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Residents Contest 'No Health Threat' Claims of Landfill Toxicity Report

By Neal Rentz

Consultants hired by City of White Plains to study the landfill on the former Good Counsel campus at 52 N. Broadway told the White Plains Common Council during a public hearing on April 1 that the landfill does not pose a health threat to the area, but a geologist hired by neighboring residents expressed concerns about the safety of the landfill.

The new owners of the property, WP Development NB, LLC, are proposing a housing development for the site. It is seeking to amend the Zoning Ordinance to create a new Planned Residential Development Zoning District and amend the Zoning Map classification from RM-1.5 to Planned Residential Development. The Common Council is the lead agency for the project.

VHB conducted the soil sampling on the landfill in November and December and did an environmental site assessment. Valerie Monastra, director of planning



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Karen Destefanis, the lead hydrogeologist hired by residents in the neighborhood of the former Good Counsel site, addressed the Common Council at the April 1 meeting.

for VHB, said the soil testing took place on 11 locations on recreation fields of the former Good Counsel site. Fill and demolition debris are in the landfill she said, adding the landfill is covered.

Steven Kaplan, director of OHM services for VHB, said four soil vapor samples were taken at the site, "just below the geomembrane" of the capped landfill. The vapor as determined by the test was at non-hazardous levels of methane from the brick and concrete on the property, he said.

The second study, which also consisted of 11 locations on the site, conducted "for potential for contamination" was examined for several chemicals, including PCBs and pesticides, Kaplan said. The soils in the test locations are regulated by the state Department of Environmental Conservation. Construction debris was found in the borings, he said.

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Westchester Avenue Live/Work Project Public Hearing Closed

By Neal Rentz

The White Plains Common Council voted unanimously on April 1 to close the public hearing on a proposal from a development partnership to create more than 300 apartments at 1133 Westchester Ave.

The joint venture of the NRP Group and the RPW Group is proposing to create the housing in the same complex that already has a commercial area which includes a day care center and other businesses.

The proposal is for 303 apartments that would be created in three new five-story buildings to be called The Flats. Ten percent of the units would be created as affordable housing and solar panels would be placed on the roofs of the apartment



Alan Himmelstein, president of the North Street Area Civic Association, addressed the White Plains Common Council on April 1 during the public hearing on a plan for 303 apartments at 1133 Westchester Ave.

buildings.

The developers are seeking a zoning map amendment and site plan approval from the Common Council to overlay the Planned Campus Development District on the site.

There would be one, two and three bedroom apartments spread through the three proposed apartment buildings. An outdoor swimming pool and fitness center are part of the plan.

The partners hope to begin construction in 2020.

Councilwoman Milagros Lecuona said she wanted city officials to research how many trees should replace the trees that would be taken down by the developer. In addition, the city needs to have an idea about what will happen in terms of further development on other properties on the "Platinum Mile," she said.

The one resident who participated in last week's public hearing was Alan Himmelstein, president of the North Street Area Civic Association. A Master Plan for the zoning should be created by the city. "A clear master plan everyone can look at" is needed, he said.

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White Plains Common Council Approves Three Employee Contracts

By Neal Rentz

The White Plains Common Council voted unanimously to approve contracts with three of its employee unions on April 1.

The Council approved stipulations of agreement with the Police Benevolent Association, the Civil Service Employees Association Local 1000 and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 456.

The new contracts with the three unions run from July 1, 2018 through



Mayor Tom Roach at the April 1 White Plains Common Council meeting. NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

June 30, 2021. Members of the three unions will receive salary increases of 1.25 percent in the first year of the contract and 3 percent raises in each of the final two years of the contract.

The new contracts were praised by Council members at last week's meeting.

Council President John

Martin said the unions were pleased with their new contracts and approved them with "strong majorities."

"These are fair contracts to the employees, as well as to the city. And it does give us and the employees a degree of certainty through June 30, 2021," Martin said.

Mayor Tom Roach praised the efforts of city employees. "It's amazing what goes on here, the pride that people take in their work, the commitment they have for this city," he said.

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Testing of three soil samples took place on the soil cap, above the geomembrane, Kaplan further explained. All tests required by the DEC were done, Kaplan said. Metals and pesticides were found on the soil cap.

The DEC has not commented on the study, Kaplan said.

"The site can be left as it is with no impact to public health," Monastra said. VHB is recommending that if there is any construction on the site the developer should consider removing or capping the impaired soils below the geomembrane and soil cap, she said.

In addition, the consultant is recommending that a sub-soil slab vapor barrier should be incorporated

for construction of basements and/or slab on-grade construction areas above occupiable building space.

Councilwoman Milagros Lecuona said the Common Council needed to hear from the DEC about its comments on the recommendations from VHB before considering the zoning changes. The DEC will not comment until a site plan is submitted to the Planning Board and the agency will not appear before the Common Council to discuss the report from VHB, Mayor Tom Roach said.

Resident Lou Goldstein wanted to know "the sequence of events" regarding the application. Roach said the application is to change the zoning and no site plan has been submitted to the city.



Valerie Monastra and Steven Kaplan from VHB, the company hired by the City of White Plains to study the landfill on the site of the former Good Counsel campus, spoke during an April 1 Common Council public hearing.

Resident Deborah Ziff said members of the public had no advance notice of the project being sought for the Good Counsel property. "I spend a lot of money on my home," she said. "This is a very big deal for us."

"If there's anything toxic at all it's scary," Ziff said.

"We didn't see us as city. We see ourselves as the edge of the city," Ziff said. "This is a huge development. This is a huge change." The Common Council needs to do a sufficient review of the site before approving the zoning changes sought by the developer, she said.

Karen Destefanis, the lead hydrogeologist hired by residents in the neighborhood of the former Good Counsel site, told the Common Council a vapor study was taken by her company. The cover of the liner of the landfill cap is insufficient because impaired soil was placed on it, not the two feet of clean soil as required as part of consent order the new property owner has with the DEC, she said, adding glass, pesticides and metals have been found in the soil. "This site has been non-complaint on a lot of things," she said. A guarantee of oversight is needed if the DEC allows the project to ultimately go forward, she said.


The public hearing will continue at the May 6 Common Council meeting.

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The Association wants to better understand the benefits to the city of the zoning map amendment, including how much additional tax revenue would be generated by the project, Himmelstein said. He thanked the developers for their willingness to meet with the Association.

A date when the application would be back on a Common Council meeting agenda was not announced last week.



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Vacant DeKalb Building to Become 21 New Apartments

By Neal Rentz

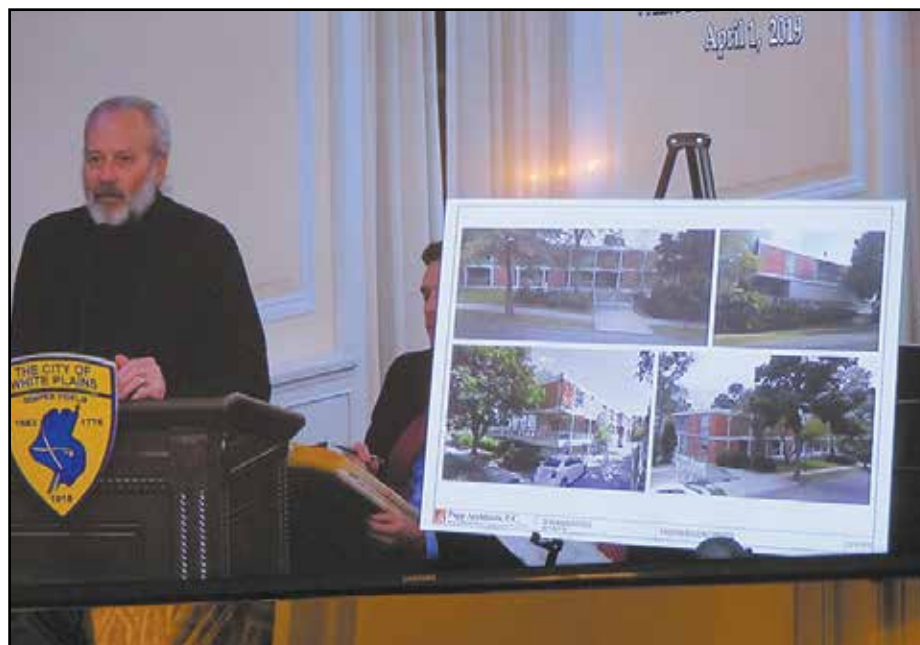
The White Plains Common Council voted unanimously on April 1 to close the public hearing on the proposal to create 21 housing units in a vacant building at 37 DeKalb Ave.

The applicant, 37 DeKalb Owner, LLC is seeking to establish a new Special Permit use that would allow the former 65-bed nursing home to hold multi-family housing. The Common Council, which is serving as the lead agency, is being asked to add the use to the R2-2.5 Zoning District.

The two-story building at Carhart and DeKalb, which has been vacant for over eight years, would be renovated, preserving the existing structure, to accommodate 21 multi-family rental units and the addition of a third floor.

William Null, an attorney for the applicant said previously the nursing home had been a permitted use in the district, but multi-family housing is not, and since the existing building would be upgraded, the project is an adaptive reuse of the 19,100 sq.-ft. property. Utilities had been disconnected and the interior structure of the building had been stripped because the property had become a gathering place for vagrants.

The zoning change would also apply to three other non-legally conforming properties in the White Plains R2-



NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

Ken Krystal, a member of the board of the Carhart Neighborhood Association, supported a proposed zoning change that would allow 21 housing units to be created in a vacant building at 37 DeKalb Ave. at the April 1 White Plains Common Council public hearing.

2.5 district, operating as multi-family housing, and bring them into compliance with the zoning ordinance. The zoning change would not apply to new buildings or new development projects within the district on vacant sites.

The proposed building design includes development of the basement into an

amenities area for residents. The first floor would include a lobby and parking garage, and the second and third floors would accommodate studio, one-bedroom and two-bedroom apartments.

The proposed design for the third floor includes a setback of the dwelling units and a terrace around the entire building.

No target market has yet been established for the building.

The Planning Board recently agreed the proposal had the necessary elements in place for the Common Council to schedule a public hearing on the zoning change.

The only resident who spoke during last week's public hearing, Ken Krystal, a member of the board of the Carhart Neighborhood Association, supported the zoning change. His board reviewed the plan from the developer, he said. "We fully support the request for a special use permit," he said. "I'm looking forward to some hubbub and noisy construction."

Councilwoman Milagros Lecuona said she supported the project, but wanted solar panels on the roof. Philip Fruchter, an architect working for the developer, said his client would have "green initiatives" for the project, including potentially placing solar panels on the roof.

A date for when the Common Council would vote on the zoning change was not announced last week.



