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NY Liberty Celebrate "Westchester Day"



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[L-r] Liberty mascot Maddie who was celebrating a birthday on Sunday, joined Westchester County Executive George Latimer, Deputy County Executive Ken Jenkins, NYC Public Advocate Letitia James, Administrative Judge Kathie Davidson, NYS Supreme Court Judge Joan Lefkowitz, County Court Judge David Everett and Swin Cash, Liberty Director of Franchise Development at center court as the Liberty celebrated "Westchester Day" at the County Center. **See full story on page 15.**

Hamilton Green, Brookfield Commons Move to Next Stage

By Pat Casey

The ordinance to create a new zoning district in White Plains called TD-1 (Transit Development-1) and rezoning property including 200 Hamilton Avenue, the White Plains Mall, from Neighborhood Business District B-2 to TD-1, was passed by a unanimous vote of the Common Council during its July 2 meeting.

The property, now owned by W.P. Mall Realty, LLC and SWD 3 LLC, known as Street-Works Development, requested the zone change. The developer now has a site plan application before the Council for a mixed-use project called Hamilton Green, which was presented in part at the July 2 meeting.



Architect's rendering of the Hamilton Green proposal with Barker Avenue on the left and Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. on the lower right.

Maximum allowed building height in the new TD-1 District is 280-feet. The B-2 zone only allows a 25-foot maximum height.

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Public Hearing on 52 North Broadway Continues, Residents Not Happy

By Pat Casey

The public hearing in relation to the petition submitted on behalf of WP Development NB, Inc., to amend the Zoning Ordinance to create a new Planned Residential Development Zoning District and amend the White Plains Zoning Map classification from RM-1.5 to Planned Residential Development, and the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for 52 North Broadway (former Good Counsel campus) was reopened on July 2.

Before comments were heard White Plains Mayor Tom Roach noted that the public hearing would go to at least the Aug. 6 Common Council meeting and possibly beyond.

During the proceedings, many residents

referred to the new owner of the property as George Comfort & Sons, Inc., a Manhattan-based real estate development company, as the parent company of WP Development NB.

Clifford Davis, the White Plains lawyer representing the residents of 10 Stewart Place, requested a model of the proposed development be built to scale for a visual of the mass of the project and how it would impact the community. "It is hard to tell from the plans," Davis said.

Davis called for an independent traffic analysis of the immediate neighborhoods to judge the impact of the proposed development, especially Ross, Stewart, Warren streets, and said traffic in and out of the proposed project should be

redirected to North Broadway.

Davis also alleged that, "counsel for WP Development has made misrepresentations regarding conditions of the historic buildings on the premises."

William Null of the White Plains-based law firm Cuddy and Feder, is the lawyer representing the applicant.

Davis submitted a letter and documents for the Council to review concerning an appraisal of property and its buildings the Sisters of the Divine Compassion had done by Hudson Property Advisors LLC in 2015, showing the buildings to be in average to good physical condition.

"Either the Sisters were lying in 2015 or the applicant is lying now. This Board should get to the bottom of it," he said,

later adding: "The Common Council should not take this applicant at its word."

Davis is referring to claims by the developer that many of the buildings on the historically landmarked property are in such bad condition physically that they cannot be renovated.

Mary Keogh, a resident of 50 N. Broadway, the apartment building adjacent to the property, said it was important to preserve the front lawn existing at 52 N. Broadway because it balances the neighborhood with the downtown. She was also concerned about traffic congestion because of the new development and the removal of hazardous materials and possible blasting

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Buildings in the proposed development will include street-level retail, food hall, about 40,000 square feet of public open space, a parking garage and residential apartment towers with 860 residential units, the tallest two buildings at 14 stories.

Access to the public open space, which is designed within the courtyard-like interior area, is available at six different locations from the four streets making up the block of the project. Part of the open space will be in an elevated area over the parking garage.

The public space will be managed by Bederman Redevelopment Ventures and according to Richard Heapes, of Street-Works, will include programming such as music, yoga and theater-like presentations. Heapes also noted that the public space would be similar to that found at Rockefeller Center in Manhattan because of the many things that will be offered there.

Another 20,000 square feet of open space will be constructed for Hamilton Green residents at an upper level of the project.

Proximity to the White Plains train station and a more pedestrian-friendly environment in the TD-1 District are expected to attract new commuter residents to White Plains.

Heapes indicated that construction would likely take place in phases.

During the same meeting, the public hearing on Phase II of the redevelopment at the Winbrook Housing complex as Brookfield Commons was closed.

Located at 135 S. Lexington Ave., in White Plains, Phase II will include 129 residential units with community space on the ground floor.

All residents currently living in the existing buildings at Winbrook will be moved to the new buildings once all phases have been completed.

The entire project will include low income, workforce affordable housing, and market rate housing for varied income stock, much needed by the city, said Councilmember Nadine Hunt-Robinson.

Trinity Financial and the White Plains Housing Authority are working together on the project. Local construction companies and contractors will be involved in the building process.

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at the site.

Karen Young, Vice President of the Heritage Tower Board at 15 Stewart Place, commented that the White Plains Comprehensive Plan promotes the preservation of local neighborhoods and that this development proposal does not.

Barbara Allen, a resident of 10 Stewart Place, said William Null in representing both the Sisters of the Divine Compassion before they sold their property and now representing the new owner of the property was straddling the fence. She suggested that the scenario for development now being promoted by the applicant was also being pushed by White Plains Mayor Tom Roach and Planning Commissioner Christopher Gomez.

Mayor Roach said, "Hold everything. I don't like the plan." But Allen pushed ahead, reading from a memo she said had been prepared for the Sisters of the Divine Compassion by their advisors, offering them several possible ways to deal with the sale of their property.

Quoting from the memo, Allen read one suggested plan that called for the Sisters to work with the City and with them to draw up a conceptual plan for redevelopment, leaving the convent, chapel and Mapleton House in place, and demolishing the other buildings.

Allen, further quoting from the memo, said the recommendation included the Sisters asking the City for informal consent to a conceptual development design plan that could be shared with potential developers and that the Sisters could request that redevelopment of the complex be allowed in an Historic Ordinance to be adopted by the City.

