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Youth With a Passion to Help Others Named Student of the Year

Louis Melendez, a senior at White Plains High School, will be graduating in June 2019 and currently holds a 4.4 GPA. At the November meeting of the White Plains Common Council he was presented with the 2018 Youth of the Year Award by Mayor Tom Roach. Louis has been a member of the White Plains Youth Bureau's Youth Court since 2016. He has contributed countless hours to the program and is proud to help youth needing direction and support. Louis has been a consistent and active participant at Westchester County Budget hearings for White Plains youth. He has spoken out on the value of youth programs and the impact youth agencies, especially the White Plains Youth Bureau, have on the trajectory of at-risk youth. Louis has also been



a voice for youth regarding gun violence and how this important issue affects our community and our nation. He has participated in forums and workshops including a Gun Violence Forum organized by Congresswoman Nita Lowey on this important issue. Some of Louis other community service activities include President of the Key Club at White Plains High School where he has donated well over 100 hours of service including supporting various causes in Africa; member of the Mariachi Club at White Plains High School; volunteer at White Plains Hospital; SAT tutor at the White Plains Library and participant in food drives at El Centro Hispano. Louis has worked at the White Plains Center for Nursing Care as a Nurse Station Assistant and he currently works weekends at Saint Bernard Church. Louis states that he has "a passion to help others and to make an impact on the lives of people that he meets."

Latimer Proposes Budget Carrying 2% Tax Hike

By Anna Young

Last week, County Executive George Latimer unveiled his proposed \$1.94 billion operating budget for 2019 that maintains essential services but will result in a 2 percent tax levy increase.

The budget contains a spending increase of \$98 million over the current year. The 2 percent jump is below the allowable 5.7 percent increase that Westchester is afforded under the state's tax cap, according to an independent audit.

Latimer said his budget maintains essential services for county residents, factors in the \$12 an hour minimum wage, increases support for daycare and nonprofit service providers and covers the costs of the state raising the age of criminal responsibility from 16 to 18 years old.

As Latimer presented his first budget to county lawmakers in White Plains last

Friday, he said the spending plan represents his pledge to uphold transparency and improve infrastructure. He added that the county needs to establish a multiyear plan to ensure longstanding solvency, and the proposed budget is a bridge to that goal.

"We're not in a position, given our current level of revenue, to be able to establish that plan clearly for everybody to see," Latimer said. "But bridging from where we are through this year, we intend to visit our colleagues in Albany and discuss a host of different revenue areas that would give us the predictable revenue that would allow us to do the investments that are necessary going forward."

With a budget gap of \$71 million, resulting from a \$32 million deficit from last year and a \$39 million shortfall this year, Latimer said his budget aims at

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Harckham Defeats Murphy to Help Democrats Take Over State Senate

By Martin Wilbur and Anna Young

The wave of Democratic dominance in elections across Westchester surged again last Tuesday night helping to propel former county legislator Peter Harckham to victory over two-term Republican Terrence Murphy in the 40th state Senate District.

Harckham ran up vote totals in Westchester (46,488-36,133) offsetting about 6,000- and 2,000-vote margins in the Putnam and Dutchess portions of the district, respectively, according to unofficial Board of Elections totals.

"We said many times, this election was about values and today the Hudson Valley spoke," Harckham said at his election headquarters at the Holiday Inn in Mount



MARTIN WILBUR PHOTO

Peter Harckham speaks to his supporters last Tuesday night in Mount Kisco after he declared victory in the 40th state Senate District race, defeating incumbent Republican Terrence Murphy.



New York State Sen. Andrea Stewart-Cousins (a Yonkers Democrat) won an unopposed re-election bid Tuesday. She is likely to become the Senate's first female majority leader.

Kisco. "It wants to be more tolerant, more accepting and a more inclusive and a more civil place to live."

A Harckham victory ends 104 years of Republican dominance for the seat representing much of northern Westchester and Putnam. Harckham acknowledged that he has work to do to gain the trust of constituents and local officials who may be unaccustomed to having a Democratic state senator represent them.

"To the people who did not vote for me, I just want to say, I work for you too and over the coming weeks and months I will work hard to gain your trust," he said. "I represent you."

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Harkham Defeats Murphy to Help Dems Take Over State Senate

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Harkham, 57, a Lewisboro resident who served on the Board of Legislators from 2008 until June 2015, pledged to work with Murphy to ensure a smooth transition. Since leaving county governments, Harkham worked Gov. Andrew Cuomo's administration until he announced his candidacy in the spring.

The outcome helped the Democrats pick up eight seats in the Senate, easily giving them an advantage for the first time in a decade. It also will give Westchester's Andrea Stewart-Cousins (D-Yonkers) the powerful position of Senate Majority

Leader, the first time a woman will hold that post.

While Murphy didn't officially concede the race at his Election Night headquarters in Jefferson Valley, he acknowledged the prospects weren't promising. After a sometimes divisive campaign, he struck a conciliatory tone last Tuesday night.

"I wish Peter Harkham the best, and may he have as much success as I did because it's been an honor and privilege," Murphy said.

Many of the senator's supporters were downcast as Harkham's advantage in

Westchester built up. But Murphy did his best to reassure them.

"It's going to be okay," he said. "It was about me representing you, the people. We were awesome."

He said the difference in the race was the efforts of the legions of volunteers who worked on his behalf knocking on thousands of doors, making thousands of phone calls and sending out about 25,000 postcards.

With the state Senate in the hands of the Democrats come January, Harkham said key legislation that had previously

passed the Assembly but had been held up in the Senate, such as the Reproductive Healthcare Act, the red flag bill and the Child Victims Act, will be passed, probably in the first 30 days of the new session.

But there are issues that everyone can agree on such as keeping taxes in check.

"The days of the old Democrats coming in and raising taxes on everybody, that's just not going to happen," Harkham said. "We can't let that happen and there's some good fiscal policy and good legislation we want to get passed."

Latimer Proposes 2019 County Budget Carrying 2% Tax Increase

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During the press conference introducing the proposed 2019 County Budget, Westchester County Executive George Latimer is flanked on the left by County Budget Director Larry Soule, Director of Operations Joan MacDonald and on the right Ken Jenkins Deputy County Executive.

restoring fiscal order. He added that the county could have spiked property taxes, but it would have been an irresponsible decision. The county will also refrain from dipping into its reserves.

While there are no staff cuts proposed, Latimer said the county will impose a hiring freeze to control costs except to fill commissioner positions. Latimer said the freeze will be lifted sometime next year as he expects some Civil Service Employee

Association (CSEA) members to submit their retirement papers.

"We'll lift the hiring freeze at that point in time," Latimer said. "Then each of the commissioners will be making individual decisions in their respective departments over which of these positions must be replaced immediately or which we can hold off for three months or six months or nine months in order to receive some one-time non-recurring benefit of that."

The county is hoping to save \$7 million through the vacancies, Latimer said.

Latimer said alternate means of revenue are being sought to reduce the pressure on property taxpayers and help close the deficit.

The county has proposed transferring

control of the Westchester County Center parking lot to a private company for \$22 million. The county will also bond \$8.5 million to pay for corporate settlements for tax certioraris.

Other proposed actions include new fees to book Airbnb, applying surcharges to Uber and Lyft rides, additional charges in park fees and expanding taxes on internet sales.