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Stepinac Theatre to Present "A Bronx Tale"

Rehearsals are underway for Stepinac Theatre's national high school premiere of the Broadway musical, "A Bronx Tale."

The opening night performance will be staged at Stepinac's Major Bowes Auditorium, 950 Mamaroneck Ave., at 7 p.m., Friday, May 3, with four additional performances scheduled for Saturday, May 4; Friday and Saturday, May 10 and 11 and a special Mother's Day matinee at 2 p.m., Sunday, May 12.

Based on the play that inspired the classic film, "A Bronx Tale," set on the stoops of the Bronx in the 1960s, is about



a young man, Calogero, who is caught between Lorenzo, the father he loves and Sonny, the mob boss he'd love to be.

Jeremy Fuentes of Mahopac, a junior, will play Calogero; Lachland Boyle of Hartsdale, a senior, will play Lorenzo and Thomas Bilotta of Vahalla will play Sonny. The key female roles of Rosina, Calogero's mother and Jane, Calogero's romantic interest, will be respectively performed by Gabriella Palminteri of Bedford, a junior at Fox Lane High School and Sasha Spitz of Rye, a senior at Rye High School.

Gabriella is the daughter of Academy Award nominee Chazz Palminteri who wrote the book for the musical version of his original play.

The cast comprises 50 young performers.

Frank Portanova (Class of '93), who will direct the Stepinac production said: "This is a show about choices. Like Calogero, our students often face the same temptations from a culture that values expediency over hard work; a culture that seduces with promises of power and wealth; and a culture that celebrates lawlessness over justice."

"A Bronx Tale" will be produced by Keith Sunderland (Class of '94).

Reserved seat ticket prices are \$22 for adults and \$18 for seniors and children under 12. To order tickets and more information, call 914-946-4800, Ext. 200, or send e-mail to: theatre@stepinac.org.

White Plains High School Hall of Fame Seeks Nominations

Nominations are being sought for the 2019 White Plains High School Hall of Fame.

The Hall of Fame pays tribute to White Plains High School alumni/ae who have distinguished themselves in their chosen career and/or have significantly and positively impacted the lives of others. Any graduate of White Plains High School is eligible for nomination. Posthumous recognition is granted.

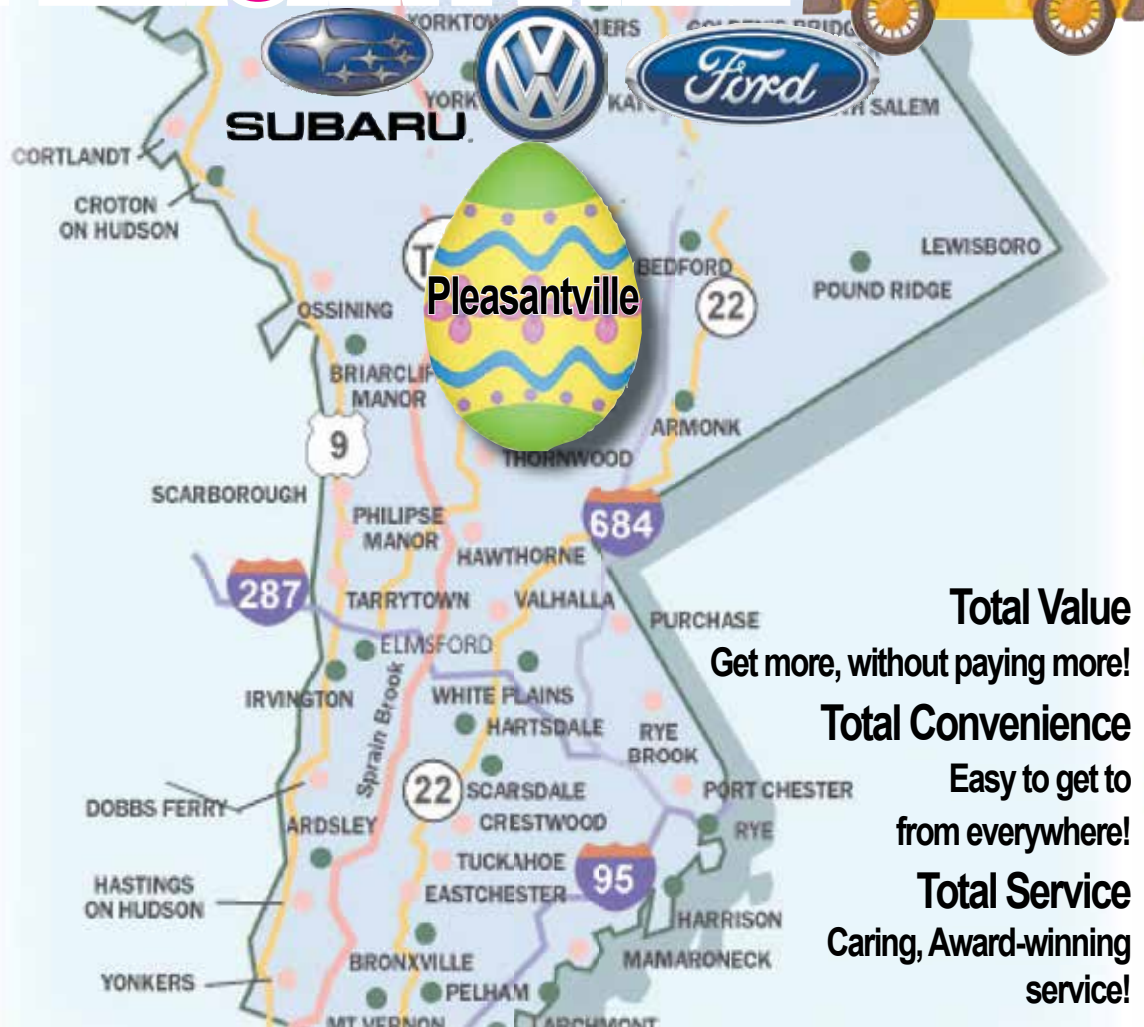
Eighty-two distinguished White Plains High School graduates have been inducted into the Hall of Fame at special ceremonies held at the High School. The next Induction Ceremony will be held in the fall.

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Cuomo, State Lawmakers Agree to \$175.5B Progressive Budget

By David Propper

Calling it the "broadest, most sweeping" plan during his tenure, Gov. Andrew Cuomo announced a budget agreement between the three branches of state government last week as lawmakers hit the Apr. 1 deadline for a new fiscal year.

Cuomo, in a press briefing, said the budget addressed many of New York's most pressing issues with an overall spending plan of \$175.5 billion. The deal is the ninth straight year a budget has been agreed to by the deadline.

"I think this budget is the strongest, most progressive statement that we've made," Cuomo said.

The final agreement resulted in a permanent 2 percent property tax cap, a statewide ban on single-use plastic bags and publicly financed political campaigns. Additionally, parts of the Affordable Care Act were codified into state law and bail reform was approved, which will eliminate cash bail in 90 percent of cases, according to a press release from Cuomo's office.

As for education aid, \$27.9 billion was secured for districts across the state, a 3.7 percent increase from last year.

The budget also signed off on lowering the middle-class tax rate by \$300,000 as Cuomo said he is fighting to combat the loss of the state and local tax (SALT) deduction imposed by the federal government that has hurt high tax states



NYS Gov. Andrew Cuomo announced a budget agreement by the April 1 deadline.

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On Election Day, every worker will get three hours off, paid leave to vote and \$10 million will go to counties for early voting.

Affecting New York City, congestion pricing was agreed to where vehicles traveling south of 60th Street in Manhattan would be charged a toll, as revenue would go toward fixing the crumbling subway system. Each vehicle will only be charged

once each day and there is no charge for drivers who remain on the West Side Highway or FDR Drive.

This is the first time since 2010 that Democrats controlled the governor's mansion, Assembly and state Senate during the budget season.

Cuomo said there were several issues that made this budget more strenuous, including the ongoing assault from the

federal government, the Amazon deal that fell through resulting in lost revenue and a \$2.3 billion shortfall that was not anticipated.


One reform that didn't pass was the legalization of recreational marijuana for adults 21 and up. Supporters of legalization said it would bring in revenue to the state and prevent the disproportionate arrests of minorities. Critics have feared it would lead to more drug use by teenagers and claimed marijuana is a gateway to more dangerous drugs.

Cuomo said legislation for that issue would still be discussed going forward this year.

"The political desire is there," Cuomo said. "I believe we will get it done. It is complicated to come up with a program that does it and protects public safety and does economic empowerment for communities that have paid the price and the best way to do it was not the rush of the budget."

Municipalities throughout the state have discussed, drafted or approved regulations for the sale of recreational marijuana, and in some cases have passed laws prohibiting its retail sale.


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DISCOVER WHY 'STRETCH' HAS BECOME THE NEW BUZZWORD FOR 2019 AT STRETCHLAB

By Neal Rentz

Stretching is a typical part of the process to prepare for athletic activities.

At StretchLab stretching is the specialty.

Rye resident Dawn Rinaldi, and her husband, Lincoln Briggs, are co-owners of the StretchLab franchise, which opened in White Plains on March 14.

The couple is planning to open a second location in Mount Kisco in May. The White Plains location is the first business the couple has co-owned.

"We provide one-on-one assisted stretching," Rinaldi said last week. "It's something you won't be able to do yourself."

"Living long is one of our mottos," Rinaldi said.

StretchLab offers 25- and 50-minute sessions which are done out in the open. "We are doing that on purpose. We don't want the sheets and the closed doors. We want to really build a sense of community here, where people feel welcome, people of all sizes and shapes," Rinaldi explained.

Assisted stretching is considered to be wellness "or a supplement to fitness," Rinaldi said. "For instance, we'll be in Orangetheory (a nearby fitness center) a lot. They'll host us there. And they don't



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Rye resident Dawn Rinaldi, shown above, and her husband, Lincoln Briggs, are co-owners of StretchLab, which opened in White Plains on March 14.

even look at us as competition because we're bringing a different clientele."

The new business also brings its services to local businesses and holds private functions such as bridal showers.

Males and females, youths and adults are the StretchLab clients, Rinaldi said. Teenagers, for example, come

to StretchLab to improve their range of motion for sports, dancing and gymnastics.

"Really what you're doing here is increasing your range of motion, flexibility and mobility," Rinaldi said. "We're not medical. So if you're acute we will tell you to get a doctor's note. But we are seeing

physical therapists actually referring people here after they're done with their treatment."

Stretch is becoming more popular, Rinaldi said. "Stretch is becoming the buzzword of 2019." "We're all talking about recovery now. And the reason why is because we have all of these high intensity workouts that have become the hip workouts."

Rinaldi said people who participate in the high intensity workouts are injuring themselves "and they are paying lip service to recovery."

"This is really front and center of what you can do without sweating, without changing," Rinaldi said.

