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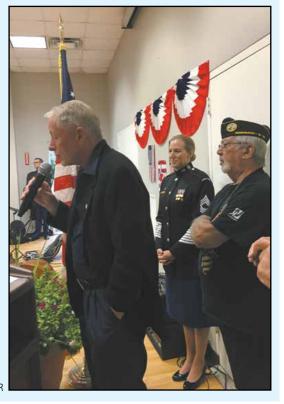
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Veterans Recognized at Annual Greenburgh BBQ

During the past ten years the town of Greenburgh has sponsored a Veteran's appreciation barbeque each year. A few hundred veterans and their families enjoy good food, good company and recognition from town officials for their efforts preserving democracy. Pictured, Hugh McAuley, coordinator of the Sept. 27 barbeque at AF Veteran Park in Greenburgh, speaks to veterans at the event.

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Hollywood Studio Claims Fraud in Location Shoot Agreement

By Pat Casey

Hollywood studios and production companies have discovered that Westchester County, and in particular White Plains, is a good place to shoot films on location. The industry has become solid over recent years, but it is not without its woes.

Last Thursday, 20th Century Fox filed a lawsuit in U.S. District Court Southern District of New York, White Plains, claiming breach of contract and fraud against what it calls a shell company that rented it space in the former AT&T building at 440 Hamilton Ave.

The former office building, which is currently under renovation to become a multi-family residential building, was used by Fox to shoot newspaper office scenes for the movie "Post," starring Tom Hanks and Meryl Streep.

The rental contract was for several

weeks in 2017 and required some changes within the floor space used to accommodate filming.

Fox paid \$300,000 to White Plains Development LLC, the purported owner of the property, through an agreement with Aaron S. Wexler, for use of three floors in the building as well as \$100,000 as a security deposit to be returned when the studio vacated the property.

When Fox left, according to the Court documents, requests were sent to Wexler asking him to return the \$100,000 deposit. The location rental agreement stated that any damage claims were to be made within 48 hours of the studio vacating the property.

According to Fox, Wexler submitted a list of "unsubstantiated and fabricated" damages after 30 days, which negated any claims by White Plains Development that

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County Pushes to Reform Criminal History Questions for Job Seekers

By Anna Young

County lawmakers announced last week a measure that would eliminate pre-emptive questions about criminal convictions on job applications.

The proposed legislation, referred to as the Fair Chance to Work Act, was introduced last week by members of the Democratic caucus. It would call for all Westchester businesses to remove questions about past convictions at the start of the job application process and to wait until an applicant is offered a job to conduct a background check or inquire about a criminal record.

At a Sept. 24 press conference in White Plains, Legislator Catherine Borgia (D-Ossining) said the legislation would give people a second chance and a fair



Vice Chair Alfreda Williams, Legislators Catherine Borgia and Christopher A. Johnson, introduce Fair Chance to Work Act, joined by Majority Whip MaryJane Shimsky and Legislators Nancy Barr, Kitley Covill and Damon Maher.

opportunity to gain employment. She said similar legislation has been passed in New York City and embraced by businesses nationwide.

County Executive George Latimer issued an executive order earlier this year to remove conviction history questions on all county job applications.

Officials said the legislation would give job seekers with a criminal record who are otherwise qualified for a position a chance to explain their conviction history

"When questions about convictions are the first step in the hiring process, doors are shut and opportunities for people to rebuild their lives become fewer," said Board of Legislators Vice

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Chair Alfreda Williams (D-Greenburgh). "This proposed law helps people trying to make new lives for themselves."

Williams added that the bill, if approved, would prevent repeat offenses, make a positive impact on peoples' lives and benefit taxpayers by encouraging employment.

Any business that decides against hiring someone after a background check

"This proposed law helps people trying to make new lives for themselves." must provide the applicant with a written copy of their analysis, including an explanation for rejection. The applicant would have at least three business days to refute the decision before the employer is permitted to hire someone for the same position.

With the proposed law sponsored by 10 Democratic lawmakers and currently under discussion by legislators, Minority Leader John Testa (R-Peekskill) asserted that the regulation is an "outrageous overreach into private business and a continuation of their assault on the small business community."

"This is an affront to the notion of private enterprise," Testa said.

While he disagreed with Latimer's executive order, Testa accepted that it was his right as county executive to set policies for county employment.

"To legislate that private businesses can no longer establish their own standards for what type of character and integrity they require in an employee – using past criminal activity as a guide – is a disturbing level of government interference in private business," he said.

Legislator Kitley Covill (D-Katonah), a former prosecutor, said she has seen people plead guilty to crimes not realizing it would always follow them. She said it's critical to give people who have served their sentence to re-enter the workforce. Legislator Christopher Johnson (D-Yonkers) insisted an individual's mistakes shouldn't define them for the rest of their lives. He said some employers seem most interested in learning about an applicant's criminal history and immediately discard those with a record.

"Everyone should have a chance to be considered for a job on the basis of his or her qualifications, not disqualified by checking a box on an application," Johnson said. "We know that there is a disproportionate number of people of color who get caught in the criminal justice system. This is not only an economic justice issue, it's a social justice issue."

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it could keep the deposit.

In pursing return of the \$100,000 deposit, Fox discovered that White Plains Development never owned the property and that Wexler and any other individuals involved with White Plains Development had allegedly committed fraud in representing that they did.

In the Fox complaint, attorney Jonathan Zavin of Loeb & Loeb LLP, states that the alleged damages are "moot" because the property was scheduled for demolition and conversion to residential use and that because of the conversion the location

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agreement gave Fox permission to make renovations to the property.

The complaint also states that Wexler, who executed the location agreement on behalf of White Plains Development, deliberately concealed the true owners of the property at the time the location agreement was signed and used the White Plains Development corporate entity to commit fraud and unlawfully abscond with Fox's security deposit.

"By representing that White Plains Development owned property that was in fact owned by two other corporate entities, Wexler facilitated his theft of Fox's security deposit by increasing the difficulty of Fox's recovering the money it is owed. Wexler is not entitled to hide behind the corporate form as a means to steal," the complaint states.

Back in 2016, when American Equity Partners I, LLC, owners of 440 Hamilton Ave. at the time, presented a project to the Westchester County Industrial Development Agency to renovate the building, Aaron Wexler was the representative.

American Equity Partners eventually

received Site Plan approval from the City of White Plains for the renovation. However, that project never went forward, the property changed hands and new owners, 440 Hamilton Owner LLC, had submitted an application for a revised site plan. That new plan is moving forward.

Request for comment from Aaron Wexler has not been returned as of press time.

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Beginning January 1, 2019, AgeWell New York will no longer offer the Fully Integrated Duals Advantage (FIDA) Program. Members currently enrolled in the AgeWell New York FIDA Plan will be receiving advance written notice of this change, and will be advised of the requirement to pick a new plan. In the event that an alternate choice is not made, the person will be enrolled into

a new FIDA plan by New York Department of Health, effective January 1, 2019.

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Westchester County Jail Begins Civic Engagement Classes for Inmates

In a very active election season, leaders at the Westchester County jail are educating inmates about their voting rights and other issues of civic engagement as they prepare to be reintroduced into society.

In the United States, 17 states do not allow inmates to vote when imprisoned. This sanction is removed, however, once they are set free. In New York, the general rule is that you can vote after incarceration for a felony conviction while you are on probation, or once you have completed parole. In these cases, your voting rights are automatically restored, but you have to re-register in order to vote.

