of all ages to experience a magical phenomenon that has been taking place on the shoreline of Long Island Sound for more than 250 million years. Beginning at 10:30 p.m., visitors will join the curator for a hike to the shoreline where they can watch in hushed silence as horseshoe crabs arrive to find a mate. Visitors should meet at the nature center and bring flashlights if they have them. Marshlands Conservancy is a Westchester County Park and is located on Boston Post Road (Route 1), just past the Rye Golf Club, in Rye.

## Saturday, May 27

**Teaching Trails:** A Community Path for Environmental Education. Join guided trail experience through the woodland forest. Discover who left that track, which tree makes the best animal home or which plant makes its own heat. Program runs about 30 minutes. Greenburgh Nature Center, 99 Dromore Rd., Scarsdale. 11:30 a.m. Free. Every Saturday and Sunday. Info: 914-723-3470 or visit [www.greenburghnaturecenter.org](http://www.greenburghnaturecenter.org).

**Wolves of North America.** Learn about the mythology, biology and ecology of wolf families and discover why April is a special time for packs in North America. Whether the wolves are living on the Arctic tundra or the high desert of the southwest, wolf families are out searching for prey as they prepare for the birth of this

year's pups. Guests will visit ambassador Wolves Atka, Alawa, Nikai and Zephyr and the center's critically endangered red wolves and Mexican gray wolves. Wolf Conservation Center, South Salem. 2 p.m. Adults: \$14. Children (under 12): \$11. Also May 29 and June 3, 4, 10, 17 at 11 a.m. and May 28 and June 11, 24 and 25 at 2 p.m. Pre-registration required. Info and pre-registration: Visit [www.nywolf.org](http://www.nywolf.org).

## Sunday, May 28

**For Shear Pleasure.** At the end of a long winter, bring the whole family down to the barnyard. Experience how a sheep's wool becomes a sweater through touching the wool and having a go at carding, hand spinning and a "wooly" craft. There's also a short story to enjoy and an opportunity to hang around and help feed other barnyard animals. Greenburgh Nature Center, 99 Dromore Rd., Scarsdale. 1 p.m. Members: \$5. Non-members: \$8. Info: 914-723-3470 or visit [www.greenburghnaturecenter.org](http://www.greenburghnaturecenter.org).

## Monday, May 29

**Memorial Day 5-K Race.** Begins at 8:15 a.m. at City Hall parking lot, 255 Main St., White Plains.

**Memorial Day Parade.** The White Plains Memorial Day Parade will begin on Church Street and continue onto North Broadway in White Plains. The parade will be followed by a memorial ceremony at the White Plains Rural Cemetery on North Broadway. Parade start time is 10 a.m.

**"Persepolis."** Marjane is a precocious and outspoken young Iranian girl who was nine years old during the Islamic Revolution when the fundamentalists first took power – forcing the veil on women and imprisoning thousands. She cleverly outsmarts the "social guardians" and discovers punk rock, ABBA and Iron Maiden, while living with the terror of government persecution and the Iran-Iraq war. Part of the Seventh Art Stand, a nationwide screening series presented by 50-plus theaters, museums and community centers in 25 states as an act of cinematic solidarity against Islamophobia. Jacob Burns Film Center, 364 Manville Rd., Pleasantville. 7:40 p.m. Members: \$8. Non-members: \$13. Info and tickets: Visit [www.burnsfilmcenter.org](http://www.burnsfilmcenter.org).

## Team Opengate Plays with Miracle League of Westchester

The Opengate Miracle League team threw its first baseball of the season in April and will play twice a week at Ridge Road Park in Hartsdale. Currently, there are 41 men and women enrolled in the Miracle League of Westchester from the program's Without Walls and ICF Day Habilitation programs.

Players not only have fun, but they learn team building skills and good sportsmanship from well-qualified coaches. Their time with the Miracle League also improves their physical fitness as they learn the rules of the game.

