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WPHS Choir Performs at Carnegie Hall



Members of the White Plains High School Choir, under the direction of Music Teacher Penelope Cruz, participated in the Children of Peace Concert at Carnegie Hall. They were part of a 180-voice choir made up of singers from Georgia, Florida, Wisconsin, and New Jersey. The choir has been preparing for this performance throughout the current third quarter and was involved in rehearsals in Manhattan March 23 to 25. Here they are pictured in front of Carnegie Hall with their concert poster.

Mayor Roach's Proposed \$198.3M White Plains City Budget Under Tax Cap

By Neal Rentz

White Plains Mayor Tom Roach is proposing a \$198.3 million 2019-20 budget that includes a property tax increase below the state mandated cap.

At a press conference on April 1 at City Hall, Budget Director James Arnett said the budget includes a 2.7 percent tax levy increase, which would be lower than the state tax cap for White Plains, which is 4 percent. The tax rate increase is also 2.7 percent, Arnett noted.

If the mayor's budget is approved the tax increase on a home with a median assessed value of \$13,500 would be \$77, Arnett said.

This is the eighth straight year that the city has proposed a budget within the state-mandated property tax cap, Arnett said.

A major factor for the tax increase is lower sales tax revenue, Arnett said. The



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White Plains Budget Director James Arnett discussed Mayor Tom Roach's proposed \$198.3 million 2019-20 budget at a press conference on April 1 at City Hall.

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Westchester County Touts Streamlined Infrastructure Approval Process

By Neal Rentz

Westchester County Executive George Latimer, surrounded by county and local government officials, came to the Mobil gas station on Long Ridge Road in Pound Ridge on March 28 to tout the county's new process to streamline approvals for infrastructure projects such as road improvements.

Among the bonded projects that have been approved through the new system are \$700,000 for repairs to Old Saw Mill River Road in Mount Pleasant; \$375,000 for repairs to Seven Bridges Road in New Castle; \$1.8 million for repairs to Westchester Avenue in White Plains; \$1.25 million for repairs to Long Ridge Road in Pound Ridge and \$625,000 for



NEAL RENTZ PHOT

Westchester County Executive George Latimer, at the podium, was joined by county and local officials and others at a news conference at the Mobil gas station in Pound Ridge on March 28 to discuss the county's new process to streamline the approval process for infrastructure projects such as road improvements.

repairs to Orchard Street in White Plains.

The recently ended winter tore up local roads and drivers' tires and rims, Latimer said. The gas station was chosen for the press conference because the station fixes flat tires, he added.

One of the basic tasks of government is to maintain its roads and other infrastructure and spring is the start of the road repair season, Latimer said. The streamlining of the capital projects approval process will "make these projects happen faster."

Director of Operations Joan McDonald said the county is now "accelerating the bonding process through the Board of Legislators." McDonald said when she

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began working in her current post about a year ago she wanted to work through the large backlog of capital projects.

"It's important to make sure that projects are ready to go to bid in early enough time so that the contractors can be ready to start construction," McDonald said. Working with Latimer's office and the Board of Legislators, the new process is to "package bond requests. Traditionally, bond requests go before the Board of Legislators one at a time. And what we did to make sure that we met this

construction season was package seven projects," she said.

McDonald explained that the county has also brought some consulting engineering companies on board to assist the DPW and its staff because it's not just getting the construction started, it's making sure that the design is complete and the construction bid documents are ready ahead of time.

Department of Public Works and Transportation Commissioner Hugh Greechan said the county is seeking to before the new school year begins in September.

Westchester County Legislator,
Majority Whip and Chair of the Board of

complete the road improvement projects

Westchester County Legislator, Majority Whip, and Chair of the Board of Legislators Committee on Public Works MaryJane Shimsky (D-Hastings) said, "Over the course of a number of years our backlog of road repairs kept getting bigger and bigger. By the time County Executive Latimer took office, by my back of the napkin calculation, we were probably somewhere around six years behind in

road repairs."

Because of all the potholes that came about this winter, "we are definitely in bad shape and we need to expedite projects right away," Shimsky said.

Greechan said that on the county's Web site, westchestergov.com, in the Public Works page section, residents can enter the locations of potholes. If the pothole is not on a county owned road the county will direct a resident to the appropriate person to speak to about the needed repair, he said.

Mayor Roach's Proposed \$198.3M White Plains City Budget Under Tax Cap

city is projecting that sales tax revenue for the coming budget year is going to be \$44 million, which is \$500,000 from the sales tax revenue estimate in the current year's budget and \$2.7 million less than six years ago, he said.

Overall spending, which includes water, sewer, library and self-insurance funds, is being proposed to rise by \$4.4 million, an increase of 2.3 percent, Arnett said. Some of the factors that have led to the proposed increases in spending are city employee labor contracts, debt service costs, equipment purchases and the continuation of cash funding of the Approved Rolling Stock Plan, he said.

The proposed spending plan does not include any layoffs, major new programs or program cuts, Arnett said. "The main

thing the city has to do is provide services to its residents," he said. "That's really why we are all here. This document, hopefully, is part of what drives us to do that in the most efficient way and takes into account all of our residents and their needs. One of their needs and desires is of course not a huge property tax increase. But I think we've accomplished that."

Arnett said the city is continuing to implement efficiencies, such as changing lighting in the city, including parking garages, with LEDs and the implementation of automated side loading garbage trucks, which require few workers to operate.

The city's fiscal year begins on July 1.

The Common Council was scheduled to receive the mayor's proposed budget at its April 1 meeting.

White Plains Youth Bureau and College of Westchester Create College Academy



The College of Westchester in collaboration with the White Plains Youth Bureau is offering a free 3-credit course to White Plains High School students. If the program is successful, students will be able to register for other free courses as part of a new "College Academy." This semester, eight students (shown in the photo) are taking a Principles of Business Course.

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Westchester IDA Gives Preliminary Consent for Three White Plains Residential Developments

On March 29, the Westchester County Industrial Development Agency (IDA) approved resolutions of intent to provide financial incentives for three major residential developments in downtown White Plains. The total private investment for these three properties: Hamilton

construction jobs and over 500 full- and part-time jobs. They would also add more than 1,800 residential units to the White Plains rental market.

WP Mall Realty, LLC, received preliminary approval for \$17.5 million in sales tax and mortgage recording tax



Rendering for the mixed-use project at the site of the former Westchester Pavilion.

Green at the site of the former White Plains Mall; 60 S. Broadway, the site of the former Westchester Pavilion; and the Waterstone at 120 Bloomingdale Rd. are valued at \$1.2 billion.

According to the IDA, the three projects would create more than 3,000

exemptions for Hamilton Green, a \$585.2 million mixed-use, transit-oriented development located at the site of the former White Plains Mall on Hamilton Avenue. It is located in the White Plains Transit Oriented District. The project is comprised of four residential buildings



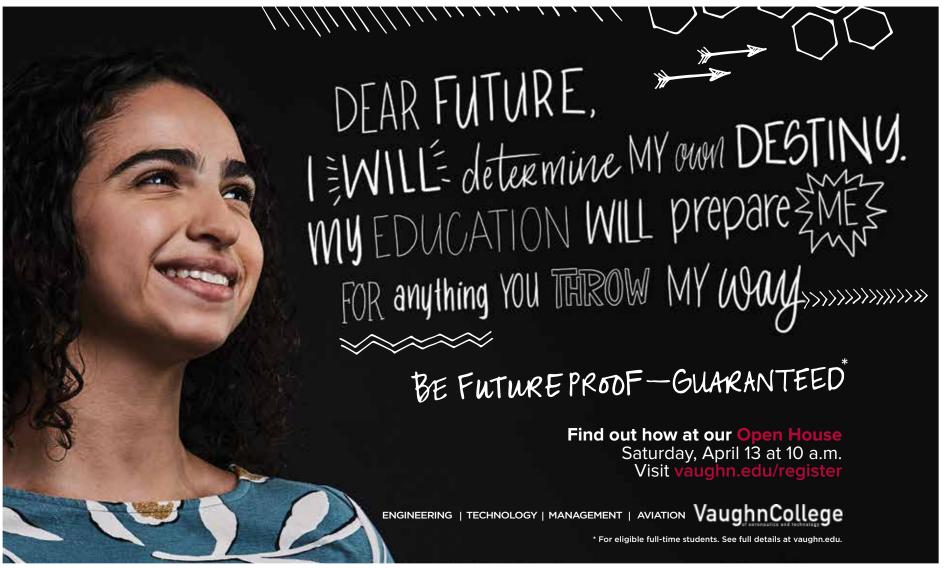
Architect's rendering of the Hamilton Green development project at the site of the former White Plains Mall.

totaling approximately 860 units, of which 10% will be affordable to 80% AMI. In addition, there will be 85,400 square feet of specialty retail and restaurant space, approximately 27,000 square feet of coworking office space and a 956-space parking garage.