"I would like to know, Allen said. "Has the applicant already received some city officials' consent for the fate of this property? Would you care to comment Mr. Mayor?"

Mayor Roach replied: "I am not really going to engage because it's amazing what I just heard. I don't even know where to go with it. But what other people write about what they are going to do has nothing to do with what actually happens. And when

I saw this proposal, it was never brought to us beforehand. I think I was pretty clear, ... I don't like it."

Ilene Stockel, a resident of 10 Stewart Place, during her comments called "Comfort and Co. another greedy development company slithering their way into White Plains."

Referring to the toxic dumpsite, traffic dangers, density of population and zoning laws, Stockel indicated "residents' concerns were being ignored.

Stockel and others would prefer larger buildings be placed on the North Broadway portion of the property or that the existing zoning, allowing three-story residential buildings, be followed for development throughout the site.

Stockel said she did not blame the developers for the horrific mess, but blamed the Mayor. "Your ambitious plan to overdevelopment of this city has made you blind to the serious and troubling issues that surround this project," she said. "I, as many, feel this zoning was a done deal long before the property was purchased. Were the developers guaranteed by you that the zoning changes would be definite?" She further accused the Mayor of deceiving the voters.

Roach replied that in Council meetings it is not appropriate to attack members as individuals, but since the comments were addressed to him, he did not step in.

Stockel said she did not attack anybody.

"You suggested many things about me that are completely untrue in a city where people know me very well. I don't know. How does my vote finding [the property] "historic" fit into your scheme? Roach asked.

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Former Police Officer Charged in White Plains Hit and Run

A former New Rochelle and New Castle police officer was arrested Thursday morning and charged with three felony counts for allegedly tampering with evidence after seriously injuring two people in a hit-and-run accident.

Raymond Beckley, 25, of Valhalla, appeared in White Plains City Court on charges of leaving the scene of an incident without reporting and two counts of tampering with physical evidence stemming from a hit-and-run, all class E

felonies, the Westchester County District Attorney's Office said Thursday.

On Nov. 13, 2016, Beckley allegedly hit two pedestrians with his Ford F-350 pickup truck on Hale Avenue in White Plains, just hours after he resigned as a New Rochelle police officer.

Law enforcement officials said Beckley was aware he hit the pedestrians but fled the scene leaving the bleeding victims in the street suffering from head trauma and broken bones. While White Plains police detectives actively investigated the case in search of his truck, officials said



Raymond Beckley



Charles Thomas Mitchell

Beckley had the truck's front end repaired to conceal the damage, then drove the vehicle out of state.

The day after the incident, Beckley began working as a New Castle police officer, a job he resigned from in January 2017.

The investigation into Beckley's arrest was a collaborative effort between the White Plains Police Department and the Westchester County District Attorney's Investigations Division Public Integrity Bureau.

"Upholding public integrity and prosecuting those who flaunt it is a high priority in this Office," Westchester County District Attorney Anthony A. Scarpino, Jr. said in a statement. "We commend the White Plains Police Department for their investigation into this crime with our Investigations Division Public Integrity Bureau. A police officer in any jurisdiction needs to be held to the high standards for which he is sworn to uphold. Those who were injured deserve justice."

Beckley was arraigned in White Plains City Court and released on \$5,000 bail. He is due to return to court on Aug. 17.

-Anna Young

Man Arrested on Charges Related to Child Pornography

Charles Thomas Mitchell (DOB 11/8/66), of Mamaroneck, has been arrested and arraigned on charges related to child pornography. Bail was set at \$5,000 cash or \$20,000 bond. His next court appearance is scheduled for July 12, 2018. Mitchell has been charged with: promoting an Obscene Sexual Performance by a Child and possessing an Obscene Sexual Performance by a Child. The felony complaint alleges on July 2, 2018, Mitchell possessed a sexual video file on his computer of a girl, approximately 10-12 years old and then made the video available to share with others on a computer network. From May through July 2018, the District Attorney's Office conducted an undercover operation involving Mitchell's use of peer-to-peer software. The program allowed Mitchell to share and exchange child pornography via the Internet. Investigators were able to complete downloads of child pornography from Mitchell's computer. Mitchell has been the Chairman of the Village of Mamaroneck Board of Ethics.

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Audit Reveals County Facing Steep Budget Deficits

By Anna Young

County officials pledged to fix Westchester's fiscal hardship after auditors revealed on Monday the county finished last year with a \$32.2 million deficit and will continue to face financial struggles for the remainder of 2018.

During a Monday afternoon press conference, auditors from PFK O'Connor Davies briefed officials on Westchester County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for 2017. County Executive George Latimer said the county is presented with difficult circumstances that can only be fixed through a collaborative and transparent process.

The report, which was released June 26, shows that Westchester faces a projected \$28.7 million deficit for 2018, on top of the deficit from last year.

"We are not happy to be in this situation, perhaps it was not unexpected, but we do not step aside from our responsibilities," Latimer said. "However this happened, whoever's watch it happened under, it is under my watch and our watch by which we will fix this."

Latimer suggested the deficit stemmed from unsustainable promises made by former county executive Rob Astorino, including a freeze on property taxes, failing to fund agreed upon labor



County Executive George Latimer is faced with mounting deficits, a recent audit report has revealed.

contracts, closing budget gaps with one-shot deals and dipping into the reserve fund.

Officials also cited \$15 million in budgeted revenue from an unfinished deal that was rejected by county legislators to privatize operations of Westchester County Airport.

Board of Legislators Chairman Ben Boykin (D-White Plains) said he's been concerned about the structural fiscal

imbalance for several years, stating that he voted against many "unsustainable" spending plans that caused a substantial reduction in the county's fund balance to fill budget gaps.

Nicholas DeSantis, of PFK O'Connor Davies, said the fund balance has diminished by \$35 million over a four-year period, from \$169 million in 2013 to \$134 million in 2017. He said the \$32 million used from the fund balance last year was utilized to balance the budget because of insufficient revenues.

DeSantis stressed how the county has had to resort to short-term borrowing for its cash flow as the fund balance has consistently been diminished.

