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Bellefield project rendering.

DUTCHESS DEVELOPMENT NOW VALUED AT \$1B; ABOVE-GROUND CONSTRUCTION BEGINS

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A mixed-use development of 2.1 million square feet that has been positioned as a future economic powerhouse for Dutchess

County is now being valued at \$1 billion, approximately 25% more than the previous price tag of \$800 million. Known as Bellefield at Historic Hyde Park, the project would bring to the area 802 residential units and 830,000 square feet of retail and commercial

space, including two hotels. The project is on a 340-acre site in Hyde Park, along Route 9, across from the Culinary Institute of America.

Approximately \$50 million worth of infrastructure work has been completed at the site and

above-ground construction has now begun on the first of the two hotels for the project, a \$52 million Residence Inn to be known as The Inn at Bellefield by Residence Inn.

Tom Mulroy, chairman and CEO of developer T-Rex Capital

Group LLC, told the Business Journal that the increased valuation for the project is due to inflation, the effects of construction delays due to Covid and changes in project components in the updated master plan for the

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First Selectman Tesoro: 'My vision for Trumbull remains unchanged'

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First Selectman Vicki Tesoro highlighted her efforts in bringing new business to Trumbull and previewed upcoming endeavors in her annual Address to the Business Community, held May 11 before an audience of members

from the Trumbull Chamber of Commerce and the Bridgeport Regional Business Council in the banquet hall of the Tashua Knolls golf course.

"Trumbull is a wonderful community and I'm honored and humbled to be the first selectman of this fine town," Tesoro said in her opening remarks. "I want

to thank our businesses for your investments and your confidence in Trumbull. I thank you for the jobs you create and for the goods and services you provide, for all you give back to the community and most of all for your perseverance these last two years."

Tesoro began the speech by announcing that \$1.5 million

had been made available to the town for the construction of the Veterans and First Responders Center at Kaatz Pond.

"Construction costs are escalating, and this project is no exception," she noted. "What was initially a \$3 million project is now a \$4.5 million project."

Additionally, she noted that

Rep. Jim Himes (D-CT) selected the project as the beneficiary of the Member Driven Community Project Funding Program. Tesoro expressed hope that the program will cover the remaining \$3 million of construction and encouraged attendees to talk to Himes about the project.

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Push for single-payer health care, for and against

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With the New York State Legislature set to end its session on June 2, pressure was building from both sides in the controversy over the New York Health Act, which would replace health care in the state with a single-payer system. Attempts to bring about passage of the act had consistently failed in past years and some observers were certain that if it didn't pass this time, legislation would be reintroduced when the legislature meets again next year.

The Business Council of Westchester (BCW) was one of the organizations that, in the waning days of the legislative session, was urging its members to get in touch with their legislators and urge them to once again block passage of the New York Health Act.

"This disastrous plan comes with a price tag of as much as \$250,000,000,000 per year and will cost 161,000 jobs in New York," a message from BCW Executive Vice President and COO John Ravitz said. BCW members were urged to "contact legislators today and tell them to reject this job-eliminating legislation. They should be working to create and retain jobs instead of eliminating them."

Ravitz told the Business Journals, "The state can't afford it. The Business Council was what is called 'navigators' during the early years of the New York State Affordable Care Act, the Health Exchange, and we helped enroll thousands of Westchester residents who had not been receiving health care into the system, and the system is working. To dismantle that system makes no sense whatsoever after the State Legislature only passed it six or seven years ago."

Proponents of the New York Health Act say that the Covid-19 pandemic, racial inequities and poor health outcomes underscore the critical need to establish a universal, guaranteed health care system at the state level.

"New Yorkers elected a



John Ravitz

Democratic super-majority in the middle of a pandemic as a mandate to enact bold transformational changes, including the New York Health Act," said Ursula Rozum, co-director of the Campaign for NY Health. "This bill must be central to a just and equitable recovery from this pandemic."

Among the organizations that had gotten behind the 2022 legislation are the New York State Nurses Association, the union I199SEIU, the Statewide Senior Action Council, Physicians for a National Health Program, New York Immigration Coalition, the Federation of Protestant Welfare Agencies and the New York Association on Independent Living.

Assemblyman Richard Gottfried, a legislative sponsor of the legislation and chairman of the Assembly Health Committee, has made promotion of a single-payer system in New York a cornerstone of his tenure in Albany.

"Health care disparities are

amplified in a pandemic, but they aren't new" said Gottfried. "It's shocking that people can come out of Covid-19 treatment with massive medical debt, but people also shouldn't face financial obstacles or hardships for cancer treatment, having a baby or other health care. The New York Health Act, a single-payer system, will guarantee that all New Yorkers regardless of income or job status can focus on their health and health care, not medical bills."

State Senator Gustavo Rivera, chair of the Senate Health Committee and bill sponsor, said, "I am incredibly proud that the majority of members in both the Assembly and the Senate cosponsor and support the legislation."

A coalition known as The Realities of Single Payer serves as an umbrella for 164 organizations that have been urging legislators to oppose the Health Act. The organization supports a combination of private and government-funded health insurance.

"I was the ranking member on the New York State Assembly

Health Committee in the early 90's, when Dick Gottfried, the sponsor, was introducing this," Ravitz told the Business Journals. "It started back then, and the questions that we asked him in the 90's are the questions we still need to ask him in 2022. How can the state afford this?"

Ravitz said there have been independent studies showing that a single-payer system would prove to be very costly for the state as well as employers within the state, including a Rand study that found it would create a \$210 billion tax burden.

"The political landscape in Albany has changed dramatically with much more progressive members in both the Senate and Assembly," Ravitz said. "There will be people who will want to push this bill, and what we've said at The Business Council of Westchester is rather than pass a bill that we know the state can't afford, let the governor and legislature work to improve the New York Health Exchange so that those folks who aren't yet enrolled can have the opportunity to identify and select a health plan that's going to work for them."

Ravitz said that eventually when you have a tax increase of \$210 billion, someone is going to have to pay for it.

"We can't spend and pretend. We can't spend money and then pretend that we have it and employers will be able to afford it when we know that's not the case, especially with what's happened in the last 2-1/2 years because of the pandemic," Ravitz said. "We don't want emergency rooms to be the primary health care providers. That doesn't help anybody. Every individual and family should have the right to have health insurance. That's why the state legislature passed the Affordable Care Act and created the New York State Health Exchange. That program has enrolled 4.9 million people already in New York state. That's 4.9 million people who didn't have health care insurance before, so the program is working. Why throw that all out?"

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Scarsdale lawyer disbarred 6 years after killing wife

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Six years after Julius S. Reich murdered his wife and four years after he admitted guilt, the former Scarsdale lawyer has been disbarred.

Reich was automatically disbarred in 2018 when he was convicted of a felony, a panel of five judges of the First Appellate Court, Manhattan, noted in a May 12 decision, but Reich also had failed to report his conviction, as required by the judiciary law. The court learned of the conviction from the attorney grievance committee for the Second Appellate Court, Brooklyn.

Reich's "unexplained failure to report his conviction," the court ruled, "may be relevant to any future application for reinstatement."

The grisly killing and Reich's conviction were widely publicized.

He was working as a lawyer and accountant for WeiserMazars accounting firm in Manhattan and had worked as a partner for 20 years at



Julius Reich

PricewaterhouseCoopers. His wife, Robin Goldman, was a pediatrician with Montefiore Medical Group in the Bronx.

Reich had filed for divorce in 2015 but the couple remained living in the same house on Lincoln Road in Scarsdale.

On the morning of Jan. 20, 2016, Reich entered an upstairs bathroom, stabbed Dr. Goldman 22 times with an

8-inch kitchen knife, went downstairs and called 911.

He directed Scarsdale police to the bathroom where they found Dr. Goldman, 58, in the shower.

Reich pleaded guilty to manslaughter in 2018, in a plea deal where he agreed to 20 years in prison and five years of supervised release. The plea bargain avoided the possibility of a second degree murder conviction and imprisonment for 25 years to life.

Westchester Supreme Court Justice Barry E. Warhit also ordered Reich to have no involvement with his three adult children and grandchildren. "No contact with them, no letters of apology, no contact at all," the judge said during sentencing.

Reich appealed the judgment, arguing that the sentencing he had agreed to was excessive. The state Court of Appeals rejected his argument.

Adam Reich, his son and the administrator of Dr. Goldman's estate, sued Reich in 2019 for wrongful death and causing pain and suffering.

He argued that the divorce would

have become final had she not been killed, and she would have received her share of marital assets.

"Julius Reich should not and cannot profit from his wrongdoing in causing the death of decedent Robin Goldman," the complaint states.

Reich broadly denied the allegations in his answer to the complaint. Then he violated several court orders to appear for depositions and provide documents. When he did testify last year, appearing virtually from prison, he invoked his Fifth Amendment privilege against self-incrimination 132 times.

Reich invoked the Fifth Amendment, Westchester Supreme Court Justice Joan B. Lefkowitz ruled last year, "without a good-faith belief in the need for such protection."

The lawsuit is pending.

Reich, 68, is imprisoned at Great Meadow Correctional Facility in Comstock, New York. A parole hearing is scheduled for January 2033 and he could be released in March 2033, or remain incarcerated until January 2036, a few days before his 82nd birthday.

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A typical PODS warehouse.

PODS seeks to establish warehouse facility in Armonk

BY PETER KATZ

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The national container, storage and moving company PODS Enterprises LLC is seeking approval from the town of North Castle to use a warehouse that's under construction in Armonk as a site for its container operations. PODS currently does not have warehouse locations in Westchester. It has about 230 sites in North America, including in: Valley Cottage and Marlboro in the Hudson Valley; Calverton, Hauppauge, Wainscott and Melville on Long Island; Jamaica in New York City; and Bristol in Connecticut.

Anthony F. Veneziano Jr. of the Armonk-based law firm

Veneziano & Associates, told the North Castle Planning Board that PODS had retained the firm to obtain necessary approvals for the company to use a 71,573-square-foot warehouse that is under construction at 94 Business Park Drive in Armonk.

Veneziano represented Aggro and Brassie LLC and Armonk Fairview LLC when they sought approvals to build the warehouse. The applicant was seeking site plan approval, wetlands permit and tree removal permit approvals to demolish the existing motel and the construction of the warehouse with associated off-street parking and landscaping improvements. The plan for building the warehouse called for providing 150 parking spaces at the site.

Veneziano said that as of about a month ago the developer and PODS were close to finalizing a lease for PODS to take the space. He said that before the lease could be signed, an approved amended site plan was needed in order to cover what PODS would be doing.

There would be a total of 978 PODS containers accommodated inside of the warehouse. They would be stacked three levels high.

In addition to storing containers inside of the warehouse, PODS is proposing having 36 spaces outside where containers could be stacked three-high for a total of 108 outdoor containers. He said that the outdoor containers would be empty and as containers are needed off-site they'd be taken from the outdoor supply. The total number of containers at

the site, inside and outside, would be a peak of 1,086.

Veneziano said that PODS anticipates initially having from three to five employees at the site, with as many as 10 employed there in the future.

The site on which the warehouse is being built covers 5.52 acres and includes a wetlands buffer.

PODS reports that it currently has more than 227,000 portable storage containers in service and has completed about 1.4 million long-distance moves and about six million deliveries. Rather than following a traditional model of loading a moving van with a customer's furnishings, PODS delivers a container or multiple containers to the customer's business or residential location in advance of when a move will originate so

that customers can complete the loading at their convenience. It also notes that PODS containers can be used for temporary storage of furniture and other items while a renovation project is underway, or used much as would be a rented unit at a self-storage facility.

PODS points out that an advantage of their container system is that customers who need extra storage space can load their goods into a PODS container and keep the container at their house or business or have PODS pick it up and store it at one of its warehouses. When they want to access the contents of a container, they can make an appointment and the container will be retrieved from its location in the warehouse and brought to an area where customers can access it.

Greenwich Hospital's emergency department recalls Covid's worst days in new book

BY PHIL HALL

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As the Covid-19 pandemic began to abate and a degree of normalcy started to permeate Greenwich Hospital, Dr. Christopher Davison, medical director within the emergency department, recalled his experiences in an essay that he shared with his colleague, Dr. Spike Lipschutz, vice president of medical affairs.

Davison and Lipschutz discussed the essay and considered expanding it with input from other members of the Greenwich Hospital team. Medical professionals, transporters, registrars, security personnel and others within the hospital were invited to contribute essays, poems, artwork and photographs that detailed their experiences during the height of the Covid crisis.

The resulting work was published earlier this month as a hardcover book titled "Greenwich Hospital Emergency Department and Covid-19: Our Voices. Our Stories. Our Journey." Fifty-three members of the hospital's workforce contributed to the contents of this book – with most of them becoming published authors and artists for the first time.

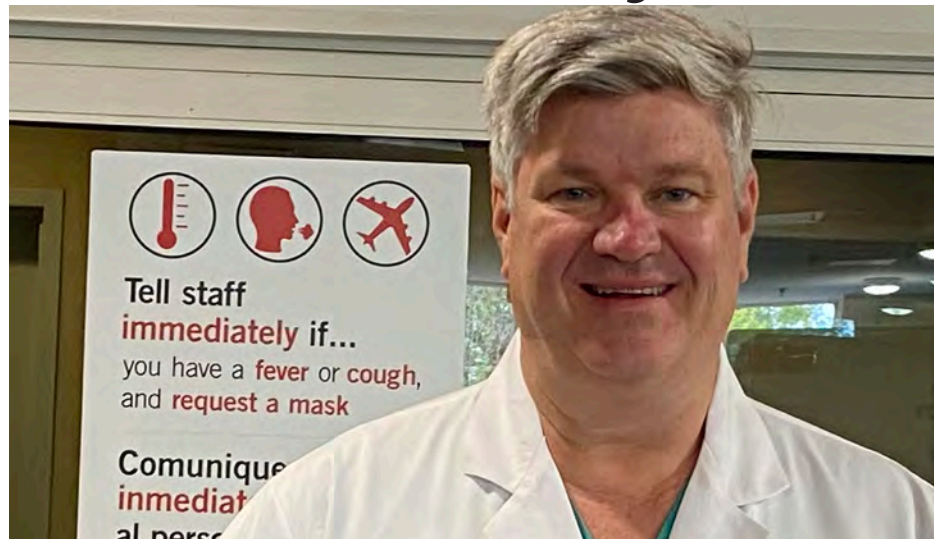
"I wasn't a major in English in my undergrad," laughed Davison. "And I wrote an article with some reflections of what it was like, and a lot of acknowledgement and praise of the ER staff. I wasn't sure what to do with it, whether I submit it to the Greenwich Hospital publication or some local newspaper."

Davison's article noted his experience with Covid as both a physician and a patient.

"I was one of the first people to come down with Covid," he said. "I remember this date forever because it was April 1, April Fool's Day. This was just a few weeks after our first patient in Greenwich Hospital was diagnosed with Covid – I went home from work on April 1 and I was just extremely tired, exhausted, beyond what I normally would be, and I took my temperature and I had a fever. That was frightening because this was two weeks into it and it was very hard to get people tested – for that reason, the mortality rate was very high, so you really did not want to have Covid back then."

In his essay, Davison noted that the pandemic kept him from having meaningful times with his mother, a septuagenarian who succumbed to pancreatic cancer. He hoped that anyone who reads the new book "can get something out of it, because the whole world was impacted by Covid, and we all had to deal with it in different ways."

Among those contributing to the book



Christopher Davison, M.D.



John Beaujour, emergency department technician.



Christina Cannone Epstein, RN.

was John Beaujour, an emergency department technician, who expressed gratitude for being able to share his experiences in print.

"It's amazing just to put your voice out there and tell your story," he said. "Hopefully,

people who felt the same way at that time can relate to it. And even those who had no idea what we went through can have an understanding."

For Beaujour, the greatest challenge during the pandemic was the "adjustment

from the workplace and home – the hardest part is how you go home to your family and try to protect them from the virus."

Beaujour added being able to share his thoughts in the book "inspired me to maybe collect more information on my journey of being a health care worker, then collect those experiences maybe later in life and – who knows? – put them in a book."

Also contributing to the book was Christina Cannone Epstein, a registered nurse who initially came to the project with trepidation.

"When I first was approached, I think I was a little bit overwhelmed to bring up those emotions again," she said. "At that point in my life, it was a very, very scary time, so to try to put those words on paper was a little bit challenging."

Still, Epstein persisted, even though she had no previous professional writing experience.

"Knowing that people will be reading what I wrote was a little intimidating at first," she continued. "I had to make sure my grammar was correct, and I wanted to make sure that I wasn't offending anybody when I was writing my paper."

But Epstein was excited to be part of what she described as "such a fabulous opportunity to capture history with a little bit about what we all went through." Despite 17 years of nursing experience, Epstein admitted Covid was an unprecedented challenge for her.

"As a health care worker and as a nurse, it goes against every grain of your body to not be able to run into a room whenever you need to," she said. "I remember sitting at the desk and wearing three masks and not knowing and watching my patients through the window struggling to breathe and knowing there was really nothing I could do for them."

As with Beaujour, Epstein felt a creative spark being unleashed with her contribution to the book.

"I'm finishing my master's in nursing education, so I never thought of myself as a writer before," she said. "But I've really grown to love research and I've actually learned to be more of a writer through my education, so you never know what the future holds."

Davison was also invigorated by the project and hoped any future literary projects would not be based on a pandemic.

"We're very fortunate that the hospital funded the publication of the book because it was not inexpensive," he said. "What I would say is that door would always be open now if there was ever something else that is significant. Within our departments, I'd leave that option open."

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project that was approved by the town of Hyde Park.

“Above-ground construction has begun on the first of two hotels,” Mulroy said. “Phase two will be about 300,000 square feet of commercial. It will involve 344 residential rental units and it will involve 129 condo for-sale units and 12 townhome units.”

Mulroy said that people have been showing a new interest in Dutchess County and the Hudson Valley as a result of the Covid pandemic and changes in work habits.

“This is the critical mass, 2.1 million square feet on 340 acres, that can really move the needle,” Mulroy said. “The Hudson Valley is a pretty vast piece of land. You’ve got to remember the Hudson Valley brings in over 25 million tourists a year.”

Mulroy characterized the development as being an economic engine right along the Hudson River that will complement attractions such as the Culinary Institute, the FDR Presidential Library, Vassar, Bard and the Walkway Over the Hudson. He said the hospitality components of Bellefield would help bolster the tourism.

“Compare that to Napa Valley, California, which has less than four million visitors a



Tom Mulroy

year,” Mulroy said. “They have incredible hotel stock but they have four million or less a year. We have 25 million a year and our hotel stock has been behind the 8-ball. I

think that will be transformational.”

Mulroy said they have talked with officials at the Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site.

“We’ve been working on this project for 12 years. We really land-banked it for awhile, to try to understand it,” Mulroy said. “We spent a lot of time with the FDR people. They have a big need for hospitality facilities. A lot of people go there and they’re daytrippers. You cannot see the FDR in one day. If you really want to take advantage of the FDR estate and what the museum has to offer that’s at least a two-day trip. There are conferences and a lot of weddings that FDR would like to do and they’ve been stymied, and that goes for a lot of groups up there.”

Mulroy said that those involved in the project have found it quite gratifying to see above-ground work taking place at the site.

“When we did break ground in July of 2018 we had hundreds of calls from people who wanted to put in a reservation for residences,” Mulroy said. “We have over 300 potential tenants on our lists for residential and commercial space. We’re involved with City Winery to be one of our anchors.”

Approximately 48 acres of the site will be devoted to agricultural use with about 197 acres maintained in its natural wooded

state.

The Residence Inn is expected to open in September of next year and is being developed by T-Rex in partnership with the Shaner Hotel Group LP.

“We have already closed our hotel construction financing,” Mulroy said. “We have a development loan for phase two already closed. That interest rate was put to bed a couple of months ago. The next phase is almost a million square feet. For the residential, we’re working with our joint-venture partners and commercial leasing will be phased. There will be phase 2A and 2B depending on how leasing goes. Right now we’re working with a couple of anchor tenants. You try to sign up your anchor tenants and you fill in the others after the anchor tenants are signed.”

Mulroy said they plan to start the site work for phase two by year end and expect above-ground construction on phase two to begin around the middle of 2023. He said that market conditions will help determine how quickly the full million square feet in phase two gets built.

“Phase two is a big lift,” Mulroy said. “This is going to be transformational, not just for Dutchess County, but for the Hudson Valley and New York. This is a sizeable project.”

1 Trumbull—

“My vision for Trumbull remains unchanged,” Tesoro declared. “It is a simple vision.”

Tesoro said that the town is presently in line with that vision, citing strong finances, a robust economy and students with high achievement. She welcomed several companies arriving in the town in the past year, including Kyber Security, Synergy Healthcare, and Linquist Supply, and extended a welcome to several health care facilities plus new restaurants like Marianna’s Pantry, Echo Restaurant and Guacamole Mexican Restaurant.

She also highlighted The Clean Earth Project, an apparel brand specializing in recycled materials.

Next Chapter Books also bore special mention by Tesoro. The bookstore is run by members of the ELITE program, which provides training opportunities to students in Trumbull schools.

In addition to the new businesses, Tesoro was also proud of efforts to reclaim empty space.

“We have continued to focus on underperforming and vacant properties,” she said. “Over 800,000 square feet of commercial space has been redeveloped and/or reoccupied over the last

five years.”

Tesoro highlighted this success by telling the story of the Southern Industrial Commercial Zone. In 2017, the area around Reservoir Avenue was over 60% vacant. She said that the project is now among the most sought after in the town, owing to rezoning that allowed for the construction of numerous luxury housing units.

Tesoro also praised the Woodside, a project at the former Henderson Lumberyard, which is now fully occupied. Near there is the River Valley Retirement Community, which she described as a “cruise ship on land” for the 55 and over set.

“If you haven’t been there, you should go there. It is an amazing place, in fact” she said while adding the joke, “I have reservations for my apartment there – don’t tell my husband.”

On a more serious note, Tesoro noted the arrival of new businesses following the creation of housing developments while pointing to another vacant building in the former industrial zone that went under contract for purchase for a use other than housing.

“This did not take 20 years to turn around,” Tesoro declared. “It took five



Trumbull First Selectman Vicki Tesoro.
Photo by Justin McGown.

years of planning, focus and partnership.”

Tesoro also called attention to legal victory in cases involving a former United Healthcare property, which will

allow for the construction of a \$120 million redevelopment project. Focused on individuals over 55, the development at the site is expected to bring the town millions in new tax revenues every year, she said.

Downtown revitalization projects, successful charity programs and ongoing efforts to secure further grants and funding were other highlights of Tesoro’s speech.

Tesoro also described the town’s financial shape as “excellent,” noting the town’s general fund stands at its highest ever recorded, \$24.3 million, an increase of 31% since she took office in 2017. Paired with an AA bond rating, she described this as proof her administration is following a stable and sustainable course, and that the town is on the course to a bright, safe future on the basis of good planning and sound economics.

Tesoro closed her presentation by thanking those she called responsible for protecting the town. She presented a certificate recognizing the selflessness of the Community Emergency Response Team for service and self-sacrifice through the course of the pandemic, making it possible for Trumbull residents to enjoy the flourishing community.

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New fund focused on development in underserved communities

The Connecticut state government has launched the Community Investment Fund 2030 (CIF), a five-year grant program of up to \$875 million designed to foster economic development in underserved communities and among historically marginalized demographics.

Eligible projects include capital improvements endeavors, including affordable housing, brownfield remediation, infrastructure and public facilities, as well as small business support programs that offer revolving loans, gap financing, micro-loans and start-up financing.

The CIF will be administered by the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) and overseen by a 21-member board that is co-chaired by House Speaker Matt Ritter and Senate President Pro Tempore Martin Looney. The CIF Board will review applications and make recommendations to the governor, who will approve and forward applications to the State Bond Commission.

Designated municipalities, community development corporations and nonprofit organizations that serve these communities are eligible to apply. The deadline to submit applications is July 25 and the first round of funding is scheduled to provide up to \$75 million in total funding, with a minimum individual project size of \$250,000. The CIF Board anticipates two rounds of funding per year for five years.

“CIF is an incredible opportunity for Connecticut’s cities and towns to revitalize their economic base and chart a path of equitable growth,” DECD Deputy Commissioner Alexandra Daum said. “Municipalities and their partners should consider transformative, long-term proposals supporting economic growth and vitality.”

IBM grant funds to help schools with cybersecurity

IBM is allocating \$5 million of in-kind grants to help schools with cybersecurity threats.

For the second year in a row, the Armonk-based company will award grants to six U.S. school districts, including the Poughkeepsie City School District, and the program is being expanded overseas with

four additional grants for school districts in Brazil, Costa Rica, Ireland and the United Arab Emirates.

Through this grant program, IBM volunteers will help schools establish programs to address cybersecurity resiliency and will provide services, including developing incident response plans and ransomware playbooks. The programs will address the need for updating operating systems, providing

cybersecurity training for staff, students and parents, and implementing strategic communication plans to use in response to a cyber incident.

“For schools, a large barrier to strengthening their cybersecurity posture often comes down to constrained budgets, which financially-motivated threat actors bet on,” said Charles Henderson, global managing partner and head of IBM Security X-Force.

“By pursuing targets with lower defenses, threat actors can reap quick rewards and yield a higher return. In the event of ransomware attacks, the extreme added pressure schools experience to pay a ransom to recover their operations is a profitable wager for the bad guys. As a leader in the security community, it’s our duty to help our educational institutions strengthen their cyber preparedness.”

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The art of building an e-commerce site

BY PHIL HALL

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One of the newest locally based e-commerce sites to go live is MovArt (ateliermovart.com), created by the Stratford-based artist known by the mononym Voltori as the digital storefront for his paintings. Launched on May 18, it was created by the artist in what he described as a trial-and-error manner.

"I've worked on the website for about a year," he recalled. "It was all a learning curve for me. I constantly stumbled upon obstacles and had to research and teach myself how to overcome them."

Voltori taught himself enough about building an e-commerce site that he felt comfortable to premiere MovArt after an extended beta testing period. Nonetheless, the artist-turned-entrepreneur is going into a challenging market with his MovArt site.

According to data from WPForms.com, a software company focused on the WordPress platform, there are between 12 million and 24 million e-commerce sites worldwide, but less than one million of these websites make more than \$1,000 in revenue each year. That is hardly due to a lack of demand – Statista reported there were 900 million more online buyers in 2021 than there were in 2020.

And, of course, there is that digital elephant in the room: Amazon. Statista also reported 59% of consumers say they always or often begin their purchases with a trip to Amazon.

So, what can businesses and entrepreneurs do to ensure their standalone e-commerce sites find online buyers?

For starters, it helps to have a thorough understanding of where the new e-commerce site will fit within the digital scheme of things.

"Starting from fresh, you need to do a lot of research on the buying patterns of your target consumers and the type of marketing that your competitors are doing," said Scott Johnson, president of Brookfield-headquartered Mack Media Group.

After looking at the wider environment, the next step is to consider the e-commerce site's goals.



The artist Voltori in his Stratford studio. *Contributed photo.*

"You have to think about what you're going to sell and how you want your customers to be able to buy," explained Michael Loewenberg, principal at New City-based MESH Business Solutions Inc. "It's more interesting to think about how customers buy than how you sell, because that's what's really going to make or break your website."

Loewenberg noted that it doesn't matter what is being sold

because the basic principles of e-commerce span the full online retail spectrum.

"I built sites for restaurants selling food that's being delivered, and I build websites for clients who want to sell things, widgets," he said. "What you have to talk about are the products that you have and how you build them – whether they're simple products that you buy something as it stands by itself, or whether that has variations,

options to those products. And that increases the complexity and also the way that the products are displayed on a website about how people buy."

In Voltori's case, the reasons why people would want to buy his artwork weighed in his decision on how to present his output for potential purchasing.

"I uploaded all of my artwork and showcased them in different environments," Voltori said. "Since

everyone's home or office is different and unique, I figured I'd show viewers what my work might look like in different types of room settings. If you look at the website, you can see that – I'm super happy about it."

Inventory Issues

For businesses selling a complex product line, Loewenberg recommended having a website that can accommodate a wide inven-

tory, especially with merchandise with diverse variations.

“If you’ve got a shirt with two sizes and five colors, that’s 10 products,” he said. “And if it’s long and short sleeve, that’s 20 products. And then you have five kinds of trim, that’s 100 products. And if you’ve got 10 sizes, that’s 1,000 products – and each one of those things is an individual product.”

With a wider inventory, Loewenberg suggested moving beyond the do-it-yourself aspects of sites like Wix or Shopify and work with “someone who understands the mechanisms of building more than just simple products.”

Of course, there is more to e-commerce than the online store. Rob Kissner, the GaelVentures program manager at Iona College’s Hynes Institute in New Rochelle, raised the caution that things can become thorny when the process moves offline.

“I’ve seen the real inhibitor to growth for an e-commerce site

that’s selling anything physical as the fulfillment side of it,” said Kissner. “Let’s say you’re selling handmade jewelry and somebody purchases an item – obviously you want to make sure you have the items in stock. Are you packaging that up? How is it being wrapped? You have to get it to the post office in a timely manner, and all of the materials used for packaging, and shipping those products have a cost associated with them.”

Kissner sparked the question of whether the e-commerce site owner will need to hire a fulfillment company to handle the packing and shipping if the site takes off in popularity, adding the costs of shipping and handling need to be considered before any sales take place.

“In terms of selling one piece of jewelry, how much does it cost to make, pack and ship, and is the sale of that one piece of jewelry greater than all of those expenses put together?” he asked. “Because if you’re just making even or break-

ing even or making a couple of percentages of a profit margin on that, it’s probably not worth it to even do this in the first place. Whereas if you have a good profit margin built into that, then obviously it’s worth it. But that requires the foresight to plan out what all of those expenses, including your time, are going to include.”

If You Build It

Another off-site issue for the e-commerce site owner to consider is getting the site to stand out from the competition.

“People still search Google for a lot of their products, but the Google search volume is still insane,” said Mack Media Group’s Johnson. “There is the digital marketing stuff – social media, SEO, Google AdWords, Google Display – and you want to drive all them into your buying pattern.”

For applicable products that could fit into Amazon’s product universe, Johnson recommended setting up a store on that site –

noting that even though Amazon’s hefty cut on the percentage of sales would dilute any immediate profit rush, it would nonetheless help build brand awareness.

“I find myself just going to Amazon for the pure convenience of it,” Johnson admitted.

And then, there is the issue of cybersecurity – after all, no one will want to shop on a site where financial data can be easily hacked.

“Every website should have an SSL certificate that makes it HTTPS,” said Loewenberg. “Google negatively impacts your search engine result page ranking if you don’t have HTTPS. If you’re going to give your credit card on a site that doesn’t have HTTPS in the URL, I wouldn’t do it.”

“And credit card processing needs to be PCI compliant. That’s handled by the credit card processors, and they are compliant – they’ve got security built in.”

Another financial element to consider involves taxes on items sold from the site.

“The IRS is really cracking down on general transactions that are in collecting sales tax,” said Kissner. “For a new business that’s just starting up an e-commerce site or for somebody that may be starting up a side hustle, that may not be something they want to have to think about.”

For the artist Voltori, one piece of advice he shared based on his experience in building an e-commerce site was to bring a positive emotional element to the forefront.

“This is huge: you need to have love for the product and enjoy the process of creating everything,” he said. “The reason I say this is because you will come across obstacles, whether business related or personal. There will be days where you’ll want to give up on the project. If you enjoy the process and love your product, you won’t give up. But a lot of people do give up because their number one goal when starting is the money, and it shouldn’t be.”



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Annual Dinner to Celebrate “Hollywood on the Hudson”

In keeping with its tradition of featuring renowned leaders from business, finance, government, the media and other aspects of American life, the Business Council of Westchester’s 2022 Annual Dinner on October 12 will be headlined by **Robert Halmi**, Founder and CEO of **Great Point Studios** which recently opened a major new film and TV production facility in Yonkers for Lionsgate Studios.



Robert Halmi, Founder and CEO of Great Point Studios

Halmi’s keynote address will focus on the opening of the new studio, the largest modern film and television production facility in the Northeast. The studio has changed the trajectory of economic development in Westchester’s largest city and the economic landscape of the county, leading to Yonkers being dubbed “Hollywood on the Hudson.”

An Emmy and Golden Globe winner, Halmi is a producer of more than 400 film and television projects and founder of the Hallmark Channel. As President and CEO of Hallmark Entertainment, he transformed the business from a small production company into one of the first modern studios, producing over 2,000 hours of original content that have garnered 458 Emmy nominations and 133 Emmy Awards. Among his many acclaimed productions is *Lonesome Dove*, which earned seven Emmy Awards and a Golden Globe for best miniseries.

In 2019, Halmi embarked on bringing to life his vision of creating major new film and television production facilities across the U.S with the founding of Great Point Studios. Halmi’s vision became a reality with the opening of

Lionsgate Yonkers studios in January. The studio opening was widely viewed as a significant change in the landscape of the New York film and television industry. Joining **Lionsgate** as tenants at the studio which is part of the downtown iPark complex are **Mediapro** and the **S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications at Syracuse University**.

“Great Point’s investment and attraction of Lionsgate Studios is a unique, exciting and highly impactful economic development investment project not only for Yonkers, but for Westchester County and the entire region,” said Dr. Marsha Gordon, BCW President and CEO. “As a result, other movie production companies are actively pursuing locations in Westchester. In a real sense, we are emerging as a film making center. Robert Halmi is a visionary leader, and we are extremely fortunate that he selected Yonkers, Westchester and the Northeast for Great Points’ first studio investment. We are honored to have him as this year’s keynote speaker.”