Her employees include personal trainers, massage therapists and former chiropractors. "People who work here really care about people. They really want to work with people one-on-one," she said.

"StretchLab brings to the ordinary population something that pro athletes have been doing all the time," Rinaldi said. "Tom Brady and LeBron James have their own personal stretchers."

StretchLab is located at 147 E. Post Rd. in White Plains. For more information call 914-413-0222, send an e-mail to dawn.rinaldi@stretchlab.com or visit <https://local.stretchlab.com/location/whiteplains>.

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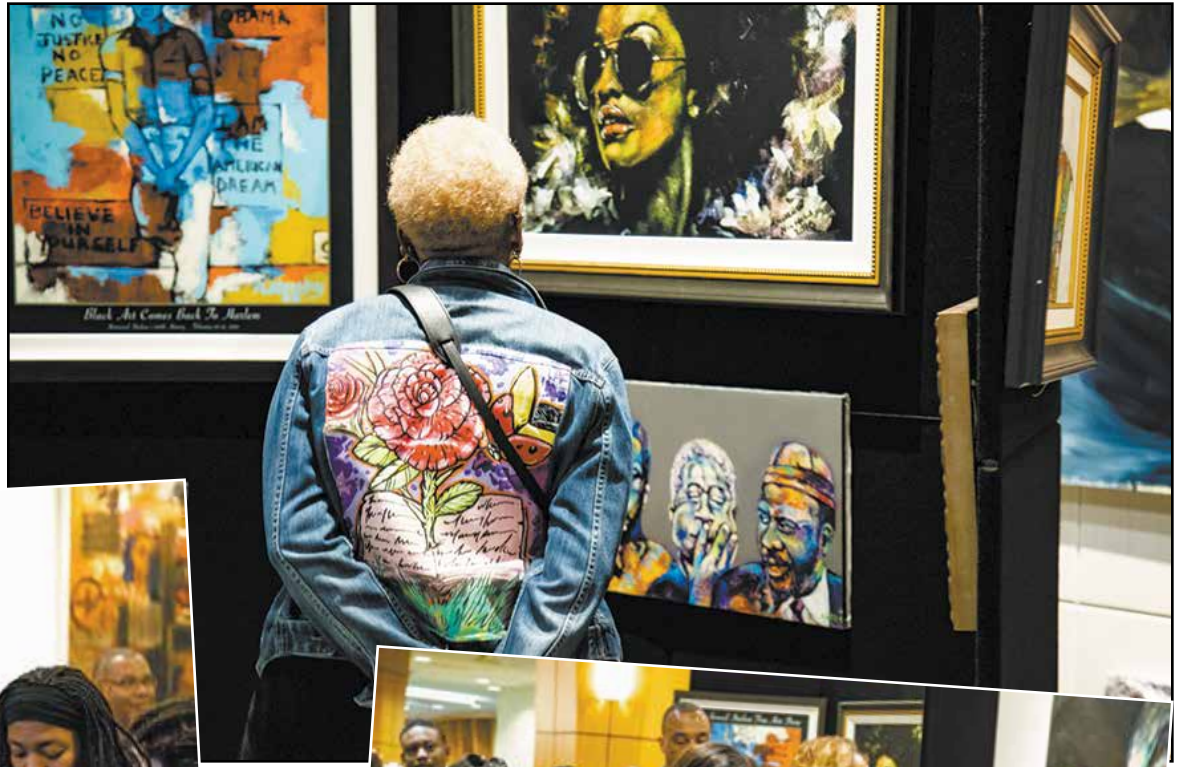


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The Harlem Fine Arts Show Returned to White Plains for its 8th Year



The Harlem Fine Arts Show (HFAS), a collection of works (paintings, photographs, books, and sculptures) by African-American artists, both established and emerging, returned to White Plains for its 8th year at the Reckson Metro Center on March 28.

Live music was provided by Jasper Cain and the Rhythm Collective.

This year's Special Recognition honorees included musicians Dez Watson and James Farley.

The Art Show also honored successful educators for their contributions and leadership in the field of education, impacting the lives of youth and adults. The honorees were Paul Bratcher, Director of Alternatives Programs at Rochambeau School, White Plains;

Dr. Tahira DuPree Chase, Superintendent of the Greenburgh Central School District; and

Dr. Belinda Miles, President of Westchester Community College.

Frank Williams, Jr., Executive Director of the White Plains Youth Bureau said, "White Plains is the center of commerce and culture for Westchester County. It's important that we showcase African American Artists for their influence in shaping the way in which we interact, and our way of living."



Examiner Wins Press Association Honors; First-Place Award for Editorials

Examiner Media won honors for its journalism in three critical categories at the New York Press Association's annual conference last weekend in Albany, including first-place for editorials.

In addition to the award for best editorials by The Examiner's editor-in-chief, Martin Wilbur, the newspaper group was also recognized in the news and sports categories.

The press association awarded second-place for best sports action photo to The Examiner's sports editor, Andy Jacobs, and gave an honorable mention to former reporter Anna Young in the spot news category.

"Really did a nice job informing the public, but also kept the pieces easy to read," the judges from the Wisconsin Press Association said of the editorials.

The three pieces from The Examiner submitted for the best editorials of 2018 prize were headlined "Chappaqua Schools Super's Attempt at Secrecy Benefits



Martin Wilbur, The Examiner's editor-in-chief, won first place for best editorials at this past weekend's New York Press Association 2018 Better Newspaper Contest awards ceremony, held at the Albany Hilton.

No One," from the Apr. 24 edition, "Newsprint Tariffs and Fake News Mantra a Threat to Democracy," from the Aug. 14 edition and "North Castle Owes Public an Explanation Over Goldberg Decision," from the Sept. 11 edition.

The award-winning action sports photo was for a football picture Jacobs took of a pair of Westlake High School defensive players breaking up a pass intended for an Ardsley receiver in the Sept. 18, 2018 edition of The Examiner.

"The photographer captured a great moment of action featuring three players," the judges stated.

The honorable mention for Young in the spot news category was for an Aug. 7, 2018 article in The Examiner headlined "Car Crashes into Pleasantville Pharmacy; Elderly Customer Hospitalized."

"Good spot news reporting," the judges concluded.

The annual New York Press Association Better Newspaper Contest awards

ceremony, this year at the Albany Hilton, is held as part of a two-day industry conference featuring expert speakers and lecturers. The keynote speaker on Apr. 5 was Margaret Sullivan, a prominent Washington Post media columnist and former New York Times public editor. Between the Apr. 5 and Apr. 6 seminars, industry leaders conducted more than 60 educational sessions.

In all, 163 newspapers from New York State submitted 2,743 entries. Newspapers are divided into multiple divisions so they are competing for awards against publications of comparable circulation. The coveted overall Newspaper of the Year prize was awarded to The Suffolk Times.

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Obituaries

Kevin Patrick Morgan

Kevin Patrick Morgan, 63, a lifelong resident of Elmsford, died April 4, after a short battle with cancer.

Born May 20, 1955 to the late Alphonsus and Rosie (O'Reilly) Morgan, he is survived by his loving wife Nancy (Parks) of 40 years, son Kevin (Rhonda) and daughter Kristen (Rajesh) Kumar. Poppy to Evan, AJ, Julia, and Liam.

He was a decorated retired police detective in the Greenburgh Police Department, an Investigator for the Legal Aid Society, Greenburgh Town Councilman, member of the Elmsford Rotary, and Leukemia and Lymphoma Society board member in which he won man of the year for his fundraising efforts.

Kevin is survived by sister Linda and his brothers Robert and Richard and many nieces and nephews.

He is predeceased by his sister Deborah and his brother Brian.

In lieu of flowers donations to Leukemia and Lymphoma Society <https://donate.lls.org/lls/donate>.

John Oddo

Renowned musical director, arranger, and pianist John Oddo passed away suddenly at his home in White Plains on April 2. He was 66 years old.

A musical genius, John Oddo was the "go-to guy" for an arrangement, orchestration or a tuba player in Timbuktu. Everyone in the business knew to, "ask John Oddo."

Born in Brooklyn on March 21, 1953, John followed his dreams graduating from the Eastman School of Music with a Masters Degree in Jazz Studies and started his career as a pianist, arranger, and composer for Woody Herman and his Thundering Herd. John met Rosemary Clooney in 1983 and served as her musical director, pianist, and arranger for more than 18 years. His credits include work on 20 of her recordings, as well as numerous live and televised performances.

As musical director, arranger, pianist, his collaborators also included Debby Boone, Tony Danza, Stan Getz, Patti Austin, Joe Williams, Michael Feinstein,

Christine Ebersole, Melissa Errico, Tony Bennett, Ray Charles, Barbara Cook, Bob and Dolores Hope, Toni Tenille, Toots Thielemans, Cheyenne Jackson, Maureen McGovern, David Hyde Pierce, Linda Ronstadt, John Pizzarelli, Steve Tyrell and James Naughton for whom he was musical director and arranger for PBS "Live from Lincoln Center" presents James Naughton: The Songs of Randy Newman.

Other projects included composer and performer for PBS/Showtime's Our Town directed by James Naughton and starring Paul Newman, and conductor, pianist, and arranger for the NBC special Scott Hamilton & Friends. He has also performed at the White House for four presidents.

For the past four years, John had been the musical director, arranger and pianist for Tony Danza's cabaret show, Standards

& Stories.

John had simple, but refined pleasures. While his work took him all over the world, John was never happier than kayaking or cycling in the Hudson Valley with his wife of 34 years, Eileen, or watching the Yankees, tending to his vegetable garden, and cooking family dinners with Eileen and his children Tim and Annie.

John is survived by his wife Eileen (nee Johnson,) daughter Annie, son Timothy, parents Anita and Vincent Oddo, brothers James and Richard (Cathy), mother-in-law Barbara Johnson, brother-in-law Stephen Johnson (Carol), sister-in-law Kathleen Mayer (George), brother-in-law Kevin Johnson (Yvonne), sister-in-law Susan Johnson as well as many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, colleagues and friends.

He was predeceased by his father-in-

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Clarification

In the April 2 edition of The White Plains Examiner, the article "Mayor's White Plains Budget Under Tax Cap," incorrectly stated that the White Plains mayor prepares the annual proposed budget. Rather, the budget director prepares the proposed budget, which is then submitted

to the Common Council and mayor for review. Also the Budget office did not hold a press conference on the budget, the meeting was a courtesy briefing and the information was embargoed until after the Common Council formally received the budget proposal.

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The Wild Geese: The True Heroes Immortalized in Legend and Song



By Brian McGowan

Recently we talked about a still controversial event, the 1607 "Flight of the Earls," and what its significance is in Irish history to the present day.

This week we focus on events closer at hand and celebrate another event, the 1691 departure to Europe of a band of Irish rebels, immortalized forever in the legend of the "Wild Geese."