"The money that we have to balance this budget will come from one-shot arrangements," Latimer said. "However, I would highlight this is very different from changing the governance of the airport."

Other changes include renegotiated contracts, shared services implementation,

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Fine for Biking on Sidewalks Going Up to \$100, Green Energy Rates Going Down

By Pat Casey

Because of an increase in people being hurt by cyclists riding on White Plains sidewalks, the Common Council voted during its Nov. 5 meeting to increase the potential fine for biking on a sidewalk to \$100 per incident.

Riding a bicycle on a city sidewalk is illegal in White Plains.

According to Mayor Tom Roach, the current law on the city's books goes back to 1954 with a maximum fine of \$10. The mayor acknowledged the city has had this cycling problem for some time, but the existing penalty does nothing to deter people from breaking the law.

Discussion among the Council members indicated they did not want children on neighborhood sidewalks to be unnecessarily prohibited from riding tricycles or training bikes in their neighborhoods and agreed that both the police and judges hearing cases should be given discretion in applying the law. The intention is to keep cyclists of all ages who want to avoid car traffic from riding on sidewalks, primarily in the downtown.

Roach noted that if a cyclist feels unsafe riding on the street during heavy car traffic, they can walk their bicycle on the sidewalk, but not ride it.

Councilwoman Milagros Lecuona said enforcement was key in keeping pedestrians safe. She is concerned that

police riding in patrol cars would have trouble stopping cyclist violators and recommend training city parking staff to be able to give out tickets to the sidewalk violators.

Mayor Roach noted that police bicycle patrols in downtown White Plains were currently giving out tickets and would continue to do so.

Sustainable Westchester Electricity Rates Going Down

Jasmine Graham, a representative for the Sustainable Westchester Power Program, reported to the White Plains Council, at the same meeting, on the program's success in reducing rates for both residents and commercial customers with a new contract in 2019.

Sustainable Westchester is a community energy program that supports aggregated purchase of electricity and is a large buyer in the market, obtaining favorable pricing and bringing in Green electrical power at a favorable rate.

White Plains is a member, having joined with 19 other communities in April 2016, when the program was initiated. That two-year contract ends at the end of 2018.

Graham explained that over the two-year period four more municipalities joined the program and others are looking at joining.

She said bids for the 2019 contract had to come in lower than the previous

12-month average for residents and under the 24-month average for commercial users. That is 8.26 cents per kilowatt-hour and 9.20 cents per kilowatt-hour, respectively.

The new rate for both residents and commercial customers in 2019 will be 7.959 cents per kilowatt-hour.

Graham noted that in the Con Edison territory there had been \$14.91 million in electricity power savings with White

power plants.

Graham responded that studies indicate there would be no foreseen problem with pricing or electricity interruptions with the closing of Indian Point, "even if power has to be brought in from Massachusetts and Connecticut."

Graham emphasized that the power coming in through the program was from a green source when it enters the grid.

Mayor Roach noted that Con Edison continues to deliver the electricity – but the electricity is put into the system by other sources.

Residents will receive a mailing from Westchester Power, notifying them of the change in rates. "People will have 30 days to opt out of the program if they want to," Graham said. Each customer will be supplied with a unique opt out code. They can opt out by calling the supplied telephone number or by going online.

"Riding a bicycle on a city sidewalk is illegal in White Plains."

Plains accounting for \$1.958 million of that amount. She also reported that because of the increase in use of green renewable energy, 61,247 metric tons of carbon dioxide had been offset in the area.

During the past contract, wind energy supplied to the grid from all parts of the country had been used. With the 2019 contract, low-impact hydropower from New York will be used.

Councilwoman Lecuona asked how energy supply would be affected with the closing of the Indian Point nuclear



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Buchwald Breezes to Victory in 93rd Assembly District

Assemblyman David Buchwald easily won re-election to a fourth term last week by a more than 2-to-1 margin over Republican challenger John Nuculovic.

Buchwald, who ran on the Democratic, Working Families, Independence, Women's Equality and Reform parties, collected 32,765 votes to Nuculovic's 14,902, according to the Westchester County Board of Elections. Nuculovic, a Bedford resident who was running for office for the first time, appeared on the Republican and Conservative party lines, but did not have an active candidacy until

just a few weeks before Election Day.

Buchwald expressed his gratitude to voters in the 93rd Assembly District following his victory.

"I am humbled by the outpouring of support from all of the towns in my Assembly District," Buchwald, a White Plains resident, said in a statement. "I can't thank my supporters enough for their work on my behalf. I look forward to continuing to work for the residents of Westchester and New York."

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collective bargaining stability where CSEA members will contribute to their healthcare premiums for the first time, a county space assessment and consolidating and streamlining the implementation of capital programs.

"This budget strikes a balance between providing the services all of the residents of Westchester expect and deserve, and keeping property taxes at a level they can afford," Latimer said. "The modest increase included in the budget is within the state property tax cap and acknowledges the hardship the federal government has imposed on the people of Westchester through the loss of the state and local tax (SALT) deduction in the American Tax Cuts and Jobs Act."

Latimer handed the budget off to the Board of Legislators (BOL) for a full review that will conclude with a vote by the full board. The board is expected to vote on the budget before the end of December.

The BOL will hold three public hearings on the 2019 budget:

Tuesday, Nov. 20, 7 p.m. – Yonkers Riverfront Library, 1 Larkin Center, Yonkers.

Tuesday, Nov. 27, 7 p.m. – Ossining High School, 29 South Highland Avenue, Ossining.

Wednesday, Dec. 5, 7 p.m. – Board of Legislators Chambers, 148 Martine Avenue, 8th Floor, White Plains.

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Former NY Yankee Plays Golf to Benefit Cerebral Palsy of Westchester

The New York State Building Officials Conference (NYSBOC) held its Fifth Annual Golf Outing at Westchester Hills Golf Club in White Plains, Oct. 30.

All proceeds benefitted Cerebral Palsy of Westchester (CPW), whose mission is to ensure that children and adults with developmental disabilities can receive services and enjoy activities regardless of the level of their ability.

The event opened with The Pledge of Allegiance led by CPW's Adaptive Boy Scout Troop #535, alongside former Yankees relief pitcher Mariano Rivera, who came out to show his support.

One hundred and two golfers took part



ERIC NADOLNY PHOTO

Members of CPW's Adaptive Boy Scout Troop #535 with NYSBOC-Westchester president Sal Pennelle, Mariano Rivera and CPW's Executive Director Linda Kuck outside Westchester Hills Golf Club.

in the shotgun-start golf tournament, including Rivera, followed by an awards dinner and benefit auction.

The outing was a huge success in part because of NYSBOC-Westchester Chapter's hard work as well as local event sponsors including: Franzoso Contracting, Garito Contracting, Graybar, Hampshire Management Company, JMC Planning Engineering Landscape Architecture & Surveying, LeChase Construction Services, Monarch Electric, Pavarini North East Construction, Reckson, and Tierpoint.

The New York State Building Officials Conference-Westchester Chapter, under the leadership of Sal Pennelle, has been a

tremendous supporter of Cerebral Palsy of Westchester over the past five years. Since 2012, members have donated holiday gifts to each student in CPW's school program, and in 2014 chose CPW as their charity of choice.