Boykin stressed that legislators are committed to working through the "financial mess" created by Astorino's administration.

"This is not a situation that has been created overnight and we're not going to solve it overnight," Boykin said. "It is our joint responsibility to seek opportunities to increase revenue, control expenses and rebuild our fund balance, so we can leave this county better off tomorrow than it is today."

Legislator Catherine Borgia (D-Ossining), chair of the board's Budget and Appropriations Committee, said officials are currently exploring ways to

share services and reduce property taxes to lessen the financial strain on county residents.

"This is not a surprise, we knew that this problem was in the works," Borgia said. "The good news is that we have resources in Westchester County and there are ways for us to move the county back to sound financial standing."

Latimer said his administration is currently examining every county contract to control costs and analyze the use of office space. Possibilities include moving county employees from rented units into owned office space, creating a robust shared services plan, exploring energy reduction initiatives and dissecting the tax revenue collection system to capture money that hasn't been collected appropriately over the years.

While Latimer said a plan hasn't been crafted to handle the 2018 budget, he said there has been no discussion of a property tax increase.

"The mission is to solve problems, to do our job, to make this county effective again and to do it without having to jack property taxes up, but by God, to do it and to go away from pure ideology and get to pragmatism and solve problems," Latimer said. "I'm not here to show off, I'm here to solve these problems right now with this group of people."

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Susan Craft Sillery

Susan Craft Sillery died July 4. She was 73.

Born July 18, 1944 in White Plains to Harold Craft and Margaret Bell. Susan was raised in White Plains and devoted to her family. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and was very involved in their lives.

She is survived by her brother Harold T. Craft of White Plains, son, Steven J. Sillery of White Plains, daughters, Sandra S. Wheaton (Timothy) of Raleigh, NC, Jennifer J. Gerard (William) of Carmel, NY, four grandchildren, James and Alexander Wheaton of Raleigh, NC, Isabelle Sillery of New York City and Jenna Gerard of Carmel, NY.

Joseph P. Corrigan

Joseph P. Corrigan passed away peacefully on July 4.

He was born on July 20, 1934 and grew up in Plainfield, NJ.

He is survived by two daughters, Caithlin Corrigan Fitzsimons and Mairéad Beaumont; two sons in law, three grandchildren, and two brothers, John and Robert.

He and his wife, Goldie, raised a family in White Plains.

He served in the Army and earned his PhD in chemistry.

Dr. Corrigan was the department chair at Hostos Community College before retiring to live in Brick, NJ, NYC and Oceanside, CA. He was an avid sailor with a quick wit and a warm heart who loved his family.

Leone Forgione

Leone Forgione, of West Harrison passed away July 2.

He is survived by his three children Carmela, Vito and Ralph; three brothers and seven grandchildren.

Leone joins us beloved wife in heaven, Alfonsina.

My Brother's Keeper Initiative to Hold Readers Achievers Program

It's been well established that children who read during the summer see improved language skills and are better prepared for the rigors of school when school starts in September.

With this in mind, the City of White Plains My Brother's Keeper Initiative has kicked off its second Annual Summer Readers Achievers Program through Friday, Aug. 10. Working in concert with the White Plains Library and area camp programs, the Readers Achievers Program is designed to increase the number of children and teens participating

in summer reading programs. More than 300 children and youth participated in last year's Readers Achievers Program.

A reading list is published on the White Plains Youth Bureau Web site at www.whiteplainsyouthbureau.org. Books are available at the White Plains Library.

At the end of the summer, youth will receive a Certificate of Participation.

For more information about the Readers Achievers program, and to participate, contact Laura Montoya: lmontoya@whiteplainsny.gov, or call Laura at (914) 422-1378.

Stop Tariffs on Printers and Publishers

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–STOPP Coalition

Holocaust & Human Rights Education Center Names New Board Members



Melissa Cates



Naomi Koller



Seth Mandelbaum

Melissa Cates, Esq., a resident of Scarsdale, is an accomplished business affairs and entertainment attorney with expertise in negotiating and drafting content development and production agreements. She is currently a business affairs and legal consultant for various television network and production company clients. Melissa joins The Holocaust & Human Rights Education Center as an Advisory Board Member.

Chappaqua resident **Naomi Koller, MBA** is a Career Coach and Training and Curriculum Development manager. She's currently a Career Development Specialist at Career Connect, a division of Westchester Jewish Community Services (WJCS). Naomi joins The Holocaust &

Human Rights Education Center as an Advisory Board Member.

Seth M. Mandelbaum, Esq., LEED AP, a resident of White Plains, is a partner at McCullough, Goldberger & Staudt, LLP. He's also the Vice Chair of the Board of Westchester Parks Foundation, and a member of the Westchester County Bar Association, New York State Bar Association and the Westchester County Association. Seth joins The Holocaust & Human Rights Education Center as a member of the Board of Directors.

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Hartsdale's Historic Odell House Needs Restoration

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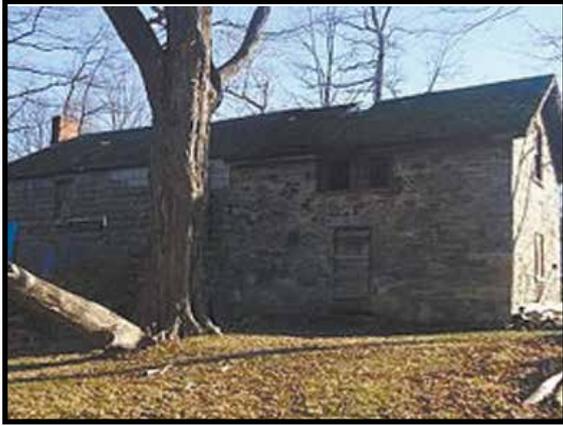
month. The funds sought will be used for architectural planning/design and construction work for an initial phase of securing the house from a structural/safety standpoint. It is anticipated that additional funding will be necessary to bring the house full circle, to a point where the house is publicly accessible.

The Odell House is part of the Washington-Rochambeau National Historic Trail and its history and story can only properly be conveyed through a restored site. French General Rochambeau maintained his headquarters there in 1781 during the Philipsburg Encampment.