Just as a refresher, the events of 1691 are celebrated in the tune "Limerick's Lamentation," the sad and plaintive notes of which will bring the stoniest of hearts to tears. If you haven't already gone off and gotten the tune ("The Chieftains Live," track 9), you really should.

The 1691 Treaty of Limerick brought an end to another of the long list of Irish rebellions against English rule, this one in support of the deposed King James II of England, last of the Stuart rulers and a Catholic supported by many Irish as their rightful ruler. Called "The Williamite War" because of James II's foe, the Protestant William of Orange, the war

lasted from 1688 to 1691, when James' forces were finally defeated in the Battle of Aughrim.

The terms of the treaty were generous, and compelled many of the rebel leaders to give up the struggle and sign. No sooner was the ink dry, of course, than the treaty was broken by the English, giving rise to the subsequent penal laws and mass confiscations of Irish-owned land throughout the country.

One aspect of the treaty, however, was upheld, and that was the right of the armed rebels to leave Ireland as an intact force and go fight in the armies of Europe. About 14,000 of them chose this option and sailed off for the continent, most of them never again to see the land of their birth. These brave souls gave rise to the legend of the Flight of the Wild Geese. The term specifically applies to members of the rebel Irish army who accompanied their commander, Patrick Sarsfield, to Europe following the Treaty of Limerick.

Provisioning of soldiers from Ireland to the continent was nothing new, and had been going on from at least the

1500s. While many nations in Europe would count sizable numbers of Irish in their military ranks, none would surpass France, where Sarsfield's troops were welcomed heartily.

The term wild geese came to apply not only to Sarsfield's band, but to any of the other thousands of expatriate Irishmen who battled under a foreign flag in the wars of 16th-, 17th- and 18th-century Europe. France was a particularly easy destination for these soldiers of fortune. A fond attachment had always existed between the two countries, given the old adage that "England's enemy is Ireland's friend."

In the Williamite War, France stepped up military and financial aid to the Jacobites, the term for supporters of James II, whose name in Latin was Jacobus. In exchange, some 6,000 Irish recruits manned the ranks of France's Irish Brigade, joined later by Sarsfield's army of 14,000, along with 6,000 women and children following their men. Wearing red coats in recognition of their allegiance to the Stuarts, they distinguished themselves in countless battles on the continent, but

never realized their dream of returning to Ireland as part of an invading Franco-Irish force.

They were the original "Wild Geese," and many a legend has been wrapped around them in the romantic veil of time. Their souls, doomed to die in a foreign land, are thought to be borne north – or west or east – depending upon where they fled; a prolific group, these, with many foreign destinations eager to court them – on the wings of geese, to be deposited once again in the land of their birth, Ireland.

Quite the legend, and few people with more than a drop of Irish blood in their veins can see a flock of geese soaring overhead without that image coming to mind. I am certainly not immune to it.

Pleasantville resident Brian McGowan was born and raised in the Bronx, in New York City, and is a second, third and fifth-generation Irish-American/Canadian, as his immigrant ancestors followed several paths to the New World. Reach him at brian.m.mcgowan1952@gmail.com, or on Twitter (@Bmcgowan52M). To see more of his writing on "things Irish" follow his blog, "Rethinking Irish," at www.rethinkingirish.com.

Guest Column



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law Stephen Johnson and brother-in-law William Johnson.

A Funeral Mass will be held at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, 920 Mamaroneck Avenue, White Plains, New York at 11 a.m. Friday, April 12.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to: MusiCares, Attn: Annual Giving, 3030 Olympic Blvd.

Santa Monica, CA 90404; St. Michaels Special School, 1522 Chippewa St., New Orleans, LA 70130; Covenant House, 611 North Rampart St., New Orleans, LA 70112.

Patricia C. Brennan

Patricia Christine Brennan, a White Plains resident, died April 4 at the age of 79.

She was born May 17, 1939 in the Bronx

to the late Edward and Christine Cleary O'Keeffe.

On August 31 1963 she married John J. Brennan.

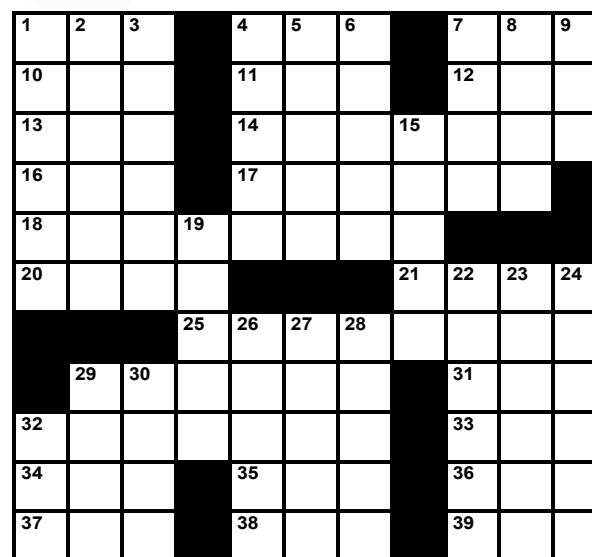
Patricia was retired from the NYC Board of Education.

She is survived by her children; Christopher Brennan of White Plains, Julie Brennan Burrell of Corvallis, Montana and Katie Brennan of Chappaqua, and her grandchildren, Callan, Maggie, Bastiaan, Larah, Sophie and Adele. Also surviving are her sisters, Loretta Curley and Clare Roberts.



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19. Hogwash
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23. Upscale kitchen feature
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29. What ancient Rome might be called or Yonkers casino, ____ City
31. Horror film franchise street name
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The Story of That Mirror, Mirror That's on the Wall

Normally when I look into a mirror, mostly when I'm shaving, I don't have my nearsightedness corrected with glasses. But just the other day I happened to look into my magnifying shaving mirror with my glasses on and was somewhat shocked to find that I really looked my age when, for years, I thought I had been defying it.

Oh, well. Unlike Narcissus, the mythological character who fell in love with his own reflection in a pond's surface, I don't need to reassure myself of my beauty to get through the day.

Besides offering us the opportunity to check ourselves out to make sure we are properly groomed and attired, mirrors have played an important role throughout their history. Used in technology, they've been important components in scientific instruments such as telescopes, industrial machinery, cameras and lasers.

Today, it can be a very important element in interior design as well as home staging. As a realtor, I sometimes have to advise sellers what to keep and what to eliminate from their walls. (No personal photos or wedding pictures, for example; the buyers want to visualize themselves in the house, not the sellers.) A good mirror would always be on my list of recommendations to add, both to enlarge space and reflect additional light.

When entering my home, the first

thing a visitor would see on the wall of my foyer is a large antique mirror with a massive wooden frame, coated with a tin surface, which is stamped with an elaborate pattern and painted in shimmery gold and silver. It makes quite a statement while enlarging the space and reflecting additional light.

The history of mirrors goes back to the beginning of time when people looked at their reflections in pools of water. The first man-made mirrors were from polished stone, like black volcanic glass obsidian, found in Turkey with a carbon dating of 6,000 years.

Ancient Egyptians used polished copper for mirrors, and mirrors made from polished stone were found in Central and South America from about 2000 B.C. In China, mirrors were made from metal alloys, such as a mixture of tin and copper that could be highly polished to make a reflective surface. Metal alloys or precious metals mirrors were very valuable items in ancient times, only



By Bill Primavera

affordable to the very wealthy.

Mirrors made of metal-backed glass were first produced in Lebanon in the first century A.D., while ancient Romans made mirrors from blown glass with lead backings.

Glass mirrors were first produced during the third century A.D. and were quite common in Egypt, Gaul, Germany and Asia. The invention of glassblowing during the 14th century led to the production of convex mirrors.

The major component of mirrors is glass. Because glass is a poor reflector, it must be coated in order to enhance its reflectiveness with such metallic coatings as silver, gold and chrome.

During the Renaissance in Europe, mirrors were made by a method of coating glass with a tin and mercury amalgam. The mirror factory Saint-Gobain was established in France at that time, but mirrors were originally very expensive luxuries that only the wealthy could afford.

In 1835, Justus von Liebig, a German

chemist, developed the silvered-glass mirror where a thin layer of metallic silver is put onto glass by the chemical reduction of silver nitrate. The invention of this process enabled mirrors to be manufactured on a much larger scale. For the first time in history ordinary people could buy a mirror. Today's mirrors are more frequently produced by depositing aluminum by vacuum directly onto the glass.

There is a wealth of superstition surrounding mirrors. I wondered, for instance, why a broken mirror brings seven years bad luck. My research revealed an old Roman legend that the soul shatters along with the mirror and it requires seven years to regenerate.

Mirrors also have a strong connection to spirits. In earlier times, mirrors were covered when someone died because of the superstition that it can trap the soul of the deceased.

For us, however, it is best used as a major element in interior design, to visually enlarge a space and reflect light.

Bill Primavera, while a publicist and journalist, is a Realtor® associated with William Raveis Real Estate and founder of Primavera Public Relations, Inc. (www.PrimaveraPR.com). You can engage the services of The Home Guru to market your home for sale by calling 914-522-2076.

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My Personal Journey in Campania's Resurrection



By Nick Antonaccio

For the last two columns I have been focusing on a subject dear to my heart, dear to my heritage and dear to my wallet: the wines of Campania.

This wine region in Southern Italy, southeast of Naples, has been cultivated for millennia for its indigenous grapes. These wines, planted by ancient Greeks and Romans, flourished for centuries, but were nearly lost over the past two millennia due to difficult economic times and a lack of interest outside the region.

In the mid-20th century a resurgence began to percolate in the undulating hills of the nearby Apennine Mountains. New vineyards were planted, creating local jobs and a budding export trade.

The recent emergence of this region as a producer of world-class wines is in part attributable to a term I introduced in my previous column that encapsulates the underlying theme that runs deep in the veins of the local winemakers – Sprezzatura, the art of effortless mastery.

The new wine economy in Campania has resurrected the inherent talent of the local winemakers as they ply their

expertise, their Sprezzatura.

I believe this ancient art of effortless mastery, inbred instinct if you will, is evident in my Italian heritage. My paternal grandfather, a horticulturist in the Benevento subregion before immigrating to the United States in the early 20th century, carried out his craft in the local vineyards. It's easy to understand why this region is dear to my heritage and dear to my heart.

The land is still an agrarian economy, but no longer an agrarian culture. The local Italians have seen the future and it is green. The green of healthier and more robust crops, a result of newly applied techniques in the vineyard. But also, the green of unencumbered capital being invested in formerly sleepy, family plots, sustaining a healthy business model not enjoyed in prior generations.

Today, as the wines of Campania become more popular, local winemakers and growers are enjoying this 21st century phenomenon, one that was non-existent for centuries before an influx of capital. Wealthy Italian industrialists, successful northern Italian winery owners and

adventurous American entrepreneurs are investing in Campania.

