



White Plains Man Convicted of Threatening Greenburgh Town Supervisor

Timothy Goetze, 44, of White Plains was found guilty of three counts of Aggravated Harassment in the Second Degree, class A misdemeanors, for threats made against Greenburgh Town Supervisor Paul Feiner and his family in 2017.

Goetze was found guilty Sept. 20 following a bench trial before Judge Jo Ann Friia in White Plains City Court. The court sentenced Goetze to a one-year conditional discharge with 75 hours community service and orders of protection for Feiner, his wife and his daughter.

Westchester County District Attorney Anthony Scarpino, Jr., noted, "This verdict against Mr. Goetze is an

important outcome which illustrates how we seek justice whenever there is a threat to a public figure or any residents of Westchester. Threatening messages will always be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. Let anyone who might make such threats know we will go after them. We commend Greenburgh Police on their investigation and maintaining the safety of the Town. We hope the Feiner family can now rest easier."

In August 2017, Greenburgh Police investigated three threatening emails sent anonymously to Greenburgh Town Supervisor Paul Feiner. The emails were prompted by a controversy regarding a confederate monument at a

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Crusaders Continue to Outscore Opponents



ALBERT COQUERAN PHOTO

Stepinac Crusaders running back Mekhi Green (left) led the rushing attack against St. Peter's with 72 yards and two touchdowns on five carries Saturday during the Stepinac football home opening game. Carino (right) ran for 72 yards and one TD. Carino, a quarterback for Stepinac, has already surpassed the coveted career-passing mark of 3000 yards. To read the full story see page 18.

Developer, Residents Face Off Over Proposed Sterling Avenue Subdivision

By Pat Casey

As the White Plains Planning Board reopened the public hearing on the proposal for a three-lot subdivision at 1 Sterling Ave. during its Sept. 17 meeting, David Steinmetz of the White Plains law firm Zarin and Steinmetz immediately took the floor.

Having been retained by the owners of 1 Sterling Ave. after last month's opening of the public hearing, Steinmetz seemed to try to stall public criticism of the project by citing how the proposal meets all the legal zoning requirements as well as criteria for development in a "close-in" neighborhood as defined by the White Plains comprehensive plan.

The subdivision is located in the Fisher Hill neighborhood of White Plains, which is considered to be a close-in neighborhood, with regard to its proximity to the

city's downtown.

Steinmetz encouraged the Board to focus on the legal elements of what he called "pretty much a straightforward application" and not generalized community opposition because "people don't like it and people don't want it."

Steinmetz' comments were partly in response to a letter sent to various city commissioners by the Fisher Hill Association outlining their specific concerns, and he emphasized that the developer had nothing new to present, but would answer questions during the public hearing.

Picking up from the previous month's discussion, Planning Board Chairman John Ioris noted that there had been concern among Board members about a design change to include two driveways rather than one shared driveway, causing a potential hazard for cars entering Orchard

Parkway from the subdivision. However, the developer said the previous proposal with a shared driveway was not the best path forward due to stormwater management issues and preferred to leave the driveway as is.

Traffic conditions already a concern in the area because of one-way streets and narrow vehicle access in some spots, plus hills and slopes that are difficult to manage in icy conditions were cited as dangerous and would be aggravated with the addition of 10 cars to the subdivision.

The subdivision plan has taken a one-family site with a deteriorating and falling down building - acknowledged as an "eyesore" by everyone - and converts it to three lots with two two-family homes and one one-family home, building out to the maximum parameters allowed by the 5.3 zoning district.

The site is considered environmentally sensitive because of steep slopes.

Michael Dalton, president of the Fisher Hill Association told the Board he was the author of the letter sent to various city commissioners. Addressing Steinmetz' opening comments Dalton said, "We strongly support the redevelopment of 1 Sterling. The principal issue is not 'I don't like it. It's a question of proportion and density and pushing the envelope of this project to the edges, which is understandable considering the realities of the new property owner's position. He would like to maximize the economic benefit. The community understands that."

Dalton explained that looking at the "topo" scheme, drawn in two dimensions with topo lines does not begin to describe what this site is like. "That is why you have to go

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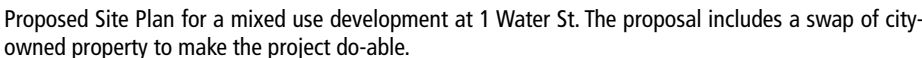
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The Planning Board's letter to the Common Council will include a strong suggestion to do something about enhancing pedestrian safety in the area, especially as it pertains to passengers disembarking from the nearby Metro North train station.

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County Approves Two Vendors to Focus on Airport Master Plan

Westchester County has approved two vendors to focus on the Westchester County Airport (HPN) master plan supplement and its related airport community engagement program – Merchant Aviation and Arch Street Communications.

For the supplement, Merchant Aviation will provide a thorough and comprehensive picture of the economic value and environmental impacts of the airport both on- and off-site, and a new vision for the airport as a transportation resource.

For the Community Engagement Program, the contract has been awarded to Arch Street Communications charging them with educating and involving the public in the supplemental master planning process.

In May, after public comment where the business community, environmentalists and the general public contributed comments, the Westchester County Department of Planning issued a request for proposals (RFP) to supplement the Westchester County Airport master plan and associated environmental impact study. The RFP incorporated public recommendations and focused on economic issues, environmental concerns and overall safety at the airport.

"The airport is an important part of our County. We must have a plan for this unique transportation resource," said County Executive George Latimer. "My administration made a commitment to complete a supplemental master plan to address the full scope of activities at the airport, ensure we have a full environmental review and Board of Legislators approval of the final document. Our goal is to help businesses and area residents, while also protecting the environment – a balance I am confident we can strike. I am pleased we are another step closer to having a supplement to the master plan, and for having the public be an integral part of this plan."

The County Executive made a commitment to look at the airport operations and their impacts and develop a new vision for the airport based on greater participation of the public. The supplement will add to the master plan with additional analysis of the airport, particularly with respect to the physical conditions of the airport property, buildings and infrastructure, additional analysis of noise and other impacts of the airport, and the local and regional economic impact of the airport. The supplement

will also explore additional alternatives for improved safety and performance and reduced environmental impacts. However, there will be no expansion of airport operations.

Arch Street Communications is certified with the state and the federal government as Women Business Enterprise (WBE). Arch Street will also be contracting with Morales Communications a Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), and Front Line Communications a MBE and Service Disabled Veteran Owned Business (SDVOB).

Going forward, the tasks to be completed include:

Evaluating the airport as a unique resource and economic generator for the county and region.

Developing and evaluating alternatives to improve operational safety and efficiency of the airport, including facility modifications and modernizations as necessary.

Evaluating and developing alternatives to continue to improve environmental performance at the airport.