Although the Town does not own the site, it is hoped that continued Town assistance can be a contributor towards the goal of preserving the Odell House.

It would be a crime not to take action. This house played an important role in our nation's history. There is currently a historic marker at the site of the house.

-Paul Feiner, Greenburgh Town Supervisor



The O'Dell House on Ridge Road, Hartsdale.

grant to continue restoration efforts for the Odell House. We believe that at least \$500,000 will have to be spent to save the building. In recent years, the condition of the house has deteriorated. A grant opportunity exists through the New York State Consolidated Funding Application process (Environmental Protection Fund), which will be submitted later this

Rare B-29 Bomber Visits County Airport



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A Boeing B-29 bomber spent the July 4th weekend at the Westchester County Airport, courtesy of the Commemorative Air Force. "FIFI" is only one of two airworthy B-29s in the world and this is her first trip to the airport. She was greeted by enthusiastic crowds both young and old who got to tour the inside of the plane and speak to the air crew.

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Reconnecting With My First Home (and a Relative) in an Uncanny Way

Thomas Wolfe wrote that “You Can’t Go Home Again,” but I have frequently revisited homes where I have formerly resided, even one I didn’t remember.

Just recently I enjoyed an almost surreal experience in revisiting my first home in New York, a five-story, walk-up brownstone in Greenwich Village. The experience also served to reunite me with a family member I hadn’t seen in many years.

From the time I was 10 years old, living in a small town in Virginia, I knew that I wanted to live my grown-up life in New York City. I had just accompanied my parents celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary. Almost overwhelmed by the excitement of the city and having a keen interest in theater and the arts, I knew I couldn’t live anywhere else. Not only did I choose Manhattan as my ultimate destination, but after I saw the film “My Sister Eileen,” the wacky comedy about the adventures of two sisters living in Greenwich Village, I narrowed my search to the West Village.

Upon my college graduation, I traveled to New York with two friends who had similar aspirations. At that time, believe it or not, there was a glut of apartments available in the city because developers sought to beat a looming deadline to upgrade building standards. You’ve probably never heard the term “concessions” offered on leases, but two and three months free rent were offered

to lure tenants to new buildings. My two friends and I moved into a spanking new studio apartment at Greenwich Avenue and West 10th Street, with \$180 a month rent, which we considered high.

I was living in a luxurious, albeit small apartment, on the ninth floor with a large picture window and a view of the Empire State Building. The only problem was that my two roommates and I were having a hard time getting along. Within two months, we all decided to find other quarters and move out.

Luckily, I found that a neighbor directly across the street from my building was looking for a roommate and I applied. I walked out on the lease I alone had signed, being the only one among us who was over 21, and moved into the top floor walk-up “cold water” flat, an apartment that lacked hot running water. When we bathed, we had to heat water on the stove and pour it into the tub along with the cold water.

The rent for the one (small) bedroom unit was only \$37.50, which seemed

extraordinarily low even at that time, but once again I didn’t get along well with my roommate.

Fast forward 50 years or so when I’m posting opinions on Facebook and, with one of them, I receive a “like” from my great-niece Teresa with whom I’d met only twice – once when she was eight years old and her grandparents had brought her to my home and once more when she applied to colleges in New York. I texted her to catch up on her impressive career as a journalist. After a couple of exchanges, I asked where she was living. She replied the West Village.

“Ah,” I said, “that’s where I first lived, on West 10th Street.” She said that she too lived on West 10th Street.

“Wow,” I responded, “my address there was 138 W. 10th St.”

I received a response, all in caps, “MY ADDRESS IS 138 WEST 10TH STREET!”

There are about 77,000 apartment buildings in Manhattan. What are the odds that two generations apart both my great-niece and I would have chosen the same building to call our first home in Manhattan? Surely, it must be something more than coincidence.



By Bill Primavera

Seeking Truth About the Many Longstanding Wine Myths



By Nick Antonaccio

Readers have been asking for advice on wine drinking standards. As you acquire a more refined taste, and preference, for certain wines, there are accepted axioms floating around the “Bacchusphere” that become confusing.

Many are still relevant, but others have taken on the cloak of myths and have no practical relevancy. Differentiating between fact and fiction is sometimes difficult – especially when expressed by wine “experts.”

Myths or facts? Here are three wine “truths” that have been questioned by readers and others I’ve met in my travels. I’ve selected these topics at random and present them in no particular order of importance or relevancy.

1. A bottle of wine must breathe before it is poured.

In fact, this does nothing for the wine. Leaving an opened bottle of wine on the table simply delays your drinking of the wine. The truth is that certain red wines do need time to breathe but pulling the cork and letting the bottle sit is analogous to a reference I once heard that it is like sitting in a stuffy airplane and expecting

the air to become fresh simply by opening the cockpit door. In the months or years of being confined in the bottle, wine continually evolves as a living, breathing organism. It needs to breathe, but it needs help.

To enjoy the pent-up aromas and flavors of red wine, try one of these: 1) decant the bottle 30 to 60 minutes before serving; the interaction of the wine with oxygen speeds the evolution of the wine. 2) Don’t have an hour to wait? Pour a third of glass of wine and vigorously swirl the glass in circular

motions, allowing oxygen to interact with the wine. 3) Purchase a wine aerator and pour the wine through this amazingly efficient device. It is more effective than swirling and more timesaving than a decanter. I have tested an aerator several hundred (thousand) times and it has never failed to enhance the wine at hand.

2. Sniffing a cork tells you something about the quality of the wine.

This centuries-old tradition is an early-warning exercise. But it is a simple visual test, not a “smell” test. It rarely tells you anything about the essence of the wine in

the bottle. If the cork is cracked or moldy or has tracks of wine along its sides, there may be a problem, but it doesn’t necessarily mean the wine is corked or otherwise adulterated.

This is determined by the next step you should follow: sniff the wine. Pour a bit into a glass, swirl it around and insert your nose into the glass. If the wine smells tainted (a wet newspaper odor) or oxygenated (off-putting aromas), you may have a bad bottle. Send it back. If it’s not spoiled but doesn’t quite live up to your lofty aromatic expectations, too bad. Typically, once the bottle is opened, you’ve purchased it.