Hamilton Green will feature a 67,000-square-foot elevated public outdoor space, nearly an acre in size, which will be accessible from Martin Luther King Boulevard and Hamilton Avenue. The privately operated public

space will incorporate street-level retail and sidewalk cafes. Approximately 1,437 construction and 500 full- and part-time jobs are expected to be created over the lifetime of this project.

In the second project, Lennar Multifamily Company received preliminary approval for \$12.15 million in sales tax and mortgage recording tax exemptions for a \$500 million mixeduse development at the site of the former Westchester Pavilion at 60 South continued on page 6



New Smoke Alarm Law Goes Into Effect April 1 in New York State

As of April 1, a new law passed in New York state requires that all battery-operated smoke alarms sold within the state must include a sealed, non-replaceable battery that's meant to last for the entire 10-year lifespan of the alarm.

This requirement applies to any batteryoperated device that detects smoke, including combination alarms that detect both smoke and carbon monoxide (CO), according to the NYS Department of Codes.

The law does not affect homes that are hardwired or wirelessly connected to alarm systems and also does not affect battery-operated CO alarms that do not detect smoke.

All other expired battery-operated alarms that are replaced after April 1 must have a 10-year battery. In addition, homeowners and landlords must upgrade their smoke alarms before selling or renting homes and apartments in New York.

The enactment of Assembly Bill 3057 also serves as a timely reminder to take stock of your home's level of safety. Along with replacing expired battery-operated

alarms with 10-year models, the following tips will help to help keep residents safe.

Practice a fire escape plan. According to a recent study conducted by smoke alert manufacturer, First Alert, only 43% of Americans report having a home escape plan in place. However, only a quarter (26%) have ever practiced it. After planning an emergency escape route, practice it at least twice a year.

First Alert also recommends the following precautions.

Test alarms to ensure they are in proper working condition. All alarms – regardless

of the power source – should be tested monthly.

Equip your home with the recommended number of smoke and CO alarms. The National Fire Protection Association suggests having at least one CO alarm on each level, including the basement, and one in or near every bedroom. For smoke alarms, homes should have one installed on every level of the home and inside each bedroom.

Update alarms. If you don't know how old an alarm is, the safest bet is to replace it immediately, as all alarms expire beyond 10 years. Smoke alarms should be replaced every 10 years, while most CO alarms should be replaced every five to seven years (some new CO alarms are tested to last 10 years).

Dust off alarms periodically to maintain a clear pathway for detection.





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Spanish for Latin American Students Symposium Promotes Passion for Achievement

By Neal Rentz

The Spanish for Latin American Students symposium has been an important educational program at White Plains High School for 17 years.

This year, students from the Latin American Students Three class worked with the topic "how passion can make you achieve anything you want."

The guest speaker was writer Roberto Quesada, author of "Never through Miami" and other novels. Quesada has been part of the annual program since its inception.

According to Quesada the purpose of the event was to motivate the students. "To see their career and know their career is important and it will be important in their lives," he said.

Quesada, who resides in Queens, said it was important for students to not abandon their schoolwork and understand the importance of their education.

Students who attended this year's event learned "what it is to be a writer," Quesada explained.

Quesada, who writes both fiction and non-fiction and is a political analysist for newspapers and television, said students have responded to what he has spoken about at the symposiums. Students who participated in previous years' symposiums have come back and told him they always remembered his talk at



NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

Alberto Minotta's Spanish for Latin American Students annual symposium was held on March 28 at White Plains High School. Shown above are Minotta, standing at the left, writer Roberto Quesada, who was this year's speaker and students who organized the event.

the high school.

The student leader of the bi-lingual symposium project was sophomore Christopher Cardenas. "We were to create an academic symposium based on themes that we created," he said. "Our themes were about how one's passion can

motivate them to achieve success. And our subtheme was not let that passion misguide them."

The students were required to create a PowerPoint presentation, a poster, and a symposium script. They also wrote articles about the symposium, Cardenas said. It took about one month to plan the event.

Minotta pushes his students to work to prepare the symposium, Cardenas said.

"This is a project that the students put together from a to z," Minotta explained. He arranges for "a Latino star" to speak at the event.

The response to this year's symposium was very positive, Minotta said. Several White Plains High School classes attended.

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Business Council Calls for Airport Advisory Chairs to Resign in Latest Spat

By Martin Wilbur

The battle between the Business Council of Westchester (BCW) and two members of the county's Airport Advisory Board erupted again last week when the business group called on the board's two leaders to resign.

Citing a conflict of interest, BCW Vice President John Ravitz urged Chairman Peter Schlactus and Vice Chair Jonathan Wang to immediately step down because they have been actively leading groups that are opposed to the expansion of services at Westchester County Airport.

Ravitz read and submitted a letter from the BCW at the monthly Advisory Board meeting last Wednesday evening. Later last week he explained further his position in a statement.

"We want to emphasize that we fully recognize and support the right of citizens to express their views about the airport including criticizing its operations," Ravitz said. "What is not acceptable is using the Advisory Board as a vehicle to promote the agendas of the opposition groups. Schlactus and Wang are not even vaguely impartial. If they want to lead the opposition groups, that's their right, but they shouldn't be running the county-appointed Advisory Board that needs to look at all sides of the issues in a fair and balanced way."

Inhisletter, Ravitzcharged that Schlactus has urged those in his community and surrounding towns to back the Coalition to Prevent the Expansion of Westchester Airport.

"The same lack of impartiality applies to Mr. Wang, who continues to play the leading role in organizing and espousing the agendas of the major airport opposition groups," Ravitz stated in his letter.



Business Council of Westchester Vice President John Ravitz, pictured here during a December press

Schlactus and Wang, appointed to the Advisory Board last year, are two of its eight members. Five of the members each represent a community in close to proximity to the airport – New Castle, North Castle, Mount Pleasant, Rye and Harrison. Schlactus and Wang, represent Rye and Harrison, respectively. Some residents in each of those communities, particularly those in certain flight paths, have raised repeated complaints that air traffic headed to the airport has diminished their quality of life in the past two years.

Late last week, the two board members immediately dismissed Ravitz's comments and each said they have no intention of resigning. Schlactus said the BCW had no problems when the board under the Astorino Administration was tilted

toward aviation interests, including those in favor of expansion and/or privatization of the airport.

He also said that Ravitz and the BCW misunderstand that a wide variety of stakeholders must be represented on what has become a highly controversial issue. The board, he claimed, has been solicitous of all opinions and perspectives.

"I'm unapologetic about the fact that I am an advocate for my community and my interests and I think it's ridiculous, again, to suggest that any member of the Advisory Board loses their First Amendment rights to express themselves and have an opinion," Schlactus said. "County Executive Latimer was well aware of the advocacy of Jonathan Wang and myself."

Wang said Ravitz has stepped up the

public pressure on him since he has been brining public attention to his "lies," such as when the BCW held a December press conference to discredit the escalating number of residents' complaints in towns near the airport.

He said the current Advisory Board now has representatives reflecting a variety of interest. Wang is also one of two licensed pilots serving.

Wang called Ravitz "a shill for Million Air," one of the fixed-base private carriers that some residents argue is part of the reason behind increased air traffic and noise. After building a new 50,000-square-foot hangar and a 20,000-square-foot terminal, Million Air sought to build another 100,000-square-foot hangar at the airport, but that has been stalled by the county.

"Some with no integrity and no credibility want to try and influence public policy through obvious falsehoods," said Wang, in explaining why he would not resign. "It would be the height of cowardice. I would not be fulfilling my pledge to the county when I agreed to serve."

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Broadway. The project, which will be built over two phases, will be comprised of 814 apartments in two towers including 50 units affordable to 60% AMI, 28,056 square feet of ground-level retail space and restaurants with 932 parking spaces. Construction of the first phase is expected June 2020, with occupancy in September 2022. The second phase will begin construction in June 2022, with occupancy in September 2024. The two phases are expected to create between 600 and 700 construction jobs and 20 permanent jobs. Lennar, which is a publicly traded company, develops, owns and operates luxury multi-family and mixed-use rental communities.

National Development, a Boston-based real estate company, received preliminary IDA approval for \$3.22 million in sales tax and mortgage recording tax exemptions for a five-story, 132-unit independent living community to be built at 120

Bloomingdale Rd. Called Waterstone, the \$115 million development will be targeted to active seniors and provide private accommodations and a wide range of services and amenities, including support services and social and cultural programs. The developer is constructing structured parking within the proposed building as well as a four-story parking garage on an adjacent property. The developer is creating a 13,000-square-foot park to benefit local residents; providing temporary parking off-site during construction, including pedestrian safety improvements; and making a \$1.2 million donation to the White Plains Affordable Housing Fund to promote affordable housing opportunities in the City and to satisfy any affordable housing obligation. The development is projected to create 1,250 construction jobs and 48 full- and part-time jobs over the life of the project. Construction is expected to take 22 months.