Implementing a robust public engagement program, throughout the planning process. The public engagement program will utilize a wide variety of methods to engage the public.

Preparing an environmental impact statement for the proposed actions as appropriate pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations (SEQR). Updating the Airport Layout Plan at the end of this analysis, after review with the County.

Quick Facts:

Westchester County Airport

- 697 acres
- Dedicated February 13, 1945
- 20 aircraft hangars
- 188 based single engine & light twin engine aircraft
- 94 based corporate jets
- 442 average landings/takeoffs per day
- 161,146 total airport operations (2017)
- 1485 full time employees, 440 Part Time, 9 Temporary
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out and look at it," which he acknowledged several Board members said they had.

Dalton and several other neighbors on Orchard Parkway said they were concerned about the integrity of the 120-year-old retaining wall and how it and several old large trees on the site would withstand the redevelopment.

That retaining wall plays a key role in the structural integrity of the property where the ground steeply slopes.

The developer said they had looked at the wall and determined that below ground level it was sturdy. Steinmentz said a statement would be prepared to clarify this point, but at

the suggestion of Common Councilmember Nadine Hunt-Robinson, a Fisher Hill resident, a report was requested.

Speaking during the hearing Hunt-Robinson said she had several concerns regarding the safety of the roads in the immediate area and suggested the developer could have done more outreach to the community before finalizing a plan. She also said, "it's not all about profit. It's about the character of our city. One of the things that make our city such a drawing point - it's not just the downtown - but there are 24 neighborhoods that circle the downtown."

The public hearing was adjourned to

October 15, but before closing Ioris said that it was his opinion as one member of the Planning Board that "the Board must use a different set of glasses (from the general community) to view the proposal and that there seemed to be a lack of understanding of the criteria we have to work within."

"We will apply the criteria and will try to solve the problems the neighbors brought up," he concluded.

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private cemetery. The content of the three emails was identical, but each contained a different subject line: "Human Rights Education;" "Letter to the Ugly Dumb Jew;" and "Letter to the Parasite." Among other things the writer used profanities and directed numerous Anti-Semitic slurs to Mr. Feiner. The final sentence bore this threat: "You better run and hide you stupid f-king jew (sic). We are coming for you and your family," signed by "Anti-Zionist." Although the emails did not have the defendant's name, an investigation led to Timothy Goetze as the sender.

In court, the defendant's sole defense was on First Amendment/free speech grounds. The Court ruled against that theory, stating that the emails were not mainly political statements; rather the content was largely a personal attack on Supervisor Feiner and his family and constituted a "true threat."

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorneys Shameika Mathurin of the White Plains Branch and Laura Forbes of the Investigations Division of the DA's Office.

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Four Centuries of African-American Music Celebrated in White Plains

By Neal Rentz

The history of African-America dates from the beginning of slavery to the 21st Century.

In recognition of their centuries of achievements in music, The Ethical Café presented "400 Years of African-American Music in America" on Sept. 20 at the Ethical Culture Society of Westchester in White Plains. The event included a wide selection of music genres from 1619 to the present, such as Plantation Folk Music of the 1600's, Sacred Music, music from 1819 to 1919 that were the roots of Blues, Jazz and Spirituals, and several genres from 1919 to the present including Gospel, Protest, Hip Hop and Rap. Much of the music performed live was

accompanied by the spoken word including poetry and words about the history of the various music genres. Recordings of classic African-American music of the past were also presented.

Ossining resident Bart Worden, the clergy leader for the Ethical Society, explained about how last week's event came about. "The Ethical Society's been [focusing] on anti-racism work for a good number of years," he said. Earlier this year the Society screened a documentary about Josiah Henson (1789-1883), who was an author, minister and abolitionist who was born into slavery.

Greenburgh resident Judith Beville and her sister, Lynn, who came to see the documentary, and others worked with Worden on programs highlighting the cultural contributions made by African-Americans over the past four centuries. "Our thought was it would be good to just bring lots of people together for something that was entertaining and educational," Worden said. "That's how the Ethical Café sprung to life."

Other efforts to recognize the history of African-Americans have been taking place locally. "Doing some research last year I decided to create this project called 'The 400 Years Project: A Countywide Collaborative.' And we call it a countywide collaborative because we have people on our committee from all over the county," Judith



Ossining resident Bart Worden, the clergy leader for the Ethical Culture Society of Westchester, at the Sept. 20 event.

Beville, who provided spoken word, including poetry readings, during the event, said. "We have brought together a multi-cultural, diverse group of individuals who have a sincere interest in research and informing and educating the public about the truth with regards to the contributions that African-Americans have made to Westchester and into this country."

The group has been meeting since January to plan events both with the Ethical Café and with other organizations, she noted. The events have attracted people who look like "the cultural mosaic of Westchester," she said.

Yonkers resident Lynn Beville, sister of Judith Beville, provided narration explaining the different periods of African-American history to honor their musical contributions "and the cross pollination of the musical

contributions" in America and abroad, she said.

Peekskill resident Yao Lawrence Cunningham said he joined the 400 Year organization several months ago. Cunningham performed on the bass during last week's event. "It's important for people to know where we came from and where we're going," he said. African-Americans experienced slavery for 250 years and following Reconstruction after the Civil War went through the Jim Crow period and segregation, he said.

African-American music encompasses such genres as Jazz, Rhythm and Blues and Ragtime, Cunningham said. "If you listen to Led Zeppelin or if you listen to the Rolling Stones they will tell you that they got a lot of their material from Mississippi Bluesmen out of the delta," he said.



NEAL RENTZ PHOTOS

The Lester Harper Trio and speakers Lynn Beville (left) and her sister, Judith, were among those who participated in "400 Years of African-American Music in America," which was held on Sept. 20 at the Ethical Culture Society of Westchester in White Plains.

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The Lee F. Jackson School (part of the Greenburgh Central school district), town of Greenburgh and Xposure after school program are involving kindergarten students in the effort to encourage safe and slower driving in school zones.

Motorists are supposed to drive 20 mph near schools but many motorists drive faster.

Xposure Foundation Inc. and the Xposure Greenburgh Afterschool Program have donated 150 designed and printed tee shirts featuring the 20 MPH Safe Driving message to children attending the Lee F. Jackson

School. The students received their tee shirts last Thursday.

The shirts are being worn by Kindergarten students on their way to and from school.