According to Jen Lackard, reregistration is the complicated part. Lackard heads up the Station of Hope prison ministry at Grace Baptist Church in Mount Vernon. Her work finds her in the midst of many ex-inmates and their families.

"I noticed that a lot of people were unaware about civic responsibilities. We had men and women coming home from prison who were eligible to vote but did not know what that meant," Lackard said. "Families were disenfranchised by the experience. Even though they never lost their right to vote, they were not inclined or motivated to vote at all."

That a person might feel disconnected from human society after months or even years of being incarcerated should not come as a shock. This disillusionment is a major contributing factor to what many



A civics education class at Westchester County Jail run by Jen Lackard of Station of Hope prison ministry at Grace Baptist Church.

feel is a "revolving door" in the courts. The most recent report on the topic from the New York State Department of Correction and Community Supervision indicates that 29 percent of female ex-offenders and 42 percent of male ex-offenders returned to custody within three years, according to the County Dept. of Corrections.

Lackard recently approached Westchester County Dept. of Corrections Deputy Commissioner Louis Molina with an idea for a new program that not only addresses low voter turn-out among eximmates, but also tackles recidivism by

getting ex-inmates intellectually vested in their communities and country.

The County formulated a curriculum for an in-jail series of classes designed to help inmates understand how to engage with the community from a civics standpoint, and the importance of every single member of the community.

"It's a complete restorative justice process," Molina said. "When inmates return to the community we want them to understand how the community operates, beyond just being a good neighbor, by looking past just the couple of blocks where they live to become a part of the community as a whole."

Molina contends that it's not just about registering people to vote, but ensuring they have the knowledge to make their own decision.

"Helping them understand who leads them and helping them understand the different branches of government, at the local, state and federal levels" is at the core of the seminar series. Molina believes the seminars will be a potent tool in the County's fight against recidivism because the program "supports the whole person."

The program is unfunded, but the County has enlisted the help of a number of groups who have volunteered to do all the heavy lifting involved. In addition to Lackard's ministry at Grace Baptist Church, the County has teamed with the League of Women Voters, the American Civil Liberties Union, the Legal Aid Society of Westchester, the National Action Network, Westchester for Change, the NAACP, the WESPAC Foundation, and Phi Beta Sigma fraternity, among others. Representatives from each group are going to be educating different program populations in the jail, both men and women, on the importance of civic engagement.

A large number of the population in the Westchester County Jail are detainees,

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Violence Against Women with Disabilities Funding Awarded to My Sisters' Place

My Sisters' Place in White Plains has been awarded \$425,000 in federal funding through the Training and Services to End Violence Against Women with Disabilities Grant Program to provide services for women with disabilities who are victims of violence and abuse. The funding was enabled by Congresswoman Nita Lowey (D-Harrison), who serves District 17, and will be used to expand services to deaf survivors of domestic violence.

"At a time when countless women are bravely coming forward to share their stories of abuse, it is essential that we provide the resources necessary for local communities to assist survivors and ensure their well-being," said Lowey in announcing the grant.

My Sisters' Place will implement this federal grant in partnership with New York School for the Deaf and New York-Presbyterian Westchester Division's Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program. The planning and development phase of the project, during which collaborative teams will assess needs and develop a strategic plan, is expected to be completed by Dec. 30, 2019. The implementation phase, during which needs-based initiatives

My Sisters' Place in White Plains provide the resources necessary for local will be implemented, is expected to be as been awarded \$425,000 in federal communities to assist survivors and completed by Sept. 30, 2021.

"We are thrilled to have an opportunity to expand our services and education to Deaf survivors of domestic violence and their families," said Karen Cheeks-Lomax, CEO, My Sisters' Place. "This marks a new era for My Sisters' Place, the Deaf community in New York, and our community partners, the New York School for the Deaf and New York-Presbyterian Westchester Division's Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program. This funding will support the development of fully-accessible services,

and comprehensive education, training, and outreach."

The Training and Services to End Violence Women Against with Disabilities Grant Program is administered by the U.S. Department of Justice's (DOJ) Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) and seeks to establish and strengthen collaborative relationships and increase organizational capacity to provide accessible, safe, and effective services to individuals with disabilities and deaf individuals who are victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

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and are technically qualified to vote in an election, if even just by absentee ballot. Of course, it's ultimately up to each inmate or ex-inmate to decide whether or not to vote. But having matriculated through the County's new civics engagement program, at least that decision will be an informed one.

"I am very excited to have the opportunity to reach people who may feel they do not have a voice, who feel marginalized, and I feel that this is a really great opportunity to show why civic engagement is something that everyone should be involved with," said Susan Van Dolsen, co-founder of Westchester for Change. "You may have gotten a bad rap, but the only way to effect change is to participate. No matter who you are, you have to use your voice."



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Gubernatorial Candidate Banks on Public's Desire for Hope and Change

By Martin Wilbur

Larry Sharpe senses the discontent in the state's electorate. Fed up with high taxes, public education that fails too many students or is prohibitively expensive and a state government with little transparency, he believes he can tap into that disillusionment by offering fresh solutions to recurring problems facing New Yorkers.

Sharpe, 50, an ex-Marine, businessman and executive coach, is the libertarian candidate for governor in this year's election. While third-party candidates are often dismissed by large swaths of the electorate, he said he has at least one major attribute over two-term incumbent Gov. Andrew Cuomo and Republican Marc Molinaro.

"I have actual answers for problems. If you look at the Democrat right now, Cuomo, his entire campaign is, I hate Trump, we have big gun laws," Sharpe said. "That's his entire campaign. I hate Trump, we have big gun laws. Nothing else. None of those things helps the average New Yorker, none of these things helps the average New Yorker to get a better job, come back from North Carolina, retire easier. None of those things.

"The Republican, his entire campaign is Cuomo's corrupt," he continued. "Everyone knows Cuomo's corrupt. It doesn't change anything because he has no answers."



MARTIN WILBUR PHOTO

Libertarian Party nominee Larry Sharpe talks to potential voters last week at the Mount Kisco Coach Diner about his plans to reshape and reinvigorate New York.

Last Tuesday, Sharpe sat down with a small group of likely voters at the Mount Kisco Coach Diner to detail parts of his plan.

Key points include elimination of the state income tax in four years by cutting waste, slashing regulations and raising new sources of revenue; overhauling the education system by significantly reducing the number of administrators and allowing schools and districts to set their own curriculum; making sweeping changes to the MTA; and reforming the family courts.

The plan to restore New York is centered around the elimination of the income tax, which Sharpe acknowledge would take a large assortment of moving parts working in synch to achieve.

Revamping the MTA by instituting greater oversight over costs, including creating a Scope Control Board that will supervise the Capital Program Oversight Committee, is essential. He would redirect funds from the MTA's 32 scheduled station renovations to making stations ADA compliant and repaying the \$1.6 billion Cuomo's administration

borrowed.

Sharpe also wants to sell naming rights to 16 metropolitan area bridges and tunnels, each for about \$30 million a year. He said major corporations would sign up because their names would be broadcast repeatedly on traffic reports.

"That's better than Super Bowl numbers when you add up all the companies," Sharpe said.