Rendering for the Waterstone senior living project at 120 Bloomingdale Rd.

KEE OYSTER HOUSE, SERVING FRESH FISH PREPARED JUST RIGHT

By Neal Rentz

KEE Oyster House in White Plains is owned by three Westchester residents.

We've been in the business for years working for others," Pleasantville resident Elvi Hoxhaj said last week. "For me, it was an opportunity to open up a place closer to home because I worked in New York City for 25 years."

"The restaurant is called KEE because of the three owners," Hoxhaj explained. The other co-owners are Yonkers resident Kenny Nezirai and New Rochelle resident Eddie Xhemajali. "KEE represents all our names," Hoxhaj said.

The E. Post Road location which houses KEE Oyster House has been the home for restaurants for about 25 years, Hoxhaj noted. "We thought it was a great location being right on the corner." The business is situated near Scarsdale and other local municipalities, Hoxhaj said. "It's kind of centrally located."

KEE Oyster House filled a need in the city, because there were no sophisticated bars in White Plains, Hoxhaj explained. "Mostly everything around here are bars and grills," which cater to younger age groups, he said, adding KEE offers "quality food and quality cocktails." For example over 300 "high quality spirits" and up to eight varieties of oysters are



Pleasantville resident Elvi Hoxhaj and his two partners opened KEE Oyster House on E. Post Road in White Plains four years ago.

offered at KEE.

"Fresh fish was a focus that was in short supply" in the area before KEE opened, Hoxhaj said. "So we thought there was room for us in the marketplace."

Oysters are the foundation of KEE's menu, Hoxhaj said. The restaurant seeks to serve at least two types of oysters from

the east coast and at least two types from the west coast. During Happy Hour, from 4 to 7 p.m., Blue Point oysters are available at \$1 each and the other types of oysters are discounted, Hoxhaj noted.

Aside from oysters, the raw bar offers such items as shrimp cocktail and lobster. The hot bar offers such fare as baked

clams, grilled shrimp, crab and scallop au gratin, grilled oysters and poached lobster with tarragon butter. The entree menu offers six types of fish and lobster, as well as such meats as high quality beef, pork chops and rack of lamb, Hoxhaj said.

The trademark of KEE is its fish preparation, Hoxhaj said.

"We just do the best fish with different techniques. That's the rationale behind our menu," Hoxhaj revealed. "We match the type of fish with the technique."

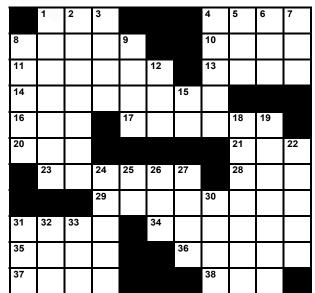
Another important factor in the success of KEE is the freshness of the seafood, Hoxhaj said. "It's all about having the right purveyors and the right pickers at the markets. We have pickers who do the shopping. One of the restaurant's pickers has been working at his craft for over 40 years. If you know the right people they'll find the best product," he said.

KEE Oyster House is located at 126-128 E. Post Rd. in White Plains. For more information call 914-437-8535, visit keeoyesterhouse.com or send an e-mail to info@keeoysterhouse.com.



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Crossword by Myles Mellor



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Obituaries

Rose A. Corsell

Rose A. Corsell passed away peacefully at home on March 31. She was 96.

Rose was a loving wife and mother. She was the most successful fashion consultant at B. Altman's and was awarded the highest honors for her work there. She loved the ocean and enjoyed the off-season months in her house on the New Jersey shore. A Duplicate Bridge enthusiast, she played at the Bridge Deck and in her home whenever possible. Rose also enjoyed sewing, knitting and going to the movies. Her family and friends were always at the center of her life.

She is survived by her children: Mary Ann, Kenneth (Caress Kennedy) and Jane (Richard) Lyman; five grandchildren: Beth, Kerri, Katie, Richard, and Robert; nine great-grandchildren: Dylan, Drew, Kaylee, Reese, Kaden, Avery, Brendan, Kara, and Richie; and many nieces and nephews.

She was pre-deceased by husbands Al Bell (killed in WWII) and Ken after 45 years together in 1992; siblings Alfonso and Clara

Rose thought of her aides, Shannon, Rebecca, Alyssa, and Rose, as her other "Grandchildren." Their loving devotion and exceptional care made it possible for her to stay at home during her last years.

In lieu of flowers, donations to Hospice of Westchester.

Joseph J. Malara

Joseph Malara of White Plains, died on March 28.

He was born in 1933 to Frank and Anna Malara (nee Iello) of Elmsford.

He graduated from Archbishop

Stepinac High School where he was cocaptain of the Golf Team and forged lifelong friendships.

Joe received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting from Fordham College in 1957. He married Eileen Manning in St. Gabriel's Church in New Rochelle on Aug. 27, 1960 and settled in White Plains.

Joe spent his career at Pfizer, Inc. where he held numerous management positions and was responsible for developing and implementing budgets and cost control measures. Following his retirement in 1992, he become active in numerous civic organizations. He served as Treasurer of the Westchester County Conservative Political Action Committee and sat on the Westchester County Board of Parks and Recreation.

Joe was predeceased by his beloved wife, his brother Frank Malara, Jr. and his sister, Grace Eturaspe who died on March 3, 2019.

He is survived by his son Francis and his wife Maria Guglielmo, and his daughter Anne Penachio, and her husband Nicholas Penachio, Jr. who will miss him dearly. He was a loving grandfather to Nicholas, Annie and Joseph Penachio who affectionately called him "Joe."

In lieu of flowers, donations in Joe's memory may be made to Archbishop Stepinac High School (Attn: Father Collins) and Iona Prep (Attn: Brother Leto) or St. Pius X Church (Attn: Father Sebastian).

Visitation will be Friday, April 5, from 2 to 9 p.m. at McMahon, Lyon & Hartnett Funeral Home Inc., 491 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains.

Mass of Christian Burial is Saturday,

April 6, 2019 at 10 AM at St Pius X Church, 91 Secor Rd., Scarsdale.

Regina Perin

Regina Catharine Perin, 82, of White Plains, passed away March 27.

Jean was born Jan. 6, 1937, in White Plains to Francis Thomas and Rose Katherine Nichols.

She graduated from Frederick E. Bellows High School in Mamaroneck in 1955. She became a Flight Attendant in her early 20's for Eastern Airlines. In 1961 she married George Landor Perin III and had two children. She worked at New York Hospital Cornell Medical Center (Westchester Division) from 1972 -1993 as a secretary in the department of admissions. After retiring from New York Hospital she worked for George A. Bell Insurance from 1995-2008. She has been a member of the White Plains Presbyterian church on North Broadway in White Plains for over 50 years. She was a pillar of her church community.

A loving mother leaves behind two children, Kim Grieco and husband George of Winston Salem NC and daughter Kristen Fuerst and husband John of Orlando, FL.

She is survived by eight grandchildren Steven Fuerst and wife Kerry, Brittney Curtin and Husband Bill, Amy Grieco, Eric Fuerst, Alli Fuerst, and Elliot Fuerst. She was able to hear the news of her great-granddaughter Lenna Catharine, daughter of Brittney and Bill born March 24.

She is survived by sister in law Ruth Davis and her children Robert Davis and wife Gail, Jennifer Ahrenberg and husband Donnie, William Davis and wife Carolyn and Pamela Iodice and husband Ed. She is also survived by her sister in law Carol Nichols and her children Thomas Nichols Jr. and wife Carrie, Robin Judge and husband Jim and Suzy Levi and husband Darin.

Jean was predeceased by her loving brother Thomas Nichols on Feb. 18 who she said, "he always had to go first."

A celebration of life will be held at White Plains Presbyterian Church on April 12. The service will begin at 11 a.m. with an immediate reception afterward at the church house. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to White Plains Presbyterian Church, White Plains and Saint Jude Children's Hospital Memphis, TN.

Peter John Day

Peter John Day, of White Plains, passed away on March 24. He was 96.

Peter was born March 6, 1923 in Amersham, England and came to the United States in 1926.

He served proudly in the South Pacific with the U.S. Navy during WWII. He then worked as a police officer for 39 years for the City of White Plains. Peter was also an active member of the White Plains Presbyterian Church, as well as the Salvation Army and the Lions Club.

Peter is survived by his loving wife of 73 years, Virginia (nee Vollmar) and his children; Marilyn, Nancy (Craig) and Peter (Susan). Also his grandchildren; Dawn, Andrew, Allison, Michael and Olivia and his great grandchildren; Kaitlin, Nathan, Joshua, Rocco and Gabriella.

In lieu of flowers, make donations in Peter's name to White Plains Presbyterian Church.