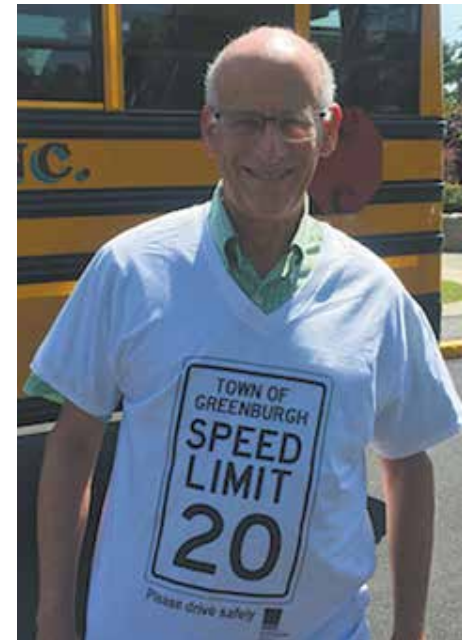
This back to school safety initiative is a collaboration of efforts by Greenburgh Town Supervisor Paul Feiner, GCSD Superintendent, Dr. Tahira A. DuPree Chase, Lee F. Jackson Principal Patricia Simone, Lina Amendola, and the Xposure Greenburgh Afterschool Program.

"A shared priority on safety underscores our collective focus on the overall well-being of the children of Greenburgh," said Dr. DuPree Chase.

"In order to educate the whole child, we need to ensure that they are safe first," added Simone.

Scott Schindler, a creative director, developed the idea for the Safe Driving shirts because he was concerned that cars were traveling far faster than the speed limit on many roads near schools. Scott felt that a bold reminder of the speed limit on the backs and fronts of runners tee shirts would get drivers attention and encourage them to reduce their speed. If a motorist sees a child with a tee shirt, the cars may slow down.

"Supervisor Feiner proposed the initiative last spring. Donating the printed tee shirts



Greenburgh Town Supervisor Paul Feiner in a 20 MPH Speed Limit tee shirt.

was our way of saying thank you to the Greenburgh community," said Ray Thomas, Executive Director Xposure Foundation Inc.

To broaden the reach of the campaign, Xposure Foundation Inc. is extending the use of the direct to garment printer to print more of the shirts to any school or organization interested. The cost to purchase the printed shirts is a \$4 donation per shirt, which includes a donation letter. Donations will be used to support the Xposure Greenburgh After-school program. If you are interested in purchasing shirts, send an email to: Rthomas@XposureSchools.com and write Safe Driving in the Subject line.

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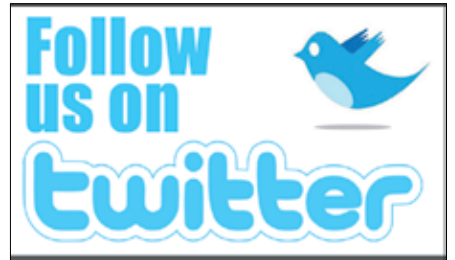


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ELEMENTS MASSAGE, WHITE PLAINS

By Neal Rentz

Yorktown resident Ed Lachterman knows first-hand the health benefits of massage.

Lachterman, who serves on the Yorktown Town Board, said last week he has health problems that have been aided through massage. He has herniated discs and bulging discs. Massage has not only helped alleviate his pain, it has also helped to align his body, Lachterman said. Massage is "much better than pain killers," he said. "It's a tremendous, tremendous help."

For the past year-and-a-half Lachterman and his wife, Carol, have been the owners of the Elements Massage franchise in White Plains, which originally opened five-and-a-half years ago. "I did it because I believe in massage," he said.

The main focus of his business is therapeutic massage, Lachterman said. "So we focus on issues that you may have. So, I'm a perfect candidate. If I were call to make an appointment the front desk staff, our wellness member associates, are going to ask some questions to see what my needs are. Do I like a deep pressure massage or a deep tissue massage or do I want something lighter? Do I have any problem areas?"

Another question asked by his staff is if a person does much exercising, he said. "We have somebody who is a personal trainer who understands some of the aches and pains you may have from that," he said. "They can gear the massage to what your needs are."

Some of the treatments use essential oils, such as lavender, to accentuate the massage, Lachterman said. "Those help your body in a recovery mode or a relaxation mode," he said. "Essential oils actually will break through the blood barrier rather quickly."

Lachterman said he receives massages at his business, including one for about 75 minutes last week.

Lachterman explained why massage is so effective. "When you have issues with your muscles you actually have your muscles manipulated to help loosen them up and straighten them out," he said. "I get severe muscle spasms in my shoulders. In my neck alone I have four herniations and two bulges. So there are times when everything is just pulling in my neck. To have someone work the muscles, release the tension and loosen it up, helps the rest of your body."

"I've gone into the massage room with my pain level at an eight or nine out of 10 which is really, really kicking you. You feel it. It's hard to concentrate, hard to focus, hard to sit,

hard to stand, hard to lie down," Lachterman said "And I've left virtually pain free."

Elements Massage is located at

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NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

Elements Massage was opened in White Plains five-and-a-half years ago and has been owned by Yorktown resident Ed Lachterman and his wife, Carol, for the past year-and-a-half. Shown above, from the left are: Deborah Reese, a wellness member associate; Ed Lachterman, Michael Johnson, a massage therapist and Keva Pittman, a massage therapist.

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Youth Bureau Seeks Nominees for Youth of the Year Award

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in the City of White Plains. The award recipient must be a City of White Plains resident. Service activities may include tutoring, helping the elderly, conducting food and clothing drives, fund raising for charitable programs, organizing community events, mentoring and coaching, etc.

The deadline for nominations is Oct. 18, 2019. Application forms can be obtained at the Youth Bureau, 11 Amherst Place, White Plains. For further information, call 914-422-1378 or email erios@whiteplainsny.gov.

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Westchester County Association Seeks New Leader as Mooney Steps Down

The search has begun for a new President/CEO of the Westchester County Association, with the formation of a seven-member Search Committee, chaired by Jeff Menkes, President & CEO of The Burke Rehabilitation Hospital and a key member of WCA's Executive Committee and Board of Directors.

Menkes announced last week that the committee will conduct a comprehensive and inclusive search in the next two to three months for the WCA's new President and CEO to replace longtime popular incumbent William M. Mooney, Jr.

Mooney will retire as of Dec. 31, 2019.

"This is an opportune time for a big-picture visionary to take the helm as Westchester County transitions into a vibrant business hub of the biotech, healthcare, education, real estate and entertainment industries," Menkes said. He added that the WCA Search Committee "is actively seeking resumes from highly qualified individuals as the WCA begins a new chapter, with the goal to enhance its regional presence in the metro-New York, Hudson Valley regions."

The association's next leader will be expected to inspire, oversee, and implement new strategies to meet the extraordinary

opportunities afforded by a changing and dynamic business climate.

"Our process will be thorough, thoughtful, and open-minded," explained William P. Harrington, Chairman of the WCA Board of Directors. "We intend to conduct considerable outreach to find the right person to head this powerful, strategic organization." He said the Search Committee encourages all interested individuals to contact John Ritacco (jritacco@westchester.org) at the WCA as soon as possible. "We want to make our selection from a solid, capable, diverse pool of highly-qualified individuals."