Enticing entrepreneurs to open small businesses with fewer than 50 employees would be enhanced by cutting regulations. He advocates for getting government out of determining minimum wage, eliminating the New York Compensation Rating Board, which allows compensation for work and nonwork-related injuries, and relieving businesses of taxes for two years for hiring ex-convicts.

A key piece of his plan is on renegotiating pension deals with unions, which is breaking the pockets of the state's taxpayers, he said.

Legalizing cannabis and hemp would also provide fresh revenue sources, Sharpe said.

Two attendees at Sharpe's luncheon said they are receptive to his candidacy. Brian Pang of Pleasantville, said he is attracted to candidates with business acumen. Voters are mistaken if they think that they are throwing away their vote.

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The Voices of My Constituents

Shortly after I was sworn-in as your new State Senator for the 37th Senate District, I sent a districtwide newsletter to residents introducing myself and outlining some of my priorities. In the newsletter, I included a section asking residents to identify the top three issues they would like me to prioritize as their new State Senator. Over 125 residents mailed back the completed survey to my District Office. For those who did not get a chance to complete the survey, I made it available on my Senate website. I also made it available on my social media platforms and my e-newsletter. In total, over 200 constituents took the time to make their voices heard. Their responses - and their priorities – are instructive. They continue to shape my views and guide my actions.

The top 5 issues selected by constituents are:

1.Gun Violence Prevention (95)
2.Affordable and Accessible
Health Insurance (83)
3.Environmental Protection (82)
4.Holding the Line on
Property Taxes (73)
5.Delivering for Public Schools (54)

Each of these signifies the need for real reform – which we in the Legislature

can and must achieve in the coming Legislative Session.

On gun violence prevention, we must enact Extreme Risk Protection Orders (ERPOs), strongly supported by our District Attorney Anthony Scarpino and thousands of other leaders, which will reduce the ability of individuals who are a danger to themselves or others from possessing a firearm. In addition, I am a co-sponsor of a bill to prohibit teachers and other staff from carrying guns on school grounds unless they are a law enforcement officer, school resource officer, or security guard.

Second, it is clear that accessing and maintaining quality and affordable health care are incredible challenges throughout the district, state and our nation. Frustration with our health care system is ever present and I believe, it has grown as the federal government's commitment has wavered, but there must be substantial commitment in NYS to expanding access, ensuring affordability and reducing barriers.

We also have a lot of work to do to protect our environment, and address and mitigate the effects of climate change. We have made progress, but there is much more work to do in Albany, including



Shelley Mayer

passing the Climate and Community Protection Act, which will help reduce emissions and increase resilience.

I am also working with my legislative colleagues to identify new ways to alleviate our property tax burden, without undermining the services residents appreciate in their communities. Many of our municipalities are grappling with the SALT workarounds we proposed last year to address the Trump tax bill, and I'm hopeful we can make these tools effective ways to reduce property tax burdens.

At the same time we must increase state funding for our local schools, which will ease the burden on local property taxpayers and help ensure our school districts can deliver the education our children need and deserve.

Government works best when voters make their voices heard, not just on Election Day, but throughout the year. Our obligation as elected officials is to do our best to listen, and then to act. Disagreements are inevitable, but our democracy requires a thoughtful, civil and practical approach to solving problems. I will work with my colleagues, on whatever side of the aisle, to do just that.

-Shelley B. Mayer, State Senator, 37th District

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There are certain requirements that must be met in order to apply for the Identification Card. The criteria necessary can be found on the Clerk's website at http://westchesterclerk/ services/personal-identification-cards. You must meet the criteria listed in the guidelines for residency and provide ample evidence to prove your identity.

There is an \$8 application fee. There is also a \$10 fee for the photo included on the card. Seniors 65 and over get a discounted \$7 fee for the photo.

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Meals-on-Wheels of White Plains Receives Grant

The last week of September, was Hunger Awareness Week, a time when during the harvest people remember those less fortunate than themselves in the wealthy county of Westchester. Two local food-security organizations received grants from New York State, each for \$12,500 -- Meals-on-Wheels of White Plains and the Mount Kisco Interfaith Food Pantry.

Both organizations are situated in the 39th Assembly District served by Assemblyman David Buchwald (D-White Plains), who made the grants possible.

"Food insecurity is real in Westchester. Some of my constituents have to choose between paying for groceries or utility bills. Some aren't physically capable of driving or walking to a grocery store. No one should go hungry and the Mount Kisco Interfaith Food Pantry and Meals-

on-Wheels of White Plains are making sure that those who struggle to get food get the help they need. I'm so proud to support these organizations," said Buchwald.

One in five people in Westchester will experience food insecurity this year, according to Feeding Westchester, which represents a network of local food banks. The Mount Kisco Interfaith Food Pantry serves more than 300 households a week in northern Westchester, allowing families to select fresh produce, eggs, dairy, meat, poultry, fish and nonperishable items. Meals-On-Wheels of White Plains delivers two nutritious meals daily – one hot, one cold - to anyone who can't shop or prepare meals for themselves, providing not just food but companionship and safety checks.

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Our Country Called Us - Visiting the Traveling Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall

By Jeff Ohlbaum

The Putnam County Joint Veterans Council (PCJVC) and the Putnam County Veterans Service Agency is sponsoring the Traveling Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall in Putnam County at Veterans Memorial Park from Oct. 4-7. The park and memorial will be open 24 hours each day for viewing by the public.

On Oct. 3, there will be an escort for the Wall from I-684 to the park. The names on the Wall will be read 24 hours per day the entire time the Wall is up.

The Vietnam Traveling Wall represents courage, valor, sacrifice and much more to those who wore the uniform. There are 58,272 names etched on the wall so we never forget those who responded when their country called. For some it is a Wall to heal, to grieve or leave a personal note. When you are in Washington D. C. the permanent Vietnam Wall should be visited. The Wall is designed to be reflective and contemplative in character.

The French had departed South Vietnam, their distant colony, after suffering military defeats. The growing presence of well-equipped North Vietnamese soldiers permeating South Vietnam was not worth any additional military losses.

Following the French departure the United States entered Vietnam as "advisers" to stabilize the country and implement measures to deter further North Vietnamese infiltration. Ultimately, that small group of "advisers" escalated to over 500,000 military personnel; roughly half were combat soldiers. The South Vietnam landscape was rapidly changing with major coastal cities building a war chest of arsenal; Phu Bai, Da Nang, Chu Lai, Cam Ranh Bay and Nha Trang to name a few.

Our expanding presence in Vietnam created political discord in the United States impacting military decisions and tactics. Dissent emerged on college campuses in the form of protests, some peaceful and some violent.

This "Baby Boomer" landed in Vietnam in combat gear in Chu Lai at 8 a.m. the summer of 1968. We had flown through numerous time zones. It was over 103 degrees and climbing.

I Corp was in the Northern portion South Vietnam below the DMZ. We were located 40 miles below the DMZ outside of Phu Bai in the lower A Shau Valley.

We learned to quickly adapt as the rules of combat we were taught stateside could be altered. Our M-16 rifle carried a cartridge of 20 rounds and the AK-47 used by the NVA carried 30 rounds. Not a favorable ratio.

The enemy came in two forms. There were the hardcore NVA, well trained and equipped, and the Viet Cong - South Vietnamese sympathizers who supported the NVA. The latter could be cutting your hair during the day and be a sniper at



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night. The cost of a haircut was by rank.