Police Blotter

Former Doctor Sentenced for Stealing from Elderly Woman

Peter Corines, 70, of Eastchester, a former physician, was sentenced to a year in County Jail for stealing more than \$500,000 from a 97-year-old Yonkers woman through various fraudulent means including Grand Larceny and Identity Theft.

Corines agreed to forfeit \$11,600 of the victim's money found in his residence from

a search warrant.

Westchester County Court Judge Barry Warhit presided. From the bench, he told the defendant, a former medical doctor, he "was a disgrace to a noble profession."

During a two-week period in November 2017, Peter Corines, after ingratiating himself, stole from the woman by obtaining a power of attorney to benefit himself to

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Peter Corines

reduce his mounting personal debt and infuse money into his failing yacht repair business in Florida. He did so by pretending to be her representative on the phone or online with numerous financial

institutions where the victim had accounts.

By claiming to be acting in her best interest, Corines went into various banks and withdrew money from her accounts; and by pretending to be her, he called various mutual funds and requested checks from her accounts. Corines also set up online accounts to receive money from various mutual funds owned by the victim, and then Corines requested checks from the mutual funds, without her permission, authority or consent. In total, Corines stole approximately \$540,106.60 and attempted to steal \$262,171.49.

Corines was arrested by Yonkers Police April 24, 2018, subsequent to the execution of a search warrant at his home in Eastchester.



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Stairs a Necessary Part of Many Homes – But Watch Your Step

Sometimes people do a disservice apartment or condo, you when they provide helpful information. I rue the day when a friend pointed out to me that I could be informed of my daily physical activity by hitting the heart on my iPhone.

As far as flights of stairs go, I'm hopeless. When I lived in a two-story house, I bounded up the stairs and descended countless times during the day and night. Now that I live in a one-floor condo, I have taken no flights of stairs, even though I live on the fifth floor.

As a realtor in northern Westchester and Putnam County, I am always sure to point out the issue of stairs to senior buyers who should be thinking about the years ahead when they buy a home or condo. There comes a point in all our lives where one-level living becomes an

While stairs provide a very practical function as a means of ascending or descending from one level to another, they can be dramatic architectural statements in a home, from soaring, floating staircases in a central hall to modern circular stairs, winding around a column to a higher floor. Did you ever wonder why circular stairs wind counterclockwise when all of us tend to do things in a clock-wise pattern? Read on to find out.

From castles to humble cottages, stairways have allowed more living space under the same roof by providing a means to get to another floor. Unless you live in a ranch-style home or a one-level climb stairs.

Some of us love the transition from one living space to another ("I can't sleep on the same floor where I eat," one buyer client told me), while others, especially our more mature citizens, seek senior community living boasts "no steps."

Besides their architectural and practical contributions to a home, stairs also add to incidents of accidents, and even death, in the home.

All too often, many of us take a dive down a stairway. Maybe it's because we're in a different mode of balance when we are shifting our weight up or down. Actually, if you've noticed, it's easier

to climb steps than to go down them, even if the physical effort is greater when we climb. My theory is that we achieve better balance on the balls of our feet when climbing. We seem to be uncertain about which part of our foot to place on the step going down, especially for people with feet that are larger.

I'm personally very conscious of the possibility of accidents on the stairs, perhaps because of an imprinted memory. When I was less than two, my mother tells me that I opened a door to the basement and plunged down the steep staircase,



By Bill Primavera

concrete floor at the bottom. When I behaved oddly as a teenager, my mother had an excellent excuse to say, "That fall on your head when you were a baby must have caused some damage!"

When my daughter was at a play date with other girls at a neighbor's home, I remember the panic and fear when I received that call saying that she too had fallen down a flight of basement steps. She too is all right. Maybe it's a generational thing.

Tragically enough, more than 15,000 people die each year as a result of falls, and as many as 1,300 of those take place by falling down steps. Additionally,

many people suffer injuries on stairs that frequently go unreported, making injury statistics harder to pin down.

Interestingly, many accidents happen when there is an uneven step. Actually, this had been done intentionally in the distant past as a security measure to trip up thieves when entering or leaving a

Now here's the reason that circular or curved staircases are designed in a counterclockwise pattern. As we know from old Errol Flynn movies, in the Middle Ages it was critically important

hitting my head on the to safeguard the castle. With stairs intentionally designed counterclockwise, the defender of the castle, on a higher level of the stairs, could swing his sword freely in the open space to his right, but his enemy below would keep hitting the wall to his right with the same action.

> The subject of stairs is very broad. I'd like to narrow down a bit with a resolution that, starting tomorrow, I'll climb the steps to my condo, rather than taking the elevator. Note that I've put it off until tomorrow.

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In the Footsteps of History, Through an Ancestral Wine Region

You Heard It

Through the



By Nick Antonaccio

Last week, I focused on Campania, one of the many Italian wine regions with a storied history, born of ancient times, and yet mired in the vagaries and tribulations of

The denizens of this region have a long history of unabashed glory and abject poverty. First came the glory days of the area's dominance in the 15th century to its decline in the 19th century. This decline devastated the economy of the Campanian outlying farmlands, contributing to the mass exodus of millions to the fabled "streets paved with gold in America" in the late 19th and early 20th century, as they fled economic and political tumult.

I am certain this history is shared by many readers with a European lineage (and many other countries) who immigrated to the United States, leaving behind a legacy of poverty, political suppression and cultural enmity.

Fast forward to the 21st century. Many of my Italian-born relatives are deceased, leaving me with a dwindling memory of their personal history, most notably in the "old country."

I grew up with this saga of my ancestors, from 15th century prominence as architects in the courts of barons in the north of Italy to 20th century poverty and political turbulence in a village in the Apennine Mountains, east of Naples.

I am certain many readers share this loss of cultural heritage. Has your research through Ancestry.com and/or 23andMe.com still left you bereft of a personal attachment to the land and family life of your ancestors?

A few months ago, an opportunity arose that promised to reconnect me to the land and history of my family's heritage. And, true to the theme of this column, it has a wine connection.

First, the backdrop.

Wines from Campania, and in particular, from the subregion of Irpinia, have been in and out of favor for centuries. The grapes in this region were first planted and enjoyed by the ancient Greeks and Romans. From the height of their popularity in ancient times, these grapes eventually fell from favor and into oblivion outside of the region. I'm pleased to report that a few

thousand years later these wines are on the map again.

My paternal grandfather, before he immigrated to the United States, worked for a time as a horticulturist in his hometown, Buonalbergo, in the province of Benevento,

40 miles east of Naples. Family lore informed me for years that he was responsible for grafting Aglianico vines in vineyards throughout the surrounding hills.

I have sampled several superb red wines produced from the Aglianico grape produced in this precise area.

Perhaps this is why I fell in love with these wines at first sip – they're in my family tree (grapevine).

Tying it all together in real time: Recently, I was offered the opportunity to walk in my grandfather's footsteps in similar vineyards in the area in which he toiled.

A centuries-old winery has been laboring under the impact of the youngest generation's decision to abandon the difficult tradition of sustaining a livelihood in the agricultural lands of Irpinia. Siblings have left to pursue careers in law and architecture, leaving only one behind to carry on the burden of the family heritage. Enter a group of enterprising American investors. With the necessary capital resources, this group is investing in modernizing the winery and initiating a marketing program to export the wines to the United States.

Being offered the opportunity to be a (small) part of this venture, I eagerly

My family history has now come full circle. From ancestors in the ancient cultural circles of the north to those toiling in the agrarian hills of the poverty-stricken south, a first generation Italian-American is now a financial investor in this traditionrich region.

And yes, I plan to walk the vineyards and get dirt under my fingernails, perpetuating my heritage. Stay tuned for my report this summer on the celebration of the opening of the modernized winery.

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New Seasonal Treats at The 808 Bistro, Scarsdale



By Morris Gut

Chef/proprietor Sal Cucullo Jr. and 'Mama' Linda of The 808 Bistro in Scarsdale, have introduced tempting new seasonal menus for lunch, dinner and weekend brunch along with prix fixe options.

metal tiles highlight the 50-seat dining

room wall and ceiling. There are modern

artworks and lighting, a perfect palette

for the vibrant dishes emanating from

the kitchen. Silver metal chairs softened

by stressed leather seats offer comfort, as

does the friendly staff. It's a Manhattan

Chef Cucullo is a C.I.A. graduate

who practically grew up in restaurants,

working kitchens owned by his Italian

family as well as venues of every stripe. He

vibe and it's all kept properly casual.

scanning the menu. Great starters include signature 'Tease Plates': a variety of Approaching their 10th year, this eclectic Italian and antipasti like marinated artichoke hearts, truffle-American eatery on Scarsdale Avenue honey-infused ricotta, became a hotspot practically overnight. gardenaire The cozy bar glows nightly in a rainbow of pickled alternating colors. Glistening ceramic and

vegetables, soppressata, herb-crusted goat cheese, each plate priced accordingly.

shrimp, infused with truffle oil, that will

The house muddles its own cocktail

mixes with fresh fruits and herbs

intensifying flavors to the max, so enjoy

propel you to foodie heaven.

an opening round while

Meat, poultry and seafood selections from the regular menu are beautifully presented: Pistachio Crusted Halibut; comforting free range Oven Roasted Chicken served with sweet sausage, hot cherry peppers, white wine and lemon; Veal Chop Parmigiana served with penne; Braised Boneless Short Rib, creamy polenta, truffle carpaccio; and Tuscan Grilled Salmon with corn-quinoa succotash, and mustard wine sauce.