Mayor Mike Spano said: “Great Point and Lionsgate are a major building block in the transformation of the Yonkers waterfront which is enjoying a renaissance. The studio is generating new jobs for local residents, and our business community will benefit from the more than 1,000 people expected to work there. We cannot overstate the significance of this commitment to the future of our city.”

For more than 20 years the BCW’s Annual Fall Dinner has attracted and gained insights from prominent guest speakers representing a broad cross-section of aspects of American life. Among recent featured speakers were Regeneron Pharmaceuticals founders Leonard Schleifer and George Yancopoulos; Indra Nooyi, Chairman of PepsiCo.; Hillary Rodham Clinton and Cardinal Timothy Dolan. **This year’s dinner will be held at the VIP Country Club in New Rochelle. For information on sponsorships, contact Amanda DePalma at ADepalma@thebcw.org.**

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Invasive fish species poses threat to Hudson River ecosystem

BY PHIL HALL

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A tiny fish recently spotted near Poughkeepsie is creating big problems, with state officials worried that it would disrupt the Hudson River ecosystem.

According to a report in the environmental news source The River, the round goby measures a maximum of 10 inches and has the ability to thrive in different aquatic conditions. It is also a prolific breeder, which creates a problem for New York because it is an invasive species – the round goby is native to the Black and Caspian Seas and was accidentally introduced to New York's waterways in the late 1990s, where it has already displaced local fish species and disrupted the food chain.

The round goby was first spotted in Lake Ontario and Lake Erie and has traveled along the Erie Canal to reach the Hudson River. The sighting in Poughkeepsie has raised alarms that it will damage the Hudson River ecosystems.

"The goby is a voracious eater," said Dan Shapley, co-director of the Science and Patrol Program at Riverkeeper. "It loves to eat eggs, so it's going to consume the eggs of many of our native species. Many of our native species are already in decline, at risk, or barely showing signs of recovery



from historic overfishing, habitat loss or pollution."

And it is not just the native

fish that are in danger. The round gobies consume zebra mussels, another invasive species in the

Great Lakes and the Hudson River, but this causes toxins found in mussels to permeate the

food chain. Ecologists reported that thousands of waterbirds in the Great Lakes that consumed gobies died from ingesting botulism toxin – a situation that could be repeated in the Hudson Valley region where a large population of zebra mussels exists.

There is also the concern that the round gobies could disrupt the efforts being made to increase the Atlantic sturgeon presence in the Hudson River after years of overfishing that nearly eradicated the species. While Great Lake sturgeons feed on the round gobies, there is a fear that the invasive species will eat the Atlantic sturgeon's eggs and reverse the progress made in reintroducing that fish to the river.

The round goby is also creating agitation upstate, where there is concern it could find its way into Lake Champlain.

"We really mobilized knowing that it was discovered in the Hudson," said Peg Olsen, the Adirondack director of the Nature Conservancy in New York. "Then the canal was closed for the winter. Knowing that it is going to reopen May 20, we really felt there was this small window of time to mobilize and make the case again to DEC [Department of Environmental Conservation], the Canal Corporation and the governor to close just one of those locks to prevent the goby from getting into Lake Champlain."

PCSB Bank is acquired by Boston-based bank

BY PHIL HALL

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Yorktown Heights-based PCSB Financial Corp. is being acquired by Brookline Bancorp. Inc., a Boston-headquartered bank holding company, in a \$313 million transaction.

PCSB's wholly owned subsidiary, PCSB Bank, will operate as a separate bank subsidiary of Brookline. PCSB Bank will retain its headquarters, New York bank charter and board of directors, with Brookline select-

ing one PCSB director to join its board. Following the closing, PCSB Bank's Michael P. Goldrick, currently the executive vice president and chief lending officer, will become president and CEO.

Brookline has approximately \$8.6 billion in assets and branch locations in eastern Massachusetts and Rhode Island. It operates as the holding company for Brookline Bank and Bank Rhode Island. PCSB can trace its roots back to 1871 and operates 14 branch offices located in Dutchess, Putnam,



Rockland and Westchester counties.

"We are truly excited to be merging with Brookline. Paul and his team have built an impressive regional financial

services company with a bedrock culture of performance, service and support of their customers, employees and shareholders," "Partnering with Brookline will allow PCSB to deliver even

more value to our communities and customers as we continue to expand in the lower Hudson Valley," said Joseph D. Roberto, PCSB's chairman, president and CEO.



Motel conversion into housing planned in Kingston

BY PETER KATZ

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A presentation by the nonprofit affordable housing developer RUPCO Inc. is scheduled to take place during a public meeting at the town of Ulster's Town Hall on June 1 on its plan to convert the Quality Inn at 114 Route 28 in Kingston into a housing complex.

RUPCO is working on the project in partnership with the Ulster County government, Catholic Charities of Orange, Sullivan and Ulster counties and the nonprofit Family of Woodstock.

RUPCO had announced that in August it arranged a contract to purchase the motel for about \$3.7 million.

The proposed project is for the conversion of the 145-room hotel into 81 apartments. The apartment mix would include 11 three-bedroom units, 21 two-bedrooms, 24 one-bedrooms and 25 studio apartments. RUPCO says that special emphasis will be placed on moving homeless families and individuals out of long-term stays in hotels or motels in Ulster County and into permanent supportive housing when the motel conversion is completed.

RUPCO said that wrap-around services offered to residents would include health care, including mental health care, career counseling and job training and childcare. Support for finding permanent housing outside of the site also will be provided.

"The ability to provide all of these services onsite will greatly accelerate residents' ability to secure sustainable, permanent housing," RUPCO said. "The hotel restaurant will be renovated to serve both residents and the community and may be used for job training opportunities."

In addition to funding from New York state, Ulster County has committed \$2 million in American Rescue Plan funds to extend water and sewer to the site and surrounding properties. RUPCO says that it intends to use as many environmentally friendly features as possible in the project, such as solar panels, heat pumps and upgraded weatherproofing and insulation. The project is expected to be completed by the winter of 2024.

When announcing the county's participation in the Quality Inn project, Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan said, "Coming out of the pandemic, Ulster County will continue to do everything that we can to assist those most vulnerable among us. No one in our community should go homeless, ever. These new apartments, along with all the



Aerial rendering of RUPCO motel conversion.



Rendering of proposed RUPCO motel conversion into housing.

supportive services, will allow our residents to live with dignity and pride while accessing critical services and support during a difficult time."

The plan calls for the current restaurant at the site to be developed as either for community use or as a commercial space. RUPCO is asking for community input about what to do with the restaurant portion of the property.

Among RUPCO's other projects in the area is Energy Square, a \$22 million, mixed-income-mixed-used development in Kingston. The five-story building includes 57 mixed-income apartments. The building also has commercial space on the ground floor.

RUPCO also worked on Landmark Place, a 66-unit affordable housing development in Kingston for seniors age 55 and up.

The Metro is a 70,000-square-foot formerly abandoned factory in Kingston that RUPCO had been working to bring back to life as a TV and film production center along with the NoVo Foundation, run by Peter Buffett, son of billionaire investor Warren Buffett.

RUPCO also was working on the Newburgh East End II project, a \$32 million mixed-use development.

According to its 2020 annual report, RUPCO had \$8.9 million in revenue, and its assets totaled \$20.7 million.

"Catholic Charities is grateful for the opportunity to partner with the county, town of Ulster, RUPCO and Family of Woodstock to address critical housing issues in our community," said Shannon Kelly, CEO of Catholic Charities of Orange, Sullivan, and Ulster. "Operating the county's Warming Center has allowed us to learn first-hand about the challenges faced by those who visited the center. For many, housing insecurity is just one aspect of their struggles. In addition to providing safe, secure housing, the hotel conversion will offer increased access to services so that those in need are able to care for their health and well-being and improve their quality of life. We're very excited to be a part of this forward-thinking project."

According to Michael Berg, executive director of Family of Woodstock, "Family is very excited to collaborate with the county, RUPCO and Catholic Charities on such a major initiative to respond to the huge numbers of homeless families and individuals who have been living in area motels. The project will not only provide apartments with cooking facilities but will co-locate extensive services needed to help address the other issues holding the residents back."

Housing crisis or housing shortage?

BY DAVID CAREY

Homeowners and potential homebuyers are not reliving the 2008 housing market collapse. But there is a housing shortage that is having quite the butterfly effect on the real estate market – mortgage rates are increasing daily, bidding wars are becoming the norm and many once-qualified homebuyers are being left on the side lines.

As if buying a new home didn't come with enough stress, the shortage has upped the ante on factors like loan qualification, competition and outright availability.

But how exactly does today's housing shortage differ from the 2008 crash? The catalyst of the 2008 crash was the widespread and irresponsible deployment of flimsy loan programs and products, which allowed under-qualified borrowers to secure advanced loans. Fueled by low interest rates, easy credit and insufficient regulation, the housing bubble finally burst and left many homeowners with mortgage payments they could not afford. These homeowners often were forced to default and the homes became foreclosures, which led to the massive breakdown of the mortgage-backed security markets and the overall economy.

In short, the 2008 crisis was caused by unregulated loans and irresponsible lending. There was no real oversight and the lender/appraiser relationship lacked appraisal independence.

The volatility of today's market has a more benign root cause: people are simply not selling their homes as often as they used to, opting instead to renovate or upgrade their existing home. Compound this trend with the pandemic, which nearly eliminated the option to build a custom home due to worldwide lockdowns that slashed the availability of building materials and skyrocketed their prices.

It sounds like a word problem in a math textbook: when you subtract the ability to build homes and combine it with a drastic decrease in available homes for sale, what do you have left? The answer is an alarming ratio, with buyers far outnumbering sellers.

What's the market outlook amid the housing shortage? Not unlike the pandemic, the housing shortage is propelling many people into making life-changing



decisions, like moving out of the area to states with lower costs of living. Because the shortage has created a highly competitive seller's market, homeowners that are willing to sell now are often receiving a premium price for their homes.

There is no denying that it is a fantastic time to sell, especially if your plan involves moving to states with lower costs of living. Many New York and Connecticut residents are selling their family homes for more than they ever imagined, trading in their Northeastern roots for much cheaper yet likely comparable homes in Texas or South Carolina. Those who are near retirement age are positioned especially well to take advantage of such an opportunity.

If a spontaneous move isn't in the cards for you, you're not alone. Perhaps you're ready to sell, but not ready to retire or leave the area. In this case, downsizing to a townhome or condo is a viable option. It's true that homes in multifamily communities are also selling high right now, but these properties have the potential to become income-producing in the future, should you choose to move out-of-area down the line and rent out your home.

Construction loans are also poised to

make a comeback, likely sooner than the housing shortage will resolve itself. The lack of housing inventory before the pandemic made building a home a fantastic option – and if you couldn't find what you were looking for, you could build it.

Although the supply chain is still recovering and prices are still higher than before, securing a construction loan and building a home could be a great alternative as the industry continues to recover.

There's also an important silver lining to remember when considering mortgage rates, housing shortages and rising prices: all things are relative. When I bought my first home in the 1990s, the mortgage rate was over 9%. Compared to the 5.125% we're seeing today, and compared to the rates of other loans like student loans and car loans, a 5% rate suddenly doesn't seem so staggering.

Of course, the speed at which the increases are occurring is alarming, and rates will likely continue to increase throughout the year ahead. But relativity is important in navigating today's unpredictable market.

All in all, real estate is an industry in which the value of your assets almost



David Carey. Contributed photo.

always appreciates over time. A volatile market is always a bit unnerving, but in the end, the best thing potential home buyers can do is find an expert to help them steer through the uncertainty. With an experienced lender in your corner, you can take the homebuying process one step at a time and ensure that you're making healthy financial decisions for you and your family.

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Brinkley delivers keynote at Sarah Lawrence commencement

BY PETER KATZ

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Sarah Lawrence College held its 94th Commencement on May 13. More than 400 current graduates were joined by alumni from the classes of 2021 and 2020 who returned to campus to participate in the event.

Historian Douglas Brinkley delivered the keynote address. Bestselling author, transgender activist and professor at Barnard College, Jennifer Finney Boylan was awarded an honorary degree.

Brinkley, who is often seen on television delivering commentary on global and domestic events, is the Katherine Tsanoff

Brown Chair in Humanities and professor of history at Rice University. Among his books are "Cronkite," "The Nixon Tapes" and "American Moonshot: John F. Kennedy and the Great Space Race." He recently was selected by the New-York Historical Society as its U.S. presidential historian.

Brinkley recalled being with former President Barack Obama when he met a group of children at the White House during a time when it looked as if he might lose re-election to Republican candidate Mitt Romney. He said one youngster looked up at the president and said, "You're gonna win. You can do it. Yes, you can." Brinkley said that he saw Obama

react to that with a big smile and after the children left, Obama told Brinkley, "That's all I need. Encouragement. Everybody's telling me what I did wrong on the debate and what I'm doing wrong and this is wrong. This kid made me feel better."

Brinkley also told the graduates about his experiences with civil rights activist Rosa Parks while writing her biography. He described her as a great voice of non-violence except when she was at a speech by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and an audience member went onto the stage and punched King in the face. Parks later put ice on the wound and gave King aspirin to relieve the pain. While King demanded that no charges be filed against the attack-

er, Parks told Brinkley that she would have punched him back.

Brinkley reminded the graduates that President Abraham Lincoln, one of the country's most revered presidents, had faced a series of hard times and troubles. He wasn't even on the ballot in seven states when he was elected, Brinkley noted, and said that they had to use a body double to protect Lincoln when he was being brought to Washington to take office.

"Remember when your days are dark, no matter how bad you guys have it on a certain day, looking for a job, working at a job, Lincoln had it worse. Just put a picture up; Lincoln had it worse than me," Brinkley said.

Dominican honors Zelenskyy, Pobee at commencement

BY KATHRYN KAHN AND PHIL HALL

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy was honored by Dominican College, now Dominican University, during its May 15 commencement ceremony at Clover Stadium in Pomona in Rockland County. Zelenskyy, who, understandably did not attend the ceremony, was awarded an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters. The college cited his “extraordinary leadership, courage, sense of justice and willingness to possibly lose his life in the effort to defend freedom.”

“President Zelenskyy has displayed such inspiring and courageous leadership in the face of unimaginable horror, as Russia launches a relentless and unprovoked attack against his country,” said Sr. Mary Eileen O’Brien, Dominican University’s president. “He has risen to the challenge and has been the right leader for this moment in history.”

Also during the commencement, keynote speaker Martha Ama Akyaa Pobee, assistant secretary general of the United Nations for Africa accepted the honorary degree of Doctor of Humanities. The college said it was in recognition for her extraordinary career in internation-



President O'Brien congratulates a graduating student during May 15 ceremonies.

al relations and diplomacy, her tireless advocacy for women and youth and her steadfast dedication to furthering peace and security.

This was the 68th commencement for the school, which was recently granted university status by The New York State Board of Regents.

Dominican College was founded in 1952 by the Dominican Sisters of Blauvelt and was originally a two-year college for religious women to become educators. Over the years, the campus expanded to accommodate a growing enrollment and to welcome resident students. A number of new buildings were constructed on the campus, including residence halls, a dining hall and a new academic building for health and science education. The most recent construction was the expansion of the Hennessy Center, with its new gymnasium and fitness center. A new turf field is planned for this year.

Earlier this year, Dominican announced it had received federal grants, one from the U.S. Department of Education and another from the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services. The HHS grant will be used to launch a new Public Health Informatics and Technology department in September.

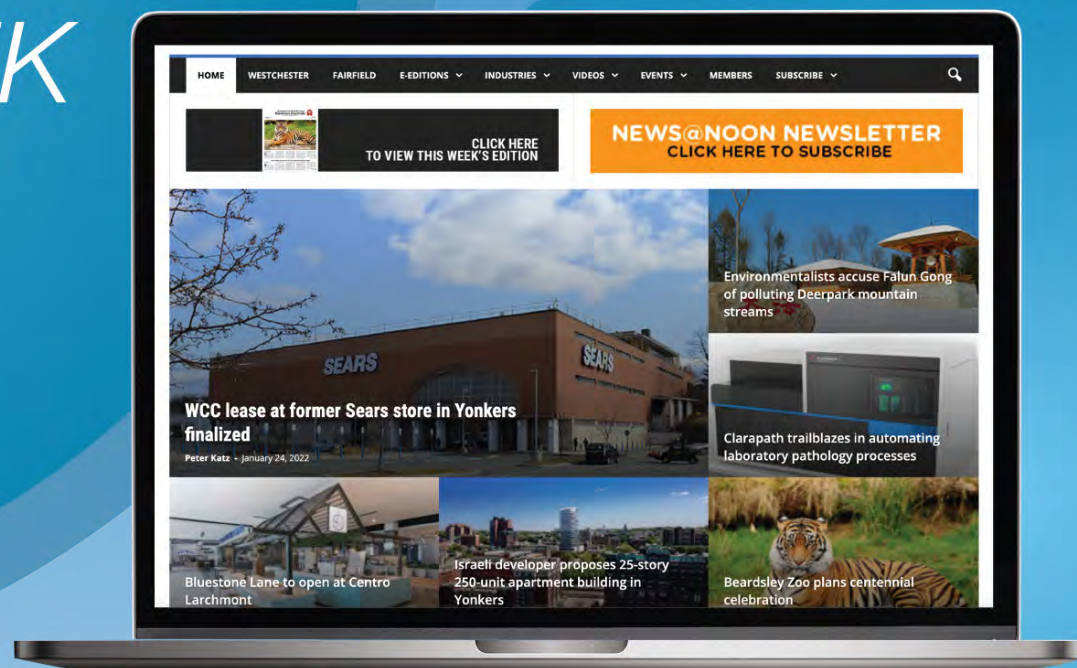
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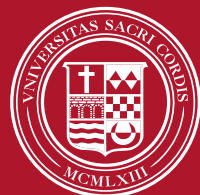
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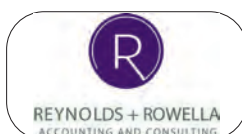
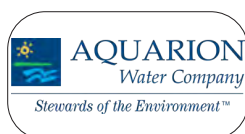
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ONE LANDSCAPE AT A TIME



Greenway Property Services (GPS), a large-scale, regional landscaping company currently servicing the lower Hudson Valley, Long Island and Connecticut, has been through an exciting evolution. Greenway has always believed in establishing long-term relationships with clients and believes the changes being made will support its ability to continue the dramatic growth guided by its new vision, namely:

- Expansion and deepening of

management team to ensure clients continue to receive service as growth plans are initiated.

- Streamlining and modernization of equipment.
- Expansion of ESG (Environment Social Governance) focus, with electric leaf blowers and electric vehicles.
- Recycling landscape waste into mulch.
- Using specialized capabilities for athletic field construction and

maintenance for municipal clients.

- Re-introduce services to markets served historically specifically such as office parks, corporate campuses and golf courses.
- Expansion into surrounding geography areas, such as New Jersey
- Maintaining a constant focus on safety and top-quality service, executed efficiently and professionally.
- Re-design our logo into two forms for equipment and employee uniforms.

CANCER SUPPORT TEAM HONORS COMMUNITY LEADERS

For more than four decades, the Cancer Support Team (CST), headquartered in Rye, New York, has been enhancing the quality of life for thousands of patients and families affected by cancer with essential health and supportive services at no cost and without regard to insurance coverage at any stage of the disease. It is the only Westchester-based home care program solely focused on cancer.

Founded in 1978 under the guidance and vision of Arnold Wald, M.D., and Gayle Lee, RN, CST is the only Westchester County-based nonprofit home care program licensed by the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH).

Recently at Rye's Shenorock Shore Club, CST hosted "A Celebration of Love and Hope" gala at which two community leaders Carla Volpe Porter and John M. Tolomer were honored with CST awards.

The Barbara Melamed Memorial Award, presented every two years to organizations and individuals who have made a difference in the lives of cancer



Carla Porter and Tania Weiss, CST executive director.

patients and their families, went to Porter, a retired general counsel of Renaissance Technologies LLC, an investment advisory firm, who lost her mother to colon cancer when she was four years old, and Tolomer, market president, Valley Bank in New Jer-

sey. The award is named after the late Barbara Melamed who was a Cancer Support Team social worker and whose own experience with cancer gave her a special empathy for her patients.



RUN, RUN, RUN FOR ARTS SAKE

The Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum, Ridgefield Running Company (RRC) and On-Running are presenting "Run On Art: Run to Celebrate 52 Artists" on Thursday, June 16 from 6 to 8 p.m. Runners and walkers will complete a 3.1 mile run or 1.5 mile walk around downtown Ridgefield, passing by Ridgefield Running Company where Tharini Pande, RRC team member and artist, has painted the display windows featuring On-Running shoes. The run concludes at The Aldrich where participants are invited to view the exhibition "52 Artists: A Feminist Milestone" in the museum's galleries and Sculpture Garden and enjoy a beverage. The entry fee for the run is \$12; all proceeds benefit The Aldrich. Register for the run at ridgefieldrunning.com/events.

On-Running demo shoes will be available for participants to try on a first-come first-served basis.

The Aldrich's Executive Director Cybele Maylone said, "The Aldrich is thrilled to partner with Ridgefield Running Company and On-Running on this fun evening that highlights the mind-body connection through running and art."

"...Partnering with Ridgefield Running Company and The Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum is a great way to showcase and champion the artists within our running community," said Sam Traux of On-Running.

52 Artists: A Feminist Milestone will encompass the entirety of the museum — the first exhibition to do so in The Aldrich's new building, which was inaugurated in 2004. The exhibition will be on view from June 6 to Jan. 8.

Information for these features has been submitted by the subjects or their delegates.



Jeffrey Menkes

RETIRING BURKE CEO TO BE HONORED

Jeffrey Menkes, president and CEO of Burke Rehabilitation Hospital, who is retiring this summer will be honored at the Burke Award dinner Thursday, June 16, beginning at 6 p.m. at the Brae Burn Country Club, 39 Brae Burn Drive in Purchase. CNN Anchor John Berman will serve as master of ceremonies.

The Burke Award, the highest honor bestowed by the Burke Board of Trustees, is conferred upon an individual or group that has made significant contributions to the field of rehabilitation, either through personal achievements, the development of research or the establishment of programs and facilities to assist individuals with disabilities. Proceeds from the event will support the development of critical new initiatives and the expansion of services and programs in rehabilitation medicine.

Menkes has been Burke's president and CEO for more than five years. His accomplishments include establishing graduate medical education in physical medicine and rehabilitation at Burke; revitalization of the campus; and the Marsal Caregiver Center, a key element of the Patient Experience Division that was created under his direction.

His experience helped shape the landscape of health care in the New York metropolitan region, which includes leadership in some of the most prestigious hospitals and health care systems in the area. He has been part of the Montefiore Health System for 10 years and was instrumental in bringing Burke into the Montefiore system.

For more information or to attend or support the event, call the Burke Development Office at 914-597-2847 or visit Burke.org/2022BurkeAward.

SUPPORTING BUFFALO SURVIVORS FUND

Big Y Supermarkets has joined its colleagues within the grocery community to offer financial support to the Tops Friendly Market Buffalo 5/14 Survivors Fund, which was created by Tops in partnership with the National Compassion Fund to provide financial assistance to the survivors of the deceased and those affected by the tragedy. One hundred percent of the contributions will go to the affected families and individuals as well as those individuals impacted by this violent act.

According to Charles L. D'Amour, president and CEO of Big Y, "The heinous and horrific attack that occurred in Buffalo last weekend underscores the need for us to gather as a community to pro-

vide comfort and support for the victims of this tragedy. In particular, we want to stand with and support fellow grocery colleagues and especially those heroes on the front line and innocent shoppers who are impacted by this senseless violence. Together we must stand against continued racial oppression, intolerance and violence. Our thoughts and prayers are with these victims and their families, the community of Buffalo and our industry colleagues at Tops."

Big Y Foods, Inc. is one of the largest independently owned supermarket chains in New England operating from 84 locations throughout Massachusetts and Connecticut.

YORKTOWN'S FISHING DERBY

The traditionalism that surrounds the sport of bass fishing is one of the many reasons that it has become so popular in the state of New York. Emphasizing the sport's recent spike of popularity, four of New York's well-known waterways have been identified as the nation's top-25 bass fishing areas. Cited by Bassmaster magazine, the waterways are: Lake Erie, No.3; Lake Champlain, No.11; St. Lawrence River, No.12; and Oneida Lake No.18.

Bass fishing, although typically performed by those belonging to a more mature age group, has recently been taken up by a younger generation.

"This traditional sport cultivates a sense of stewardship for our environment, so it was heartening to see so many young people in attendance," said Supervisor Matt Slater about the Yorktown Department of Parks and Recreation's annual Fishing Derby, which attracted 20 contestants.

"Fishing is a great way for children to acquire an appreciation for the outdoors, he noted." In fact, the four adolescent award recipients were not only acknowledged for their excellent performance, but for their love of the sport. Winners were: Charlie Slater, Liam Healy, Landon Ferrara and Egan O'Brien.



EXCLUSIVE LEASING AGENT FOR SOUNDVIEW PLAZA

Choyce Peterson Inc., in Norwalk, Connecticut, and Rye Brook, New York, a commercial real estate brokerage and consulting firm founded in 1997, recently announced that it has been appointed by Twenty Lake Holdings as exclusive listing agent for Soundview Plaza's, free-standing building at 1266 E. Main St. in Stamford. This 181,610-square-foot office building has available individual suites and layouts ranging from 3,620 square feet to high-end, pre-built space of 24,546 square feet where tenants can move right in. Vice President Charlene

O'Connell and Principal John Hannigan comprise The Choyce Peterson agency team.

Located at Exit 9 of I-95 on the Stamford/Darien border, and one mile east of downtown Stamford, Soundview Plaza boasts beautiful views of Holly Pond, Long Island Sound and the surrounding towns.

Twenty Lake Holdings is a Stamford-based real estate investment firm that owns and invests in a wide variety of commercial real estate assets. Currently, it owns 130 properties in 30 states.

SERVICE DOGS' WALKATHON



From left: Dan Zarro of Ossining and BluePath president and CEO Jody Sandler of Hopewell Junction cut the ribbon to kick off BluePath Service Dogs' sixth annual walkathon at FDR State Park in Yorktown Heights. Photo courtesy of Kara Cerilli.

Hundreds of walkers in Yorktown Heights, wanting to help better the world for children with autism and their families, recently participated in the sixth annual walkathon for BluePath Service Dogs. The family-friendly fundraiser raised more than \$185,000 to further the organization's goal to provide autism service dogs for safety, companionship and opportunities for independence.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, one out of every 44 children born today will develop an autism spectrum disorder. It is the fastest-growing developmental disability in the U.S.

Each BluePath dog comes with thousands of hours of training from dedicated volunteers and professional staff. While the cost to prepare these incredible dogs is more than \$40,000, BluePath provides its service dogs and intensive, ongoing follow-up support completely free of charge.

"BluePath dogs provide safety and freedom, opening the door to new possibilities for the whole family to thrive," said the nonprofit's Pres-



Ian Farmer cuddles with future autism service dog Peaches. Photo courtesy of Kara Cerilli.

ident and CEO Jody Sandler. "This year's walkathon was an incredible celebration of our growing community and our most successful fundraising event to date..."

Founded in 2016 to provide autism service dogs, BluePath receives no

government funding and relies on the generosity of donors and volunteers to fulfill its mission.

BluePath Service Dogs Inc. is located at 8 Country Club Road in Hopewell Junction. For more, call 845-377-0477 or visit bluepathservicedogs.org.

AN UNFORGETTABLE MUSICAL TALENT

Renowned pianist Randall Atcheson is gifted with a talent for communicating the beauty of music in various forms from the classics to pop and the sacred repertoire. He is the only person in the history of the Juilliard School of Music in New York City to receive simultaneous degrees in piano and organ. A Steinway artist, he has recorded 16 albums, performed on five continents, played for three Presidents, and has performed 14 solo concerts at Carnegie Hall. On Thursday, June 2, at 6:30 p.m. he will enrapture guests at Christ Church Greenwich Parish Hall in Greenwich with his extraordinary talent, which raises well-crafted music to



Randall Atcheson

the level of greatness and makes masterpieces unforgettable.

For tickets at \$35 per person (includes after-concert reception), visit christchurchgreenwich.org.

'ELECTRIFY YOUR LIFE'

A coalition of groups dedicated to sustainability and environmental causes is hosting an expo next month to showcase clean energy vehicles and equipment for Fairfield County residents.

"Electrify Your Life" is the brainchild of the Greenwich Conservation Commission, which aims to give families a hands-on view of things they use, which burn fossil fuels to operate.

The electric automobiles on view and available for test driving include the Hyundai Kona Electric and Ioniq EV, Nissan LEAF, Kia Niro, Rivian, Audi

e-tron, and several Teslas. Members of the EV Club of Connecticut, as well as some auto dealerships will be on hand to answer questions.

Spurred by the advocacy group Quiet Yards Greenwich, the expo will also feature emission-free alternatives to noisy, polluting, landscape equipment, including professional and residential models.

"Electrify Your Life" is a privately funded endeavor, seeking donations to defray the costs of production. Donate whatever you can at its Patronicity site, https://www.patronicity.com/project/electrify_your_life_expo#!/.

NEW ASSOCIATE AT WHITE PLAINS LAW FIRM

South Salem resident Samantha A. Lyons has become an associate attorney at Enea, Scanlan & Sirignano LLP of White Plains and Somers.

Named a Rising Star in the 2021 New York-metro edition of "Super Lawyers," Lyons concentrates her practice in elder law with a focus on Medicaid applications and planning, estate planning and guardianships. She is a member of the New York State Bar Association's Elder Law and Special Needs Section. She also is a member of the Westchester County Bar Association and a committee member of Senior Law Day in Westchester County.

Previously, Lyons was a law clerk for the Westchester County Board of Legislators and interned for the Westchester County District Attorney's Office, Judge John P. Colangelo of



Samantha A. Lyons

the Westchester Supreme Court, and the White Plains and Yonkers family courts.

Lyons received a Bachelor of Science degree in criminal justice from Pace University and a Juris Doctorate from its Elisabeth Haub School of Law. She is admitted to practice in New York and New Jersey.

TEACHING DEAF CHILDREN TO HEAR



Jocelyn, a patient of the hospital's Cochlear Implant program.

Paraco Gas in Rye Brook donated more than 100 books to Maria Fareri Children's Hospital in Valhalla to help children learn how to hear and speak. The children are patients of the hospital's Cochlear Implant

Program, which helps profoundly deaf children in the Hudson Valley through life-changing technology and surgery with the installation of a small transmitter-type device installed under the pa-

tient's skin. The program offers telehealth and in-person therapy sessions to foster full hearing, comprehension and communication. In some cases, patients are as young as six months old.

FARMERS MARKET IN NORWALK OPENS

Norwalk Community Health Center Inc. (NCHC) will open its popular Wednesday Farmers Market, featuring Gazy Brothers Farm, on June 1. Open to the public, the market will operate every Wednesday until Thanksgiving, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the NCHC parking lot. The Farmer's Market accepts EBT/SNAP, credit and debit cards and cash, in addition to NCHC's own Farmers Market vouchers, a patient-only program that stretches patients' food dollars.

Breaking down barriers to healthy food choices for patients and the community is one of the ways that NCHC, a nonprofit health care provider, is dedicated to the well-being of the community.

For information and updates on the Farmers Market and other ways that Norwalk Community Health Center is working to keep Norwalk and Fairfield County healthy, visit norwalkchc.org and follow NCHC at facebook.com/norwalkchc.

A nonprofit Federally Qualified Health Center since 1999, NCHC is invested in the health of all in need regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, age, health status, religion, sexual orienta-

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FARMER'S MARKET
MERCADO DE AGRICULTORES
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

WEDNESDAY/MIERCOLES
from 11 AM - 3 PM
Every Wednesday
June 1 through November

Gazy Brothers Farm
fresh, local seasonal produce
Community Tables

In the NCHC Parking Lot
120 Connecticut Ave., Norwalk, CT

Cash/Credit/Debit Cards Accepted
EBT SNAP welcome

Norwalk Community Health Center
Weekly Farmer's Market RETURNS
Wednesday, June 1, 2022

tion, education or ability to pay.

NCHC is recognized as a Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) Practice by the National Committee for Quality Assurance and ranked by the U.S. Health Resources and Services Administra-

tion (HRSA) among the top health centers in the country for quality of care. NCHC relies on patient fees, grants and contributions to carry out its mission and response to evolving community needs. Learn more about NCHC at norwalkchc.org.

ONE OF THE NATION'S OLDEST HISTORICAL SOCIETIES CELEBRATES



The Westchester County Historical Society (WCHS) 148th annual meeting will be held Sunday, June 12, from 3 to 4:30 p.m., at the Sal J. Prezioso Mountain Lakes Park, 201 Hawley Road, North Salem. The program includes a brief business meeting with the election of trustees, the presentation of the Sy Shulman Award, and an illustrated talk on the unique history of Westchester's Park System.

The ninth annual Sy Shulman Award will be presented to two honorees: Dr. David Osborn and David Thomas. This award is given to individuals or organizations that have demonstrated a strong commitment to historical research, historic preservation or the teaching of local history, and the elevation of the public's appreciation of the history of Westchester County. The award is named for former WCHS trustee Sy Schulman, who was the county's chief planner and planning commissioner during the 1960s.