The wines produced by these ancient, now burgeoning, wineries are perhaps the best expressions of the local grapes ever witnessed. Accolades abound from Italy to the United States. The most popular wines are compared to wines previously considered the best in the world. The aromatic Falanghina is being lauded in the same context as world-class Chardonnays. The bold, complex Aglianico is spoken in the same breath as Barolo and Brunello.

At Cantine Ciani, 62 miles east of Naples, the winery in which I have a (small) financial interest, millions of dollars are being invested in upgrading the winery's infrastructure and technology. New stainless-steel silos for storing grape juice and finished wines are near completion. A new laboratory is a 21st century work in progress. A new tasting room and on-property boutique inn are rising from the volcanic soil cultivated for centuries.

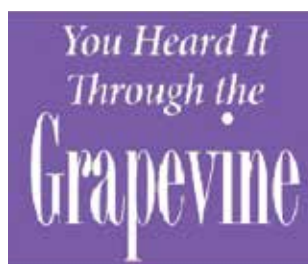
The wines being produced? I recently hosted a Campanian-themed wine tasting event in my home. The predominance

of wines were Aglianicos, from several prestigious wineries in the Taurasi subregion and from vintages ranging from 2016 to 1998. All were drinking at their peak and offered an in-depth cross section of vineyard terroirs and winery styles.

Although Cantine Ciani wines will not be available in the United States this year, I suggest you sample similar wines produced from grapes grown in the surrounding area: Aglianico from the highly acclaimed Taurasi subregion, Aglianico-based still and sparkling rosé (rosato in Italian) from the broader Campania areas, Fiano di Avellino and Greco di Tufo.

This is why I feel so close to this winery. For me the resurrection of this traditional, generations-old family operation represents all of the elements that are dear to my heart, my heritage and my wallet.

Nick Antonaccio is a 40-year Pleasantville resident. For over 25 years he has conducted wine tastings and lectures. Nick is a member of the Wine Media Guild of wine writers. He also offers personalized wine tastings and wine travel services. Nick's credo: continuous experimenting results in instinctive behavior. You can reach him at nantonaccio@theexaminernews.com or on Twitter @sharingwine.



It's the Perfect Time to Spring Into Wellness



By Joanne Witmyer

The greens of bulb flowers are peeking out of the ground, and in some areas of our community the daffodils have begun to bloom.

Wild ramps are being offered at our local farmers markets; these vegetables are coveted due to their short harvesting season and interesting flavor.

As we ease into this new season, our focus may naturally shift to different wellness considerations. Here are three areas in which simple changes can lead to noticeable results.

1. Cooking with seasonal ingredients. In the cold weather months, we gravitate

toward heartier meals such as roasted root vegetables, comfort food and stews. This spring, explore the markets to select vegetables that are available. These tend to be lighter, greener and more delicate. Creative ways to experiment could involve selecting two different recipes featuring the same vegetable, or eating a vegetable raw then contrasting the flavor once it is cooked.

Recipes need not be complicated; in fact, sometimes using less ingredients allows the taste of a vegetable to shine through. Be adventurous in the kitchen.

2. Adding different types of movement. Some individuals enjoy

being outdoors more often when it's warmer, while others don't mind the lower temperatures. We each have our own preferences. This season, consider taking a hike out in nature and observing

the various buds that are beginning to form on tree branches. Or try an activity outside that combines a sense of play with movement, such as throwing a frisbee with a friend in a local park. Approaching exercise these ways can introduce a freshness that aligns with the feel of spring.

3. Declutter one space at home. The traditional approach to spring cleaning might seem daunting if it involves multiple rooms or projects. Try tackling

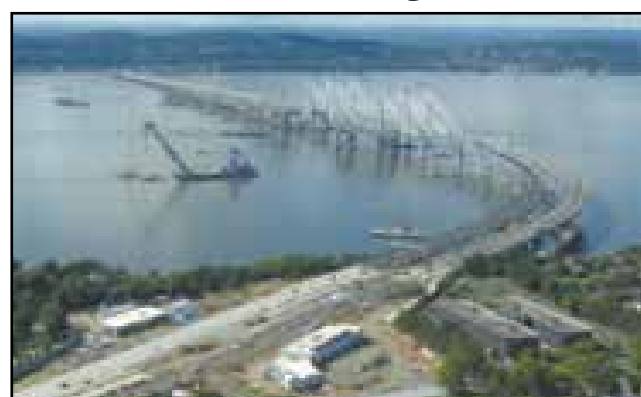
one space first, perhaps an area that you have been avoiding because it seems too overwhelming and cluttered, such as a closet that stores winter coats and other gear. Packing away the cold weather items to make way for lighter jackets, if approached with a sense of anticipation, just might generate momentum from the feeling of accomplishment.

I hope you find these ideas helpful! Joanne Witmyer is the founder of Indigo Health and Wellness, based in Croton-on-Hudson. She teaches group classes, offers wellness consulting to companies and helps private clients achieve their health goals, particularly during times of change and transition. You can reach Joanne at 914-208-1022 or at Joanne@IndigoHW.com.

Guest Column

Freezing a Moment

There's something to be said for freezing a moment. That's what photographers do. One Westchester photographer I know has been freezing many moments as the construction of the new Mario M. Cuomo Bridge has been underway. David Rocco, a retired civil service carpenter, is happy when he is photographing construction projects. For the past few years, he has been tracking with his camera the progress of the building of the new bridge and the demolition of the old bridge. At the Arts Award Luncheon on April 11, Rocco will receive the Lawrence



Construction of the new Mario M. Cuomo Bridge, photograph by David Rocco.

Salley Photography Award in recognition of his significant body of work of outstanding artistic merit. This award is in memory of "Larry" Salley, a former Westchester County Commissioner who has served on the boards of ArtsWestchester and the African American Men of Westchester. Salley was a modern-day

"Jazz Man," whose passion was taking photographs, particularly of jazz artists.

David Rocco has a different passion. He loves construction projects. So it is no surprise that the breadth of Rocco's work documents construction projects such as the Walkway Over the Hudson, the Mount Beacon Restoration project and now the construction of the new Governor Mario M. Cuomo Bridge and the demolition of the old Tappan Zee Bridge.

—Janet Langsam-CEO of ArtsWestchester



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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 24-hour 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.

Families of Veterans Writing Workshop. Are you a family member or caretaker of a veteran or active duty service member? White Plains Public Library and Veterans Writing Workshop are pleased to offer a free 10-week creative writing workshop just for you. Space is limited and registration is required. To register visit fvww.weebly.com, call 914-629-4016 or email: info@fvww.org; 6:30 to 8 p.m. at White Plains Library, 100 Martine Ave., White Plains.

Wednesday, Apr. 10

Coffee with Grandpas United. A monthly speaker series about issues and topics related to grandfathering; 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. at White Plains Library, 100 Martine Ave., White Plains.

Storybook Dancing. Steffi Nossen School of Dance presents a creative movement class for 3-4 year olds taught by Kristina Todd Nelson, or another instructor. Space is limited to 20 dancers, tickets will be handed out on a first-come, first-served basis starting 30 minutes before the program. Each week dancers will go on an adventure into a classic story book and dance their way through the pages while learning fun, creative dance. 11 to 11:45 a.m. at White Plains Library, 100 Martine Ave., White Plains.

Noonday Getaway Concert. A presentation of Downtown Music at Grace. Writing about soprano Abigail Fischer in the New York Times, Zachary Woolfe notes: With her dramatic tumble of red hair and cello-mello voice, Ms. Fischer sings with a passionate restraint that has no equal in her generation. You didn't want

her to stop. She is joined by Susan Ellinger, a pianist praised for her "refined, poised and singular vision", who has performed as both a soloist and chamber musician in concerts at Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center's Bruno Walter Auditorium, Caramoor and Tanglewood. The program includes a selection of Brahms late piano works, amidst the luxurious expressionism of Berg's 7 early songs. 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 has been made possible, in part, with the support of White Plains Hospital.

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.

Which Craft? Wednesday. Learn design thinking with Extraordinaires Design Studio. Create gadgets, buildings and inventions. 4 to 5:30 p.m. For teens. White Plains Library, 100 Martine Ave., White Plains.

Kevin Young: Poetry in Sound. This program presents a combo comprised of jazz students from Purchase College's Conservatory of Music performing original settings of poems by Kevin Young. . Young, this year's Roy and Shirley Durst Distinguished Chair in Literature, will accompany the performance with a live reading. Purchase College's Neuberger Museum of Art, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. 4:30 p.m. Free. Info: 914-251-6550 or visit www.purchase.edu/academics/school-of-humanities/lectures/durst-distinguished-lectures.

Meet Todd Parr. Enjoy a special afternoon of story time with this award-winning author and illustrator. Parr will read and discuss several of his family-themed books, including "The Family Book," which celebrates the love felt for our families and all the different varieties they come in. For children three to seven years old. ArtsWestchester, 31 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains. 4:30 to 5 p.m. Free. Info: Visit www.ArtsWestchester.org.

Moses, Monotheism and the #MeToo Movement. Scott A. Shay, co-founder of Signature Bank of New York, called for the re-imposition of Glass-Steagall and breaking up the big banks at a TEDx talk at the NY Stock Exchange in 2012. Although Shay had a successful business career spanning Wall Street, private equity, venture capital and banking, he has always

been a student of religion and how it ought to apply to the world outside of a church, mosque or synagogue. In addition to authoring many articles relating to the Jewish community, he has penned "In Good Faith, Questioning Religion and Atheism, and Getting Our Groove Back: How to Energize American Jewry." Part of the Br. John G. Driscoll Lecture Series in Jewish-Catholic Studies. Iona College's Spellman Hall, Thomas J. Burke Lounge, 715 North Ave., New Rochelle. 5 p.m. Free.

Community Conversations. Come for a special talk by award-winning author and illustrator Todd Parr on the subject of inclusivity and the representation of family in children's books. A Q&A with the audience will follow. For adults and young adults. ArtsWestchester, 31 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains. 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Free. Info: Visit www.ArtsWestchester.org.

Microplastics. Jill S. Schneiderman, chair of the Department of Earth Science and Geography at Vassar College, will discuss the impact of microplastic pollution on different environments and detail her own research on the subject as it relates to the dunes of Cape Cod. This program is in partnership with the Sierra Club Lower Hudson Group. Greenburgh Nature Center, 99 Dromore Rd., Scarsdale. 7 to 9 p.m. Free. Info: 914-723-3470 or visit www.greenburghnaturecenter.org.

Thursday, Apr. 11

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 the Trove in White Plains Library, 100 Martine Ave., White Plains.

Tech Thursday. 3D printing for teens; 4 to 5 p.m., White Plains Library, 100 Martine Ave., White Plains.