> Among the pasta selections is a Spring Risotto with spinach and asparagus, bacon and charred grape tomatoes with parmesan; and Angel Hair with chicken meatballs and shrimp in tomato cream.

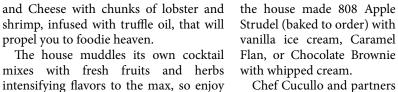
The 3-course Prix Fixe Lunches and Dinners include choice of starter, main course and dessert. Cost for the prix fixe luncheon served 7 days a week is \$22.95 per person. Fixed price dinners are served Sunday through Thursday: \$32.95. Specialties and choices are subject to change.

The new relaxing Saturday and Sunday Brunch is a la

carte and offers such tempting changing specialties as: Beef and Veal Meatballs with whipped ricotta; Crab Cake Benedict, ciabatta, baby spinach, citrus hollandaise; Grilled Chicken Caesar Wrap; a variety of Omelettes; Sole Francese with roasted almonds and sautéed vegetables; and

> a Bistro Burger with thick-cut bacon, cranberry-onion fig jam and cheddar on brioche. Price range at brunch: \$10 to \$17. Brunch menu is also served daily from noon to 3

Chef Cucullo has not forgotten his roots. The menu includes such classic Italian-American fare as: Chicken, Veal or Shrimp Parmigiana, fra Francese style, diavolo or marinara. For dessert you must try



also operate 808 Social, a more dining casual room and bar, at 185 Summerfield Street, Scarsdale, just off Rt. 22. 914-723-2600,

www.808socialny.com.

at 808 Scarsdale Ave., Scarsdale/Eastchester. The

restaurant is open 7 days a week for lunch and dinner from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.; to 10 p.m. Sundays. Lunch: main courses \$10 to \$19. Dinner main courses: \$19 to \$28. Bar seating/cocktail; daily Happy Hours 4 to 5:30 p.m. Take out Catering service. Major credit cards. Proper casual dress. Handicapped accessible on side of building. Municipal parking; free evenings. Reservations suggested: 914-722-0808. www.the808bistro.com.



The official Grand Opening took place on March 21, with the Mayor of White Plains and local officials doing the ribbon-cutting ceremony. Wolf & Warrior Brewing is the brainchild of Michael Chiltern, a microbrewery and restaurant that features house-brewed beer, farmto-table cuisine, and in-house roasted coffee. The daily larder is posted on big blackboards overlooking the bar area.

I had popped in a couple of times early on, back in February, and watched as personable hands-on 'braumeister' Chiltern worked his gleaming machinery on the lower level where the actual brewing takes place. The main level is a work in progress: a long sprawling space designed in an understated brauhaus mode with unadorned tables and chairs. The walls are highlighted by brewing artworks and artifacts. There is a lounge area in the front as you enter. Though



Grand entrance to Fogo De Chao, White Plains.



White Plains Mayor Tom Roach, Michael and Jelena Chiltern and their The 808 Bistro is located two boys at the Wolf & Warrior ribbon cutting.

there is a growing list of microbreweries in greater Westchester, Wolf & Warrior holds the distinction of being the only one located in White Plains.

Got to taste a few sausages and fixin's off the menu along with a couple of brews. And, I must say, the signature 'Wolf of White Plains' IPA is a good one.

Wolf & Warrior is located at 195A East Post Road, White Plains. Open daily. 917-238-9171. www.wolfandwarrior.com.

Downtown White Plains Wing Walk, April 6

Sounds like a tasty event to me. White Plains BID is sponsoring White Plains 'Wing Walk' on Saturday, April 6 from noon to 5 p.m. Buy a ticket and you are entitled to visit over a dozen White Plains restaurants and taste their best chicken wings in a variety of flavors, of course. You can then vote for your favorites. For tickets, list of participants, wrist band, and special 'Wing Map' go to: www.wpbid. com/wingwalk.

Fogo De Chao Brazilian Steakhouse Coming to White Plains

There is a lot of work going on at the vintage old Bank of New York building on Main and Church Streets in White Plains. Fogo De Chao, a major Brazilian Steakhouse chain with 40 restaurants across the U.S., Middle East, Brazil and Mexico, is renovating this sprawling space for their upscale version of churrascaria BBQ. If their restaurant on West 53rd Street in Manhattan is any indication, it will be

> a sparkling spot for drinks, giant Market Table salad bar, and waves of fire-roasted meats served on skewers in the churrasco style. The concept sounds similar to Texas de Brazil at Ridge Hill in Yonkers. Opening date is unclear at this writing. www. fogodechao.com.

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Pan seared sea scallops at The 808 Bistro, Scarsdale.

knows how to cook Italian, but for as long as I have known him, his creativity has never been bound by culinary borders. He can knock out a delicious version of Grandma's Gnocchi in a basil-pomodoro sauce one moment, and in another prepare a decadent Baked Macaroni



Ciabatta tower at The 808 Bistro, Scarsdale,







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Wednesday, Apr. 3

Noonday Getaway Concert. presentation of Downtown Music at Grace. Yilun Xu, pianist, prize winner of the 2018 New York International Piano Competition. Presented in partnership with the Stecher and Horowitz Foundation. A Downtown Music debut.12:10 p.m. Grace Episcopal Church at Main and Church St., White Plains. 30-minute free concert; donation accepted. This concert is made possible, in part, with the generous support of Hudson Grille and Lilly's, White Plains.

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.

Poetry Slam & Open Mic. "1st Wednesday" series continues with an open mic and SLAM competition. This month's Slam will be held across the street from the White Plains Library in the Galleria's performance space (meet in the Food Court) with cash prizes: 1st Place-\$500, 2nd Place—\$250, 3rd Place—\$125. Prizes generously donated by the Galleria. To take part in the open mic or slam, register between 6:30 and 7 pm. Slam poets should bring at least one original poem of up to 3 minutes. Registration closes promptly at 7 p.m., and the program starts shortly thereafter. Co-hosted by local poet and slam-master Eric ZORK Alan. All are welcome!

All Access Healthcare: Inside the Key Issues Facing New York State. Hear from experts about key issues that will impact hospitals, healthcare systems and the business community. Also, receive an update on the state budget and on some critical health policy issues and about single-payer and nurse staffing ration legislation. Double Tree Hotel, 455 S. Broadway, Tarrytown. 8 to 10 a.m. Free. Registration required. Info and registration: E-mail events@westchester.org.

Hate in the Age of Multiculturalism: Are Thoughts and Prayers Enough? State Sen. Peter Harckham (D-Lewisboro) will be holding a community-wide roundtable discussion on this issue. Panelists include Sleepy Hollow Mayor Ken Wray, Saad Siddiqui, Westchester Human Rights Commission. Rabbi Sarah Freidson, Karin Anderson, Esq., Neighbors Link, Rev. Dr. Martha Jacobs of the First Congregational Church of Chappaqua, Valerie Eaton, president, Peekskill NAACP and Kristen Browde, president, LeGal. Everyone is welcome. Pleasantville High School auditorium, 60 Romer Ave., Pleasantville. 7 to 9 p.m.

Women's Empowerment: Fighting Slavery and Sex Abuse. Learn how Jewish girls were trafficked as Nazi slaves during the Holocaust, how sex trafficking and slavery continues in the 21st century and how UJA, through Metropolitan Council on Jewish Poverty, is empowering women to combat this abuse. Chappaqua Performing Arts Center, 480 Bedford Rd., Chappaqua. 8 p.m. \$25. (\$5 of the ticket price will be considered a tax-deductible contribution to UJA-Federation, for which no goods or services will be provided.) Registration required. Registration: Visit https://nyjewi. sh/2W2ihy9. Into: Contact Shirley Green at 914-385-2125 or greens@ujafedny.org.

Thursday, Apr. 4

Tech Thursday. The topic of this week's session is kinetic coding, or coding physically; for teens; 4 to 5 p.m., White Plains Library, 100 Martine Ave., White

New York State Legislators Forum. Listen to an interactive dialogue with members of the Westchester/Putnam state legislature delegation on the most pressing issues impacting business and the community. Public input is critical. Fordham Westchester, Room 140, 400 Westchester Ave., West Harrison. 9 to 11 a.m. Westchester County Association members: \$25. Non-members: \$35. Registration required. Info and registration: Visit www.westchester.org.

