Mayor Mike Spano and School Commiss-
ioner Pamela Swart said the district could not
meet the state’s January 17 deadline for
hiring the entire class. “I always wanted to
give back to the community. It’s really impor-
tant to me.”

We also commend Puleo for being reasonable
during tough negotiations. He was a child actor,
and public sectors were many, as were the fields
in which he achieved them. He was a child actor,
social worker, military officer and historian, di-
tomorrow, author, husband, father and grand-
father, and 44-year public servant. O’Rourke’s 14 years leading Westchester as Chief Executive (1998 to 2012) were important in the history of our county, with O’Rourke pre-
serving the transformation of Westchester in a non-partisan manner.

For more information, contact the Westchester County LED at 914-995-4150.

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The new officers are being hired to fill cur-
rent vacancies in the 602-mem-
ber police force in Yonkers. The new class
includes residents of Yonkers and some transfer-
ning from other police departments.

PPO LaShannen Hogue, the only female in the class and the granddaughter of former YPD
officer Kelsey Hogue, “loved the city of Yonkers. I’ve been born and raised here and I think
that police officers serve an important role in the community.”

PPO Joseph Riden summed up the
enthusiasm of the entire class: “I always wanted to
help people and serve in a job where you can
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Challenge Republican County Executive Rob As-
torino in November. Portions of Jenkins’ speech, which clearly laid out the democrat’s agenda in county gov-
nernment over the past three years, included the following:

“We thank you so much for your support and your en-
gagement during these exciting times,” Co-pall Che-
ck Lescak said in his opening remarks. “May your kids,
and those of your kids’ kids, be healthy and happy, as
they deserve.”

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Congressman Eliot Engel
Sworn In to 13th Term

The City of Yonkers announced its release of Request for Proposal (RFP) for the acquisition and redevelopment of the former School 19.

"The prioritization of this project speaks to our goal of revitalizing long-neglected city properties," said Mayor Mike Spano. "With the right development efforts of the city," continued Mr. Spano, "this site will be restored and utilized for the benefit of our community." The School 19 site is located at 19 Vineyard Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10701.

The RFP calls for the acquisition of the property and solicits proposals for the development of the property. The City of Yonkers is seeking to develop the property for a variety of uses, including residential, commercial, and/or mixed-use development.

Closing Date: February 17, 2013

As a public event to mark the new year, Assemblymember Shelley Mayer (left) will be sworn in to her first full term representing the new 90th Assembly District in Yonkers on Sunday, January 13 at 10:30 a.m. at the Grand Roosevelt Ballroom, located at 2 Roosevelt Ave, Yonkers. Mayer and other local government leaders will make brief remarks.

Assemblymember Mayer Swearing In Ceremony

Yonkers, NY 10710
Andrea Stewart-Cousins
(914) 963-8787

The New York State Senate Minority Leader and NYS Senate Democratic Conference new leader, Assemblymember Stewart-Cousins will be sworn in to her first full term representing the new 90th Assembly District in Yonkers.

"We have not been this excited about women in the NYS legislature since 1919," said NOW-NYS President Zuniela Mendez. "We at NOW-NYS will work with Senator Stewart-Cousins as she continues her progressive legislative efforts in support of women's reproductive rights, work-
This, Too, is Yonkers and All Around the Town

By Eric W. Schoen

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Not only did I miss Andy, but I also missed the chance to share stories with you. I have to share two personal Andy experiences:

First, when right after the New Year, Andy O’Rourke accepted my “Facebook friend.” Knowing Andy for many years, I requested to be his “Facebook friend.” Facebook also suggests people you may know that person and want to “friend” them on Facebook.

About a year ago, former Yonkers City Councilman, County Legislator, County Executive and Judge Andy O’Rourke was presented to me as someone I might want to “friend” on Facebook. Knowing Andy for many years, I requested to be his “Facebook friend.”

The week before the start of the New Year, Andy O’Rourke accepted my “Facebook friendship.” So, what right after the New Year, I heard of his death, I was not only saddened but in a state of shock.

You have heard and read so much of Andy O’Rourke’s legacy, from his replacing the mayor to work helping them get off public assistance. I have to share two personal Andy O’Rourke stories with you.

I was very upset at the funeral of Yonkers Mayor Nicholas Wasiulski, who tragically shot himself to death. Nick’s funeral was, if memory serves me correctly, at St. Casimir’s Church on Nepperhan Avenue. At the end of the funeral, the numerous elected officials present walked down and Lord & Taylor and the movie theater offer validated for a generous two and a half hours, if I get around the complex and have yet to figure out the dynamics of the parking situation. If I eat at Cheesecake Factory, my parking will be validated for a generous two and a half hours, and Lord & Taylor and the movie theater offer discounted parking with validation, but there appears to be no rhyme or reason as to which stores do not. A coherent and consistent parking plan would be great and, like many others, I wait with baited breath for the new “road management plan” to be finalized.

