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### WPHS Student Honored at African American MLK Youth Legacy Awards



White Plains High School student Annia Takori received the African American Men of Westchester's Social Justice Award at the 18th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Youth Legacy Awards Luncheon at the Doubletree Hotel, Jan. 21. Pictured left to right are: Rosemarie Eller President White Plains School Board, Ellen Doherty Principal White Plains High School, Dawn Barrett mother of Annia, Annia Takori and White Plains Mayor Tom Roach.

# **Breaking Ground for Planned Christopher Ridley Memorial in White Plains**

#### By Neal Rentz

At the site of tragedy in White Plains in 2008, Westchester County officials are seeking to create something positive.

On Jan. 25, 2008 off-duty Mount Vernon Police Detective Christopher Ridley reportedly witnessed a man beating up another man outside the Westchester County social services building while he was driving his car on Court Street in White Plains. Ridley stopped, scuffled with the suspect and during the altercation Ridley's gun accidently fired. Several witnesses said Ridley was fatally shot by Westchester County Police after he did not drop his gun as ordered.

A groundbreaking ceremony, attended by several elected officials and members of Ridley's family, for the planned Christopher Ridley Memorial on Court Street, was held in White Plains on Jan. 25. The completed memorial is scheduled to be dedicated in August, the month of Ridley's birthday.

County Executive George Latimer said he was reminded of the time about decade ago when he visited the National Civil Rights Museum, which is located in the motel in Memphis where Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated in 1968. He recalled being in the room next to the one where King lost his life. "You realize at a moment like that that a man's life is more than the moment of his death," Latimer said. "If you can take the moment of his death and talk about the story of his life then you've accomplished something that's good and valuable."

Through the efforts of the county legislators and with the support of the county executive's office, "We are taking a place of tragedy, a place of death and we're

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# 52 N. Broadway Landfill Results Are In, Developer Requests Closing Public Hearing

#### **By Pat Casey**

The highly anticipated test results for the open space fill area at 52 N. Broadway, the former Good Counsel campus, have been received by White Plains City Hall, and are posted on the city's website.

The analysis, prepared by Hauppauge, LI-based VHB and submitted Jan. 8, 2019, to White Plains Commissioner of Building, Damon Amadio, suggests "the existing backfill material is not considered satisfactory and it may be necessary for same to be removed from each applicable building footprint (referring to proposed residential development of the site)."

The analysis is based on 14 samples taken from 11 borings at the site from late November to early December 2018.



An aerial photograph generated by Google Earth and submitted with the VHB report shows the former athletic field at 52 N. Broadway and its proximity to I-287 in the top right corner and neighborhoods in the local vicinity.

The report continues: "Regardless of environmental impacts and the eventual plan for addressing the removal and/ or capping of environmentally impaired soils, the generation and disposal of surplus soils should also be considered. VHB anticipates that surplus soils will likely be generated due to the proposed site redevelopment activities, and there is a potential that geotechnical specifications will require additional excavation/ removal of the backfill. Off-site disposal of surplus soils should be considered due to the impairments detected."

While acknowledging previous testing of the site, the report further explains: "Additional investigation activities were conducted in 2012 to evaluate the fill

area in association with a potential redevelopment. The soil sampling activities identified exceedances of SVOCs (semi-volatile organic compounds) consistent with previous investigations, and identified petroleum compounds, chlorinated solvents and methane in soil gas beneath the geomembrane. The results were provided to the NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC); however, the potential redevelopment was not further pursued at that time."

The history of toxicity at the former Good Counsel athletic field dates back to a period between 2004 and 2006 when backfill containing construction and demolition debris was deposited on the

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going to turn it into something different. We're going to turn it into the celebration of the life of a man who gave his life for the public as a sworn peace officer," Latimer said. "And through the tragedy that happened here 11 years ago we will remember him and we will remember the living Christopher Ridley at this place, just as we remember Dr. King in Memphis, Tennessee."

County Board of Legislators Chairman Benjamin Boykin (D-White Plains) said Ridley "came over to help out." Ridley "gave the ultimate sacrifice," Boykin said.

The Ridley family will mourn the death of Ridley for the rest of their lives and the people here at the ceremony will support the family, Boykin said. Those in attendance also took part in the groundbreaking for the memorial to

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site. Upon inspection by the NYSDEC at that time, it was determined SVOCs were present in the fill materials at concentrations exceeding the NYSDEC objectives.

Further backfill added to the site, meant to alleviate the problem, instead, indicated similar readings, causing the NYSDEC to require that a geomembrane be installed above the imported materials, followed by a soil cap and vegetated cover to prevent direct contact with the fill material and to prevent the infiltration of groundwater.

A deed restriction was placed on the property in 2005 to identify the boundaries of the backfilled area, prevent disturbance of the geomembrane, maintain the site cap and restrict use of the area to open space.

The NYSDEC further stipulated that

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they be notified of any disturbance of the backfilled area and that any proposed change of use of the backfilled area be reviewed and approved by the NYSDEC.

During the late 2018 testing, at the same time VHB was taking samples for the White Plains independent study, AKRF, the environmental engineering firm representing the new owners of 52 N. Broadway, also took samples. The VHB report confirms the AKRF activity.

In a letter to Mayor Tom Roach and the Common Council, Bill Null, attorney for the developer at 52 N. Broadway, claims the VHB results confirm information the developer has already conveyed regarding its plans for remediation of the site and its working relationship with NYSDEC, and asked for the Public Hearing on the site to be closed at the Feb. 4 Council meeting.



NEAL RENTZ PHOTOS

An artist's rendition of the planned Christopher Ridley Memorial.

honor "his life and his legacy," Boykin said.

County Legislator Lyndon Williams (D-Mount Vernon) told Ridley's family, "Out of the horrific events that occurred here 11 years ago we stand here with you to let you know that Christopher's sacrifice will not ever be in vain, that he will never be forgotten."

Deputy County Executive Ken Jenkins recalled he was across the street in the county office building when Ridley was shot and he heard the shots fired. "We are proud that we're working together to have

the kind of memorial here for Chris that his family, his mother and his father, and his many, many friends can see; a lasting memorial," Jenkins said. In the aftermath of the shooting of Ridley changes have been made, including the training of law enforcement, Jenkins added.

Ridley's father, Stanley, was emotional while addressing those attending the ceremony. "This is a hard task," he said. For the past 11 years every day he remembers that "I don't have a son," he said. "You can see what he did on that day that he was

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# White Plains Housing Authority Residents Are Feeling the Cold at 86 Dekalb

Media reports that the heating and hot water system at 86 Dekalb Ave., White Plains, was broken and not delivering heat to the building's residents are not true according to Ed Cafasso of WINN property management, the company responsible for the building's maintenance.

Responding directly to a news report on Jan. 25 that residents had not had heat for three weeks, Cafasso told The White Plains Examiner, "That is simply not

High wind chills and extremely low temperatures put a strain on the heating system and we could not get some rooms as warm as some residents would like, Cafasso explained.

reporting on the incident, said residents of the building had called the media outlet to

complain about the lack of heat and that the situation had been ongoing for three weeks. The report quoted one resident who said she had used her oven to heat water and another that a child had to be moved from a bedroom because he was shivering.

Most residents of 86 Dekalb declined to comment when a reporter for The White



However, a News12 story Residents at the 13-story apartment building at 86 Dekalb Ave., White Plains, recently complained about lack of heat, but building management said the problem was related to extremely low temperatures and high wind chills.

Plains Examiner visited the building Friday afternoon. He noticed that many in a program for children conducted in a room on the building's first floor were dressed in winter coats and hats, as well as an employee in the management office. One resident, Isiah Graham, said he was able to cope without heat by wearing winter clothing in his apartment. He added, however, that the cold has been

a burden on the seniors who live in the building.

According to Cafasso, the only logged complaint, received at 9 p.m. earlier in the week, was responded to by the building's maintenance supervisor who lives onsite. The bedroom temperature was 70 degrees and the living room 73 degrees," he said.

The 13-story complex is susceptible

to the high winds on the upper floors, causing unusual drafts at the aluminum-framed windows. Cafasso said the windows had been replaced a few years back and were not part of an on-going rehabilitation of the residences.