Two weeks in country and a harsh learning curve. Incoming mortars at night fall from a nearby village igniting our firebase. We suffered two killed and multiple injuries. We knew the drill but anticipated a major problem.

We radioed headquarters requesting permission to return live fire. Already knowing the response, permission denied!

It was a "pacified" friendly village, which means we needed political clearance to return fire. Of course the enemy possessed this knowledge and took full advantage, holding innocent civilians in the village hostage. These were the new rules of combat in Vietnam.

On two occasions we had to call in artillery fire, reluctantly, at elephants on the Ho Chi Minh trail. The NVA use the elephants at night as their mode of transport to carry rockets, mortars and launchers, which cannot be carried manually. The Ho Chi Minh trail was a network of trails going directly south from North Vietnam and also snaking through Laos and Cambodia undetected under heavy foliage. The NVA had a porous entry point from three countries to attack us.

One particular incident continues to

I Corp Thau Thien Province 19 miles south of Hue; Firebase Tomahawk, a 155-howitzer artillery base. The unit had a stellar reputation of inflicting heavy losses on the enemy.

It started raining heavily the night of June 19 1969. No full moon and visibility at best two feet. We learned quickly in Vietnam that weather and stealth are potent combat components. Mountains and valleys covered by an umbrella of trees in full foliage created a perfect landscape to harbor the hardcore NVA.

They knew the terrain and functioned best in darkness.

0120, June 20, 1969, it was still raining hard and no full moon. I was on perimeter duty facing north. The radiotelephone rings. We are alerted the artillery firebases to our north and south are under attack. We know the drill and go on full alert. The two firebases under attack have pre-fired grid co-ordinates to drop artillery rounds, if necessary, outside our perimeter to help us if we are attacked. S--t we must be next!

0130, June 20, 1969, incoming mortars. The noise is deafening and the dirt beneath me vibrates. Cannot see the enemy flash tubes...too dark. Pick up the radiotelephone to get info. Phone is dead. Can only see tracers ... it is pitch black outside. Our M-50's and M-60's go hot.

0155, June 20, 1969, more bad news our firebase lights up ... self-illuminating round fired by one of our artillery howitzers. That means the enemy under their own mortar fire has breached our perimeter.

We ignite the pre-set claymores outside our perimeter. Another deafening sound with metal and debris flying incorrectly towards us. The enemy had partially rotated the claymores. They had reconned our base.

Large explosions on the Firebase; not mortars. They were satchel charges and handheld rocket grenades being used to destroy the artillery guns and anyone around them. Must be an NVA Sapper Company specifically trained to destroy and kill with immediacy and retreat. They have satchel charges taped to their body along with Chi Com's (grenades) and two cigarette filters. The filters inserted into their nostrils work like a gas mask if gas is used. Their bodies are further darkened with charcoal.

0300, June 20, 1969, Sapper commander

fires a green flare into the air. The enemy is withdrawing (didi mau).

A green flare followed by a white flare would mean send in reinforcements ... this was their form of communications at night.

Spooky aka "Puff the Magic Dragon" arrives overhead (AC-47) firing their four Gatling guns as the enemy withdraws. It is immense firepower dismantling trees into twigs and rock formations into pebbles.

0400, June 20, 1969, the dust-offs (medivacs) supported by gunships land to remove the dead and injured.

The less serious are flown to Phu Bai and more serious to Da Nang, and those with severe burns were airlifted from Da Nang to a Naval warship based in the South China Sea.

The damage and human toll is beyond words. Nine artillerymen were killed and four infantrymen killed and over 50 wounded. They were young, fearless and served with honor. They had wives, kids, girlfriends, parents and grandparents.

Twenty-three of the sapper bodies were counted.

The southern and western perimeter bunker positions had been overrun. Fate had me facing north that night.

Trying to reset the clock ... coming home! Decompressing from Spartan to Athenian.

We land stateside and the streets are silent. Some people stare at us or the uniform we are wearing. It feels like no one has our back here!

Our country called us and 50 years later some of the brave heroes on Tomahawk are no longer here to tell their story. I am their spokesperson.

Jeff Ohlbaum is an account executive with Examiner Media.

Obituaries

Richard Marshall Bause

Richard Marshall Bause, 93, passed away peacefully on Sept. 29, surrounded by his loving family.

He was born on Aug. 11, 1925 in Manhattan, the only child of the late Herman Maurice Bause and Rose Adelaide Patri Bause.

Dick was a graduate of Bronxville High School, Class of 1942. He enlisted in the United States Navy in 1943 and served his country on both the Atlantic and Pacific fronts during World War II. Dick graduated from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) in 1948 with a degree in engineering management. He first worked as a customer engineer for IBM. He later ran data processing operations and was the CIO for Yale & Town Locks and Standard Brands and was executive vice president for Modern Talking Picture Service. He retired from Modern in 1990 after more than 30 years with the company.

He married Marjorie Ann Mulhall on June 24, 1950, at St. Bernard's Church in White Plains. They lived in White Plains, Largo, FL, and most recently Ossining.

Dick is survived by his wife of 68 years and their four children, Richard Jr. of Hopewell Junction, Andrea Lian of Shrub Oak, James of Marietta, GA, and Aimee Baxter of Pleasant Valley, NY and their spouses, 13 grandchildren and 12 greatgrandchildren.

He was predeceased by his stepbrother, Thomas P. Devine of White Plains, who died in 2014.

Dick enjoyed golf, crossword puzzles, the New York Yankees, and most importantly the family life.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 2 at 10 a.m. at St. Bernard's Church. Burial will follow at Mount Calvary Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Phelps Hospice Patient Care, 914-366-3325.

Veronica O'Connor

Veronica Ellen (Sharp) O'Connor ("Ronnie"), a resident of White Plains, passed quietly Sept. 27, with her loving husband by her side.

Ronnie was 70 years old.

Born in Syracuse on April 14, 1948, Ronnie attended SUNY Albany, where she earned her degree in English. She was a member of the earliest women's swimming and diving teams at Albany, setting a butterfly school record during her career.

It was at SUNY Albany that she met her husband, Paul. They were married Feb. 14, 1970 and resided in White Plains, where they raised their four children Sean, Diane, Chris and Colin.

After teaching out of college, Ronnie changed professions, earning her R.N. in 1987. She spent two decades as a PICU nurse at Westchester Medical Center, where she provided compassionate care to thousands of patients and families.

Ronnie had many passions including quilting, gardening, swimming at Westwood Swim and Tennis Association and serving her parish, St. Mary Magdalene. She served in many roles at the Magdalene including as a member of the choir, a reader, and a CCD instructor.

Veronica is survived by her husband of 48 years, Paul, and their four children Sean (Kim), Diane (David), Christopher (Ashley) and Colin (Eileen). She was the loving grandmother to five grandchildren Megan, Owen, Ellen, Liam and Abigail. She is also survived by her sisters Carolyn and Alice and predeceased by sister Elizabeth and mother Veronica.

As an expression of sympathy, memorial donations may be made in Ronnie's name to Maria Fareri Children's Hospital, Danbury Regional Hospice or The Church of the Magdalene.

Michelina Reale

Michelina Reale, 92, of West Harrison, passed away Sept. 26.

She was born June 1, 1926 in White

On June 1, 1946 she married her husband, Anthony C. Reale, at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in White Plains. He Predeceased her in 2014.

Michelina is survived by her children Charles Reale and Marlene Presto. Besides her husband Anthony, Michelina was predeceased by her son Patsy Reale.