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This, Too, is Yonkers...
Mayor Spano to Establish
Yonkers Animal Advisory Board

Mayor Mike Spano recently announced by executive order the establishment of a Yonkers Animal Advisory Board (YAB), an advisory council that will guide the city’s animal policies, programs, and projects to further youth involvement.

The YAB will consist of six members representing each council district and one member to serve as the chairperson, to be elected from members of the YAB.

It is incumbent upon our government to understand that animals and pets bring joy into our lives. Whether a dog, a cat, a bird, a fish, or any other animals, they can be a valuable companion, a source of love and support, and a way to escape the challenges of daily life.

The new board will consist of 12 members and an additional 20 surplus vehicles — all contributed to the revenue generation.

**Mayor Spano’s Animal Advisory Board**

The Yonkers Philharmonic Orchestra (YPO), founded in 2012 by Spano, has announced the filing deadline for the 35th Annual Concerto Competition. The application deadline is January 12 and will be held on Sunday, January 20 at 3 p.m. at Saunders Trade and Technical High School. Robert Spano will be the Master of Ceremonies.

For more information, visit www.YonkersCARStore.com or call 914-356-5322 or visit YonkersPhilharmonic.org.

**On-Street Meters to Be Removed from Ridge Hill**

Mayor Mike Spano announced that since the city launched the YonkersCARStore.com, in July 2012, it has generated $200,000 in revenue. The money raised from the tag sale has proved to be very successful and will benefit our taxpayers, said Spano.

"As seen with the money raised to date, our reduction schedule (CARS), which evaluates and provides an improved overall traffic flow, "will make Ridge Hill more of a friendly shopper area and it will improve the overall roadway spaces, whether or not the meter has any current parking meters. It will make Ridge Hill more of a go" spaces to serve restaurants in the complex and provides an improved overall traffic flow."

The move is in anticipation of the planned permanent removal of the over 100 parking meters on the private roads throughout the Ridge Hill commercial area. FCRC will present a reconfigured traffic pattern and parking flow plan, which will eliminate the handicapped spaces on the roadways, create "to-go" space for the restaurants in the complex and provide an improved overall traffic flow.

"I am pleased the City of Yonkers and Forest City Ratner to remove the parking meters and, together with the other changes that are being made will have a positive impact on the overall Ridge Hill experience," said Mayor Spano.

FCRC Senior Vice President and Director of Retail Kathy Welsh said, "Along with the City of Yonkers, Forest City Ratner finds that the changes that are being made will have a positive impact on the overall Ridge Hill experience. Limited on-street parking is better used for special purposes, such as short term restaurant vis-

**The Bravery of Miss Anne**

at the Grinton I. Will Library

The Dannen Most Dramatic "The Bravery of Miss Anne and Other Tales of Spinsterish Chamber" at the Yonkers Public Library's 1st Library on Wednesday, January 16 at 2 p.m.

The performance, which is open to the public, will feature two acclaimed female performers and an exciting array of props and costumes underscoring the adventures, challenges and obstacles faced by the characters in the stories. The performers will bring to life the stories of Anne and her friends through a combination of music and dance, as well as other theatrical techniques.

The performance will be held at the Grinton I. Will Library, located at 1500 Central Avenue. The performance is free. For more information, call 914-337-1500 or visit YPLN.org.

**You Will Love Johnny C?**

On-Street Meters to Be Removed from Ridge Hill

Manager Director, Belleayre Conservatory

Belleayre Conservatory seeks an experienced manager director for the center of its operations. Reporting to the Belleayre Conservatory Board and development, the manager director will work closely with the Belleayre Conservatory Board and development team to implement strategies and programs to achieve overall operational and financial goals.

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Please send a cover letter expressing your interest with salary requirements and résumé to: Belleayre Conservatory, 949 Main Street, Buck Hill Falls, PA 18613.
The Kitchen & Bath Insider: ‘Refacing’ is Not a Dirty Word

By Paul Bookbinder

The Kitchen & Bath Insider has been a leader in the world of kitchens for years. It is a magazine that focuses on the latest trends and innovations in the kitchen and bathroom industry. The magazine is known for its in-depth coverage of the latest products, trends, and innovations, as well as its focus on the people who are at the forefront of the industry.

The magazine has a dedicated following of professionals and consumers who are interested in the latest developments in the kitchen and bathroom industry. It is a must-read for anyone who is interested in the latest trends and innovations in the kitchen and bathroom industry.