Osborn has served as site manager of St. Paul's Church National Historic Site in Mount Vernon, since 1999. He directs an array of public and educational programs and oversees operations at the National Historic Landmark and a unit of the National Park Service, located in Mount Vernon.

Thomas, president and founder of the Friends of the African American Cemetery in Rye, has spent over a decade protecting, preserving and relating the story of the sacred burial grounds first established in



1860 for the free Black families in the towns of Rye, Mamaroneck, Scarsdale and Port Chester.

A digital presentation of the 1922 Westchester Parks Commission's work following the awards ceremony will highlight the vision and work of the commission. WCHS Co-Director and New Rochelle City Historian Barbara Davis will discuss the extensive network of open space, natural oases, scenic roadways and the abundant areas for recreation that the commission established within its first decade. The program is illustrated with images from the collections of WCHS and the County Archives collections.

For more information and to purchase tickets, at \$30 per person, call the WCHS Office at 914-231-1401 or visit westchester-history.com.

Established in 1874, the Westchester County Historical Society is one of the oldest historical societies in America and the only organization that collects and promotes the countywide history of Westchester. The Society's comprehensive and accessible collection is housed in the state-of-the-art temperature- and humidity-controlled environment of the Westchester County Records Center, 2199 Saw Mill River Road, Elmsford, New York.

EDUCATIONAL FUND AWARDS

The 2022 Enrico Fermi Scholarship recipients for graduating seniors from Yonkers and Westchester County were awarded at the recent 59th annual Enrico Fermi Scholarship Breakfast at Mulino's in Eastchester.

The recipients and the scholarship sponsors are:

- \$10,000 Thomas and Agnes Carvel Scholarship to Christopher Iori, Fordham Preparatory School.
- \$5,000 Fermi Scholarship in memory of John N. Romano to John Campanile, Fordham Preparatory School.
- \$5,000 Fermi Scholarship in memory of Anthony D. Romano and Joseph G. Romano to Evan Iervolino, Montfort Academy.
- \$5,000 Fermi Scholarship in memory of Henry J. Monaco to Jason Cohen, Fordham Preparatory School.
- \$5,000 Fermi Scholarship in memory of Martin J. Fareri Jr. to Jacob Rocque, Archbishop Stepinac High School.
- \$5,000 Fermi Countywide Scholarship in memory of Richard J. Monaco to Gabriella Susca, Somers Senior High School.
- \$5,000 Fermi Countywide Scholarship in memory of Salvatore Galasso to Kaitlyn Varriale, John Jay High School.
- \$5,000 Fermi Countywide Science Scholarship in memory of Dr. Kathleen Pistone-Carucci to Julia Ognibene, The Ursuline School.

In addition to awarding the scholarships, the Enrico Fermi Educational Fund recognized and honored Peter P. Rosato, and the Yonkers Federation of Teachers, two supporters of the Fund.

A nonprofit organization The Enrico Fermi Educational Fund was founded nearly 60 years ago. It began as a vision of several individuals, led by Michael Vitulli, to generate financial support for Italian-American students who reside in Yonkers to further their education.



James Anderson

EXPERIENCED LITIGATOR JOINS LAW FIRM

McCullough, Goldberg & Staudt LLP (MGS) in White Plains has welcomed James Anderson to the firm as counsel. He comes from his own private practice, James R. Anderson Law Office of Harrison, where he focused on litigation and real estate.

"We welcome Jim to McCullough, Goldberg & Staudt and are excited to have an attorney with his level of experience and skill joining our excellent group of lawyers," said Seth M. Mandelbaum, the firm's managing partner.

Prior to starting his own firm, Anderson served as counsel for the Yonkers firm of Smith, Buss & Jacob LLP where he practiced general commercial and real estate litigation in the state and federal courts. He also served as an associate with the New York City law firms of Ganfer & Shore LLP, McDermott Will & Emery LLP and Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP.

Anderson is a member of the New York State Bar and is admitted to the U.S. District Courts for the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York. He received his law degree from New York University School of Law and a bachelor's degree from Harvard.

McCullough, Goldberg & Staudt, representing a diverse group of clients, has been an integral part of the Westchester community for more than 60 years.

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FLY BY NIGHT

When Merryll in New Milford opens its doors for the season, fans and patrons of this venue will be greeted by a giant fantasy Night Bird on the exterior created by Connecticut artist Danielle Mailer.

Originally commissioned to grace New York's historic Roger Smith Hotel, which was demolished, the 10-foot x 10-foot creature was flown to Connecticut where it's now poised to spread its wings toward the entrance of The Merryll Art Center and Community Center located at 8 Chapel Hill Road in the heart of Litchfield Hills.

Merryll Board Member Ellen Corsell said, "Merryll is proud to share this talented artist's work as part of our public art series. More than anything we feel that Night Bird captures the art, whimsy and fantasy within the walls of this very special place."

Mailer, daughter of artist Adele Morales Mailer and author Norman Mailer, has shown in galleries and museums throughout North America.

"My childhood was about making art...my father took us to art museums every weekend, nurturing my creative thoughts. As a matter of fact, my whole family, nine siblings in all, have careers in



Merryll Center

art. I am proud of what he has given all of us, which has cumulated in Night Bird," said Danielle Mailer.

For memberships, sponsorship information and tickets, visit the center's website at merryllcenter.org.

SURVIVOR SHARES HIS STORY

The Holocaust & Human Rights Education Center (HHREC) GenerationsForward Memory Keepers Story Hour series will continue on Wednesday, June 8 at 7 p.m. on Zoom with host Joseph Kaidanow. He is from the HHREC GenerationsForward Speakers Bureau. He will share the story of his father, Jerry Kaidanow, who was born near the town of Krivitchi, Poland, in what is now Belarus, and his struggle to survive after his parents perished during an "action" in the town, when his remaining family fled to the woods of the Naroch

forest and eventually immigrated to the United States.

Joseph and his wife, Ellen, actively support the mission of the Holocaust & Human Rights Center. Joseph is the immediate past chairperson currently serving on the HHREC Board of Directors, and Ellen is a member of the HHREC Memory Keepers GenerationsForward Speakers Bureau.

To register visit <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/joinMeeting?meetingRef=1234567890>

BANK'S NEW COMMERCIAL LOAN OFFICER

Hudson Valley Credit Union recently announced that Monofer Usman has been hired as a commercial lending officer for its capitol region business members. He brings more than 10 years of commercial lending experience to his new role. He began his career in financial services as a tax preparer in 2009 and has held several managerial roles, most recently as branch manager since 2016. Monofer serves as an advisor to the Muslim Community Center of the Capital Region and was previously a board member for the Center. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University at Albany and currently resides in

Slingerlands, New York.

Hudson Valley Credit Union is a full-service, not-for-profit financial cooperative for businesses and individuals, offering real estate and other loans, a wide variety of savings and transactional accounts, investment services, property and casualty insurance, estate planning and trust services. With more than \$6.2 billion in assets, the credit union serves its members through 20 branches, a nationwide network of over 82,000 surcharge-free ATMs, internet banking, mobile banking, online bill payment and 24-hour account access by telephone.

BANK PARTNERS ON ARMED FORCES DONATIONS



PCSB Bank in Yorktown will partner with United for the Troops by launching a drive to provide those serving in the armed forces with much-needed donations.

Red collection bins at all of PCSB's 14 branches will accept donations until May 31. A wish list of nonperishable items can be found at Wish List - United for the Troops. The drive commemorates Military Appreciation Month throughout May as well as National Armed Forces Day Satur-

day, May 21.

This donation effort was spearheaded by PCSB Bank's Veterans Affinity Group, including members and Co-Chairs Cindy M. Schwager and Donna Hermiston. In keeping with its inclusive workplace culture, PCSB's Senior Vice President, Chief Diversity Officer and Director of Community Development Michelle A. Nicholas established a number of Employee Affinity Groups at the bank.

National Armed Forces Day was established by President Harry S. Truman in 1949 as a special way for citizens to thank those who are currently serving in the armed forces and to celebrate the five branches of the military.

PCSB Bank, a New York-chartered stock commercial bank, has served the banking needs of its customers in the lower Hudson Valley of New York state since 1871.

HUDSON VALLEY SUMMER ARTS PASS

Four premier arts organizations — Jacob Burns Film Center, Historic Hudson Valley, Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts and Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival — have recently joined together to launch a new initiative: the Hudson Valley Summer Arts Pass, a discounted bundle of tickets to the season's top events. With a variety of offerings across the four partner organizations, the Pass helps consumers plan a vibrant and diversified season of arts and culture — all within a short drive. The Pass costs \$148 but is valued at more than \$320. The link to buy the Pass can be found on

each of the participating organizations' websites through June 20.

In addition to helping audiences navigate the vast summer offerings, the four organizations joined together to play an active role in rebuilding the profile of the arts in the region.

"Our audiences need the arts more than ever and the Hudson Valley Summer Arts Pass provides the opportunity for visitors to experience the richness of the region's offerings," said Historic Hudson Valley's Vice President of Communications and Commerce Rob Schweitzer.

KEEP COOL NOW

Nebraska Plumbing, Heating & Cooling hosted a ceremonial ribbon cutting, in conjunction with the Warwick Chamber of Commerce, to mark the grand re-opening of its office, which recently underwent a complete renovation to be able to comfortably accommodate more employees to better meet the needs of the com-

munity. Business leaders, community members and elected officials were in attendance for the ceremony in Monroe, New York.

Nebraska has been delivering service since 1988, handling all phases of plumbing, heating, cooling and home energy assessments in the mid-Hudson Valley region.



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DEAR WESTFAIR BUSINESS COMMUNITY

Like a blockbuster motion picture, the unprecedented transformation underway along the Yonkers waterfront is now premiering a spectacular new sequel!

Earlier this year, Great Point Studios officially opened the doors to its long-awaited Lionsgate Studios Yonkers, which will soon be the largest modern-built film and television production facility in the Northeast. Owned and operated by Great Point Studios, Lionsgate Studios was designed to meet the growing demand for large studio space in the New York City area.

New York City area's booming film and TV industry now has an exciting new rising star. Hollywood on Hudson now starring Yonkers, NY, the region's latest and most modern hub for TV and motion picture production.

Located in the iPark campus along our beautiful waterfront, the new one million-square-foot Lionsgate complex features state-of-the-art film stages, post-production facilities, screening rooms, office space and support space. It offers a full set of production services on site, including grip and electric, equipment, props, set building, restaurants, location catering, cleaning service, and security. This state-of-the-art media complex will help complete the transformation of the Yonkers waterfront. Local commerce will benefit from the expected 1000+ people working at the studio complex daily.

Lionsgate is just the start of Hollywood on Hudson. Fueled by the rapid growth in streaming media, other major film and TV studios are eyeing Yonkers which offers one of the most easily accessible locations in the New York Metro area. We are also proud of the fact that Yonkers is the safest big city in the State of New York!

Our city also offers a pro-business environment supported by financial incentives provided by the Yonkers Industrial Development Agency (YIDA). Since the city's economic renaissance began almost ten years ago, our YIDA has been a driver of economic growth providing financial incentives for a wide range of projects representing nearly \$5 billion in private investment and more than 9,100 multifamily units planned, completed, under construction and approved for development. Ten percent of all new residential units are set aside for affordable housing.

As the third largest city in New York State, Yonkers is attracting private investment by national and regional residential developers. One of the nation's largest development companies, Extell Development, recently broke ground on Hudson Piers, a monumental residential community along our waterfront. When completed, the \$585 million, multi-phase complex will include approximately 1,400 luxury and affordable apartments, exciting retail, and a new riverfront esplanade along a prime waterfront location with beautiful views of the Hudson River across to the Palisades. Hudson Piers will be one of the most transformative developments along our waterfront and build on the amazing momentum seen in recent years that's driven unprecedented private investment in our city.

Hollywood on Hudson is just the beginning of a new wave of private investment in our city which is experiencing a renaissance unlike anything seen in our region.

Sincerely,



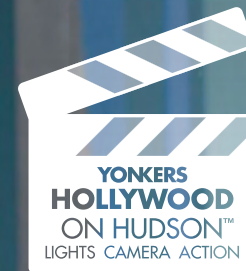
Mayor Mike Spano
City of Yonkers



A Driving Force Behind the Yonkers Renaissance.

Under the leadership of Mayor Mike Spano, the City of Yonkers is enjoying an extraordinary renaissance with nearly \$5 billion in private investment and more than 9,100 multifamily units planned, completed, under construction and approved for development. With the recent opening of Lionsgate Studios, Yonkers has emerged as Hollywood on Hudson, a dynamic center for TV and motion picture production.

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Financial planning is an essential part of life. For 30+ years, and as a local woman and LGBTQ+ owned business, it has always been my focus to help underserved and marginalized communities have the financial security we all deserve. At Prism Planning and Solutions Group we understand the challenges of those following a unique path and are dedicated to simplifying the financial intricacies of life.

Whether it is budgeting, buying a home, saving for college or planning for retirement income, our team helps guide our clients through the sometimes overwhelming processes involved. As our clients move through the financial stages of their lives, we are all about empowering them to pursue their dreams and passions while ensuring they feel well cared for, informed, and secure.

My roots are right here in Westchester County. I live in the house in which I grew up and have chosen to remain in the community that I love. My parents instilled in me the belief that if you work hard and do your absolute best, you will be provided with the opportunities needed to succeed. They often felt like outsiders, and I was humbled by their experiences; my mother was an immigrant, and my father was the first in his family to go to college. My commitment to provide financial planning access to those who don't see themselves as necessarily "fitting in" is rooted in these values.

I see myself as a bridge builder. Uniting people, thoughts and ideas through compassion and caring guidance.

Although it wasn't my plan to launch a business during the pandemic, I am grateful we did as it quickly became clear it was more essential than ever to provide access and develop trust. Clients needed help sorting through large amounts of data and putting their finances into context as they faced once-in-a-lifetime changes to how work is integrated into family life.

Throughout the last year we created community as our monthly client calls evolved into weekly calls for a while, generating vibrant dialogue and much needed personal connection since many of our clients live alone.

We are now into the third year of living with "covid protocols" and confronting the challenges of both inflation and rising interest rates; our clients continue to rely on us to help them feel well-cared for, informed and secure. We are honored and grateful for their confidence as we navigate through the ongoing challenges of an economy in transition.

As we move forward through this pre-endemic phase and economic transformation, we will continue side by side with our clients, building on the valuable practices we have put in place and sharing the profound value of community, connection and caring.

Yours truly, *Julia*

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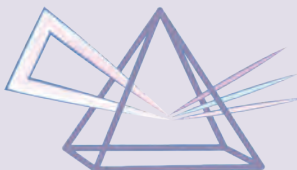


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Making Pride a Priority

As part of broad Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging efforts at Hartford HealthCare, a LGBTQ+ Colleague Resource Group (CRG) was created in 2021. Other CRGs include Black and African-American, Hispanic and Latinx, and Asian-American and Pacific Islander.

Our Goal: To provide an equitable, affirming and supportive environment for LGBTQ+ patients, families and staff by cultivating a culture in which healthcare is delivered to all with sensitivity, kindness and respect.

Who We Are

LGBTQ+ CRG is 40 Hartford HealthCare allies and LGBTQ+ community members who volunteered because they feel passionate about ensuring high-quality care is available to all. Executive sponsor is Dr. Jeffrey Cohen, executive vice president and chief clinical operating officer.



“It has been a joy to see colleagues work together in generating, advocating, and implementing change as it relates to LGBTQ+ health. We continue to be the spark that creates change within HHC that will allow us to provide safe, affirming care.” —*Dr. Derek A. Fenwick, co-chair*



“I am thankful to be involved in the process of ensuring HHC is visibly inclusive to the LGBTQ+ community through our actions, processes and environments. Every person deserves to feel safe, respected and supported in being their authentic selves.” —*Valerie Martin, co-chair*

What We're Doing

- Earned LGBTQ+ Healthcare Equality Leader designation [for 7 of the 8 facilities] and the LGBTQ+ Healthcare Equality Top Performer designation [for SVMC] from the Human Rights Campaign Foundation.
- Creating a **database** of LGBTQ+ sensitive primary care providers and specialists on the Hartford HealthCare website.
- Planning **educational initiatives** such as “Building Gender Literacy: Gender Affirmative Care across the Lifespan” on June 3, 2022.
- Adding **Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (SOGI)** tools to our electronic medical record to collect more accurate patient sex and gender information to be more respectful of transgender and gender non-conforming patients.
- **Being more visible allies** by adding pronoun preferences to badges, new employee applications, email signatures and Zoom profiles, and advocating for inclusive artwork and marketing efforts.
- **Mentoring** CRG members to increase LGBTQ+ visibility and leadership at Hartford HealthCare and on community organization boards.
- Supporting launch of a **Gender Health Center**, a compassionate, comprehensive healthcare service for transgender adults headed by Drs. Fenwick and Laura Saunders.

We are proud to take **PRIDE**

Hartford HealthCare recently earned national recognition for its leadership in the equitable treatment and inclusion of LGBTQ+ patients, employees and visitors. The designation of Hartford HealthCare's hospitals as **LGBTQ+ Equality Leaders and Top Performers** came in the Human Rights Campaign Foundation's 2022 Healthcare Equality Index. We are extremely proud of this recognition, and of our unwavering commitment to equity and inclusion — for every person, every day.



HartfordHealthCare.org



A MESSAGE FROM WILSON KIMBALL

This year the Municipal Housing Authority for the City of Yonkers (“MHACY”) put out its first Annual Report in 50 years. Once it was all on paper, even I was astounded to see just how much we had accomplished in one short year. It goes without saying how incredibly proud I am of our team.

Aside from still dealing with the continued demands of the COVID-19 pandemic – sanitation, vaccination and education – we initiated changes that not only improved the quality of our housing, but the quality of life for our residents, whether it was through employment opportunities, education, improved nutrition or appreciation of music, literature and the arts.

In 2021 we crossed the finish line on two major projects – Troy Manor and Kristensen Homes – in our five-year-plan to renovate more than 1,700 units of housing through the Rental Assistance Demonstration Program (RAD) which allows public housing agencies to leverage public and private debt and equity in order to reinvest in the public housing stock. It was an ambitious plan that required us to find banks and investors interested in our projects and craft the complex legal framework needed to make it all happen. And that was the easy part. Mounting a massive construction project in the midst of COVID proved more daunting. For the most part, we were able to keep residents in place during the work, but in some cases, residents needed to be temporarily relocated, and because of the new financing, we had to sign new leases with every single one. COVID with its supply chain issues and Mother Nature, in the form of a massive Nor’Easter and flooding that wiped out renovations at one of our sites, were thrown in the mix for good measure just to see how determined we really were.

To correct flooding and other adverse environmental conditions like heat islands created by climate change, MHACY entered into a historic agreement with Groundwork Hudson Valley. Together we received \$900,000 from New York State to add environmentally resilient landscaping to create natural shade and add bioswales to improve stormwater management at the Dr. James O’Rourke Townhouses, Francis Reagan Townhouses, William A. Walsh Homes, Joseph F. Loehr Court, Kris Kristensen Homes, and Msgr. Cajetan J. Troy Manor in Yonkers.

But our achievements were not limited to brick and mortar.

MHACY management continued to update technology and improve communication. RentCafe, which allowed our tenants to pay their rent remotely and receive notifications, gained steam with more sign ups. We continue to use social media extensively to connect with our residents and community. These platforms provide us an opportunity to hear directly from our constituency and share information about events and opportunities they may find interesting or useful. We are now connecting with more than 1,500 followers daily, and have achieved nearly half a million impressions and more than 25,000 engagements on our posts since we started this effort.

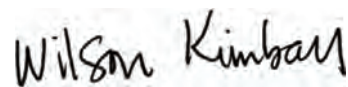
We also put our own house in order, creating a new law department, updating policy to make sure it synced with state and HUD regulations, and hired a new security team which resulted in a marked reduction in noise and litter.

We held the first DMX Community Day, inspiring the community to submit their songs and videos in tribute to former MHACY resident Earl “DMX” Simmons who passed away last year. We received more than 40 video entries with the finalists performing at a live event at the Brook Street gym. Thanks to all our partners including DJ Superior and Def Jam Recordings for making this effort possible.

With each new achievement, we gained energy and picked up steam. It’s incredible what you can do with a little inspiration, positivity and hard work. That’s what effective leadership is all about: inspiring people and letting them do their best work.



Sincerely,



Wilson Kimball
President & CEO • MHACY

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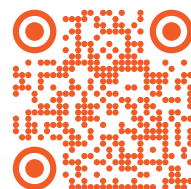


Cottage Gardens transformation

Building a Better Yonkers

At the Municipal Housing Authority for the City of Yonkers we are working hard to make Affordable Housing Quality Housing.

With 1,700 units recently renovated, new partnerships that enhance the quality of life for our residents, and new technology to make it easier to pay rent and access virtual educational, recreational and employment opportunities, MHACY is moving into the future. You might say we're already there.



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up to at mhacy.org



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The past year has challenged us and our clients like no other. Throughout this difficult period, Thompson & Bender served as a critical partner in helping businesses pivot and adapt to a world in crisis.

We saw offices, stores and restaurants close. Large events essential to our clients' financial viability were cancelled. Traditional models of conducting business collapsed.

Through this tumult, clients turned to us for advice, guidance and answers to many questions. How do we keep our customers engaged if they cannot enter a store? How do we fundraise without an annual gala? How do we reposition our messages to the public to emphasize compassion and solidarity?

The answers were not simple and there was no established template for operating in a socially distanced world. Thompson & Bender saw this crisis as an opportunity to guide our clients through uncharted waters.

For some clients that meant a greater push into social media. We helped others wade into the waters of virtual events and fundraisers. Above all, messaging was key. We helped clients develop communication strategies that emphasized community service, support for healthcare heroes and charity for neighbors.

The results helped our clients stay afloat and even prosper in this new world. The Business Council of Westchester and ArtsWestchester were able to stage virtual annual events that collected almost as much revenue as in normal years, and learned new ways to reach their audiences.

We helped clients organize socially distant events, including the Westchester Parks Foundation's Bicycle Sundays and hybrid Gala. And, for the City of Yonkers we launched a GenY campaign letting audiences know they were "open for business."

Along the way, we learned as much as our clients about productivity, remote working and the powerful emerging platforms for engaging the public, such as Zoom and Twitch. The lessons will not be forgotten in the post-pandemic future but will be incorporated into our arsenal of business solutions.

We like to believe that our dedication to clients—before and during the pandemic—is the reason for our success. In turn, we appreciate the support we receive from the business community that has helped us win numerous Best of Business Awards from 914Inc. for our advertising and public relations work.

A special thank you to our loyal clients for sticking by us during this difficult time. And we in turn did our utmost to see them through.

As our society returns to normal, we remain committed to our clients, community and neighbors. Thompson & Bender cherishes the leadership that our partners have granted us for the past 35 years and we will use that role for the benefit of everyone in Westchester County and beyond.

Elizabeth Bracken-Thompson
Partner

Dean Bender
Partner

Geoff Thompson
Partner



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DEAR WESTCHESTER BUSINESS COMMUNITY

Thalle Industries is committed to integrity, community service and our employees' welfare since my family founded Thalle Construction in 1947.

Our commitment to integrity began with our founder Guido Pacchiana's insistence on grounding his business in honesty and good faith. Today, Thalle continues to cherish those founding principles.

Our employees are Thalle's most important asset. They are "Rock Stars" providing rocks, asphalt, and recycled products to the community. We make any product for any customer and treat our clients as we would like to be treated. The result has been 75 years of success.

The past 26 months of the COVID-19 pandemic tested our dedication to community service when our industry was deemed an essential service. As the largest recycler of aggregate and asphalt products in Westchester County, Thalle Industries kept its doors open while protecting our workers. We met with employees weekly to assure they had protective gear and to discuss strategies for staying safe. And thankfully, in 2020, the height of the pandemic, none of our 50 employees contracted COVID-19.

Concern for our community extends beyond our workforce. Our companies have a proud tradition of providing both time and financial support to community not-for-profits and service organizations as well as local, state, business, and industry organizations. We are pleased to play an active role in the Business Council of Westchester, the Construction Industry Council, Westchester Parks Foundation and the New York League of Conservation Voters and we support many not-for-profits including Scenic Hudson, the Hudson Highlands Land Trust, the Fresh Air Fund and Groundwork Hudson Valley.

We take pride in our commitment to sound environmental practices. These ongoing efforts have been recognized with a Community Hero Award from Groundwork Hudson Valley; an Environmental Beautification Award from the New York State Nursery and Landscape Association; and a Best Green Friend Award from the Westchester Parks Foundation.

Our quarry in Fishkill is the only one in New York State where land is reclaimed as the mining advances, thanks to our innovative, environmentally friendly reclamation program. In fact, the State Department of Environmental Conservation awarded Thalle Industries and the quarry the prestigious Outreach Award from the National Association of State Land Reclamationists in recognition of our extensive reclamation and innovative quarrying practices.

Our public projects include the Hudson River Shoreline Stabilization for Metro-North Railroad, Irvington Waterfront Park, The Yonkers Downtown Waterfront Redevelopment and Scenic Hudson's Long Dock Park in Beacon, New York. Safeguarding the health of our children and our neighbors who commute is not a business strategy – it is the right thing to do.

At Thalle Industries, our commitments to our business, our employees and our community are an integral part of our DNA. As a family-owned and -operated business, we know that keeping these elements front and center has and continues to equal service and success.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Pacchiana", written over a light grey background.

Glenn Pacchiana
President and Chief Executive Officer
Thalle Industries, Inc.



Pictured at Thalle's facility in Elmsford, Front row (L to R): Founder George Pacchiana, President & CEO Glenn Pacchiana; Back row (L to R): Joe Landi, Mahar Gonzalez, David Figueroa, Brian Massy, Jeff Manganello, Hilario De Paz, Jovany Heredia, Caroline Stricker, Warren Shealy, Tim Fee, Joe Perrone, Joe Colavito, Jenn Lazzari, Miguel Diaz, Jessie Lozada

A VIEW TO A BRIGHT FUTURE

Thalle Industries, Inc. view toward community involvement represents the continuation of a philosophy that has three generations of history. Beginning with Thalle Construction, which started in 1947, the Pacchiana family and their companies have generously given their time and financial support to many local, state and national industry organizations and worthy community charities and service organizations. Thalle Industries, Inc. continues that tradition today.

AN AWARD-WINNING TRADITION

- **Family-Owned Business Award** presented by Fairfield County Business Journal, Westchester County Business Journal, WAG Magazine

- **Small Business General Excellence Award** presented by 914 INC Magazine

- **Changing Places, Changing Lives, Community Hero Award** presented by Groundwork Hudson Valley

- **Environmental Beautification Award** presented by the New York State Nursery and Landscape Association Inc.

- **Certificate of Recognition for Thalle Industries Commitment to Green Business Leadership in the County of Westchester** presented for participation in the Westchester Green Business Challenge and Westchester Green Business-Certified programs

- **Best Green Friend Award** presented by the Westchester Parks Foundation (formerly Friends of Westchester County Parks)

- **Hall of Fame Award, Family Business Success** presented by The Business Council of Westchester

- **Leadership and Vision Award** presented by the New York League of Conservation Voters Award

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CHAMPION CHEERLEADING TEAM HONORED



The Ursuline School Cheerleading Team, Principal Rosemarie Beirne, team coaches, New Rochelle Mayor Noam Bramson and City Council members at the May 10th Council meeting.

The Ursuline School in New Rochelle was honored by the New Rochelle City Council on May 10 after winning national and state competitions.

The team and its coaches Adriana Lacarbonara '03, Karissa

Vargas '08 and John Braca were recognized with a commendation for their undefeated season.

The presentation was made at City Hall by Mayor Noam Bramson and Coach Lacarbonara thanked the mayor and spoke of the girls'

hard work and dedication.

The Ursuline School, located on a 13-acre modern campus in New Rochelle, is an all-girls, Roman Catholic, independent college-preparatory school, grades 6-12, celebrating its 125th year.

NEW HVEDC BOARD MEMBER

The Hudson Valley Economic Development Corp. (HVEDC) in Poughkeepsie recently announced that Kelly MacMillan, senior vice president, government and community relations at Westchester Medical Center Health Network has joined its Board of Directors.

At the medical center MacMillan develops and directs strategies that identify and foster relationships with elected officials, government agencies and community organizations in order to ensure open lines of communication between WMCHHealth and the various stakeholders in the communities it serves.

Previously MacMillan worked in both the private and public sectors, including a tenure as New York state's director of public infrastructure. She also was chief of staff for former New York state Assemblyman Richard Brodsky.

MacMillan graduated from Roger Williams University with a Bachelor of Arts degree. She is a resident of Pound Ridge, New York.

"... WMCHHealth has been a tremendous partner in the region. We look forward to continuing this relationship to ensure quality health care in the Hudson Valley," said Mike Oates, president and CEO of Hudson Valley Economic Development Corp.

Information for these features has been submitted by the subjects or their delegates.

NEW HOSPITAL BOARD CHAIR

William S. Null is the new chairman of the White Plains Hospital Board of Directors succeeding Laurence R. Smith who served as board chair since 2015. He was recently approved at the hospital's annual board meeting.

A member of the hospital board since 2002, Null most recently held the position of vice chairman. He has chaired the real estate and legal committees and has been involved in many of the building projects that transformed the campus of White Plains Hospital. He also serves as a member of the Montefiore Health System Board of Trustees.

A partner at Cuddy & Feder LLP, a law firm with offices in White Plains; New York City; Fishkill, New York; and Stamford, Connecticut; he served as the firm's managing partner for 15 years and was a member of its management committee for more than 20 years. He holds a Juris Doctorate from the Cardozo School of Law in New York City, and an undergraduate degree in urban planning and economics from Hampshire College in Amherst, Massachusetts.

"During my time on the board I have watched White Plains Hospital grow from a small community hospital into one of the finest medical institutions in the Hudson Valley. I am constantly impressed by the vision and drive of the leadership team and the skill, compassion and tenacity of its staff..." Null said.

Susan Fox, president and CEO of White Plains Hospital, said, "As an organization, we could not accomplish all that we do without the support, trust and passion of our talented board of directors. Bill has been on the board for 20 years and I have had the good fortune to work closely with him over the past 12 years and know his leadership as chairman will be instrumental in our next chapter of growth."

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Local business cases, May 10 - 24

Wayne Greenwald PC, Manhattan vs. Kenwood Commons, Hyde Park, et al, 22-9009-SHL: Adversary proceeding in Kenwood Commons Chapter 11 (22-35169). Attorney: pro se.

Sinai USA Corp., Rye, George Nisanov, representative, 22-22267-SHL: Chapter 7, assets and liabilities \$1 million to \$10 million. Attorney: pro se.

New Mount Vernon Rising Management Corp., Mount Vernon, Maureen Assoumou, president, 22-22268-SHL: Chapter 7, assets up to \$50,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Attorney: pro se.

Laura M. Pignataro, Croton-on-Hudson, re. Casabella Contracting of NY Inc., and 2111 Albany Post Road Corp., 22-22276-SHL: Chapter 11, assets and liabilities up to \$50,000. Attorney: Anne J. Penachio.

The Crystal Spoon Corp., Elmsford, Paul Ghiron, president, 22-22277-SHL: Chapter 11, assets \$532,500, liabilities \$508,810. Attorney: Anne J. Penachio.

4 Raven Court Corp., New Rochelle, Scott Forcino, president, 22-22279-SHL: Chapter 11, assets up to \$50,000, liabilities \$1 million to \$10 million. Attorney: pro se.

Yonkers Rising Acquisition Corp., Yonkers, Maureen Assoumou, president, 22-22286-SHL: Chapter 7, assets up to \$50,000, liabilities \$500,000 to \$1 million. Attorney: pro se.

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CKI LLC, Greenwood Lake, Anthony Ingrassia, managing member, 22-35339-CGM: Chapter 11, assets and liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Attorney: Michael D. Pinsky.

Ralston - Lippincott - Hasbrouck - Ingrassia Funeral Home, Inc., Middletown, Anthony Ingrassia, president, 22-35340-CGM: Chapter 11, assets and liabilities \$1 million to \$10 million. Attorney: Michael D. Pinsky.

U.S. DISTRICT COURT,

White Plains

Local business cases, May 10 - 24

E. & J. Gallo Winery, Modesto, California. vs. Freixent Mionetto USA, White Plains, et al, 22-cv-3878-CS: Trademark infringement. Attorney: Kelly J. Garrone.

Vaughn Pitt, Charleston, South Carolina, et al vs. Detail Pros Inc., Newburgh, et al, 22-cv-3918-KMK: Civil rights, jobs. Attorneys: Stefanie L. Shmil, Steven J. Fingerhut.

Hartford Fire Insurance Co., Hartford, Connecticut vs. 455 Hospitality LLC, Tarrytown, 22-cv-3994-NSR: Breach of contract. Attorneys: Marc J. Gross, Mark G. Ledwin.

Gina L. Meritil vs. Jawonio Inc., New City, 22-cv-4034-KMK: Employment discrimination. Attorney: Russell S. Moriarty.

Ramapo Valley Ambulance Corps Inc., et al vs. town of Ramapo, 22-cv-4047-PMH: Civil rights. Attorneys: Adam Love, Kristen K. Wilson.

Endico Potatoes Inc., Mount Vernon vs. James G. Koutsodontis, Brooklyn, 22-cv-4068-PMH: Agricultural Commodities Act. Attorney: Leonard Kreinces.

Air Techniques Inc., Melville vs Tree USA Inc., Valley Cottage, 22-cv-4185-PMH: Copyright infringement. Attorney: Jessica H. Zafonte.