Cafasso further explained that a computerized system regulates the boilers and they were trying to get the right diagnostic equipment to make the system more efficient during unusually extreme weather conditions. A contractor was working with the boilers on Friday afternoon

A letter released, by Mack Carter, CEO, White Plains Housing Co., Inc., said an investigation of the situation indicated temperatures within the 86 Dekalb complex are taken routinely and logged daily.

"The building during the recent cold spell had heat and hot water that exceeds code minimums. The building has had heat every day since the heating season began. We are not

aware of any instance in which apartment temperatures dropped below code minimums," the letter stated.

A community meeting is expected to update residents on the boiler work and status of the ongoing multi-million dollar occupied rehabilitation of the building.

> -Neal Rentz contributed reporting to this story.

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# County Legislators Approve \$125 K in White Plains Youth Bureau Funding

#### **By Neal Rentz**

The Westchester County Board of Legislators recently approved \$125,000 in funding for three White Plains Youth Bureau programs.

"We need the funds. We appreciate the county's interest in our young people," White Plains Youth Bureau Executive Director Frank Williams Jr. said last week. He noted that the Bureau provides programs for 2,000 youths.

The county board approved \$35,000 for the Clubmen Higher Aims program, which together with more than \$18,000 in matching funds from municipal agencies,



White Plains Youth Bureau Executive Director Frank Williams Jr.

provides a total of nearly \$54,000.

Clubmen Higher Aims is an afterschool program for young African-American and Latino men that provides educational and social support, such as tutoring and mentoring, as well as cultural and leadership experiences. Of the youths who have participated in the program "100 percent of them" have graduated from high school and gone on to college, Williams said.

Clubmen Higher Aims helps participants, who meet from 3 to 6 p.m. weekdays, to create a "life and career plan," Williams said.

The board approved \$45,000 for the Healthy & Fit for Life program, which, together with more than \$24,000 in matching funds from municipal agencies, provides more than \$69,000 for the program.

Healthy & Fit for Life helps young people between the ages of 6 to 21 to incorporate healthy behavior and wellness into their daily lives, with activities including boxing, martial arts and personal training. Many youths today are not as physically active as youths were in the past, Williams said.

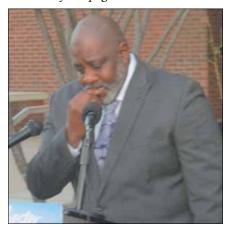
The county board also approved \$45,000 the Step Up! program, which together with more than \$24,000 in matching funds from municipal agencies, provides more than \$69,000 for that program.

Step Up! is a youth development program for young men between the ages of 14 and 21. It provides help with resume and college essay writing, interview skills, job training and college preparation.

Board of Legislators Chairman Benjamin Boykin II (D-White Plains) said the funding is for "three important programs for our young people in White Plains."

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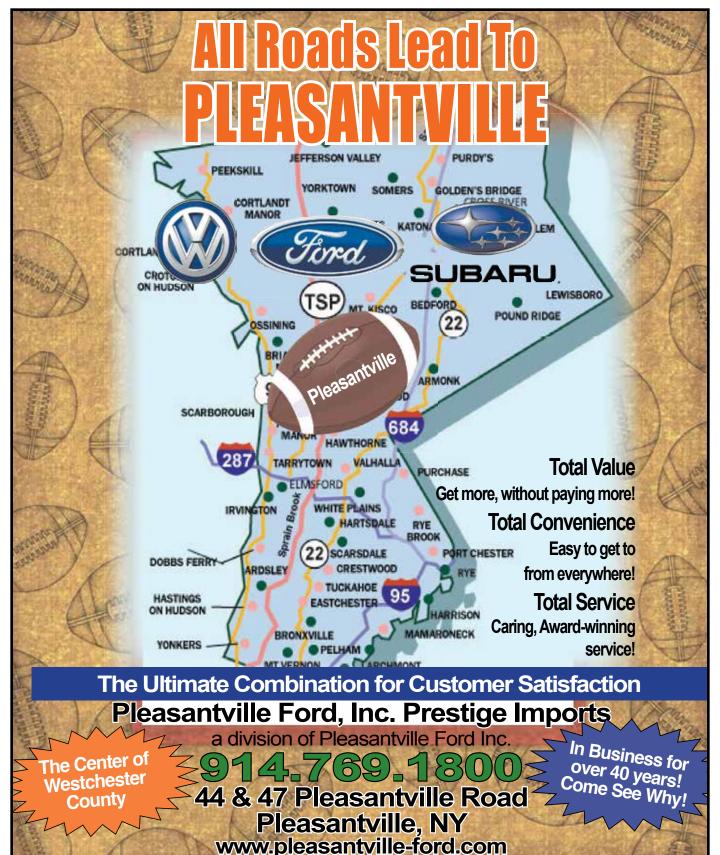


Stanley Ridley, the father of the late Christopher Ridley, became emotional while speaking during the groundbreaking ceremony for the planned Christopher Ridley Memorial on Court Street in White Plains on Jan. 25.

going to be a great man. He didn't have to get out of his car to come here to save other people."

Ridley said he is upset that some individuals do not respect what his son did 11 years ago. "Every day they talk about him like he didn't do a hero's job," Ridley said. "This young man got out of his car to help people." Ridley said he is upset when he hears that his son was either wrong in what he did or was not a hero.

"I hope that this memorial will make us remember that we all can help and we all should get out there and do something and not badger folks like the police department who get out here every day and put their lives on the line," Ridley said.



# **City of Science Event Coming to White Plains**

**By Neal Rentz** 

The popular science programs produced by World Science Festival have been presented for years in the five boroughs of New York City.

For the first time World Science is producing the event in White Plains. City of Science Westchester will be presented by Con Edison on Feb. 2 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Westchester County Center, 198 Central Ave.

A series of programs have been scheduled that will showcase how properties of science, technology, engineering and mathematics collide, according to World Science.

Several local school districts are slated to take part in the event, including Chappaqua, Croton-Harmon, Lakeland, Hendrick Hudson, Peekskill, Pleasantville, Scarsdale and White Plains.

Several organizations are serving as event partners including FIRST, Friends of Rye Nature Center, Groundwork Hudson Valley, Westchester Children's Museum, Greenburgh Nature Center, and the Hudson River Museum.

Science will be presented to the public in ways nothing like school lectures or learning about the subject from a



City of Science, produced by the World Science Festival and presented by Con Edison, is slated for Feb. 2 at the Westchester County Center in White Plains. Shown is a photograph of a recent program held by World Science Festival.

school textbook. World Science Festival spokesperson Jen Gherardi said last week, "The purpose really is to get people excited about science."

Some of the activities will include a Camouflage Wall, which Gherardi said will show how animals use camouflage, while also experiencing the process by using camouflage suits to blend into a leaf-covered wall.

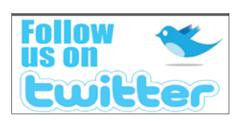
The Reversible Mixing Station will "unmix" liquids through a demonstration of thermodynamics.

A high-impact Rotation Station will present dizzying feats of physics while spinning and twirling objects all teaching about angular momentum.

The strolling Science Squad will entertain attendees while they wait to see exhibits. The Science Squad will present such demonstrations as balancing birds on noses or the tip of a pen and untangling two people connected by rope.

Gherardi said World Science festival seeks to make science engaging and fun for the public. "It's hands-on and it's exciting."

For free tickets to the event visit: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/city-of-science-westchester-tickets-53744942570?aff=erelexpmlt.



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# Quality for a Good Price at Rooster's Market, White Plains

By Neal Rentz

White Plains resident Willy Ryan began work at Rooster's Market in the city when he was a youth. Today he is sole owner of the business.

Ryan was a partner in the business for five years before becoming sole owner about two years ago, he noted last week.

Before becoming a partner, Ryan worked for Rooster's Market for about a decade.

"I did every job, scrubbing floors, stocking soda," Ryan recalled. "I just kept going up each rung."

Though he did not come up with the name of his business, Ryan explained why it was called Rooster's Market in 1998. "Apparently the guy who

started it had a lot of businesses and his nickname in college was rooster because he woke up early," Ryan said.

The original owner operated Rooster's for about five years before selling it.