3. All these wines with screwtops!

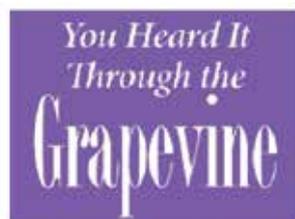
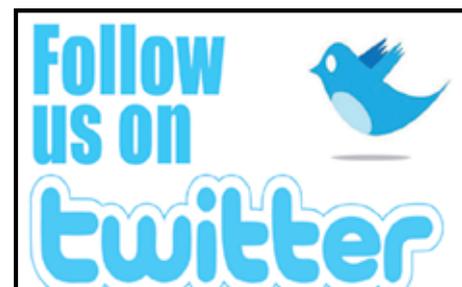
They can’t be good for wine. Wrong. I am a strong advocate of screwtops. Why? There’s no chance of a tainted bottle and the seal is tighter than a cork. Added bonus: you don’t have to wrestle with a bottle opener and risk embarrassing yourself in front of family and friends. Unless you’re planning to store a bottle of wine for several decades, consider screwtops your friend.

Another bottle closure, the plastic cork, is sound in concept. But in practical terms

After several other Facebook exchanges, I was invited to visit my great-niece at my old haunts, which I did within the week. Going back to that building after more than 50 years was quite an experience for me. I was almost overwhelmed by feelings of nostalgia. It was amazing to me how the mere physical presence of an old home could conjure up that kind of emotion.

My older sister, the grandmother of Teresa, once told me that she never wanted to visit any of her former homes. “I don’t look back, I look forward,” she told me. Well I guess I’m one of those who likes to look back. That visit to my early domicile was bittersweet in all the memories it conjured up and I for one was happy to have had the experience.

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Summer Taste Alerts



By Morris Gut

We have been on the summer culinary trail and have been fortunate enough to hit many outstanding food and dining venues and dishes along the way. I would like to share

some of them with you.

Dine On the Fairway at North Street Tavern, White Plains

Proprietors Joe Mangi and Kevin Fang are doing a fine job at North Street Tavern & Wood Fired Pizza on North Street, White Plains. The restaurant is on the grounds of Maple Moor Golf Club just north of the Hutch. A pleasant airy outdoor deck, highlighted by a woodburning pizza oven, overlooks the fairways and the views are lovely. Inside the tavern, the bar/lounge and dining room are separated for extra comfort.

Specialties on the eclectic menu run the gamut: plump, juicy burgers and dogs, Chicken and Meatball Parm Heros, Lobster Roll, Fish & Chips, Bone-In Ribeye, Lobster Mac & Cheese, and Pan-Roasted



Woodburning oven at North Street Tavern, White Plains.



Pelham Pizzeria.

Codfish. There is a variety of specialty pizzas prepared in the woodburning oven outside. We tried the small Sausage Pizza and it was thin crusted and quite good. Took some home. North Street Tavern is a fine summer stopover. Must be lovely in the fall, too.

North Street Tavern is located at 1128 North Street, White Plains. Open to the public for lunch and dinner daily. Free parking. Phone: 914-437-7111; www.northstreettavern.com.

Pelham Pizzeria Serves Serious Pies

You can debate about your favorite pizza joints: Louie & Ernie's, Bronx; Sal's, Mamaroneck; Johnny's, Mt. Vernon; Cole's, Bronxville; even Frank Pepe's in New Haven. I submit, Pelham Pizza is right up there with the best of them.

One of the most popular pizza shops in the greater Westchester area, Pelham Pizzeria & Ristorante, is marking a 40th Anniversary in bustling Pelham, with a classic Italian-American menu and first-rate pizza specialties.

Established in 1978, a second generation of the Ruffolo family has continued the flavorful legacy left by their founder Gino and John Ruffolo. Son John Ruffolo and son-in-law Pino Mancini create their delicious larder to a packed dining room daily. The phone rings incessantly, and take-out orders fly out the door. At peak times, the atmosphere can seem chaotic, but the crew gets the job done. The kitchen is in the steady hands of Juan Hernandez along with pizzaman Paul Scanga.

Some of the current crew has been working here for 25 years. John Ruffolo refers to his shop as the 'heartbeat of Pelham'. However, the flavors emanating from this 'neighborhood' pizzeria now draws followers from throughout the metro area. Pelham Pizzeria has consistently made the '101 Best Pizzerias in the US' rankings on The Daily Meal national website. It has received honorable mentions in Westchester Magazine, and raves from the community at large. It draws legions of followers every day, seven days a week.

The dining room and signage were spruced up a bit recently. The menu runs the gamut of popular dishes at reasonable prices for eat-in or take-out: hot appetizers, soups, fresh crisp salads, hot and cold wedges, pastas, lunch and dinner entrees, and of course, specialty pizzas galore. On a typical busy day, says John, we prepare about 100 pies. The display case at the counter beckons with its fresh baked pizzas by the slice: Sausage Pie with the house signature lumps of tasty sausage; Spinach Pie, White Pizza, and Chicken Cutlet Pie. Whole pies include: Salad Pizza, Lasagna Pizza, Arugula Pizza and a big Combination Pie. Fresh made calzones and stuffed rolls are available,

too. Gluten free pizza available.

Many of the classic Italian-American red-sauce favorites are here: Veal, Chicken, Shrimp or Eggplant Parmigiana; Homemade Lasagna; Baked Manicotti; Veal or Chicken Francese; Shrimp Scampi; Veal Marsala; and hearty Grilled Chicken with Broccoli Rabe and Potatoes. Portions are very generous.

Pelham Pizzeria & Ristorante is located at 113 Fifth Ave., Pelham. The shop is open 7 days a week for lunch and dinner. Monday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Sundays, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Full take-out & Catering. House wines by the glass and beer. Price range

all day: Pizza by the slice: from \$2.50; Appetizers from \$5.75; Specialty Pizzas: \$12 to \$23 (toppings extra); Pastas from \$9 to \$14.50; Dinner entrees from \$13 to \$18. Cash only. Booth seating. Table service. First-come, first-served. Casual dress. Municipal parking; free evenings. Phone:



Grilled pulpo and polenta at Trattoria Vivolo.