Yoshi Yumoto

Yoshi Yumoto, 59, of White Plains, passed away unexpectedly on Sept. 25.

Yoshi is survived by his wife Masako Yumoto and two sons, Mac Yumoto and TJ Yumoto.

Yoshi was born in Hyogo-ken, Japan on April 3, 1959 and had an amazing career as a salesman in the beverage alcohol industry in the United States.



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Mirror, Mirror on the Wall ... Please Expand My Space

As a realtor, I'm always conscious of creating the look of greater, more open space with my listings and in my own home. The most accommodating vehicle to accomplish this is through the strategic placement of mirrors.

When the wicked queen wanted verification of who was the fairest of all, she turned to her trusty mirror and,



The Home Guru's favorite mirror, discovered in a New England barn almost a half-century ago, was recently restored to welcome guests in his foyer.

when it betrayed her, Snow White got the business.

Mirrors have always been about vanity, from the time Narcissus gazed into a still pond that reflected his beauty.

But in meeting the demands of homebuyers today, mirrors may be more important than ever as an affordable illusion of greater space.

As far back as 6,000 BC, mirrors were made simply by polishing stone, such as obsidian, a naturally occurring volcanic glass. Polished copper was used as early as 4,000 BC in Mesopotamia and Egypt and bronze mirrors were made in China from

2000 BC. Metal-coated glass mirrors are said to have been invented in modern day Lebanon in the first century AD, the same time that glass with a gold leaf backing was being made in Rome.

The mirror that most closely resembles what we use today, glass coated with a tinmercury amalgam, was invented in Venice, the capital of mirror making for many centuries.

Until the mid-19th century, mirrors were a luxury item afforded only by the wealthy. With the invention in 1835 of the silvered-glass mirror by Justus von Liebig, a German chemist, mirrors became

more affordable when the process was adapted for mass manufacturing.

Through the centuries, mirrors have held all sorts of curiosities and suspicions. For instance, in our country's early days, particularly in the South, mirrors were covered in a house where a corpse was waked. The belief was that the soul of the dead would become trapped in a mirror left uncovered.

Mirrors falling from walls or cracking mysteriously were said to be haunted. And feng shui believers have all sorts of fun placing mirrors to achieve good energy flow. As examples, they should never be placed directly across from the main entrance, and should be used sparingly in bedrooms if you expect to sleep.

For accessorizing, mirrors really come to play. When my wife and I operated an antiques shop, we would hunt for old frames and stick a mirror into them to get two to three times the price than for the frame alone.

While the most popular placement of decorative wall mirrors in the home is over a fireplace, one of my favorite decorating

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"I try to convince them if you want anything to change, then vote for the guy who's actually trying," Pang said.

Mike Salinai of Stony Point, Rockland County, said he doesn't care for either major party and found it appealing that he could have lunch with a candidate for governor.

"I do vote every year for the local elections and what I really vote for are candidates, not party," Salinai said. "But Larry Sharpe's got my vote."

Sharpe, a Queens resident, points to the election of President Donald Trump and the popularity of Bernie Sanders as proof that voters of both parties crave change. In his home congressional district, Sharpe said Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez was another example of voters fed up with the establishment.

"What we know, hope against establishment, hope wins," he said.

Other minor party candidates are Green Party nominee Howie Hawkins and former Syracuse mayor Stephanie Minor on an independent line. The Working Families Party has yet to decide whether it will continue backing Cynthia Nixon who was defeated by Cuomo in the Sept. 13 Democratic primary.

The Home Guru



By Bill Primavera

tricks is to create shelving with a mirrored back. This is particularly effective for displays of crystal, both cut and in natural shapes that look like sculpture. And, by placing live plants on the shelves, the greenery and flowers are doubled by their reflection in the mirror.

Let's consider mirrors used on a larger scale. Since many of us as we age downsize our homes, we can make up the difference with the use of wall mirrors – or at least give that illusion. If a wall of mirrors is placed opposite the source of light, it appears that there's twice the space and twice the brightness. Just look at what it did for Louis XIV's Hall of Mirrors at Versailles.

In checking with a local glass and mirror supplier, I learned that a typical eight-foot by 10-foot mirrored wall would cost between \$1,400 and \$1,600 to install. When asked if there were varying qualities of mirror, the supplier said that any mirrored wall would have essentially the same product, with a quarter-inch of glass. The variance in price is in the finishing edges. For polished edges, the

price would be on the lower end while beveled edges are higher.

If we consider tricks for the illusion of larger space, what better device than mirrors?

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Observing the Vagaries of the Seasons of the 2018 Grape Harvest

You Heard It

Through the



By Nick Antonaccio

This is my favorite time of year in the grape vineyard annual cycle. Across the globe, tens of thousands of grape growers are in the midst of the annual harvest season.

Some have already harvested their bounty. It is safe in the winery, having been recently crushed and is now fermenting and developing its unique characteristics as it evolves and matures into a wine that bears the signature of the winemaker.

If harvested at the height of the ripeness curve, and barring any sudden intervention from nature in the form of a

'nature has been teasing grape growers'

sudden rainfall, this year's harvest has the potential of a standout vintage in many wine regions, one to cellar for the ages.

Other growers are waiting and watching for that precise moment when grape development is at its peak: full ripeness and the optimum balance of fruit, sugar and taste.

We are now experiencing the please the most discerning palate, with culmination of the seasons of the vineyard. The success of the 2018 grape harvest and the resulting wine production has been in

the balance for much of the growing season.

Earlier this year, I reported on the weather patterns and conditions across the global grapegrowing regions. From the ravages of hailstorms, frost, deluges and smoketaint, it has been a difficult

year to predict the final results of the harvest. Would it be a lost season of low crop yield and poor fruit? A season that reversed itself, salvaged by exceptional seasonal weather patterns and yielding a bountiful, quality harvest?

These are the questions and worries that haunted farmers from the early phases of bud set, through the maturation months and culminating in the mad dash to pick crops at the peak of ripeness.

We see this uncertainty in every season of nature's bounty. In years of ideal weather conditions, fruits and vegetables are glories to behold. Tomatoes with luscious flavor and color, firm skin and sustained ripeness. Corn as bright as the sun itself, with rich sugars and starches that explode in one's mouth. Likewise, grapes redolent of aromas and taste to

sugar and flavor levels that will sustain the life and character of wines for years of

However, in years in which nature is not so generous and gentle, we must suffer through mediocre produce that makes us yearn for previous years' glory. Tomatoes characterized by flavorless juice and insipid coloring; flesh that splits open from

the absorption of excessive rainfall. Corn that is as limpid as the color of the moon, flavorless and difficult to bite. And grapes ravaged by fungus or invading insects; or bulging with excessive water, rendering the fruit flavorless and unworthy of aging. In extreme years farmers may resort to destroying portions of harvests rather than produce and sell inferior fruits and vegetables.

It seems nature has been teasing grape growers for a good part of the 2018 season, but has redeemed herself at harvest time. The results so far have been quite encouraging. Late season weather has aided in salvaging the crops in many of the ravaged wine regions. Swaths of Champagne, Burgundy, Bordeaux and Spain are enjoying the bounty of an otherwise lost season, rising from seemingly certain disaster to produce wines of high quality, if low yields. California has survived the devastating wildfires in proximity to wine-growing regions; the feared smoke taint of grapes seems to have been largely avoided.