The Miracle League of Westchester, founded by J. Stephen Madey, allows children and adults with disabilities to play baseball as a member of a team, which fosters friendships, team mates, and the joy of playing baseball, America's pastime.

"The Miracle Field at Ridge Road Park is specially designed, rubberized and

cushioned for the safety of all players whether they be children or adults," says Deborah Mayo, Director of Opengate's Day Habilitation Program. "Each player is assigned a volunteer Buddy who assists them and insures they have a good time."

To fulfill its mission to help all players develop social skills and increase self-esteem, the Miracle League of Westchester also promotes community support and sponsorship.

"Not only does Opengate have baseball players, but we also send along our own cheerleaders," added Mayo. "Several of our individuals accompany the team when they play to cheer them on. They also enjoy their time in nature by taking walks in the park."

At the end of the season there is a barbecue celebration where each player is recognized for their participation with a trophy.

To find out more about Opengate, Inc. visit [www.opengateinc.org](http://www.opengateinc.org).



# White Plains Historic Walking Loops and National Historic Trail

The White Plains City Clerk's Office and Recreation and Parks Department have created three historic walking loops that highlight White Plains' rich history. These loops were originally created as part of the City's Centennial Celebration in 2016.

"The history of White Plains dates back to 1683. The City was also the site of a Revolutionary War battle, so the City's history as well as its people are very much intertwined with important events in our nation's history. There's much to be learned and much to appreciate. These historic walking loops provide a nice way to do that," said White Plains Mayor Tom Roach when announcing the new historic walking trails.

The loops make for fun and interesting walks and are a great way to get your exercise and gain some historical

knowledge at the same time. The walking loops are appropriate for both individuals and families.

The walking loops focus on Tibbits Park, the original Village Commons, Purdy Farm and Hill and Battle Hill. Each contains a map showing a walking route and provides descriptions of the historic sites along the route. The length and difficulty of the walking routes varies. The individual routes are also designed so that the full route can be walked at one time or in sections.

The historic walking loops are available for download on the City of White Plains [www.cityofwhiteplains.com](http://www.cityofwhiteplains.com). Hard copies can also be requested through the Mayor's office.

White Plains also welcomed two wayside exhibits to Tibbits Park, which share the story and commemorate

the route of the march to Yorktown, Virginia in 1781 along the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route National Historic Trail.

Washington's American forces, headquartered in Newburgh, and French allies, led by Rochambeau, joined together in New York to embark on their campaign and march to Yorktown, Virginia. More than 10,000 soldiers, thousands of supporters, wagons, horses and armaments made their way through the Hudson Valley in 1781 under the watchful eye of the British forces occupying New York City. This march led to the siege of the British at Yorktown, which gave rise to our nation's independence.

The Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route National Historic Trail is a land and water corridor extending through nine states from

Boston Massachusetts to Yorktown, Virginia. The route was designated a National Historic Trail by Congress in 2009, and is the newest of the 19 National Historic Trails. The route is now part of the National Trail System that includes the Appalachian and North Country national scenic trails.

White Plains is one of 15 sites in New York along the Trail. As the exhibits are installed, visitors will be able to go to each site individually or follow the entire route in New York. White Plains is one of many partners with the Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area, National Park Service, Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route Association and other Hudson Valley communities and sites in marking the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route National Historic Trail in New York.

## Kayak Classes and Rentals Return to Liberty Park

Mountain Valley Guides, the premier kayak outfitter in the Hudson Valley, will return to White Plains for the second year offering opportunities to rent kayaks and learn how to kayak in the beautiful and scenic Silver Lake at Liberty Park in White Plains.

Mountain Valley Guides will be at Liberty Park on weekends, 11 a.m.

to 6 p.m., starting on Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day. Kayaking is open to everyone and no experience is required. Mountain Valley Guides will offer several classes, including, Intro to Kayaking and Kids Only Kayaking. In addition, kayak rentals will be available at the park at a cost of \$25 for 90 minutes. Advanced registration for classes and

rentals is required.

For registration and additional information visit [www.MountainValleyGuides.com](http://www.MountainValleyGuides.com) or contact Mountain Valley Guides at (845)-661-1923.