Diversity matters, too. According to Search Committee member Aleida Frederico: "We believe that one of the ways to achieve our mission is by choosing the kind of leadership that understands, reflects, and respects the diversity of our businesses and the communities we serve. This opportunity to consider a slate of talented individuals to continue and expand WCA's strategic objectives is truly exciting."

Menkes said that among the attributes of the successful candidate will be: a proven ability to fund raise; an understanding of the marketplace as well as the regional and

national mega trends; strong contacts within the Westchester business community; robust management skills; sound judgment; prior experience working with boards, committees, and complementary organizations; and a willingness to make a five-year commitment to the position.

Mooney will step down from his position following a planned succession. He recently shepherded the WCA's years-long transition from a business membership network to a formidable driver of economic development in Westchester. The Blueprint for Westchester, developed in 2011, was a comprehensive advocacy campaign that resulted in the repurposing, reactivation, and redevelopment of millions of square feet of under- and unutilized space. The WCA also won passage of several market conduct legislation in New York State, leading to cost-effective efficiencies in the healthcare industry; and it managed the largest workforce development initiative in Westchester County's history, the result of a \$9.8 million federally funded grant that resulted in job placement in the healthcare industry for hundreds of Westchester and Hudson Valley residents, according to a WCA statement.

New Playground Opens at Mattison Park, White Plains

The City of White Plains will officially open a new children's playground at Mattison Park on Tuesday, Sept. 24, at 6 p.m. Mattison Park is located at Quinby Avenue and Lynton Place in the Fisher Hill neighborhood.

Residents are invited to the park for a ribbon cutting and the playground unveiling. The new playground replaces an older,

outdated playground and is fully accessible and inclusive for all children, ages 5-12 years old. The playground features an array of play structures including slides, ramps, lolly-ladders, climbers, surface-level play features, a color-coated rubberized safety-surface and a shade canopy.

One of the primary features of the playground is that it was designed to

include equipment and materials that would meet the needs of children of all abilities. "We put much thought and consideration into this project and with input from the neighborhood, created a welcoming, safe, accessible and inclusive playground that is comfortable and user-friendly," said Recreation and Parks Commissioner Wayne Bass. "Come out and play!"

Hate Crime Conviction in White Plains Court, Swastika Found in Scarsdale

Earlier this week, a swastika was found at Scarsdale High School. In the past, swastikas were found on street signs in the River Villages of Greenburgh, and in a nursery school in Westchester County. Usually, the person who commits the act is not caught.

Two years ago, I received threatening anti-Semitic emails directed to my work email summarized by the Westchester County District Attorney's office as Aggravated Harassment. The Greenburgh Police Department's Detectives were exceptional.

They identified the alleged person who made the threat against me and my family, and made an arrest. The accused pled not guilty after spending a night in jail and posting bail. This week, there was a trial in White Plains City Court and the individual (who does not live in Greenburgh) was convicted.

A special thank you to the outstanding efforts and skills of the Greenburgh Police Department and to the Westchester County District Attorney's office for their efforts and for successfully prosecuting the alleged

crime.

We read, almost daily, of anti-Semitic and racist acts around Westchester, the Region and the Nation. We should not become immune to acts of intolerance of any type.

I hope that this conviction will send a message to people who are considering threatening others that they could get caught and prosecuted. Even more importantly, I hope we can all learn to respect and support each other. **—Paul Feiner, Greenburgh Town Supervisor**

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Obituaries

Sr. Mary St. John Delany



Sr. Mary St. John Delany, RDC, a Sister of the Divine Compassion, died peacefully on Sept. 19.

She was 95 years old.

Sr. Mary St. John was born in New York City on Nov. 13, 1923, the daughter of John and Florence Delany. She attended St. John's Elementary and Good Counsel High School. Sister received her BA in History from Good Counsel College and MS from Columbia Teachers College. Sister also received her PhD from Fordham University in Language and Literacy.

Sister began her career in teaching at St. Bernard's Elementary School in White Plains. She remained there for 20 years followed by seven years as Principal of St. Anthony's School in West Harrison. Sister was a longtime Associate Professor in the School of Education at Pace University and also served as the faculty chair in the school. In 1972 she founded the Delany Center to help improve the developmental reading skills of children. Because of her outstanding work with so many in White Plains, Sister was awarded the keys to the city by Mayor Tom Roach in 2015.

Sister Laura Donovan, President of the Sisters of the Divine Compassion said, "Sister loved to empower children, teens and adults by sharing her skills that included teaching reading, writing, language and culture as well as opening the sacramental life to children with special needs."

Sister Mary St. John is survived by her Sisters of the Divine Compassion, several

cousins and the Haughey Family.

Sister was predeceased by her sister, Joan Delany.

The funeral Mass was celebrated in The Chapel of the Divine Compassion, on Sept. 23.

Interment at Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Hawthorne.

Memorial donations may be sent to the Sisters of the Divine Compassion, 52 North Broadway, White Plains, NY 10603.

Robert J. Flaherty



Flaherty-Robert J., age 86, passed away on Sept. 15.

He was born June 29, 1933 in Boston.

Bob graduated Magna Cum Laude in economics from Harvard College's Class of Journalists in 1955 and from Harvard Business School with Distinction in 1961.

Over the next 20 years he went on to become an award-winning journalist for Forbes Magazine for which he wrote 33 cover stories, two shy of their all time record. Next, he became Editor and Chairman of Equities Magazine, which he ran with his late wife Jean Imelda Hoffman for 25 years. In 2007 together with his son Brian as President and Publisher, Bob started up and was editor of Flaherty Financial News.

While his investment newsletters had an outstanding long-run performance as ranked by two outside services, Bob was proudest of serving as past president of the New York Financial Writer's Association in 1978-1979, where he was a co-founder of its student

scholarship program and also of its annual award for long-term contribution to financial journalism.

Bob is survived by his five children, Joseph, Anne Bermudez, Brian, Doreen and Edward, and his four grandchildren, Catherine, Christopher and Michael Bermudez and Jennifer Flaherty. He is also survived by his sister Joan Berry of Naples, Florida.

Angela J. Marasco



Angela J. Marasco died on Sept. 13. She was 100 years old.

A softhearted, nurturing, caring woman

cannot nearly begin to express how beautiful of a woman Angela J. Marasco was, nor does it give much insight to the legacy that she left behind.

Angela was born in Brooklyn, on the wonderful day of July 16, 1919.

Angela was the first born of four children by both her parents Francis D'Alessandro and Carlo D'Alessandro who both came from Italian descent.

She greatly adored her two sisters Catherine McDonald and Josephine Bernieri as well as her only brother Charles D'Alessandro.

She was happily married to Alexander Marasco for a wonderful and joyous 64 years. She was a supportive sweethearted mother of three beautiful daughters Veronica Telesco, Mimi Kulinski, and Catherine Rago.