Saturday, Apr. 6

Lyndhurst Flower & Antiques Show. Each spring, thousands of visitors take advantage of this rare opportunity to experience Lyndhurst mansion awash with flowers and to walk through the home without a guided tour. Just down the hill, visitors can shop for beautiful antiques from top dealers, including decorative art, fine garden antiques jewelry and midcentury objects presented by Barn Star. Lyndhurst, 635 S. Broadway, Tarrytown. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Flower show: Adults--\$25. Seniors--\$20. Youths (6-16) --\$15. Antiques show: \$10. To save \$5 on the flower show, also purchase an antiques show ticket. Info and tickets: Visit www.lyndhurst.org.

White Plains Wing Walk: Visit wpbid. com/wingwalk to learn more about the event and to purchase tickets. Tickets are \$12 for ages 16 and up, \$8 for ages five through 15 and free for children under five. Online ticket sales end on Friday, April 5 at noon. Tickets purchased at the check-in tables on Saturday, April 6 are priced at: \$15 for general admission, \$10 for children five to 15 and are cash only. Seventeen restaurants participating, 40 different flavors to taste and vote on your favorite.

Careers in the Arts Panel Discussion. Come hear from a fashion designer, product designer and graphic designer about their professional experience with art and design careers. Pelham Art Center, 155 Fifth Ave., Pelham. 2 to 4 p.m. Free. Info: 914-738-2525 or visit www.pelhamartcenter.org.

Sunday, Apr. 7

Highbridge Voices. Downtown Music at Grace will present a benefit concert featuring the Highbridge Voices Chamber Choir at 4:30 p.m. The program includes African American spirituals and songs of freedom, plus classical and popular compositions from around the world. All ticket proceeds from the concert will directly benefit both Downtown Music at Grace and the Highbridge Voices. A meet-the-artists reception follows the program. Downtown Music concerts take place at Grace Episcopal Church, located at the intersection of Main Street and Mamaroneck Avenue in White Plains. Parking is available at either the Church Street or City Center garage. Tickets Premium seating \$50, General Admission \$30, Seniors and Students \$20, Children 5- 12 with parent \$5. Tickets are available at the door, by calling 914-949-0384 or online at www.DTMusic.org.

First Signs of Spring. Hibernation is over and spring is here! Explore the trails with a naturalist and identify the different signs of spring. Let's see who is awake after a long winter's nap and how they welcome spring. Greenburgh Nature Center, 99 Dromore Rd., Scarsdale. 1 to 2 p.m. Members: \$5. Non-members: \$8. Info: 914-723-3470 or visit www.greenburghnaturecenter.org.

Movement Workshop. An on-land introduction to paddling techniques through movements, stretches and discussions geared toward kayakers, paddle boarders and anyone who is interested in simple body mechanics. Cranberry Lake Preserve, Old Orchard Street, North White Plains. 1 to 3 p.m. Free. Info: 914-428-1005.

Japanese Cherry Blossom Festival. The cherry trees are starting to bloom again and celebrate the eighth annual festival. Cherry blossoms are a symbolic flower of spring, celebrated in Japan as a herald of hope and a bright future, a time of renewal. And with renewal comes great energy. Includes a Japanese Taiko drum performance followed by flower arrangement and origami workshops. Open to all ages. Pelham Art Center, 155 Fifth Ave., Pelham. 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Free. Info: 914-738-2525 or visit www. pelhamartcenter.org.

Westchester Philharmonic: Beethoven Season Finale. Composed at the very height of his creative powers, Beethoven's Concerto for Violin is often regarded as the king of them all. With Pamela Frank on violin, Jaime Laredo conducting and the virtuosic Westchester Philharmonic, Beethoven's powerful and lyrical masterpiece couldn't be in better hands. Purchase College Performing Arts Center, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. Pre-concert discussion with the artists for ticketholders at 2 p.m. Concert at 3 p.m. \$40 to \$97. Info and tickets: 914-251-6200 or www.artcenter.org.

Tiempo Libre. One of the hottest Latin bands on the scene today. Classically trained at Cuba's premier conservatories, the members of three-time Grammynominated Tiempo Libre are true modern heirs to the rich musical tradition of their native Cuba. The Miami-based group is celebrated for its performances of timba music, an irresistible, dance-inducing mix o Latin jazz and Cuban son. They are equally at home in concert halls, jazz clubs, festival stages and dance venues, playing sophisticated tropical music. Purchase College's PepsiCo Theatre, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. 3 p.m. \$25 to \$45. Info and tickets: 914-251-6200 or visit www. artscenter.org.

Music and Munchies. Come for a Passover themed celebration of stories, songs and yummy treats. Featuring fun interactive singalongs with Tkiya (the Jewish community music initiative). All welcome. For babies through six years old and their families. Presented by the Greenburgh Hebrew Center and the PJ Library. Shames JCC on the Hudson, 371 S. Broadway, Tarrytown. 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. Free. RSVP required Info and RSVP: Contact Stacey at PJLibrary@g-h-c.org.

Tuesday, Apr. 9

Tuesdays@Dorry's. Myrna Barzelatto, RN, MSN, MEd. For almost 10 years, Myrna has been a SANE—an acronym for Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner. She takes two 24hour on-call shifts in the Bronx each week. When there is a sexual assault during her time, as first responder she meets the patient in the Emergency Room of either Lincoln Hospital, Jacobi or North Central Bronx. During her discussion at Dorry's, Myrna will consider the "Me Too" movement, a discussion of sexual harassment, sexual assault, human trafficking, and her role and responsibilities as a SANE. Weekly table talk 6 to 7 p.m. Food ordering begins at 5:15 p.m. All are welcome. Dorry's Diner, 468 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains.

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Town of Putnam Valley Pre-Meeting Agenda April 3, 2019 1. **Pledge** of Alle-

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White Plains Boys Lax Opens With Setbacks to C. South, Harrison

It was a tough opening to the season for the White Plains boy's lacrosse team. The Tigers endured losses to Clarkstown South and Harrison to open the 2019 campaign.

White Plains fell to Clarkstown 9-5 on March 27 in their season opener. Tom Lynch paced the Tigers with two goals and two assists. Bryan Figueiredo had two goals and an assist. Luke Leone added one goal and one assist.

Two days later, White Plains fell to Harrison 12-6 in its home opener.

The Tigers went up 2-1 less than four minutes into the game, but the Huskies scored seven straight goals to take a commanding 8-2 lead into halftime.

Harrison quickly went up 9-2 in the third quarter but Figueiredo tallied three straight goals for the Tigers, cutting the deficit to 9-5 with 2:50 left in the third quarter.

"We started fighting a little bit harder for ground balls," White Plains coach Mark Armogida said. "The big switch was that defensively we switched from zone to our man and the kids really enjoy playing man. We started out playing zone the first two games because we have so many injuries. [Harrison] was cutting up our zone pretty good in the first quarter. But the kids really responded and we were happy with the way our man defense



Tiger Luke Leone makes his move.



ROB DIANTONIO PHOTOS

Bryan Figueredo scored a career-high five goals vs. Harrison.



Devin Burns picks up a ground ball.

looked."

White Plains had a man-up advantage shortly after cutting into the Harrison lead, but couldn't get any closer.

Harrison scored three consecutive goals in the fourth quarter with its last one coming with 3:18 to go, increasing its lead to 12-5.

"Harrison is a scrappy, blue-collar team and they work hard," Armogida said. "They've got good coaches. They're nearby and some of the kids know each other. It's a shame that we have so many injuries but

> you can't complain about that. You've got to put the next guy on the field and just keep working hard."

> Figueiredo paced the Tigers with a career-high five goals and an assist. Tyleik Towns scored a goal for the Tigers. Leone notched an assist.

> "Bryan had a breakout game," Armogida said. "He's never had that in his career. He's been starting since

the end of his sophomore year. He's always had one or two goals here and there but today he showed what he's capable of. We're really happy. Five goals on the varsity level against a pretty good team; that's a solid performance."

Ground balls and face-offs proved to be the difference as Harrison had the edge in both areas.

"It was just a of . matter who wanted it," Armogida said. "I thought [White Plains] was playing with a little more spunk. They outnumbered us to ground balls. Ground balls are just hard work and concentration. They outworked us to ground balls and they deserved it. We've got to just keep working hard."

White Plains was scheduled to host Clarkstown North on April 1. It then travels to Wappingers for a 4:30 p.m. game on Friday, April 5.

"We take the positives, we take what they did well, we try to correct their mistakes and we move forward," Armogida said. "We've got to keep working hard. We feel like it doesn't matter who we put on the field. If we put you on the field, you need to do the job. It doesn't matter who's out



Ryan McDonough sends a pass up the field.