For those interested in launching their own kayak in Silver Lake, kayaking will be allowed by permit only. Permits are available for daily use from May 15 to

October 15. Permits for launching a Kayak into Silver Lake must be obtained from the White Plains Recreation and Parks Dept., 85 Gedney Way, White Plains. Kayak Permit Fees: \$10 for single-day launch, \$50 for the season.



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(Summons-Child Neglect

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FAMILY COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

In the Matter of a Proceeding Under Article  
10 of the Family Court Act

**AZARIA CALHOUN** (CIN# )

Docket No. NN- 978-17 F/U No. 148866

A Child Under Eighteen Years of Age Alleged

To be Neglected by

**SUMMONS/INQUEST NOTICE**

**ASHLEY REDMOND**, (Child Neglect Case)

Respondent.

NOTICE: PLACEMENT OF YOUR CHILD(REN) IN FOSTER CARE MAY RESULT IN YOUR LOSS OF YOUR RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD(REN). IF YOUR CHILD(REN) STAYS IN FOSTER CARE FOR 15 OF THE MOST RECENT 22 MONTHS, THE AGENCY MAY BE REQUIRED BY LAW TO FILE A PETITION(S) TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO COMMIT GUARDIANSHIP AND CUSTODY OF YOUR CHILD(REN) TO THE AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSES OF ADOPTION. IN SOME CASES, THE AGENCY MAY FILE BEFORE THE END OF THE 15-MONTH PERIOD. IF SEVERE OR REPEATED CHILD ABUSE IS PROVEN BY CLEAR AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE, THIS FINDING MAY CONSTITUTE THE BASIS TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO COMMIT GUARDIANSHIP AND CUSTODY OF YOUR CHILD(REN) TO THE AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSES OF ADOPTION.

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SHOULD BE SUITABLE CUSTODIANS FOR THE CHILD(REN); IF THE CHILD(REN) IS PLACED AND REMAINS IN FOSTER CARE FOR FIFTEEN OF THE MOST RECENT TWENTY-TWO MONTHS, THE AGENCY MAY BE REQUIRED TO FILE A PETITION(S) FOR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS OF THE PARENT(S) AND COMMITMENT OF GUARDIANSHIP AND CUSTODY OF THE CHILD(REN) FOR THE PURPOSES OF ADOPTION, EVEN IF THE PARENT(S) WERE NOT NAMED AS RESPONDENTS IN THE CHILD NEGLECT OR ABUSE PROCEEDING. A NON-CUSTODIAL PARENT HAS THE RIGHT TO REQUEST TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT CUSTODY OF THE CHILD(REN) AND TO SEEK ENFORCEMENT OF VISITATION RIGHTS WITH THE CHILD(REN). BY ORDER OF THE FAMILY COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT(S) WHO RESIDE(S) OR IS FOUND AT **ASHLEY REDMOND** (Mother)

100 College Avenue, Apt. #5F

Sleepy Hollow, New York 10591

A Petition under Article 10 of the Family Court Act having been filed with this Court, and annexed hereto **YOU AND EACH OF YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED** to appear before this Court at 111 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., 3rd Floor Annex, White Plains, New York 10601, on June 28, 2017 at 9:30 o'clock in the morning afternoon of that day to answer the petition and to be dealt with in accordance with Article 10 of the Family Court Act.

Upon your failure to appear as herein directed, a warrant may be issued for your arrest and/or the Court may proceed to Inquest and hear and determine the petition as provided by law.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE**, that if you fail to appear at the time and place noted above, the Court will hear and determine the petition as provided by law and may. Dated: May 16, 2017.