Mrs. Marasco also leaves behind five grandchildren James Telesco, Gina Barroso, Ronnie-Ann Rago, Alexander Kulinski, and Chrisey Kulinski, all of which cared deeply for this lovely woman. She was so proud and felt incredibly blessed to have spent time with her eight great grandchildren Hunter, Isabella, David, Freddy, Sienna, Lucas, Mia, and Gianna.



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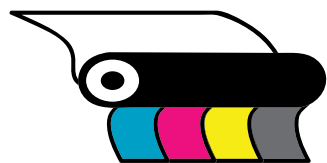
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The Travelers: Who Are They and When Did They Take to the Road?



By Brian McGowan

British songwriter Ewan MacColl captured the Travelers best in his 1964 song, "Freeborn Man of the Traveling People," the opening lines of which evoke what was then, and more so now, a disappearing lifestyle.

*I'm a freeborn man of the traveling people.
Got no fixed abode, with nomads I have wandered.
Country lanes and by ways were always my ways.
I never fancied being lumbered.*

Tinkers, Pikeys, Gypsies, Knackers – no lack of terms, most of them pejorative – are used to describe this group of Irish men, women and children who today number little more than one-half of 1 percent of the Irish population. Romanticized by some, reviled by many, they call themselves Minkiers, a term from their distinct language called Shelta.

A more common term used today wherever they are found – predominantly in Ireland, but with populations also in the United Kingdom and even here in America – is the Travelers or the Traveling People.

And it is this transient nature that distinguishes them from the rest of Ireland's "settled people," those who dwell in homes and towns and function within mainstream society.

The Travelers are a mobile group, living

out of brightly colored caravans, many still horse-drawn, that roam the countryside, making their living from a variety of trades – traditionally tinsmithing, from whence the term "tinker" derives, or paving or general repair work around the home or farm.

They keep to themselves, largely avoiding the established institutions of education and health care, with sadly detrimental effect. But they are free to come and go as they please, and it is this freedom that keeps them clinging to old ways that conflict with the more modern Irish lifestyles that have evolved around them.

Recently granted recognition by the Irish government as a distinct ethnic group, the 40,000 Travelers in Ireland today are at a crossroads. With quality-of-life statistics dismally below the main population, many present-day Travelers seem more willing than generations past to trade the freedom of the road for an improved lifestyle.

As recently as 2007, half of all Travelers did not live past 39 years old; 10 percent of the children did not see a second birthday; male unemployment was 73 percent; and illiteracy was rampant, in a country with one of the highest literacy rates in the world.

Where did they originate? Two long-held beliefs have recently been debunked. The first is that they are part of the Romani of mainland Europe, commonly called Gypsies. They are not with a genetic background distinctly Irish. The other is that they originated with people displaced during the Great Famine of 1845 to 1852. This, too, has recently been proven wrong.

Genetic testing of current Traveler

communities, as The Irish Times reported in 2017, reveals that separation from the general Irish population took place about 12 generations ago, between the late 1500s and mid-1600s. From that point forward the group married solely within their own communities, developing a distinct genetic imprint. This was an era in Irish history of intense turmoil, with widescale disruption through war, famine, oppression and outright genocide by Oliver Cromwell. Whole communities took to the road to escape, some never to return to a "settled" life again. And from these desperate souls, many believe, the Travelers emerged.

I saw a Traveler caravan on a trip to Ireland many years ago, on the road to Dingle, and the memory of it lingers still. Red-painted wagons pulled by nimble horses; an old woman leaning out a half-door smoking her pipe; a gentle curve in the road and then they were gone from sight. The romance coexists yet with the harsh reality of a life on the road. The song captures the magic.

*Now I've known life hard and I've known life easy,
And I've cursed the life when winter days were dawning,
But I've laughed and sung through the whole night long,
To see the summer sunrise in the morning.*
- Ewan MacColl

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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.

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Fixtures: Getting Weird About What Stays and What Goes

As a realtor, I find that some home sales can be particularly interesting, as much for the small details as well as the big issues. A case in point is the subject of fixtures in a house for sale: What stays and what goes?

Buyers and sellers who seem perfectly nice and normal throughout the sales transaction can suddenly lose their cool when the seller asks at the last minute that a modest chandelier over a kitchen table be excluded among the fixtures included in the sale.

"Oh no, you don't," the buyer might say, "it wasn't excluded in the listing!" And the fight begins.

This scenario happened to me a while back. The seller had forgotten to discuss the chandelier's exclusion with his listing agent. It was a very ordinary fixture, surely one not worth fighting about.

"But we bought it early on in our marriage," the seller protested to his agent. "Our family gathered under it every morning at breakfast, every night at dinner."

But my buyer didn't relent. I appealed to his better judgment.

"That chandelier is an inexpensive Tiffany reproduction," I argued, "and couldn't have cost more than \$100. I'll buy one that's more than twice its quality as a closing gift for you."

"No, I want that one," he said.

Just prior to this incident I had heard a story about how the sale of a home was lost because the seller had changed her mind about leaving her washer and dryer with a house because those particular models, with which she had fallen in love, had been

discontinued. She didn't want to risk her emotional health with trying another brand.

With this sale, it looked as though it was going to come to a showdown. Oh, my goodness, I declared, you're going to risk losing a house over a cheap kitchen chandelier? See reason here, I admonished the buyer.

Sanity finally prevailed and the seller was allowed to keep the fixture to which he was so strongly attached.

Shortly after that experience, I was involved with another dispute – and you guessed it – it also involved lighting fixtures. This time it was in a gorgeous historic home. The seller had affixed the highest-grade wall sconces and chandeliers you could imagine in every room, all quite appropriate to their 18th century surroundings. There were ooohs and aahs over every one of them in every room. Only after an offer was made following the first showing, did I make the inquiry of the seller's agent about exclusions. Sure enough, the lighting fixtures were "available for sale." My buyers were not happy and neither was I.

Give yourself a test. Which of the following items wouldn't normally be included as fixtures in the sale of a home: built-in stereo system; electric garage door opener; wall-to-

wall carpet; built-in microwave oven; water heater; dishwasher; built-in stove; drapes; refrigerator; and washer and dryer?

You are correct if you answered that the last four items are not included. All the others are automatically included since they are attached and have become fixtures.

The literature on the subject is somewhat simplistic. For instance, lumber sitting by the side of a house is personal property because it is not permanently attached to the structure or the land. Therefore, it is not included in a home's sale price; however, when that lumber is nailed or bolted together to become a fence, the wood fence is a fixture attached to the land and is included in the sale.

