Report Shows White Plains Office Vacancy Lowest In Eight Years

In the second quarter of 2018, the White Plains Central Business District (CBD) reached its lowest overall office vacancy rate, just 18.2%, in almost eight years, according to a Westchester Market Report just released by Stamford-based Cushman & Wakefield.

At the same time, the report indicates overall office vacancy in Westchester County increased 630 basis points from one year ago, to 25.7%, while leasing activity fell nearly 54 percent between Q2 2017 and Q2 2018.

Rents across the county averaged \$27.85-per-square-foot, down \$1.30 from Q2 2017. Notable large blocks of space, mainly concentrated in the northern submarkets and priced below the market average, heavily influenced the downward pressure on the county's overall average asking rent, according to the report. However, White Plains CBD's asking rents



A view of Main Street in the White Plains downtown central business district.

registered a \$0.18 increase over Q2 2017, ending this quarter at \$33.18, making it 19.1% higher than the county's average.

The East I-287 submarket lead leasing activity in Q2 2018, with The Standard Life Insurance Company of New York's 21,793-square-foot new lease at 333

Westchester Avenue in White Plains being the largest lease of the quarter.

The Northern Westchester submarket recorded the largest office property sale in Q2 2018, with the closing of 115/117 Stevens Avenue in Valhalla at \$12 million.

The report further indicates that

transportation-friendly markets are a driver of office rental activity.

Jim Fagan, Managing Principal, Connecticut and Westchester Market Leader of Cushman & Wakefield said in a press statement announcing the report's release: "We expect leasing activity to increase by year end, particularly in downtown White Plains, where the livework-play trend continues to transform the market and drive potential occupancy growth. Tenants increasingly need to attract employees looking for ease of commute, in a community that offers many quality-of-life amenities within walking distance. This urban influence will continue to play an important role going forward as tenants consider opportunities in communities such as White Plains, which will be seeing additional benefits from the almost \$100 million Metro North White Plains train station renovation project."

Lawmakers Call to Cancel Thruway Authority Cashless Tolling Contract

State Assemblyman Tom Abinanti (D-Greenburgh) and State Senator David Carlucci (D-Clarkstown) called on the New York State Thruway Authority last week to cancel its \$72 million contract extension with Conduent.

Conduent is the private company operating New York's cashless tolling system.

In 2007, the Thruway Authority signed a 10-year contract with Conduent for \$20 million a year, totaling \$202.5 million. Despite problems with the cashless tolling system, the Thruway Authority extended its contract for another three years in October 2017 for \$72 million (\$24 million a year).



During a press conference July 12, Senator David Carlucci holds up a redacted page from a contract between Conduent and the NYS Thruway Authority. Assemblyman Tom Abinanti (right) holds the remaining 1,600-page contract.

Abinanti and Carlucci cited Conduent's mismanagement leading to the 2018 state amnesty program, which cleared 281,000 Mario M. Cuomo Bridge (former Tappan Zee Bridge) violations worth more than \$1.4 million.

"Conduent still hasn't fixed its chaotic collection system where registrations are put at risk if people don't pay exorbitant penalties for toll bills they never received," said Abinanti. "Conduent is a private corporation that's reaching its bottom line on the backs of hardworking New Yorkers. We need government to work for the people not against them."

"Too many people have called my office in tears not understanding how they could owe thousands of dollars in toll

bills for going over the bridge only a few times," said Carlucci.

Both lawmakers have been calling for reforms to the cashless tolling system after hearing complaints from residents who were charged exorbitant penalties and fines. In some cases people claimed they never received their initial bill, and there were reports of drivers who had their vehicle registration suspended due to unpaid toll bills.

Carlucci obtained the Thruway Authority's contract with Conduent through a freedom of information request. He said he was stunned to find the contract was largely redacted.

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Cuomo's Democratic Challenger Calls for Shutdown of Pipeline Project

By Anna Young

Gubernatorial candidate Cynthia Nixon visited Peekskill last Friday calling for the controversial Spectra/Enbridge AIM pipeline to be shut down because of potential dangers running adjacent to Indian Point nuclear power plant.

Following the release of its long-awaited risk assessment of the pipeline, local activists called on Nixon to urge Gov. Andrew Cuomo to shut down the 42-inch Algonquin pipeline project located within 105 feet of the Indian Point nuclear power plant in Buchanan.

The report, which was released last month about a year and a half behind schedule, confirmed that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) did not sufficiently consider the risks before allowing the pipeline's expansion near the power plant.

During the July 13 press conference, Nixon, who is running a Democratic primary challenge in September against Cuomo, blasted the governor for putting the lives of nearly 20 million people in jeopardy by endorsing the buildout of the massive high-pressure pipeline. With the results of the risk assessment released, she said Cuomo has an obligation to ensure public safety immediately.

"(The risk assessment) said exactly what the experts and the people in this community have been saying all along – it is unsafe, it is unjust and it is just plain



anna Young Phot

Cynthia Nixon, Gov. Andrew Cuomo's challenger in September's Democratic primary, blasted the governor for allowing the Spectra pipeline project to move forward despite its proximity to Indian Point.

wrong," Nixon said. "It shouldn't have taken four state agencies, \$250,000 and two years to know that it's dangerous to put a high-pressure fracked gas pipeline under a nuclear plant 35 miles north of Manhattan."

Nixon added that the pipeline needs to be shut down until public safety is

assured and any outstanding concerns are addressed to the surrounding community's satisfaction.

Peekskill Councilman Colin Smith agreed, stating that elected officials must protect the safety of the community and the environment. In March, the Peekskill Common Council passed a resolution calling on Cuomo to release the risk assessment citing concerns about the potential dangers of having the pipeline near the nuclear power plant.

Smith said the risk assessment has provided the necessary information to make more informed decisions on how to protect the community when the plant closes in 2021 and is decommissioned.

Cuomo's press office issued a statement dismissing Nixon's complaints, pointing out that the governor helped arrange Indian Point's pending closure in 2021.

"It was Gov. Cuomo who delivered an independent risk assessment on the Algonquin Pipeline and accomplished what others have only talked about for decades – shutting down the dangerous Indian Point nuclear plant," the statement read. "The existing interstate pipeline is federally controlled, and it's embarrassing that a candidate running for the highest office in the state wouldn't know that."

During her visit, community members led Nixon on a tour of the pipeline's path outlining its proximity to the power plant, schools and homes. Nixon later held a roundtable discussion at the BeanRunner Café where residents shared their concerns.

"We need leadership in Albany that appreciates that we are in a time of crisis and Gov. Cuomo has failed us," said Courtney Williams, a Peekskill resident and cancer researcher who has battled Spectra Energy for several years. "He has allowed this project to be built, he's ordered his agencies to rubber stamp it and we are here today to say that's unacceptable and we need a person in Albany who will stop the flow of gas and the buildout of fracked gas infrastructure."

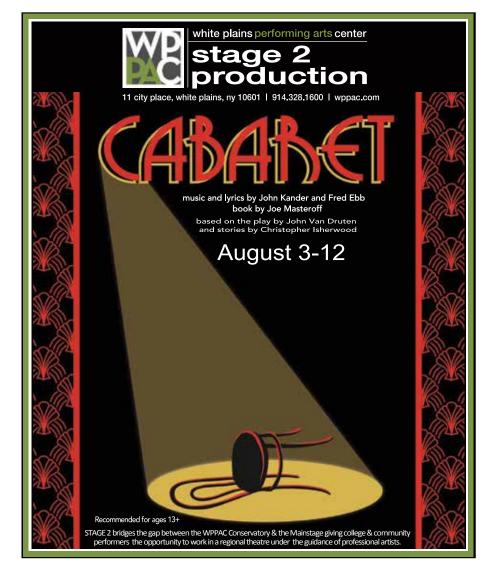
Croton-on-Hudson resident Gary Shaw said that Indian Point has released toxins, oils and noxious gases into the air and water for several years. He stressed the importance of the state legislature to enact a citizens' oversight board to oversee the Indian Point decommissioning process.