Tigers Drop Two to Start Season; Mancini Notches 100th Point

The game couldn't have gotten off to a worse start, but White Plains' girls lacrosse team didn't give up.

White Plains cut the deficit to two goals late in the second half, but visiting Arlington held on for a 10-8 win on March 30.

Julia Mancini charged in and finished to cut the deficit to 10-8 with 8:04 to go. Mancini later had a chance to trim it to one but Arlington goalie Kaylee Joblon made the save with 2:16 to play. The Tigers were unable to get the ball back after that as the Admirals ran the clock out.

Arlington started the game on fire. It stormed out to a 4-0 lead less than three minutes into the game.

"We started slow," White Plains coach Gabe Robles said. "It just seemed like some

cobwebs, some rust. Arlington deserves a ton of credit. They came out playing fast and playing hard."

"We've got to put this in our back pocket and take better advantage of our opportunities moving forward."

Sophomore Alexa Donahoe, who had five goals to lead the Tigers, broke the ice with 14:24 left in the first half on a feed from Jillian Pope.

Donahoe scored unassisted on a low bouncing shot to cut the deficit to 4-2.

"She hustles to the ball and does all the right things," Robles said of Donahoe. "From a coach's standpoint, it's a relief. She sees things that a lot of kids don't see on

Arlington went on another run to go up 7-2 with 10:55 left in the first half. Donahoe scored on a free position shot to



White Plains' Julia Mancini fires a shot in the second half.

make it 7-3.

The Admirals got a goal back but the Tigers rallied with three-straight goals. Donahoe started the run, Mancini scored next on a free position and then she closed the run with 1.22 left in the first half.

"We just changed our mentality and played a little harder," Robles said of how they overcame the slow start. "That changed the complexion of the game." Arlington answered with 29.4 seconds left to go into halftime with a 9-6 lead.

White Plains had plenty of the possession to start the second half but was unable to capitalize. Arlington went up 10-6 with 15:12 left in the game.

"We just couldn't find the back of the net," Robles said of the second half. "I felt like we had some solid possessions. We moved the ball pretty well and we were getting looks. Their keeper had to

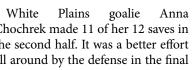
> have maybe a dozen saves from point-blank range. She played out of her mind."

Chochrek made 11 of her 12 saves in the second half. It was a better effort all around by the defense in the final

"We came into the season feeling that we were going to be pretty strong defensively," Robles said. "We haven't really jelled yet to get where we know we can be. But from a mentality and foundational standpoint in the second half, we just played much better. We were more physical and we got to loose balls. But in the second half, turnovers and not being able to finish on offense hurt us. That made the difference."

Mancini, a senior captain, tallied five goals including her 100th career point in a 16-10 season-opening loss to visiting Fox Lane on March 26.

Donahoe and Jojo Denion had two goals each. Kristen Russo added a goal. Pope,





Kyra Broderick and

Sofia Bernabel had

seven saves in net

and also had an

(0-2) returns to

action when it hosts

Lakeland/Panas at

4:30 p.m. on April

2. It then travels to

Horace Greeley for

a 4:30 p.m. game on

April 4. The Tigers

conclude the week

by hosting Carmel at

1 p.m. on April 6.

Left: Alexa Donahoe scored

five goals in a loss to

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Jojo Denion looks for a teammate.



Lucy Barest of the Tigers picks up a ground ball.



Julia Mancini sprints up the field.



Jillian Pope sends a pass at midfield.

White Plains Little League Poised to Celebrate a

Principles of Enjoyment and Friendly Competition Are as Strong Today as They Were Then

By James Miranda

Several years had passed since Tom Pasqua had even been to a board meeting for the White Plains Little League (WPLL), but he decided to visit two years ago. Most of the faces were unfamiliar, but not the principles for the league he and many in White Plains had set forward a quarter century ago.

"[When I went back] I was amazed at how well the little league has sustained itself," Pasqua said. "They were all basically dedicated to the same thing, not much had changed in terms of the board's outlook on what they're trying to do for the kids, how they're going about doing it with all the right principles in place, and it was heart-warming. Probably for the first time it really hit me that all the effort that went into it years ago, had paid off."

Pasqua founded White Plains Summer Baseball - which eventually became the WPLL in 1994 - back in 1989 after deciding he wanted to sign his son up for baseball. There wasn't a White Plains little league option at the time, however, and he felt inspired to do something about it because one of his youth baseball coaches helped establish a little league program under similar circumstances when he was a kid growing up in Yonkers.

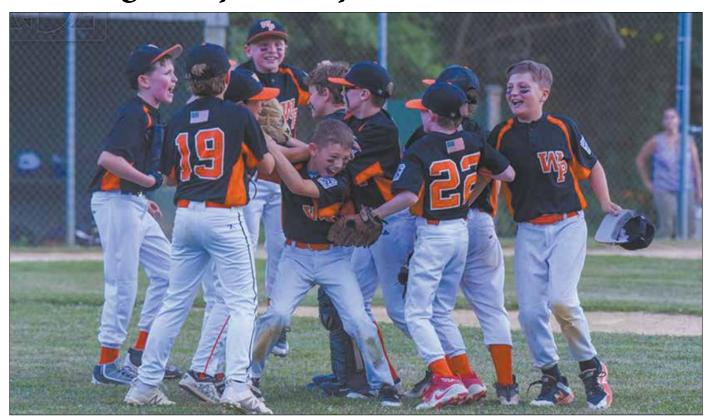
Pick-up games were essentially what he set up with his son's friends initially until the word got out and other students' parents and parents from the community wanted in.

Games were simple with two teams of approximately 15 children, volunteer coaches, and a couple of donations from recreation centers. It snowballed from there, and the program grew as each year passed, resulting in nearly 500 players in 1994.

"I can remember the feeling to this day of how putting on a uniform and going to play baseball was magical," said Pasqua, who received two charters from White Plains to launch the WPLL in 1995. "What [we] really tried to do was to build a program that would last. I wanted this to stay. I was not looking to make money off it or to do anything else with it, I just wanted it there for all the kids."

Pasqua remained president until 1998, was succeeded by Rich Massaroni, went back to coaching, and stayed on the board for several years. He explained that in order for the league to sustain itself and children to continue to have an outlet for baseball, he had to leave in some capacity and let others take over.

Current president Jonathan Baumstark



PHOTOS COURTESY OF WPLL

The magic of playing team baseball is evident on each player's face as the 9- and 10-year-old division win to become champions in 2018.



In 2016 the girls of Little League District 20 were New York softball champions.

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maintains the "for the kids" objective to this day. Last year, 929 kids participated in the spring and summer seasons, Baumstark said. It was a 10 percent increase from the year prior and is one of the many examples of how far the league has come since its inception.

But come May 4, Pasqua and Massaroni will be returning to the WPLL in the form of keynote speakers when the league hosts its annual Opening Day Parade at Gedney Field in honor of the 25th anniversary.

The parade will end at Gedney Field where there will be food for everyone in attendance, baseball and softball clinics, and brand new banners unveiled for past district championship teams.

"These kids who were on these teams that won these championships and got to share something special, they can bring their kids and grandkids to Gedney and they can point at these banners, that are going to be there hopefully forever, and say, 'there's my name on that banner, I was part of that," said Baumstark, who has served as the president for the last three years.

While it was instilled since day one that the league was for the children's enjoyment and friendly competition, the league's baseball and softball teams have notched some noteworthy accolades over the years, such as a dozen District 20 Championships and a 10 and under all-



The 9- and 10-year old division of WPPL were New York District 20 champions in 2018.

star baseball team's fifth place finish out of 200 teams in the state championships

"It's a humbling experience, the whole

thing is," Pasqua said. "I know how much the parades and stuff mean to the kids, so to be part of that again and to see it all again is great stuff. I'm so grateful to [everyone] that's helped along the way. Without the support of community and a lot of people it could have never happened."



24th Annual "Battle of the Bravest" Brings Finest Back to Ebersole

By Albert Coqueran

The 24th Annual "Battle of the Bravest" Charity Cup Hockey Game to benefit the Ronald McDonald House of the Greater Hudson Valley was a very special event this year.

This year's "Battle of the Bravest" also benefited the family of deceased White Plains Firefighter Lt. Clarke Douglass, who passed away from 9/11 related cancer on July 21, 2018. Douglass was a member of the WPFD for 32 years and a longtime supporter of the "Battle of the Bravest."

Douglass played alongside his firefighter brethren in at least 20 Charity Cup Hockey games, before his passing last year. Lt. Douglass was surely one of the Bravest. Douglass's number four hockey jersey hung in the Ebersole lobby in tribute to him during the event on Saturday.