Overall, this year's harvest compares favorably to the last few years. Much of this may be attributable to weather pattern extremes. The summer season was rainy in a number of wine regions, droughtladen in others and surprisingly ideal in a few blessed areas.

As the growing season approached harvest, weather patterns were generally favorable, salvaging many questionable vineyard yields and enhancing those with favorable conditions throughout the

This portends well for consumers, across the spectrum of wine production. Join me in raising your glass in thanks to the blessings of nature's bounty for the 2018 vintage.

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The Fall Harvest Season: Where to Enjoy Oktoberfest



By Morris Gut

Oktoberfest harvest season is upon us, and many folks enjoy the hearty flavors of Bavaria in the fall. Here are suggestions where you can take in the German-style beers and ethnic foods. You can also check

with your local pubs and taverns that often serve Oktoberfest dishes this time of the year. Pace yourself. More culinary events coming, too.

White Plains Oktoberfest, Oct. 7

The food and sounds of Bavaria will take over the streets of White Plains for the 10th Annual White Plains Oktoberfest on Sunday, Oct. 7 on Mamaroneck Ave. between East Post Road and Maple Ave. The festivities will take place from 1 to 6 p.m. and include German inspired beers and food along with live music provided

The Triple Wurst Plate at Dunne's Pub, White Plains.

by the Alpine Squeeze Band. There will also be a 'stein holding' competition. \$5 wristbands and proof of age will be required for beer purchases. Participating restaurants at this writing include: Freebird, Iron Tomato, Black Bear Saloon,



Autumn is blooming all over Westchester.

Brazen Fox, Brother Jimmy's BBQ, Copper Face Jack's, Hudson Grille, Lazy Boy Saloon and Ale House, Lilly's and Ron Blacks Beer Hall. Iron Tomato will supply the German food. For further info go to: www.wpbid.com.

Growlers Beer Bistro, 25 Main Street, Tuckahoe (914-793-0608). The team at Growlers in Tuckahoe do a fine job of matching signature tavern comfort foods and beer. They always have a custom selection of international brews on hand. On Saturday, Oct. 13, the house will celebrate Oktoberfest with traditional food, music and German beers. The

event will take place from noon to 10 p.m. www. growlersbeerbistro.com.

Traveler's Rest, 25 Saw Mill River Road, Rt. 100, Ossining (914-941-7744). The Langer family has been operating Traveler's Rest since 1961. It is a German-

American restaurant and caterer with lovely grounds that are often embellished with celebratory decorations. The menu still offers such traditional dishes as Short Ribs of Beef horseradish sauce, Wiener or Jaeger Schnitzel, Sauerbraten, and homemade spaetzel and potato pancakes. The Rest is open Wednesday through Saturday from 5 p.m., and Sundays from 1 to 9 p.m. There is a rathskeller-type room downstairs. www. travelersrestrestaurant. com.

Sour Kraut, 118 Main Street, Nyack (845-358-3122). This is an authentic German restaurant opened in 2010 by restaurateur Marianne Olive. It quickly filled a void for those craving a taste of Bavaria. It is open 7 days a week for

lunch, dinner Sunday brunch. Look for such Oktoberfest specialties as Hot German Pretzels with mustard, Frikadelle, German meatballs with caramelized onions, Weisswurst served with German potato salad, Roast Pork in a German beer sauce with cucumber salad and semmel knodel, Schnitzel a la Holstein, and Kassler Rippchen, smoked pork chops. Oktoberfest specials will be served through Oct. 31. www.facebook.com/sourkrautnyack/

Dunne's Pub, 15 Shapham Place, White Plains (914-421-1451). Now under new management, Dunne's will be serving their popular Oktoberfest Menu every Thursday during the month of October. The kitchen puts out fine versions of Potato Pancake Appetizer, Sauerbraten, a hearty Triple Wurst Plate with all the trimmings, Veal Schnitzel, and Calf's Liver, German style. There will be German beer, too. Dunne's Restaurant & Pub in White Plains is a neighborhood treasure, an authentic Irish tavern with all the traditional Gaelic accoutrements

intact. Over the years, owner Sean Dunne had taken great strains not to get caught up in the modernist Irish mode so prevalent these days. It is a friendly, home-style place with a good kitchen to boot, dishing out generous servings of traditional Irish-style fare

at prices that will leave some money in your wallet. The staff knows how to pour that pint of Guinness while keeping the crowd in spirited conversation. There is an exciting live Irish music session every Wednesday night. And Oktoberfest is celebrated the first Thursday of every month all year. Open 7 days for lunch, dinner and Sunday brunch. Municipal parking. www.dunnespubandrestaurant. net

Bear Mountain Oktoberfest. Takes place every Saturday and Sunday through Oct. 28, from noon to 6 p.m. The popular annual event, which has been moved to the nearby Anthony Wayne Recreation Center, draws big crowds for the great scenery, Bavarian food, spirits and a variety of artisanal vendors. Admission is free. There is an \$10 parking fee. Located on the west side of the Hudson River in Rockland and Orange Counties. www. visitbearmountain.com/special-events/oktoberfest/.

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Time to start planning. It's being touted as 'the sequel' and it is an appropriate tag for this popular dining out promotion sponsored by The Valley Table Magazine that is also held in March. Part two will include scores of past participants and some new from all over the Hudson Valley even stretching the borders into Fairfield County, Scarsdale, White Plains, Mamaroneck and New Rochelle, with patrons anxious to cash in on the seasonal bounty at reasonable prices. Restaurants are expected to offer 3-course luncheons for \$22.95, and 3-course dinners for \$32.95. Sometimes there are caveats, so be sure to verify the hours and the menus that are being served. Reservations are advised. For additional information and an up-todate list of participating restaurants go to: www.valleytable.com/hvrw.

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Wednesday, Oct. 3

Farmer's Market. White Plains Outdoor Farmer's Market on Court Street at Main Street; open 8 a.m.

Noonday Getaway Concert. Youlan Ji, pianist, Joyce B. Cowin First Prize Winner of the 2018 New York International Piano Competition, joins with five members of the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra to play a concert of Beethoven from a rare nineteenth century transcription of the original score. Presented in partnership with the Stecher and Horowitz Foundation. A Downtown Music debut. This concert is made possible, in part, with the generous support of D'Errico Jewelry, Scarsdale.12:10 p.m. at Grace Church, Main and Church Streets, White

Plains. Free event, donations accepted.

Golden Harvest Dance. And Talent Show for seniors. 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Westchester County Center, 198 Central Avenue, White Plains. In addition to the talent show, the program includes live entertainment by the Stolen Moments Band, an energetic ensemble of singers and musicians offering a variety of musical favorites. Event details are listed below. The Golden Harvest Dance and Talent Show is open to all Westchester seniors age 60 and older. Free parking will be available, but seating reservations are required. For reservations, information about boxed lunches or other inquiries call 914-813-6416 or 914-813-6423.

Purchase College's Conservatory of Music 25 Years of Jazz Studies Concert Series. To celebrate the anniversary, students are performing in 14 concerts at Purchase College and at the Blue Note Jazz Club, Jazz at Lincoln Center and Birdland Jazz Club in New York City. This afternoon will be a blueprint performance by noted jazz pianist Pete Malinverni.

Neuberger Museum of Art, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. 12:30 p.m. Free. Info: Visit www.purchase.edu/music.