DEEDS

Above \$1 million

24 Aspen LLC, Hong Kong. Seller: 24 Aspen Road, Scarsdale. Property: 24 Aspen Road, Scarsdale. Amount: \$2.4 million. Filed May 20.

30 Bellevue Avenue LLC, White Plains. Seller: Peter M. Sisitsky and Aviva W Sisitsky. Property: 30 Bellevue Ave., Harrison. Amount: \$5.2 million. Filed May 18.

514 Union Corp., Mount Vernon. Seller: Conti Properties LLC. Mount Vernon. Property: 514 Union Ave., Mount Vernon. Amount: \$2.7 million. Filed May 18.

American International Relocation Solutions LLC, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Seller: David Piantenti and Stephanie Romick. Larchmont. Property: 445 Weaver St., Mamaroneck. Amount: \$1.6 million. Filed May 19.

Baron, Guy and Keren Baron, Scarsdale. Seller: Brookby Holdings LLC, Irvington. Property: 37 Brookby Road, Scarsdale. Amount: \$4.9 million. Filed May 18.

Bishop, Emily and Margaret Runeari, Brooklyn. Seller: 46 Red Oak LLC, Mamaroneck. Property: 46 Red Oak Lane, New Castle. Amount: \$1.7 million. Filed May 17.

Carey, Jeffrey E. and Jennifer Jia, San Jose, California. Seller: 158 Brite Avenue LLC, Scarsdale. Property: 158 Brite Ave., Scarsdale. Amount: \$2.6 million. Filed May 16.

CPRR Greenwich LLC, Greenwich, Connecticut. Seller: Opra III LLC, Harrison. Property: 120 Old Post Road, Unit E103. Rye. Amount: \$1.2 million. Filed May 18.

Ferluga, Robert and Natalia Ferluga, Scarsdale. Seller: Nayakkar LLC, Scarsdale. Property: 33 Weaver St., Scarsdale. Amount: \$1.9 million. Filed May 17.

Garfield, Carol A. and Theodore F. Garfield, Purchase. Seller: Opra III LLC, Harrison. Property: 120 Old Post Road, unit PH-B306, Rye. Amount: \$3.5 million. Filed May 20.

Gila Development Realty Corp., Pelham. Seller: 75 Lincoln Ave., Pelham. Property: 75 Lincoln Ave., Pelham. Amount: \$1 million. Filed May 18.

Mullin, Kathleen B. and James Sallada, Bronxville. Seller: ELK Homes Partners LP, Rye. Property: 50 Summit Ave., Eastchester. Amount: \$1.8 million. Filed May 20.

Nicoll, Maxwell and Lauren Palette Nicoll, Mineola. Seller: Nast Construction Two LLC, Somers. Property: 230 E. Middle Patent Road, North Castle. Amount: \$2.1 million. Filed May 16.

Regency SNF Realty LLC, Lakewood, New Jersey. Seller: HVNH Realty LLC, Brooklyn. Property: 65 Ashburton Ave., Yonkers. Amount: \$80.3 million. Filed May 18.

Rivinghills Management LLC, Scarsdale. Seller: Holly Management Inc., Scarsdale. Property: 826 Scarsdale Ave., Eastchester. Amount: \$2.4 million. Filed May 16.

Sultan, Raymond and Catherine Snapp, Brooklyn. Seller: American International Relocation Solutions LLC, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Property: 446 Weaver St., Mamaroneck. Amount: \$1.8 million. Filed May 19.

Weiss, Andrew and Sharon Weiss, Hartsdale. Seller: Somers Crossings LLC, Goldens Bridge. Property: 15 Amber Lane, Somers. Amount: \$1 million. Filed May 17.

Xiao, Angran and Sai Zeng, Yorktown Heights. Seller: Amalgamated Business Corp., New York City. Property: 2 Ironwood Lane, Harrison. Amount: \$1.4 million. Filed May 18.

Yonkers SNF Realty LLC, Lakewood, New Jersey. Seller: Adamah LLC, Brooklyn. Property: 115 S. Broadway, Yonkers. Amount: \$47.8 million. Filed May 18.

Below \$1 million

21 HSMV LLC, Brooklyn. Seller: Nicholas Cicchetti, Hawthorne. Property: 21 High St., Mount Vernon. Amount: \$450,000. Filed May 17.

136 Wells Street LLC, Harrison. Seller: Akram Wassef, Peekskill. Property: 136 Wells St., Peekskill. Amount: \$465,000. Filed May 17.

159 BHC LLC, Rye Brook. Seller: Marcia Tazbin, Rye. Property: 159 Brush Hollow Crescent, Rye. Amount: \$573,000. Filed May 20.

260 Spring Street Realty LLC, West Harrison. Seller: 260 Spring Street LLC, Maryknoll. Property: 260 Spring St., Ossining. Amount: \$400,000. Filed May 18.

521 Manhattan Avenue LLC, Yonkers. Seller: John T. Cucchiarella and Daniela T. Cucchiarella, Yorktown Heights. Property: 521 Manhattan Ave., Mount Pleasant. Amount: \$850,000. Filed May 16.

747 WB Yonkers LLC, Kew Gardens. Seller: Andrew J. Balint, Rye Brook. Property: 751 Warburton Ave., Yonkers. Amount: \$185,000. Filed May 16.

747 WB Yonkers LLC, Kew Gardens. Seller: Andrew J. Balint, Rye Brook. Property: 747 Warburton Ave., Yonkers. Amount: \$583,000. Filed May 16.

AJM Family Property Group, White Plains. Seller: Sharon Ann Bonovitch, White Plains. Property: 6 Van Wart Ave., White Plains. Amount: \$275,000. Filed May 17.

AMVEL LLC, Yonkers. Seller: 74 Gregory LLC, Mount Kisco. Property: 76 Gregory Ave., Mount Kisco. Amount: \$490,000. Filed May 18.

Askin, Richard M. and Sushmita Roy, White Plain. Property: 533 Weaver St., Mamaroneck. Amount: \$900,000. Filed May 19.

Begun, Alain and Alisa Dror, Pound Ridge. Seller: 210 Home Avenue LLC, New Rochelle. Property: 77 Cross Pond Road, Pound Ridge. Amount: \$950,000. Filed May 16.

Cruz, Brenda, Bronx. Seller: Cerebral Palsy of Westchester Inc., Rye Brook. Property: 55 McKinley Ave., Unit D-E8, White Plains. Amount: \$250,000. Filed May 19.

Curtis, Derek and Colleen Fell, Yonkers. Seller: Joseph S. Borges Contracting Inc., Yorktown Heights. Property: 145 Scarborough Road, Ossining. Amount: \$700,000. Filed May 19.

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, Anaheim, California. Seller: Michael Stephans, Yorktown. Property: 1107 Stonegate Road, Yorktown. Amount: \$447,098.95. Filed May 18.

Disla, Roman and Raymond Disla, Bronx. Seller: Lakeview Property LLC, New York City. Property: 18 Jones Place, Yonkers. Amount: \$640,000. Filed May 20.

Fettuccini LLC, Eastchester. Seller: Dominick DeVito and Lisa DeVito, Tuckahoe. Property: 77 Lake Ave., Eastchester. Amount: \$700,000. Filed May 18.

Hibbert, Karen, Brooklyn. Seller: Pines Bridge Road LLC, Ossining. Property: 650 Pines Bridge Road, Yorktown. Amount: \$985,000. Filed May 18.

JA Pelham LLC, Pelham. Seller: Daniel Ratki, New York City. Property: 57 Seventh Ave., Pelham. Amount: \$779,000. Filed May 19.

Kurland, Yaakov, Brooklyn. Seller: AJP BH LLC, Briarcliff Manor. Property: 112 Fremont St., Peekskill. Amount: \$660,000. Filed May 17.

Reyes, Carmen Del R., Brewster. Seller: County of Westchester, White Plains. Property: 280 Bleakley Ave., Cortlandt. Amount: \$355,000. Filed May 18.

Simplistic Holdings LLC, White Plains. Seller: Joseph Spedaliere, Old Greenwich, Connecticut. Property: 32 Summer St., Rye. Amount: \$410,000. Filed May 18.

Wang, Jun, Rye. Seller: 113 Capital-44F Cottage Street LLC, Bedford Corners. Property: 44F Cottage St., Rye. Amount: \$426,600. Filed May 16.

FEDERAL TAX LIENS,

\$10,000 or greater,

filed in Westchester County, May 10 - 24

B&S Wireless Inc., d.b.a. **Tracfone**: Mount Vernon, employer quarterly tax, 2020, \$42,853.

Carr, Glenn & Stacy L.: Katonah, personal income, 2019, 2021, \$86,405.

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Fugazy, Deborah F., Eastchester, personal income, 2019 - 2020, \$63,180.

Laurel Oak Landscaping of New York Inc., North Salem, employer quarterly tax, 2021, \$10,593.

Simmons, Don W. and **Sylvia**, White Plains, personal income, 2017 - 2021, \$39,818.

JUDGMENTS

Blurock LLC, Georgetown, Kentucky, \$209,298.63 in favor of Greenwich Capital Management L.P., White Plains. Filed May 17.

Carino, Guadalupe, Yonkers, \$10,688.39 in favor of JPMorgan Chase Bank National Association, Wilmington, Delaware. Filed May 16.

Deangelis, Donna, West Harrison, \$5,730.30 in favor of Capital One Bank U.S.A. National Association, Westbury. Filed May 16.

Green, Monica, New Rochelle, \$10,837.34 in favor of American Express National Bank, Sandy, Utah. Filed May 16.

MVM Construction LLC, Mount Vernon, \$956,972.29 in favor of NGM Insurance Co., Keene, New Hampshire. Filed May 17.

Kontargyris, Eustrafio J., White Plains, \$6,619.42 in favor of Cavalry SPV I LLC, Greenwich, Connecticut. Filed May 17.

Marji, Luke, Yonkers, \$8,153.50 in favor of Friedman and Friedman PLLC, White Plains. Filed May 16.

Petrosa, Richard, Mount Kisco, \$137,030.23 in favor of FCS Concrete Corp., Congers. Filed May 20.

Raimondo, Angela, Tarrytown, \$23,064.05 in favor of JPMorgan Chase Bank National Association, Wilmington, Delaware. Filed May 16.

Schmidt, Joseph M., Yorktown Heights, \$11,274.46 in favor of Cavalry SPV I LLC, Greenwich, Connecticut. Filed May 16.

Torres, Rafael, Yorktown Heights, \$7,071.84 in favor of Midland Credit Management Inc., San Diego, California. Filed May 16.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD

Failure to carry insurance or for work-related injuries and illnesses.

2 Boys Laundry Mount Vernon LLC, Mount Vernon. Amount: \$20,500.

E R Friberg Enterprises LTD d.b.a. The Snuff Mill, Mount Kisco. Amount: \$5,500.

Environmental Construction Solutions LLC, Pelham. Amount: \$25,000.

GDC Equities LLC, Scarsdale. Amount: \$24,000.

John Malone Architect PLLC d.b.a. Ferguson Malone Architecture, Irvington. Amount: \$6,000.

MJ Best Landscaping Inc., Mount Kisco. Amount: \$3,500.

New Look General Construction Inc., Yonkers. Amount: \$20,000.

Tokiwa Holdings America Inc., White Plains. Amount: \$500.

Tonianne McGinley PT PC, Croton-on-Hudson. Amount: \$9,000.

Twin Oaks Venture LLC, North Salem. Amount: \$22,000.

LIS PENDENS

The following filings indicate a legal action has been initiated, the outcome of which may affect the title to the property listed.

Balla, Ernst, as owner. Filed by Mill City Mortgage Loan Trust. Action: Foreclosure of a mortgage in the principal amount of \$164,537.15 affecting property located at 43 Coachlight Square, Montrose. Filed May 18.

Ballard, Robert and **Roberta Ballard**, as owners. Filed by The Bank of New York Mellon. Action: Foreclosure of a mortgage in the principal amount of \$437,750 affecting property located at 15 Greendale Ave., Mount Vernon. Filed May 19.

Brois, Theodore and **Ted Brois**, as owners. Filed by M&T Bank. Action: Foreclosure of a mortgage in the principal amount of \$1.4 million affecting property located at 3 Tallwoods Toad, Armonk. Filed May 17.

Bronx County Public Administration, as owner. Filed by Nationstar Mortgage LLC. Action: Foreclosure of a mortgage in the principal amount of \$625,500 affecting property located at 19 Beverly Road, New Rochelle. Filed May 17.

Chure, Luis and **Corina Ortiz**, as owners. Filed by Deutsche Bank National Trust Co. Action: Foreclosure of a mortgage in the principal amount of \$764,164.05 affecting property located at 46 Pinesbridge Road, Ossining. Filed May 16.

Franco-Ruiz, Gouglas, as owner. Filed by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company. Action: Foreclosure of a mortgage in the principal amount of \$432,000 affecting property located at 87 William St., Yonkers. Filed May 17.

Walsh, Wayneworth A. and **Carol Walsh**, as owners. Filed by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company. Action: Foreclosure of a mortgage in the principal amount of \$500,000 affecting property located at 2516 Ridge St., Yorktown Heights. Filed May 19.

MECHANIC'S LIENS

Opra III LLC, Rye, \$71,787.11 in favor of Archmills LLC, New York City. Filed May 17.

NEW BUSINESSES

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PARTNERSHIPS

Lopez Construction Co., 819 Midland Ave., Apt. 1, Yonkers 10704, c/o Artemio Lopez Reyes and Maria Del Carmen Castulo Cruz. Filed May 16.

SOLE PROPRIETORSHIPS

Agapi Candles, 118 Cooper Drive, Apt. 1A, New Rochelle 10801, c/o Mandalena Deda. Filed May 17.

Amy Lydia Arts, 9 Stuart Lane, Katonah 10536, c/o Amy Lydia Gignesi. Filed May 19.

Empire Cleaning Solutions, 365 Bronx River Road, Apt. 1F, Yonkers 10704, c/o Miriam Rodriguez. Filed May 17.

Empire E-waste, 67 Winfred Ave., Yonkers 10704, c/o Steven Rinaldi. Filed May 16.

EN Trading, 1 Renaissance Square, Apt. 17G, White Plains 10601, c/o Nidhi Agarwal. Filed May 18.

Facelogic, 3721 Marcy St., Mohegan Lake 10547, c/o Allen Shtelmakher. Filed May 20.

Galenos Landscaping Services, 44 Rathbun Ave., Apt. 1, White Plains 10606, c/o Delfino Galeno Cabrera. Filed May 18.

Get Right 24/7 Live Love Life, 21 Hemlock Circle, Peekskill 10566, c/o Kenneth L. Jones. Filed May 17.

Ibarra Handyman, 57 Park Hill Ave., Apt. 2, Yonkers 10701, c/o Juan Manuel Hernandez Ibarra. Filed May 18.

Jackie & Dean Over Top Cuisine, 115 Burhans Ave., Yonkers 10701, c/o Jacqueline Craft. Filed May 19.

JR Landscapes Design, 215 Park Ave., Harrison 10528, c/o William R. Uranga Martinez. Filed May 18.

Legendary Empanadaz, 1 Halcyon Place, Yonkers 10701, c/o Lionel C. Thomas. Filed May 17.

Long Term Wellness, P.O. Box 44, Thornwood 10594, c/o Latanya Wilson. Filed May 17.

Making It Mega, 13 Park Ave., Harrison 10528, c/o Frank Civitelia. Filed May 20.

MRH Auto Sales, 288 Nepperhan Ave., Yonkers 10701, c/o Hashem Dasan. Filed May 20.

Reginas Love & Companionship Care, 139 S. 7th Ave., Apt. 102, Mount Vernon 10550, c/o Regina Butter. Filed May 16.

Ritzzy Eventz, 1841 Central Ave., Apt. 9D, Yonkers 10710, c/o Lisette Acevedo. Filed May 18.

RSH3 Events, 2 W. Prospect Ave., Apt. 7A, Mount Vernon 10550, c/o Ray S. Harris. Filed May 16.

Tradegate Capital, 11 W. Prospect Ave., Mount Vernon 10550, c/o Dawn Glosos. Filed May 18.

U & Me 93 Live Love Life, 21 Hemlock Circle, Peekskill 10566, c/o Kenneth L. Jones. Filed May 17.

Unlimited Handyman Services, 41 Greenridge Ave., White Plains 10605, c/o Eduardo Pacheco. Filed May 18.

Yunque Enterprises, P.O. Box 97, Tarrytown 10591, c/o Donald Kendrick. Filed May 15.

HUDSON VALLEY

BUILDING LOANS

Above \$1 million

Cheny, Christian and **Isemay Winchell LLC**, as owners. Lender: Salisbury Bank and Trust Co. Property: in North East. Amount: \$1.7 million. Filed May 18.

34 Ridge LLC, as owner. Lender: Northeast Community Bank. Property: 34 Ridge Ave., Spring Valley. Amount: \$2.1 million. Filed May 17.

Below \$1 million

25 Tweed YMNY LLC, as owner. Lender: Conventus LLC. Property: 25 Tweed Blvd., Nyack. Amount: \$564,000. Filed May 17.

31 Pearl LLC, as owner. Lender: RCN Capital LLC. Property: 31 S. Pearl St., Pearl River. Amount: \$173,150. Filed May 18.

61 Mezritsch LLC, as owner. Lender: Accolend LLC. Property: 61 Mezritsch Road, New Square. Amount: \$125,000. Filed May 18.

Congregation Kollel Lomdei Shas Inc., as owner. Lender: M&T Bank. Property: in Spring Valley. Amount: \$400,000. Filed May 20.

Dutches Builders LLC, as owner. Lender: TEG FCU. Property: in Beekman. Amount: \$300,000. Filed May 20.

Rojas, Luis, as owner. Lender: U.S. Bank National Association. Property: 854 Bradley Pkwy., Blauvelt. Amount: \$740,000. Filed May 17.

Runyan, Robert and **Ruth Runyan**, as owners. Lender: Cross County Mortgage LLC. Property: in LaGrangeville. Amount: \$560,500. Filed May 18.

DEEDS

Above \$1 million

25 Tweed YMNY LLC, Suffern. Seller: Wilmington Trust National Association. Meriden, Connecticut. Property: 25 Tweed Blvd., Orangetown. Amount: \$1.2 million. Filed May 17.

200 East Erie LLC, West Haverstraw. Seller: 200 East Erie Street Company., Blauvelt. Property: 200 E. Erie St., Orangetown. Amount: \$1.1 million. Filed May 18.

Truman Farms LLC, Cleskill, New Jersey. Seller: Jeffrey P. Vilinskis and Rihana Azam, LaGrangeville. Property: LaGrangeville. Amount: \$3.7 million. Filed May 16.

Twelve Elaine LLC, Monsey. Seller: Hershel Landau and Malka B. Landau, Spring Valley. Property: 114 Decatur Ave., Ramapo. Amount: \$1.3 million. Filed May 18.

Below \$1 million

31 Pearl LLC, Spring Valley. Seller: Bruce E. Stokes and June E. Stokes, West Nyack. Property: 31 S. Pearl St., Orangetown. Amount: \$245,000. Filed May 18.

116-1163 Main Street LLC, Monroe. Seller: 44 Apartments LLC, Highland. Property: in Pleasant Valley. Amount: \$980,000. Filed May 18.

116-1163 Main Street LLC, Monroe. Seller: 44 Apartments LLC, Highland. Property: in Pleasant Valley. Amount: \$420,000. Filed May 18.

235 Main Street LLC, Monsey. Seller: Beryl Davis and Marsha Davis, Grayson, Georgia. Property: 10 Donville Road, Ramapo. Amount: \$420,000. Filed May 17.

266 Rudd Pond LLC, Millerton. Seller: Joseph J. Stockert, Millerton. Property: in North East. Amount: \$90,000. Filed May 16.

3105 Granite Court LLC, Palisades Park. Seller: Joseph Carroll and Elyse L. Carroll, Wappingers Falls. Property: in Fishkill. Amount: \$465,000. Filed May 17.

ABA Office LLC, Spring Valley. Seller: 11 Medical Park Drive LLC, Pomona. Property: 11 Medical Park Drive, Ramapo. Amount: \$495,000. Filed May 18.

Alysa Realty LLC, Hopewell Junction. Seller: Michael O'Connor, Poughkeepsie. Property: in LaGrangeville. Amount: \$305,000. Filed May 18.

Barning, Janice L., Somers. Seller: 25 Old Farm Road Development LLC, Poughkeepsie. Amount: \$85,000. Filed May 16.

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Barone, Nicholas L., Highland. Seller: 62 Harts Village LLC, Millbrook. Property: Washington. Amount: \$375,000. Filed May 18.

Baynes, Galen C. and **Ninoska V. Dolmo Martinez**, Port Jefferson. Seller: Hot Diggity Dog Inc., Milton. Property: Poughkeepsie. Amount: \$495,000. Filed May 20.

Deegan LLC, Brooklyn. Seller: Mary Deegan, Tomkins Cove. Property: 5 Deegan Lane, Stony Point. Amount: \$425,000. Filed May 20.

Blum, Shimen, Spring Valley. Seller: ACE Builders New York LLC, Spring Valley. Property: 94 N. Cole Ave., Spring Valley. Amount: \$599,000. Filed May 17.

Congregation Kellel Lomdei Shas, Chestnut Ridge. Seller: IVR Mazel LLC, Spring Valley. Property: 441 S. Pascack Road, Chestnut Ridge. Amount: \$350,000. Filed May 20.

Dresdner, David, Brooklyn. Seller: 10 Parker LLC, Spring Valley. Property: 12 Parker St., Unit 114, Spring Valley. Amount: \$999,999. Filed May 19.

Drive Holdings LLC, Garden City. Seller: Chaim Schwartz, Pomona. Property: 26 S. Ridge Road, Haverstraw. Amount: \$999,000. Filed May 18.

Frank, Moshe and **Blima Frank**, Spring Valley. Seller: 18-20 Twin LLC, Spring Valley. Property: 20 Twin Ave., Unit 101, Ramapo. Amount: \$750,000. Filed May 20.

Friedman, Jacob and **Sarah Friedman**, Brooklyn. Seller: Congregation Abu Sholem Shabazi Inc., Spring Valley. Property: 25 New County Road, Ramapo. Amount: \$452,000. Filed May 18.

Klein, Yomtov, Chaya Klein and **Aron Klein**, Spring Valley. Seller: 18-20 Twin LLC, Spring Valley. Property: 20 Twin Ave., Unit 102, Spring Valley. Amount: \$775,000. Filed May 19.

Khrantseva, Artur and **Lulia Khrantseva**, Yonkers. Seller: 394 Sierra Vista Lane LLC, Valley Cottage. Property: 394 Sierra Vista Lane, Clarkstown. Amount: \$280,000. Filed May 17.

L Friedman Family Holdings LLC, Brooklyn. Seller: MYTY Construction Corp., Suffern. Property: 15 Stone Meadows Lane, Airmont. Amount: \$548,000. Filed May 19.

Lorincz, Eliyahu, Monsey. Seller: 182 Blauvelt LLC, Monsey. Property: 182 Blauvelt Road, Unit 101, Ramapo. Amount: \$620,000. Filed May 19.

Lowy, David and **Chaya Lowy**, Spring Valley. Seller: Oceanside Delta LLC, Spring Valley. Property: 13 Andover Road, Ramapo. Amount: \$530,000. Filed May 20.

Meisels, Chaim and **Pearl Meisels**, Monsey. Seller: 62 Eastbourne LLC, Chestnut Ridge. Property: 62 Eastbourne Drive, Chestnut Ridge. Amount: \$999,999. Filed May 17.

Mehring, Nuchem, Spring Valley. Seller: H&B Partners Inc., Nanuet. Property: 59 Wayne Ave., Suffern. Amount: \$449,000. Filed May 19.

Mendelowich, Lea, Brooklyn. Seller: ACE Builders NY LLC, Spring Valley. Property: 49 N. Cole Ave., Spring Valley. Amount: \$799,000. Filed May 17.

Monhagen Group LLC, Brooklyn. Seller: Kizzy M. Blackwell, Haverstraw. Property: 6 Hudson Ave., Haverstraw. Amount: \$270,000. Filed May 19.

NYBOVIA LLC, Piermont. Seller: Brian Hinchcliffe, Mamaroneck. Property: 2 and 33 Burd St., Nyack. Amount: \$706,500. Filed May 16.

Rosenberg, Miriam, Monsey. Seller: 87 Saddle River Road LLC, Monsey. Property: 87 Saddle River Road, Ramapo. Amount: \$800,000. Filed May 18.

Samuel, Eugene and **Yenti Z. Samuel**, Monsey. Seller: Highview Hills LLC, Suffern. Property: 6 Silverwood Circle, Ramapo. Amount: \$633,475. Filed May 18.

Schwartz, Chaim, Spring Valley. Seller: 14 Youmans LLC, Spring Valley. Property: 14 Youmans Drive, Unit 201, Spring Valley. Amount: \$995,000. Filed May 20.

Sonias Holdings LLC, Monsey. Seller: Rachel Fonfeder Schlesinger, New York City. Property: 40 Mariner Way, Ramapo. Amount: \$905,000. Filed May 16.

Torres, Michelle and **Jose Torres**, Yonkers. Seller: FV-1 Inc., Houston, Texas. Property: 20-78 Crescent Drive, Unit 78, Haverstraw. Amount: \$200,000. Filed May 19.

W Clarkstown LLC, Brooklyn. Seller: Gazmend Gjeka, New York City. Property: 489-491 W. Clarkstown Road, Clarkstown. Amount: \$590,000. Filed May 16.

Wertzberger, Hershy, Monsey. Seller: 8 Dana LLC, Brooklyn. Property: 8 Dana Road, Spring Valley. Amount: \$995,000. Filed May 16.

JUDGMENTS

Aviles, Shinnikqua, Brewster. \$14,394.97 in favor of Discover Bank, New Albany, Ohio. Filed May 16.

Buffardi, Frederick J., Monroe. \$4,769.70 in favor of Cradell Animal Hospital, Paramus, New Jersey. Filed May 16.

Campbell, Frantz, Middletown. \$13,381.01 in favor of Maple HOA Inc., Fishkill. Filed May 17.

Ceshire, Janine W., Port Jervis. \$1,555.33 in favor of Second Round Sub LLC, Ausitn, Texas. Filed May 16.

Dejesus, Jose, Port Jervis. \$6,808.51 in favor of Velocity Investments LLC, Wall, New Jersey. Filed May 18.

Harris, Terrance, Washingtonville. \$12,059.16 in favor of LVNV Funding LLC, Las Vegas, Nevada. Filed May 17.

Hill, Sherele R., Wallkill. \$9,375.80 in favor of TD Auto Finance LLC, Jacksonville, Florida. Filed May 20.

Koch, Curtis, Mahopac. \$2,318.94 in favor of LVNV Funding LLC, Las Vegas, Nevada. Filed May 19.

Kurtz, Gary D., Newburgh. \$21,227.60 in favor of American Express National Bank, Sandy, Utah. Filed May 16.

Lindblom, Margaret J., Brewster. \$14,797.79 in favor of Wells Fargo Bank National Association, West Des Moines, Iowa. Filed May 20.

Maher, Michael, Highland Falls. \$11,118.37 in favor of Midland Credit Management Inc., San Diego, California. Filed May 17.

McpPhillips, Stacey, Mahopac. \$1,907.12 in favor of LVNV Funding LLC, Las Vegas, Nevada. Filed May 19.

Muino, Anthony, Greenwood Lake. \$2,492 in favor of Midland Credit Management Inc., San Diego, California. Filed May 19.

Quiroz, Alex, Newburgh. \$9,590.07 in favor of Midland Credit Management Inc., San Diego, California. Filed May 18.

Ritchie, Sheila R., Mahopac. \$8,648.04 in favor of Clark Associates Funeral Home, Katonah. Filed May 18.

Rivera, Levonda, Monroe. \$4,701 in favor of Synchrony Bank, Draper, Utah. Filed May 18.

Ruiz, Christina, Warwick. \$1,216 in favor of Midland Credit Management Inc., San Diego, California. Filed May 19.

Shaw, Christine, Port Jervis. \$5,000 in favor of Historic Renovators LLC, Garrison. Filed May 19.

Stewart, Gary M., New Windsor. \$14,027.52 in favor of Sherman Williams Co., Latham. Filed May 20.

Walker, Kasheena, Middletown. \$9,129.97 in favor of East Coast Imperial Gardens LLC, Middletown. Filed May 18.

Woody, Calvin, Newburgh. \$6,080.03 in favor of Mid-Hudson Valley Federal Credit Union, Kingston. Filed May 18.

Zamrzla, Miroslav, Mahopac. \$2,986.17 in favor of Citibank National Association, Sioux Falls. Filed May 19.

MECHANIC'S LIENS

Bers, Nadia M. and **Khlif F. Salib**, as owners. \$8,280.21 in favor of BSB Construction Inc., Milton. Property: 67 Church St., Highland Falls. Filed May 20.

NEW BUSINESSES

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PARTNERSHIPS

RG, 66 Benkard Ave., Newburgh 12550, c/o Jose Luis Rosales Garcia and Sandy Beatriz Galdanez Pena. Filed May 18.

SOLE PROPRIETORSHIPS

507 Services, 191 E. Main St., Walden 12586, c/o Marvin Santino Gonzalez. Filed May 17.

A 1 Seal Coating, 13 Grove St., Godeffroy 12729, John Albert Croci. Filed May 17.

American Mobile Detailers, 51 Richardson Court, Montgomery 12549, c/o Jimmy Thai Tran. Filed May 19.

Avas Happy Corner, 4 Victoria Terrace, Goshen 10924, c/o Phillip Michael Cappadora. Filed May 18.

D&S Salon, 839 Blooming Turnpike, New Windsor 12553, c/o Maria Susan Lastowski. Filed May 19.

Hummingbird Properties, 14 Hawthorne Ave., Newburgh 12550, c/o Jennifer Ray Wetsell. Filed May 20.

Landas Landscaping, 109 Linden Ave., Middletown 10940, c/o Arturo Landa Martinez. Filed May 19.

Leo Health & Wellness, 17 Constitution Court, Tuxedo 10987, c/o Dylan Michael Leo. Filed May 19.

Lucvizion Entertainment, 25 Center St., Highland Falls 10928, c/o John Frank Njoga. Filed May 20.

MRS Gee Gees Kids, 118 Delafield Lane, Newburgh 12550, c/o Jeannie Janell Watson Wigfall. Filed May 19.

Outdoor Images Landscape, 203 Greycourt Road, Chester 10918, c/o Andrew S. Alter. Filed May 20.

Puppie Breath Pet Concierge, 27 Main St., Suite 308, Pine Bush 12566, c/o Erik Lawrence Mirrow. Filed May 16.

Quality N' Value International, 75 Center St., Highland Falls 10928, c/o Anthony Obondi Njoga. Filed May 20.

Rias Artisan Handmade Gemstone & Bead Jewelry, 257 Schutt Road, Middletown 10940, c/o Maria Louise Sanacore. Filed May 19.

Smokers Corner, 107 Academy Ave., Middletown 10940, c/o Walter Jacobs. Filed May 18.

Tri State Barberette, 81 Pike St., Port Jervis 12771, c/o Heather G. Lindsley. Filed May 17.

World Snack, 225 Renwick St., Apt. 1, Newburgh 12550, c/o Juan Villegas Reyes. Filed May 16.

BUILDING PERMITS

Commercial

Hyde Park Properties LLC, Stamford, contractor for Hyde Park Properties LLC. Construction of a two-family home at 25 Ponus Ave., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$700,000. Filed April 12.

Italian Center of Stamford Inc., Stamford, contractor for Italian Center of Stamford Inc. Install two tents at 1620 Newfield Ave., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$25,000. Filed April 27.

JFC Real Estate Development LLC, Stamford, contractor for 1114 Hope Street LLC. Construct a three-story 11-apartment complex at 1114 Hope St., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$2,500,000. Filed April 19.

Joe Lavalle Building Company LLC, West Redding, contractor for 181 Harbor Owner LLC. Perform replacement alterations at 181 Harbor Drive, Unit UT2, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$130,000. Filed April 20.

King Low Heywood Thomas School Inc., Stamford, contractor for King Low Heywood Thomas School Inc. Prepare for a private party at 1450 Newfield Ave., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$30,000. Filed April 11.

KMF Construction LLC, Stamford, contractor for TN REF III 2777 Summer Street LLC. Update medical office at 2777 Summer St., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$500,000. Filed April 29.

M&G Antolino Masonry Inc., Harrison, New York, contractor for Rockrimmon Country Club Inc. Construct retaining wall, tennis court, drainage and other site improvements at 2949 Long Ridge Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$130,000. Filed April 12.

Magna Construction Limited LLC, Stamford, contractor for SH Atlantic LLC. Perform replacement alterations at 1 Atlantic St., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$170,000. Filed April 14.

McPhee Electric Ltd. LLC, Farmington, contractor for St. John's Lutheran Church. Remove and install 6 antennas and remove and install 9 radios at 884 Newfield Ave., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$75,000. Filed April 29.

Network Design & Construction Inc., Plainville, contractor for L&N Realty LLC. Remove existing millwork, flooring, doors, frame, hardware, kennel fence, gate and masonry wall and construct new dry-wall partitions, masonry walls, siding, doors and door frames, acoustical ceilings, flooring, walls, guards, fire extinguishers and toilet accessories at 2053 W. Main St., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$1,170,000. Filed April 4.