Though he is now sole owner, his two former partners still work in the store. The general manager is Douglas Braziller and Nello Burgio is the operations manager. "They have all the knowledge of the day to day business," allowing me to work on long term planning, Ryan said. "There's only so much one person can do."

Rooster's is both a supermarket and a deli. "The deli's a big part of our business," Ryan said, and so are breakfast and lunch. Breakfast offers many selections. "We do a

lot of things. We do them well."

Popular breakfast items are the bacon, egg and cheese sandwiches, which can be customized to meet patrons' requests, Ryan said. "Nobody just gets a plain bacon, egg and cheese. Everyone wants something crazy," he said. Some of the additions to the bacon, egg and cheese sandwiches include hash browns, avocado and chicken cutlets.

> The lunch menu includes a wide variety of sandwiches. "We have well over 100 specialty sandwiches," Ryan said, adding there are about 15 other sandwiches not on the regular list known by the staff and ordered by customers.

The most popular sandwich is the Conchello, which consists of chicken cutlet, roasted peppers, fresh mozzarella, balsamic vinegar and oil, Ryan said. "It is fantastic."

Customers can take out their breakfast and lunch items or eat them in the store, Rvan noted.

Rooster's also has a catering service, which offers such items as wedges and a variety of hot and cold foods.

Ryan explained why Rooster's has been successful for many years. "I think a lot of it is not sacrificing quality, even when everything seems to be going up in price," he said. "We go out of our way to not use a cheaper product or give you less of what you want. For a while we'll just find a way to mitigate the cost or eat the cost because



White Plains resident Willy Ryan is the owner of Rooster's Market in White Plains.

if you have a bad experience once you'll get over it, but if you have a bad experience twice you might not come back."

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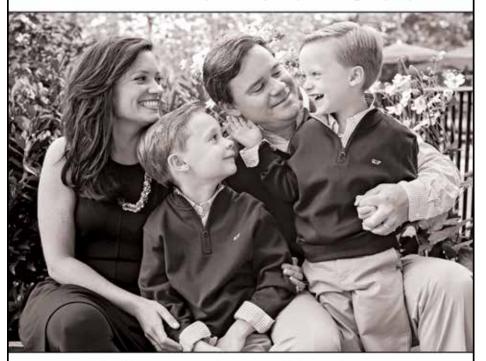
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# State Lawmakers Approve Bill Protecting Abortions, Dream Act

**By David Propper** 

Wasting little time taking advantage of their full control of state government, Democratic lawmakers last week approved stringent protections for abortion laws and extended financial aid for college to immigrants regardless of status.

With Democrats controlling each branch of state government, the Reproductive Health Act was swiftly approved last Wednesday, with Gov. Andrew Cuomo signing the law into effect that evening. The Senate voted in favor 38-24, while the Assembly approved it by a 92-47 margin, mostly along party lines, to codify Roe v. Wade even if the federal law is struck down by the Supreme Court.

The law maintains that an abortion is legal within the first 24 weeks of the start of a pregnancy or anytime after that if a woman's life is at risk or if the fetus isn't viable. Abortions could also now be done by other health professionals, not just physicians.

The proposal was first put forward in 2006 by the Democratic-dominated Assembly, but was blocked at every turn by the Senate, which had been controlled nearly continuously by the GOP for decades until the start of this year.

"In the face of a federal government intent on rolling back Roe v. Wade and women's reproductive rights, I promised that we would pass this critical legislation within the first 30 days of the new session – and we got it done," Cuomo said in a statement.

"Today we are taking a giant step forward in the hard-fought battle to ensure a woman's right to make her own decisions about her own personal health, including the ability to access an abortion. With the signing of this bill, we are sending a clear message that whatever happens in Washington, women in New York will always have the fundamental right to control their own body."

Republicans decried the measure as overreaching.

"I opposed the Reproductive Health Act and debated against the legislation both on the Assembly floor and in committee," Assemblyman Kevin Byrne (R-Mahopac) said. "I found the most offensive part of this legislation to be the seemingly generic exemption to permit late-term abortions, which would include partial birth abortion should the 2003 federal ban ever be repealed."

The state legislature also voted to give undocumented immigrants the ability to

"I promised that we would pass this critical legislation within the first 30 days of the new session – and we got it done," –Gov. Andrew Cuomo

receive financial aid and scholarships to state colleges. Cuomo is expected to sign the measure into law soon. The Senate approved the measure 40-20 and the Assembly 90-37.

The law would be named after the late senator Jose Peralta, who died

unexpectedly late last year.

"As a key part of our Justice Agenda, we look forward to finally making it law for all New Yorkers this year, for Senator Peralta and the Dreamers," Cuomo said in a statement

Republicans pushed back against the measure, including Byrne. He said that while every person deserves the chance at success, the state should prioritize law-abiding citizens and residents before illegal immigrants.

"It is frustrating to see more of New York's youth being forced to take on mountains of student loan debt because they too want to pursue their own dream of a college degree and a better life," Byrne said in a statement. "Instead of focusing on funding free college for illegal immigrants, we should be focusing on making it easier for college graduates to pay back their debt without inflating already sky-high tuition costs. We can do this by providing tax relief, increasing job opportunities and allowing legal residents to deduct a portion of the principal on student loan payments, not just the interest."

# Partial Federal Gov't Shutdown Temporarily Ended, But More Work to be Done

**Bv Pat Casev** 

As chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Congresswoman Nita Lowey (D-Harrison), played an active role in presenting what she called "eleven opportunities" to the Senate to end the partial federal government shutdown before it was temporarily ended on Jan. 25.

Indicating that on several appropriations issues, the debating parties were not that far apart, Lowey said, "Five bills have already been passed."

During a phone-in press meeting Friday, as New York's LaGuardia airport was issued a ground stop by the FAA, Lowey expressed frustration that families in New York's Congressional District 17, as well as throughout the nation, were being hurt by lack of pay and important government services were being hindered.



Congresswoman Nita Lowey (D-Harrison) speaks on the House Floor Jan. 24, relating stories of the hardships experienced by her constituents in New York's 17th District during the government shutdown.

Lowey noted that she was in contact with her colleague in the senate, Senator Richard Shelby (R-Alabama) who heads up the Senate Appropriations Committee. "We could probably solve this thing in a

matter of a few hours," she said.

"The Trump Shutdown has claimed more victims: some of our nation's busiest airports," Lowey continued.

There was growing concern about Westchester County Airport's ability to remain open with TSA workers there experiencing hardship while they reported to work without pay and some calling in sick to pursue other jobs.

Lowey said that some of her constituents were collecting unemployment to help make ends meet and others were visiting food banks to feed their families.

At the 35-day point, entering the second pay period, Lowey called on the president and Republicans to end the shutdown, get federal employees like air traffic controllers paid and back to work, and then join Democrats for negotiations on border security.

"Let's take 30 days to discuss Homeland Security. We probably could come to a resolution in a week," Lowey said.

As the shutdown ended, Lowey emphasized that the solution had always been simple. "Reopen the government, pay federal employees, and then begin a period of constructive negotiations on border security. It is sad that it took 35 days of inflicting pain and misery on Americans for President Trump and Republicans to come to their senses and agree to this solution, but it is better late than never," she said.

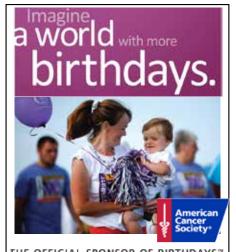


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### The Detective Ridley Memorial a Symbol of Sacrifice

January 25 (was) 11 years to the day of the unfortunate death of our brother Detective Christopher Ridley. The tragedy that met Detective Ridley is a constant reminder of the sacrifices we make as law enforcement Professionals.

Detective Ridley was attempting to make an off duty arrest and was killed by responding officers.

The law enforcement community in

Westchester has never been the same after this unpredictable tragedy. But on a national level, it's an unfortunate recurrence. The history of these types of tragedies that befall Black Law Enforcement Professionals are usually

(On Jan. 25), Westchester County (had) a groundbreaking ceremony for the Christopher Ridley memorial that was approved in 2018. We thank the County Executive, George Latimer, and the County Legislators for seeing the importance of funding the Memorial.

As Law Enforcement Professionals, the memorial stands as a symbol of the continuous sacrifices we make as law Enforcement officers.