Poetry Slam. "1st Wednesday" series 6:30 to 9 p.m., with Open Mic, SLAM competition and feature performance from guest poet Paragraph! Paragraph is Harlem born and raised poet and writer. He was member of the 2012 Hostos College Cupsi slam team. He has been a two-time member of the Nuyorican Poets Cafe national slam team. Most importantly, he is a lover of all things New York, sneakers and ice cream. To take part in the open mic or slam, please register between 6:30 and 7 p.m. Slam poets should bring at least one original poem of up to 3 minutes. Registration closes promptly at 7, and the program starts shortly thereafter. White Plains Library, 100 Martine Ave., White Plains.

Conflicts in Battle: How to Morally Engage an Army While at War. Featuring Lt. Tzur Goldin, the twin brother of Hadar Goldin who was tragically captured and murdered by Hamas during

Operation Protective Edge in 2014. Tzur was a Lieutenant Combat Officer in the paratrooper's Special Forces of the Israeli Defense Forces between 2011 and 2015. Jewish Community Center of Harrison at 7:30 p.m. The program is free and open to the public, but registration is required https://www.eventbrite.com/e/conflicts-in-battle-how-to-morally-engage-anarmy-while-at-war-tickets-49865387717. Co-sponsored by AJC Westchester/ Fairfield, the Consulate General of Israel in New York, and the Jewish Community Center of Harrison.

Thursday, Oct. 4

Poets and Writers Series. Shanelle Matthews is an award-winning political communications strategist. The spokesperson for Al Jazeera and National Public Radio is also the director of communications for the Black Lives Matter Global Network. This reading, lecture and dramatic presentation series lets the best of today's writers share their secrets with literary aficionados. Westchester Community College's

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Tennis Anyone - Tigers Girls Edge Hastings 4-3

By Albert Coqueran

It has been a tough season thus far for the White Plains High School Girls Tennis Team. On Friday, the Tigers racquet ladies came into their match against Hastings High School with a 1-7 record. However, the 12-member Girls Tennis Team led by former Legendary Tigers Girls Basketball Coach Sue Adams remained confident to improve their record this season.

The Tigers confidence remained intact as they beat Hastings 4-3 on Friday at White Plains High School, to improve their record to 2-7. "Yes definitely, we are trying to have a good end to our season. We have



Tigers number one singles player junior Andi Friedman (pictured) defeated Hastings up and coming sophomore Savoy Koken, 6-0, 6-2, to help the WPHS Girls Tennis Team notch their second win of the season. The Tigers defeated the Yellow Jackets, 4-3, to improve their record to 2-7, on Friday.

a couple of big matches coming up next week and we are trying to improve now for the end of our season," commented Tigers Co-Captain Joanna Falisi, who lost her number two singles match to Yellow Jackets Ruby Bouhassira, 6-0, 6-3.

In the number 1 singles contest, Tigers junior standout Andi Friedman defeated Yellow Jackets up and coming sophomore Savoy Koken, 6-0, 6-2. Friedman is probably the most talented singles player on the Tigers team. "I was just playing really well today. Hopefully, we will close out the season

strong," said Friedman, who aspires to play tennis on the college level.

The Tigers match against the Conference 3 Yellow Jackets was tied 3-3, with the outcome resting on the Third Doubles Match between Tigers teammates Kira Lichtblau and Elaina Coppola versus Yellow Jackets Doubles partners Stella Stephens and Emi Franco.

The Tigers Third Doubles Team won the spirited match, 7-6 (7), 7-5, to capture the Girls Tennis Team's second win this season. "It was definitely exciting and a good win. It was my first time playing with Elaina (Coppola), and it was fun. As a team, I think this match will keep us going because this win was very, very good for us," said Lichtblau, a senior and Tigers Co-Captain.

The Tigers Girls Tennis Team competes in Conference 1, which is an extremely competitive league. Head Coach Adams expected a tough season while facing stiff competition from Scarsdale, Mamaroneck and Ursuline.

"Actually, this is what I expected this year. We are in an extremely



ALBERT COQUERAN PHOTOS

On Friday, the outcome of the Tigers Girls Tennis match against Hastings rested on the winners of the Third Doubles contest between Tigers teammates Elaina Coppola and Kira Lichtblau (right) versus Yellow Jackets Stella Stephens and Emi Franco. Fortunately, for the Tigers, Coppola and Lichtblau were victorious and the Lady Tigers defeated the Yellow Jackets, 4-3, at WPHS.

tough league with Scarsdale, Mamaroneck and Ursuline, which are three of the top teams in the entire Section," commented Adams. "It has been rough but the players have gotten better and that is really what we are about, which is getting better from the start to the end of the season," Adams said.

Hastings is also not faring well either so far this season. The Yellow Jackets dropped to 2-9 with the loss to the Tigers. The Yellow Jackets are led by Head Coach Caroline Gizzi, in her seventh season at the helm.

Stepinac Falls to 1-3 at St. Anthony's

By Albert Coqueran

After capturing the CHSFL and the CHSAA NYS Football Championships last season, Stepinac High School Varsity Football is in the midst of a tough season this year. On Friday, in Melville, NY, St. Anthony's High School survived a contentious battle over Stepinac, 45-42, in another gridiron classic between the two CHSFL AAA rivals.

With the win, the Friars remain undefeated at 4-0, on top of the NYCHSFL AAA, while the Crusaders drop to 1-3. It was the third straight loss for the Crusaders and their second loss this season by two points.

The game was a back and forth battle which netted 87 total points and six lead changes by the end of the third quarter. After Friars senior quarterback Greg Campisi threw for five touchdowns and ran a 36-yard keeper for a score, Stepinac sophomore QB Joey Carino hit Dominic Nicolo and CJ Wise with touchdown passes within a minute and a half in the fourth quarter to bring the score to 45-42 Friars.

The Carino to Wise score was prompted by a well-executed onside kick, which was recovered by Crusaders Zack Branes on the Friars 48-yard line.

Carino battled Friars Campisi like a veteran. The Crusaders sophomore quarterback threw for two and ran for two touchdowns but Campisi received well-deserved Player of the Game honors with a marquee performance.

Crusaders running back Malik Grant had a stellar game after returning from injury this week. At 2:25 in the second quarter he took over the game. Grant rushed three consecutive times: for 40 yards, 25 yards and then a tree-yard run over the goal line to give the Crusaders a temporary lead, 21-20, to end the first half.

Nonetheless, the outcome of the game rested on a controversial no-call on a well debated interference call at 1:45 in the fourth quarter, as the football was batted away by Friars Nick Espada and just missed the grasp of Crusaders Nicolo in the end zone. The no-call was argued feverishly by Stepinac Head Coach Mike O'Donnell to no avail.

After 87 total points scored in the game, Stepinac still had a chance to tie and keep this gridiron classic continuing but Nate Henderson missed a field goal from the 28-yard line. It was only Henderson's second field goal missed all season.



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Elton Brand Hired as General Manager of the Philadelphia 76ers

By Albert Coqueran

Each summer during his 17-year NBA career Peekskill High School graduate ('97) Elton Brand would revisit his hometown and alma mater to greet and mentor local children with his "Elton Brand and Youth Day Basketball Clinic" at Peekskill High School.