Friday, Apr. 12

Special Needs: Self-Advocate Stories. The Irvington Town Hall Theater Commission presents the last of three diversity events this season featuring speakers who will discuss in their own words what it's like to self-advocate, not only the challenges that they face, but the ways in which they are improving their own lives and the lives of others. Irvington Town Hall Theater, 85 Main St., Irvington. 7:30 p.m. Free. Info: Visit www.irvingtontheater.com.

Westchester Photographic Society Presents: Hazel Meredith, Topaz and Textures. All photographers are welcome whether beginner or professional. Mutual support for the enhancement of the craft is our specialty. Compete in digital

competitions: color and "open mind." Critiqued by a professional judge. Must be 18 or older. Westchester Community College's Technology Building, Room 107, (near Parking Lot 11), 75 Grasslands Rd., Valhalla. 8 p.m. Free. Info: 914-827-5353 or visit www.wpsphoto.org.

Nick Lowe's Quality Rock & Roll Revue. Lowe has made his mark as a producer, songwriters of at least three songs you know by heart, short-lived career as a pop star and a lengthy term as a musicians' musician. In his current second act as a silver-haired, tender-hearted but sharp-tongued singer-songwriter, he has no equal. Starting with 1995's "The Impossible Bird" through 2011's "The Old Magic," Lowe has turned out a fantastic string of albums, each one devised in his West London home. His new four-song EP "Tokyo Bay" features Los Straitjackets as backing band and will be performing at the show. The evening's special guest is Dawn Lades. Tarrytown Music Hall, 13 Main St., Tarrytown. 8 p.m. \$38, \$48 and \$60. Info and tickets: Visit www.tarrytownmusichall.org.

Saturday, Apr. 13

Sheep-to-Shawl. Follow the process of textile creation, from the sheep's back to yarn, experiencing the entire process of turning wool into cloth, watching as sheep are shorn by hand and taking a turn dyeing and weaving the finished product – all done just like it was over 300 years ago. Stroll through the historic manor's grounds to watch as Scottish border collies demonstrate their sheep- and duck-herding savvy, get crafty in the kids free explore area, and browse local vendors and artisans selling yarn-related wares. Toes will be tapping throughout the day to the sounds of live bluegrass and folk music. Geordane's of Irvington will offer a full lunch menu, the Blue Pig of Croton-on-Hudson serve locally-sourced, homemade ice cream and Captain Lawrence Brewing Company will serve draft beers. Rain or shine. Philipsburg Manor, 381 N. Broadway (Route 9), Sleepy Hollow. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Adults: \$16. Seniors (65 and up) and students (18-25): \$12. Children (3-17): \$8. Children (under 3): Free. (\$2 additional for onsite and phone purchase). Also Apr. 14. Info and tickets: 914-366-6900 or visit www.hudsonvalley.org.

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Historical Society Dinner Speaker Will Discuss the Romantic George Washington

Mary Calvi, co-anchor of “CBS2 This Morning” and “CBS2 at Noon” will speak about her debut novel, “Dear George, Dear Mary” at the White Plains Historical Society 30th Annual Dinner, Thursday, May 2.

Calvi, The First Lady of Yonkers, an American television journalist and nine-time Emmy Award recipient, has since childhood been fascinated by the life and times of Mary Philipse. Calvi’s novel, inspired by true events, revolves around the ill-fated romance of a young 24-year-old



Mary Calvi will talk about her new book “Dear George, Dear Mary” at the White Plains Historical Society Annual Dinner, May 2.



Cover shot of “Dear George, Dear Mary” by Mary Calvi.

George Washington and Mary Philipse a loyalist to King George III.

John Vorperian, White Plains Historical Society President said, ‘Dear George, Dear Mary’ is a page turner. Mary Calvi’s fine writing makes one reflect about Washington the man as well as the leader of the Patriot cause.”

Receiving the Citizen Extraordinaire Award is Toby Markey.

The White Plains Historical Society Dinner will be held 6 to 9:30 p.m. at Mansion on Broadway, 139 N. Broadway, White Plains.

Reception and Dinner tickets start at \$75. Checks can be mailed to White Plains Historical Society, c/o 174 Longview Avenue, White Plains, NY 10605 or call 914-328-1776.

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In the Matters of a Proceeding Under Article 10 of the Family Court Act Jennah Shenellee Frazier & Docket Nos. NN-12039-19; Rosel'ynn Emil'ys Santiago NN-12040-19 F/U No. 146105 Children Under Eighteen Years of Age Alleged To be Neglected by SUMMONS Wilfredo Santiago, (Child Neglect Case) Respondent.

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END OF THE 15-MONTH PERIOD. IF SEVERE OR REPEATED CHILD ABUSE IS PROVEN BY CLEAR AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE, THIS FINDING MAY CONSTITUTE THE BASIS TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO COMMIT GUARDIANSHIP AND CUSTODY OF YOUR CHILD(REN) TO THE AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSES OF ADOPTION.

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TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS OF THE PARENT(S) AND COMMITMENT OF GUARDIANSHIP AND CUSTODY OF THE CHILD(REN) FOR THE PURPOSES OF ADOPTION, EVEN IF THE PARENT(S) WERE NOT NAMED AS RESPONDENTS IN THE CHILD NEGLECT OR ABUSE PROCEEDING.

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and to [specify name(s) and address(es) and relationship to child(ren)]:

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A Petition under Article 10 of the Family Court Act having been filed with this Court, and annexed hereto

YOU AND EACH OF YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to appear before this Court at 131 Warburton Avenue, Yonkers, New York, on May 15, 2019 at 9:00 o'clock in the morning/afternoon of that day to answer the petition and to be dealt with in accordance with Article 10 of the Family Court Act.

Upon your failure to appear as herein directed, a warrant may be issued for your arrest and/or the Court may proceed to Inquest and hear and determine the petition as provided by law.

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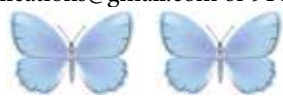
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Happenings

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Grasslands Rd., Valhalla. 1 p.m. Free. Info: 914-606-6262 or e-mail smartarts@sunywcc.edu.

Yoga and the Luminous Body. The Yoga Teachers Association (YTA) of the Hudson Valley is thrilled to host Ray Crist for this experiential workshop that will offer a direct understanding of yoga and its healing power as well as an introduction to shamanic energy healing. This session tends to the healing and evolution of all three perceptual states: lecture for the mind, yoga asana for the body and shamanic journeys for the soul. Participants will leave with tools to heal themselves and others. Crist is founder of the Jaguar Path. He has traveled through Mexico and Peru in search of indigenous healers and is an apprentice of three shamans with a background in Chinese medicine, martial arts and Reiki. Club Fit, 584 N. State Rd., Briarcliff Manor. 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. In advance: YTA members--\$45. Non-members--\$65. Walk-ins: YTA member--\$55. Non-members: \$75. Registration: Visit www.wyatyoga.com. Info: Contact Lorraine Burton at ytacommunications@gmail.com or 914-391-3389.



Performing Families. Celebrate the bonds of music with four family ensembles as they perform and discuss the meaning of kinship, tradition and the arts. Featuring indigenous Aztec dancers Grupo Atl-Tlachinolli, Benin family band Jomion and the Uklos, South Indian classical dancers Nalni and Maya Rao Murthy and mother-daughter Korean music-dance trio Heenjung, Zena and Jaylyn Han. ArtsWestchester, 31 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains. 7 to 9 p.m. \$10. Info: Visit www.artswestchester.org.

Roger McGuinn in Concert. The Grammy-winning singer/songwriter routes the world delighting audiences with the songs and stories from his long and continually productive musical career. Most notably, he was a founding member of The Byrds, which became one of the most influential bands of the 1960s. Their #1 hit, "Mr. Tambourine Man," is a timeless classic. Most recently, McGuinn has been working on his latest album, "Sweet Memories," and has been seen onstage with Chris Hillman and Marty Stuart and The Fabulous Superlatives during the sold-out Sweetheart of the Rodeo 50th Anniversary Tour. Tarrytown Music Hall, 13 Main St., Tarrytown. 8 p.m. \$30, \$35 and \$45. Info and tickets: Visit www.tarrytownmusichall.org.

David Bromberg Quintet. For Americana godfather David Bromberg,

it all began with the blues. His incredible journey spans more than five decades and includes, but not limited to, adventures with Bob Dylan, George Harrison, Jerry Garcia and music and life lessons from seminal blues guitarist Reverend Gary Davis, who claimed the young Bromberg as a son. A musician's musician, Bromberg's mastery of several stringed instruments (guitar, fiddle, Dobro, mandolin) and multiple styles is legendary. Opening the evening is Grammy-nominated singer-songwriter Leslie Mendelson. Irvington Town Hall Theater, 85 Main St., Irvington. 8 p.m. \$45. Info and tickets: Visit www.irvingtontheater.com.

Sunday, Apr. 14

Great Green Eggstravaganza. Celebrate the emergence of spring with a day of egg-themed activities, including an environmentally-friendly egg hunt. Make seasonal crafts, meet some animals on the great lawn and join a naturalist to discover signs of spring. Rain or shine. Greenburgh Nature Center, 99 Dromore Rd., Scarsdale. 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Early registration (before Apr. 14): Members--\$5. Non-members: \$10. Day of event: Members--\$8. Non-members--\$15. Info and registration: Visit www.greenburghnaturecenter.org.

Opening Reception for "Where Have All the Flowers Gone?" A series of paintings expressing concern with the steady destruction of the environment.

Crossword Solution from page 9

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF 395WYTHE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/1/19. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to **395 Wythe Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11249. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.**

TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY WORK SESSION April 10, 2019 6 PM 1. **Pledge** of Allegiance. 2. **Public** hearing on marijuana moratorium. **Public Hearing Marijuana Moratorium** Resolved that the Town of Putnam Valley will begin a 1 year moratorium on the establishment and or stocking of any store, shop, kiosk and or business structure that will sell any marijuana products and or their related paraphernalia retail and or wholesale within the Town. This moratorium will provide the Town time to study the appropriate location for this type of business due to the health concerns this product may cause based upon the psycho-emotional effects

that these products provide. The moratorium will begin immediately and end on April 17th, 2020. The possibility of an extension of this moratorium will be considered as April 17th, 2020 approaches. This Marijuana Moratorium will be all inclusive and will include stores, shops, business structures and kiosks that might also already be established within the Town. 3. **Establish** new start times for both the Town Board Special and Works Sessions beginning June 5th. 4. **Set** public discussion/informational meeting on Airbnb for May 8, 2019. 5. **Districts:** Accept lowest bid for grass cutting on Town and District properties for 2019 season. 6. **Highway:** a. **Auction** of surplus equipment. b. **Equipment** purchase. 7. **Audit** of monthly bills

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The WHITE PLAINS Examiner Sports

WPHS Lady Tigers Softball Overpowering Opponents Win Four Straight

By Albert Coqueran

The White Plains High School Softball Team has dominated opponents this season. The Lady Tigers have outscored opponents, 47-7, in their initial four games. Furthermore, as of Sunday, the most runs scored against the Tigers this season is three runs, while they have scored in double-digits in three of their initial four games.