Norwalk Roofing, Norwalk, contractor for VCA Davis Animal Hospital. Remove and re-roof 2053 W. Main St., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$39,000. Filed April 27.

One Stamford Realty LP, Stamford, contractor for One Stamford Realty LP. Remove and replace existing support beams on the lower level of parking garage at 201 Tresser Blvd., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$420,868. Filed April 29.

Pasard Construction Inc., Norwalk, contractor for UB High Ridge SPE LLC. Install storefront sign at 1101 High Ridge Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$2,000. Filed April 28.

Pavarini North East Construction Company LLC, Stamford, contractor for Stamford Washington Office LLC. Construct building with offices spaces at 677 Washington Blvd., Unit B1, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$10,872,085. Filed April 13.

Petra Construction Corp., North Haven, contractor for Boston HP LLC. Renovate medical offices, exam rooms and waiting rooms at 1281 E. Main St., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$1,681,701. Filed April 13.

Residential

Ekambaram, Ganesh and Uma Ekambaram, Stamford, contractor for Ganesh and Uma Ekambaram. Install roof-mounted solar panels at 27 Emma Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$14,000. Filed April 7.

Enlight Energy LLC, Silver Spring, Maryland, contractor for Jose Palacios. Install roof-mounted solar panels at 77 Roosevelt Ave., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$26,400. Filed April 12.

Fairfield Pool Associates LLC, Fairfield, contractor for Gary Mohr and Raphael Guariento Da Costa. Install a new in-ground pool at 107 Canfield Drive, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$60,000. Filed April 11.

Fb Masonry LLC, Danbury, contractor for Thomas G. Newman and Rosalie Mastropolo-Newman. Move nonbearing wall in kitchen and install new kitchen cabinets and counter tops at 123 Harbor Drive, Unit 406, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$25,000. Filed April 1.

Flying Colors Roofing LLC, Brookfield, contractor for Jaryn Horner and Rachel Lieberman. Tear roof down to its sheathing and apply ice and water shield, tape plywood seams, rake edge, drip edge and install 30-year architectural shingles at 716 Stillwater Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$17,500. Filed April 22.

Flying Colors Roofing LLC, Brookfield, contractor for Marise J. Desouza. Tear roof and ice and water sheathing, tape plywood seams, rake edge and drip edge and install 39-year architectural shingles at 10 Briar Brae Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$12,500. Filed April 22.

G&S Renovations LLC, Stamford, contractor for John Stofka and Megan Murphy. Install new dormer and bathroom on second floor at 132 Woodbury Ave., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$25,000. Filed April 20.

Green, James P. and Jennifer L., Stamford, contractor for James P. and Jennifer L. Green. Install an in-ground fiberglass pool at 654 Newfield Ave., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$80,000. Filed April 6.

Hermosura, Leonardo R. and Carmella A. Hermosura, Stamford, contractor for Leonardo R. and Carmella A. Hermosura. Renovate and update single-family residence at 83 Crestview Ave., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$10,000. Filed April 22.

The Home Depot USA Inc., Atlanta, Georgia, contractor for Vincent Moore. Remove and replace five windows of same size, no structural changes at 21 Standish Road, Unit 10d3, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$8,214. Filed April 12.

The Home Depot USA Inc., Atlanta, Georgia, contractor for Angie Widnyka and Juliana Milbrun. Remove and replace two windows, same size, no structural changes. At 31 Raymond St., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$2,321. Filed April 5.

Integrity Home Services LLC, Stratford, contractor for Jason and Noeme Gaynor. Remove and re-roof 32 Apple Tree Lane, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$16,500. Filed April 8.

IPE Carpentry LLC, New Milford, contractor for Denise Holt-Matthews. Perform replacement alterations at 48 Young Dixon Way, Unit 8, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$98,285. Filed April 12.

Lurato, Glen and Lynn Iurato, Stamford, contractor for Glen Lurato and Lynn Lurato. Renovate kitchen at 1 Broad St., Unit 16G, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$70,000. Filed April 7.

JM Roofing & Siding LLC, Norwalk, contractor for Joseph C. Gatto Jr. and Linda Gatto. Remove roof shingles, flashing, membranes; replace chimney flashing with copper flashing and seal masonry with silicone at 25 Elmbrook Drive, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$12,560. Filed April 4.

John C. Landsiedel Construction Company Inc., Stamford, contractor for Ira Stechel. Finish basement to create an exercise and entertainment room at 163 Blackberry Drive, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$75,000. Filed April 5.

L.G. Home Improvement Contractor LLC, Ridgefield, contractor for Allison Calomino. Remove decks and replace with a screened-in porch at 25 Hillview Lane, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$40,000. Filed April 5.

Lagreca, Richard J. and Denise Lagreca, Stamford, contractor for Glen and Lynn Lurato. Construct a gunite in-ground swimming pool with auto cover at 38 Doolittle Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$94,000. Filed April 18.

Lionetti, Kelli Ann, Stamford, contractor for Glen and Lynn Lurato. Alter basement, frame walls, sheetrock, electric outlets and lights, bathroom, air conditioning and heat of existing house at 7 Ravenglass Drive, Unit Ut9, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$75,000. Filed April 19.

Moskowitz, Richard and Cheryl Schroeger, Stamford, contractor for Richard Moskowitz and Cheryl Schroeger. Install a 13kw generator at 7 Mead St., Unit E, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$2,000. Filed April 6.

Mustaque, Nabi, Stamford, contractor for Mustaque, Nabi. Reside and repair approximately 500 square feet of siding at 81 Stephen St., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$1,200. Filed April 1.

NZ Home Improvement LLC, Stamford, contractor for Igor Mayr. Add a bathroom on second floor and remove a wall in the kitchen to be replaced with a glulam beam at 51 Stamford Ave., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$18,000. Filed April 22.

Namco Pools LLC, Rocky Hill, contractor for Miguel and Victoria Morales. Install above-ground swimming pool, located in backyard at 172 Hamilton Ave., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$8,000. Filed April 7.

Northeast Specialty Corp., Springfield, Massachusetts, contractor for Eugene Antoine. Remove and re-roof 25 Hazel St., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$39,978. Filed April 5.

PK Contracting Inc., Norwalk, contractor for Alexander B. and Alexander B. Baldwin Trust. Perform interior carpentry to accommodate new HVAC system. Remove chimney and baseboard heating at 36 Rippowam Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$41,179. Filed April 26.

Pasard, David J. and Jonathan J. Pasard, Stamford, contractor for David J. and Jonathan J. Pasard Alter and add to existing first and second floor for a total of 1,560 square feet, update plumbing, electrical and HVAC on first and second floor at 42 Nichols Ave., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$210,000. Filed April 18.

Power Home Remodeling Group LLC, Chester, Pennsylvania, contractor for Anna Irminia. Remove and replace shingles and ice and water barriers to code at 31 Palmer Ave., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$44,952. Filed April 1.

Power Home Remodeling Group LLC, Chester, Pennsylvania, contractor for Ronald Smith. Remove and replace three windows, shingles, ice and water shields, deck armor and taped seams all to code at 596 Glenbrook Road, Unit 35, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$24,501. Filed April 14.

Pyramid Network Services LLC, East Syracuse, New York, contractor for April Douglas. Remove all sprint antennas and equipment at 970 Hope St., Unit 1A, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$8,500. Filed April 4.

Remodeling Consultants of Fairfield Inc., Mamaroneck, New York, contractor for John and Carmela Kogan. Replace kitchen at 1901 High Ridge Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$85,000. Filed April 1.

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COURT CASES

Bridgeport Superior Court

Chelsea Piers Connecticut LLC, et al, Hartford. Filed by Stephanie Cennamo, Darien. Plaintiff's attorney: Michael E. Skiber Law Office, Norwalk. Action: The plaintiff was injured while volunteering at a swim competition on the defendants' premises when a member kicked a metal water bottle through the steel barricades on the second-floor gallery down toward the swimming pool, striking the plaintiff on the head. The plaintiff's injuries were due to the negligence and/or carelessness of the defendants by not keeping the area clean and safe. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages of more than \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. FBT-CV-22-6113872-S. Filed March 15.

Limiggio, Branden, et al, West Haven. Filed by Carlos Vargas, Stratford. Plaintiff's attorney: Michael P. D. Amico, East Haven. Action: The plaintiff suffered a collision allegedly caused by the defendants and sustained severe damages and injuries. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages of more than \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. FBT-CV-22-6113722-S. Filed March 9.

Rao, Rowena, et al, Fairfield. Filed by Keith Crudgington, Fairfield. Plaintiff's attorney: Goldman Gruder & Woods LLC, Trumbull. Action: The plaintiff suffered a collision allegedly caused by the defendants and sustained severe damages and injuries. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages of more than \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. FBT-CV-22-6113619-S. Filed March 7.

Tadduni, Mark, Oxford. Filed by Alejandro Alarcon-Medina, Bridgeport. Plaintiff's attorney: Miller Rosnick D'Amico August & Butler PC, Bridgeport. Action: The plaintiff suffered a collision allegedly caused by the defendant and sustained severe damages and injuries. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages of more than \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. FBT-CV-22-6113805-S. Filed March 14.

Danbury Superior Court

Rana, Sheetal, J., et al, Danbury. Filed by Union Savings Bank, Danbury. Plaintiff's attorney: Christopher Gerard Winans, Danbury. Action: The plaintiff is the owner of a mortgage for which the defendants have failed to pay the principal balance plus interest. The plaintiff claims foreclosure of the mortgage, possession of the mortgage premises, monetary damages of more than \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. DBD-CV-22-6042558-S. Filed March 22.

Robertson, Dale, Ridgefield. Filed by Noemi Kakavelis, Ridgefield. Plaintiff's attorney: The Flood Law Firm LLC, Middletown. Action: The plaintiff suffered a collision allegedly caused by the defendant and sustained severe damages and injuries. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages of more than \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. DBD-CV-22-6042495-S. Filed March 15.

Thomas, Jr., Peter, et al, Danbury. Filed by Fernanda Torres, Newtown. Plaintiff's attorney: The Flood Law Firm LLC, Middletown. Action: The plaintiff suffered a collision allegedly caused by the defendants and sustained severe damages and injuries. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages of more than \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. DBD-CV-22-6042533-S. Filed March 21.

Xatart, Laurent, et al, New Fairfield. Filed by Kelly + Co Design LLC, Norwalk. Plaintiff's attorney: Cohen & Wolf PC, Danbury. Action: The plaintiff entered a contract with the defendant that agreed to furnish supplies, materials and services on the premises of the defendants. The defendants failed to pay causing the plaintiff to file a mechanic's lien against the premises, buildings and improvements. Despite the demand, the defendants have failed to pay the remaining sums to the plaintiff. The plaintiff seeks foreclosure of the lien, possession of the premises, monetary damages of more than \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief as the court deems appropriate. Case no. DBD-CV-22-6042617-S. Filed March 29.

Stamford Superior Court

Andrade, Keily, Norwalk. Filed by Velocity Investments LLC, Bronx, New York. Plaintiff's attorney: Cohen Steven Law Offices LLC, Bronx, New York. Action: The plaintiff is the owner and holder of the defendant's loan who has defaulted on the terms of the agreement and has failed to pay the plaintiff the amount due. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages less than \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs. Case no. FST-CV-22-6055861-S. Filed March 14.

Brown, Michael D., et al, Norwalk. Filed by Iris Castellon-Fajardo, Norwalk. Plaintiff's attorney: Miller Rosnick D'Amico August & Butler PC, Bridgeport. Action: The plaintiff suffered a collision allegedly caused by the defendants and sustained severe damages and injuries. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages of more than \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. FST-CV-22-6055977-S. Filed March 22.

Lebrun, Leonardo A., et al, Bedford Hills, New York. Filed by Tamar Mgeladze, Mahopac, New York. Plaintiff's attorney: Mark M. Kochanowicz, New York. Action: The plaintiff suffered a collision allegedly caused by the defendants and sustained severe damages and injuries. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages of more than \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. FST-CV-22-6056062-S. Filed March 30.

Meagher, Sandra, Norwalk. Filed by Kendy Alcide, Norwalk. Plaintiff's attorney: Samantha Ann Kretzmer, Bridgeport. Action: The plaintiff suffered a collision allegedly caused by the defendant and sustained severe damages and injuries. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages of more than \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. FST-CV-22-6056140-S. Filed April 7.

DEEDS

Commercial

1095 Long Ridge Properties LLC, Stamford. Seller: Blue Hills Fuels LLC, Falls Church, Virginia. Property: 1095 Long Ridge Road, Stamford. Amount: \$4,419,000. Filed April 11.

1813 Post LLC, Greenwich. Seller: Zia Maria of Fairfield LLC, Milford. Property: 1809 Post Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$925,000. Filed April 19.

98 Brooklawn Parkway LLC, Southport. Seller: Jennifer Goldstein and Evan Schultz, Fairfield. Property: 1563 Melville Ave., Fairfield. Amount: \$650,000. Filed April 20.

Alves-Martins, Adalberto, Stamford. Seller: 74 Colonial LLC, Inwood, West Virginia. Property: 74 Colonial Road, Stamford. Amount: \$680,000. Filed April 12.

AM Creative LLC, Scarsdale, New York. Seller: 10 Mac LLC, Bridgeport. Property: 10 MacArthur Drive, Old Greenwich. Amount: \$955,000. Filed April 19.

DH Holdings of Connecticut LLC, Fairfield. Seller: Jessica A. Catalano, Fairfield. Property: 27 Stillson Place, Fairfield. Amount: \$415,000. Filed April 19.

Dimitrief, Leslie and Michael Dimitrief, New York, New York. Seller: ABCGT Holdings LLC, White Plains, New York. Property: 327 Valley Road, Cos Cob. Amount: \$10. Filed April 21

Forty Prospect LLC, Greenwich. Seller: 40 Prospect LLC, Greenwich. Property: 40 Prospect St., Greenwich. Amount: \$1. Filed April 19.

Miller, Kenneth C. and Kenneth R. Detelich, Greenwich. Seller: Lafayette 15 LLC, Greenwich. Property: 15 Lafayette Court, Unit 5B, Greenwich. Amount: \$N/A. Filed April 20.

O'Sullivan, Michael F. and Rose O'Sullivan, Greenwich. Seller: 160 BSRD LLC, Greenwich. Property: 87 View Street West, Greenwich. Amount: \$N/A. Filed April 19.

OtiReid Realty LLC, Miami Beach, Florida. Seller: K. Carter Harris and Susan B. Harris, Greenwich. Property: 547 North St., Greenwich. Amount: \$5,255,000. Filed April 20.

Plasma Designs LLC, New York, New York. Seller: Timothy John Young, Stamford. Property: 82 Forest St., Unit A6, Stamford. Amount: \$265,000. Filed April 11.

Skowronek, Ignacy, Stamford. Seller: Wardwell LLC, Stamford. Property: 137 Wardwell St., Stamford. Amount: \$10. Filed April 11.

Sugar Magnolia Enterprises LLC, Cos Cob. Seller: Roger L. Wagner and Rona J. Wagner, Stamford. Property: Harbor Drive, Boat Slip M-16, Palmer Landing Condominium, Stamford. Amount: \$39,000. Filed April 14.

Residential

Abbazia, Timothy F., Stamford. Seller: Rosemarie Abbazia, Stamford. Property: 85 Courtland Ave, Unit 120, Stamford. Amount: \$448,000. Filed April 11.

Benincasa Jr., Richard M. and Nora Catherine Rodriguez, Greenwich. Seller: Charles Mallory, Salisbury. Property: 137 Weaver St., and 66 Calhoun Drive, Greenwich. Amount: \$10. Filed April 22.

Berisha, Arben, Darien. Seller: Paul Robalino, Stamford. Property: 54 Pine Hill Ave., Stamford. Amount: \$640,000. Filed April 13.

Bonaventura, Lori, Old Greenwich. Seller: Cindy S. Frattarolli, Greenwich. Property: 1525 E. Putnam Ave. Unit 307, Old Greenwich. Amount: \$335,000. Filed April 20.

Bradt, Nancy and George Bradt, Old Greenwich. Seller: Andreas Messis and Lisa C. Messis, Old Greenwich. Property: 10 Edgewater Drive, Old Greenwich. Amount: \$N/A. Filed April 19.

Calonge, Christopher Ryan, Stamford. Seller: Rocco Tolla and Jessica Tolla, Stamford. Property: Unit 7D, Linden House Condominium, Stamford. Amount: \$260,000. Filed April 13.

Campbell, Janice and Stewart Campbell, Stamford. Seller: Jordan Socaransky and Carlie Kitman-Socaransky, New Canaan. Property: 14 Campbell Drive, Stamford. Amount: \$1,473,000. Filed April 14.

Clark, Mary Kay Hartland, Wisconsin. Seller: Lee Phan and Jo-Anne Passalacqua, Weston. Property: 55 Southport Woods Drive, Fairfield. Amount: \$432,500. Filed April 18.

Collimore Jr., Thomas John and Adriane Tom Collimore, Fairfield. Seller: Thomas J. Collimore Jr. and Adriane J. Collimore, Fairfield. Property: 132 Red Oak Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$N/A. Filed April 19.

Cooper, David and Cathi Cooper Cos Cob. Seller: Molly Herschenfeld and Adam B. Herschenfeld, Stamford. Property: 9 Ayres Drive, Stamford. Amount: \$790,000. Filed April 12.

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Coote, Simon P. and Myriam L. Merchan Bonilla, Mamaroneck, New York. Seller: Brian Finnegan and Renee Finnegan, Greenwich. Property: 46 Chapel St., Greenwich. Amount: \$725,000. Filed April 22.

Crain, Carina and Christopher Crain, Greenwich. Seller: Tiong Sin Ong and Judy S. Ong, Greenwich. Property: 98 Doubling Road, Greenwich. Amount: \$10. Filed April 22.

Facos-Casolo, Theresa K. and Michael A. P. Casolo, Darien. Seller: Jarah E. Tuttle and Matthew S. Tuttle, Stamford. Property: Unit 811, The Biltmore A Condominium, Stamford. Amount: \$220,000. Filed April 12.

Ganim, Joseph P., Bridgeport. Seller: Vincent E. Rusciano, Fairfield. Property: 2149 and 2150 Fairfield Beach Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$1,495,000. Filed April 18.

Gillis, Patrick, Westport. Seller: Zachary J. Schectman, Stamford. Property: 3 Seaview Ave., Stamford. Amount: \$945,000. Filed April 12.

Greenhaw, Justin L., Fairfield. Seller: Jonathan Jarret Boor, Fairfield. Property: 71 School St., Fairfield. Amount: \$426,000. Filed April 19.

Hamrick Foskett, Kathleen Elizabeth and Henry William Foskett, Jersey City, New Jersey. Seller: Heesun Chang, Stamford. Property: 1 Broad St., Unit 21F, Stamford. Amount: \$575,000. Filed April 14.

Kohli, Navin, et al, New Canaan. Seller: Mitchell R. Katcher and Anne M. Katcher, Stamford. Property: 1 Broad St., Unit 18A, Stamford. Amount: \$750,000. Filed April 13.

Lalier, Darius and Caroline Johnson, Greenwich. Seller: Gregory Hardiman, Greenwich. Property: Unit 2B, Virginia Court Condominium, Greenwich. Amount: \$10. Filed April 20.

Looney, Todd A. and Mari Peach Looney, Stamford. Seller: Alan M. Edwards and Linda Edwards, Stamford. Property: 59 Erickson Drive, Stamford. Amount: \$995,000. Filed April 11.

Lu, Cristina Angelica, Fairfield. Seller: Mercedes Moncayo, Fairfield. Property: 78 Marlborough Terrace, Fairfield. Amount: \$545,000. Filed April 18.

Ly, Pam, Stamford. Seller: Maryellen Vassallo, Greenwich. Property: 98 Valley Road, Unit 13, Cos Cob. Amount: \$10. Filed April 20.

Lynch, Steven M. and Angela M. Boyer, Bronx, New York. Seller: Brandon Z. Bubba and Megan I. Montemarano, Stamford. Property: 2289 Bedford St., Stamford. Amount: \$395,000. Filed April 12.

Mabud, Abdul, Stamford. Seller: Mustaque Nabi, Stamford. Property: 49 Hillside Ave., Stamford. Amount: \$580,000. Filed April 13.

MacDonald, Thomas G. and Debra A. Stalpes, Stamford. Seller: Joseph G. Hennessy, Scottsdale, Arizona. Property: 1 Broad St., Unit PH22F, Stamford. Amount: \$535,000. Filed April 13.

Maguire, Matthew and Jenna Maguire, Yonkers, New York. Seller: Robert J. McBride, Stamford. Property: 121 Dundee Road, Stamford. Amount: \$10. Filed April 12.

Medina Lopez, Ilibette and Ryan R. David, Stamford. Seller: Jeanette N. Mirizio, Stamford. Property: 38 Richards Ave., Unit D, Stamford. Amount: \$376,000. Filed April 12.

Mena, Andres C., Greenwich. Seller: William Heinzerling and Rosemary Heinzerling, Greenwich. Property: 10 Sherwood Farm Lane, Greenwich. Amount: \$N/A. Filed April 18.

Mirkovic, Zoran and Susan Mirkovic, Cutler Bay, Florida. Seller: Randall Keizer, Stamford. Property: 143 Hoyt St., Unit 1G, Stamford. Amount: \$283,000. Filed April 14.

Niland, John P. and Morgan E. Niland, Norwalk. Seller: Douglas F. Van Esselstyn and Joann Van Esselstyn, Bridgeport. Property: 80 Colonial Drive, Fairfield. Amount: \$1,010,000. Filed April 19.

Preston Wallis, James and Catherine Adams Wallis, Greenwich. Seller: Jennifer Kalmakis and Stephen Kalmakis, Greenwich. Property: 6 Ernel Drive, Greenwich. Amount: \$1,680,000. Filed April 18.

Romano, Silvia and Marco Aiolfi, Riverside. Seller: James S. Rosoff and Julia B. Finkelstein, Riverside. Property: 49 Lockwood Lane, Riverside. Amount: \$10. Filed April 18.

Rubino, Stephen Harris and Maria Teresa Rubino, Upper Saddle River, New Jersey. Seller: James Andrew Healy Jr., Riverside. Property: 19 Lakeview Drive, Riverside. Amount: \$1,900,000. Filed April 21.

Sembos, Anna, Stamford. Seller: Julio C. Sanchez Anariba and Karla J. Sanchez, Stamford. Property: Parcel B, Map 14281, Stamford. Amount: \$1,300,000. Filed April 14.

Taylor, Kimberly and Vincent Stanley Taylor, White Plains, New York. Seller: Christopher Begley and Lindsay Silverblatt, Stamford. Property: 44 Glen Ave., Stamford. Amount: \$610,000. Filed April 12.

Valdes, Jeffrey, Bedford Hills, New York. Seller: Anthony Scavone and Lindsay Scavone, Stamford. Property: 1283 Hope St., Unit 2, Stamford. Amount: \$310,000. Filed April 13.

Zaboretzky, Peter, Westport. Seller: Josephine Etrio, Tampa, Florida. Property: 66 Rosemere Ave., Fairfield. Amount: \$410,000. Filed April 21.

LIS PENDENS

Altman, Charles, et al, Greenwich. Filed by Bendett & McHugh PC, Farmington, for Wilmington Savings Fund Society. Property: 80 Weaver St., Greenwich. Action: foreclosure defendants' mortgage. Filed May 17.

Fulton, Richard A., et al, Greenwich. Filed by McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce LLC, Hartford, for Wilmington Savings Fund Society. Property: 30 Edgewater Drive, Greenwich. Action: foreclosure defendants' mortgage. Filed May 11.

Grabiec, Sheryl, et al, Fairfield. Filed by Zeldes, Needle & Cooper PC, Bridgeport, for Hibiscus Condominium Association Inc. Property: 131 Halley Ave., Unit 5-1, Fairfield. Action: foreclosure defendants' mortgage. Filed May 13.

Kovacs, Joan, et al, Fairfield. Filed by McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce LLC, Hartford, for PHH Mortgage Corp. Property: 867 Kings Highway E, Fairfield. Action: foreclosure defendant's mortgage. Filed April 26.

Loffredo, David J. and Megan M. Loffredo, Fairfield. Filed by Sery & Moskow LLC, Fairfield, for Fletcher Development LLC. Property: 2115 and 2116 Fairfield Beach Road, Fairfield. Action: foreclosure defendants' mortgage. Filed April 29.

O'Neill, Mary Kate, et al, Stamford. Filed by Glass & Braus LLC, Fairfield, for US Bank National Association. Property: 457 Taconic Road, Greenwich. Action: foreclosure defendants' mortgage. Filed April 12.

Pia, Sharon J., et al, Stamford. Filed by McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce LLC, Hartford, for Loanserv. Property: 202 Highview Ave., Unit 4, Stamford. Action: foreclosure defendants' mortgage. Filed April 13.

Reynolds, Helen R., et al, Stamford. Filed by McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce LLC, Hartford, for Mortgage Assets Management LLC. Property: 1900 Summer St. Unit 7, Stamford. Action: foreclosure defendants' mortgage. Filed April 13.

Salvador, Claudine N., Fairfield. Filed by Omnia Law LLC, Trumbull, for Gislaine Nava. Property: 377 Ronald Drive, Fairfield. Action: foreclosure defendant's mortgage. Filed May 4.

Spencer, Nancy, et al, Greenwich. Filed by Ackerly & Ward, Stamford, for Portal Ridge Owners Inc. Property: 140 Field Point Road, Unit 35, Greenwich. Action: foreclosure defendants' mortgage. Filed May 16.

Thomas, Ofni, et al, Stamford. Filed by Rosenberg & Rosenberg PC, West Hartford, for Regency Towers Association Inc. Property: 1 Strawberry Hill Court, Unit 11F, Stamford. Action: foreclosure defendants' mortgage. Filed April 8.

Urena, Tanya, et al, Fairfield. Filed by McCalla Eaymer Leibert Pierce LLC, Hartford, for The Money Source Inc. Property: 29 Rockview Road, Southport. Action: foreclosure defendants' mortgage. Filed April 27.

Vossler, Robert J., et al, Stamford. Filed by Gerald S Knopf, Stamford, for Sylvan Knoll Section I, Inc. Property: 272 Sylvan Knoll Road, Stamford. Action: foreclosure defendants' mortgage. Filed April 5.

MORTGAGES

7 Meadow Place LLC, Greenwich, by Thomas J Heagney. Lender: Bank of America NA, 20 Greenway Plaza, Suite 900, Houston, Texas. Property: 7 Meadow Place, Old Greenwich. Amount: \$9,000,000. Filed April 14.

Barnes, Robert and Dawn Barnes, Greenwich, by Joel M Kaye. Lender: People's United Bank NA, 850 Main St., Bridgeport. Property: 51 Forest Ave., Apt. 5, Old Greenwich. Amount: \$648,000. Filed April 11.

Blundell, Courtney C. and Kenneth Gerard Blundell Jr., Fairfield, by Nicola Corea. Lender: JPMorgan Chase Bank NA, 1111 Polaris Pkwy., Columbus, Ohio. Property: 200 Pemburn Drive, Fairfield. Amount: \$290,000. Filed April 8.

Braun, Max J, Fairfield, by Aaron Charney. Lender: Rocket Mortgage LLC, 1050 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Michigan. Property: 83 Massachusetts Ave., Fairfield. Amount: \$342,000. Filed April 13.

Chase, Mariah, Greenwich, by Jeremy E. Kaye. Lender: First Republic Bank, 111 Pine St., San Francisco, California. Property: 19 LaFrentz Road, Greenwich. Amount: \$1,261,000. Filed April 11.

Ciambriello, Carly and James Beeman, Fairfield, by Mark McNally. Lender: CrossCountry Mortgage LLC, 6850 Miller Road, Brecksville, Ohio. Property: 537 S. Pine Creek Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$432,000. Filed April 14.

Colmenares, Vicente and Andreina Tuccella, Fairfield, by Steven W. Russo. Lender: Prosperity Home Mortgage LLC, 14501 George Carter Way, Suite 300, Chantilly, Virginia. Property: 44 Morehouse Highway, Fairfield. Amount: \$627,200. Filed April 11.

Conde, Andrew and Claire Conde, Fairfield, by Peter Ambrose. Lender: Liberty Bank, 315 Main St., Middletown. Property: 18 Ennis Lane, Fairfield. Amount: \$720,000. Filed April 11.

Conte, Ferdinando and MaryLu Conte, Stamford, by N/A. Lender: ARC Home LLC, 3001 Leadenhall Road, Suite 301, Mount Laurel, New Jersey. Property: 34 Euclid Ave., Stamford. Amount: \$387,000. Filed April 7.

Coquillon, Jean Mary and Karen Coquillon, Stamford, by Vanessa Gallo. Lender: Total Mortgage Services LLC, 185 Plains Road, Millford. Property: 69 West Ave., Stamford. Amount: \$420,000. Filed April 6.

Doebler Jr., David Francis and Kathryn Elizabeth Schlumper, Fairfield, by Pamela I. Baeke. Lender: Morgan Stanley Private Bank, NA 4270 Ivy Pointe Blvd., Suite 400, Cincinnati, Ohio. Property: 163 Bayberry Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$528,000. Filed April 12.

Donahue, Marie S. and Paul S. Donahue, Fairfield, by Stephanie Caro. Lender: Citizens Bank NA, 1 Citizens Plaza, Providence, Rhode Island. Property: 811 Burroughs Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$142,800. Filed April 8.

Fealey, David Jonathan and Jennifer Lee, Greenwich, by Marlene E. Macauda. Lender: Citizens Bank NA, 1 Citizens Plaza, Providence, Rhode Island. Property: 82 Rockwood Lane, Greenwich. Amount: \$262,500. Filed April 13.

Gafor, Rostam A. and Noor Begum, Stamford, by Antoinette R. Kaine. Lender: Caliber Home Loans Inc, 1525 S. Belt Line Road, Coppell, Texas. Property: 51 Avery St., Stamford. Amount: \$638,226. Filed April 5.

Galarza, Jessica, Stamford, by Raymond G. Heche. Lender: CrossCountry Mortgage LLC, 6850 Miller Road, Brecksville, Ohio. Property: 180 Glenbrook Road, Apt. 26, Stamford. Amount: \$237,500. Filed April 4.

Garcia, Ibis L., Stamford, by Scott Rogalski. Lender: Allied Mortgage Group Inc., 225 E. City Ave., Suite 102, Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania. Property: 28 Wood Ridge Drive, Stamford. Amount: \$413,105. Filed April 6.

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Gil-Escalante, Heather, Stamford, by David C. Minicozzi. Lender: Guaranteed Rate Affinity LLC, 1800 West Larchmont Ave., Chicago, Illinois. Property: 59 Liberty St., Apt. 45, Stamford. Amount: \$404,905. Filed April 4.

Gourley, George and Linda Gourley, Fairfield, by Aaron Charney. Lender: Rocket Mortgage LLC, 1050 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Michigan. Property: 102 Greenfield St., Fairfield. Amount: \$189,300. Filed April 8.

Harper, Scott E. and Genevieve Panuska, Greenwich, by Jeremy E. Kaye. Lender: Ridgewood Savings Bank, 1981 Marcus Ave., Suite 110, Lake Success, New York. Property: 21 Mohawk Lane, Greenwich. Amount: \$1,686,400. Filed April 11.

Harrigan Jr., William B. and Samantha C. Harrigan, Fairfield, by Michael P. Murray. Lender: Fairfield County Bank, 150 Danbury Road, Ridgefield. Property: 445 Old Academy Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$1,180,000. Filed April 12.

Jobin, Charles M. and Jamie Jobin, Greenwich, by Seth Arnowitz. Lender: Bank of America NA, 101 S. Tryon St., Charlotte, North Carolina. Property: 650 Lake Ave., Greenwich. Amount: \$2,800,000. Filed April 13.

Kazarian, Andrew and Gayane Kazarian, Fairfield, by Cynthia M. Salem-Riccio. Lender: Cherry Creek Mortgage LLC, 7600 E. Orchard Road, No. 250-N, Greenwood Village, Colorado. Property: 215 Southport Woods Drive, Southport. Amount: \$280,000. Filed April 13.

Keogh, James and Kristina Keogh, Greenwich, by Francisco Alberto Cabreja Pena. Lender: Citizens Bank NA, 1 Citizens Plaza, Providence, Rhode Island. Property: 12 Benders Drive, Greenwich. Amount: \$600,000. Filed April 12.

Klemm, Matthew R. and Samantha Klemm, Stamford, by Brooke Cavaliero. Lender: Watermark Capital Inc., 100 Spectrum Center Drive, Suite 150, Irvine, California. Property: 295 Erskine Road, Stamford. Amount: \$690,000. Filed April 5.

Lenes, Marc and Melissa Peckham Lenes, Stamford, by David P. Lasnick. Lender: Liberty Bank, 315 Main St., Middletown. Property: 21 Fifth St., Stamford. Amount: \$439,600. Filed April 6.

LI, Xiao and Yiye Zhang, Greenwich, by Morris L. Barocas. Lender: Wells Fargo Bank NA, 101 N. Phillips Ave., Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Property: 88 Indian Field Road, Greenwich. Amount: \$724,000. Filed April 14.

Livesay, Gregory P. and Kim E. Livesay, Stamford, by Michael J Colkin. Lender: Loandepot.com LLC, 26642 Towne Centre Drive, Foothill Ranch, California. Property: 16 Glendale Circle, Stamford. Amount: \$344,500. Filed April 5.