As Black Enforcement Law Professionals, The Detective

Memorial will be a beacon of hope that the many officers and families that have suffered though similar tragedies will not be forgotten.

We should never again allow another family to suffer as the Ridley family has when their son lost his life trying to save a life and do the work he had sworn to do.

> -Damon K. Jones, Blacks In Law **Enforcement of America**

### Greenburgh Cricket Advocates Seek Playing Fields

Two weeks ago residents of Greenburgh attended a Town Board meeting asking for a cricket field. I was very impressed the turnout of cricket advocates pressing for cricket fields was large. And those advocating for the fields were very passionate about how much they love the sport..

Baseball may be thought of as an American sport but cricket actually

predates it. Cricket was played here in the United States even before our country became independent.

In the United States there are over 25,000 active players who are members of more than 50 leagues and 1,100 clubs across the United States. There are over 600 playing fields in the US.

I am trying to help the cricket community locate additional fields. If

you're interested in the game please advise and we will keep you updated. If you can think of possible additional fields for the cricket community to play at anywhere in the town or county, that, too, would be appreciated. A committee has been formed and we will include representatives of the cricket community on our Parks & Recreation Advisory Board.

For more info check: www.usacricket.

Cricket is very popular in the Indian, Caribbean Pakistan, communities. Australia, England, Ireland, South African communities. Greenburgh is a diverse community and we want those who enjoy the game to be able to experience it close to home.

> -Paul Feiner. Greenburgh Town Supervisor

## Boscobel Viewing Site for Teatown EagleFest

Boscobel is honored to be, once again this year, a viewing site for Teatown Hudson River EagleFest.

Each winter, between December and March, bald eagles from Canada, northern New York and New England fly south to the Hudson Valley. Biologists estimate that approximately 150 bald eagles overwinter in the lower Hudson Valley, which affirms the continued health of this habitat. (In 2007, the bald eagle was removed from the federal list of endangered and threatened species.)

During EagleFest, naturalists from Constitution Marsh Audubon Center and Sanctuary and the Putnam Highlands

Audubon Society will be on site at Boscobel with binoculars and scopes to help visitors spot bald eagles as they feed on fish and waterfowl in the Hudson River's unfrozen waters.

Teatown Hudson River EagleFest is headquartered at Croton Point Park in Westchester County. Tickets to EagleFest in Croton are available at Teatown.org. There is no charge to visit EagleFest at Boscobel, and registration is not necessary.

Details: Saturday, Feb. 9 (Snowdate Sunday, Feb. 10), 9 a.m. to 4: p.m. Free, no registration required. Visitors may walk directly from Boscobel's parking lot to the Belvedere, which is the scenic overlook.

## White Plains Recreation & Parks Summer Day Camp Fair This Weekend

It may be winter outside, but we are already making plans for summer. The City of White Plains is ready to offer some serious summer fun! Come to the White Plains Recreation & Parks Camp Fair, Saturday, Feb. 2, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the White Plains High School B1 Meeting Room (enter North Street) to learn more

about our summer offerings. Free event, all are invited, residents and non-residents.

Learn about the camp programs we have for your children. Meet the camp directors and staff and hear about our camps with activities, special events, trips, swimming and early drop off and extended day services.

Come hear about our Specialty Camps featuring programs in Science, Creative Arts, Steam, Engineering, Kids Health and Wellness, Cheerleading & Dance, Tennis, Cooking & Baking. Additionally, you may register for Spring Little League, Lacrosse, Soccer and Summer Basketball.

Fun for kids... popcorn, crafts, and a

music show at 11 a.m. Camp registration is available on site. Enrollment is limited. Immunization records required to complete your registration. You can also find out about financial aid. To qualify for a scholarship you must present your 2018 tax return for income verification.

## Westchester County is Accepting Applications for Seasonal Park Rangers

The Westchester County Department of Public Safety is accepting applications for seasonal park rangers to patrol county parks this summer. Applications are due by Feb. 15 and are available online at the Department of Public Safety's web pages: http://publicsafety.westchestergov.com.

Uniformed park rangers work under

the supervision of county police officers to rules and procedures, help in searches checks of buildings and facilities.

maintain a safe and enjoyable atmosphere in the county's parks. They assist park users, provide information on park for lost children, perform basic first aid on occasion and make regular security

First-time park rangers are paid \$14 hourly. Salaries are higher for those who have worked as a ranger for the county before.

To qualify, applicants must be a high school graduate, at least 19 years of age, a U.S. citizen, and possess a valid New York State driver's license by the time of appointment. Preference in hiring may be shown to Westchester residents.

Accepted candidates must attend a 121hour peace officer training program at the Westchester County Police Academy in Valhalla.

Public Safety Commissioner Thomas A. Gleason said persons interested in law enforcement careers often benefit greatly from the experience gained by working as summer park rangers. "Seasonal Park Rangers get practical experience and insights into the field of law enforcement by working under the supervision of police officers," Gleason said.

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### **Obituaries**

#### Louis A. DiVito

Louis Anthony DiVito (Lou) of White Plains passed away on Jan. 23, at the age of 72 years.

He was born in Mount Vernon, NY on May 13, 1946.

Lou graduated from Mount Vernon High School and received his undergraduate degree in Education from Rockland Community College and the State University of Brockport. He earned his Masters from CCNY.

Lou taught at Mount Vernon Middle School. In his retirement he spent 20 years working for the Mental Health Association.

Lou will be lovingly remembered by his dear and loving partner of 20 years, Mary Feeley, who was always with him.

He is survived by his daughter Eileen Varrone and son Paul DiVito.

He loved his two grandchildren Briannaa and Carmine Varrone. His newest loves were his great grandchildren, Brayden and Jaxon Fleissner.

Lou was known for cringe-worthy jokes and had a great sense of humor. He will be greatly missed by all.





#### Angelo Selino Sr.

Angelo Selino Sr., known to friends and family as "Gus," passed away on Jan. 23 at the age of 92.

Gus was born in Hawthorne on July 7, 1926 and was a graduate of Mamaroneck High School.

He married Rose Furcola on March 2, 1963, and soon after their family grew to include three sons. He will be remembered best as a gentleman - persistently happy and friendly to all, a very proud father and family man.

A long-time resident of West Harrison, Gus was a devoted member and administrator of White Plains Moose Lodge 294. As a lifetime member and Moose Legionnaire he was awarded a Fellowship Degree of Honor from Moose International for his service to the Lodge and his community.

Gus was employed with Macy's for over 45 years in the electronics sales department before retiring in 1989. During that time, for many years, he also served as shop steward for the Local Union 1S.

Despite an injury to his right hand in childhood, Gus enjoyed playing baseball in high school – and men's softball later... one handed! He enjoyed sharing photos and telling stories about his experiences. He also loved spending time with his

family and friends, dancing, and a cigar, or two, on a sunny day.

Gus will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 55 years, Rose and their children, Angelo Jr. (Lori), Frank (Christine), and Paul (Jodie) and six grandchildren, whom he especially loved and cherished, Gabrielle, Andre, Isabelle, Sophia, Jonathan, and Olivia. He will also be fondly remembered by his sisters, Victoria (Jimmy) Vicinanza, Agnes (Manny) Galvao, Marie (Jerry) Holley, and brother Peter (Dolores) Testa and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Gus is predeceased by his parents, Frank and Louise, and infant daughter Louise.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial donation in memory of Angelo "Gus" Selino can be made to Moose Charities, 155 S International Drive, Mooseheart, IL 60539; www.moosecharities.org.

#### Alfred Pace

Alfred Pace, 77, of Tarrytown, passed away on Jan. 23.

He was born in Sleepy Hollow on June 9, 1941.

He is survived by his wife Rosemary; his daughters Leeann and Stephanie; and grandchildren Francis, Nyelle, Livyia and Aleesa. He is also survived by his siblings, Mary, Joe, Ginny and Anne.

He was a fun loving, humble and truly kind man. All who met him know him as a friend. His impact on his family and those in his life are immeasurable. We are eternally grateful for having had his light in our lives.

A service for Alfred will be held on Jan. 30 at 10:30 am at Transfiguration Church in Tarrytown.

#### Elena Rosa Vallone

Elena Vallone, (Ruperto) died peacefully on Jan. 21 at the age of 104.