"We need our governor to promote and pass this legislation," Shaw said. "Indian Point is a real threat and we need somebody who can understand that this is about public health and safety and not about money."

If elected, Nixon said she would create a community oversight board to ensure the public is protected.

Nixon added that she plans to halt all fossil fuel expansion and transfer the state to 100 percent renewable energy.

"When I am elected governor in November, I will address this problem head on," Nixon said. "We cannot allow communities in New York to be conduits or dumping sites for dangerous fracked gas."





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Women's Center Sees Uptick in Legal Cases Encouraged by #MeToo Movement

By Pat Casey

As the #MeToo movement swept across the United States and around the globe, gender-based violence became a focus for women and men, with some victims suffering from situations going back decades.

The uptick in the number of people coming forward to talk about their particular situations and to take legal action has been marked by news stories as well as increasing new cases in the courts.

During this time, the Pace Women's Justice Center has been at the forefront of activity in Westchester County, having recently moved to the former Student Life Center on the Pace Law School Campus in White Plains. Featuring a new walk-in clinic, it is the first of its kind in Westchester and Putnam counties, providing free legal services without an appointment in a warm and welcoming space, to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and elder abuse.

The clinic is considered a safe alternative to PWJC's satellite offices in the White Plains and Yonkers courthouses for clients who are afraid to go to the court personally to inquire about the legal merits of their case.

Cindy Kanusher, executive director of the center, told The White Plains Examiner in a recent interview that 95% of the clients served are women and that they do offer help to men as well.

Kanusher said the #MeToo movement has definitely affected the work the center does and the number of people coming in, which has been on the increase for a while. The center serves over 3,000 clients a year

It opened 30 years ago dealing primarily with domestic abuse and recently has done outreach to college-aged women who are victims of sexual assault.

"The #MeToo movement is not about domestic violence, but violence to women, and sexual harassment in all walks of life," Kanusher explained. "A lot has changed since the 1980s."

In the 1980s the Violence Against Women Act was passed and federal money was made available that flowed to the states.

"Family justice issues were not taken seriously until the Act was passed," Kanusher said. "With money flowing from the federal government, family justice centers were funded. People became educated about domestic violence and police were trained differently and began a different type of policing."

But even with better education and better response, gender violence is still a big problem. There is not that much of a change, Kanusher advised. "One in four women will experience some form of sexual abuse across all backgrounds."



Cindy Kanusher Executive Director, Pace Women's Justice Center

At the root of the problem is control and one person feeling they have the right to control someone else.

"To get the violence to stop, the sexual harassment, physical and emotional violence to stop, legal things have to happen, Kanusher said. That's where the Women's Justice Center comes in.

The center provides legal services free of charge on those cases they have reviewed and determined eligible. They work with other agencies such as Hope's Door and My Sisters Place by introduction and referral to help women through the counseling and safety aspects they need once legal action has been taken. If, for example, an order of protection is granted, on the same day the center will work with other agencies by referral to ensure the client's safety once court papers have been serviced.

The clients come from a broad range of economic and cultural backgrounds. "Women often do not have access to money in their marriages," Kanusher said. And wealth, or lack of it, has nothing to do with it. "It is about power. About getting your power back.

When problems get severe, it is not easy to say 'I am leaving and taking the kids.' Some women do not have access to funds to help themselves. It gets very complicated."

Over the years, Kanusher explained the center has tried to do a lot of educating, but she is not sure how successful education alone has been.

Kanusher recalls a recent inquiry where one woman went to the courthouse to seek help and was referred to the walk-in clinic. She felt she had no options. Her husband had put cameras in the home, a tap on her cell phone and a GPS monitoring device in her car.

"Often people feel they have no options and are not sure if stalking behavior in a marriage is illegal. Well, stalking is stalking, Kanusher stated. "Spouses have rights as individuals."

One area where Kanusher has seen an increase is with immigrants who are afraid to ask for help because if they do, they fear they will be asked about their immigration status and that of their family.

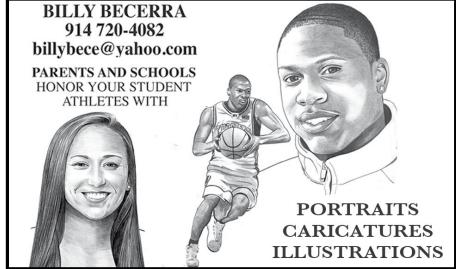
Westchester County passed the Immigrant Protection Act, but that only applies to County employees and agencies. In the federal courthouse ICE is free to make arrests. "We have many calls

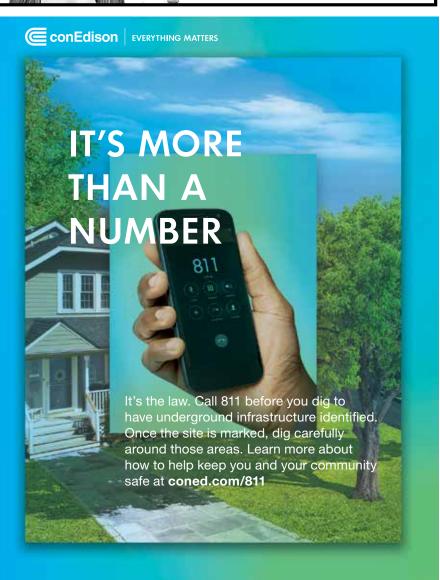
coming in on the legal help line about this, especially referring to sexual harassment. You can legally go to court no matter who you are, but we cannot control the federal agency."

Clients coming to the clinic for the first time will meet with a paralegal or an attorney for a 45-min to one hour long conversation – a free service. They will get advice. If it is determined the center will take on their case, all further help and work is also free. If the clinic does not take the case, then they will refer it out.

Kanusher feels strongly that work needs

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Buchwald Announces Re-election Campaign for NY's 93rd Assembly District

NYS Assemblyman David Buchwald (D-White Plains) representing the 93rd Assembly District has announced his re-election campaign. Buchwald has earned the endorsement of five parties including the Democratic, Independence, Reform, Women's Equality and Working Families Parties.

Volunteers collected over 2,500 Democratic signatures and an additional 341 signatures on the Independence, Reform, Women's Equality and Working Families Party petitions. All petitions were turned into the Westchester County Board of Elections last week.

Assemblyman Buchwald said, "I am honored to have such wide support throughout Westchester. In the



NYS Assemblyman David Buchwald

Assembly, I have worked tirelessly on behalf of Westchester residents, from fighting to protect our environment, to standing up for women's rights, to working to reduce our tax burden. I am grateful that through this hard work I have earned the support of Westchester's community and political leaders of all stripes."

Buchwald continued, "And now, more than ever, it is critical to protect our shared values, as they are under assault from Washington. I would consider it a great honor to continue to stand up for my constituents and to represent Westchester in the State Assembly."

Buchwald was first elected to the New York State Assembly in 2012.

A tax attorney by profession, Buchwald's legislative priorities include fighting to protect and preserve the environment, strengthening the public education system, championing sensible gun safety laws, protecting women's reproductive health rights and the civil rights of all New Yorkers, cleaning up Albany and securing electoral reform.

He is also the author of the constitutional amendment allowing the forfeiture of corrupt public officials' taxpayer-funded pensions.

The 93rd Assembly District includes the communities of Bedford, Harrison, Lewisboro, Mount Kisco, New Castle, North Castle, North Salem, Pound Ridge and White Plains.

White Plains Side Loader Program Expands to Paper and Cardboard Collection

The Department of Public Works will begin distributing new Automated Side Loader (ASL) recycling containers with a green top lid on Monday, July 16 to all White Plains households currently participating in the side loader program. The new container will supplement the black top garbage container and the blue top comingled recycling container already in use by these households. The green top container is to be used specifically for paper and cardboard.

Pick up using the new containers begins on July 23.