Proceeds from the events have been used for capital improvements to CPW's main campus in Rye Brook, including renovations to the gym and the construction of a new sensory room. Both last year's and this year's proceeds are earmarked for the design and construction of Harmony Park, a new sensory garden and playground opening this spring—the only of its kind in Westchester County.

Maplewood Swim Club May be Redeveloped as Assisted Living Facility

According to Greenburgh Town Supervisor Paul Feiner, representatives of Maplewood Swim & Tennis Club will be meeting with the Town Board Tuesday to discuss the possibility of redeveloping the site for an assisted living facility.

Feiner indicates representatives of the assisted living facility have not yet submitted an application, and will decide whether or not to proceed with a project after the meeting.

An assisted living facility at the site, which would replace the club, would necessitate a special permit from the Town Board, along with related land use approvals.

"Representatives in coordination

with the Maplewood Swim and Tennis Club recently reached out to the Town expressing an interest in redeveloping the site. The club is located in the R-30 One-Family Residence District, which permits uses such as: one-family detached dwellings; places of religious worship, including part-time religious schools and parish houses, convents, monasteries, rectories or parsonages; regularly organized elementary or secondary schools having a curriculum approved by the Board of Regents of the State of New York," Feiner said.

"This District also allows, by Special Permit, uses such as: private clubs or

social clubs operated by nonprofit membership corporations exclusively for members and their guests, including ice-skating, tennis, swimming and similar facilities; private, religious or sectarian schools accredited by the New York State Board of Regents, providing sleeping quarters; privately operated nursery schools, licensed or authorized by the Department of Education of the State of New York; agency group homes; assisted living facilities, etc.," Feiner continued.

Feiner explained that when Greenburgh considers Assisted Living facility applications it evaluates many factors including the building's design,

appearance, and buffers; new sidewalk potential in the vicinity of the proposal; tax revenue (fully built out, these uses generate approximately \$500,000 annual tax revenue, he said); EMS response requirements; driveway locations; etc.

If the applicant proceeds, the Town would encourage the applicant to coordinate with local residents and civic association groups to provide early input into design considerations.

"I believe that if an assisted living facility is built, the developer should build, at their expense, a sidewalk on West Hartsdale Avenue from the property to Central Avenue," Feiner concluded.

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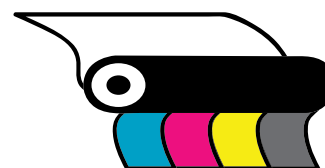
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Obituaries

Manuel Zuluaga

Manuel Andrew Zuluaga, devoted husband and father, passed away at the age of 81 on Nov. 9.

Manny was born in White Plains on Nov. 30, 1936. He married the love of his life, Gail Zuluaga (Getz), in 1961. He served in the US Navy, worked as a limousine driver, and eventually settled into a career as an electrician, most recently working for White Electric of White Plains.

Manny was known for his vibrant sense of humor, his enthusiasm for music and good food, and his passion for his Basque heritage. His love for his wife was boundless; before celebrating his 50th anniversary, he snuck off nightly to the basement so that he could surprise Gail with a beautiful, handcrafted ring. He was known, also, as an avid cyclist; in his heyday, he won road races against much younger athletes. Manny was also universally kind to strangers, the sort of man who thought nothing of pulling over to help motorists stranded on the highway. He also thought nothing of sitting outside on Halloween night in a Sasquatch suit, patiently slumped over in an attempt to look fake so that he could scare the heck out of unsuspecting trick-or-treaters. Manny touched everyone with his sense of the unconventional and his love of life.

Manny is survived by his loving wife, Gail, and his seven children:

Vivian, Alicia, Stephen, Michael, John, Claudia, and Lauriana, as well as his eighteen grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be Nov. 16, from 4 to 8 p.m. at McMahon Lyon & Hartnett Funeral Home, 491 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains.

Funeral Mass Nov. 17, 11 a.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 92 S. Lexington Ave, White Plains.

Nicola Colabella

Nicola Colabella, a West Harrison resident, died Nov. 7 at the age of 72.

He was born Feb. 14, 1946 in Bonefro, Italy to the late Luigi and Maria Giuseppe Colabella. At the age of 12 he came to the United States.

Nicola served in the United States Navy from 1965 until 1969.

On June 30, 1974 he married his wife Maria in Castelpetroso, Italy.

For over 45 years he owned Nick Colabella Plumbing & Heating Co.

Besides his wife Maria of W. Harrison, he is survived by his children Doris (Frank) Balbi of White Plains and Louis Colabella of W. Harrison and his grandchildren Marco, Luca and Siena. Also surviving is his sister Antonietta Liberatore of San Diego, CA, a sister-in-law Maria Colabella and his sister and brother-in-law Lina and Mike Rinaldi.

Nicola is predeceased by a brother, Anthony Colabella.

He was an avid soccer and football fan and loved general current events and politics.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Lustgarten Foundation, www.lustgarten.org or to Blue Path Service Dogs, www.bluepathservicedogs.org.

Angelina DeVito

Angelina DeVito, 88, passed away Nov. 7.

She graduated from White Plains High and City Hospital School of Nursing in New York City. Angelina was an LPN at St. Agnes Hospital for 50 years until her retirement in 2000.

Angelina is survived by her children, James DeVito of Valhalla, Lisa (Ed) Cairns of Greenland, NH, and Michael (Meghan) DeVito of New Fairfield, CT; sisters Vera (Joe) DiNardo of Naples, FL and Carol Citino of Bedford Hills, NY; six grandchildren, John, James Jr., Donna, Michael Jr., Emily, and Colleen, daughter-in-law Sherry DeVito, and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her daughter JoAnn Knight, her sister Marie Surette, and parents Nicholas and Alice (Weeks) Citino.

The family would like to thank her caregivers Michell and Lena.

Burtin Sheck

Burtin Jud Sheck, 90, of Purchase,

passed away peacefully in his home on Nov. 6.

Burt was born on Dec. 25, 1927 in Paterson, NJ to Max and Bella Sheck. From a very young age, he worked in the family's silk factory and housewares store.

As part of the Occupation Forces in Japan, he served as a paratrooper at the end of WWII. When he returned home from the service, he married Phyllis Sperling in 1951.

While Burt spent his working career as a merchant, he especially enjoyed deep-sea fishing and spent many happy hours with friends on his boat.

Family life was very important to Burt. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather.

Burt is survived by his wife Phyllis Sheck; his children Laurie Sheck (and her husband Jim Peck), Amy Sheck (and her husband Don Hornstein), Paul Sheck (and his wife Shonna Sheck); his grandchildren Maia Peck, Alex Hornstein (and his wife Hannah Liongoren), Eli Hornstein, Dana Sheck, Margo Breilyn (and her husband Aaron Breilyn), Jacob Sheck, and his great-granddaughter Lumen Hornstein.

His brother Martin and sister Betty preceded him in death.

The family gives thanks to the many caregivers who helped and supported us for the past few months.

Donations in Burt's memory may be made to the International Rescue Committee at www.rescue.org/.