She was born February 21, 1914 in Campana, Italy to the late Francesco and Florinda Ruperto.

On Sept. 30, 1956 she married Frank Vallone in White Plains. He predeceases her.

Elena worked for five years for Corham Flower Shop in White Plains.

She is survived by her brother Ernesto Ruperto and several nieces and nephews.

She is predeased by her brothers Domenico, Antonio, Vincenzo, Saverio and Peppino and by her sister Angelina.







# The Holy Season: Parades, Plays and Plenty More

Guest

Column



We are around the corner from spring, and the advent of what is called in "The circles some Season." The Holy coming months offer no dearth of cultural choices for readers to

sink their teeth into.

From Jan. 30 until May 25, the Irish Repertory Theatre (https://irishrep.org) is staging "The Sean O'Casey Season." The production, billed as "a comprehensive retrospective of the work of renowned Irish playwright Sean O'Casey," focuses on O'Casey's renowned "Dublin Trilogy" -'The Shadow of a Gunman' (1923), "Juno and the Paycock" (1924) and "The Plough and the Stars" in 1926. Involved in the production is O'Casey's daughter, Shivaun O'Casey. All three plays will run until May 25. 'Shadow' starts off on Jan 30, followed by 'Juno' on Mar. 9. 'Plough' graces the stage on Apr. 20.

O'Casey, Irish playwright and dedicated socialist, is one of the foremost dramatists Ireland has ever raised, though a few surprises may be in store regarding his background. Born in 1880 in Dublin to a family who might have been dubbed "lace curtain Irish," he was not a member of the downtrodden Irish working classes he so expertly depicts in his plays. Nor did he share their religion, being baptized and raised in the Protestant Church of Ireland.

One of 13 children, he was only six when his father died, leaving his family in dire straits. By 14, O'Casey was in the work force, and later joined the Irish

Republican Brotherhood and the Irish Citizen Army, militant groups that would play a major role in the Easter Rising of 1916.

O'Casey, however, did not play a part. He had found his niche writing. In 1923, the

Abbey Theater in Dublin produced his first staged play, "The Shadow of a Gunman." "Juno and the Paycock" and "The Plough and the Stars" soon followed. With its realistic depiction of the seamier sides of Irish life, 'Plough' sparked a riot on its fourth night, after which box office sales blossomed and O'Casey quit his day job to become a full-time writer. He married Irish actress Eileen Carey Reynolds, and

the couple had two sons and a daughter.

A prolific writer, O'Casey's next few plays received mixed reviews but consistently drew praise from drama notables, including American playwrights Eugene O'Neill and Sherwood Anderson. But it was for his earlier work that O'Casey is most remembered - and which continues to engage us to this day. He died in 1964 at 84.

A year later his autobiography, "Mirror

in My House," was adapted for film as "Young Cassidy," starring Rod Taylor, Maggie Smith and Julie Christie. Still a popular film, it should surface soon, as it usually does this time of year.

"Chronicles of the Great

Irish Famine" plays at the Irish Arts Center Thursday through Sunday, Feb. 7-10. Crafted by Declan O'Rourke and billed as an "empathic portrait of the forgotten and a vivid musical evocation of Ireland through the incomprehensible hardship of the Great Famine," this epic song cycle features the acclaimed singer-songwriter leading an eight-piece ensemble of top folk, traditional and classical musicians including John Sheahan of the Dubliners, Dermot Byrne of Altan and Caitríona Frost of Celtic Woman. For more information, visit www.irishartscenter.org.

The 258th New York City St. Patrick's Day parade - the oldest and currently largest in the world - will step off on Saturday, Mar. 16. The Saint's day is the next day, a Sunday. Grand Marshal this year is Dr. Brian J. O'Dwyer, Esq. of the famous O'Dwyer clan, County Mayo natives and prominent New Yorkers since the early 1900s. Visit www.nycstpatricksparade.org.

On Apr. 6, paying tribute to Scotland, the 21st New York Tartan Day Parade steps off at 1 p.m. at 6th Avenue and 44th Street, with thousands of pipers and other marchers. Visit www.nyctartanweek.org.

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# Bathroom Oddities, Manners and Etiquette

The bathroom may not be the room you spend the most time in, but it's probably the room you visit most during the course of a day.

I've been thinking a lot about the bathroom lately, forced by an unexpected experience I had the first day I was in my new digs at Trump Park Residences in Shrub Oak. This joint is outrageous and outfitted with the finest materials and fixtures you might imagine: granite, marble and brushed steel everywhere you look.

So when it was time for me to visit the bathroom, and I started that slow descent, I realized that I wasn't reaching my destination when I usually do. I kept bending lower and lower, convinced that I would be in a full Lotus position before I would finally come to rest. Why I wondered, with all this luxury in a place originally built for the 55-plus crowd, would the builder have included such lowrise toilets?

Soon after, I visited www.HomeAdvisor. com to find a plumber to install high-rise toilets in my three bathrooms.

The first thing I do when I go for a listing is ask for a tour of the house. I recently had a seller client with three full baths. Each time we entered one, the wife would walk in and, seeing that the toilet seat was up, would immediately walk over, lower the seat and shut the lid. The first time she did it, she lowered them gently. In the second bathroom, she did it with less patience, and by the time we arrived at the third bathroom, she slammed down the lid in frustration, almost in meltdown mode. "Oh, these guys, why won't they

ever learn to lower the seat and shut the lid!" I suspect this is her biggest frustration at home every day.

It's important to pay attention to the toilet's seat being down and the lid closed, not only so that women won't fall in but also for health reasons. According to scientists at Leeds University, when a toilet is flushed with the lid open, bacteria sprays into the air around the toilet. And some of those germs could be passed along.

But the best reason for closing the lid is that it prevents anything and everything from falling in. Haven't you had the

experience of not hearing from friends for several days, only to learn that their cell phones had taken the plunge?

There are other rules that should be considered concerning bathroom etiquette and manners, and it's not only because of airborne germs or the differences in plumbing between the sexes and actual plumbing.

Wasn't it on "Seinfeld" where Elaine talked about going to the McDonald's bathroom when in a relationship rather than fouling up the apartment john? I was quite impressed when, years ago, I first saw a bathroom where the toilet bowl was separated from the rest of the room and





By Bill Primavera

you could do your more private deodorizer in the bathroom? business in, well, private.

And what about something as simple as replacing the toilet paper roll when it's depleted? I am always in such a rush, I'm guilty of just grabbing a new roll and leaving it on top, rather than going to the trouble of actually inserting it on the cylinder. Shame.

For those who do go through the trouble of replacing it, there's the question of positioning the roll for "over" or "under" dispensing. A former work associate of mine told me that it must be "over" so that the last sheet can be "folded" as in a hotel.

"You fold your last toilet sheet?" paper I asked, astounded.

"Yes," she responded, not skipping a beat. "You never know when guests are going to stop by."

Oh, my God, where did I go wrong in learning good bathroom etiquette?

One other item I know about toilets: Did you notice that some are round and, in the past couple of decades, others are oblong? Nobody mentions the obvious, but designers finally figured out that the male anatomy had to be accommodated. Thanks, guys! I say, for guys, that's the equivalent of going from jockey shorts to

And finally, did I mention that there should always, always be some kind of automatic air freshener or a spray

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# Lunar New Year Celebrates Year of the Pig



By Morris Gut

The Lunar New Year celebration begins on Tuesday, Feb. 5. Many Asian eateries will be extending the through festivities the week with special dishes and menus. Be sure to check ahead for exact dates, times

and pricing. Over at Aberdeen Seafood & Dim Sum, 3 Barker Ave., White Plains (914-288-0188), in the Residence Inn, the staff told us they would be offering special New Year banquets for two weeks. You can also celebrate with a run through their popular Dim Sum, or from the regular



Chorizo flatbread at Don Jito.

menu. www.aberdeenwhiteplains.com.

Imperial Wok Chinese & Japanese Restaurant, 736 North Broadway, White Plains (914-686-2700), will be offering an extraordinary banquet for about two weeks. There has been a lot of buzz about their tasty Szechuan selections. You can order off their regular menu

as well, which includes such long-time favorites. Free parking. www. imperial wok white plains @allmenus.com.