This program will provide ASL households with a receptacle, which has more storage capacity for their paper and cardboard products and will result in a more efficient and cost effective side loader program pick up process.

Green top bins will be delivered to each current participating household along with instructions. Recipients are asked to follow the specific guidelines that will be provided with the container. Residents will no longer need their blue recycling bin. They may either keep and repurpose their blue bin or leave the bin at the curb any Wednesday in July and the City will retrieve it.

The Gedney Recycling Yard on Gedney Way is open to residents who would like to drop off all recycling products. The Gedney Yard is open Monday through Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The automated side loader program

began in 2003 and has been expanded annually to include more neighborhoods throughout White Plains. Approximately 60% of residents in the city are currently part of the ASL program.





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"What are they hiding here?" Carlucci asked. "At least 500 pages of the 1,569-page contract are largely blacked out. Parts about quality assurance, performance standards, transaction processing, toll evasion processing, and image review processing are missing. We need transparency when we have seen this many residents complain."

According to the legislators, the Thruway Authority can withhold payments to Conduent when it does not meet certain performance standards. Documents from the Thruway Authority show Conduent was financially penalized \$477,272 for failing to meet customer service standards from April 2015 to January 2017, but the area in the contract labeled "performance standards" has been redacted.

Additionally, a press release issued by

Abinanti and Carlucci stated: "Conduent has been plagued with issues in other states across the country. In Texas and Maryland, amnesty programs had to be implemented similar to New York due to billing errors, and in California, about 16,000 residents filed a class-action lawsuit against Conduent for not receiving their initial toll bills in the mail. Maryland ended up canceling its contract with the company in 2017, and Florida is threatening to follow suit if Conduent does not make improvements after its system went offline for nearly one month."

New York's contract offers a termination clause that gives the Thruway Authority the right to postpone, suspend, abandon or terminate the contract at any time for any reason if written notice is provided 45 days prior to suspension.

Women's Center Sees Uptick in Legal Cases Encouraged by MeToo Movement —

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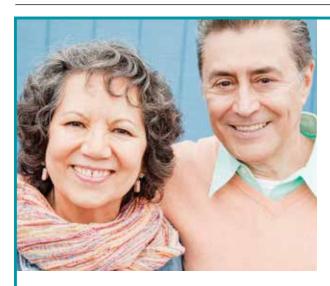
to be done at the local level for issues that are nationwide. She encourages relationships between the center and local businesses, especially those owned by women. "It is important for people to stand up and make a difference," she said.

If you have a legal question regarding domestic violence, sexual assault or elder

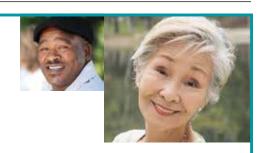
abuse you can call the national Help Line at 914-287-0739. This is not an emergency service, you will be asked to leave a message and someone will get back to you.

If you prefer a face-to-face meeting then walk in to the clinic on the Pace Law School Campus off of N. Broadway in White Plains.

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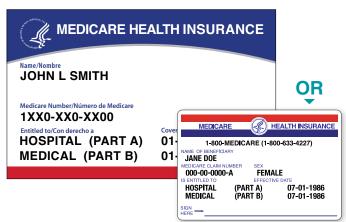






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Local Storyteller Pens Book on Hudson Highlands Legends

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The Hudson Highlands launched revolutions of independence, industry and creativity and have long enchanted artists and hikers. Mysteries still thrive in the area. Leni-Lenape legend told of an ancient giant slumbering between Storm King and Breakneck Ridge. During the Revolution, George Washington saved the new nation from a military coup by donning glasses. The ghost of the twice-hanged pirate William Kidd returns to secluded caves and hamlets in the Highlands to guard his treasure.

Kruk unveils a treasure of stories of the historic, mysterious and colorful Hudson Highlands in a new book "Legends and Lore of the Hudson Highlands" published by Arcadia Publishing and The History Press. Release date is July 23.

Born in El Paso, Texas, but raised in Katonah, Jonathan Kruk grew up on tall tales and daydreams. Jonathan made storytelling his full-time career in 1989. Every year, he performs for thousands of children at hundreds of schools, libraries and historic sites in the Hudson Valley

and Metropolitan New York.

Best known for solo performances of "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow," and "A Christmas Carol," his 60 shows sell out every autumn for Historic Hudson Valley. Kruk's eight recordings for children and adults, two with Rich Bala, garnered awards from Parents Choice and the National Association of Parents Publications. A BOCES approved artist / educator, he worked as a teaching artist for Early Stages, Inc.

Hudson Valley Magazine selected Jonathan Kruk, as "Best Storyteller in the Hudson Valley.

Kruk created with Rich Bala programs celebrating the Hudson River Quadricentennial, the American Revolution's 225th anniversary and Putnam County's 200th.

Kruk's off-Broadway performance of "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" earned an



Jonathan Kruk in solo performance of "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow."

award in the United Solo Theater Festival. Currently Kruk is working with illustrators on his children's books: "The Culprit Faery," "To Get a Perfect Pet" and "Barkface & Rootnose" and he is rehearsing his next solo show "Rip Van

To find out more about the new book visit www.jonathankruk.com or arcadiapublishing.com. "Legends and Lore of the Hudson Highlands" will be published in paperback; cost \$23.99.

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Curry Acura Dealership Employee Sentenced for Selling Stolen Car Parts

John Labarbera (DOB 5/3/68) of Poughquag, NY, in Dutchess County, was sentenced to one year in county jail and restitution for stealing from the Curry Acura Dealership in Greenburgh where he worked.

He pleaded guilty to a charge of Grand Larceny in the 2nd Degree in February before Westchester County Court Judge Barry Warhit.

Labarbera provided an additional \$5,658.63 July 9 for a total of \$115,658.63. A Judgment and Order of Restitution for the remaining amount of \$115,658.63 was signed by the court. The total value of the larceny is \$231,317.26.

Labarbera was employed as the Parts Manager for the Curry Acura dealership on Central Park Avenue in Greenburgh.

According to the charges, from approximately May 5, 2011 through March 5, 2015, Labarbera stole parts from the dealership and sold them for profit.

Labarbera perpetrated his scheme by convincing management of the dealership to sell automobile parts through the online auction site eBay.com. With the consent of the dealership, he then set up an account to sell parts on behalf of the dealership. Using this valid account as cover, and without management's knowledge, Labarbera set up a separate eBay account,



John Labarbera

which he used to sell parts he stole from the dealership.

Over the course of almost four years, Labarbera would steal automobile parts, sell them on eBay, ship the parts to his buyers via Curry Acura's FedEx Ground account, accept payments via PayPal, and keep the money for himself. He manipulated the inventory and accounting system of the dealership to cover up his crimes.

Nine-Year Sentence for Car Crash Related Death

Renzo Yance (DOB 11/20/95) was



Renzo Yance

sentenced July 10 by Westchester County Court Judge George Fufidio to a minimum of three years to a maximum of nine years in prison for the fatal 2017 crash that claimed the life of one of his passengers, Nina Cordero, and injured the other passenger, Cordero's boyfriend.

On Manslaughter in the Second Degree, a class C Felony, Yance was sentenced to two to six years in prison and on a guilty plea stemming from an earlier incident Aug. 6, 2017, he was sentenced to one to three years in prison for Aggravated Unlicensed Operation in the First Degree, a class E Felony. The sentences will run

consecutively to each other.

On Aug. 26, 2017, Yance was driving his BMW on Central Park Avenue recklessly at high speed with two passengers in the car, one in the front and one in the back.

Around 7:15 p.m. police reported an overturned BMW was found on Central Park Avenue near Sadore Lane with a woman passenger having been ejected from the vehicle further down the road. She was unconscious and unresponsive at the time. Later, 19-year-old Nina Cordero, who had been in the back seat, was pronounced dead at a local hospital. The front-seat passenger was treated for non-life-threatening injuries.