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
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## LEGAL NOTICES

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF BASILBOX LLC.** Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/10/17. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC,

26 Meadow Ln, #B, Pleasantville, NY 10570. **Purpose: Any lawful purpose.**

**NOTICE OF FORMATION of MDU On-Demand Services, LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on February 21, 2017. Location: Westchester. SSNY designated as agent for service of process on LLC. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: c/o United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228. **Purpose: Any lawful purpose. The address of the LLC is 50 Shore Road Pelham, NY 10803. The business helps residents in apartment buildings take care of daily chores.**

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PAK CREATIVE, LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on January 30, 2017. Office location: Westchester County. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: **Peter McKinley, 29 Montrose Point Rd, Montrose, NY 10548. Purpose: Any Lawful Act.**

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF EF HOSPITALITY ASSOCIATES, LLC.** Arts of Org filed with Secy of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/17/2017. Office loc: Westchester. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to the principal business address: **20-7 Foxwood Dr., Pleasantville, NY 10570. Purpose: any lawful acts.**

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF FAR FROM HOME PRODUCTION, LLC.** Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/7/2017. Office in Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: **42 Glen Road, Eastchester, NY, 10709. Purpose: any lawful purpose.**

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF THE BLADRESS, LLC.** Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/03/17. Office in Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: **8 Cedar St, Tuckahoe, NY, 10707. Purpose: any lawful purpose.**

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF FREEDOM CAPITAL ENTERPRISES, LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New

York (SSNY) on 11/14/16, Location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process on LLC. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: **405 Tarrytown Road #1437, White Plains, NY 10607. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.**

**NOTICE OF FORMATION of 1352 COMMERCE AVENUE, LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/14/16, Location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process on LLC. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: **1027 Washington Avenue Pelham Manor, NY 10803. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.**

**NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF WK RISK MANAGEMENT, LLC.** Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/10/2017. Office location: Westchester County. LLC formed in CT on 7/11/2016. SSNY designated agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to: 925 Westchester Ave., Suite 400, White Plains, NY 10604. CT address of LLC: 190 Old Ridgefield Road, Wilton, CT 06897. Certificate of LLC filed with Secy. of State of CT located at: **30 Trinity St., Hartford, CT 06106. Purpose: providing assistance to insurance brokers and agents.**

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) NAME: Mitch's Fishes, LLC** Articles of Organization were filed With the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/09/16. Office location : Westchester County. SSNY has been designated As agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to : **The LLC, 22 Baltic Place Apt 2D , Croton On Hudson, NY 10520 (the LLC's principal business Location) Purpose : any lawful purpose**

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF T.A.T.A.'S AMBROSIAL, LLC.** Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/27/17. Office location: Putnam Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to **130 Reservoir Road, Brewster, NY 10509. Purpose: health and beauty product.**

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLTT PROPERTY LLC ART.** Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/21/17. Office in

Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: **Susan Lewkowitz, 670 White Plains Rd. Ste. 110, Scarsdale, NY 10583. Purpose: any lawful purpose.**

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF VAMOS LLC,** Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State (SSNY) on February 24, 2017. Office Location: Westchester County. Service may be made to SSNY, who shall mail a copy to: **C/O VAMOS LLC, 81 Pondfield Road, #200, Bronxville, NY, 10708. Purpose: To engage in any lawful act or activity.**

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF RISA'S FABULOUS CREATIONS WEDDING AND EVENT PLANNING FOR ALL OCCASIONS, LLC.** Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/22/2017. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to business address: **422 South 6th Ave., Mount Vernon, NY 10550. Purpose: Event planner, coordinator and decorator.**

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF CREATENET STUDIO LLC.** Art. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/29/15. Office Loc: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, **300 S. Broadway #2J Tarrytown, NY 10591. Purpose: any lawful purpose.**

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF XL-SIR, LLC.** Filed with the SSNY on 03/01/2017. Office Loc: Westchester. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to the principal business address: **United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: any lawful acts.**

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF GMJJ LLC** Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on April 26, 2017. Office Location: Westchester County, SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: **180 Stone Hill Road, Bedford, NY 10506. Purpose: any lawful purpose.**

**PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Village Treasurer of**

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# New Apparel Biz Bulldough Teams with Brooklyn Nets Announcer to Support Charity

Bulldough LLC is now officially open for business through its online store at [www.bulldough.com](http://www.bulldough.com) and is offering six different shirt style options if you would like to wear your support for The Chris Carrino Foundation for FSHD (Facioscapulohumeral Muscular Dystrophy), a 501(c)3 charity. All profits from the sale of these shirts will go towards this dedicated foundation.