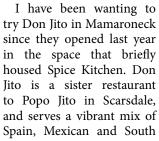
Ku Asian Bistro, 480 New Rochelle Road, in the Chester Heights section of Bronxville (914-668-8877),

has a fine hand with their regional Chinese fusion specialties. 'Ku' is a Chinese word meaning 'fantastic', so be seated and let Chefs Wang and Qiu surprise you with their delightful Asian fusion flavors. From the Chinese kitchen try the Spare Ribs, Shrimp with Long Bean, Moo Shu Pork, Kung Pao Chicken, and General Tso's Chicken. Happy Hours: Monday through Friday, 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday brunch served 1 to 4 p.m. Bar/lounge. Party facilities. Free parking. www.kuasianb.com.

Mister Chen, 265 Mamaroneck Ave., Mamaroneck (914-777-1212), the new Chinese spot along the Asian strip, serves wonderful house made soup dumplings and buns, chicken lo mein, and tasty honey glazed BBQ spare ribs. www. misterchenny.com.

Omandarin Chinese Cuisine, 361 N. Central Ave., Hartsdale (914-437-9168) will be serving some of the classics: Peking Duck, assorted Hot Pots, and hearty Mandarin Pork Shank, in their beautifully decorated dining room. www.omandarin.

#### **Vibrant Brunch at Don Jito, Mamaroneck**



American cuisines along with a good dose of Mediterranean tapas. It turns out to be a tasty, colorful fusion.

We visited during their kick-off Sunday brunch. There was a DJ stationed in a corner of the bar area, and the crowd was a bustling mix of families and friends. We started with two items from the regular menu: Hot Honey Spiced Brussels Sprouts (I had heard about this dish from friends), and Chorizo Flatbread with piquillo peppers, dollops of queso requesen and Oaxaca cheeses, and tomatillo. Both were very good. The portion of Brussels sprouts was large. Both were easy to share. We even took some home.

From the prix fixe \$24.95 brunch menu we ordered their hearty Don Jito Bacon Jalapeno Chipotle Burger, which came



Brussels sprouts at Don Jito.

with a side of potato chips, and a platter of Huevos Rancheros, two fried eggs, cheese quesadilla with spicy rancheros sauce, guacamole, home fries, and a pico fruit bowl. It was a feast, for sure, and permeated with mild/spicy flavors. My compliments to the bar for one of the best Bloody Mary's I have had recently. Nicely spiced, too, with horseradish, bacon and jalapeno. Will definitely be back for dinner!

Don Jito Tacos & Tapas, 122 Mamaroneck Ave., Mamaroneck. Check winter hours. Phone: 914-902-5486. Municipal parking. www.donjito.com.

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# The Food and Beverage Lineup for Super (Snack) Bowl Sunday



By Nick Antonaccio

This weekend celebrate two uniquely American traditions, both on the same day.

On Sunday we will gather with friends and family to be entertained by the

most-watched sports event of the year, Super Bowl LIII.

And what better second tradition to follow than to celebrate what has, almost by default, become a feast above all feasts, National Junk Food Sunday.

While the Super Bowl contestants display their skills, strength, agility and, for the most part, trim bodies on the field, millions of Americans will be consuming food and drink that will likely detract from their athletic skills, strength and agility – and add a few pounds in the process.

Here are several food facts for Super Bowl Sunday:

48 million Americans will order takeout food. What will we be eating? According to the National Chicken Council, 1.3 billion chicken wings will be devoured. That's the equivalent of four wings for every man, woman and child in the United States. As for beverages, Americans will spend more than \$1.3

billion on a combination of mass-market and craft beers and over \$500 million on

As I have for the past few years in this column, I thought of the rivalry on the gridiron and began transposing it to the bars and living rooms across the locales of the Super Bowl opponents.

Does East Coast historical experience prove to be an advantage over the perceived youthful social fabric of the West Coast?

First, the gridiron statistics:

On the field: The New England Patriots are appearing in their 11th Super Bowl (most of any team), including each of the last three, and five wins (second most).

The Rams franchise seems like America's itinerant team. Founded in 1936 in Cleveland, it has moved three times; first to Los Angeles, then to St. Louis in 1995 (winning the 2000 Super Bowl) and finally returning to Los Angeles in 2016. They will be appearing in their fourth Super Bowl.

Experience favors the Patriots, while the Rams have youth on their side. The Patriots are legendary for finding their opponent's weaknesses and exploiting them. The Rams are a well-balanced team, with few apparent weaknesses.

Food. Each region has its eclectic foods. Which is superior? Centuries-old New England Clam Chowder or a 21st century Los Angeles New Wave dish of Sea Urchin with Oxtail and Congee? Boston baked beans or a Hispanic-

inspired Chorizo Breakfast Burrito? A Margarita pizza from Boston's North End or a smoked salmon with caviar and chives pizza from Spago's?

The verdict? It's the 21st, not 19th, century; I give the nod to the vibrancy and youthfulness of Los

Angeles over the ageless experience of refined New England dishes.

Wine. Both cities have reputations as wastelands for fine wine. The consensus is that it is too cool in New England, too hot in Southern California.

Massachusetts' Westport produces a worthy sparkling wine and Rhode Island's Sakonnett Vineyards offers a quaffable Cock of the Walk Red.

A pleasant surprise on the southern West Coast: the Temecula Valley wine region. Warm days, cool nights and a constant Pacific mist make for an unsung region with great potential. So, too, with the Rams' upstart defensive line, led by Aaron Donald, which may be the surprise component to defuse the Patriots' precision offense. Look for the hard-to-find Bordeaux blends from Bailly, Callaway, Churon, Doffo and Leoness wineries.

The verdict? Kudos to the Temecula Valley for its combination of balance and exuberance. Can this be a catalyst for a Super Bowl victory?

Beer. With the proliferation of smallbatch craft beers across the nation, consumers have their favorite local breweries; more power to the people. But please don't offer me your brother-inlaw's kitchen-counter home brew/ You can have it all to yourself.

The verdict? To each his (or her) own.

Super (Snack) Bowl Sunday: nirvana for football enthusiasts and junk food aficionados alike. Whichever camp you fall into, just kick back and enjoy the game and the camaraderie.

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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK: COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER. CON-QUISTADOR JY L.P., Pltf v. F & B FUEL OIL CO., INC. et al., Defts. Index No. 64165/2017. pursuant to the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale dated November 26, 2018 and entered on January 15, 2019, I will sell at public auction at the Westchester County Courthouse, 111 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, White Plains, New York 10601, on February 26, 2019 at 10:00 a.m., prem. k/a 12 a/k/a 10 Ludlow Street. Yonkers, N.Y. 10705 (Section 1, Block 161, Lot 9) Approx. amt of judgment is \$427,401.90 plus costs, attorneys' fees and interest. Sold subject to terms and conditions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Barbara Lerman, Esq., Referee. JACO-BOWITZ NEWMAN TVERSKY, LLP, Attys. for Plaintiff, 377 Pearsall Ave., Ste C, Cedarhurst, NY.

**TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY** February 6, 2019 Pre-Meeting is cancelled. Next meeting is February, 13th Work Session.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the tax year 2020 Tentative Assessment Roll will be filed February 1, 2019 with the Village Clerk, 80 Wheeler Avenue, Pleasantville, New York, where it may be seen and examined by any person at all times during business hours (8:00am-4:00pm). The

Board of Trustees and the Assessor will meet for the purpose of completing such assessment roll and of hearing and determining grievances in relations thereto by any person(s) conceiving himself aggrieved thereby on Tuesday February 19, 2019, between the hours of 6:00pm to 9:00pm, at the Clinton Street Senior Center, 1A Clinton Street, Pleasantville, New York. The last filing date is February 19, 2019. Village of Pleasantville, Pleasantville, New York 10570 Noreen Regan, Deputy Village Clerk

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A LICENSE, NUMBER 1314249 for beer, wine, and cider has been applied for by Italiacorp LLC DBA The Pizza Shop to sell beer, wine, and cider at retail in a restaurant under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at The Pizza Shop, 9 Mill Road, Eastchester New York, 10709, for on premises consumption. Italiacorp LLC DBA The Pizza Shop