At the time, Yance was driving without a license at more than approximately 100 miles per hour on a city road with traffic lights and it was that high speed which contributed to the crash.

Only 20 days earlier, Aug. 6, 2017, Yance had been charged with driving without a license and under the influence of drugs in Dobbs Ferry.

In court, Edwin Cordero, Nina Cordero's father, gave a victim's impact statement. In part, he said to Yance, "I never felt hatred but there is no peace, forgiveness or mercy in me. You will have to find it from God. But it will never come from me or my family." About his 19-year-old daughter, he added, "We are grateful for every moment she spent with us."



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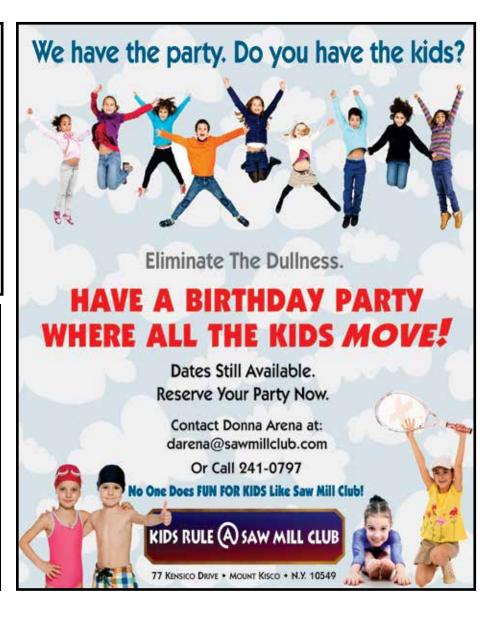


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Obituaries

Antonio DiLello

It is with great sadness that the family of Antonio DiLello announces his passing on July 12 at the age of 67.

Tony was born on Sept. 4, 1950 in Colledimezzo, Italy, and immigrated to Yonkers in 1968.

He proudly worked at Stepinac High School in White Plains as a Maintenance Supervisor. Tony was an active part of the Yonkers community and was wildly passionate about soccer. In addition to being an avid fan, he enjoyed playing, coaching, and refereeing the sport. Tony will be remembered for his energy, passion for life, spontaneity, determination, and his talent to work with his hands in all facets of construction.

Tony was surrounded by his family during his final hours and will be missed and always cherished. He is survived by his two daughters, Erica (Kevin) and Vanessa (Lyle), and his two beautiful grandchildren, Gabriella and Justin.

Tony is also survived by his four siblings, Vincenzo (Licia) and Rina (Vincenzo) of Colledimezzo, Joseph (Rosa) of Yonkers, and Gina (Louie) of Garrison.

The family would like to thank the dedicated staff of Sloan Kettering Memorial Hospital for their care.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in memory of Antonio DiLello to Memoral Sloan Kettering Cancer Center Office of Development at PO Box 27106, New York, NY 10087.

Thomas Mimmo Amedeo

Thomas Mimmo Amedeo passed away surrounded by his loved ones on July 10.

Born in Reggio di Calabria, Italy on Jan. 1, 1947 to Antonino and Maddelena Amedeo. Tom moved to White Plains with his family as a young man and graduated

White Plains High School before entering the Army and then attending The Academy of Aereonautics.

Tom is survived by his loving family, including his wife of 47 years, Elizabeth (Betty) Amedeo, his son Tom Amedeo, his daughter-in-law Esta Amedeo, his sister Concetta Marchese, his brothers Tony and Frank Amedeo, his sister-in-laws Marietta and Maria Amedeo, his brother in law and sister in law Al and Janet Jacobsen Ir, and his nieces and nephews Caterina Amedeo, Marilena Amedeo, Francesca Amedeo, Anthony Amedeo, Gracie Marchese, Marilena Marchese, Justin Jacobsen and Jarrett Jacobsen.

After graduating from the Academy of Aeronautics, he worked for Exxon Mobil Corporation where he followed his love of mechanics and was employed as an aeronautical engineer. In his time with Exxon Mobil, he traveled the world, including a trip to the 1988 Olympic Games in Calgary. After leaving Exxon Mobil, Tom joined the 105th Maintenance Group, NY Air National Guard where he achieved the rank of Master Sergeant and dedicated his career for 37 years. In his time in the Guard, he achieved many awards, including the Meritorious Service Medal.

Tom loved anything with an engine, he enjoyed restoring cars, riding Harley Davidsons, and going to car shows in Rose Hill. Tom and Betty enjoyed vacationing as a family, including taking trips to the Cape and annual vacations in Las Vegas. But what Tom loved most of all was sitting around the table with his family and friends, especially if there were cannolis involved.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations to the American Legion in Tom's name; https://www.members.legion.org/tal/ donatenow#legion-org-header.

James F. Butler Jr.

James F. Butler Jr., 82, passed away on July 9 at Victoria Home in Ossining.

Jim was born in New York City to James F. Butler Sr. and Annarita Winterroth Butler. As a young boy Jim and his parents moved to White Plains where he remained a resident until 2009 when illness necessitated his moving to a nursing home.

He attended St John the Evangelist Elementary School and Archbishop Stepinac High School in White Plains and graduated from Fordham University's Bronx campus with a BA in English Literature.

He married Nancy Urwin of Byram, CT in 1959 and they were together until her passing in 2006.

Jim worked for the New York State Department of Labor for many years and retired in 1991 as the manager of the White Plains Unemployment Office. He also worked part-time at night for the United States Postal Service at their White Plains and Mt. Vernon distribution centers for 17 years during the 1960's and 70's.

Jim could often be found at his favorite establishment, Dunne's Pub, where he enjoyed good food, spirits and live entertainment with friends and family. He liked to entertain and show off his excellent culinary skills and he was a passionate gardener and was very proud of his roses and his "Master Gardener" certification from the Cornell Cooperative Extension.

Jim is survived by daughter Liz Steele of New City, son Jim Butler of Tigard OR, sister Roseanne Steiger of Sandy Hook CT and nieces Laura Sebrell, Cindy Hunter and Chrissy Maurer.

In lieu of flowers a donation to the American Diabetes Association would be greatly appreciated.

Dora Denise Allen-Cromwell

Dora Denise "Niecy" Allen-Cromwell, of Elmsford, departed on July 8.

Daughter of Lorraine Thornton and Robert Thomas Allen Sr., she was born on July 21, 1957 in Chicago. The youngest of seven children, Dora professed her faith in Jesus Christ and attended Grace Presbyterian Church. She was educated in the Chicago public schools and attended Westchester Community College for a degree in Medical Billing and Coding.

In 1993, she was united in holy matrimony to Rubbin Kweku Cromwell in Mt. Vernon. The union was blessed with two children, Ladora Ayoka Cromwell and Ruben Kweku Cromwell.

Dora is remembered for her resiliency and for her loving and caring personality. Dora was a beautiful, loving, and intelligent woman who treated everyone like family. Her resilience to life's tough situations was admirable. Dora was a selfless mother, a loving wife, and a devoted sister. She was one of the best aunts to her many nephews and nieces. To know her was to love her.

Emil J. Lattarulo

Emil Joseph Lattarulo of White Plains passed away peacefully in his family home

The son of Joseph and Rachel (Mauriello) Lattarulo, Emil was born in New York City on March 11, 1935.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Robert Lattarulo. He is survived by his wife of over 50 years, Rose (Bruno) Lattarulo, his beloved children Jessica, Anthony and Emil Lattarulo, two beautiful granddaughters Emilcie and Luciana, brothers Joseph and Donald Lattarulo, sister, Marie Panzarino, in addition to many nieces, nephews and grand nieces and nephews.

He was the owner of EJ Paper Co. in Yonkers and took great pride in caring for his customers and providing for his family through hard work until the day he died. When he wasn't working, he was dedicated to spending time with his family and caring for loved ones in need, while finding joy in his connection with the family pets.