914-738-3554; www.pelhampizzeria.com.

Dining Al Fresco at Trattoria Vivolo, Harrison

It's the season for dining al fresco at Trattoria Vivolo in Harrison on weekends. Chef/owner and personable host Dean Vivolo of Trattoria Vivolo serves his robust regional Italian cuisine out of a vintage diner just across from Harrison's Metro-North station. Owner and staff could not be more accommodating. Sit at the counter, tuck into a booth, or take a table in the rear greenhouse and enjoy the surprising contemporary and traditional flavors emanating from his kitchen: tasty thin-crust pizza; Crostino di Polenta topped with wild mushrooms, gorgonzola and tomato sauce; delicious Orecchiette pasta with sausage; Grilled Rack of Lamb; Braised Lamb Shanks; Boneless Rabbit; Lasagna Bolognese al Forno; Grilled Pulpo with polenta; wonderful Spaghetti a la Vongole. Good wine list.

Trattoria Vivolo is located at 301



Ikea Swedish Meatballs.

Halstead Ave., Harrison. Open seven days for lunch and dinner. Free parking. Phone: 914-835-6199; www.trattoriavivolo.com.

Swedish Meatballs From Ikea

What is it about those signature Swedish Meatballs from IKEA that makes them so addicting. They have attracted legions of foodie fans all over the world, I guess, ever since IKEA created its big box furnishing stores and sold them out of in-store restaurants. My kids recently went on a shopping trip to IKEA in New Jersey and did not leave until they sat down for some meatballs. They stocked up on frozen meatballs to bring home, too. At a recent party along the Connecticut shore in Milford, the hostess offered platters of IKEA Swedish meatballs to guests as part of her buffet. (They were out of the New Haven store.) The meatballs with their creamy coating were a big delicious hit. I lingered over once such platter a bit too long, I'm afraid, and had to apologize for hogging the fare...much to the delight of all around. For more info go to IKEA Swedish Market online.

Wolf & Warrior Brewing Co. Coming to White Plains

White Plains is about to get a micro-brewery. It is the brainchild of corporate video producer Michael Chiltern, a restaurant and brewpub that will feature an in-house brewery, farm-to-table cuisine and house-roasted coffees. The paper signs are up at 195 E. Post Road, White Plains, and it is slated to open late fall/early winter of 2018. This strip of empty storefronts along E. Post Road appears to be picking up steam lately with the coming of Pax Romana (two), and Z Prime Italian Steakhouse; www.wolfandwarrior.com.

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Happenings

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Tuesday, July 10

Second Tuesday Concert. Free outdoor concerts the second Tuesday of each month during July and August at the newly renovated White Plains Plaza at One North Broadway. This week features Aubrey Haddard, a singer and songwriter wielding a mean guitar; 5 to 7 p.m.

Wednesday, July 11

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

Lunchtime Meditation. At the White Plains Library. A weekly meditation program. No registration or equipment necessary. Starts promptly at 12:15 p.m. Brief beginning instruction will be followed by silent meditation. An experienced guest teacher will attend the first Wednesday of each month. For information please contact: Christiane Deschamps at 914-422-1496 or cdeschamps@whiteplainsny.gov.

Mother Nature's Storytime. Children, enjoy nature-themed stories, nature walks, live animals and/or crafts. Dress for outdoor activity in this six-week session. A portion of each class is spent outdoors except in extreme conditions. For children two to four years old, with a parent or caregiver. Greenburgh Nature Center, 99 Dromore Rd., Scarsdale. 10 to 11 a.m. Members: \$50 per child and caregiver for the session. Non-members: \$90. Meets Wednesdays through Aug. 15. Pre-registration required. Info and pre-registration: 914-723-3470 or visit www.greenburghnaturecenter.org.

Solving the Retirement Income Puzzle. An educational workshop for people approaching or entering retirement or the recently retired. Led by social security, retirement income and tax specialist Paul Petrone. Purchase Free Library, 3093 Purchase St., Purchase. 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Free. Also July 21 from 10:30

to 11:30 a.m. Registration required. Info and registration: 914-948-0550 or e-mail www.pfl@wlsmail.org.

What's the Buzz With Honeybees? Learn why honeybees are critical players in our lives and in the global economy. Get close to them using an observation hive and meet some of the resident pollinators in the meadow. Includes a honey tasting direct from the hives on the property. Time will be left at the end to discuss backyard beekeeping for anyone interested. In partnership with the Sierra Club Lower Hudson Group. Greenburgh Nature Center, 99 Dromore Rd., Scarsdale. 7 to 9 p.m. Free. Info: 914-723-3470 or visit www.greenburghnaturecenter.org.

Dancing Under the Stars. Free event every Wednesday through Aug. 15 on Court Street in White Plains; 5 to 7 p.m.

Thursday, July 5

Noonday Concert. Every Thursday 12 to 2 p.m. at Renaissance Plaza, White Plains.

City Center Concert. Free concert in the courtyard at City Place, White Plains. Rain location, third floor of City Center. 6 to 8 p.m. This week features Charley Crockett – With his full band, Charley lays down a trail of almost everything we associate with old time American music that seems startlingly fresh in his hands.

Ethical Considerations in Real Estate and Title Insurance. An informative seminar for attorneys and realtors. Antonio Voza, vice president and New York State counsel for the Agency Department of First American Title Insurance Company-Eastern Division, will be the event speaker. His presentation will cover conflicts of interest, division of fees, contractual relationships between lawyers and nonlegal professionals and payment for referrals. Two CE and CLE credits will be given to New York and New Jersey attorneys and realtors who complete the presentation. Westchester Hills Golf Club, 401 Ridgeway, White Plains. Registration at 2 p.m. Seminar from 3 to 5 p.m. Cocktail reception and networking event from 5 to 6 p.m. Free. Seating limiting; advance registration required. Info and registration: Contact Mari Anastos at 914-683-5900 or e-mail

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An Evening Soiree at the Art Gallery. A ceremonial tree planting and gallery talks by Strawtown Director Laurie Seeman and Rockefeller State Park Preserve Director Susan Antenen. Rockefeller State Park Preserve, 125 Phelps Way, Pleasantville. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Free. Info: 914-631-1470 or visit www.RockefellerStateParkPreserve.com.