Honoring Veterans: Beyond Glory Show at Westchester Broadway Theatre

By Evelyn J. Mocbeichel

The Westchester Broadway Theatre (WBT) will be presenting a totally unique experience this month to benefit the Eastchester VFW Fund Raiser to benefit HOPE FOR THE WARRIORS. This special production, Beyond Glory, takes place a week after the actual Veteran's Day and is slated for a one-day only show on Tuesday, Nov. 20. The story is adapted from a book of the same name by Larry Smith and will be performed by Stephen Lang. A portion of each ticket price goes directly for Hope for the Warriors. This charity provides comprehensive support programs for service members, veterans, and military families. Hope for the Warriors received

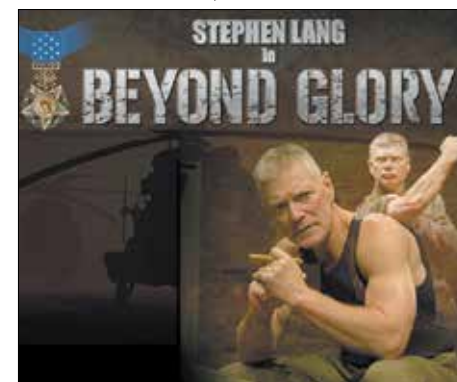
Charity Navigator's highest rating of 4 stars. To watch a short video trailer of this inspiring production visit this YouTube site: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m53HkHidk1k>.

The Actor

Stephen Lang, award winning playwright, stage and screen star, in a stunning tour de force performance, brings the stories of eight recipients of the Medal of Honor to the stage. Each of these men went above and beyond the call of duty to a place where bravery and humility meet. Beyond Glory presents the stories of veterans from World War II, Korea, and Vietnam, rendering first-hand accounts of valor which resulted in the nation's highest

military award, the Medal of Honor. As a tribute to fallen soldiers, Lang performed his one-man show on military bases, and gave a command performance on the floor of Congress with Medal of Honor recipient Senator Daniel Inouye of Hawaii in attendance.

The oral histories of these eight men are brought to life through Lang's commanding performance, with a backdrop of video screens, which occasionally evoke the turmoil of combat. Lang subtly moves through each man's story with a slight alteration of posture and vocal coloring to suggest a new personality. The show enjoyed a celebrated run on Broadway and in Chicago's Goodman Theater. Lang is now taking it coast to coast. Lang began his career on Broadway and was commended for film portrayals of Babe Ruth to Stonewall Jackson to Avatar's Col. Quaritch. It is through Lang's stage



adaptation of Beyond Glory that he has reached his most memorable, his most brilliant work. On television Lang portrayed fan-favorite 'Waldo' in the first two seasons of AMC's genre-bending martial arts series, Into the Badlands. His television credits include regular roles on Steven Spielberg's Terra Nova, and Michael Mann's classic Crime Story, as well as celebrated portrayals of Babe Ruth in NBC's biopic, Babe Ruth, and 'Happy' in Death of a Salesman, with Dustin Hoffman.

This is a performance and show not to be missed.

Along with the show a complete dinner will be served at the ticket price of \$95 per person plus tax. This includes a choice from six entrees, dessert, coffee or tea.

The Westchester Broadway Theatre is located in Elmsford. Box office: 914-592-2222. Visit www.Broadwaytheatre.com.

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P'ville Firm Eases Homeowners' Certificate of Occupancy Process

Whether you're planning a simple home improvement job or adding an entire wing to your house, obtaining a Certificate of Occupancy can be a daunting experience. There's now a local firm that can ease the pain and do all the work for you.

GET MY C.O. is a Pleasantville-based company offering a one-stop service to acquiring a Certificate of Occupancy. Run by brothers Michael and Tim Lener and Tim's wife JoAnn, it boasts the expertise of two architects (Tim and JoAnn) and Michael's experience as a businessman to get the job done.

"We have a lot of clients who go to the Building Department of their municipalities and find such things as their basement being recorded as finished storage space and not habitable when, in fact, it may have a finished bedroom and bath," Michael Lener said. "If the Building Department says it's unfinished, then that is what it is, and they have to go through the whole process of getting a CO."

In such cases, Tim Lener said drawings must be submitted and a building permit obtained to bring the space up to code. Final town inspections and paperwork are also required. Towns have extra fees, which can run as high as \$1,000 per item, he said.

"So if an attic and a basement don't have COs, it can be costly to the homeowner," Tim said. "Plus, the town might triple the building fee that should have been paid in the first place."

Sometimes it's not worth the effort. One client in Briarcliff Manor decided to

rip out the third-floor attic rather than go through the trouble and expense of installing required sprinklers down to the front door. However, a similar case in Pleasantville, where sprinklers were added, increased the value of the home.

Work can be expensive if you include Building Department, architect and electrician and plumber fees.

"It could end up costing \$5,000 to legalize a basement space," Tim said. "What we do is take all these aspects of the process and put them under a one-stop umbrella so that they can make one phone call, rather than talking to maybe five or six people."

GET MY C.O. also does "detective work," investigating when construction was done to know which code to go by. In New Castle, half of one client's large basement was finished in the 1960s. To prove that the work was done under a less restrictive code, the Leners removed electric outlet covers off to expose older wiring.

Then there was a Briarcliff Manor homeowner who wanted to add a shower

in the bathroom.

"Although it was just adding a fixture, the town required that she present a drawing and a licensed plumber and electrician to certify that the work was done properly," Michael Lener said. "We were able to handle everything from the drawing and submission for the building permit to recommending contractors to bring it up to code."

Tim Lener said the company offers a free 30-minute consultation, which features an assessment of the scope of work and preliminary cost estimates.

"Maybe a project requires only a drawing for a CO, or it can be more involved to bring the space up to code," he said.

Besides drawings, work includes presenting the application and fee, contractor license and insurance information, scheduling inspections with the town and sometimes a survey. The Leners work on COs for finished basements, decks, porches, bathrooms, converting garages into family rooms and attics.

An inspection with the town will

be scheduled to verify that the work was done properly. The application fee is small, about \$50, after the building permit is received. The town will issue an inspection report.

Assuming all goes well with the site inspection, GET MY C.O. will then fill out and submit the Certificate of Occupancy application on the owner's behalf. They will also follow up until the CO is issued.

For more information, call 914-727-0980 or visit www.getmyco.com.

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By Bill Primavera



BILL PRIMAVERA PHOTO

From left, Michael, JoAnn and Tim Lener of GET MY C.O.

Trekking Through the Southern Expanse of Spain's Wine Regions



By Nick Antonaccio

I hope you've been heeding my encouragement to explore Spain's new generation of wines coming to the New World. In the past two columns I've been focusing on an overview of Spanish wines and history, including a virtual tour from 35,000 feet.

This week's column, part three of my reprised, multi-focus virtual tour of Spain's primary wine-producing regions, begins to focus on specific geographic regions.

I've segregated Spain into six wine regions – from south to north. Loosely defined, they are the South, the Mediterranean Coast, the Meseta Central, the Ebro River Valley, the Duero River Valley and Green Spain. As we move from the dry, desert-like region in the south to the opposite extreme of wet and cool in the northwest, so too the wines change from region to region. From light whites to rosé to medium-bodied reds to heavy, alcoholic reds, there is a style and a particular wine that will satisfy the most discriminating palate.

Let's begin our tour in the South. There is not much to tantalize us here. Yes, the

desert is surprising to see in a land that we consider lush and highly developed, but its proximity to Africa and its seclusion created by the surrounding mountains, make for very little land suitable for agriculture. Except if you like fortified wine.