A passion for boating led him to seek out a coast guard course in charting waters in his younger years, and he put that training to good use when he took his family on summer boating vacations, creating cherished memories for all. Emil also enjoyed being active in a local bowling league on a weekly basis. He is remembered most dearly as a family man and a loving father and husband. His absence is felt, but his memory lives on.

In lieu of flowers please make donations in Emil's memory to the Dementia Society of America - PO Box 600, Doylestown, PA 18901 or to Paws Crossed Animal Rescue 100 Warehouse Lane South Elmsford, NY 10523; 914-372-7878.

Catherine F. Fusillo

Catherine "Kay" Fusillo died peacefully on July 4 surrounded by her loving family.

The cause of death was complications from pneumonia and Post Polio Syndrome. She was 92 years old.

Born Catherine Frances Deely in Tarrytown on May 20, 1926, Kay attended St. Theresa's Elementary School, North Tarrytown High School, and New York University (NYU). She was a long time executive and regional buyer for Alexander's Department Store in White Plains and was active in her local parish, Our Lady of Sorrows, where she helped found a seniors'

Kay is survived by her daughters Catherine Crocetti of Dix Hills, NY and Faith Fusillo of South Nyack; two children Dr. Christine Fusillo of Greenwich, CT and Leonard Fusillo of White Plains; five grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

A funeral mass will be held at Our Lady of Sorrows Church on Saturday, Aug. 25, 2018 at 12 p.m. All are welcome.





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The Beauty and Buyer Preference for Hardwood Floors

When I open my new condo door in a Trump building, the first thing I see are gleaming, dark hardwood floors that give me a great feeling of clean space and quality living.

As a realtor, I always find that homebuyers are attracted to marketing copy that can claim "hardwood floors throughout." While most folks today like hardwood floors exposed, oddly enough, they went through a long period of cover up.

When I was a little boy in grade school, I remember coming home one day and finding my mother speaking in hushed tones with two of her friends. "Al and I are having wall-to-wall installed next week," she said.

"Oh, how nice," chimed in her friends.

I didn't know what "wall-to-wall" was, but I was proud that my mom seemed to be the envy of the neighborhood because she was getting it. In short order, the wall-to-wall arrived in one enormous roll and was laid out seamlessly in the living room. (We didn't have a dining room.)

The texture, as I recall, was a short shag, and it was chartreuse. No kidding. Mother justified the relatively expensive upgrade by telling my dad, who thought it was an extravagance, that it "warmed up" the living room and made it easier for her to keep the place clean.

But this is not about carpeting, it's about hardwood floors, the beautiful, gleaming surface that my mother buried with her up-and-coming lifestyles choice.

Today, we no longer want warming up. We want clean gleaming surfaces of natural wood that conveys open space, perhaps punctuated by smaller area rugs. If you're lucky enough to have a quality hardwood floor, here's the best way to take care of it.

Always use a soft broom when sweeping floors. Hard bristle brooms can scratch the surface. Vacuum the floor at least once a week

to remove dirt. It's better to buy a lighter vacuum for hardwood floors because the wheels of heavier vacuums may scratch. It's best to use the soft brush attachment.

You won't like the way it looks, but there should always be non-slip rugs near all entrances so that family members and visitors can brush off dirt and gravel from the bottoms of their shoes. These

The Home Guru



By Bill Primavera

small carpets should also be vacuumed regularly to prevent dirt and other debris from making its way to the floor

Are you annoyed when some hosts ask you to remove your shoes at the door? Actually, it's not a bad rule for your household to follow if you really prize your floors. Or, you can place carpet runners in heavily traveled areas. Spiked heels, and even regular heels, can be murder in denting the wood.

Furniture needs little booties, too, in the form of rubber or plastic pads below table and chair legs. And never drag furniture across a hardwood floor.

Liquid spills obviously should be cleaned up

immediately. Most new floors come with a scratch and dent repair kit that should be kept in an easy-to-remember place. Save the manufacturer's instructions on how to use them.

Keeping wood floors clean is a very simple matter; use only a damp mop. Any excess water can run between the seams and cause damage.

Years ago, it was common practice to use a lot of wax on hardwood floors but today, most are sealed well with polyurethane and should require only the damp mop process.

In fact, hardwood floors are easier to maintain than that wall-to-wall that my mother thought would be easier to keep clean. I remember how disgusted I was when I recently had carpeting pulled up and found that it was a safe harbor for years of dirt below.

A few years ago, I visited my boyhood home on a nostalgic trip to Virginia and, amazingly, the couple who bought it from my parents still lived there.

When I was escorted into the living room, the hardwood floors my mother had concealed almost a half-century earlier gleamed in the streaming sunlight from the windows with southern exposure.

"We were so surprised when we pulled up the carpeting and found these gorgeous floors," the homeowner said. "There was this green carpeting that I knew just had to go..."

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HAYLEE McGINTY (d.o.b 2/10/14)

A Child under the Age of Eighteen Years,

Docket No.: NN-4998-18 • FU No: 142795

COLLEEN BRADY, Respondent.

IN THE NAME OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK TO: COLLEEN BRADY

A Petition having been filed in this Court alleging that the above-named child is a neglected child. A copy of the petition being annexed hereto. **YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED** to appear before this Court at 131 Warburton Avenue, 3rd Floor, Yonkers, New York, 10701, on the 30th day of JULY at 9:30 in the forenoon of said day, to answer to the Neglect Petition.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that you have the right to be represented by a lawyer, and if the Court finds you are unable to pay for a lawyer, you have the right to have a lawyer assigned by the Court.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that if you fail to appear at the time and place noted above, the Court will hear and determine the petition as provided by law and may, after hearing, find that you neglected you child.

Dated: Yonkers, New York

June 25, 2018

BY ORDER OF THE COURT /s/

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It's Summertime and the Sparklers Are Exploding All Over

You Heard It

Through the



By Nick Antonaccio

summer celebratory season. Whether at a party or a barbeque, at the beach, a vacation house or a backyard, many Americans tend to include a bit

of alcoholic refreshment in their social interactions. (It should always be in moderation and consumed responsibly.)

The natural inclination of some consumers is to gravitate to beer, but others are slaking their thirst with wine. And the choices seem endless, from whites to rosés to reds. For me, there is another wine category of which I am a strong advocate: sparkling wine.

Sparkling wines are one of the most versatile. Their fresh, bright and crisp characteristics highlight the acidity or the creaminess of many foods while the effervescence cuts through the fattiest of foods. They are equally suited for such food extremes as a lemon tart or creamy

But which sparklers to choose from? The current market reflects the growing popularity of sparkling wine. Last year, overall sales increased by 5 percent, with the highest growth, 16 percent, from

It is the height of the Prosecco. Clearly, Prosecco seems to be the sparkler of choice for many Americans. Its soft style, medium carbonation and pleasant aromas all contribute to its popularity. At an average price well under \$20, it fits nicely into many consumers' budgets.

> In my opinion, and to my palate, these same attributes are drawbacks to this type of sparkling wine. There are other choices that offer more favorable aromas, taste and vivacity. These include French Cremant, Italian

Lambrusco, American sparkling wine and Spanish Cava.

Of all of these choices, I generally favor Cava over other sparkling wines in the under \$20 price range. My rationale? Let me first focus on the broad differences in the composition and production of sparkling wines.

First, the grapes. Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Pinot Meunier dominate worldwide production. However, in Italy, the grape is Glera and the wine is Prosecco. In Spain, the grapes for Cava are those indigenous to the Catalonia region.

Second, there are several methods of producing sparkling wines that influence the style of the end product. The most common method is to introduce natural yeasts in individual bottles, commonly referred to as "Méthode Champenoise." A single bottle may contain up to 50 million

> bubbles; hence, the frenzy of froth when poured into a glass. This method results in the most complex and refined wines. Champagne and Cava are produced in this manner.