"The Peacemaker." A film that follows the life and work of Pdraig O'Malley, a man who has acted as a negotiator of reconciliation in some of the world's most contentious zones of conflict. He got his start working on the conflict in Northern Ireland and has since worked on complicated and tumultuous meetings in South Africa, the Middle East and the Balkans. His strategy is guided by experience and empathy; he asks that divided cultures undergoing peace talks also assist with reconciliation efforts in other regions. The success of O'Malley's work is contrasted with a barren and tumultuous personal life, including his past as an alcoholic and a string of failed relationships. Jacob Burns Film Center, 364 Manville Rd., Pleasantville. 7 p.m. Members: \$12. Non-members: \$17. Info and tickets: Visit www.burnsfilmcenter.org.

Michael Brown in Concert. A pianist on the rise, Brown was recently named an Emerging Artist of 2018 by Lincoln Center. He is not only "a young piano visionary" but an exceptional composer as well. In his Caramoor recital, he celebrates Leonard Bernstein's centennial with a composition of his own, "100 Chords for Bernstein," alongside selections from "West Side Story." Also on the program are pieces by Haydn, Medtner and Copland. Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts, 149 Girdle Ridge Rd., Katonah. 7 p.m. \$25, \$30, \$35 and \$40. Info and tickets: 914-232-1252 or visit www.caramoor.org.

"Finding Vivian Maier." A film screening in conjunction with the exhibit "Vivian Maier Revealed: Selections From the Archives," featuring a selection of more than 30 black and white photographs by American street photographer Vivian Maier. Madelyn Jordon Fine Art, 37 Popham Rd., Scarsdale. 7 to 9 p.m.

Free. Info: 914-723-8738 or visit www.madelynjordonfineart.com.

Friday, July 13

Ossining Waterfront Summer Concert Series: Taj Weekes. This reggae artist is not only a very talented musician but also a dedicated humanitarian. His creative and musically adventurous set list will make for a great summer night along the scenic Hudson River. Concessions provided by some of Westchester's best food trucks are available. Louis Engel Waterfront Park, Westerly Road, Ossining. 7 p.m. Free.

Saturday, July 14

Farmer's Market. White Plains Outdoor Farmer's Market on Court Street at Main Street; open 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Saturday for the season.

Vote Like a Girl. Pay tribute to fearless women past and present. Featuring art activities, games, music and a parade. Visitors can explore suffrage and citizenship by making a radical cross-stitch project, decorating a Statue of Liberty crown, making postcards to send their representatives and getting photo-ops with suffragette sashes and 19th-century clothing. A fashion show will help kids explore how confining women's clothing impacted daily tasks. Susan Hood, author of "Shaking Things Up: 14 Young Women Who Changed the World," will read from and sign copies of her book. Music historian Linda Russell will teach suffrage songs, which will be sung during a parade. Little scientists can test their STEM skills while honoring female inventors by experimenting with a wind tunnel, making slime and practicing archeology techniques. Food and ice cream will be sold. Washington Irving's Sunnyside, 3 W. Sunnyside Lane, Irvington. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Adults: \$16. Seniors: \$12. Children (17 and under) and Historic Hudson Valley members: Free. Prices are \$2 more per ticket when purchased on-site or by phone. Info and tickets: 914-366-6900 or visit www.hudsonvalley.org.

Sunday, July 15

Hispanic Heritage Festival. Music and entertainment, crafts and food vendors. Kensico Dam Plaza, 1 Bronx River Parkway, Valhalla. 12 to 7 p.m. Free parking and admission. Info: 914-231-4033.

It has fast become a White Plains summertime tradition: Shakespeare in the Park!

The City of White Plains and ArtsWestchester have again come together to bring one of Shakespeare's most renowned plays, Hamlet, to Turner Park on Lake Street, Thursday, July 12.

Hamlet will be presented by Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival, the critically acclaimed, professional,

non-profit theater company based in Garrison.

The show begins at 7 p.m. and will run for approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes. This production is free and open to the public. In the event of inclement weather, the play will be moved indoors to Eastview Middle

School at 350 Main Street. Parking is available on street and at Eastview Middle School.

There are so many famous lines from Hamlet that we still use today. What better way to experience that famous prose than to see a live performance? Shakespeare's work comes alive when

it is performed on the stage – as it was meant to be. The experience is all together different than just reading the words on the page. All are encouraged to bring blankets and lawn chairs and settle in to enjoy this classic family tragedy. Refreshments will be available for sale during the event.

Valhalla Singer/Songwriter Ready to Showcase His Talents

By Anna Young

When David Vogel takes the stage at the Pleasantville Music Festival on Saturday it promises to be the most meaningful performance of his young career.

The 20-year-old singer/songwriter, who was one of three winners of the festival's Battle of the Bands this year earning him an appearance at the 14th annual daylong event, is thrilled for the opportunity after receiving such positive reaction during the competition.

"It was just really cool to see how many people came out to support me and how the crowd really quieted down and listened to what I was singing about," Vogel said. "It was just so cool and heart touching."

Vogel, who was raised in Valhalla in a music-loving family, spent most of his childhood singing at his mother's request. It wasn't until he attended church that he learned how to play different instruments and started to develop his sound.

"I began on drums, but I wanted to impress girls so I played guitar," Vogel said. "I taught myself guitar and then piano came and now I'm all piano. I love playing the piano more than anything."

Eventually Vogel gravitated to songwriting, citing artists like John Mayer and Ed Sheeran as his influences for his earnest soft pop style. Soon after, Vogel employed his talents by learning to produce music using GarageBand, a

computerized music creation studio. Eager to develop that craft, he attended SAE Institute, an audio engineering school in New York City.

"I felt that was the right path because I loved that aspect of making music, not just writing it but recording, soundboard and making arrangements. It just made sense and I loved it," Vogel said. "It was a great time and it's helped me produce my own EP and hone in on my craft."