Massey, Chloe and Christopher Massey, Fairfield, by John J. Bove. Lender: Loandepot.com LLC, 26642 Towne Centre Drive, Foothill Ranch, California. Property: 108 Tide Mill Terrace, Fairfield. Amount: \$700,000. Filed April 11.

McNamara, Voissane and James McNamara, Greenwich, by Tom S. Ward Jr. Lender: First Republic Bank, 111 Pine St., San Francisco, California. Property: 32 MacArthur Drive, Old Greenwich. Amount: \$1,151,250. Filed April 14.

Pope, Preston Taylor and Michele Battinelli Pope, Stamford, by William P. Tone. Lender: William Raveis Mortgage LLC, 7 Trap Falls Road, Shelton. Property: 1451 Riverbank Road, Stamford. Amount: \$1,000,000. Filed April 7.

Reagan, Sally, Greenwich, by Olive Cassandra Denton. Lender: Savings Bank of Danbury, 220 Main St., Danbury. Property: 12 Glenville St., No.303, Greenwich. Amount: \$55,800. Filed April 12.

Sakey, Matthew and Carrie Sakey, Fairfield, by Lisa C. Roberts. Lender: People's United Bank NA, 850 Main St., Bridgeport. Property: 264 Penfield Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$356,250. Filed April 8.

Schlanger, Carl and Merrit Schlanger, Greenwich, by Jason E. Brooks. Lender: Investors Bank, 101 Wood Ave., South, Iselin, New Jersey. Property: 20C W. End Ave., Old Greenwich. Amount: \$1,175,000. Filed April 11.

Settembrini, Lawrence A., Stamford, by Beverly H. Brooks. Lender: TD Bank NA, 2035 Limestone Road, Wilmington, Delaware. Property: 145 Ridge Park Ave., Stamford. Amount: \$29,500. Filed April 4.

Sperber, Joshua and Miriam Lehrer, Stamford, by Elizabeth Carmen Castillo. Lender: Webster Bank NA, 1959 Summer St., Stamford. Property: 270 Strawberry Hill Ave., Stamford. Amount: \$57,000. Filed April 7.

Sterk, Christian and Brooke Sterk, Cos Cob, by Gelucia Salamone. Lender: People's United Bank NA, 850 Main St., Bridgeport. Property: 66 Valleywood Road, Cos Cob. Amount: \$164,500. Filed April 12.

Stix, Louise A., Greenwich, by Douglas Seltzer. Lender: Bank of America NA, 101 S. Tryon St., Charlotte, North Carolina. Property: 15 W. End Ave., Old Greenwich. Amount: \$130,000. Filed April 14.

Strife, George Andrew, Fairfield, by Connie S. Fair. Lender: First Republic Bank, 117 Prospect St., Stamford. Property: 440 Hulls Highway, Fairfield. Amount: \$80,000. Filed April 12.

Sweeney, Michael J. and Carolyn D. Sweeney, Fairfield, by Shauna Rose-Larmond. Lender: Bank of America NA, 101 S. Tryon St., Charlotte, North Carolina. Property: 950 S. Pine Creek Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$477,250. Filed April 14.

Taylor, Cameron, Greenwich, by Steven W. Russo. Lender: Rocket Mortgage LLC, 1050 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Michigan. Property: 14 Indian Chase Drive, Greenwich. Amount: \$1,868,750. Filed April 13.

Tulloch, Kenneth R. and Linda D. Tulloch, Greenwich, by Scott Rogalski. Lender: Citibank NA, 1000 Technology Drive, O'Fallon, Missouri. Property: 12 Frontier Road, Cos Cob. Amount: \$675,000. Filed April 12.

Urbanowski, Vincent R. and Lori McKelvey, Greenwich, by Antonio Faretta. Lender: Wells Fargo Bank NA, 101 N. Phillips Ave., Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Property: 19 Grey Rock Drive, Greenwich. Amount: \$564,000. Filed April 13.

Wing, Jennifer, Stamford, by Joseph R. Serrantino. Lender: CrossCountry Mortgage LLC, 6850 Miller Road, Brecksville, Ohio. Property: 19 Mariners Lane, Stamford. Amount: \$676,637. Filed April 8.

Witt, Shawn and Laura Y. Witt, Fairfield, by Cheryl A. Carolan. Lender: Morgan Stanley Private Bank, NA 4270 Ivy Pointe Blvd., Suite 400, Cincinnati, Ohio. Property: 150 Parkwood Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$1,224,000. Filed April 14.

Yeung, Jack and Jenah S. Yeung, Fairfield, by Camille DeGalan. Lender: Avidia Bank, 42 Main St., Hudson, Massachusetts. Property: 641 Penfield Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$1,600,000. Filed April 13.

NEW BUSINESSES

24 Express, 1125 E. Main St., Stamford 06902, c/o Exit 9 Operating LLC. Filed April 20.

Ankafi Organization, 83 Morgan St., Unit 2D, Stamford 06905, c/o Ankafi LLC. Filed April 19.

Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church, 1230 Newfield Ave., Stamford 06905, c/o Lazaros Karipedes. Filed April 14.

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Capital West Insurance, 6 Landmark Square, Fourth floor, Stamford 06901, c/o PCF Insurance Services of The West LLC. Filed April 18.

DM Multiservice, 789 E. Main St., Unit 1, Stamford 06902, c/o Patricia Deschamps. Filed April 19.

Domino's Pizza, 946 Hope St., Stamford 06907, c/o Pizza Inc. Filed April 19.

Domino's Pizza, 1988 W. Main St., Stamford 06902, c/o Team Stamford LLC. Filed April 19.

East Coast Tree Company, 31 A Center Ave., Norwalk 06851, c/o Valentin Brito III. Filed April 21.

Esstart, 45 Merriman Road, Stamford 06905, c/o Lotus Moonlight LLC. Filed April 19.

Eyebrow Threading Salon, 500 Summer St., Stamford 06901, c/o Ashok Bakshi. Filed April 12.

Fencemaster, 243 Flax Hill Road, Norwalk 06854, c/o Darrow Rofhok. Filed April 21.

Fleur Beauty Lounge LLP, 100 Greyrock Place, Third floor, Stamford 06901, c/o Tiara Garcia. Filed April 19.

Gallery Gentlemen's Club, 206 Richmond Hill Ave., Stamford 06905, c/o Michael J Bilt. Filed April 14.

Halpert Insurance & Financial Service, 6 Landmark Square, Fourth floor, Stamford 06901, c/o PCF Insurance Services of The West LLC. Filed April 18.

Hugo's Construction, 58 Avery St., Stamford 06902, c/o Hugo L. Garrido-Gonzalez. Filed April 19.

Lara's Painting & More, 30 Woodside St., Apt. 2, Stamford 06902, c/o Jorge E Lara-Gomez. Filed April 13.

Ligi's Marble and Tile Installation, 27 Cody Drive, Stamford 06905, c/o William F Ligi. Filed April 21.

Marroquin Roofing LLC, 10 Crown Ave., Norwalk 06854, c/o Elmer Marroquin Ordenez. Filed April 21.

Minturnese Social Club, 681 Hope St., Stamford 06907, c/o The Minturnese Social Club Inc. Filed April 11.

Sunny Lending LLC, 438 N. Frederick Ave., Suite 225, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20877, c/o Quicksecureloan.com. Filed April 21.

Tarpan Comics, 134 Rowayton Woods Drive, Norwalk 06854, c/o David Lovelace. Filed April 21.

US Neva Them, 16 Fairgate Drive, Stamford 06902, c/o Shanita Newton. Filed April 18.

Zakisnaki, 240 Roxbury Road, Stamford 06902, c/o Badran Sedda. Filed April 19.

LEGAL NOTICES

Little Star Projects LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 3/3/2022. Cty: Westchester. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 9 Wood End Ln., Bronxville, NY 10708. General Purpose. #63112

116 First Ave LLC. Filed 1/21/22 Office: Westchester Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 1448 Roosevelt Ave, Pelham, NY 10803 Purpose: All lawful #63113

Empire Total Remodeling LLC. Filed 2/11/22 Office: Westchester Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 860 Post Rd, Scarsdale, NY 10583 Purpose: All lawful #63114

9 VCT LLC. Filed 2/18/22 Office: Westchester Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 137 Alexander Ave, Hartsdale, NY 10530 Purpose: All lawful #63115

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). NAME: 538<!\#45>540 NORTH AVE LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/25/2022. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: The LLC, 1 Sheldrake Lane. New Rochelle, New York 10804, principal business location of the LLC. Purpose: any lawful business activity. #63117

Kam City Place Properties, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 3/18/2022. Cty: Westchester. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to Keeyeol Nam, 28 Brae Burn Dr., Purchase, NY 10577. General Purpose. #63118

341 Archer Road LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 3/25/2022. Cty: Westchester. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to Samantha A. Brijlall, 711 West St., Harrison, NY 10528. General Purpose #63119

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REICH BEAUFORT INVESTORS LLC, Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY 4/7/2022. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail process to: The LLC c/o ATTN: Keith Reich, 28 Wyndham Close, White Plains, NY, 10605, USA. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. #63121

Notice of Formation of BASK2, LLC, Articles of Organization filed with the NY Secretary of State on 2/1/2022. Office located in Westchester County. NY Secretary of State designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. NY Secretary of state shall mail process to Keith Staton 106 Benefield Blvd, Peekskill NY 10566. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. #63122

Notice of Formation of G.s Hvac LLC. filed with SSNY on 3/31/22. Offc. Loc: Westchester Cty. SSNY desig. as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 148 Wallace Ave Mt Vernon., NY 10552. Purpose: any lawful purpose. #63124

Reisco Enterprises LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 3/24/2022. Cty: Westchester. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 29 Beechwood Way, Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510. General Purpose #63125

Notice of Formation of Muscovado Sweets, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with SSNY on 7/22/2020. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 48 Emmett Terrace, New Rochelle NY, 10805. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. #63126

Notice of Formation of Sage Creative Management, LLC Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/24/22. Offc. Loc: Westchester Cty. SSNY desig. as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 157 Beechwood Ave., Mount Vernon NY 10553. Purpose: any lawful purpose. #63130

The Benedict Group, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 4/13/2022. Cty: Westchester. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 16 Benedict Ave., White Plains, NY 10603. General Purpose. #63134

Be You Apparel One LLC Art of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/14/2022. Office: WESTCHESTER County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC. OSORIO CACHAYA LAW OFFICES, PLLC 203 EAST POST ROAD WHITE PLAINS, NY 10601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. #63135

Hover Studios LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 3/21/2022. Cty: Westchester. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to C/O Kara Fragola, 63 Columbia Pl., Mt. Vernon, NY 10552. General Purpose. #63137

Articles of organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 4/19/22. Office location Westchester County, The SSNY has been designated agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy and process to: The LLC PO Box 302 New Rochelle New York 10804 principal business location of the LLC purpose and lawful location business activity. #63138

Notice is hereby given that a license, number Pending, for beer, wine & cider has been applied for by the undersigned to sell beer, wine & cider at retail in a restaurant under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 307 Halstead Avenue, Harrison, NY 10528 for on premises consumption. Robert Deak, Pureganic Cafe LLC. #63139

Notice of formation of a Domestic LLC: MBC Properties LLC. Date of filing Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/22/2022. The LLC is located in Westchester County. The SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against it served, is to the principal business location of the LLC at c/o 49 Highland Rd. Thornwood NY 10594. Purpose: any lawful activity. #63141

TJC Realty LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 3/23/2022. Cty: Westchester. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to Lash Kocovic, 41 Livingston Ave., Valhalla, NY 10595. General Purpose. #63143

26 Legion, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 2/11/2022. Cty: Westchester. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to Mark Mathias, 179 Nelson Rd., Scarsdale, NY 10583. General Purpose. #63144

BERKNYC LLC Art of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/18/2022. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC. Cem Uzun 30 Briar Ln , Crompond , NY 10517. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. #63146

Notice of Formation of Diamond Solutions Group, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/24/2022. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 2 Moore Drive, Yorktown Heights NY 10598. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. #63147

A & A Reliable Insurance Agency LLC. Filed 1/3/22 Office: Westchester Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 92 North Avenue, Suite 201, New Rochelle, NY 10801 Purpose: All lawful #63148

Danznik LLC. Filed 1/3/22 Office: Westchester Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o USA Corporate Services Inc., 19 W 34th St Ste 1018, New York, NY 10001 Purpose: All lawful. #63149

43 Jackson Street LLC. Filed 1/4/22 Office: Westchester Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 43 Jackson Street, New Rochelle, NY 10801 Purpose: All lawful #63150

MB Acquisitions LLC. Filed 1/5/22 Office: Westchester Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Galgano Sharp, 399 Knollwood Road, Suite 318, White Plains, NY 10603 Purpose: All lawful #63151

DNA Woodworking LLC. Filed 12/8/21 Office: Westchester Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 91 Broadway, Harrison, NY 10528 Purpose: All lawful #63152

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YO-YO MA AT CARAMOOR



Yo-Yo Ma, Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts, 6/18 (photo credit: Jason Bell)

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Hello, and Happy Spring! Thank you for taking a few moments to read this edition of ArtsNews. As we make our way into warmer weather and begin to explore the outdoors, I want to encourage all of you to take advantage of the many events offered by our

friends at ArtsWestchester. If you are looking for a family-fun activity or a Saturday afternoon outing, there are plenty of in-person arts happenings throughout our County. This season, arts groups will be providing a new, robust schedule of programming, which are detailed in this issue of ArtsNews, including:

- a robust summer season at Caramoor (see page A4-7)
- Juneteenth celebrations throughout the County (see pages A8-17)
- new public art taking over New Rochelle (see pages A18-19)

The arts can help all of us re-set, reflect and refresh for the days ahead. We should all find a few moments of respite, and participate in the wonderful arts opportunities that are right at our fingertips. As Westchester County continues on its path forward, remember that the arts will always be here for us to enjoy.

Sincerely,
George Latimer
Westchester County Executive

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from the CEO

by Janet Langsam,
ArtsWestchester CEO



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Four Essential Freedoms

This month's "From the CEO" blog post is a guest blog written by Adam Chau, ArtsWestchester's Exhibitions Manager:

As you walk into ArtsWestchester's gallery to see our current exhibition, [Who Writes History?](#), you may notice four very familiar images. With an uncanny nostalgic feeling, you may or may not be able to discern where you've seen these scenes – a Thanksgiving Day table, meeting house conversation, bedside tuck-in, and stoic faces in the middle of worship.

You may recognize these images from Norman Rockwell, or from For Freedoms. In 2018, artist Hank Willis Thomas and artist collective For Freedoms transformed Norman Rockwell's depictions of what President Franklin Delano Roosevelt articulated, in his 1943 address to Congress, as the "four essential human freedoms": freedom of speech, freedom of worship, freedom from want, and freedom from fear. These new images attempted to reflect the immeasurable diversity of American identities today.

Interestingly enough, Norman Rockwell lived and worked in Westchester County – his "Four Freedoms" became a visual icon of patriotism in America in the 1940s and beyond. Thomas' version of these depictions has become an icon for younger generations, striving to show the missing histories left out of dominant media.

ArtsWestchester continues to support artists that are committed to civic engagement. In 2018, we hosted Give Us The Vote, which featured 19 artists that produced thought-provoking works on the Suffragette Movement, Voting Rights Act and Gerrymandering. Now we have now invited For Freedoms, along with 22 other artists, to inspire our visitors to get involved.

For Freedoms is an artist-run platform for civic engagement, discourse and action. Most publicly, it is an organization that transforms billboards into public art with powerful messages, but it also hosts museum exhibitions, community discussions and events. [On June 15, ArtsWestchester will host For Freedoms in a virtual lecture](#) about how our community can get involved. For this lecture, made possible by Humanities New York with support from the National Endowment for the Humanities*, For Freedoms team member Jun Mabuchi will talk about the evolution of the group, sharing their mission of re-imagining the future of the artist-driven society. Aptly titled, Jun says, "You are just in time, come play with us."

Collaboration is the key for For Freedoms' success; the



For Freedoms (Hank Willis Thomas and Emily Shur in collaboration with Eric Gottesman and Wyatt Gallery of For Freedoms), *Freedom from Want*, 2018.

network has grown to become the largest community of creative civic engagement in the United States, including thousands of artists and organizations that work together to invite radical imagination and set the table for new national conversations. To register for this free event, please go to our website.

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Caramoor's Summer Season: Expanding Voices Through Music

by Mary Alice Franklin, ArtsNews Editor

Yo-Yo Ma breaks the mold of classical music. Considered one of the greatest living cellists, he expands the catalog of cello music to include an array of works that aren't restricted to only classical compositions. Over several decades, Ma has adapted and collaborated with other cultural traditions, genres and techniques. His opening night performance at Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts [on June 18](#) with The Knights even includes an arrangement of the big band-era classic *The Big Noise from Winnetka*.

The concert ushers in a summer season at Caramoor that focuses its lens on "music as a collective cultural heritage for the entire world." From Ma's opening night event to an all-Beethoven [season finale](#) with the Orchestra of St. Luke's, the season's programming is decisively robust and diverse.

The season (June 18–Aug 19) offers opera, roots, jazz and more,

venues offered on the 80-acre campus in Northern Westchester. Several other venues offer distinct listening experiences for equally diverse music.

At the intimate Spanish Courtyard, pianist [Lara Downes](#) combines early twentieth century music by Black composers with pieces that were influenced by them (June 30); mezzo-soprano [J'Nai Bridges](#) presents songs by Ravel, Schubert and Brahms alongside *Cantata*, the only published work of twentieth-century African-American pianist and composer John Carter (July 7); and Grammy-nominated ensemble [Imani Winds](#) focuses on contemporary female composers (July 14).

These are examples of the organization's efforts to spotlight contemporary music. Schuman explains that Caramoor wants to amplify the voices of classical composers of color from the past, and she is also "a firm believer that music should not be a museum." As

“From Yo-Yo Ma’s opening night event to an all-Beethoven season finale with the Orchestra of St. Luke’s, the season’s programming is decisively robust and diverse.”

but a spotlight has been put on "expanding the cannon of classical music," according to Artistic Director Kathy Schuman. She adds:

"Since Caramoor presents such a wide range of music genres, our programming is already quite diverse... This summer, we made a special effort to address this in the classical music realm as well."

Both the opening and closing concerts, and many in between, take place in the Venetian Theater. The venue, suitable for the likes of Yo-Yo Ma, comfortably seats 1,500 outdoors under the safekeeping of its overhead tent. However, this is only one of several outdoor

venues offered on the 80-acre campus in Northern Westchester. Several other venues offer distinct listening experiences for equally diverse music.

Says Schuman: "These may not all make it into the canon alongside Beethoven, but they represent what is happening today and how music is constantly evolving."

Of course, musicians don't just show up at Caramoor's front door. Schuman attends premieres at other venues across the nation, keeping up with the current music scene and finding acts that Caramoor's audience will respond to.

For instance, after experiencing Raquel Acevedo Klein's *Polyphonic Interlace* interactive sound installation in Manhattan, Schuman arranged for Klein to work with Caroline Shaw and Angélica Negrón for a [collaborative performance on July 21](#). The trio will create new and

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improvised music in real time, with a combination of vocal, instrumental and electronic sounds.

Klein will also present *Polyphonic Interlace* as part of the "[Soundscapes](#)" event on June 5, which includes performances by beatboxer Dominic "Shodekeh" Talifero, percussive dancing duo Caleb Teicher and Nic Gareiss, and more. During this event, and all summer long, the annual sound art exhibition [Sonic Innovations](#) can be experienced for free.

However, "free" isn't hard to come by at Caramoor. In addition to a number of pre- and post-performance talkbacks, various family-friendly community events occur throughout the season. One of these, Michael Gordon's site-specific [Field of Vision](#), takes place in yet another of Caramoor's outdoor venues: an acoustic performance space called the Sunken Garden. This garden oasis, where music collaborates with nature, provides an immersive environment for the world premiere of this site-specific work. *Field of Vision* "tells stories about place and memory" as 40 percussionists perform on newly created instruments made from recycled metals and wood (July 24).

Another free event – [a Juneteenth celebration](#) to commemorate the anniversary of the emancipation of enslaved African Americans (see page A15) – takes place on Friends Field on June 19.

Friends Field is a large lawn on which a new stage was completed last summer. The Field makes guests feel at home with its "BYOS" policy – "bring your own seats." During a "Concerts on the Lawn" series, the open air will carry notes of [Las Cafeteras](#)'s folk-infused Afro-Mexican vibes (June 23), lyrics from [LADAMA](#), sung in Spanish, Portuguese and English (August 12), and cross-cultural influences from several other groups across the lawn throughout the summer.

Many loyal visitors would say that no summer season at Caramoor would be complete without the organization's staple festivals, which take over the grounds with music from every corner of the campus. This year's [American Roots Festival](#), an all-day celebration of Americana, blues, folk and bluegrass, will close with an evening performance by Molly Tuttle & Golden Highway (June 25). Meanwhile, the [Jazz Festival](#) is headlined by vocalist Camille Thurman with Darrell Green Quartet, who will present a "Burt Bacharach Reimagined" program (July 30).

Schuman says that Caramoor's distinct outdoor venues make them fortunate enough to have "a robust program that people can feel safe attending." This accessibility is made evident in several ways. For one, a free shuttle runs to and from Caramoor from Metro North's Katonah station before and after every concert. Additionally, Caramoor recently announced a [Hudson Valley Summer Arts Pass](#) with three other regional arts organizations – Jacob Burns Film Center, Historic Hudson Valley and Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival. The discounted ticket bundle, available through June 20, makes experiencing the arts more affordable to those whose interests are piqued by Caramoor's diverse summer season.

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CELEBRATING

Juneteenth, also known as Freedom Day, Jubilee Day and Liberation Day, commemorates the end of slavery in the United States. This month, Westchester and Rockland Counties are celebrating a month-long series of Juneteenth activities.

The following pages feature excerpts from interviews between with groups, conducted by ArtsWestchester's Director of Folk Arts Aaron Paige, and featured in [last year's issue](#), these talks highlight how each of these groups will celebrate. Following these interviews feature a calendar of Juneteenth events in Westchester County.

Previous New Rochelle Juneteenth celebration (photo credit: Susan Nagib)



JUNETEENTH

Day, is the oldest known celebration that commemorates the ending of slavery. Communities come together to celebrate this momentous holiday and kick off a

prominent Juneteenth community leaders in Westchester County Public Programs Associate Niara Jordan. [Like the interviews featured](#) celebrate Juneteenth and what the holiday means to them. The pages cover Westchester and Rockland.

Ardsley

Interview with Dana Laurient, Chair of the Ardsley Multicultural, Diversity and Inclusion Committee, conducted by Niara Jordan

Niara Jordan (NJ): What was the start of bringing your Juneteenth celebration to life?

Dana Laurient (DL): ...One of our wonderful residents and students... along with some other students, organized the Juneteenth celebration. ...The following year, our high school students led the charge again... This is our third annual Juneteenth coming up. Again we are engaging the residents, as well as the students. We have teachers, [and students] on our committee. Our mayor, Nancy Kaboolian, is a champion of all things diversity and inclusion.

This year we're having a marching band, like an old-school homecoming. We're having a night event for the first time (5-9pm at Pascone Park)... One thing that I love about this event is it that it brings the community together. Not just African Americans, but all cultures. This year, we're featuring world-renowned DJ Casino.... We're having food trucks, tents and an African drum circle. It's going to be big. We're allowing high schoolers to take a lead role with singing the national Black Anthem and presenting poetry... letting them create the artistic share of the program...

NJ: Did you know of any history of Juneteenth being celebrated in Ardsley?

DL: No. I was not aware of any other celebration of Juneteenth. But I will tell you this, the school district is really great at celebrating Juneteenth... We have a great superintendent and he allows the students to participate... We want to encourage our children to be leaders, to participate in their community but also on the global level to be able to speak to issues that affect us every day, that are part of history and American history...

NJ: Did you get to learn about Juneteenth growing up yourself?

DL: Honestly speaking, I didn't learn about Juneteenth until I was a whole adult. I did not hear about it in school. I did not learn about it. Not even in my African American studies courses in college... I did not know just like I did not know about the Tulsa bombings... It is important that we educate ourselves and that we educate our children. All history is good history; we can decide whether we want to grow from it, whether we want to not repeat it. We are not going to repeat that history.

[Click here for the full interview.](#)

Bedford

Interview with Andromeda Turre, Chairperson of the Bedford IDEA Committee, conducted by Aaron Paige

Aaron Paige (AP): What is the origin story behind Bedford's Juneteenth celebration?

Andromeda Turre (AT): Our committee decided to produce a Juneteenth celebration and what it triggered was a big research project, finding local African American history and the history of enslavement in the town of Bedford. We were able to find such a rich history...When I think of the enslaved, I think of people who really helped to build this town: working the lands...they were skilled workers... and they are a part of the history of this town too. I feel that Juneteenth is important...to honor their labor and to celebrate them.

AP: Can you tell me what's next with your research?

AT: Next we are going to work with the Historical Society to interview more Black elders in our community and start to close the gap in the history...There is so much written on the history of white residents here. To be able to also offer a history of Black residents, I felt, was important and it's spawned a whole big project in our town.

AP: What are your plans for Juneteenth 2022?

AT: Caramoor [has] been an incredible partner on this... As part of the art station, I wanted to dig into the history of quilting and how we used freedom symbols on quilts in connection to the Underground Railroad. Quilters from Antioch Baptist Church will be making an interactive quilt. Kids will be able to put pieces on it and write with fabric markers. We will also be including the names of those that were enslaved here into that quilt. In collaboration with the Katonah Museum of Art, we are also offering a paper craft based on those same freedom symbols. For the movement station, we will have double-dutch, because that's a fun part of Black culture and we'll be explaining a little of the history. There will also be a lady teaching step routines.

If you just want to come and listen to the stories and hear the music, we have Jeremiah Abiah – he's an incredible songwriter and vocalist. There will be some powerful speakers interspersed throughout his performance. Also this year, because Juneteenth falls on Father's Day, we will pair Caramoor's sound art tours with a history of important Black men that were fathers in Westchester.

[Click here for the full interview.](#)

Greenburgh

Interview with Gina Jackson, Councilwoman for Town of Greenburgh, conducted by Niara Jordan

Niara Jordan (NJ): Tell us about how your Juneteenth celebration was brought to life.

Gina Jackson (GJ): ...I took office two months before COVID hit in March 2020...That year, we had our first Juneteenth celebration in Greenburgh and we organized it as motorcade because everyone had to be in their separate vehicles and six feet apart...Last year... we enhanced the celebration and even added a flag raising at our Town Hall... We had a young woman come in and present a poem for us. We had music featuring a local DJ... This year, our third year, will be even bigger...

I want to be able to celebrate with my neighbors and to bring together everyone in the community... people who don't look like me to come out and really learn about our history and learn about the history of Juneteenth.

...For me, I have nieces and nephews and am a mother of a 14-year-old son. I want them to understand what Juneteenth is and what exactly it stands for, because they may or may not learn it in school. We have to teach our youth...That is really my goal, to bring people together... I want to dispel stereotypes, rumors and negativity. At some point, hopefully, the message will be heard and we can just come together with no biases at all and just embrace one another. We have to work towards real inclusion, diversity and equity. It's not window dressing...This is not a Black event. This is a historical event. This is an educational event for everyone to come out and learn about African American history. That's what it means to be inclusive. That's what it means to have diversity, to be willing to listen to one another and learn from one another.

NJ: Did you learn about Juneteenth when you were coming up?

GJ: I learned about Juneteenth from the late great William Carter. He was a leader of White Plains Juneteenth. He and I had many conversations—he was the one who really taught me about it. That's why I make it a point that my son understands what Juneteenth is... Those like myself, who did not learn about Juneteenth in school, can learn about it from this type of event. And then they can begin to teach their communities, or their households, or anyone.

[Click here for the full interview.](#)

Dobbs Ferry

Interview with Kerlyne Colin, Director of Equity and Special Projects at The Children's Village, conducted by Niara Jordan

Niara Jordan (NJ): What was the start of bringing your celebration to life?

Kerlyne Colin (KC): The kids on our Children's Village are in a residential treatment facility and live with us here in Dobbs Ferry. They don't get the same opportunities as other people... [so] he thought about bringing [Juneteenth] right here to their campus so that they are able to indulge. This year will be our third annual Juneteenth celebration. We care for them on our campus, so we thought "Why not have it right here in their home? Why must they always travel somewhere else for them to get those kinds of experiences?"

NJ: How do the arts play into your celebration?

KC: [We did] some African beading... and arts and crafts, where they got to express themselves – draw [in response to prompts like] "What does Juneteenth mean?"... Young people did poems; they were able to verbally express their art. Some created raps and songs. It was a very beautiful experience... It's important every day, but especially on a day like Juneteenth, to ensure that they feel empowered, uplifted and heard...

NJ: What's unique about your program to you?

KC: I think what makes our celebration unique is being able to watch our young people go through the journey: coming in not having the information about Juneteenth... then learning about it... and watching them celebrate it... For Juneteenth, we try to have a speaker... [to] share inspirational words for our young people... And of course, we always have to have good food... A majority of our kids are Black and Brown, and this is a Black holiday celebrating Black freedom... That makes it all the more beautiful for them to be a part of: they get a chance to take that stage and honor our ancestors, be their ancestors' wildest dreams...

NJ: What are your Juneteenth plans for this year?

KC: This year we're celebrating the week before Juneteenth here... We're going to have a speaker... We'll do the same arts and crafts: painting, drawing and beading; everything with purpose. [We'll] have some...music, some dancing. We'll have some really good eats. We're definitely trying to do it big. We're going to keep it open to the community. But my focal point is always these young people...

[Click here for the full interview.](#)

Mamaroneck

Interview with Mamaroneck Community Leaders Leilani Yizar-Reid and Larry Albert, conducted by Niara Jordan

NJ: What would you say is unique about your program? Why and how is this an important celebration?

Leilani Yizar-Reid (LYR): ... We want it to be a big deal because there was slavery and we do have records of enslaved Africans that were in the villages of Larchmont and Mamaroneck. We want to honor them, their journeys and to honor ourselves and our community. This year, our theme is "ancestral spiritual awakening." I like to talk about the universe: "What is going on, universally? What is happening within us and within our community?" We're starting to awaken, to connect not just with ourselves, but with our ancestors. To me, that is an awakening – a spiritual connection that we are starting to have and really honor. As part of the celebration, we will talk about the five pillars; food, faith, entertainment, family and education.

Larry Albert (LA): Our celebration speaks to the Black community, the contributions, the legacy that we've had here for many years – how we came here, how we landed here, the food...

NJ: What activities are you are planning?

LA: There are going to be drummers and a DJ. We're going to do some narratives on some of the issues that affect our culture, and how our culture has contributed to this community.

LYR: ... It will be fun, but there are also going to be educational moments where we are teaching. We will talk about music and how music has shaped us as a people... When it comes to food, we're going to have a cooking demonstration for kids and adults. They'll learn about rice and beans and how these foods were transformed or translated from Africa, to the Caribbean, to this country. How their preparation has changed over time, as we've shifted and intertwined with other cultures...

NJ: What does Juneteenth mean to you?

LYR: Juneteenth means if one is not free, then we all are not free.

LA: For me, it's a time to look at the history of this country and look at how slavery has affected this country until today, with the systemic racism that still exists. We have to acknowledge this, learn from this, and then we can move on. We made some improvements. But there is a lot more work to be done—knowing our history and knowing where we have to go.

[Click here for the full interview.](#)

New Rochelle

Interview with Linda Tarrant-Reid, Executive Director of the Lincoln Park Conservancy, conducted by Aaron Paige

Aaron Paige (AP): How did Juneteenth in New Rochelle first come together?

Linda Tarrant-Reid (LTR): Last year, we went to the City of New Rochelle to ask them [to partner on a] Juneteenth celebration... We wanted it to be multi-venue, multi-organizational. We wanted the message and the information about the history of Juneteenth to permeate the community. We did not want it to be only for the African American community. It was for the entire community... We had to [go all out], because our goal was to make sure that it was a big splash, because it had never happened before in New Rochelle.

AP: What are your plans for Juneteenth in 2022?

LTR: Some of the organizations this year include the New Rochelle Public Library... NAACP... The Inter Religious Council of New Rochelle, which put together a group of religious leaders... New Rochelle Council on the Arts... This year we also have a group called Urban Legacy.

We've gone from one day in three locations to June 16-20 in six locations. We have the New Rochelle United Methodist Church, Thomas Paine Cottage Museum and Paine Memorial building again. The Church will be screening [the documentary] *Leveling Lincoln*... We're also going to have a Black Wealth Expo at Lincoln Park, and ... an outdoor screening of *Leveling Lincoln* there as well.

On Monday, a trolley will tour Black enclaves in the City of New Rochelle. At City Hall on June 19, we're going to have a program that runs 12-5pm... We're also going to have an African Village Marketplace and a jazz concert. The NAACP is going to do a presentation by a historian. At the Bracey Apartments, where a lot of our lower income families and seniors live, [we'll have] a gospel extravaganza.

AP: What does Juneteenth mean to you personally?

LTR: ... It puts me in a place of comfort and stability to know about my history, no matter how painful it is. And it is painful. The fact that we endured. The fact that we built this country... All of this we need to be teaching to our Black students and to Black people in general, so that they can understand the incredible legacy that we come from.

[Click here for the full interview.](#)

Ossining

Interview with Joyce Sharrock-Cole, Ossining Village Historian, conducted by Aaron Paige

Aaron Paige (AP): How did the Ossining Juneteenth begin?