> In the "Charmat" method, natural yeasts are introduced tanks rather than individual bottles. Prosecco

is produced in this manner. These wines tend to be a bit lighter and creamier with large and significantly fewer bubbles.

Third, and least desirable, is the direct injection of carbon dioxide into tanks of wine (think carbonated soft drinks).

By adopting the same process as the French for producing their bubbly, Cava winemakers are known for the sophisticated style of their wine. What makes Cava unique among all sparkling wines is its combination of grape varieties, grown here since the 19th century: Macabeo, Parellada and Xarel-lo. Try

pronouncing these names after a glass or two of Cava. (Okay, let's try it: mah-kah-BEH-oh, Par-eh-LYAH-duh and Sah-REHL-loh.)

It is the masterful crafting and blending of these grapes that emphasize the individual characteristics of each variety and creates an end result that is greater than the sum of its parts. The Macabeo offers fragrant floral aromas, the Parellada offers a creamy mouth-feel and fruity flavors of citrus and apples and the Xarello offers ripeness, full body, acid and alcohol. What comes through the bubbles are intoxicating aromas and flavors with toasty, creamy notes, sure to please discriminating palates.

When planning your next summer get-together, ask your wine merchant to recommend several Cavas. A fresh new experience awaits you.

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Montauk Point, Long Island - Seaside Beauty a Tank of Gas Away

By Evelyn J. Mocbeichel

Perhaps you've read about Montauk Point or have friends that go there on vacation, yet have never taken the drive there yourself to experience it. Some people love the mountains, others lakes and hikes through the forest, but for ocean lovers, Montauk is the place to see!

Depending on where you live, and the time of day you leave your home, the trip can be between three and four hours. Keep in mind beach lovers often head to Jones Beach or the Hamptons, so an early start in the morning is your best bet dealing with Long Island Expressway traffic. For most cars that's a tank of gas or less getting to Montauk.

There is always something new to discover when you get there. Whether it's swimming, surfing, hiking, horseback riding or dining, Montauk has it all. Naturally first time visitors have a lot to explore. If accommodations are in or close to town, it is easy to get around by foot for dining and shopping. But there is so much to see once you head out of town to explore the rest of Montauk. Checking online with their Chamber of Commerce is a great first start to learn about the many hotels, motels, resorts, restaurants, music festivals, shopping and activities that happen in Montauk. Start exploring. https://www.montaukchamber.com/; 631-668-2428

Probably the most well known attraction is the Montauk Lighthouse and no visit is complete if a tour of this National Landmark is not included. It



Montauk offers ocean beaches for swimming and surfing.

was authorized by President George Washington back in 1792 and building commenced in 1796, with a purpose to aid navigation. It is located on the very tip of eastern Long Island and offers fabulous views of Block Island Sound and the Atlantic Ocean whether you walk the grounds or climb to the top tower. The climb entails 128 steps up a spiral staircase, 86 feet high, but well worth it for the view. There is a fascinating museum on the bottom level that includes information about the original lighthouse keeper's lodging and parlor, displays on how the erosion control is helping maintain the property, a communication room where early keepers used Bivalve Fresnel lens to send light out to ships. These lenses were operational until 1987 when the

lighthouse became automated, the lens is still on display.

The "Lighthouse Weekend" takes place Aug. 18- 19. The Kings of the Coast Pirates will have shows as will the 3rd Regiment of the 1776 Militia with reenactment

On Aug. 25, the night before the full moon, the first "Montauk Music Fest Rocks the Lighthouse"

place. Gates open at 5 p.m. for the concert. By visiting the Lighthouse, you'll enjoy a step back in time at these festivities. For more information about Lighthouse hours, the Music Fest, admission prices, or more about the Lighthouse Weekend, Visit montauklighthouse.com; 631-668-2544. What would a trip to Montauk be without going fishing? Take a drive out of town and head down West Lake Drive to the Montauk Harbor where the charter boats and huge Viking party boats are docked. You'll also see the historical, picturesque Gosman Restaurant and shops complex and numerous restaurants along the way. Your fishing options are extensive and you can either sign up for a full or half day outings. Montauk is known for its fertile fishing grounds and fishermen flock here for extraordinary catches.

There are two great choices for horseback riding enthusiasts when you are visiting Montauk. There is the Deep Hollow Ranch, a 22-acre property that is said to be the "oldest working cattle ranch in the United States back when East Hampton colonists sent their cattle there to graze. They are located across from Theodore Roosevelt County Park, Montauk; 1-631-668-2744. Another place to go for horseback riding is Rita's Stables, located at 3 West Lake Drive, one block off Montauk Highway (Route 27). Owned by Rita Foster, it offers riding tours, equestrian trails, outdoor activities, classes and workshops, Nature Park and live farm animals; 631 668-5453.

The Montauk Historical Society hosts craft fairs throughout the summer on the grounds of the Second House Museum, located across from the IGA supermarket. The backbone of these annual craft fairs are the scores of local Montauk residents that give countess hours of their time volunteering to make each fair the success that it is. Artisans from around the country participate in these fairs and shoppers will find the most unique and beautiful hand crafted artifacts that range from jewelry, paintings, sculptures, pottery, leather goods, gourmet items, woodcrafts, furniture and home décor items among the scores of beautiful items to purchase. Mark your calendar for the 2018 Craft Fairs on Aug.11-12 and Sept.22-23; www. montaukhistoricalsociety.org.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK: COUNTY OF WEST-CHESTER DEUTSCHE BANK NA-TIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR GSAA HOME EQUITY TRUST 2007-5, ASSET-BACKED CER-TIFICATES, SERIES 2007-5, Plaintiff, -against- ANDRES A. PENA A/K/A AN-DRES PENA A/K/A ANDRE PENA, CI-TIBANK, N.A., GREENPOINT MORT-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 AN-SWER 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 Hamlani_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.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PRINCE CONSULTING, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on May 02, 2018. Office in Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Prince Consulting LLC, 184 Willowbrook Ave., Stamford, CT 06922. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PRE-FERRED CHOICE HOME INSPEC-TIONS LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the SSNY on 6/29/18. Office location is Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to PREFERRED CHOICE HOME INSPECTIONS LLC 117A E Main Street Suite 378 New Rochelle NY 10801. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

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Sounds of Summer Series Returns to Fill the Theaters at Jacob Burns

By Neal Rentz

Summer is a favorite time for outdoor concerts. The season has also become synonymous at the Jacob Burns Film Center with programs and films dedicated to music.

The Sounds of Summer 2018: Music Films, Old and New runs through Aug. 23. The annual series began in 2010 and new films and classics. Opening early commercial successes, night earlier this month featured a screening of "Yellow Submarine," the psychedelic animated film directed by George Dunning. Also scheduled for July 30, "Yellow Submarine" will be introduced by Scott Freiman, the curator of a series of multimedia presentations about The Beatles.



Two films featuring Scott Freiman, the curator of a series of multimedia presentations about The Beatles, will be part of the Sounds of Summer 2018: Music Films, Old and New series.

features works covering a variety of music

This year's series includes 21 films selected by Burns Programming Director Brian Ackerman, Senior Programmer Andrew Jupin and Programmer Karen Sloe Goodman.

"We're always looking for films that will entertain and inspire our audiences," Goodman said of the series' success.

Ackerman said the series will include

The movie includes several hits from The Fab Four, including "When I'm Sixty-Four," "Lucy in the Sky With Diamonds," "Eleanor Rigby" and "All You Need is

Freiman will also display his expertise about The Beatles in two films. On July 16 and Aug. 15, "Deconstructing the Beatles: The Birth of the Beatles" will be screened while "Deconstructing the Beatles: 1963 Yeah! Yeah!" detailing the band's

will be shown on July 26 and Aug. 23. Those Beatles' programs include music, video and other materials to analyze the group's music, Goodman said.

The series is presented in partnership with public radio station WFUV 90.7

"It's a great partnership to have," Goodman said.