Another exciting feature to this year's "Battle of the Bravest" was the return of the White Plains Police Department Finest Hockey Team challenging the WPFD Bravest. It had been 15 years since the two City of White Plains public safety departments met on the ice at Ebersole. For the past many years the WPFD would play a compiled team of Westchester County Firefighters in the Charity Cup event.

White Plains Police Detective Matt Kittelstad is the Team Captain of the WPPD Finest. He has served the community for 20 years on the WPPD. "It felt really good to participate this year. The turnout was great with great fans. It was a success bringing it back and hopefully we can keep it going like we used to," said Kittelstad.

The "Battle of the Bravest" is organized



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Johnny Douglass (center) retired firefighter and Coach of the WPFD Bravest drops the puck between his nephew Jake Douglass (right) and WPPD Finest Todd Horgan (left), during the Ceremonial Puck Drop to kick-off the "Battle of the Bravest." They are joined by Rob Douglass (back right) and Commissioner of Public Safety David E. Chong (front left), at Ebersole, on Saturday.

by Local 274 of the International Association of Firefighters. This year's event was spearheaded by Firefighters Jake Douglass and Connor Dillon, who both have served with WPFD for five years.

Jake Douglass is the nephew of the late Lt. Clarke Douglas. "My uncle was a big part of this game. I am just lucky enough to join it and keep the tradition alive," commented the younger Douglass, who scored three goals in the game. Chris Flynn also scored two goals for the Bravest.

The Douglass Family was in full force at the event. Clarke's brother, Johnny is the Coach and his brother Rob is a forward, who honored his late brother by scoring a goal in the game for the Bravest. Also Jake's brother, Mike is the Goalie for the Bravest. Also joining the tribute to Clarke was Jake's and Mike's grandparents John and Pat Douglass, among other members of the Douglass Family.

With the White Plains Firefighters and Police playing each other for the first time in 15 years, of course, David Chong, City of White Plains Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety and City of White Plains Mayor Thomas Roach were in attendance at the event.

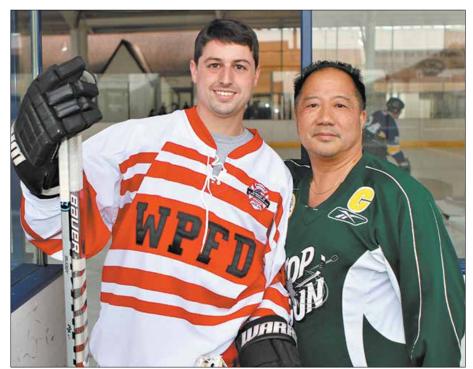
"I am rooting for no injuries," commented City of White Plains Mayor Thomas Roach with a smile regarding his rooting interest. "The Policemen and Firemen serve all of us every day. They are doing this for a great cause and we are all here having a good time," said the Mayor.

"I am rooting for both teams. I want both teams to win," said Chong, who oversees both the WPFD and WPPD, as the City of White Plains Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety "There are no losers here. The winner is Ronald McDonald House, which these guys put their heart and soul into supporting," acknowledged Chong.

The winner of the "Battle of the Bravest" each year for 24 years has certainly been Ronald McDonald House of the Greater Hudson Valley and this year also Lt. Clarke Douglass's Family. The scorekeeper even stopped keeping score with the WPFD in the lead 10-5. Former WPHS hockey superstar James Carrier had four goals for the WPFD Finest.

The proceeds from the sale of Admission, Programs, "Battle of the Bravest" T-shirts, the Raffle, 50/50 and Chuck-A-Puck totaled about \$16,000 this year, while contributions from advertisements in the "Battle of the Bravest" Programs are to be tallied at a later date. All proceeds benefit Ronald McDonald House and the family of Clarke Douglass.

"I think this event is amazing. It shows they care and believe in our mission. We really appreciate it and look forward to it every year," said Christina Riley, Executive Director Ronald McDonald House of the Greater Hudson Valley.



White Plains Firefighter Jake Douglas (left) was one of the organizers of the 24th Annual "Battle of the Bravest" Charity Hockey Game. Douglass is congratulated for his efforts by David E. Chong, City of White Plains Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety. The event benefited Ronald McDonald House and the family of Jake's late uncle, WPFD Lt. Clarke Douglass.



Olivia Dillon (right), a senior at Valhalla High School, sang the National Anthem before the start of the "Battle of the Bravest" Charity Cup Hockey Game between the White Plains Police and Fire Department. She was joined on the ice by (I-r) Safety Commissioner David Chong and White Plains Mayor Tom Roach. Olivia is the sister of firefighter Connor Dillon, co-organizer of the event.

Westchester Knicks Celebrate at the County Center but Lose in Semifinals to Lakeland

By Albert Coqueran

The Westchester Knicks, the NBA affiliate of the NY Knicks, won their first G League Playoff Game in the five-year history of the franchise, when they beat the Windy City Bulls, 95-82, at the Westchester County Center, on March 27.

In 2017-18, the local Knicks won the regular season G League Eastern Conference and Atlantic Division Titles. Therefore, they received a bye to the Eastern Conference Semifinals. However, they lost to the Raptors 905, leaving them without a G League Playoff win until this year.

The NBA G League Playoff game brought 1900 fans to the County Center including, NY Knicks players Emmanuel Mudiay, Noah Vonleh, Kevin Knox, John Jenkins, Damyean Dotson and Kadeem Allen. Jenkins, Dotson and Allen at one time all played for the Westchester Knicks.

Also in attendance were NY Knicks President Steve Mills, General Manager Scott Perry, VP Player Development & Minor League Operations Craig



ALBERT COQUERAN PHOTOS

Westchester Knicks Jameel Warney (left) shoots over Windy City Bulls guard Kaiser Gates in the First Round of the G League Playoffs at the Westchester County Center. Warney had double-double of 20 points and 14 rebounds in the local Knicks, 95-82 win over the Bulls, on March 27.

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NY Knicks players (I-r) Kadeem Allen, Noah Vonleh, Emmanuel Mudiay and Kevin Knox were having a good time watching the Westchester Knicks beat the Windy City Bulls, in the First Round of the G League Playoffs, at the Westchester County Center on March 27.



White Plains resident Steve Max (center) is the undisputed Master of Simon Sez. Max congratulates the winners of his enthusiastic Simon Sez competition held during halftime of the Westchester Knicks versus Windy City Bulls First Round G League Playoff game.

Robinson and Westchester Knicks GM Allan Houston.

NBA G League President Shareef Abdur-Rahim also attended the game and spoke with the White Plains Examiner. 'The G League continues to grow and we are excited about all that is ahead of us," said the G League President. "The Knicks are one of the NBA family's storied franchises. We look forward to continued support and for them to do their best with their G League team," stated Abdur-Rahim.

The Westchester Knicks, the three-seed, did not disappoint the adoring County Center crowd as five local Knicks finished the game in double-figures with three players accumulating double-doubles in their First Round win over the six-seeded Bulls.

Billy Garrett had 20 points and 11 assists, Zak Irvin netted 19 points and grabbed 14 rebounds and Jameel Warney, a former player for Stony Brook University, scored 20 points and secured 14 rebounds. "It feels good to get our first victory in the playoffs. It is the product of all the hard work we put in as a team," said Garrett.

Nonetheless, the celebration did not continue for the local Knicks in the Eastern Conference Semifinals. They were eliminated from the G League Playoffs by the number two- seeded Lakeland Magic, 104-91, on Friday in Florida.

The Westchester Knicks finish their 2018-19 season with a 30-22 record while winning their first ever NBA G League Playoff game and advancing to the Eastern Conference Semifinals.



NY Knicks guard John Jenkins enjoys the Westchester Knicks Playoff game with his daughter Soraya at the Westchester County Center. Jenkins played an intricate role this season with the local Knicks while starting 19 games and averaging 24.8 points per game. He received a NBA Call-up with the Washington Wizards on Jan. 31, before signing as a free agent with the NY Knicks, on Feb. 11.



Craig Robinson (left), NY Knicks VP Player Development & Minor League Operations and NBA G League President Shareef Abdur-Rahim share a moment before the Westchester Knicks played the Windy City Bulls in the First Round of the G League Eastern Conference Playoffs, at the Westchester County Center.

EXAMINER SPORTS

Play Ball



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Stepinae Baseball Plays Suffern in Season Home Opener

Stepinac High School shortstop Michael Becchetti (pictured) warms-up in the on-deck circle before slamming a solo homerun against Suffern High School in the Crusaders Baseball Home Opener on Saturday, Mar. 30. Despite Becchetti's homer and designated hitter Izaiah Walker going 3-for-3 with a double and RBI, Stepinac lost to the Mounties, 8-2. Mounties Kenny Dodson hit a two run homer and Frank Blake had a RBI double. The winning pitcher for Suffern was Brain Paroff and the losing pitcher for Stepinac was Chris Antonelli.