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#### Legal Notice

#### SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company, Plaintiff, -against- April Taal Shorter-Heaton a/k/a April A Breeden, As Heir to the Estate of Alfonso Orr, Jr a/k/a Alfonso Orr, Rhonda Orr, As Heir to the Estate of Alfonso Orr, Jr a/k/a Alfonso Orr, Vanessa Orr, As Heir to the Estate of Alfonso Orr, Jr a/k/a Alfonso Orr, Andrea Orr, As Heir to the Estate of Alfonso Orr, Jr a/k/a Alfonso Orr, Sasha Orr, As Heir to the Estate of Alfonso Orr, Jr a/k/a Alfonso Orr, Earle Orr, III, As Heir to the Estate of Alfonso Orr, Jr a/k/a Alfonso Orr, Alfonzo Mendoza a/k/a Alfonzo Orr, As Heir to the Estate of Alfonso Orr, Jr a/k/a Alfonso Orr, Malcom G Thomas, Jr, As Heir to the Estate of Alfonso Orr, Jr., a/k/a Alfonso Orr if living and if any be dead, any and all persons who are spouses, widows, grantees, mortgagees, lienor, heirs, devisees, distributees, or successors in interest of such of the above as may be dead, and their spouses, heirs, devisees, distributees and successors in interest, all of whom and whose names and places of residences are unknown to Plaintiff,

Mark Lawton Thomas, As Heir to the Estate of Alfonso Orr, Jr a/k/a Alfonso Orr, and Alfonso Orr Jr.'s respective heirs-at-law, next-of-kin, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, devisees, legatees, assignees, lienors, creditors, and successors in interest and generally all persons having or claiming under, by or through said defendant who may be deceased, by purchase, inheritance, lien or otherwise, any right, title or interest in the real property described in the complaint herein, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, United States of America, New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, Defendants. Index No.: 51479/2018 Filed: 12/7/18

**SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL SUM- MONS** Plaintiff designates Westchester County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgaged premises is situated.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DE-FENDANT(S): 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 attorneys for the plaintiff within twenty (20) days after service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service; or within thirty (30) days after service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York; or within sixty (60) days if it is the United States of America. 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 OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure \$615,000.00 and interest, recorded in the office of the clerk of the County of Westchester on July 22, 2011 in Control No. 510063252, covering premises known as 2 North Road, White Plains, NY 10603.

The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above.

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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 your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action.

YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERV-ING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.

Dated: Bay Shore, New York,
November 30, 2018
Frenkel, Lambert, Weiss, Weisman &
Gordon, LLP
BY: Linda P. Manfredi
Attorneys for Plaintiff
53 Gibson Street Bay Shore,
New York 11706
(631) 969-3100
Our File No.: 01-081978-F00



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.

#### Wednesday, Jan. 30

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

Noonday Getaway Concert. The Manhattan Saxophone Quartet has performed in concert at the Bruno Walter Auditorium at Lincoln Center, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Symphony Space, and Yale University. Jordan Smith, Aaron Patterson, Daniel Kochersberger, and Jay Rattman offer a survey of 150 years of music for this unique combination of instruments including, from 1857, the first music ever composed for saxophone quartet. A Downtown Music debut. 12:10 p.m. 30-minute concert. Free admission, donations accepted. This concert is made possible, in part, with the support of Ridgeway Garden Center, White Plains, and Lago Ristorante, West Harrison.

**Community Program.** A Discussion with Bassem Eid on Internal Palestinian Conflicts. 6 p.m. Humanities Theater, Rm. 1030, Purchase College, SUNY. No registration required. Event is free and open to the public.

#### Thursday, Jan. 31

Trove Time. Trove Time is an early literacy playtime for ages 2-4 with a caregiver. Children and their caregiver will play together, hear stories, and learn about enriching a child's life and increasing their early literacy skills. Tickets will be given out on a first-come, first-served basis beginning 30 minutes prior to the program. 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at White Plains Library, 100 Martine Ave., White Plains.

**T(h)ech Thursday:** 3D printing for teens. 4 to 5 p.m. White Plains Library, 100 Martine Ave., White Plains.

Hoff-Barthelson Music School's Summer Arts Program Open House. Attend an open house and meet Program Director Joe Piscitelli and faculty; learn about the many facets of the program; enjoy students in performance; participate

in a demonstration class to experience the fun first hand; and meet and mingle with students and parents. Attendees can also take advantage of a special registration discount. For students in grades 1-10. Hoff-Barthelson Music School, 25 School Lane, Scarsdale. 7 to 9 p.m. Free. Snow date: Feb. 7. Info: 914-723-1169, visit www.hbms.org or e-mail summerarts@hbms.org.

Westchester Chordsmen Chorus Concert. The Chordsmen, a renowned Westchester-based a cappella enjoy spreading the joy and fun of singing show tunes, doo-wop, traditional, gospel and contemporary songs sung in the barbershop style of four-part harmony. Following a successful holiday concert in Ossining in December, the group will perform "The Westchester Chordsmen: Welcome to the Neighborhood" at this concert. Emelin Theater, 153 Library Lane, Mamaroneck. 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$20. Info and tickets: 914-698-0098 or www.emelin.org.

Clue On Stage. Stepinac High School's Student Theatre Lab will present "Clue on Stage," based on the popular board game and adapted from the cult classic film, at 7 p.m., Thursday and Friday, Jan. 31 and Feb. 1. The performances will be staged at the school's Major Bowes Auditorium, 950 Mamaroneck Avenue, White Plains. The general admission price is \$10 all ages and tickets will be sold at the door on the day of each performance. For more information, send e-mail to theatre@stepinac.org.

#### Friday, Feb. 1

Opening Reception for "Je T'Aime." ("I Love You") A solo exhibit of paintings by American artist Linda Touby, which debuts her latest series of paintings. Never before exhibited, these deeply evocative works mark an abrupt shift in Touby's artistic expression, whose vocabulary, primarily grounded in tenets of 20th century abstraction, has evolved subtly and continually over a 30-plusyear career. "Je T'Aime has erupted from a source much closer to home and expresses pure emotion, not intellectual interpretation. Touby is scheduled to be I attendance. Madelyn Jordon Fine Art, 37 Popham Rd., Scarsdale. 6 to 8 p.m. Free. Exhibit continues through Mar. 16. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Info: 914-723-8738 or visit www.madelynjordonfineart.com.

#### Saturday, Feb. 2

City of Science. A larger-than-life, touring event where the wondrous properties of science, technology, engineering and math collide. The day is jam-packed with interactive demonstrations, enormous exhibitions and hands-on activities. Children

can launch objects 20 feet in the air with a seismic accelerator, walk on water, create an orbiting universe at the Warped Space Gravity Simulator, explore mind-bending challenges and puzzles, bring Newton's Third Law to life with a tug-of-war on wheels and much more. County Center, 198 Central Ave., White Plains. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free. RSVP required. Info: visit www. worldsciencefestival.com/education/city-of-science. RSVP: Visit www.eventbrite. com/e/city-of-science-westchester-tickets-53744942570?aff=erelexpmlt.

**Camp Fair.** White Plains Rec. and Parks Summer Camp Fair. Get information about and register for summer camp. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., White Plains High School cafeteria.

Lunar New Year Festival. Celebrate the Year of the Pig with an afternoon of traditional Chinese, Korean and Vietnamese music, dance, crafts, games and food. 1 to 4 p.m. \$10 general admission, children under 10 free; ArtsWestchester, 31 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains.

Jews in Rock-n-Roll: A Talk With Bennett Muraskin. Jews have been rocking around the clock as DJs, songwriters, producers, managers and performers. Bob Dylan, Carole King, Billy Joel, Paul Simon and many others have helped shape the genre. Muraskin has written many books on subjects such as Jewish folklore, Yiddish literature, biography and Jews in the American labor movement. Coffee, tea and light refreshments will be served. A brief humanist-style Havdalah service will follow the talk. Questions and answers are encouraged. Presented by the Westchester Community for Humanistic Judaism. Community Unitarian Congregation, 468 Rosedale Ave., White Plains. 2:30 p.m. Members: Free. Non-members: \$10. Info: Contact Charlotte Klein at 914-218-8535 or visit www.wchj.org.