Disc jockeys Houston, WFUV's program director, and Dennis Elsas will come to the Burns to explore the musical legacies of two listener favorites: the Avett Brothers and Rolling Stones guitarist Keith Richards. The Avett Brothers are the subject of the documentary, "May It Last: A Portrait of the Avett Brothers," directed by Judd Apatow and Michael Bonfiglio, about Grammy-nominated North Carolina-based band. Following the July 17 screening, Goodman will lead a discussion with Houston.

"Keith Richards: Under the Influence," the documentary directed by Morgan Neville, will be presented on Aug. 2. The 2015 movie, which will be followed by a discussion with Goodman and Elsas, documents Richards recording his first solo album in two decades.

Goodman said two of her favorites in this year's series are "Chavela," the documentary directed by Catherine Gund and Daresha Kyi about legendary Costa Rican singer Chavela Vargas (July 9) and "Ruben Blades is Not My Name," the documentary directed by Abner Benaim, about the singer-songwriter (Aug. 8).

Ackerman said an annual series tradition will continue on July 31 with



A scene from "Gimme Shelter," a film about the controversial late 1969 free concert at Altamont Speedway in California.

the presentation of "Stop Making Sense," a 1984 concert film directed by the late Jonathan Demme starring The Talking Heads. Demme was actively involved with the Burns in a variety of capacities. The sound will be turned up loud "as Jonathan wanted it," Ackerman said.

While audiences will not be sitting outside to enjoy the featured music, Jupin said there really isn't anything like it on the big screen.

The Jacob Burns Film Center is located at 364 Manville Rd. in Pleasantville. For the complete schedule and for tickets, call 914-747-5555 or visit www. burnsfilmcenter.org.

Playland Hosts Free Summer Concerts, Dancing Programs

It's all about great music this summer when classic rock bands, tribute acts and local artists bring their talents to Playland Park in Rye.

Talented students young from Mamaroneck's School of Rock kicks things off when they perform music ranging from the "Rock 101" songbook to heavy metal. See them on Friday, July 27, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 9, at noon. (Friday night shows in July will break for fireworks at 9:15 p.m.)

There's sure to be dancing in the aisles when Dr. K's Motown Revue brings its upbeat, pop-influenced style of rhythm and blues for two shows on Saturday, July

21 at 4 and 8 p.m.

On Friday, Aug. 3, get out the leg warmers, fingerless gloves and neon brights and be there when Jessie's Girl makes Playland a stop on their summer "Back to the Eighties" tour at 7:30 p.m. The band, which bills itself as the world's greatest '80s tribute band, performs stunning renditions of favorites by Prince, Madonna, Bon Jovi, Michael Jackson and many more.

The Nerds, with over 25 years' experience performing classic rock, take the stage for two shows on Friday, Aug. 31 at 7:30 and 9 p.m.

Admission to the concert area is covered

in the park's admission price. No additional concert fee will be charged. Parking fees are in effect for all entertainment.

Playland's famous fireworks shows take place every Friday through Aug. 31 at 9:15 p.m. Fireworks can be viewed from inside the park or for free on the boardwalk outside the amusement park complex.

Finally, put on your dancing shoes because the Playland Orchestra, formerly known as the Milt Gerver Big Band Orchestra, will play on the boardwalk for free on July 20 and 27 and Aug. 3 at 7 p.m.

"Classic rock, unforgettable Motown sounds, funk, soul and Big Band - it's all on the playlist this summer, live and on stage," County Executive George Latimer said. "Come early, get a good spot and settle in for a fantastic day or evening at the park."

For the season's full schedule, visit www. PlaylandPark.org or call the park at 914-813-7000. Parking most days is \$10, but is \$15 on holidays, special events and concert days.

Playland is located at the end of Playland Parkway in Rye. For public bus transportation, visit www.westchestergov. com/beelinebus.

For free concerts in White Plains, see the Happenings pages each week in The White Plains Examiner.



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, July 17

Neighborhood Nights. Ahoy Matey's Pirate Adventure, 7 p.m. at Druss Park, Lexington Ave., White Plains

Neighborhood Nights. Magic by Harrison, 7 p.m. Mitchell Tot Lot, White Plains.

"Le Corbeau." Salacious accusations swirl as a series of venomous letters circulates through a small French town – all signed with the nom-de-plume "Le Corbeau." The primary target of the letters, Dr. Rémy Germain (Pierre Fresnay), struggles to deduce the identity of the anonymous rumormonger before the town destroys itself. Part of the Retro Revival series. Jacob Burns Film Center, 364 Manville Rd., Pleasantville. 7 p.m. Members: \$9. Non-members: \$14. Info and tickets: Visit www.burnsfilmcenter. org.

Wednesday, July 18

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.

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

This week JazzMay.

Neighborhood Nights. Ahoy Matey's Pirate Adventure, 7 p.m. Turnure Park, S. Lake St., White Plains.

Dancing at Dusk: Chinese Dance With Ling Tang. In this thrilling exploration of Chinese traditional music and dance, Ling Tang and Ba Ban Chinese Music Society will take young listeners on an interactive musical journey to China. They will showcase a collection of repertoires from the ancient Silk Road, northern grassland, southern Yangtze River region, to festive Silk and Bamboo tunes. As the sounds of dizi/xiao (bamboo flutes), pipa (4-stringlute) and other instruments fill the air, little ones will experiment with diverse movements from martial arts, Peking Opera, Inner-Mongolian, Uyghur, with dance props such as fans, handkerchiefs and ribbons. Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts, 149 Girdle Ridge Rd., Katonah. 5 p.m. Adults: \$14. Children (12 and under): \$7. Info and tickets: 914-232-1252 or visit www.caramoor.org.

"Romeo and Juliet." Muscoot Farm will present a fast-paced adaptation of Shakespeare's classic. One of the farm's hayfields will serve as the backdrop. Attendees will take a hayride to the theater where they can take out their own chairs, blankets and picnic baskets. Directed by Mary Roberts. Muscoot Farm, 51 Route 100, Katonah. Gates open at 5 p.m. Performance at 6 p.m. \$20. Also July 18, 22 and 25. Info: 914-864-7286. Tickets: Visit www.muscootsummer. brownpapertickets.com. Also available at the door.

New Castle 2018 Summer Concert Series: Tramps Like Us. A Springsteen tribute band. Bring a chair or a blanket and a picnic basket. There will be beer and wine from DeCicco & Sons, multiple food trucks and fun activities for the kids. Recreation Field, 200 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. 7 p.m. Free. Info: Visit www. facebook.com/events/403881140112906.

Thursday, July 19

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 Maybe April – There's none much sweeter than this harmonizing California trio.

Neighborhood Nights. Ahoy Matey's Pirate Adventure, 7 p.m. Chatterton Park, Chatterton Pkwy, White Plains.

Neighborhood Nights. Despicable Me3 Movie, 8:15 p.m., Gardella Park, Ferris Ave., White Plains.

Derek Gripper in Concert. Caramoor continues its longstanding tradition of Guitar in the Garden with Derek Gripper, a South African guitarist. The program, including his captivating transcriptions of works written for the 21-string kora (harp lute) by African composers Toumani Diabaté, Ballaké Sissoko, and Madosini – alongside Brazilian Egberto Gismonti and J.S. Bach – transcends time, place and culture. Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts, 149 Girdle Ridge Rd., Katonah. 7 p.m. \$25. Info and tickets: 914-232-1252 or visit www.caramoor.org.

"Jinn." Summer is a carefree teenager whose world is turned upside down when her mother abruptly converts to Islam. Though initially resistant to the faith, Summer eventually realizes the religion is more complex and fluid than she thought. Her desire to remain untethered to any one way of being soon clashes with her mother's rigid interpretation of the faith, exacerbating a growing rift between them. Followed by a Q&A with filmmaker Nijla Mu'min. Part of the REMIX: The Black Experience in Film, Media and Art series. Jacob Burns Film Center, 364 Manville Rd., Pleasantville. 7 p.m. Members: \$12. Non-members: \$17. Info and tickets: Visit www.burnsfilmcenter.org.