Oddly, while the examples I gave about chandeliers would identify them as fixtures, their light bulbs are not permanently attached to the structure so they remain personal property. Very few sellers remove their light bulbs from the light fixtures (as they are entitled to do) unless it's a particularly contentious sale. (When I sold my first home, I ended up hating my buyer so much that I removed every light bulb from the house and every roll of toilet paper

from the bathrooms. Hopefully, I've matured since then.)

If a home seller wants to exclude a fixture from the sale, it must be specifically itemized and excluded in the sales contract.

When a dispute arises, whether or not an item is included in a home sale, it is accepted practice that courts favor the buyer over the seller, the tenant over the landlord and the lender over the borrower.

Well, I guess we all know where we stand in such battles.

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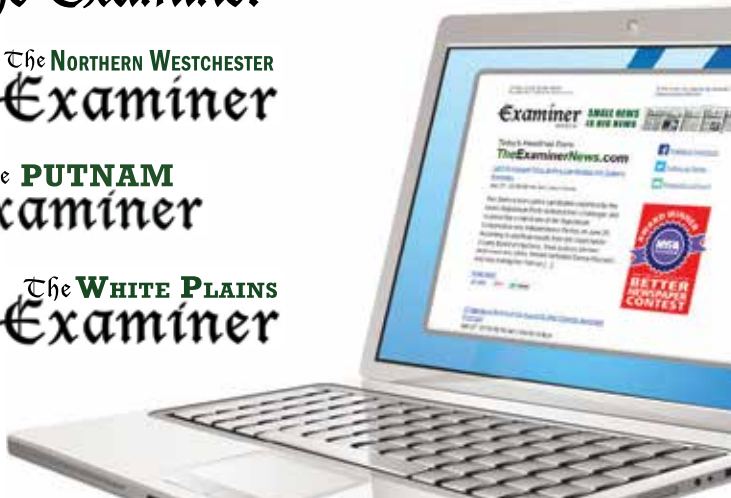
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A Challenge: Grapes You May Not Have Experienced Before



By Nick Antonaccio

Throughout the winemaking world many indigenous grapes have been marketed and consumed strictly in-country and have only recently reached our shores. Let's go exploring.

First, the backdrop. There are literally thousands of grape varieties cultivated around the world. Italy claims nearly 2,000 and Spain over 600. This glorious proliferation is unnecessarily confusing to those of us already intimidated when confronted with multiple choices at our favorite wine shop. (Gewürztraminer and Grüner Veltliner? How can I appreciate a wine I can't even pronounce?)

I've distilled my examples to a select

'When you're putting together your life-list of things to experience, add Grapes I've Never Heard Of.'

few, with no criteria other than personal preferences. And I'm going to focus on two countries – Italy and Spain.

In Italy, Tuscany reigns supreme in the minds of Americans, and Sangiovese is still the benchmark for most American consumers. However, wines from other regions are developing a devout following. Let's explore three grape varieties.

First, in the southeast region of Campania there has been a resurgence in winemaking. The grape variety that has gained significant attention in the United States is the Aglianico (ah-LYAH-nee-koh). These lusty, rustic red wines exhibit great balance with subtle plum flavors and earthy, chocolaty characteristics. I will be traveling to this region shortly.

The second grape is also from Campania, a white grape that merits your attention. The Fiano grape produces a gold-hued wine, with appealing aromas of apples and pears. Full-bodied but crisply acidic, there is real personality here in a well-balanced table wine that drinks well on its own or with light pork or poultry dishes.

There are two other notable Campanian white grapes gaining prominence in wine circles: Falanghina (FA-lan-GHEE-nah) and Greco di Tufo.

I have a personal attachment, both historically and financially, to the Irpinia area and will be travelling there this week. When

I return, I'll report on my vineyard, winery and tasting experiences in Irpinia and a local winery, Cantine Ciani.

Third, the Lagrein grape (lah-GRINE). It is produced in the Trentino-Alto Adige region in the extreme northeastern foothills of the Alps – so extreme that the locals still speak German, a testament to the fact that until 1919, this area was part of Germany. The

wines are a voluptuous dark ruby red with a nose of blackberries and plums and well-balanced acidity. These wines pair well with simple red meat dishes.

On to Spain. There are about 20 primary varieties grown in Spain's numerous regions. The red grape that is most familiar to the American consumer is the Tempranillo, but it is being challenged by the growing popularity of other red grapes, notably Monastrell and Garnacha varieties.

Monastrell, grown in the southeast regions, of which the primary local area is Jumilla, produces wines with aromas of black cherry and blackberry and soft, chewy tannins. These wines are robust, ready to drink upon release and are well-priced in the \$10 to \$15 range.

Garnacha (a cousin of the French Grenache grown in the Rhone Valley) is deeply colored with velvety textures and flavors suggestive of raspberries, with a distinctively peppery impact. A real fruit bomb, yet with a subtle balance.

There are a number of exotic-sounding Spanish white wines as well. My candidate is the Hondarrabi Zuri grape. This grape is grown in the northern Basque region of Spain. The local wine produced from this grape (in a blend) is called Txakoli. This is a wine that will make your taste buds stand at attention and then leave you salivating for more. Fresh and young, refreshing in body and balance, with aromas of tropical fruit and citrus, this white wine pairs well with most fish dishes.

So there you have it. When you're putting together your life-list of things to experience, add "Grapes I've Never Heard Of." And then update your bucket-list of "Places to Visit Before I Die" with the locales we've explored today.

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Tuesday, Sept. 24

A Reading and Conversation With Brenda Shaughnessy. The acclaimed poet will launch the new season of Durst Distinguished Lectures. Shaughnessy is the author of five highly regarded poetry collections, including "The Octopus Museum," "So Much Synth" and "Our Andromeda," which was a finalist for the Kingsley Tufts Award, the International Griffin Prize and the PEN Open Book Award. Her writing has appeared in "Best American Poetry," "The New Yorker," "Poetry Magazine," "Paris Review," "O Magazine" and other prestigious publications. Purchase College Music Building Recital Hall, 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.

Wednesday, Sept. 25

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Noonday Concert. Downtown Music at Grace 30-minute concert. Downtown Music at Grace will present a program of songs and music performed by Grammy-award winning musician Tom Chapin, in his second appearance at Downtown Music. 12:10 p.m. The concert will be held in Grace Church, 33 Church St., 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.

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"Yto Barrada: The Dye Garden." Barrada, an internationally-acclaimed Moroccan-French, multimedia artist and winner of the 2019 Roy R. Neuberger Prize, will present his works This will be the first time that the exhibit, which originated at the American Academy in Rome, will be seen in the United States. It includes film, video, photography, sculpture and hand-dyed textiles that are inspired by the artist's family history, Islamic tradition and the legacy of Western colonialism. Neuberger Museum of Art, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase. 12 to 5 p.m. \$5. Seniors (62 and up): \$3. Children (under 12), museum members, Purchase students, faculty and staff and the first Saturday of each month for all: Free. Exhibit continues through Dec. 22. Exhibit hours are Wednesday through Sunday 12 to 5 p.m. and until 8 p.m. during school. Info: 914-251-6100 or visit www.neuberger.org.