Joyce Sharrock-Cole (JSC): It was birthed in 2020 after the murder of George Floyd and subsequent civil unrest in the country... Our first order of business was to organize the first community celebration of Juneteenth in the middle of an ongoing global pandemic. It was no small feat... We also decided that since this was our first community celebration we should mimic the first Juneteenth celebration in 1866. It was important for us to educate the community on the significance of the day... Everyone loves a great celebration; however, we need to understand why we are celebrating...

AP: As the Village Historian, are you exploring the history of Ossining's African American community in your Juneteenth celebration?

JSC: Yes, I accomplish this in different ways and throughout the year... On Juneteenth we will be highlighting and celebrating those that came before us and paved the way, and those today that are fighting for us to go forward. I will never stop telling their story until it is part of the bigger story. As historian, I am trying to normalize hearing the history of the forgotten and marginalized.

AP: What are your Juneteenth plans for this coming year?

JSC: Each year, we add more to the celebration as the support grows. We are excited this year to have Neeks Catering back to serve our community traditional African foods... We want to immerse ourselves in the culture, whether food, drumming and learning the history... As in the past two years, we are celebrating talent in our community. Our DJ, emcee, spoken word artist, praise dancers, poets and more are all from Ossining. We also have a nice selection of vendors from the community... Steven Dillard, who was in the rap group ILL-Responsible, and is a community activist and line dance instructor, will serve as emcee. Our DJ will be Spencer Thomas "DJ Spinny Spin." The Ossining Branch of the NAACP Youth Group will also host a fashion show on June 17 at Bethany Arts Community ... The celebration will take place at Louis Engel Waterfront Park in Ossining. There's a gorgeous waterfront; however, there is historic significance for this venue. After emancipation, Black people were not allowed to congregate in public areas, so they would go down by the waterfront to have their events and commune with each other.

[Click here for the full interview.](#)

Pelham

Excerpts from an interview with Jeff Watkins and Emlyn Taveras, conducted by Niara Jordan

Niara Jordan (NJ): What was the start of bringing your Juneteenth celebration to life last year?

Jeff Watkins (JW): We set the vision forth... — that the village would have its first Juneteenth celebration, especially off the back of several weeks of protests, vigils and rallies after the George Floyd murder.

Emlyn Taveras (ET): ...It was our priority to kick off with this real celebration of freedom and public art. This powerful event was about coming together in support of all humanities, and doing it through education, through arts, through organizing and having a good time together...

NJ: What do you feel was unique about last year's program?

ET: I think what was important for us was to make sure that we engaged the young people in the dialogue of creating this event and making something that was really focused on the arts, Black culture, and a celebration prioritizing dialogue of these things.

JW: What made it unique was the art. It spread across so many different mediums of communication and expression. We had films going on with the Picture House, interactive art with artists, music, dance, spoken word and speech... a [sculpture dedicated in the park](#). All these different mediums happening all in the same event.

NJ: Are there any Juneteenth plans for this year and if so, what are they?

JW: We're going to incorporate pretty much everything we had last year...but more. More performers, more artists from a wider range. We'll also be supporting Black businesses with vendors and food trucks. We're going to block off the streets to have a marketplace. It's just bigger and better.

NJ: And what does Juneteenth mean to you all personally?

JW: For me, it's a celebration of overcoming. A celebration of achievement... I think it was a pivotal moment for me that celebrates that Black people and all People of Color can overcome anything...

But the oppressor, they couldn't hold us down to not be free. It's motivational in that way, so we're going to celebrate it...

ET: It's a big question because it means so many things, and it's continuing to grow with things that we're witnessing every single day in our own communities. The idea of what freedom looks like today and what it looked like before is ever evolving for our kids and ourselves.

[Click here for the full interview.](#)



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JUNETEENTH CALENDAR

June 1

[Westchester & Rockland Juneteenth Kick-Off Event](#)

Renaissance Plaza, White Plains* (6-7:30pm)

presented by ArtsWestchester, with the support from the Westchester County Government, and the Juneteenth Committees of Westchester and Rockland County (Ardsley Multicultural, Diversity and Inclusion Committee, Bedford IDEA Committee, Haverstraw African American Connection, Irvington Juneteenth Committee, Lincoln Park Conservancy, Mount Vernon Department of Recreation, OneMamaroneck, Ossining Juneteenth Committee, Peekskill Juneteenth Heritage, Pelham Juneteenth Committee, Town of Greenburgh, White Plains Juneteenth Heritage Inc., Yonkers African American Heritage Committee), in concert with the Westchester County African American Advisory Board

This event kicks off a month-long series of Juneteenth activities around Westchester and Rockland Counties. The program features a keynote talk by esteemed urban anthropologist Dr. Sherrill Wilson and a reenactment of Harriet Tubman by Alvenia Smith. Music and dance performances by regional artists include Baba Abishai, Selah Armstrong, Shirazette Tinnin, Minister Angel Hill Brooks, and more.

**Rain location: Thomas H. Slater Center, White Plains*

ARDSLEY

June 18

[Juneteenth Celebration 2022](#)

Pascone Park (5-9pm)

Presented by Ardsley Multicultural, Diversity and Inclusion Committee
A day filled with food, music, dancing, art and speakers, including local elected officials. X-Factor Marching Band will open the festivities. DJ Kasino and local food trucks will be offered into the night.

Shirazette Tinnin will perform as part of the Juneteenth kick-off event in White Plains on 6/1 (image courtesy of the artist)

BEDFORD

June 19

[Celebrate Juneteenth](#)

at Caramoor (beginning at 3pm)

presented by Caramoor Center for Music & the Arts in collaboration with the Town of Bedford

Esteemed speakers, a performance from internationally acclaimed vocalist Jeremiah Abiah, and family-friendly activities including double-dutch, games and arts and crafts.

DOBBS FERRY

June 17:

Juneteenth Celebration

at The Children's Village, 1 Echo Hills Road (1-4pm)

Presented by The Children's Village

This celebration will include speakers, music, dancing, and arts and crafts – including painting, drawing and African beading – and more.

GREENBURGH

June 17

[3rd Annual Juneteenth Event](#)

Location TBD (5:30-8pm)

presented by Town of Greenburgh

A celebration filled with educational fun-filled activities.

HASTINGS ON HUDSON

June 26

[Juneteenth Celebration & Food Truck Event](#)

Zinsser commuter parking lot, across from the Hastings on Hudson train station (1-5pm)

Presented by P-CoC - Parenting Children of Color

A celebration that features food and live music from around the world to celebrate Juneteenth. Musicians include a Brazilian group, Japanese Taiko drummers, a Sitar player from India and an R&B singer.

HAVERSTRAW

June 17-19

[Haverstraw 7th Annual Juneteenth Celebration](#)

Location and times TBD

presented by Haverstraw African American Connection

June 17 (5:30pm): Flag Raising and Dancing Under the Stars at Village Hall; June 18 (3-7pm): Juneteenth "Generations" Celebration at 41 Clinton Street; June 19 (1:30-3:30pm): Father's Day "Gospel in the Park" Celebration

IRVINGTON

June 18

Celebration of "Yesterday"

at Main Street School parking lot (2-6pm)

presented by Irvington Juneteenth Committee

African music, drummers and dancers from the renowned Nkumu Katalay & The "Life Long Project" Band, Afro-Caribbean food, artists, craft vendors, crafts for kids, student art. Historians will also share Irvington's history of slavery and newly discovered enslaved African burial ground in Irvington. The event also includes a groundbreaking ceremony for artist Vinnie Bagwell's *Yesterday* sculpture (3pm), which was commissioned to commemorate the lives of the enslaved Africans who lived in what is now Irvington.

MAMARONECK

June 18

[Mamaroneck Juneteenth 2022: an Ancestral Spiritual Awakening](#)

at Columbus Park/Van Ranst Place (12-6pm)

presented by OneMamaroneck

Conceptualized and led by African American and Black leaders from Mamaroneck, the Juneteenth 2022 festival and celebration will be centered around the five pillars of food, family, music, education and faith. OneMamaroneck is facilitating as a member of the planning team.

June 19

[MAGIC CHARM ... UP MY SLEEVE: a Juneteenth Celebration in Music and Word](#)

at Emelin Theater (4pm)

presented by Emelin Theater and Copland House

This concert by Music from Copland House features texts by Langston Hughes, Marcus Amaker, Dudley Randall, Walt Whitman, and others; and music that reaches back to late-19th century spirituals, visits

feature

the Harlem Renaissance, and salutes 20th- and 21st-century masters. Includes a post-performance talk with the artists.

MOUNT VERNON

June 18

Mount Vernon Juneteenth

At Brush Park (10am-6pm)

presented by the Mount Vernon Department of Recreation

NEW ROCHELLE

June 16-20

[Songs for Our Fathers: Juneteenth Celebration 2022](#)

Locations and times vary

presented by The Lincoln Park Conservancy, Inc. and the City of New Rochelle

This multi-day, multi-venue celebration features a concert of international jazz greats (June 19 at City Hall). Other festivities include an opening processional by Bokandeye African American Dance Theater, raising of the Juneteenth Flag, African Marketplace, screenings of the documentary *Leveling Lincoln*, an expo of minority-owned businesses, family activities and more. A Trolley Tour of the Black Enclaves of New Rochelle is narrated by City Historian Barbara Davis.

OSSINING

June 2

[Juneteenth Flag Raising Ceremony](#)

Market Square (9am)

presented by Ossining Juneteenth Council

June 4

[Juneteenth Adult Recess](#)

Nelson Park (times TBD)

presented by Ossining Juneteenth Council

Adults are encouraged to take a break for an old-school recess with games from their youth (kickball, hopscotch, double-dutch and more).

June 19

[Ossining Juneteenth Celebration](#)

Louis Engel Waterfront Park (12-4pm)

presented by Ossining Juneteenth Council

This afternoon community celebration includes local vendors, performances, special presentations, music and food.

PEEKSKILL

June 9

Peekskill Juneteenth Flag Raising Ceremony

City Hall (6pm)

Presented by Peekskill Youth Bureau's Juneteenth Committee

June 18

[11th Annual Juneteenth Freedom Day](#)

Depew Park (12-5pm)

Presented by Peekskill Youth Bureau's Juneteenth Committee

The celebration consists of African dance and drums, youth presentations, spoken word, gospel music, freedom tributes, marching bands, jazz, food and craft vendors, a Freedom Walk, hip-hop music and more. Grand Marshals are Deputy County Executive Ken Jenkins, Judge Reginald Johnson, CEO Joan Battle King and Mayor Vivian McKenzie.

PELHAM

June 18

[Juneteenth in the Village of Pelham](#)

Wolfs Lane Park (2-8pm)

presented by The Village of Pelham Council on the Arts, Pelham Arts Center and The Picture House

A day of free events commemorates of freedom with artists, musicians, dancers, food and film.

WHITE PLAINS

[Harriet Tubman: The Journey to Freedom Statue](#)

Renaissance Plaza (Through June 30, 2022)

presented by the City of White Plains and White Plains BID

Harriet Tubman – The Journey to Freedom is a nine-foot high, 2,400 lb. bronze sculpture by artist Wesley Wofford that honors and pays tribute to Harriet Tubman's fight for freedom. A calendar of related programs and events also highlights the sculpture's presence.

June 11

[White Plains Juneteenth Parade and Festival](#)

Downtown White Plains (11am-5pm)

presented by White Plains Juneteenth Heritage Committee

This 18th annual community event features a parade and festival in downtown White Plains, including food and family entertainment. This year's festivities also celebrate the life and legacy of Grand Marshal (posthumously) Theodore "Teddy" Lee and honor his wife JoAnne Lee and family.

YONKERS

June 16-19

**[Annual Citywide
Juneteenth African
Heritage Festival Weekend
2022](#)**

Locations and times vary
*presented by The Yonkers African
American Heritage Committee*

This four-day celebration begins with a one-day conference and includes a pan-African flag-raising ceremony, tribute to Black Music Month, softball and basketball games, economic symposium, youth activities, unity worship service, African drum and dance sessions, *Enslaved African Rain Garden* public art project, performances, vendors and more.



Jeremiah Abiah will perform at Caramoor, 6/19 (photo courtesy of Caramoor)

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12 NEW MURALS HELP MAKE "NEW RO STRONG"

A series of *twelve new murals* scattered in downtown New Rochelle represent the many facets of this suburban-but-metropolitan city, and highlight the place that arts have always had in the city.

"New Rochelle has always been a magnet for artistic people, at least from the turn of the 20th century," said New Rochelle Council on the Arts (NRCA) President Theresa Kump Leghorn.

The recently unveiled murals celebrate New Rochelle's distinguished place in American art history. Easy access to Manhattan, without the crowds and stressors of urban life, made the City an attractive location to those modern artists like JC Leyendecker, Frederick Remington and Norman Rockwell.

Spanish artist Ángel Belinchón Bujes, known as Belin, captures this element of New Rochelle history in his *Changing Perceptions* mural. His Picasso-influenced interpretation of Rockwell's famous *Girl at Mirror* painting melds Belin's postneocubismo aesthetic with 1950s American popular culture.

The striking public paintings extend a 2019 collaboration between NRCA, the City of New Rochelle, and arts nonprofit Street Art for Mankind (SAM). The project began as a way to add pops of color to the city's efforts to revitalize the downtown area. NRCA and SAM initially planned for this extension of the 2019 project to come in 2020. However, COVID-19 shifted its timeline.

However, coming out of lockdown, the team had even more motivation to finish the project. NRCA and the City wanted to give the community something to feel inspired by. With new partners, the New Rochelle Industrial Development Agency, ArtsWestchester and some private owners, they fine-tuned the project's goals to focus on revitalizing the spirits of residents.

A *ReStart the Arts grant* awarded by ArtsWestchester did exactly as its title intended. It helped to support a community-focused MuralFest last month to unveil the new works. The event brought together residents and tourists to embrace the City's new vibrancy with dance and music performances. The grant also commissioned two interactive murals by Carlos Alberto.

According to Leghorn, Mayor Noam Bramson especially wanted the city's tagline, "NewRo Strong," displayed across the city. Not only was that tagline broadly the theme of the second collection of murals, but it was

also the subject of Dragon 76's mural. The Japanese street artist depicts a futuristic representation of four children staring off into the distance. The cyber-kinetic armor and goggles feature objectives like unity, hope and rebirth. These intentions also make their way into other works, like street artist Adry del Rocio's *Unidad* and a series by Alberto that honors the impact and significance of the Mexican community in New Rochelle.

Says Commissioner Adam Salgado, Development Commissioner and Executive Director of the New Rochelle Industrial Development Agency: "Unveiling such inspiring murals painted by acclaimed international artists reinforces the extraordinary efforts the City has undertaken to reflect and build upon the creativity, diversity and inclusiveness of New Rochelle."

Cristian Blanxer's *People and Places* celebrate the intricate bonds that make up the City's present. Five dreamy portraits feature beloved

“However, coming out of lockdown, the team had even more motivation to finish the project. NRCA and the City wanted to give the community something to feel inspired by.”

community members along a pedestrian walkway outside a new Modera development. Blanxer interweaves sitters restaurateur and artist Alvin Clayton, Univision News anchor Paricia Fuenmayor, dancer Monica Deane, Trinity School Principal Michael Hilderbrand and first responder and firefighter Mike Cascio with depictions of their homelands or representations of their profession.

The twenty total public paintings bring vibrancy to the construction-laden downtown area. The diverse and multinational community finds representation on these walls. From concerns of climate change and social justice to celebrations of heritage and culture, the murals imagine how New Rochelle emerges from a strenuous couple of years into a future of prosperity and positive change.

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The Octopus, a mural by Louis Masai on the side of 25 Leroy Place (photo courtesy of New Rochelle Council on the Arts)

feature

“I lived for art, I lived for love.”

by Michelle Falkenstein

In Act II of Giacomo Puccini's opera *Tosca*, the protagonist sings: “Vissi d'arte, vissi d'amore” (“I lived for art, I lived for love”).

The same could be said of Camille Coppola, the co-founder and artistic director of [New Rochelle Opera](#) (NRO), who has spent the past 37 years mentoring and training up-and-coming opera singers, presenting operas at affordable prices in her community, and sharing her love of the art form through school programs, workshops and demonstrations.

This month, after a two-year pandemic hiatus, NRO will present [Tosca](#) at the Ursuline Performing Arts Center on June 23-26. The opera will feature the same singers as a planned 2020 production that was upended by COVID-19, with full staging and a 20-piece orchestra led by conductor Brian Holman.

This is NRO's fourth production of *Tosca*. Coppola herself starred in the company's first production in 1986.

“Everybody is excited that we're putting on operas again,” says Coppola, noting that a 35th anniversary gala in 2020 was also cancelled because of COVID. Instead, this past April, the non-profit opera company held a benefit concert to raise money for the upcoming production.

Tosca, which premiered in Rome in 1900, tells the tragic tale of a passionate opera singer named Floria Tosca, her artist lover Mario Cavaradossi, and the evil Roman police chief Baron Scarpia. Filled with violence, jealousy, revenge and death, it remains one of the most frequently performed operas in the world.

Coppola says it's one of her favorites, along with *Madame Butterfly*, also by Puccini. “They are both emotional operas with a lot of beautiful music,” she says.

Performing with the NRO is a steppingstone for many opera singers. More than 30 alum have gone on to successful careers at opera companies across the country – some as soloists and others as chorus members. “Our whole main idea was to give new, young opera singers a chance to sing certain roles,” Coppola explains. “I helped several of them get to the Met,” referring to New York's venerable Metropolitan Opera.





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Coppola, 82, moved to New Rochelle in 1945. Her knowledge of Italian allows her to correct the singers when they are emphasizing the wrong phrase. “I tell them they’re not acting what they’re saying,” she says.

Coppola learned to appreciate opera through her mother, a classically trained singer whose strict father didn’t approve of opera as a career. Coppola recalls feeling completely entranced as a young girl the first time she heard a recording of the celebrated Italian soprano Renata Tebaldi sing *La Bohème*. “To me, she was the best,” Coppola says.

New Rochelle Opera grew out of a presentation and performance that Coppola organized at the New Rochelle Public Library at the request of Billie Tucker, who created and ran a City Cultural Center there. Coppola’s opera program was a smash success, eventually leading to the formation of “Camille Coppola and Company,” which was later renamed New Rochelle Opera, with Tucker as her co-founder.

Coppola still performs at church and in restaurants and sings “Vissi d’arte, vissi d’amore” around the house. “I can’t hit the high B-flat anymore, but I sing it all the time,” she says.

Wondering who will be the next star to emerge from New Rochelle Opera? Only time, or *Tosca*, will tell.

feature

Works by 100+ Artists on Display in Peekskill

by Katherine Doherty



Artist Andy Barthelme (photo courtesy of Peekskill Arts Alliance)

After a three-year break due to the COVID-19 pandemic, [Peekskill Open Studios](#) is back for its 23rd year. The two-day event will feature works from more than 100 artists in a variety of settings in and around downtown Peekskill – open studios, galleries, special exhibition spaces and pop-up shows – letting visitors reconnect with art in many forms after a long absence.

Painting, pottery, sculpture, jewelry, photography, film and multimedia work will all be on display at the event, which is hosted by the Peekskill Arts Alliance (PAA) on June 4-5. Visitors can go to the Gazebo on Division and Park Streets to pick up

a catalog with information about participating artists and a map that highlights all of the Open Studios attractions.

More than 20 artists will open their studio doors, giving visitors the chance to see works in progress. Other highlights include the PAA Tent Site Gallery, and [Off the Beaten Track](#), a group show at Westchester Community College (WCC) on Division Street. Studio Theater in Exile will present a video performance with a multimedia component [at Hudson Valley MOCA](#).

“We are thrilled to open the studios again,” says PAA President [Robin Kline](#), who is also a potter herself. “Peekskill is always vibrant,

but it will be especially vibrant during Open Studios. There is such a range of artistic talent here and it's great for the public to meet our members." Kline's work will be on display at the Tent Site Gallery.

During the pandemic, the members of the PAA hosted monthly Zoom meetings, in which they showed their work, but Kline says there's nothing better than seeing art in person.

Participating galleries include The Flat Iron Gallery, The Third Eye Gallery, The Artist Spot, Peekskill Artists' Co-Op, and The Artist Lofts on Main. There will also be exhibits at PranaMoon Yoga, located in the Hat Factory just outside the downtown area, and Peekskill Clay Studios.

"This is my second time participating in Open Studios," says [Monique Brideau](#), an abstract painter and collage artist who works in The Lofts on Main Street (#303): "It's the best way to speak directly to artists and to get a sense of the artistic process.

Mirroring Kline's sentiment, Brideau adds: "These days we are so accustomed to looking at images online, but nothing compares to seeing a work of art in person."

Open Studios newcomer Shanikah Bennett, known as [Nikah](#)

[Benne](#), says she is honored to be participating in the event for the first time. Her work will be on display in WCC's *Off the Beaten Track*. Benne, a painter who works in acrylics and watercolor, says that she is looking forward to "put[ting] herself out there." She adds: "I'm excited to hear feedback and I hope many of my African American people can see themselves in my work."

Another newcomer, [V.L. Cox](#), is an Arkansas native who recently relocated to Peekskill. Cox's recent work has been highly focused on social justice and civil rights projects. Her exhibit, *End Hate Doors*, will be on display in the Jeannette R. Phillips Atrium on 1037 Main Street. "My goal in this series is to engage viewers responsibly in a dialogue, no matter how uncomfortable," says Cox.

[Jo-Ann Brody](#), an artist who works in clay, cement and, most recently, papier-mâché, will be exhibiting her figurative sculptures at the Tent Site Gallery. Brody explains that she has been involved with the Peekskill art scene and Open Studios for many years: "The Peekskill art scene gave me the strength, support and energy to develop into the artist I wanted to be."



Artist Larry D'Amico (photo courtesy of Peekskill Arts Alliance)

feature

Asian Heritage Festival Celebrates 25th Year

by Rocio De la Roca



Every year, the [Asian American Heritage Festival](#) attracts up to 7,000 residents at the Kensico Dam Plaza in Valhalla to celebrate Westchester's diversity, including its expanding Asian and South Asian populations. This year will be no different when the OCA Westchester & Hudson Valley (OCA-WHV) presents the 25th annual festival on June 4. The program is part of the OCA-WHV's mission to advance, advocate and help raise the voices of the Asian and Pacific Islander community in Westchester and Hudson Valley Communities. As a result, audiences will be introduced to the many artistic customs of

Asian culture through traditional dance and song, activities and foods.

Throughout the day-long festival, professional artists will take the stage, along with local Asian studios and children's dancing troupes. For instance, professional performer Peng Li will showcase the ancient Chinese dramatic art of Bian Lian, or "face-changing," which is part of the Sichuan opera tradition. During the Bian Lian performance, the performer wears a brightly colored costume and performs a stunt that consists of instantaneously switching between multiple masks. New York City-based saxophonist, singer and composer Stephanie Chou

will perform a live concert of music that combines classical and Chinese influences with jazz and pop harmonies and rhythms.

A showcase of live music, dance and martial arts will include a Taekwondo demonstration by the local Achieve Martial Arts School. This Korean form of martial arts will display intricate punching and kicking techniques.

A lion dance, a traditional practice believed to bring harmony and luck, will also be performed by artists from the Huaxia New York Central Chinese School in Scarsdale.

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Traditional lion dancing consists of a large-scale lion costume, which is wielded by more than one dancer to imitate the lion's movements while implementing aspects of martial art and acrobatic forms.

Additional activities that teach crafts and trades of the Asian culture will be available to children and families, including face painting, calligraphy, Chinese paper cutting and origami. Asian-themed cultural artifacts and handmade goods, as well as foods, will be on display by small businesses and vendors.



(photos from a previous Asian Heritage Festival courtesy of OCA Westchester & Hudson Valley)

spotlight

Clay Art Center: Emerging Ceramic Artists on View

From June 23-August 4, Clay Art Center (CAC) will present a series of [*concurrent solo exhibitions*](#) by its three resident artists: Able Broyles, Anny Chen and Breana Hendricks. The Center's residency program helps to advance the careers of emerging ceramic artists, always culminating in a year-end exhibition that highlights their artistic achievements from throughout the year prior. Guests can meet the artists at an opening reception on June 25.



**Able
Broyles**

"My work is an excavation of memory, the mind, and where we hold core events in our bodies. I am interested in the subconscious, and where identity and the concept of 'I' come into play. Through the action of making, I access deeper parts of myself; my hands become interpreters for concepts and feelings that I do not yet have the language for. Though my work is often rooted in the personal, it holds universal truths that speak to the human experience of identity, consciousness and community."



Artwork by Able Broyles (photo courtesy of Clay Art Center)



Anny Chen

Anny Chen’s wheel-thrown and hand-built ceramic stools are influenced by traditional Chinese craft practices and motifs that are central to the Chinese-American diaspora. While in residence at CAC, she has focused on how to best direct her climate anxiety into actions: “I translate my most vivid feelings of belonging into objects that

become 'home.' I carve swirling clouds into bone-dry gourds. I join wheel-thrown parts into stools. I hand-press 212 terracotta bricks into a bed. These rituals of hard work quiet my longing for home and allow me to achieve mental and emotional freedom.”



Artwork by Anny Chen (photo courtesy of Clay Art Center)



Artwork by Breana Hendricks (photo courtesy of Clay Art Center)

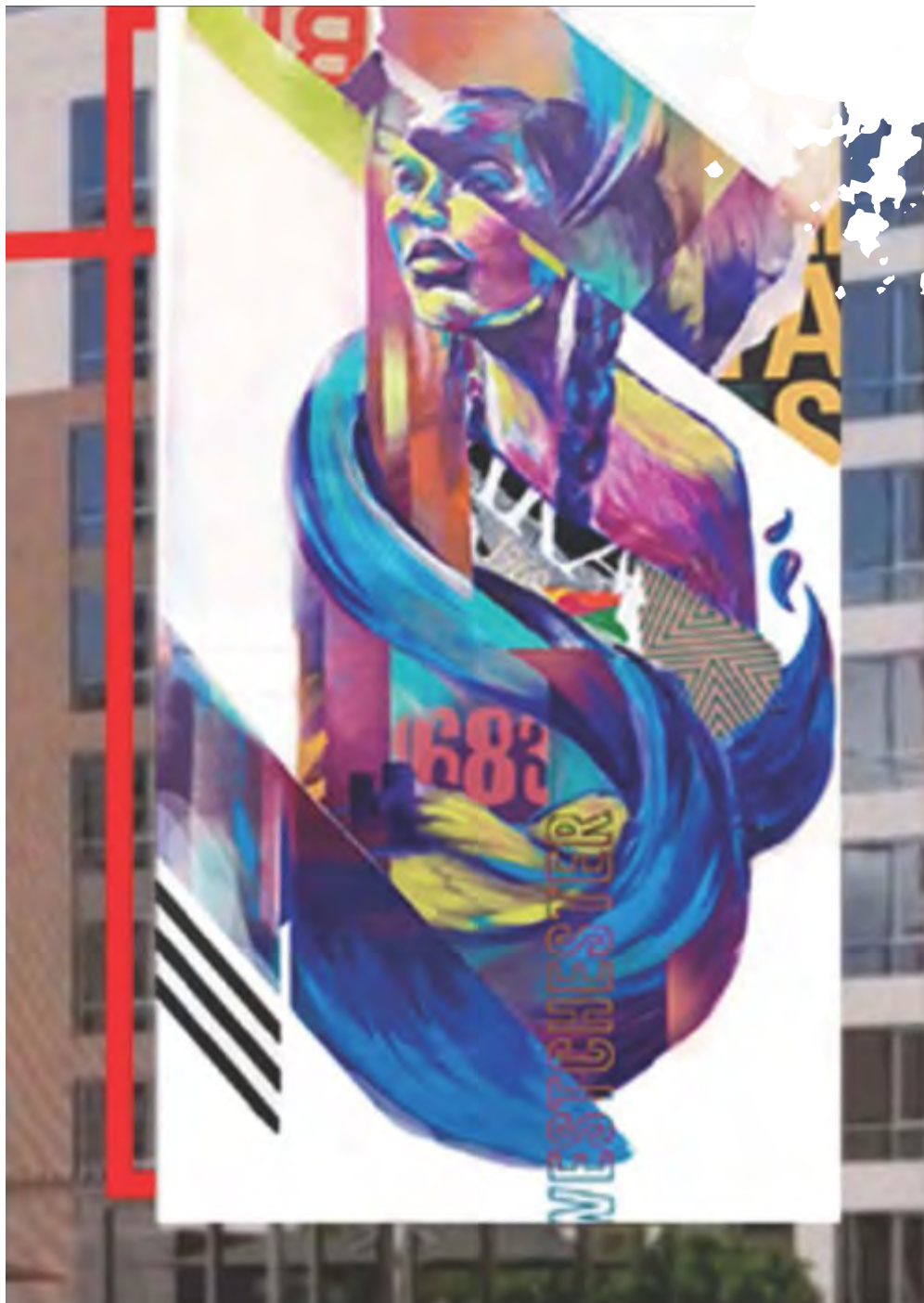


Breana Hendricks

Breana Hendricks is CAC’s Westchester Community Foundation’s Young Artist Fellow: “My connection to craft is formed when I use a richly colored clay body to build sculptural vases with figurative references. I decorate my pots with terra sigillata, underglazes and inlays referencing my personal library of floral anatomy. My vessels examine the intersection of my racial and gender identities. Observing the voluptuous forms of the perpetual ‘unknown woman maker’ leads me to a new understanding of my matriarchal lineage.”

spotlight

New Mural Slated for Serious Fun Arts Fest in White Plains



Rendering of 1693, a mural by Bianca Romero for The Mitchell building in White Plains (rendering courtesy of the artist)

The City of White Plains will soon become even brighter as developers partner with ArtsWestchester to flood the City's walls and public spaces with original artworks and sculptures by area artists. It's all in the name of the organization's five-day [*Serious Fun Arts Fest*](#) on October 12-16, which is presented by Montefiore Einstein and produced by ArtsWestchester. The result will be an economic boom that lasts far beyond the festival's final day.

Bianca Romero is one of the first artists commissioned. Her nine-story high-rise mural will adorn The Mitchell, a modern 434-apartment home project currently in development by LMC, a leading apartment developer and manager. Romero is a New York City-based artist, muralist and creative director known for her bold and colorful murals and paintings that are made from hand-cut and collaged street posters layered with spray paint. Romero, who is heavily influenced by New York City's vibrant energy and urban textures, uses mixed-media collage as a visual interpretation for exploring personal identity, as well as the collective pieces that make people unique.

Romero adds: "For this mural, I wanted to explore the history of the region and pay homage to where and who the White Plains land originally came from."

This is one of the things that drew LMC, a Lennar Company to the piece. Greg Belew, the company's Divisional President, NY Metro Area, shares: "Romero's vibrant mural, entitled *1693*, was commissioned by ArtsWestchester. It pays tribute to the origins of White Plains and holds space in a very contemporary way for the history of this city."

Romero explains some of the ways in which the work harkens back to the City's origins: "The mural has many elements that pay homage to the Native American tribe that occupied the White Plains land... For one, the water represents the Native American word 'Mamaroneck,' meaning 'the place where the sweet water meets the sea.' As the mural's future location is on Mamaroneck Avenue, the work symbolizes both the location and the Native American tribe. The water swirls around the woman pictured in the mural. It ascends and swirls into hills and land. This represents the White Plains land itself. The year 1683 is the year that White Plains was established."

Belew adds, "We are excited to serve as the canvas for Bianca's art and to help showcase her talents. Our hope is that the public art installations underway for the upcoming Serious Fun Arts Fest will enliven and brighten the landscape for the betterment of the City."

The festival will bring new works of public art to the City, in addition to concerts, live mural painting, a public art walking tour and family art-making activities throughout the downtown area. Updates will be announced on ArtsWestchester's website and on the festival's official hashtag at [#seriousfunartsfest](#).

THE ARTS CELEBRATE PRIDE

Groups throughout Westchester, including several arts groups, are celebrating National Pride Month this month with events that bring visibility to the LGBTQ+ community.

[Westchester Pride](#), for one, has a mission. The White Plains festival, which kicks off Pride Month on June 5, aims to “provide a space for healing, connection and celebration.” The “connection” part of this statement rings especially true, as this is the first in-person festival in two years due to a pandemic-induced hiatus.

Judy Troilo, Westchester Pride’s producer and the executive director of The LOFT LGBTQ+ Community Center, says that a record attendance is anticipated this year, with over 7,000 people expected. This year’s event, which takes over Court Street between Martine Avenue and Main Street, boasts Olivia Lux from *RuPaul’s Drag Race* as its host.

In addition to a flag raising, pet parade, Homecoming Queer Contest and “Family Zone” area for kids, two headlining acts are highlighted: *Broadway Sings For Pride* showcases top-tier Broadway performers, while [Ballroom: Beyond the Binary](#), co-presented by The LOFT and ArtsWestchester, brings together a panel and performance from Ballroom and House legends. House of Oricci’s Legendary Founding Mother Gillette Oricci and House of Comme des Garçons’s Twiggy Pucci Garçon (choreographer for FX’s *Pose*), Milan Garçon and Mermaid Garçon (from HBO’s *Legendary*) will participate in a panel discussion. They will then present an original runway production specially designed for 2022 Westchester Pride.

Says Troilo: “Our hope is that we can use Pride as a place not only to celebrate, but to also to spread the word that we need to band together to address the real possibility that our court-appointed rights may be taken away.”