In the southwest corner, near the port city of Jerez, is a small pocket of land mildly suitable for agriculture. But the enterprising Spaniards have adapted well to their environment. They have been refining a unique process for centuries and have influenced history with the wine from this region: Sherry.

The final product sold in wine shops is the result of a laborious, time-consuming method that is painstakingly watched over. Sherry has been revered for centuries, from the 15th century Spanish explorers who brought this fortified (and therefore long-lasting) wine on all of their expeditions, to the English, who considered Sherry to be medicinal.

Let's take a look at the winemaking process: cultivated white grapes are

spread out in the sun to dry, like raisins, intensifying the sugar content. After fermentation, the wine juice is exposed to air, allowing a yeast layer to grow on top of the barrel of wine, which interacts with the natural alcohol in the barrels.

Next comes the first of two unique steps. A type of brandy is added to fortify the wine to an alcohol level of 15 to 17 percent. When sufficiently mature, the wine goes

through a second unique step: a blending process called the solera system. A portion of the wine from the current vintage, from 5 percent to 30 percent, is transferred from its original barrel to a barrel of a previous vintage. The displaced wine from that barrel is then transferred to

the next oldest barrel, and so on for up to nine or more barrels.

At the end of the line, the (first) sherry removed from the oldest blended barrel is bottled. This blending allows the winemaker to produce a consistent wine that has marvelous components each year.

There are two basic styles of Sherries produced and multiple subsets of these. Fino Sherries are lighter, typically served cold with tapas and are a bit austere,

with bright acidity and a sharp, light salty nut flavor. Olorosos are served at room temperature with dessert or cheese. They are robust and rich flavored, with a vanilla and caramel aroma and a hazelnut bouquet.

The best Sherries will hold their own against any other aperitif or dessert wine, including moscato, port, ice wine and Sauternes.

One of my favorites was described by a friend who is Sherry-obsessed: "It can be enjoyed on its own, but it pairs so well with desserts, especially chocolate and cheese. It has an intense flavor of raisins, figs and spices with a syrupy texture that complements the dessert at hand."

Experimentation will reward you with a new wine in your repertoire of favorite wines. Sherry should be an addition to your wine-consuming bucket list.

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Sage Café/Market Offers Global Cuisine



By Morris Gut

Sage Café/Market/More opened in a bright, airy 135-seat multi-sectioned space last January just across from the main entrance to Iona College on North Avenue in the Beechmont section of New Rochelle. It is owned and operated by the Halaris family, who have maintained a long affiliation with the college.

There is an eclectic international menu offering lunch, dinner and weekend brunch in a casual contemporary

the Iona campus. Colorful modern prints hang on the walls. A Sage waterfall flows in the lounge, fish tanks, too.

From reasonably priced comfort food to imaginative dishes, it is all served in a bouncy style. Great starters include: Sage Mediterranean Mezze Platter, tzatziki, red pepper hummus, and baba ghanoush served with cucumber, carrots and fresh pita chips; Three-Cheese Quesadilla with Fried Tomatoes, served with salsa,

guacamole, and sour cream; Maryland Crab Croquettes served with Old Bay aioli; and Sesame Chicken Lettuce Wraps, spicy sesame chicken, bib lettuce wraps, cucumber, Napa slaw and plum sauce. There is a signature Greek style Lemon Chicken Soup with orzo pasta, celery, carrots and an egg-lemon infused chicken broth.

Fresh Salads, Sandwiches and Burgers include: Chopped Gorgonzola Salad; Prime Rib Sliders served on onion brioche rolls; Maryland Crab Cake Burger served with coleslaw, aioli, and signature fries; Rustic Grilled Cheese with aged NY cheddar and fontina; Greek Salad; and the house 8oz. Sage Burger with toppings.

Main course Pasta, Meats, Fish and Seafood run the gamut: Grilled Salmon served on bed of fresh asparagus and parmesan risotto; Meatball Pomodoro Ragout, fresh tagliatelle, house made meatballs in a ragout with shaved parmesan; Moules Frites, sautéed mussels, fennel, shallots in a white wine broth, served with fries; Lemon Rosemary and Sage Roasted Chicken served with sautéed

spinach, scallion mashed potatoes and pan jus; Mediterranean Marinated Lamb Chops served with lemon oregano potatoes; Chef George's Fried Chicken, southern style; and Mediterranean Branzino. Check out The Mac, too, with a 4-cheese blended sauce, applewood bacon, baked with a panko parmesan crust. A variety of supplemental sides are always available.

Special Hint: There is a popular Happy Hour served Monday through Friday, 4 to 7:30 p.m. featuring specially priced cocktails and appetizer specials. Weekend Brunch has become a popular option as well. Cost is: \$16.95 and includes such selections as Classic Eggs Benedict, Make Your Own Omelet, and Brioche French Toast. There is occasional live entertainment. Check ahead for schedule.

Sage Café/Market/More is located at 700 North Ave., New Rochelle. Lunch, Dinner and Weekend Brunch served 7 days a week. Monday through Thursday: 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., Fridays to Midnight. Saturday: 10 a.m. to Midnight, Sunday: 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Main courses at lunch: \$8 to \$17. Dinner: \$9 to \$36. Bar/Lounge. Happy Hours Monday through Friday. Weekend Brunch. Party Facilities & Catering. Full take out. Convenience market. Major credit cards. Casual dress. Free parking in the rear. Reservations suggested for larger groups. Phone: 914-740-5755. www.sagecafecmm.com.

Z Prime Italian Steakhouse Opens in White Plains

Investor Zef Perlleshi and his family have been busy working on an upscale



Salmon with risotto and asparagus at Sage Café/Market.

new look for the sprawling 280-seat space at 189 E. Post Road, White Plains. The site has morphed many times over the years, from Par's original Eclipse to most recently the first home of Pax Romana (now up the street). The artsy signage is up. Z Prime Italian Steakhouse boasts such upscale amenities as Swarovsky crystal chandeliers, a '24-karat' bar, and custom fireplaces. There are three private dining areas. You have to see this to believe it. Recently popped in for a brew and gazing galore. The menu offers prime house-aged beef, of course, and Italian specialties. Chef Michael England, formerly of The Palm West in Manhattan, is at the helm in the kitchen. Z Prime opens at 5 p.m. for dinner only at this writing. 914-682-0011 www.zprime.com.

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Prime Rib Sliders at Sage Café/Market.

setting, a bar/lounge that bustles during happy hours, private and semi-private party space for all types of events, and a convenience market for eat-in or take-out. There is seasonal outdoor patio seating. Best of all, there is a free parking area in the rear. Large picture windows look across at

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The Examiner is happy to help spread the word about your community event. Please submit your information at least three weeks prior to your event to pcasey@theexaminernews.com. For a full listing of the upcoming week's events, visit www.theexaminernews.com and click on Happenings.

Tuesday, Nov. 13

Tuesdays at Dorry's. Joann Prinzivalli will speak about the present threat for transgender, non-binary and gender-non-confirming people. Prinzivalli is an attorney, activist, and a co-founder of transgender support groups at The LOFT (the LGBTQ+ community center in White Plains). She is author of the still-to-be-enacted Gender Expression Non-Discrimination Act (GENDA) and the trans-inclusive language adopted for the

Westchester County Human Rights Law and Fair Housing law. She has served on the Westchester County Executive's LGBT Advisory Board since its inception. Weekly table talk. Everyone is invited. Food ordering begins at 5:15 p.m. Presentation 6 to 7 p.m. Dorry's Diner, 468 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains.