Briarcliff Chamber of Commerce Summer Concert Series: Off the Record. This family- and pet-friendly concert series is a celebration of music and the best that Briarcliff has to offer. Grab a blanket, lawn chair and experience live music. Food and drink from 105-Ten and Mission Taqueria will be available. Law Memorial Park, 1031 Pleasantville Rd., Briarcliff Manor. 7 to 9 p.m. Free. Info: Visit www.briarclffchamber.org.

"Eighth Grade." Thirteen-year-old Kayla (introducing Elsie Fisher) endures the tidal wave of suburban adolescence in the age of social media as she makes her way through the last week of middle school – the end of her thus far disastrous eighth-grade year – before she begins high school. A remarkably assured debut from comedian-turned-writer/director Bo Burnham. Jacob Burns Film Center, 364 Manville Rd., Pleasantville. 8 p.m. Members: \$20. Non-members: \$25. Info and tickets: Visit www.burnsfilmcenter. org.

Friday, July 20

"The Tempest." LawnChair Theatre, Westchester's traveling Shakespeare company, is back for its 13th season with Shakespeare's final play. Under the auspices

of the Rye Arts Center and directed by LawnChair veteran Julie Thaxter-Gourlay. Bring a picnic and your favorite lawn chair or blanket. Rain or shine. Recreation Field, 200 S. Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. 6:30 p.m. Suggested donation: Adults--\$20. Seniors and students--\$10. Info (including announcements regarding inclement weather): Visit www.lawnchairtheatre. org.

Gunsmoke. The band returns to Katonah. Bring your chairs and enjoy. Food and drink available for purchase. No coolers. Rain or shine. All welcome. Katonah American Legion, 136 Jay St. (Route 22), Katonah. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Music at 7 p.m. \$20. Info: 914-232-1575

Ossining Waterfront Summer Concert Series: Jigsaww. This eight-piece funk and R&B local favorite hails from Ossining and New York City and will be sure to impress their hometown fans. Concessions provided by some of Westchester's best food trucks are available. Louis Engel Waterfront Park, Westerly Road, Ossining. 7 p.m. Free.

Brentano Quartet in Concert. Enjoying over 20 years of acclaim and a place as one of the world's top string quartets, the quartet returns with three-time Grammynominated clarinetist Todd Palmer. This program includes transcriptions of madrigals by Gesualdo, whose works predate the string quartet as a medium, Beethoven's magnificent Quartet Opus 18, No. 4 and Brahms' Clarinet Quintet. Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts, 149 Girdle Ridge Rd., Katonah. 8 p.m. \$25, \$35, \$45 and \$55. Info and tickets: 914-232-1252 or visit www.caramoor.org.

Saturday, July 21

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.

Caramoor Jazz Festival. Now in its fourth year, in collaboration with Jazz at Lincoln Center, the festival returns with exceptional talent and music to enjoy throughout the stunning gardens and historical venues. A full day of jazz and interactive activities for children. The evening headliner is five-time Grammy winner Dianne Reeves. Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts, 149 Girdle Ridge Rd., Katonah. Noon. \$35 to \$100. Day only: Adults--\$35. Children: \$15. Info and tickets: 914-232-1252 or visit www. caramoor.org.

Wolves of North America. Learn about the mythology, biology and ecology of wolf families and discover why it's a

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special time for packs in North America. Whether the wolves are living on the Arctic tundra or the woodlands of the southwest, wolf families are out searching for prey as they celebrate the birth of pups! Guests will visit ambassador wolves Atka, Alawa, Nikai and Zephyr as well as the critically endangered red wolves and Mexican gray wolves. Wolf Conservation Center, South Salem 2 p.m. Adults: \$14. Children (under 12): \$11. Also July 22 at 2 p.m. July 28 at 11 a.m. and July 29 at 1 p.m. Pre-registration required. Info and pre-registration: Visit www.nywolf.org.

Neil Berg's 50 Years of Rock 'n' Roll. With a cast consisting of both stars from Broadway's greatest rock musicals, as well as incredible rock 'n' roll singers, Neil Berg shares the often unknown stories from the 50-year history of the music that changed the world forever. Westchester Broadway Theatre, 1 Broadway Plaza, Elmsford. Dinner at 6:15 p.m. Show at 8 p.m. \$89 per person (plus tax). Show only: \$55 per person (plus tax). Info and tickets: 914-592-2222 or visit www.broadwaytheatre. com.

Ballroom Social. Great music and dancing on a 3,500-square-foot dance floor. Enjoy a pleasant time with friends.

Includes food and snacks, plus raffle tickets. Broadway 26 Dance, 26 Broadway, Hawthorne. 7:30 to 11 p.m. \$18. Third Saturday of each month. Info: 914-579-2228 or visit www.broadway26dance.com.

Sunday, July 22

Pack Chat for Kids. This is the best introduction to wolves for families with young children. Kids will learn about the mythology surrounding wolves and the important role they play in the natural world. This is an exciting time for wolves who are out searching for prey as they celebrate the birth of this year's pups. Guests will visit ambassador wolves Atka, Alawa, Nikai and Zephyr as well as the critically endangered red wolves and Mexican gray wolves. Wolf Conservation Center, South Salem. 11 a.m. Adults: \$14. Children (under 12): \$11. Also July 28 at 2 p.m. Pre-registration required. Info and pre-registration: 914-763-2373 or visit www.nywolf.org.

Andy Warhol: Subject and Seriality. Warhol's works, many of which have not been seen publicly before, demonstrate his methodology and experimentation, leading one to consider the evolution of his thought. The exhibition will feature more than 40 works that include images

of Jacqueline Kennedy, Marilyn Monroe; Janet Villella (Warhol's close friend and a New York City Ballet ballerina) and artists Jasper Johns, Robert Rauschenberg and Roy Lichtenstein. The works are interesting as there are slight variations from print to print, and there can be differences between seriality and variation, even within the same print. Neuberger Museum of Art, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. 12 to 5 p.m. \$5. Seniors (62 and up) and students: \$3. Members, children (12 and under) and Purchase College students, faculty and staff: Free. Exhibit continues through Dec. 23. Gallery hours are Wednesday to Sunday 12 to 5 p.m. and until 8 p.m. on Wednesdays. Info: 914-251-6100 or visit www.neuberger.org.

Feeding Fun. Slurp, munch, crunch and gulp. It's mealtime for the animals. Come see what's on the menu and learn how we keep our critters healthy. Greenburgh Nature Center, 99 Dromore Rd., Scarsdale. 1 to 2 p.m. Members: Free. Non-members: \$8 per person. Info: 914-723-3470 or visit www.greenburghnaturecenter.org.

Italian Heritage Festival. Music and entertainment, crafts and food vendors. Kensico Dam Plaza, 1 Bronx River Parkway, Valhalla. 1 to 7 p.m. Parking and

admission are free. Info: 914-231-4033.

Arab Heritage Festival. Music and entertainment, crafts and vendors. Ridge Road Park, Ridge Road, Hartsdale. 1 to 7 p.m. Parking and admission are free. Info: 914-946-8133.

Handel's "Atalanta." Composed for a royal wedding celebration, this masterpiece is a tale full of hidden love and disguise, complete with vocal fireworks. Long dormant since its 1736 premiere, "Atalanta's" lively overtures, festive melodies and favored arioso, "Care selve," were revived in 1970 and are now the perfect accompaniment. Nicholas McGegan, whose expertise in this repertoire covers a dozen Handel oratorios and close to 20 of his operas, along with America's leading period-instrument ensemble, makes his Caramoor debut. Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts, 149 Girdle Ridge Rd., Katonah. 4 p.m. \$30, \$45, \$60, \$75, \$90 and \$110. Garden: \$10. Info and tickets: 914-232-1252 or visit www.caramoor.org.





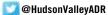


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