The LOFT is also partnering with Upstream Gallery in Hastings-on-Hudson this month. The [Queer Perspectives](#) exhibition, on view at Upstream from June 23-July 17, will display personal explorations of LGBTQ+ life, issues, history and culture.

Troilo adds: “Partnering with Upstream Gallery to showcase LGBTQ+ artists in Westchester and the Hudson Valley area is something that is deeply important to the cultural visibility of the community.”

Another exhibition that celebrates the LGBTQ+ community, Clay Art Center’s virtual [tender / queer](#) show, is one that focuses specifically on ceramic artists. Says guest curator Dustin Yager: “As LGBTQ+ artists, we open up the stories of our lives through our work, and how we talk about it... That act is not always entirely comfortable...”

The exhibition, which can be viewed on the organization’s [website from June 6-30](#), features exhibited artists Heather Mae Erickson, Phi Le, Ankia Major, Shea Burke and Aaron Caldwell.

Yager continues: “The artists in this exhibition not only display an emotional range in their ceramic works, but also have deep engagements with their communities... show[ing] that even our softest work has a core of incredible strength.”



Milan Garçon (photo courtesy of the artist)

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Promo still from Turning Red (photo courtesy of Pixar)

Turning Red (Disney+)

The great joy of watching a new movie with my grandchildren is something that I hope to repeat time and time again. This time, we watched *Turning Red*, which my granddaughter Mollie loved, as did I. Of course, Disney Pixar movies really tend to be geared toward adults — aka grown-up children. This one features a young girl with a strict upbringing who struggles with that “red panda” side of her that is fun, carefree and an adventurer. Whether or not she chooses to embrace that panda ultimately is determined by how the other women in her family have dealt with their own “pandas.” It’s better than this week’s therapy session: this movie that is seemingly for children made me think about those other sides of myself... and how my panda is expressed (or depressed). As for Mollie, she did enjoy the songs, dance and flying pandas, as well as the gorgeous animation. After, she drew her first (somewhat-realistic) picture of a panda ... and on the fridge it will go.



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Pete Scherrer during ArtsWestchester's 2017 golf outing

ArtsWestchester to Honor Peter Scherrer at Upcoming Golf Outing

Avports Vice President Pete Scherrer has shown a longstanding enthusiasm and dedication for ArtsWestchester's *annual golf outing*. In fact, this type of support has helped to guide it into one of the organization's most successful fundraisers. This year, ArtsWestchester is honoring Scherrer for that continued support. The day-long June 21 event, named in memory of former *Westchester Magazine* publisher Ralph Martinelli, will host Scherrer and other arts supporters in a new venue. Golfers will gather at Armonk's Whippoorwill Club for an afternoon on the course and evening reception.

At Avports, the company that manages Westchester County Airport, Scherrer oversees everything from lease negotiations and security to customer service and maintenance/construction...to say nothing of aircraft rescue, firefighting and emergency response. As part of the executive team at Airport Management Services, he still believes that "people are what makes the airport run." The same, he says, can be said for the golf outing.

Never too busy for a cause he believes in, Scherrer's philanthropy doesn't stop at ArtsWestchester. He also manages an annual raffle for the American Cancer Society that has raised more than \$200K since 2006, and is actively involved with Guiding Eyes for the Blind.



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Performance from Dia De La Cultura Ecuatoriana (photo credit: Margaret Fox)

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Wed., June 1, 6–7:30pm | Renaissance Plaza, 200-202 Main St, White Plains, NY

Organized by White Plains Juneteenth Heritage Inc., ArtsWestchester, Peekskill Juneteenth Heritage, the Yonkers African American Heritage Committee, the Haverstraw African American Connection, and the Juneteenth Committees/Councils of Ardsley, Bedford, Greenburgh, Irvington, Mamaroneck, Mount Vernon, New Rochelle, Ossining and Pelham.

Westchester Pride Ballroom: Beyond the Binary

Sun., June 5, Panel @ 1:45pm / Performance

at 4pm | Court Street (between Main Street and Martine Ave.), White Plains

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Co-presented by ArtsWestchester and The LOFT: LGBTQ+ Center



City of White Plains: Father's Day Concert

feat. International Women of Reggae

Sun., June 19, 7–8:30pm | Turnure Park, White Plains, NY

Co-presented by the City of White Plains and ArtsWestchester

Performing Families feat. Ballet Folklórico Espíritu De Mexico

Sat., July 23, 7–8:30pm | Bethany Arts Community, Ossining, NY

Co-presented by ArtsWestchester and Bethany Arts Community

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City of White Plains: Night in the Parks

feat. Mclean Ave Band

Thurs., July 28, 6:30–8:30pm | Court Street (between Main St. and Martine Ave.), White Plains, NY

Co-presented by The City of White Plains and ArtsWestchester

Braata Folk Singers

Sat., Aug 6, 2pm | White Plains Public Library Plaza, White Plains, NY

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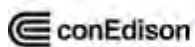
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NEWS BRIEFS

Historic Hudson Valley Landmarks Reopen to Visitors

Historic Hudson Valley has recently reopened [four of its National Historic Landmarks](#) to the public – Philipsburg Manor, Washington Irving's Sunnyside, Union Church and Kykuit, the Rockefeller estate. Philipsburg Manor, which has undergone a recent multi-million-dollar restoration, transports visitors to the 1750s, where they learn about the manor house, as well as its 23 enslaved individuals of African descent. At Sunnyside, visitors explore Washington Irving's cottage and its grounds, which were designed by the *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow* author himself. Union Church of Pocantico Hills is home to nine stained-glass windows by Marc Chagall, as well as the last commissioned work by Henri Matisse. The Kykuit Rockefeller estate features a modern and classical art collection and expansive gardens.



Washington Irving's Sunnyside (photo credit: Jaime Martorano)

NYFA Opens New Cycle of its National Emergency Grant Program for Artists

New York Foundation for the Arts (NYFA) has opened a new cycle of its national Rauschenberg Medical Emergency Grants program for artists. These grants of up to \$5,000 support direct treatment expenses for medical, dental or mental health emergencies that occurred October 1, 2021 or later. The deadline is June 7. Artists practicing in the visual arts, film/video/electronic/digital arts and choreography are eligible. Guidelines, an informational video and the online application are available on [NYFA's website](#). This program is open to artists living anywhere in the U.S., its territories, tribal nations and the District of Columbia.



Artwork by Jeila Gueramian at the entrance of Katonah Village Library (photo source: Instagram)

Katonah Museum and Library Bring Art to Community Spaces

Artist Jeila Gueramian has created playful [site-specific installations](#) as part of a partnership between Katonah Museum of Art (KMA) and Katonah Village Library (KVL). The programming collaboration, "Sparking Creativity in Community Spaces," is designed to help remedy the impact that the Covid-19 pandemic has had on the learning, creativity and emotions of children and teenagers. Gueramian, whose works are hand-crafted from recycled textiles, has concurrent installations at both locations. The whimsical and interactive environment created in KMA's Learning Lab, [Let's Step Inside](#), dovetails the Museum's spirited [Constant Carnival](#) exhibition. At [KVL](#), visitors can find Gueramian's creations surrounding the library plaza and into the entry through June 26.

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Michelle Yun Mapplethorpe (photo credit: Edward Mapplethorpe)

Katonah Museum of Art Appoints Michelle Yun Mapplethorpe as New Executive Director

[Katonah Museum of Art](#) (KMA) recently announced the appointment of Michelle Yun Mapplethorpe as its next Executive Director. Mapplethorpe comes to KMA from Asia Society, where she worked for over a decade, most recently as Vice President for Global Artistic Programs and Director of the Asia Society Museum. In this role, she “spearheads the organization’s arts and cultural initiatives... across its 14 global centers and oversees the Asia Society Museum’s collection, exhibitions and interdisciplinary programs, as well as its financial, administrative and operational functions.” According to KMA’s president, Vida Foubister, Mapplethorpe’s “energy, collaborative spirit and curatorial acumen will help forge a program of depth and quality that will deepen the KMA’s ties within [its] community and throughout the broader arts landscape.” Mapplethorpe will begin her tenure at the KMA on August 15.

Yorktown’s \$1.2 Million Renovation Includes Local Theater

Yorktown has announced the upcoming renovation of its Albert A. Capellini Community & Culture Center and [Yorktown Stage](#), a complex that dates back to 1917. The Town acquired the building in 1979. The new \$1.2 million project will bring upgrades to the building, including a new roof, new air conditioning and heating equipment, new seats in the Yorktown Stage’s theater, and more. Says the theater’s artistic director, August Abatecola: “This isn’t the empty ‘supporting the arts.’ This is securing the future of the arts and the future of the theater.” Councilwoman Luciana Haughwout adds: “We held on to something that we knew had value, not only for the community but for those who are struggling to express themselves.”



Local Photographer Publishes New Book

Local art portrait photographer Nancy A. Scherl, president of the board of the Katonah Museum Artists’ Association, has recently released a photography book with Daylight Books. [Dining Alone: In the Company of Solitude](#) explores the topic of solitude by highlighting the experience of being alone in public. The book is the result of a project that spanned three decades, culminating in 2020 with photographs taken during the COVID-19 pandemic. Says Scherl: “Perhaps dining alone during the pandemic reminded us all that we were very much connected to each other despite our keen awareness of being isolated.” Fifty percent of the book’s proceeds will benefit two charitable organizations, CaringMatters and Jasa.



Nancy Scherl, *Awakening In Tokyo* (photo courtesy of the artist)

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Melissa Etheridge, Tarrytown Music Hall, 6/12 (photo credit: Elizabeth Miranda)

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6/1 WEDNESDAY

Festivals: ArtsWestchester presents *Westchester & Rockland Juneteenth Kick-Off*. The program will include a keynote talk by urban anthropologist Dr. Sherrill Wilson and a reenactment of Harriet Tubman, and music and dance performances. 6-7:30pm at Renaissance Plaza, White Plains. artsw.org

Festivals: ArtsWestchester presents *Westchester & Rockland Juneteenth Kick-Off Event*. This event kicks off a month-long series of Juneteenth activities around Westchester and Rockland Counties with music, dance and more. 6-7:30pm at Renaissance Plaza, White Plains. *Rain location: Thomas H. Slater Center, White Plains. artsw.org

Spoken Word: Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *An evening with Journalist, Memoirist Theo Padnos & Poet, Memoirist Diana Goetsch*. Audiences are welcome in person and on Zoom to hear two writers read from their memoirs. 7-8:30pm. writerscenter.org

Music: White Plains Public Library presents *Roots of Black Music in America (virtual)*. Musician Karlus Trapp will provide a musical and educational program that will explore the music of the most influential Black musicians in American history. 7-8:30pm. whiteplainslibrary.org

Spoken Word: White Plains Public Library presents *Poetry Slam & Open Mic*. This virtual poetry slam will accommodate as many poets as possible. 7-9pm. whiteplainslibrary.org

6/2 THURSDAY

Reception: The Bedford Playhouse presents *The Return of Mad Dogs & Englishmen Screening and Q&A*. This documentary spotlights Joe Cocker's celebrated tour 45 years later through the lens of the reunion of 12 remaining band members in performance with Tedeschi Trucks. 7-9pm. bedfordplayhouse.org

Festivals: Ossining Juneteenth Council presents a *Juneteenth Flag Raising Ceremony*. 9am at Market Square, Ossining. facebook.com/JuneteenthCouncil

6/3 FRIDAY

Tours: Historic Hudson Valley presents *Tours of Union Church of Pocantico*

Hills. Stained-glass pieces by Marc Chagall and Henri Matisse adorn this country church. Through 11/6. hudsonvalley.org

Tours: Historic Hudson Valley presents *Philipsburg Manor Tours*. The 1750 plantation and manor house displays period artifacts and reproductions that bring to life the stories of the Philipse family and the enslaved community. Through 11/13. Times vary. hudsonvalley.org

Tours: Historic Hudson Valley presents *Washington Irving's Sunnyside*. Guests will explore the home of Washington Irving and enjoy the grounds with expansive Hudson River views. Through 9/11. Times vary. hudsonvalley.org

6/4 SATURDAY

Tours: Historic Hudson Valley presents *Kykuit Tours*. This estate was home to four generations of the Rockefeller family, beginning with the philanthropist John D. Rockefeller, founder of Standard Oil. Through 11/13. Times vary. hudsonvalley.org

Festivals: Ossining Juneteenth Council presents *Juneteenth Adult Recess*. Adults will enjoy games from their youth, such as kick ball, hopscotch, double-dutch and more. Times TBD at Nelson Park. facebook.com/JuneteenthCouncil

Music: Hoff-Barthelsson Music School presents *All-Beethoven Concert*. The School's orchestra will perform Ludwig van Beethoven's *Coriolan Overture*, the *Concerto for Piano and Orchestra No. 4* with guest soloist Spencer Myer and *Symphony No. 7*. 7-8:45pm at The Performing Arts Center at Purchase College. hbms.org

Workshops: Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *The Art of Telling with Chen Chen via Zoom*. Students will explore how a "telling" can be used in beautiful, unexpected and politically engaged ways. 12:30-4:30pm. writerscenter.org

Reception: Peekskill Arts Alliance presents *23rd Annual Open Studios*. This event will consist of more than 100 artists and 30 studios, galleries and special exhibition spaces that will open their studio doors to the public, along with live music at Tent Site Gallery. 12-5pm. peekskillartsalliance.org

Reception: Studio Theater in Exile presents *Peekskill Open Studios*. An installation of Jo-Ann Brody's sculptures brings performance and art into an intimate relationship. 11am-5pm at Hudson Valley MOCA. studiotheaterinexile.com

Festivals: OCA Asian Pacific American Advocates presents *25th Annual Asian American Heritage Festival*. This event will include live dance and musical performances, Asian arts and cultural exhibits, children's entertainment and more. 12-6pm at Kensico Dam Plaza. oca-whv.org

6/5 SUNDAY

Reception: ArtsWestchester presents *Westchester Pride: Ballroom Beyond The Binary*. In this discussion and runway production, ballroom artists will discuss the affirmation and work that needs to be done by, and with the LGBTQ+ community. 1:45-6pm at Court Street between Main Street & Martine Avenue in White Plains. artsw.org

Theater: The Bedford Playhouse presents *Broadway Behind the Curtain: David Yazbeck*. The award-winning composer and writer will provide an outdoor performance and Q&A with the audience. 4:30-6pm. bedfordplayhouse.org

Music: Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts presents *Soundscapes*. This free, family-friendly afternoon includes music performances and guided explorations of the Center's Sonic Innovations sound art exhibition. 12pm. caramoor.org

6/6 MONDAY

Lectures: ArtsWestchester presents *Seeing History: Public Art for Public Discourse HNY Program on Zoom*. Artist Jean-Marc Superville Sovak and Mayor Roach will discuss how public art can direct understanding of civil discourse and the addition of a Harriet Tubman statue in downtown White Plains, concurrent to the ArtsWestchester's *Who Writes History?* exhibition. 12-1pm. artsw.org

6/7 TUESDAY

Workshop: ArtsWestchester presents *Teen Tuesdays & Thursdays*. Youth aged 12-16 years will work in print-making and use colors to represent the upcoming summer. 6/7 at 4:30-6pm. artsw.org

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6/8 WEDNESDAY

Lectures: ArtsWestchester presents *Perspectives on Latinx Community Narratives on Zoom*. This panel discussion brings together several distinct perspectives in Latinx media and storytelling, spanning documentary work, journalism and academia. 7-8:30pm. artsw.org

6/9 THURSDAY

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *NT Live: Henry V*. This is title role in Shakespeare's thrilling study of nationalism, war and the psychology of power. 2-9pm. burnsfilmmcenter.org

Festivals: Peekskill Youth Bureau's Juneteenth Committee presents the *Peekskill Juneteenth Flag Raising Ceremony*. 6pm at City Hall.

6/10 FRIDAY

Music: Emelin Theatre presents *Bria Skonberg*. The trumpeter and singer and songwriter will perform live. 8-10pm. emelin.org

Theater: Studio Theater in Exile presents *The Rebirth Project*. Seven artists, who work in stage, dance and visual and literary arts, pay homage to trees and the spring season in a collaborative theater production. Through 6/16?? 7-9pm at Hudson Valley MOCA. studiotheaterinexile.com

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Bria Skonberg, Emelin Theater, 7/10 (photo courtesy of Emelin Theater)

6/11 SATURDAY

Theater: Emelin Theatre presents *Comedians From Late Night*. This night of comedy will include performances by late night TV's comics. 7-9pm. emelin.org

Reception: Hammond Museum & Japanese Stroll Garden presents *Cloud Wanderings with Wang Mansheng*. This is an opening reception for the Museum's exhibition and an artist talk with the artist. 1-4pm. hammondmuseum.org

Workshops: Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Pushing the Metaphor*

with Suzanne Parker. This craft talk, generative writing class and workshop will focus on new ways to develop metaphor in poetry. 12:30-4:30pm at Hudson Valley Writers' Center. writerscenter.org

Workshops: Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Managing Narrative Distance with Allison Wyss via Zoom*. Participants will explore sample texts by writers such as Rumaan Alam and James Baldwin to study how different distances are achieved and they effects have on the story. 12:30-4:30pm. writerscenter.org

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Cats Don't Dance*. This is a musical show, inspired by the life of Hollywood legend Gene Kelly, that features original songs by Randy Newman. 12-2pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

Workshops: KinoSaito presents *History of Natural Pigments and Paint Making*. Participants will learn about historic natural pigments and make watercolor paint from scratch using different pigments. 2-4pm. kinosaito.org

Reception: Neuberger Museum of Art presents *The Friends at*

50: Happy Birthday Celebration. This is a celebration of the Friends of the Neuberger Museum of Art, an organization of dedicated local, regional and national supporters of the Museum. 6pm. neuberger.org

Festivals: White Plains Juneteenth Heritage Committee presents the *White Plains Juneteenth Parade and Festival*. This 18th annual community event features a parade and festival with food and entertainment for the whole family. 11am-5pm in Downtown White Plains. wpjuneteenth.wordpress.com

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6/12 SUNDAY

Workshops: Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *The Poetic Experience with Kristine Esser Slentz via Zoom*.

This course will introduce creators who challenge the concept of worded images and will give participants the opportunity to try this style themselves. 12:30-4:30pm. writerscenter.org

Music: Music at Asbury presents *Free Outdoor Concert of Brazilian Music*.

Clarinetist and vocalist Kristen Mather de Andrade and her band will perform music from her debut Brazilian music album and some classics from the Brazilian repertoire. 5-6:15pm at Asbury Crestwood United Methodist Church. musicatasbury.com

Music: Tarrytown Music Hall presents *Melissa Etheridge*. The singer-songwriter will perform a live concert and showcase her confessional lyrics and raspy, smoky vocals. 7pm. tarrytownmusichall.org

6/15 WEDNESDAY

Lectures: ArtsWestchester presents *For Freedoms on Zoom*. For Freedoms

member Jun Mabuchi will talk about the evolution of the group, which re-imagines the future of the artist-driven society. 12-1pm. artsw.org

Spoken Word: Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *An Evening with the Editors of the Tree Lines: 21st century American Poems Anthology*.

This virtual event will discuss the new anthology, followed by a reading by six poets whose works are in the collection. 7-8:30pm. writerscenter.org

6/16 THURSDAY

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *The Fortune Cookie*. This comedy follows a crooked lawyer who trumps up an insurance case for a cameraman injured at a pro football game. 1-3pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

Festivals: The Lincoln Park Conservancy, Inc. and the City of New Rochelle present *Songs for Our Fathers: Juneteenth Celebration 2022*.

This multi-day, multi-venue celebration features a concert of international jazz greats, raising of the Juneteenth Flag,

film screenings and more. Locations and times vary. Through 6/20. facebook.com/TLPCJuneteenthCelebration

Festivals: The Yonkers African American Heritage Committee presents the *Annual Citywide Juneteenth African Heritage Festival Weekend 2022*.

This four-day celebration begins with a one-day conference and includes a pan-African flag-raising ceremony, a tribute to Black Music Month, youth activities, performances, vendors and more. Locations and times vary. Through 6/19. yaahc.org

6/17 FRIDAY

Festivals: Town of Greenburgh presents *the 3rd Annual Juneteenth Event*. A celebration filled with educational fun-filled activities. 5:30-8pm at Location TBD. greenburghny.com

Festivals: The Children's Village presents a *Juneteenth Celebration*. This program will include speakers, music, dancing and arts and crafts. 1-4pm at 1 Echo Hills Road. childrensvillage.org

Festivals: Haverstraw African American Connection presents *the Haverstraw 7th Annual Juneteenth Celebration*. The program will include a flag raising ceremony, dancing, Father's Day "Gospel in the Park" Celebration and more. Location and times TBD. thehaac.com

6/18 SATURDAY

Festivals: Ardsley Multicultural, Diversity and Inclusion Committee presents its *Juneteenth Celebration 2022*. A day filled with food, music, dancing, art and speakers, including local elected officials. 5-9pm at Pascone Park, Ardsley. facebook.com/ardsleymdicommittee

Workshops: Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Generative Writing with Indran Amirthanayagam via Zoom*. This is a one-day generative writing workshop taught by an award-winning author and poet. 12:30-2:30pm. writerscenter.org

Workshops: Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Writing Truth*

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Festivals: Irvington Juneteenth Committee presents a *Celebration of "Yesterday."* This Juneteenth program will include African music, artists, children's activities and more. 2-6pm at Main Street School parking lot.

Festivals: OneMamaroneck presents *Mamaroneck Juneteenth 2022: an Ancestral Spiritual Awakening.* This celebration will be centered around the five pillars of food, family, music, education and faith. 12-6pm at Columbus Park/Van Ranst Place. onemamaroneck.org

Festivals: Mount Vernon Department of Recreation presents *A Juneteenth Program.* 10am-6pm at Brush Park. mountvernonrecreation.com

Festivals: Peekskill Youth Bureau's Juneteenth Committee presents *the 11th Annual Juneteenth Freedom Day.*

The celebration consists of African dance and drums, youth presentations, spoken word, gospel music and more. 12-5pm at Depew Park. pyouth.info/3DgVJAq

Festivals: The Village of Pelham Council on the Arts, Pelham Arts Center and The Picture House present *Juneteenth in the Village of Pelham.* A day of free events commemorates of freedom with artists, musicians, dancers, food and film. 2-8pm at Wolfs Lane Park. facebook.com/VOPCA10803

Music: Caramoor presents *Opening Night Concert: Yo-Yo Ma & The Knights.* One of the world's most respected cellists opens Caramoor's summer season with a rousing concert with The Knights. 7pm. caramoor.org

6/19 SUNDAY

Music: Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts presents *Celebrate Juneteenth.* This event will include a soulful performance by acclaimed songwriter Jeremiah Abiah and family-friendly activities. 4pm. caramoor.org

Festivals: Emelin Theater present *Magic Charm: A Juneteenth Celebration in Music and Word.* This concert by Music from Copland House features texts by Langston Hughes, Marcus Amaker, Dudley Randall, Walt Whitman, and others. 4pm. emelin.org

Festivals: Ossining Juneteenth Council presents *the Ossining Juneteenth Celebration.* This afternoon community celebration includes local vendors, performances, special presentations, music and food. 12-4pm at Louis Engel Waterfront Park. facebook.com/JuneteenthCouncil

Film: New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *Juneteenth Celebration: Songs for Our Fathers.* The weekend long event will include screenings, arts workshops, family activities, dance and musical performances and more. Also 6/19-6/20. 12-5pm. newrochellearts.org

Theater: The Harrison Players, Inc. presents *Staged Reading: The Hudson Valley UFO Case.* This fictional play explores the events surrounding multiple UFO sightings in the Hudson Valley of New York State during the 1980s. 7:30-9:30pm at The Veterans' Memorial Building. bedfordplayhouse.org

Workshop: Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Writing What You Don't Expect to Write via Zoom.* This program will consist of a sequence of provocative prompts and short writing times. 12:30-4:30pm. writerscenter.org

Music: ArtsWestchester presents *Father's Day Concert.* This evening celebration will feature the reggae music by the International Women of Reggae. 7-8:30pm at Turnure Park, White Plains. artsw.org

Music: Emelin Theatre presents *A Juneteenth Celebration in Music and Word.* Music from Copeland house will perform a concert to celebrate the power and resilience of the human spirit with texts by Langston Hughes, Marcus Amaker and others. 4-6pm. emelin.org

6/21 TUESDAY

Fundraiser: ArtsWestchester presents its *Annual Golf Outing.* Golfers will enjoy one of the best classic courses in the country. 10am at Whipoorwill Club in Armonk. artsw.org



Film: The Bedford Playhouse presents *Maiden.* This documentary film is about Tracy Edwards and an all-female sailboat crew as they compete in the 1989-1990 Whitbread Round the World Race. 7-9pm. bedfordplayhouse.org

6/23 THURSDAY

Music: Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts presents *Concert on the Lawn: Las Cafeteras.* This Chicano band from East L.A. brings it eclectic sound that fuses spoken word and folk music with traditional Afro-Mexican music and dance to Caramoor's Friends Field. 7pm. caramoor.org

Music: New Rochelle Opera presents *Giacomo Puccini's Tosca.* The fully-staged opera tells the

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Two Days Cottages Twilight by Linda Puiatti, on view in *Seen and Unseen: Representational and Abstract paintings by Linda Puiatti* at Oak & Oil Art Gallery (image courtesy of Oak & Oil)

tragic tale of a passionate opera singer named Floria Tosca, her artist lover Mario Cavaradossi and the evil Roman police chief Baron Scarpia. Through 6/26. Times vary at Ursuline Performing Arts Center. nropera.org

6/25 SATURDAY

Music: Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts presents *American Roots Music Festival*. The annual event will feature Americana, blues, folk, and bluegrass performance with award-winning artists. 1pm. caramoor.org

Tours: Center for the Digital Arts, Peekskill Extension presents *Architectural History Tour of Newburgh*. This day-long walking tour will include a visit to Washington's Headquarters State Historic Site, the

Crawford House Museum and a tour of Newburgh's many other iconic buildings. 10am-4pm. sunywcc.edu/peekskill

Workshops: Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Outstanding Openings with Tina Tocco Zoom*. Participants will examine various story openings across genres to understand how different styles can change a piece. 12:30-4:30pm. writerscenter.org

Family & Kids: Irvington Theater presents *Ramblin' Dan's Freewheelin' Band*. Live music and outdoor activities for kids aged 3-8. 1:30-3pm at Main Street School Lawn. irvingtontheater.com

Reception: Oak & Oil Gallery presents *Seen and Unseen*. This opening reception for an exhibition of oil paintings by Linda Puiatti will coincide with the

Katonah Art Stroll. 5-8 at oakandoil.com

6/26 SUNDAY

Theater: Axial Theatre presents *Cactus Flowers*. This is a reading of four new short plays in progress with participation by professional actors, members of the Axial Ensemble and special guests. 3-5pm. axialtheatre.org

Family & Kids: ArtsWestchester presents *Feel Good Music Series featuring Inti Raimy Cuenca NY*. This is a performance of Ecuadorian music and dance by one of Westchester's most sought-after family ensembles. 3-6pm at Charles Point Park, White Plains. artsw.org

Workshops: Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *A Revision Workshop with Michael Patrick Collins via*

Zoom. The award-winning poet will help participants revise their poems. 12:30-4:30pm. writerscenter.org

Festivals: Parenting Children of Color presents a *Juneteenth Celebration & Food Truck Event*. The program will feature food and live music from around the world to celebrate Juneteenth. 1-5pm at Zinsser commuter parking lot, across from the Hastings on Hudson train station. sites.google.com/p-coc.org

6/30 MONDAY

Music: Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts presents *Pianist Lara Downes*. The musician combines the lesser known American music works with the well known in her programs, often including visual illustrations and narration in recitals. 7pm. caramoor.org

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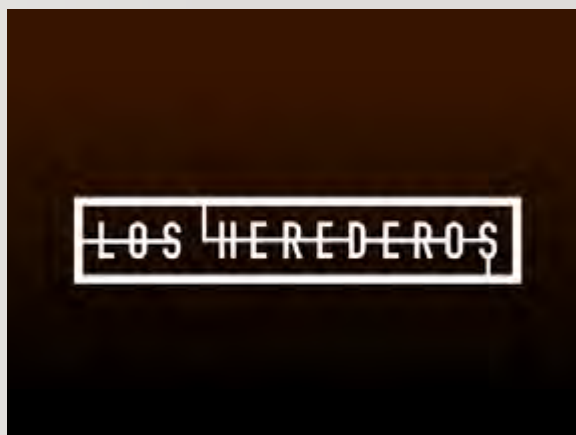
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EXHIBITIONS & CLASSES

ArtsWestchester | artsw.org

- Exhibition: *Who Writes History?* The exhibition explores how images and language shape the collective memory and mainstream narratives. Through 7/3, Wed-Fri & Sun: 12-5pm, Sat: 12-6pm.

Blue Door Art Center | bluedoorartcenter.org

- Class: *Children's Saturday Art*. This program for children aged 5-12 is taught by the Center's teaching artists. Sat: 10am-12pm.

City of White Plains and White Plains BID | wpbid.com/tubman

- Exhibition: *Harriet Tubman: The Journey to Freedom Statue*. This is a nine-foot high, 2,400 lb. bronze sculpture by artist Wesley Wofford that honors and pays tribute to Harriet Tubman's fight for freedom. Through 6/30 at Renaissance Plaza.

Center for the Digital Arts at WCC, Peekskill Extension | sunywcc.edu/peekskill

- Class: *Digital Imaging for Photography*. Students will learn the fundamentals of digital photography, from understanding exposure to learning image processing workflow in current software. Saturdays from 6/4-7/16 at 10am-12:30pm.
- Class: *Mixed Media Printmaking for Adults in 24 Hrs*. Participants will discover innovative ways to make handmade prints in addition to how technology such as computers and jet printers make printing contemporary. Tues & Thurs from 6/21-8/2 at 6:30-8:30pm
- Exhibition: *Off the Beaten Track*. This group show will run in conjunction with the 22nd Annual Peekskill Open Studios event and features works by Peekskill Arts Alliance artists with studios outside Peekskill downtown arts district. 6/2-29. Times vary.

For more Center for Digital Arts, Peekskill workshops, visit sunywcc.edu/peekskill.

Clay Art Center | clayartcenter.org

- Exhibition: *tender/queer*. This virtual exhibition celebrates Pride Month with ceramic works by artists in the LGBTQ community who are committed to supporting the community at large. 6/6-30, 10am-5pm.
- Exhibition: *Artists in Residence Concurrent Exhibitions*. The show will spotlight the artistic achievements of the Center's current resident artists Able Broyles, Anny Chen and Breana Hendricks. 6/23-8/4, 10am-5pm.

Edward Hopper House Museum and Study Center | edwardhopperhouse.org

- Exhibition: *Evening Wind*. The show is inspired by Edward Hopper's 1921 masterful etching of a woman who has awoken in the cross-hatched black of night, as if from a bad dream. Through 7/24, Fri: 1-5pm, Sat: 12-5pm & Sun: 12-5pm.

Hudson Valley Writers Center | writerscenter.org

- Class: *Bilingual Poetry in English & Spanish via Zoom*. Participants will read poems by key figures in Latin American twentieth-century poetry and observe the formal elements of each poet's work. Tuesdays from 6/7-28 at 7-9pm.

Katonah Museum of Art | katonahmuseum.org

- Exhibition: *Constant Carnival: The Haas Brothers in Context*. This show explores the work of contemporary artists Simon and Nikolai Haas within the art historical tradition of the carnivalesque. Through 6/26, 12-5pm.

Neuberger Museum of Art | neuberger.org

- Exhibition: *The Friends at 50: Selections from the Collection*. This exhibition is comprised of works that have come into the Museum's collection through the efforts of the Friends of the Museum organization. Through 7/3, Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.

Nowodvorski Foundation | sitenf.org

- Exhibition: *Arts. Never Ending Journey*. This is a series of an hour-long, live Zoom art workshops geared towards children and families. 6/1-29, 5:30-6:30pm at .

Oak & Oil Gallery | oakandoil.com

- Exhibition: *Seen and Unseen: Oil Paintings by Linda Puiatti*. Puiatti's representational and abstract paintings are inspired by the Hudson Valley, Upstate New York farmlands and the coast of Cape Cod. 6/18-7/17.
- Exhibition: *Flowers and Landscapes*. The exhibition features new work by Cynthia Mullins, who creates a range of oils featuring florals. Through 6/13, 11am-5:30pm.

Upstream Gallery | upstreamgallery.com

- Exhibition: *Queen Perspectives*. This juried show, co-presented by The LOFT LGBTQ+ Community Center, celebrates and explores LGBTQ+ life, issues, history and culture. 6/23-7/17. Thurs, Fri & Sun: 12:30-5:30pm, Sat: 10am-5:30pm.

The Ground Glass | thegroundglass.org

- Exhibition: *46th Annual Ground Glass Photography*. The Westchester-based association of photographers will be hosting a juried selection of photographs. 5/18-6/18 at Rye Arts Center.
- Exhibition: *The Written Word - Part I & II*. This two part photography exhibition features the work of more than 20 photographers. "Part I" will be on display at Katonah Avenue's Railroad Crossing fence and "Part II" at The Rye Arts Center. Through 6/22, times vary.

The New Castle Historical Society | newcastlehs.org

- Exhibition: *The Art of the Quilt Exhibit*. This is an antique and vintage quilt exhibit in the 19th-century summer residence of Horace Greeley. 6/26, 11am-4pm.

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