WPCNA Meeting. White Plains Council of Neighborhood Associations monthly meeting. The Guest Speakers will be Linda Puopolo, Deputy Commissioner of Planning, Ken Creary, Chair, Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee, and Ed Nixon and Corina Peralta from the Department of Planning. The Panel will explore the White Plains Community Development Programs that benefit from the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development

(HUD) funds. The Panel will be joined by representatives of El Centro Hispano, Westchester Residential Opportunities (WRO), Lifting Up Westchester, and Meals on Wheels; some of the public service agencies getting HUD funds through the Community Development Programs. 7:30 p.m. at Education House, 5 Homeside Lane, White Plains. Light refreshments will be served.

Social Security Workshop. For individuals from 60 to 70 years old who are single, married, divorced or widowed. Led by Social Security, retirement income and tax specialist Paul Petrone. Rye Free Reading Room Library, 1061 Boston Post Rd., Rye. 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-231-3161.

"A Private War." In his feature narrative debut, Academy Award-nominated documentary filmmaker Matthew Heineman pays tribute to one of the world's most celebrated war correspondents, photojournalist Marie Colvin (Rosamund Pike) as she navigates the front lines of crisis. Portrayed with fearless, rebellious conviction by Pike and aided by a supporting cast including Academy Award Nominee Stanley Tucci, Tom Hollander and Jamie Dornan this film is a thrilling look at one individual's devotion to giving a voice to the voiceless. Followed by a Q&A with Heineman and Jacob Burns Film Center Board President Janet Maslin. Jacob Burns Film Center, 364 Manville Rd., Pleasantville. 7 p.m. Members: \$12. Non-members: \$17. Info and tickets: Visit www.burnsfilmcenter.org.

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Wednesday, Nov. 14

Farmer's Market. White Plains Outdoor Farmer's Market on Court Street at Main Street; open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nutrition workshop 12:30 to 2 p.m. Chef Joe Sasso of NY Hospitality Group will take advantage of the abundant local produce at the market to create several healthy and easy to prepare recipes for all to taste. Registered Dietitians from White Plains Hospital and the Scarsdale Medical Group will be on hand to provide information on the benefits of eating a balanced, healthy diet and to answer questions.

Noonday Getaway Concert. Chamber Music with the musicians of the Westchester Philharmonic. Laura Conwesser, flute, and Margaret Kampmeier, piano, play the works of Bach, Bernstein, Faure, and Poulenc. This concert is made possible with the generous support of the Brian Wallach Agency, White Plains. 12:10 p.m. at Grace Church, Main and Church Streets, White Plains. Free event, donations accepted.

Lunchtime Meditation. A weekly meditation program. Brief beginning instruction will be followed by meditation. No experience or special equipment needed. A guest instructor will lead the program the first Wednesday of each month. For more information, contact Christiane Deschamps at 914-422-1496 or cdeschamps@whiteplainsny.gov. 12:15 to 1 p.m. at White Plains Library, 100 Martine Ave., White Plains.

Alzheimer's Community Forum. Westchester County residents can take part in a Free Community Forum on Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia from 2 to 4 p.m. at Burke Rehabilitation in White Plains. The forum, which is open to the public, is an opportunity for residents of all ages to come together to ask questions about the disease, share their personal experiences, learn about available resources and discover volunteer opportunities to support those affected by the disease. Burke Rehabilitation Hospital, Billings Building, in the Rosedale Room, 785 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains. Light refreshments will be provided. To register call the Alzheimer's Association at 800.272.3900 or email mboyce@alz.org.

Can Judaism Survive the 21st Century? An Evening with CNN's David Gregory in a riveting conversation with Tal Keinan, author of the powerful new book, *God Is in the Crowd: Twenty-First Century Judaism*. They will discuss innovative new ideas to ensure a strong and bright future for the global Jewish community. 7 p.m. Congregation Kol Ami, 252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains. Presented by UJA-Federation of New York in Westchester in collaboration with The Jewish Week. \$20 in advance; \$25 at the door. Free for students

with a valid ID. Register at <https://nyjewi.sh/2DkZXv1>

Birds: Behind the Scenes at the Bronx Zoo. Kevin Hills, collections manager at the Bronx Zoo Ornithology Department, will discuss the challenges of managing the bird collection at the Bronx Zoo. A lot of things need to happen to make enjoyment of the bird collection so effortless. Find out what's involved. Presented in collaboration with the Greenburgh Nature Center and the Dobbs Ferry Public Library. Dobbs Ferry Library, 112 Main St., Dobbs Ferry. 7 p.m. Free.

Intergenerational Transmission of Trauma. A discussion with Bonnie Pollak, adjunct professor of the Wurzweiler School of Social Work at Yeshiva University. Jewish Community Center of Harrison, 130 Union Ave., Harrison. 7 p.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: Visit www.hhrecny.org.

Thursday, Nov. 15

Common Ground. Transgender Rights Community Conversation. People of all viewpoints are welcome to participate, and we are committed to creating an atmosphere that is safe for everyone who attends. It will be a place to share experiences, opinions, and solutions to understand how people in our area are actually affected by the policies, issues, and events that we hear about in the news and media. Hosted by White Plains Public Library (WPPL) and League of Women Voters White Plains. 6 to 8 p.m. Community Room, WPPL, 100 Martine Ave., White Plains.

Friday, Nov. 16

Paws Crossed Animal Rescue's Third Annual Autumn Tails Gala. The organization's biggest fundraiser of the year featuring a cocktail hour followed by a three-course meal, DJ, dancing, an exciting silent auction and an opportunity to speak to a psychic and medium. All proceeds to benefit the orphaned pets of Paws Crossed. Renaissance Westchester Hotel, 80 W. Red Oak Lane, West Harrison. 7 to 11 p.m. \$175. Info and tickets: Visit www.pawscrossedny.org/autumn-tails-gala or contact Julie Potter at julie@pawscrossedny.org.

Saturday, Nov. 17

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

Predator and Prey. Learn all about predator and prey species and their relationships together followed by some hands-on activities. Cranberry Lake Preserve, Old Orchard Street, North White Plains. 1 to 2 p.m. Free. Info: 914-428-1005.

"Women of New York." An illustrated lecture with noted historian Marty Scheit. Sponsored by the Westchester Community for Humanistic Judaism, Scheit's talk will feature details about various women who made significant contributions to

New York City, such as Emma Lazarus, Gertrude Vanderbilt Whitney, Jane Jacobs, Bess Meyerson and others. Scheit is noted for his many presentations at the New York Public Library, the 92nd Street Y, the Hebrew Home for the Aged, the Zigfield Society and other venues. A Q&A, refreshments and a Havdalah service will follow. Community Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 468 Rosedale Ave., White Plains. 2:30 p.m. Free; donations welcome. Info: Call Dmitry at 6 p.m. at 914-713-8828 or visit www.wchj.org.