While Vogel said it's taken him several years to find his musical identity, he's anxious to release his five-track alternative pop debut album, "Until My Lungs Give," this summer.

Vogel didn't anticipate revealing his tracks to the public so soon, but he credits his friend, David Whoie, from the Lagond Music School in Elmsford for supporting his talent and encouraging him to enter into the Battle of the Bands competition earlier this year.

"I owe everything to my friend who made me do this," Vogel said. "He's the man."

After his performance in the Battle of the Bands, Vogel has had a



Keyboardist and singer/songwriter David Vogel will kick off the lineup at the Pleasantville Music Festival's Chill Tent Stage on Saturday.

surge of confidence.

Vogel isn't awed about opening the festival's Chill Tent Stage at noon on Saturday and he is ready to stand on his own and entertain the crowd with his passionate lyrics and

smooth instrumentals.

"I do love playing with a band, but I just want to own myself and who I am," Vogel said. "Performing has become so natural and so easy, so I'm not nervous about performing. I'm just really excited."

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GAGE FUNDING, INC, JOSE URENA, "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the Subject Property described in the Complaint, Defendants. Index No.: 69643/2017 Date Filed: 11/30/17 Summons Plaintiff designates Westchester County as the Place of Trial Designation of Venue is based upon the situs of the Subject Property Subject Property: 797 Hartsdale Road White Plains, New York 10607 To The Above-Named Defendants: **YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action and**

to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the Plaintiff's Attorney within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within thirty (30) days after the service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York) in the event the United States of America is made a party defendant, the time to answer for the said United States of America shall not expire until sixty (60) days after service of the Summons; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. **NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME** If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. **YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. McCABE, WEISBEIG & CONWAY, LLC** Dated: November 28, 2017 Melville, NY By: /s/ Sahar Hamrani_SAHAR HAMLANI, ESQ. Attorneys for Plaintiff 145 Huguenot Street, Suite 210 New Rochelle, NY 10801 914-636-8900 914-636-8901 facsimile File # 17-302991 **This is an action to foreclose on property located at 797 Hartsdale Road, White Plains, NY 10607, which has been commenced in New York State Supreme Court, Westchester County, bearing index number 69643/2017, in which JOSE URENA has been named as a defendant and is required to respond to this notice.**

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EXAMINER SPORTS NY Liberty Celebrate "Westchester Day" at the County Center

By Albert Coqueran

The NY Liberty (5-14) is certainly not having the winning year they anticipated at the beginning of the 2018 WNBA season. However, fans still welcome them with open arms at the Westchester County Center, while enjoying the games and the game-day activities.

On Sunday, the NY Liberty celebrated "Westchester County Day" and loyal Liberty fans were joined by Westchester County Executive George Latimer, Deputy County Executive Kenneth Jenkins, Assistant to the County Executive Crystal Collins and many Westchester County Legislators including, Lyndon Williams, John Testa, Nancy Barr, Terry Clements, David J. Tubiolo and MaryJane Shimsky.

Also joining the "Westchester Day" celebration, as the Liberty took on the Dallas Wings, were NY State Senator Jamaal Bailey, NYS Supreme Court Judge Joan Lefkowitz, County Court Judge David Everett, Administrative Judge of the Ninth Judicial District Kathie Davidson and NYC Public Advocate Letitia James.

"We want them (NY Liberty) to grow their market. We think this is a good market for the organization. But obviously we want to grow with the team and as they have success in coming years, we want to be part of it," stated Westchester County Executive George Latimer.

Judge Davidson is the first woman Administrative Judge outside of New York City and first Afro-American appointed Administrative Judge to the Ninth Judicial District. Judge Davidson enjoyed the women's basketball game with NYS Supreme Court Judge Lefkowitz, who is running for her third term this November.

"The self-esteem for women and for young girls is very exciting," said Davidson. "I am so happy to be here today to see this game," added Judge Lefkowitz. "I am so proud of everybody. Having the Liberty here is a special privilege for Westchester and I am so proud to be part of it," commented Lefkowitz, the second woman elected to the NYS Supreme Court Ninth Judicial District.

"The fans in Westchester have just been great to us and the way the County has welcomed us, it really has been spectacular," acknowledged Liberty President Isiah Thomas. "We are not having the greatest season but support from Westchester County has been great. For everyone to come out today, it is just awesome," stated Thomas.

The Liberty is the midst of a tough season after having three



ALBERT COQUERAN PHOTOS

NY Liberty President Isiah Thomas (center) joins Westchester County Officials, Westchester Legislators and NY State Senator Jamaal Bailey (fourth left) and Muslim American Society Outreach Director Hussein Rababah (fifth left) for a meet and greet at halftime of the Liberty vs. Dallas Wings game, on "Westchester Day" at the County Center, on Sunday.

consecutive 20-game winning seasons and three straight WNBA Playoff berths. With 15 games remaining in the regular season, the Liberty are 5-14 and in 11th place in the WNBA standings; only the top eight teams make the Playoffs.



NY Liberty center Amanda Zahui B (right) gets in position for the rebound against Dallas Wings forward Glory Johnson (left) after a shot by Liberty Tina Charles (back). Despite 26 points and nine rebounds from Charles, the Liberty lost to the Wings, 97-87, for their 14th loss this season with only five wins.

"There is a lot of basketball to be played and a lot to prove both individually and as a unit," commented first-year Head Coach Katie Smith. "But I think it has to come from within; it has to come from each individual person, myself, and everybody has to look at themselves first. I think right now it is a pride thing and that really has to shine through," said Smith.



[L-r] NY City Public Advocate Letitia James, Westchester County Executive George Latimer, Westchester Legislator Lyndon Williams, Swin Cash NY Liberty Director of Franchise Development, Daakeia Clarke COO of the Liberty and Deputy County Executive Kenneth Jenkins.



The Songcatchers Choir from New Rochelle led by Sister Beth Dowd, OSU sang the National Anthem to kick-off the game and festivities on "Westchester Day" as the NY Liberty played the Dallas Wings.



NY Liberty Mascot Maddie celebrated a birthday during "Westchester Day" at the County Center, on Sunday. Maddie is presented a birthday cake by the Liberty Torch Patrol at halftime.



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