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Friday, Sept. 27

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Lucie Arnaz's "I Got the Job!" Songs From My Musical Past. The beloved daughter of Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz, Lucie Arnaz relives her musical theater past, which includes the Broadway productions of "They're Playing Our Song," "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels" and "Pippin." White Plains Performing Arts Center, 11 City Place, White Plains. 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$37. Info and tickets: 914-328-1600 or visit www.wppac.com.

Saturday, Sept. 28

Farmers' Market. Downtown Farmers' Market on Court Street in White Plains.

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Renowned Singer-Songwriter Tom Chapin Performs in Free Noonday Concert

Downtown Music at Grace will present a program of songs and music performed by Grammy-award winning musician Tom Chapin, in his second appearance at Downtown Music. Wednesday, September 25 at 12:10 p.m.

With 26 recordings and hundreds of songs in his repertoire, Tom Chapin serves up a seasoned mix for an intergenerational audience of all tastes: story songs, ballads, comedic and political songs, family music, sing-alongs, old-time folk classics and a favorite song or two by his late brother Harry. Tom accompanies himself on guitar, banjo and autoharp in a varied program curated by Bob Sherman, host of the beloved "Woody's Children" radio show. He will be joined by longtime collaborator Michael Mark who will play bass and concertina.

Tom will entertain questions from the audience in a brief Q and A session following the concert.

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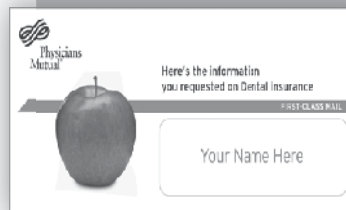
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The WHITE PLAINS Examiner Sports

White Plains Tops Ossining, Falls to Rival Mamaroneck

By Rob DiAntonio

Coming off a three-goal loss to Mahopac, White Plains' girls soccer team responded with a 3-0 win over visiting Ossining last Wednesday.

White Plains sophomore Julieth Valesquez, who netted two goals, got the Tigers off to a fast start by scoring less than a minute into the game.

"Right before the whistle blew, we said that we need to put this game away quick," White Plains coach Meaghan Chase said. "We need to score quick and they did it. They listened."

With four minutes left in the first half, senior Isabel Saville sent in a cross off the Ossining goalie and Valesquez finished on the rebound. The Tigers led 2-0 at halftime.

Ossining came out on the aggressive to start the second half but the Tigers' defense buckled down to keep them off the board. Katie McAteer, a junior, headed the



ROB DIANTONIO PHOTOS
Allison Jara congratulates Alexa Galligani on her second half goal.



Alexa Galligani controls for White Plains.



White Plains' Isabel Saville controls the ball at midfield.



Julieth Valesquez pushes the attack up the field.



Allison Jara, right battles for possession.

ball out of danger on a corner five minutes into the second half.

"We actually have one of our key defensive players (Charlotte Saville) out right now with a bad injury," Chase said. "Katie moved back to the center back position not really having a lot of experience. She just dominated."

Sophomore Alexa Galligani gave White Plains an insurance goal when she deposited the ball into the top right corner of the net midway through the second half. McAteer had the assist.

Keren Hazi, a senior goalie, made eight saves in net.

It was the Tigers' strongest offensive output of the season. Their other two wins, against Arlington B and Ursuline, were both by 1-0 scores.

"This was a good boost for the girls," Chase said. "This is good for our confidence."

On Monday, Sept. 16, White Plains lost to host Mahopac, 4-1.

"Early on in the season, it was a good game to play because they're so advanced," Chase said. "We took a lot away from it. We

did film and they were watching the game. Moving forward, we have a lot that we know we can work on in practice and in games. We were happy with the overall performance because [Mahopac] is such a tough team. They have a really good reputation. The girls knew that it was very early in the season and we still have a lot to work on."

The Tigers fell to rival Mamaroneck 1-0 at home last Friday to drop their record to 3-3.

White Plains next takes the field when they welcome league opponent Horace Greeley for a 4:30 p.m. game on Sept. 24. They then travel to SUNY Purchase to take on Port Chester in another league game at 3:45 p.m., Sept. 26.

"We played Ossining early on last season and we tied them," Chase said. "To come out right away with this win, it looks really good for us. I'm really hopeful for this season. Our biggest competitor in our league is Greeley and we lost 1-0 (in the first meeting on Sept. 5). We're looking forward to playing them again."

EXAMINER SPORTS

The Crusaders Keep Marching - Down Eagles 48-14

By Albert Coqueran

The Stepinac Football Home Opener mirrored the results of their two road wins to start the 2019 season. Stepinac overpowered St. Peter's Boy's High School, 48-14, on Saturday, at Stepinac High School. In the Crusaders initial three games this season; they have outscored opponents 124-35.

However, the difference in the Crusaders Home Opening win in relation to their first two wins this season, was that they not only conquered by air but by land as well.

Quarterback Joey Carino's air attack in the first two games totaled 21-of-33 passes for 496 yards and eight touchdowns. Although, the Crusaders rushing game was responsible for only two touchdowns and 297 total yards.

In the previous game, Carino connected for a remarkable 12-of-16 passes for 221 yards and five touchdowns, as the Crusaders routed Chaminade, 42-7. On Saturday versus the Eagles, Carino completed a mere 6-of-12 passes for 72 yards and only one touchdown. But the Crusaders ground game flourished, while gaining 229 yards on 20 carries and scoring five touchdowns.

"We just corrected the run game a little this week. Kevin McKenna, Mekhi (Green) and Kyle Benjamin they all got going," acknowledged Carino, who contributed as well, while rushing for 32 yards and one touchdown.

The Crusaders offensive line, led by junior center Matt Dilullo, senior tackle Michael Tartaglia, senior guard Amari Broady and senior guard Ajani Cornelius, displayed significant progress in the game against Chaminade.

This gave Head Coach Mike O'Donnell, Offensive Coordinator Joe Venice and Run Game Coordinator Ken Barger the perfect opportunity to fine tune their running game



ALBERT COQUERAN PHOTOS

St. Peter's workhorse junior running back Kaiwan Taylor (center) scrapped for 89 yards on 23 carries against Stepinac, in the Eagles 48-14 defeat on Saturday. The Crusaders defense has played tough in the initial three games while relinquishing only 35 total points.

before archrival Iona Prep comes to town for a showdown this weekend.

Most of the damage on the ground against St. Peter's was inflicted by senior running back Mekhi Green, who rushed for 71 yards and two touchdowns. "Obviously, the offensive line got better last week and that was the difference. The Coaches told us this week we wanted to establish our running game," said Green.