Brand played four varsity seasons with the Red Devils1 (1993-'97) under legendary Head Coach Lou Panzanaro. Brand is one of the most prolific and successful basketball players ever to don a Red Devils uniform. He played two seasons at Duke University under heralded Head Coach Mike "Coach K" Krzyzewski after graduating from Peekskill.

As a sophomore at Duke, Brand was selected as the Associated Press College Basketball Player of the Year, the ACC Player of the year and presented the John Wooden Award as the best overall college basketball player in 1999.

Brand opted for the NBA Draft after his sophomore seasons at Duke and was the number one overall pick by the Chicago Bulls. Brand's accolades started



ALBERT COQUERAN PHOT

During his 17-year career in the NBA, Peekskill High School graduate ('97) Elton Brand (center) would visit his alma mater and hometown Peekskill each summer to hold "Elton Brand Youth Day and Basketball Clinic" for local youngsters. On Tuesday, Sept. 18, Brand was named the General Manager of the Philadelphia 76ers.

immediately after being drafted as he was voted Co-Rookie of the Year in 1999.

During his 17-year NBA career, Brand also played for the Los Angeles Clippers, Dallas Mavericks, Atlanta Hawks and had two stints with the Philadelphia 76ers (2008-'12 and 2015-16). He was selected

twice to the NBA All-Star Team and won the NBA Sportsmanship Award in 2006. Nonetheless, it was Brand's two stints playing with the 76ers that would bring him the ultimate reward thus far after retiring from the hardwood in 2016.

On Sept.18, after an extensive search, it was announced that Peekskill's own Elton Brand would succeed Bryan Colangelo as the new General Manager of the Philadelphia 76ers. "It's been a long, long journey, but it has always been about the game of

basketball. I was always on a trajectory to be a GM. It's faster than I thought, but I'm here now," said Brand.

Brand remained with the Sixers as a player developmental consultant after his retirement in 2016. However, he ascended in the front office ranks quickly while being named the General Manager of the Delaware Blue Coats, the NBA Gatorade League affiliate of the Philadelphia 76ers in 2017.

On Sept. 18, just when Westchester County thought they could not be any prouder of their native son, the 6' 9" forward from Peekskill High School was named the General Manager of Philadelphia76ers.

Brand's late mother Daisy was by her son's side every step of the way through his high school, college and NBA careers. Daisy Brand was also the founder and organizer of "Elton Brand Youth Day." Daisy and I both grew-up in Tarrytown. I played softball on the Community Opportunity Center Men's Softball Team and Daisy played on the COC Women's team.

Believe me; I am quite aware where Elton inherited his competitive nature! Elton's mother Daisy passed away on July 1, 2014. But it is obvious by his recent accomplishments that his mother Daisy, is still by his side.

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Gateway Building, Davis Auditorium, 75 Grasslands Rd., Valhalla. 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Free. Info: 914-606-6716.

Free Disaster Preparedness Kit Pickup: Pick up a free Allstate Foundation disaster preparedness kit at the Port Chester Metro-North Railroad station beginning at 5 p.m. (while supplies last). The kits include a first aid kit, an emergency blanket, and a flashlight, among other essential items, including local resources from the American Red Cross to help prepare. Representatives from the American Red Cross and Allstate will be present and available to discuss disaster preparedness.

Great Books Forum Series. "Labyrinths" by Jorge Luis Borges will be discussed. Led by Professors Craig Padawer and Ellen Wasserman. Westchester Community College's Gateway Center, Room 131, 75 Grasslands Rd., Valhalla. 6 to 8 p.m. Free. Info: E-mail Professor James Werner at james.werner@sunywcc.edu.

Friday, Oct. 5

Trove Time. Trove Time, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. is an early literacy playtime for children ages 2-4 with a caregiver. Children and their caregiver will play together, hear stories, and learn about enriching a child's life and increasing their early literacy skills. Tickets will be given out on a first-come, first-served

basis beginning 30 minutes prior to the program. White Plains Library, 100 Martine Ave., White Plains.

Westchester Photographic Society Presents: Photography Competition #1B. Members compete in color prints and digital black and white in three levels of experience, critiqued by a professional judge. The organization welcomes all photographers, beginners to professionals. For anyone 18 years old and up. Westchester Community College's Technology Building, Room 107 (Parking Lot 11), 75 Grasslands Rd. Valhalla. 8 p.m. Free. Info: Visit www.wpsphoto.org.

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Saturday, Oct. 6

Farmer's Market. White Plains Outdoor Farmer's Market on Court Street at Main Street; open 8 a.m.

Halloween Train Show and Fall Festival. The principal attraction of the event will be the miniature-railroad layout featuring Lionel Trains in Lasdon

Park's Main House, and similar scale trains traveling past haunted houses, spooky scenes and whimsical dioramas. Step inside the haunted house and explore the rooms where you will find ghosts, witches and a special room with a dragon in his lair. Stroll through rainforest exhibit and meet and greet a "live" dinosaur in the Dinosaur Garden or go to the new children's maze. Also, food, music, face painting, storybook readings and selected vendors. All proceeds to benefit the Friends of Lasdon Park, 2610 Amawalk Rd. (Route 35), Somers. Adults: \$10. Children: \$5. Info: 914-864-7268 or visit www.westchestergov.com/parks or www.lasdonpark.org.

An Evening With Jimmy Webb. Come for an intimate cabaret-style evening with this living legend, listed by Rolling Stone as one of the top 50 songwriters of all time. During the late 1960s and early '70s, Webb was arguably the most successful mainstream songwriter alive, churning out sweeping, richly orchestrated hits for the likes of Glen Campbell, Barbra Streisand, Elvis Presley, Isaac Hayes, Frank Sinatra and many others. Known worldwide as a master of his trade, Webb is the only artist ever to have received Grammy Awards for music, lyrics and orchestration. Performing Arts Center at Purchase College, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. 8 p.m. \$125. Info and tickets: 914-251-6200 or visit www.artscenter.org.

Sunday, Oct. 7

Blessing of the Animals. Bring your dogs, cats, birds, and any other animal friends you would like Pastor Tim to pray

for. All are invited to come together for this family-friendly blessing ceremony. Animal blessing begins at 10 a.m. followed by a worship service at 10:30 a.m. First Baptist Church of White Plains, 456 North Street, on the corner of Bryant Ave., White Plains; 914-949-5207.

Oktoberfest. The food and sounds of Bavaria will take over the streets of White Plains for the 10th Annual White Plains Oktoberfest on Mamaroneck Ave. between East Post Road and Maple Ave. The festivities will take place from 1 to 6 p.m. and include German inspired beers and food along with live music provided by the Alpine Squeeze Band. There will also be a 'stein holding' competition. \$5 wristbands and proof of age will be required for beer purchases.

Wildlife Research Walk. Join wildlife researcher Sarah Walkley on a hike to one of her field sites, followed by a viewing of animals from trail cameras that record animal behavior in the preserve. Cranberry Lake Preserve, Old Orchard Street, North White Plains. 1 to 2:30 p.m. Free. Info: 914-428-1005.

Creatures of the Night. While we are in bed fast asleep, our animal friends are using their senses to find food and make their way through a mysterious nocturnal world. Meet some of our nocturnal animals and find out why they only come out at night; 1 to 2 p.m. at Greenburgh Nature Center, 99 Dromore Rd., Scarsdale. Fee: Members: \$5/person; Non-members: \$8/person. 914.723.3470.