On March 25, the Tigers held Carmel High School to three runs while outslugging the Rams, 14-3, in their Home Opener at WPHS. Two days later,



White Plains Softball pitcher freshman Ella Utschig is poised on the mound and confident in her pitches. On Thursday, Utschig threw a three-hit shutout, as the Lady Tigers beat North Rockland High School, 16-0, to win their fourth straight game this season.

on March 27, they defeated the historically mighty Koalas, 10-3, at The Ursuline School in New Rochelle. Then the black-and-orange traveled to New Rochelle High School on April Fools' Day and held the Huguenots to one run while crossing the plate seven times.

On Thursday, April 4, the Lady Tigers



ALBERT COQUERAN PHOTOS

The Lady Tigers are all for one this season. After pitcher Ella Utschig (center) helped her cause with a solo homerun over the centerfield fence at North Rockland, the entire team congratulate her at home plate and then escorted her back to the visitor's dugout.

batted around in the fifth and seventh innings to chase North Rockland, 16-0, for their fourth straight win. The Tigers scored five runs in the fifth inning and closed the game with a seven-run onslaught in the seventh inning, which included seven hits in the frame.

The Lady Tigers offensive prowess is certainly a major contributing factor concerning their success thus far this season. However, another instrumental aspect of their winning ways is that junior pitcher Ava Rainone returned to the mound after sitting out last season.

WPHS Head Softball Coach Ted O'Donnell had anticipated having a quality one-two punch on the mound last year with Rainone coming off of a freshman All-Section season combined with eighth-grade prodigy Ella Utschig. Nevertheless, Rainone broke her ankle two days before the start of the 2018 season and never pitched last year.

This season Rainone is as healthy as ever and regained her form on the mound. Furthermore, O'Donnell's one-two punch that he and the Lady Tigers waited a year for is in full force with Utschig, now a freshman, continuing her superiority on the mound. "They have been very supportive of each other, when you have two good pitchers it is a blessing,"

commented O'Donnell.

Rainone and Utschig have shared the Lady Tigers four wins this season; like two wrestlers in a tag team match taking turns against opponents. Rainone stuck-out 14 batters and four-hit Carmel in the Tigers 14-3 Home Opener win.

Utschig's first turn on the mound this season came against The Ursuline School. She put down nine Koalas on strikes, while securing the 10-3 win. Tag, in comes Rainone against New Rochelle and she throws another four-hitter while striking out 12 Huguenots to gain a 7-1 victory.

On Thursday, Utschig, the young freshman righty, got off the bus in New Rockland and pitched a three-hit shutout against the Raiders, while her teammates backed her up with 16 runs. One of those runs was a solo homerun by the young pitcher that sailed 220 feet over the centerfield fence. "My curve ball has been working really well but working best is my teammates behind me," emphasized Utschig.

It is no mystery that despite how strong your pitching is a team needs offense to win. And scoring 47 runs in four games is a lot of offensive production. The Lady Tigers had 15 hits against Carmel. Junior Sarah DiSanto and sophomore Zoey Kovach had three hits each. Rainone and

freshmen upstarts Alexa Galligani and Natasha Mendez had two hits each, while freshman Sasha Persaud slammed a two-run double.

The Lady Tigers offense so far this season is led by second baseman Galligani, who had a triple and homerun against Ursuline. Also, a single and triple in their win over New Rochelle. She also batted four-for-four with a double, two RBIs and scored three runs against North Rockland.

Galligani's offensive statistics in the initial four games are more than impressive, while reading 10-for-16 at the plate with three triples, two doubles and a homerun. "I had been working during the offseason on my swing and mechanics. I have been on the field since a very young age with my Dad learning baseball and it just caught up with me over the years," expressed Galligani, the daughter of Tigers Head Baseball Coach Marcel Galligani.

Therefore, although very young, without a senior on their squad, the Lady Tigers are 4-0 as of Thursday, April 4. Nonetheless, tough league games are approaching with Fox Lane visiting WPHS, on Thursday, April 11.

Can Rainone and Utschig continue to dominate, as the Lady Tigers bats pound out runs at a double-digit pace? Right now, one would have to think, yes!

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Tigers Baseball Walks Over Knights for First Win this Season

By Albert Coqueran

The White Plains High School Baseball Team is off to a rough start this season. They finally got a win when Mount Vernon High School came to town with poor pitching on the mound and lack of hitting at the plate.

On Saturday morning, the Tigers demolished the Knights, 27-2, in a Mercy Rule enforced game after four and a half innings. The Tigers held their own “walk fest” at WPHS, while the City of White Plains Business Improvement District held their “Wing Walk” in downtown White

Plains. The Tigers accumulated 17 walks and seven hit batsmen in four innings against the Knights.

The Tigers also swatted the baseball well, even after Head Coach Marcel Galligani substituted nearly his entire starting lineup after the first inning. Senior centerfielder Michael Perri went 3-for-3 with a triple and four RBIs. Junior designated hitter Carlos Paulino had a double and two RBIs and senior third baseman Ryan Sevcik had a single and two RBIs in the “walk fest.”

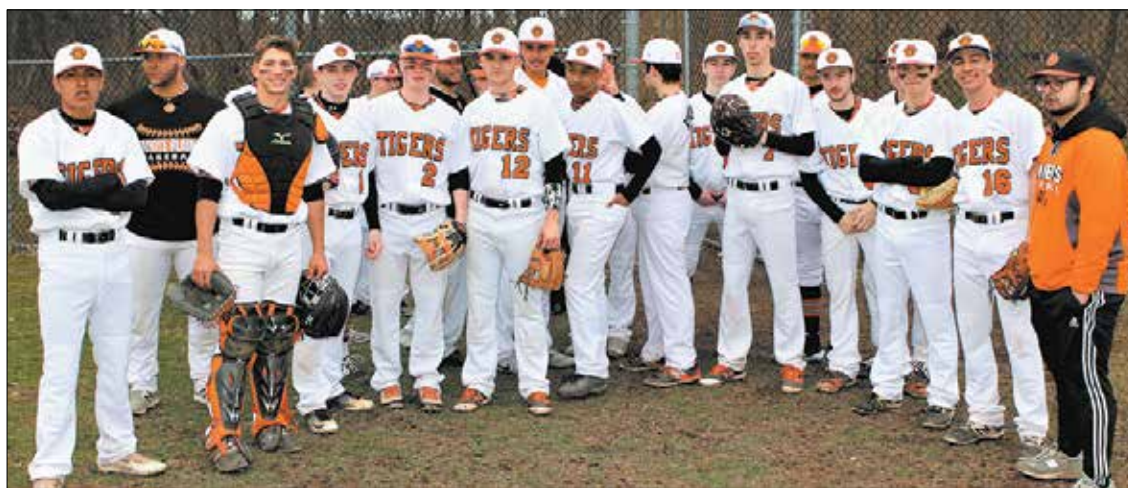
The Tigers starting pitcher Luke Spano and reliever Andrew Gomez relinquished only two hits apiece in the game. Spano struck-out five while Gomez fanned two Knights. Sophomore Mark Kent closed the game finally by striking out the sides.

Nonetheless, all was not so easy for the Tigers in their initial three games, as they started the season at 3-0. The Tigers lost their 2019 Season Opener at RC Ketchum, 14-8, on March 28. Then they could not get a run across the plate in their Home Opener, while losing to Clarkstown South, 3-0, on April 2.

In the Home Opener starting pitcher Anthony Burgio had a tough outing, while pitching four innings and allowing six hits. However, Burgio did strikeout six batters, including two in the third inning, before an infield miscue prolonged the inning and the Vikings capitalized by scoring two unearned runs. “We forced Burgio into throwing more pitches by not making the necessary plays. We stretched him out when it was not necessary,” commented Galligani.

Vikings pitcher Dereck Schoeps pitched a complete game gem while scattering five hits, striking out four and not letting a Tigers batter reach base on a walk, in the 3-0 shutout victory. “I just pound the zone and trust my catcher. I also know my fielders are behind me and can make the plays,” commented Schoeps.

The Tigers traveled to North Rockland High School, on Thursday, April 4, and while the Lady Tigers Softball team was trouncing the Raiders on the lower field, 16-0; the Tigers baseball team lost on the upper field, 7-2. The Tigers tied the game in the top of the fourth inning



ALBERT COQUERAN PHOTOS

On Tuesday, April 2, the White Plains Baseball Team held their 2019 Home Opener. However, the Tigers offense could not manufacture any runs in the game and they lost to Clarkstown South, 3-0.

2-2. But the Raiders came back with five unanswered runs to win.

Therefore, with the Tigers baseball team at 3-1, so far this season, they can only hope that the “walk fest” and scoring 27 runs against the Knights, can give them

some motivation towards the remainder of the season. “Absolutely, this will give us some momentum and some confidence now, we just have to work harder to beat the better teams,” stated Burgio, a Tigers Team Captain.



Sophomore shortstop Mark Kent is a bright spot for the Tigers so far this season. Kent got two of the five hits the Tigers managed in their Home Opener lost, 3-0, to Clarkstown South.



Tigers pitcher senior Luke Spano is demonstrating that he is qualified to be the workhorse on the mound this season. Spano pitched three innings of one-hit baseball in relief in the Tigers Home Opener, while striking out two, walking two without earned run against Clarkstown South. Spano also started the game against Mt. Vernon.

White Plains Tigers Alumnus Named All-State Quarterback



Over three months after winning his third City Championship in the Bronx, former White Plains Tiger, Brody McGuinn, recently learned that he had been selected to the NYSSWA All-State football squad. McGuinn credits much of his success in football to his years learning the game in the youth league in White Plains. “During that time we had great rivalries between the three White Plains youth football teams, the Tigers, the Bernies, and the Wolverines. The competition was tough and the games were battles. We would play our games under the lights at White Plains High School on Saturday night with big crowds, and the whole experience was awesome. One game against the Bernies was even covered by News12,” added McGuinn. After his youth football years came to an end McGuinn took his talents to the Bronx where he led the Lions of the Horace Mann School to four straight City Championship games, and three titles. “At Horace Mann we ran an offense that relied on the passing game, which is just the way it was in White Plains,” McGuinn said. His All-State selection came on the heels of a season where he passed for well over 1,000 yards with 18 passing touchdowns and a handful more on the ground, while piling up the wins against schools like Cardinal Spellman and Fieldston. In one game against Newark Academy in the playoffs he had a 5-touchdown day while passing for 3 and rushing for 2 more. McGuinn has received a number of college acceptances, and still has some decisions to make, but whatever the future may hold he knows one thing for sure, the football memories he made here in White Plains will last forever.