Interreligious Prayer Service for Peace. Representatives of world religions, faith and humanist traditions will come together to recite universal prayers or statements for peace and justice. In recognition and celebration of the resolution adopted by UN General Assembly proclaiming the first week of February World Interfaith Harmony Week between all religions, faiths and beliefs. Universal Prayers for Peace and Justice will be recited, including prayers from the following religious traditions: Hindu, Humanist, Buddhist, Jain, Muslim, Jewish, Sikh, Baha'i, Christian, Native American, Society of Friends/Quaker and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints/ Mormon tradition. 3 p.m. at India Center of Westchester, 116 South Central Ave., Elmsford.

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DIAVOLO: Architecture in Motion. For 25 years, Artistic Director Jacques Heim and DIAVOLO have defied traditional definitions of dance and gravity. Leaping, flying and falling, this one-of-a-kind contemporary dance company utilizes trust, teamwork and imagination in large, surreal architectural playgrounds to create metaphors of life through dance and movement. Their visceral and awe-inspiring works explore how we are affected emotionally, physically and socially by the spaces we inhabit. As company members navigate massive architectural structures, wowing audiences with explosive movement and gladiator-like strength, they overcome obstacles and display the incredible power of a connected and creative community. Purchase College's PepsiCo Theatre, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. 8 p.m. \$30 to \$65. Info and tickets: 914-251-6200 or visit www.artscenter.org.

#### Sunday, Feb. 3

Stronger Together Solidarity Fair. In response to the recent attack on Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, there is a strong desire to engage the issues of anti-Semitism and other social, racial and economic injustices. This event is to raise awareness, exchange information and foster coalition building, unity and solidarity against all forms of injustice in today's climate. Rabbi Scott Weiner, senior rabbi at Temple Israel of New Rochelle, will moderate a panel with representatives from local, Westchester grassroots organizations, the Hudson Community Coalition and representatives from Planned Parenthood and from HIAS, whose worldwide mission is outreach and services to immigrants and refugees. Panelists will speak on what it means to be in solidarity and work together to achieve justice for all. Temple Israel, 1000 Pinebrook Boulevard, New Rochelle. 9:30 a.m. Panel scheduled at 10:30 a.m. Free. RSVP required. Info and RSVP: 914-235-1800 or e-mail Howard Horowitz at howardh@horowitzresearch. com or Yonat Assayag at yonat.assayag@ gmail.com.

Energy Forum. Energy expert Karl Rábago will speak about today's energy markets and the electric grid. An executive at government and academic energy and climate programs, Rábago will introduce a film set in a critically warmer world, followed by a presentation on the best sources of renewable electricity. Coffee and light lunch will be served. Sponsored by the Community Unitarian Universalist Congregation's Environmental Practices Group. Community Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 468 Rosedale Ave., White Plains. 11:30 a.m. Free. Info: 914-946-1660, visit cucwp.org or e-mail CUUCevents@ gmail.com.

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# The WNBA New York Liberty Sold to Brooklyn Nets Owner Joe Tsai

#### **By Albert Coqueran**

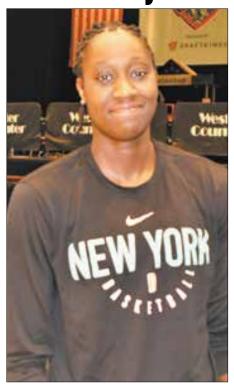
It is official, the WNBA New York Liberty have been sold. However, the Ladies of Liberty will still play their 2019 season at the Westchester County Center.

On Jan. 23, it was announced by WNBA Interim President Mark Tatum that the purchase of the NY Liberty by Joe Tsai and his family was unanimously approved by the WNBA and the NBA Board of Governors.

"We are fortunate to welcome Joe Tsai to the WNBA family at a pivotal time for our league. We thank Jim Dolan and the Madison Square Garden Company for their incredible support of the WNBA the past 22 years and for their commitment to finding the right owner for the Liberty," stated Tatum.

Tsai is a minority owner (49%) of the Brooklyn Nets and the owner of the San Diego Seals, an expansion franchise in the National Lacrosse League. Tsai is also a founder of the lucrative Alibaba Group, a China-based global technology company with businesses in e-commerce. He is the Vice Chairman of the Alibaba Group and has remained on its Board of Directors since the company was founded in 1999.

"It is an honor and privilege to join the Liberty and the WNBA families," said Tsai. "The Liberty and the WNBA



ALBERT COQUERAN PHOTOS

On Jan. 23, the NY Liberty was sold to Joe Tsai, who is a minority owner of the Brooklyn Nets. The Liberty with six-time WNBA All-Star Tina Charles (pictured) will play a 17-game home schedule at the Westchester County Center in 2019. Then move to Brooklyn for the 2020 season.



NY Liberty Head Coach Katie Smith will lead The Ladies of Liberty into the Westchester County Center to begin their 23rd season in the WNBA, on Friday, May 24. However, it will be the last year the Liberty will call the County Center home. In 2020, the Liberty will raise a Brooklyn flag having been sold to an entity owned by Brooklyn Nets minority owner Joe Tsai and his family.

exemplify what it means to compete at the highest level, serve as role models in the local community and bring greater opportunities to female athletes," continued Tsai.

Therefore, after 21 years as residents of Madison Square Garden and one year

after moving the WNBA franchise to the Westchester County Center in White Plains, the Liberty will soon be calling Brooklyn their home.

The Liberty will open their 23rd season in the WNBA with their Home Opener against the Indiana Fever, on Friday, May 24, at the Westchester County Center. The Westchester County Center will remain the home arena of The Ladies of Liberty throughout the remainder of the 2019 season. The Liberty's final regular season home game at the County Center will be played against the Fever, on Friday, Sept. 6.

The NY Liberty will be introduced to Brooklyn fans when they host a Comm-UNITY Day, while celebrating community, diversity and inclusion at a to-be-announced game at the Barclays Center this summer.

"As the proud owner of the Liberty for 22 years, we are pleased that Joe Tsai will now guide the franchise with a commitment to serving its loyal and passionate fans in New York. We will always be Liberty fans and extend Joe and the entire WNBA our best wishes for future success," said Jim Dolan, Executive Chairman and CEO of the Madison Square Garden Company, who was the last original owner of a WNBA franchise.



# Maria Fareri Children's Hospital Opens Westchester Warriors Way



Maria Fareri Children's Hospital and the Westchester Warriors Youth Hockey Program unveiled Westchester Warriors Way, a new entrance to the expanded Center for Pediatric Oncology and Cellular Therapy at Maria Fareri Children's Hospital. Since 2016, the Westchester Warriors Youth Hockey Program has partnered with Maria Fareri Children's Hospital to fight children's cancer, a mission started by Westchester Warriors Co-Founders Luis Panchame, Denis DuFresne and Ron Vitale. To date, the Westchester Warriors have raised over \$230,000 for Maria Fareri Children's Hospital, and the club's efforts will continue throughout the year. Pictured, from left, Michael Gewitz, MD, William Russell McCurdy Physician-in-Chief at Maria Fareri Children's Hospital (back row left), Michael Israel, President and CEO, Westchester Medical Center Health Network (second left) and Mitchell Cairo, MD, Chief of Pediatric Hematology, Oncology & Stem Cell Transplantation at Maria Fareri Children's Hospital (second row center) join Westchester Warriors Youth Hockey Club Co-Founders Luis Panchame (back row center), Ron Vitale (second right) and Denis Dufresne (far right) help Westchester Warriors Youth Hockey Club players and fans celebrate the opening of Westchester Warriors Way at Maria Fareri Children's Hospital.

# White Plains MBK Launches Inaugural "Kids and Cops" Basketball Classic



The White Plains My Brother's Keeper organization held it's first "Kids and Cops" Basketball Classic at Ridgeway Alliance Gymnasium Jan. 23. The intent of the game is to build closer relationships between White Plains Police officers and White Plains youth. The game was fun and entertaining. They played to a packed house. In attendance was Dr. Joseph Ricca, WPS Superintendent and Co-chair of White Plains My Brother's Keeper, Hon. Justin Brasch, member of the White Plains Common Council and Youth Board Chair, Pastor Kevin Gillen of Ridgeway Alliance Church, members of the White Plains My Brother's Keeper Committee and other community members. Youth won the game 61 to 46. The game was supported by the White Plains PBA.