Molsky's Mountain Drifters. The grace and wisdom of longtime fiddle player and multi-instrumentalist Bruce Molsky, described as "an absolute master," melds with the electricity of guitarist Stash Wyslouch and banjo player Allison de Groot's to bring new ideas to old music. Hear the satisfying blend of these distinct yet harmonious musicians that brings the folk tradition to the intimate Music Room. Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts, 149 Girdle Ridge Rd., Katonah. 8 p.m. \$25, \$40, \$55 and \$70. Info and tickets: 914-232-1252 or visit www.caramoor.org.

Don McLean in Concert. One of America's most iconic singer-songwriters who will be forever celebrated for his classic hits "American Pie" and "Vincent (Starry Starry Night)." Since first hitting the charts in 1971, McLean has amassed more than 40 gold and platinum records worldwide and in 2004 was inducted into the Songwriters' Hall of Fame. Tarrytown Music Hall, 13 Main St., Tarrytown. 8 p.m. \$48, \$58 and \$68. Info and tickets: Visit www.tarrytownmusicall.org.

Taylor 2 Dance Troupe. Critics and audiences cheer when Taylor 2 showcases athleticism, humor and the full range of emotions found in Paul Taylor's work. The company's integrity, passion, excellence and creative brilliance elevates the genre of modern dance. This dynamic six-member company, formed in 1993, works tirelessly to perform and ensure that the works of this highly acclaimed choreographer can be seen by audiences worldwide as it preserves an important dance legacy. Westchester Community College's Academic Arts Theatre, 75 Grasslands Rd., Valhalla. 8 p.m. \$24. Seniors and students: \$22. Children (under 13): \$18. Info and tickets: 914-785-6262 or visit www.sunywcc.edu/smartarts. Tickets will also be available at the box office starting 30 minutes before the performance.

Sunday, Nov. 18

Engineering for Kids and Their Parents. Work as a team with your child to create engineering feats out of nature that challenge young minds and inspire big goals. Activities will include acorn catapults and miniature nature boats. For children seven to 12 years old and their parents. Cranberry Lake Preserve, Old Orchard Street, North White Plains. 2 to 3:30 p.m. Free. Info: 914-428-1005.

Fifth Annual Youth a Cappella Festival. The Westchester Chordsmen Chorus present this festival featuring nine groups from Mamaroneck, Peekskill, Pleasantville, Edgemont and John Jay high schools and Port Chester Middle School. The finale will feature all groups on stage with the Chordsmen singing "Sing, Sing, Sing!" as arranged by Deke Sharon of Pitch Perfect fame. Co-sponsored by Mamaroneck High School. Mamaroneck High School, 1000 W. Boston Post Rd., Mamaroneck. 2 to 5 p.m. Free. Info: Visit www.chordsmen.org.

Circa Carnival of the Animals. The Circa Carnival comes to town with whimsical tales of creatures of land and sea who tumble, fly, leap and spin their way through the many wondrous worlds of the animal kingdom. The show whisks you away on a thrilling circus escapade inspired by Camille Saint-Saens' delightful salute to feathers, fur and fins. Circa's acrobats bring this classical music suite to life for a whole new generation of circus, music and animal lovers. Purchase College Concert Hall, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. 3 p.m. \$30 to \$65. Info and tickets: 914-251-6200 or visit www.artscenter.org.

The Interpreters. Screening of the award-winning documentary. Prepare to be moved beyond expectation by the stories about the Afghan and Iraqi men who risked their lives to support U.S. soldiers as translators and drivers. Now they are struggling to reach safety and rebuild their lives in the aftermath of war, in spite of the U.S. commitment to bring them and their families to safety. A few of these men and their families have been resettled in Westchester. This movie offers a rare glimpse into the heroic work they did for our military before coming here. The film will be followed by a Q&A with the filmmakers Sofian Khan and Andres Caballero. Pelham Picture House. 6:30 p.m. refreshments, 7:30 p.m. movie start. To purchase tickets visit www.thepicturehouse.org. Veterans pay half price.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF BB GRANT EDUCATORS, LLC, Filed with SSNY on September 18 2018. Office: Westchester County. SSNY is designated as agent and shall mail process to **BB GRANT Educators, LLC 465 S. Lexington Ave., White Plains, NY 10606 Purposes: any lawful act or activity.**

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LEGAL NOTICE – AXEL YANES, Plaintiff v. MARY CIVITELLA, Defendant, under index number 61040/2018 in Supreme Court, Westchester County. This is a personal injury action in which plaintiff is seeking to be compensated for injuries sustained at the premises known as 421 Elm Street, Port Chester, NY, including but not limited to pain and suffering and other damages sustained on July 27, 2015 as a result of the defendants' negligence. Plaintiff is seeking compensation in an amount in excess of the jurisdictional limits of the Trial Court. Defendants are in default and must appear and/or Answer the Summons and Complaint under Index Number 61040/2018. If defendants fail to interpose an Answer, a default judgment will be entered against the property.

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DERED to appear in this court, at the court address set forth above, on the following date and time: 03/20/2019 09:00 AM Hearing on Merits (CR/CV) You may bring an attorney with you. If you have a right to an attorney and if the court determines that you are indigent, the court will appoint an attorney to represent you. If you fail to appear, the court may proceed on that date and any date thereafter with a trial on the merits of the petition and an adjudication of this matter. For further information, call the Office of the Clerk- Magistrate at 508-990-4608. **WITNESS: Hon. John S Spinale, FIRST JUSTICE, Roger J. Oliveira, CLERK-MAGISTRATE, DATE ISSUED: 10/25/2018**

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF 306 PRESCOTT STREET, LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 10/26/2018.

Office Location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 7 **Arbor St, Yonkers, NY 10701. Purpose: any lawful purpose.**

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prevailing time at the Village of Pleasantville Recreation Department, 48 Marble Avenue, Pleasantville, N.Y. for the purpose of hearing comments and discussion on topics related to Hopper Street. RSVP for the meeting and/or questions to **Norreen Regan (914) 769-1975 or via email villageclerk@pleasantville-ny.gov.**

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FAMILY COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

In the Matter of a Proceeding Under Article 1022 REMOVAL 10 of the Family Court Act **ADAM BLUM** (CIN#EE59025F) Docket No. NN-10843-18 NN-10844-18 F/U No. 155793 A Child Under Eighteen Years of Age Alleged To be Neglected by **SUMMONS PHYLISS TABER BLUM** and (Child Neglect Case) **JOSEPH BLUM** Respondents.

NOTICE: PLACEMENT OF YOUR CHILD IN FOSTER CARE MAY RESULT IN YOUR LOSS OF YOUR RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF YOUR CHILD 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. UPON GOOD CAUSE, THE COURT MAY ORDER AN INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE NON-RESPONDENT PARENT(S) SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A RESPONDENT; IF THE COURT DETERMINES THE CHILD(REN) SHOULD BE REMOVED FROM HIS/HER HOME, THE COURT MAY ORDER AN INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE NON-RESPONDENT PARENT(S) 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 COMMIT-

MENT 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.

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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 PHYLISS TABER BLUM (Mother) JOSEPH BLUM (Step-Father) Last Known Address: Last Known

Address: Coachman Family Center Coachman Family Center 123 East Post Road 123 East Post Road White Plains, New York 10601 White Plains, New York 10601(Current Whereabouts Unknown) (Current Whereabouts Unknown)

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 **131 Warburton Avenue, Yonkers, New York 10701, on November 14, 2018 at 9:30 o'clock in the morning 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.