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Tigers Girls Lacrosse Edge Lakeland/Panas for First Win; Fall to Greeley

By Rob DiAntonio

Alexa Donahoe scored the game-winning goal with just 2.8 seconds left to lift White Plains' girls lacrosse team to a 9-8 win over visiting Lakeland/Panas on Tuesday, April 2.

Donahoe finished with three goals and three assists to lead the Tigers to their first win of the young season. Julia Reggio tallied a team-high four goals. Jillian Pope and JoJo Denion added a goal apiece. Julia Mancini had an assist.

"The key for us in any game is the same," White Plains coach Gabe Robles said of the win. "It's winning on the draw, having solid offensive possessions and playing physical defense."

White Plains' goalie Anna Chochrek made four saves.

The Tigers couldn't carry the momentum into their next contest. They fell 15-9 to host Horace Greeley on April 4.

White Plains trailed just 6-5 at halftime, but Greeley erupted to start the second



White Plains looks to get on track this week with games against Ossining (April 10) and Wappingers (April 12).

The Quakers answered with a goal but Mancini was able to score on two consecutive free-position shots to cut it to 13-8 with 7:04 remaining.



Above: White Plains' Julia Mancini looks for a teammate in a road loss to Greeley last week.



Sofia Bernabel looks to scoop up a ground ball.

sticks. [Greeley] did a really great job of pushing the tempo and playing their game." Greeley capped off the run on an 8-meter shot with 13:55 to play. The Tigers finally broke the ice when Donahoe scooped up a ground ball, stormed down the field and scored with 13:29 on the clock.



Julia Reggio is pressured at midfield.

half. The relentless Quakers went on a 6-0 run. They dominated possession, the draw circle and the ground ball battle.

"A lot of times you count on the ball bouncing equally both ways," Robles said. "It just felt like the ball never really bounced our way today. It just had a way of finding their



Alexa Donahoe runs the offense.



Goalie Anna Chochrek is ready in net.

White Plains, however, was unable to get any closer than a five-goal deficit. "We got good looks on offense that we couldn't finish," Robles said of the latter part of the second half. "Defensively, I felt like we had a couple of really nice possessions there where we were maybe just a step slow or there was a ball down that we weren't able to scoop up. I just felt like it was 50 minutes of us being close but not quite there." Two days later, White Plains dropped to 1-4 with a 15-11 loss to visiting Carmel.

The Tigers were scheduled to travel to North Rockland on April 8. They then head to Ossining for a 4:30 p.m. contest on April 10 and close the week by hosting Wappingers at 7 p.m. on April 12.

..... EXAMINER SPORTS Stepinac Baseball Splits with Kennedy; Earns First Win

By Rob DiAntonio

It was a difficult start to the season for Stepinac's baseball team. The Crusaders dropped their first three contests, including two one-run games with one of them going to extra innings.

Stepinac picked up its much-needed first win in a 9-5 victory over visiting Kennedy Catholic on Saturday, April 6.

"We were desperate to get back on track and get in the win column," Stepinac coach Keith Richardson said. "It was important for the team to get rewarded for their efforts and competitiveness after two tough, close losses."

The Crusaders trailed 5-2 against the Gaels but scored seven unanswered runs to pull away for the win.

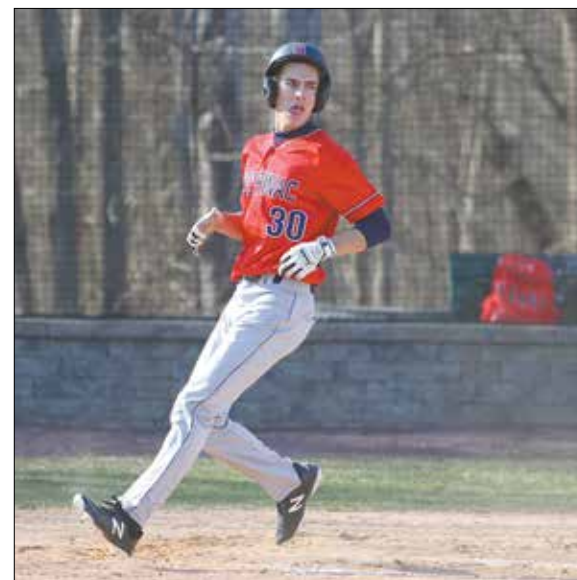
Mike Becchetti led the offensive onslaught, going 3 for 3 with a double, RBI and three runs scored. Anthony Saputo had a double and three RBI. Chris Antonelli and Anthony Pires added two RBI apiece.

Antonelli was also the winning pitcher in relief, tossing three innings while letting up one earned run and striking out two batters.

"I think this will build some confidence and lead to us executing a little better," Richardson said of the win. "Hopefully,



Anthony Saputo gets set at first.



Brandon Flissler scores a run.

we will get things rolling going forward."

On April 3, Stepinac fell to host Kennedy 4-3 in the first meeting of a home-and-home series.



Crusader Anthony Pressimone hustles to first base.



Izaiah Walker delivers during a game at Kennedy last week.



Aidan McDonough locks in on a pitch.

After falling behind early, the Crusaders took a 2-1 lead in the top of the third inning. Starting pitcher Izaiah Walker drove in Nickolas Venuti with an RBI single.

Anthony Pressimone then laced a single of his own to give them the lead.

Kennedy answered with three runs in the bottom of the fourth to take a 4-2 lead.

Brandon Flissler dropped an RBI single into left field in the top of the sixth inning to cut the deficit to a run, but Stepinac was unable to find the equalizer.

Walker pitched six innings while scattering five hits and striking out six. He allowed three earned runs.

Stepinac (1-3) fell to St. Raymond's 4-3 in nine innings on April 1. Walker (2 for 4, triple, RBI), Saputo (2 for 4, double, two RBI), Colin D'Arcy (5.1 innings, 3 hits, 6 Ks, 1 earned run) and Chris Fox (2.1 innings, 0 hits, 0 earned runs, 5Ks) led the way.

"We were right there with two very good teams in our league," Richardson said of the losses to St. Ray's and Kennedy. "We will continue to focus on the little things we work on daily and we feel we will break through. We



Mike Becchetti follows through on a swing.



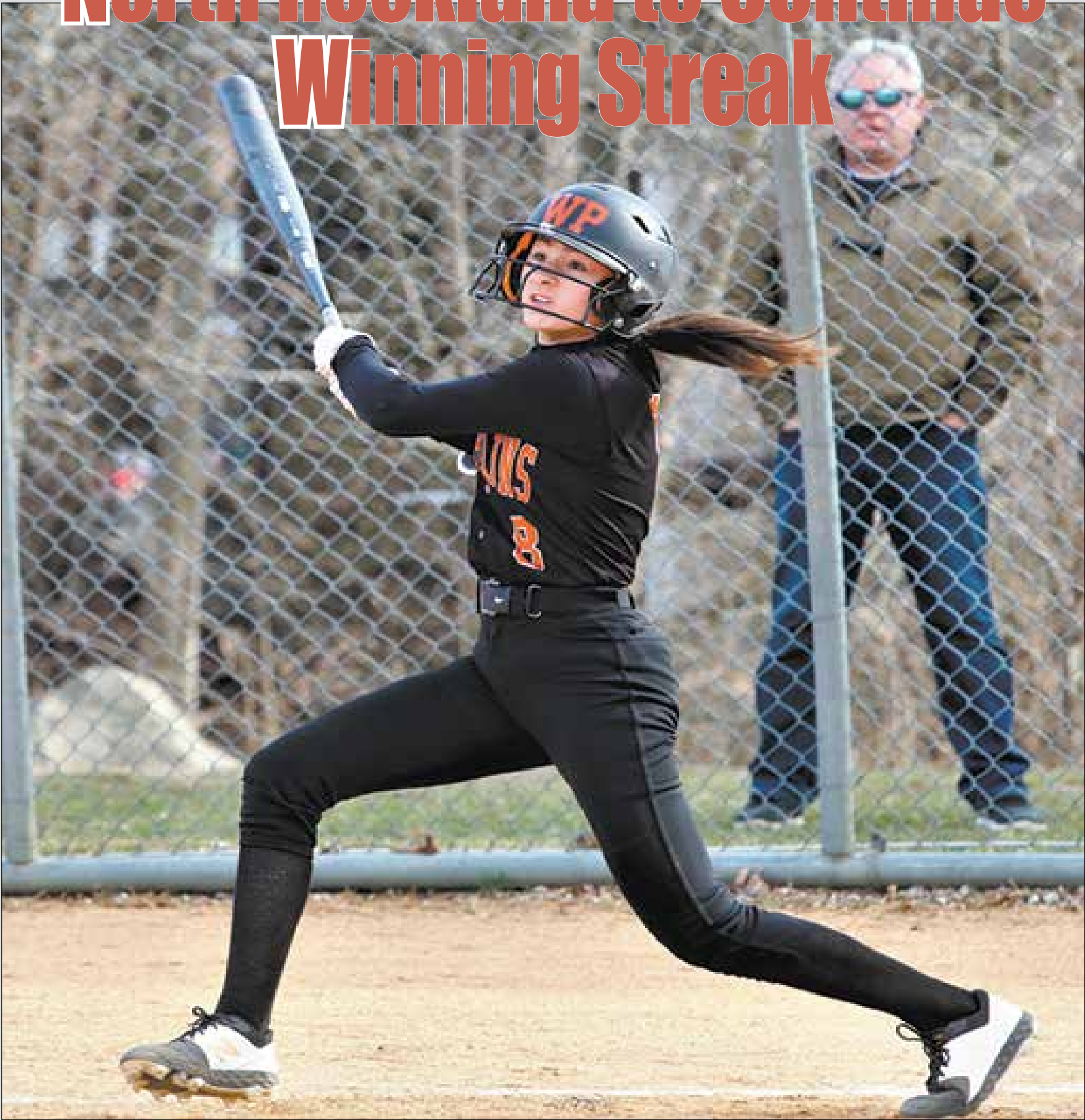
Anthony Saputo breaks out of the box.



Eli Rosenshine makes the throw to first base.

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WPHS Lady Tigers Shutout North Rockland to Continue Winning Streak



ALBERT COQUERAN PHOTO

On April 4, the White Plains Softball Team traveled to North Rockland and shutout the Raiders, 16-0, to bring their record to 4-0 so far this season. A major player in the Lady Tigers success this season in freshman second baseman Alexa Galligani (pictured) who has batted 10-for-16 in four games with three triples, two doubles and a homerun.