Direct donations to the foundation are also encouraged and can be made at [chris carrinofoundation.org](http://chris carrinofoundation.org).

The concept behind the Bulldough brand combines entrepreneurial drive, impactful personal interactions and a vision for a socially responsible "for profit" company to provide high quality products with a primary focus on creating awareness for charitable foundations that support meaningful causes. The name Bulldough is a play on words for "bulldog" toughness combined with the "dough" needed to provide financial support for these charities and foundations to overcome immeasurable obstacles. The Bulldough shop has two distinct product lines: 1) Charity-inspired products and 2) other Bulldough branded products.

The company was founded by Jeff Ahn, who recruited two esteemed friends



(John Messina and Steve Wyszinski) with diverse skill sets to execute Bulldough's vision.

For the Charity-inspired products, Bulldough partners with meaningful charities that could use help raising awareness and benefit from financial support. Together, they create a dedicated line of comfortable graphic t-shirts inspired by the specific cause with 100% of the profits from these sales going towards the pre-designated charity, which allows the consumer to support the causes that are meaningful to them.

In addition to Chris Carrino's foundation, Bulldough is also working

with Stop Soldier Suicide and other initiatives such as raising awareness for Sanfilippo (a terminal disease for children). The intent is to create scale among the affiliated causes, with the hope that the Bulldough logo will represent hope, strength and a friend during tough times. Each member of the Management Team has very different and personal inspirations for getting involved in this type of philanthropic work and views Bulldough as a forum to leverage their own charitable efforts to be more impactful.

Separate and apart from the charity-inspired products, Bulldough intends to offer high quality retail apparel with

positive, fun messaging. Understanding that the charities Bulldough partners with include a wide-range of serious issues, including life-threatening diseases, the intent for the other Bulldough branded products is to create some buzz among customers, act as a partner for the "little guy," and to bring both toughness and humor where needed.

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**the Village of Pleasantville** has received the Tax Roll and Warrant for the collection of taxes for the fiscal year 2017-2018. Payments will be accepted in the Finance Department on the Third Floor of Village Hall, 80 Wheeler Avenue, in said Village from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays as follows: Taxes and other assessments, if any, become due and payable June 1, 2017, but may be paid in two installments without penalty. The first installment may be paid without penalty from June 1, 2017 to and including July 1, 2017. The second installment may be paid without penalty from June 1, 2017 to and including December 31, 2017. To all first installment taxes remaining unpaid after July 1, 2017, five percent (5%) will be added for the month of July, and an additional one percent (1%) for each month or fraction thereof until paid. To all second installment taxes remaining unpaid after December 31, 2017, five percent (5%) will be added for the month of January, and an additional one percent (1%) for each month or fraction thereof until paid. On or before February 1, 2018 a delinquent list will be published. **Mary Schwartz, Village Treasurer, Dated: May 23, 2017**

**PUBLIC NOTICE** "A LOCAL LAW authorizing the County of Westchester to amend a lease agreement entered into

on January 1, 2016 with Flexjet, LLC. For Hangar "F" at Westchester County Airport." A Local Law, the description of which is cited above, was adopted by the Westchester County Board of Legislators in session April 24, 2017. This Local Law, Local Law No. 3- 2017 (formerly Local Law Intro No. 9910-2017) has an effective date of May 4, 2017. A copy of such Local Law is available for inspection during regular business hours in the Office of the Clerk of the Westchester County Board of Legislators, 8th Floor, Michaelian Office Building, 148 Martine Avenue, White Plains, New York 10601. **SUNDAY VANDERBERG Clerk & Chief Administrative Officer of the Westchester County Board of Legislators, Dated: May 18, 2017 White Plains, New York**

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