Besides a 21-yard touchdown sprint by Michael Politi to start the second quarter, nothing was working for St. Peter's.

Furthermore, when they tried to get their team motivated it just backfired. Both of Green's scores came as Stepinac capitalized on two failed onside-kick attempts by the Eagles.

Also, at 7:39 of the second quarter St. Peter's Head Coach George Mahoney decided to take a gamble; the result was a Crusaders TD. The Eagles had fourth down on their own 29-yard line with less than one yard for a first down and went for it. The Crusaders defense, which has been stellar in all three games, held.

Thirty seconds later running back Kevin McKenna pounded his way through the Eagles defense for a 17-yard touchdown making the score 21-6.

Then all the momentum swung the Crusaders way when middle linebacker Da'vaine Cushnie intercepted a pass and ran to the one-yard line of the Eagles. Carino did the honors and snuck over for the TD.

Last week against the Flyers, the Crusaders scored 21 unanswered points in the first quarter. This week it was a second quarter blowout, as the Crusaders scored 28 unanswered points, including backup QB James McCauley giving Cushnie his due with a 30-yard touchdown strike.

At this point of the season, the Crusaders appear unbeatable. But do not tell that to Head Coach O'Donnell. "The season really starts right now. In our division with Iona, Cardinal Hayes, Christ the King, St. Anthony and Monsignor Farrell, you can lose every single week," stressed O'Donnell. "Getting ready to play in November is what's important. These first three games didn't count as far as the rankings. Now it's important to put yourself in the right spot for the home games in the playoffs," emphasized the Crusaders Head Coach.

Iona Prep will be the first of the aforementioned challenges for the Crusaders. Who could forget the performance last season of Crusaders running back Malik Grant, the last time these two arch rivals met on the gridiron? Grant ran for 392 yards on 38 carries and scored three touchdowns, as Stepinac beat Iona 37-26, in the CHSFL AAA Semifinals.

Both teams come into the game unblemished at 3-0. It is a new season but the same intense rivalry. The Gaels visit Stepinac to play in the Joseph R. Rivers Memorial Game, on Saturday, Sept. 28, at 1:30 p.m. Better get there early; even the coin toss will be exciting!



Stepinac QB Joey Carino (#12) and wide receiver Myles Walker congratulate running back Mekhi Green (#6) after scoring his second touchdown in the game on a 40-yard run in the third quarter. The Crusaders went on to trounce St. Peter's, 48-14, in their Home Opener, on Saturday.



Stepinac senior middle linebacker Da'vaine Cushnie setup a touchdown in the second quarter by intercepting a pass in St. Peter's territory and running the ball back to the Eagles one yard line.

EXAMINER SPORTS

White Plains Defeats Spring Valley on Road to Move to 3-0

By Rob DiAntonio

White Plains found themselves in a difficult situation late in the first half of their Week 3 contest with Spring Valley. The Tigers were backed up inside their own 10 while clinging to a one-touchdown lead.

It was White Plains' air attack that set up a pivotal score. Senior quarterback Ben Finkel found fellow senior Josiah Harris and he sprinted up the left sideline on a 77-yard reception to get the Tigers down to Spring Valley's 6. A few plays later, Finkel scored from three yards out and Christian Young made the two-point conversion to send the Tigers into halftime up by two touchdowns.

White Plains went on to pull off a thrilling 35-21 road win over host Spring Valley last Friday night to move to 3-0.

"That pass to Josiah near the end of the first half was a huge turning point for us," Finkel said. "It had been a bit of a shootout with Spring Valley making big plays on special teams. Having the long play to Josiah really helped us swing the momentum of the game in our favor. The resulting touchdown gave us a little bit of a cushion going into the half which was big momentum wise."

Finkel, who threw for 211 yards in the first half alone, finished 19 of 33 on pass attempts for 313 yards and three passing touchdowns. He also ran for a touchdown. Harris had eight catches for 129 yards and two scores. Elijah Pierre caught five passes for 132 yards and a touchdown.

The Tigers took an early first quarter lead when Finkel hit Harris on a screen pass for a 10-yard touchdown. But Spring Valley returned the ensuing kickoff to the 29 and they later scored to tie the game up.

After converting a fourth down in Spring Valley territory on their next possession, Finkel fired a 19-yard touchdown pass to Harris. The Tigers led 14-7.

"Our offensive line did an amazing job giving us time, which allowed us to do so well in the first half through the air," Finkel



ROB DIANTONIO PHOTOS

White Plains quarterback Ben Finkel threw for 313 yards and three touchdowns in a 35-21 road win over Spring Valley.



Christian Young and the Tigers are on the road again when they travel to Arlington on Friday night for a Week 4 contest.

said. "Along with the receivers being great play makers, the combination made us very dynamic."

But Spring Valley answered again when Jaquan Chambers returned the kickoff 90 yards for a touchdown to tie the game at 14-14.

White Plains responded when a number of players contributed to an eventual touchdown. Caleb Gillens ran a short kickoff to the Spring Valley 46. Finkel found Pierre on a pass to get to the 30. Chris McGuire then broke multiple tackles after a catch to get to the 6 and Young scored to give White Plains a 20-14 lead.

"I think a huge key for us in the first half was our mental preparation," Finkel said. "We knew it was going to be a battle so

we all made sure we knew our keys, reads and blocks so we could come out strong. The O-line handled the overload blitzes beautifully which allowed us to get the balls into the receivers' hands and let them do their thing."

White Plains then received the touchdown run from Finkel and ensuing two-point conversion run by Young to go into halftime leading 28-14.

After a scoreless third quarter, Spring Valley threatened to score early in the fourth but Harris' interception at the 2-yard line nullified that.

With four minutes left in the game, Finkel sent a high pass to a wide-open Pierre, who caught it and did the rest, jetting 83 yards for the insurance touchdown.

"Our success against Spring Valley really came down to our focus and togetherness," Finkel said. "We really played as a team and family and that's what helped us stay together till the end and thrive."

Spring Valley scored once more with under two minutes to play.

White Plains has a tough Week 4 match-up on its hands when it travels north to 2-1 Arlington for a 6 p.m. game on Friday night.

"Arlington is going to be a huge game," Finkel said. "They're a great team and we're going to have to be disciplined and focus on the little things this week. Preparedness is key for us. We're all really excited for the hard work from this offseason to be paying off and we're just looking forward to keeping it going and having fun."

Happenings

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White Plains Girls Soccer Beat Ossining with 3-0 Win



ROB DIANTONIO PHOTO

Coming off a three-goal loss to Mahopac, White Plains' girls soccer team responded with a 3-0 win over visiting Ossining last Wednesday. Pictured: Tigers' Julianna Battaglia looks to push the ball up the field. For more on White Plains Girls Soccer see page 17.