Dated: October 12, 2018.

..... **EXAMINER SPORTS**
Grant Runs Over Gaels for Crusaders CHSFL AAA Semifinals Win

By Albert Coqueran

The last time Stepinac played Iona Prep on the gridiron, senior running back Malik Grant was injured and did not participate in the game. Stepinac lost the thrilling overtime regular season contest, 36-34, back on Sept. 15 at Iona Prep.

On Saturday, Nov. 10, Grant did play in the CHSFL AAA Semifinals game, as number three-seed Stepinac (6-4, 5-3 AAA) faced off against archrival and number two-seed Iona Prep (7-2, 5-2), in New Rochelle.

The Stepinac running back was an unstoppable force in the game. Grant gained 392 yards on 38 carries with three touchdowns, as the Crusaders shocked the Gaels, 37-26, to advance to their fifth straight CHSFL AAA Championship Game.

Just so my readers do not think there was a typo in the statistics reported on Grant. That is correct, nearly 400 yards on 38 carries and three touchdowns and yes that was accomplished in one game! By the way, he also caught a two-point conversion!

“My offensive line is amazing. My quarterback is amazing and the receivers out there blocking are amazing,” acknowledged Grant, a team captain. “It is the relentlessness of this entire team that kept me going and I kept putting



ALBERT COQUERAN PHOTOS
Stepinac Defensive Coordinator Jonathan Demarco (left) and Head Coach Mike O'Donnell celebrate at Dunne's Pub, after Stepinac beat Iona Prep, 37-26, in the CHSFL AAA Semifinals to advance to their fifth straight AAA Championship Game.



On Saturday, Stefan Romero (front) is all smiles and quarterback Joey Carino (hand on face) is amazed, as Stepinac celebrates on the Iona Prep field, after beating the Gaels, 37-26, in the AAA Semifinals to advance to the CHSFL AAA Championship Game.

confidence in them. We all worked as a unit,” stated the remarkable Mr. Grant.

After, Grant exploded for his initial huge gain, a 58-yard dash to the Gaels 16 yard-line. Crusaders Nate Henderson booted a 26-yard field goal to start the scoring, at 8:08 of the first quarter.

The AAA Semifinal contest seemed to be evolving into a defensive battle as Henderson's field goal was the only scoring in the first quarter. But at the start of the second quarter, Crusaders quarterback

Joey Carino called his favorite receiver's number and hit Shawn “Big Play” Harris for a 67-yard touchdown.

With only three points scored in the first quarter, comparably the second quarter was an offensive eruption with 28 total-points scored in the quarter.

After Harris made the score 10-0, for the Crusaders; the Gaels got on the scoreboard at 6:20 of the second quarter, as QB Robertson slipped a shuffle pass to fullback Jamal Edwards from the

three yard-line.

The Stepinac and Iona match-up that everybody was anticipating never evolved into the lead changing traditional classic. As a surprise to most in attendance, the Gaels never took the lead in this game.

Grant plowed through and shuddered tacklers on his way to a 65-yard touchdown run, no more than 17 seconds after the Gaels scored. Then Carino ended the first half with a 33-yard pass to Harris

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**FAMILY COURT OF THE
STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF
WESTCHESTER**

In the Matter of a Proceeding Under
Article 1022 REMOVAL
10 of the Family Court Act
SALIM TAYLOR
Docket No. NN-08587-18

F/U No. 116366
A Child Under Eighteen Years of Age
Alleged To be Neglected by

SUMMONS LATEICA TAYLOR
(Child Neglect Case)
Respondent.

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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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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).

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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 [

LEGAL NOTICE

LATEICA TAYLOR (Mother)
Last Known Address:
**200 WATER STREET PEEKSKILL,
New York 10566**
(Current Whereabouts Unknown)
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, White Plains, New York 10601, on January 9, 2019 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.

Dated: October 31, 2018

_____/S/_____
Clerk of Court

EXAMINER SPORTS

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Stepinac running back Malik Grant was an unstoppable force, while gaining 392 yards on 38 carries. Grant powers his way to his third touchdown in the game, as the Crusaders pounded Iona Prep, 37-26, in the CHSFL AAA Semifinals.

who beat his defender for a TD.

However, a taunting penalty on Harris, who made his presence well known, put Henderson out of range for the extra-point kick. Nonetheless, Grant established: I can catch too, while receiving a two-point conversion pass from Carino to end the first half with Stepinac leading 24-7.

The Gaels kept fighting but it was too much Grant for Iona Prep to handle. Whenever Iona thought they were back in the game, it was Grant who made them aware that it was fool's gold. Iona capitalized on a Stepinac miscue on a punt, as Camari Glasgow scored on a 17-yard run, which put Iona within 10 points, 24-14, in the third quarter.

However, Grant answered again pounding through defenders for a five-yard score. Gaels answered with a Robertson to Panker three-yard touchdown pass. But Grant put back on his "Superman cloak" and answered once again, running five yards through traffic

for his third touchdown.

All the whispers on the Stepinac sideline were to the effect of "how many yards does Grant have" and "he must be over two hundred yards." With the score 37-26 with 2:31 left in the game, the Crusaders were in jeopardy of turning the ball over on downs, when Grant gave the Gaels one more taste of what he brought to the gridiron that day.

The Stepinac running back burst out of the backfield for a 61-yard gain to the Iona 23 yard-line for a first down and kneeling time for Carino. Then the question was answered: Grant 392 remarkable yards on a day's work that encompassed 38 times carry the ball with three TDs.

The poised junior quarterback Carino completed 9-of-12 passes for 164 yards and two touchdowns. "Big Play" Harris grabbed six receptions for 118 yards and two touchdowns.

Iona Head Coach Joe Spagnolo and the Gaels will always be reminded whenever



Stepinac running back Malik Grant leaps into the arms of offensive tackle Chris Fowx, after running 65 yards for a TD in second quarter against Iona Prep. Grant praised his offensive line for making his and the Crusaders memorable day possible.

these two teams meet in New Rochelle, as the talk on the sidelines and amongst all fans will be: "Remember when Stepinac running back Malik Grant gained nearly 400 yards on 38 carries here and ran over Iona Prep in the 2018 CHSFL AAA Semifinals." Yes, it happened!

"Malik has not been healthy all season. He is healthy now and he is a problem for

opponents. He puts the team on his back and he is an outstanding young man," recognized Crusaders Head Coach Mike O'Donnell.

Stepinac will meet the number five-seeded Cardinal Hayes in the 2018 CHSFL AAA Championship, on Saturday, Nov. 17. The game is presently scheduled to be played at Mitchel Athletic Complex, at 5 p.m.



Stepinac wide receiver Shawn Harris strides into the end zone for a touchdown after catching a 33-yard pass from quarterback Joey Carino with 14 seconds remaining in the first half. The two-point conversion put the Crusaders in the lead, 24-7 at halftime.




The Stepinac defense led by (#55) Kevin Gray, (#32) Kevin McKenna and (#8) Dexter Chance, Jr. had a tough time containing Iona Prep's sophomore running back Franklin McFadden III (#4). But the Crusaders defense shutout the Gaels in the first quarter, allowed only seven points in the first half and six points in the fourth quarter, as Stepinac beat Iona, 37-26, in the AAA Semifinals.



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