The magazine is published six times a year, with each issue featuring in-depth coverage of the latest trends and innovations in the kitchen and bathroom industry. It is available in print and online, and it is a valuable resource for anyone who is interested in the latest developments in the kitchen and bathroom industry.

In this issue, the magazine features an article on the latest trends in kitchen design. The article highlights the latest trends in kitchen design, including the use of new materials, the latest in kitchen appliances, and the latest in cabinet design.

The article also features interviews with leading designers and architects, who share their insights on the latest trends in kitchen design. The interviews provide a valuable perspective on the latest trends in kitchen design, and they offer insights into the future of the industry.

In addition to the article on the latest trends in kitchen design, the magazine also features several other articles on the latest developments in the kitchen and bathroom industry. The magazine is a must-read for anyone who is interested in the latest trends and innovations in the kitchen and bathroom industry.

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Social Security Column: Disabled? Apply for Benefits from Home!

By Susan Sobel, Social Security District Manager for Yonkers

If your disabling condition makes it hard for you to do your usual work, apply for benefits in your local Social Security office, which we have some good news. You can complete and submit your application for Social Security disability benefits from your own home computer. Get started at SocialSecurity.gov/disability.

The application process involves deter-

mining—whether you have sufficient work as-

eligible for Social Security; 2) the severity of

your medical condition; and 3) your ability to

work. Because we carefully review so many
cases—more than three million each year—it

can take us five to six months to determine

whether you are eligible to receive benefits.

The amount of time it takes to make a de-

cision on your application can vary depending

on a number of factors, such as: the nature of

your disability; how quickly we obtain medical
evidence from your doctors, hospitals or other

medical sources; and whether we need to

send you for a medical examination in order to

obtain evidence to support your claim.

We do a number of things to speed up the

process when we can. For example, our Com-

pensation Allowances initiative allows us to

make decisions on severe disabilities such as

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS). There are 165 dif-

dent types of disabilities that qualify for this expeditious
decision and that is continuing to grow.

Learn more about Compensation Al-

lowances at SocialSecurity.gov/compassionate

procedures prescribed by the U.S. Bureau of

Labor Statistics.

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**Public Hearing on Ice-Ban, Part of MTA Fare Hike**

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At the hearing, the public will have the opportunity to provide input on the proposed fare increases, which include an increase in the basic fare from $2.75 to $3.75, a fare increase for seniors and the disabled from $1.90 to $2.90, and a fare increase for unlimited-ride cards from $52 to $56.

In addition, there will be a public hearing on the proposed fare increases for the Westchester County Metro-North Railroad (MNR) service. The proposed fare increases include an increase in the basic fare from $2.75 to $3.75, a fare increase for seniors and the disabled from $1.90 to $2.90, and a fare increase for unlimited-ride cards from $52 to $56.

The public is encouraged to attend the hearing and provide their feedback on the proposed fare increases.

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"I pray not to say that this life well knows love — and the institutions it’s based upon, was not, and will not, be the very future of our community.

"There are some people that just don’t get it. Progressive health care contributions, when you’re trudging away from our future — while trying to get political goals.

"The facts are these: your property taxes haven’t increased in 14 years, and the revenue stream you’ve gone up with your utility has gone down. Our county government is not doing anything to reduce your costs, and the sky is not falling. Start bending the other ways you are trying to cut costs.

"The non-profit partners are struggling and closing. Our local municipalities are struggling and closing. The amount of money that we have cut has left us out in the cold.

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Richmond Community Services has announced that its Fifth Annual Wine Tasting & Auction Event will be held on Saturday, February 2, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the School, 500 Horseneck Road, the former site of the 1860s era schoolhouse. The event features a silent and live auction that raises funds to support the organization’s services for people with developmentally disabled adults and medically frail. Richmond is a prominent example of a community that provides services to the developmentally disabled and medically frail.

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During the 1970s, O'Rourke served as the Westchester County liaison in the New York Army National Guard. He was later appointed as Westchester County liaison and served until 1984.

After retiring from the Army National Guard, O'Rourke joined the staff of the Westchester County Department of Social Services as a special assistant to the county executive. He then served as the director of the Westchester County Department of Social Services until 1988.

After leaving the Department of Social Services, O'Rourke continued his career as a public servant, working as a consultant to the Westchester County Board of Legislators. He served in this role until 1992.

In 1992, O'Rourke was appointed as the Westchester County liaison to the Federal Emergency Management Agency. He served in this role until 1996.

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Yonkers’ Bravest Gets 20 New Officers

The Yonkers Police Department’s 20 newest members

A large crowd of family and friends of new officers at Riverfront Library

The probationary officers take an oath to uphold the law and protect the citizens of Yonkers

YFD Color Guard starting off the ceremony

Happy New Year from Yonkers Rising!

The staff of Yonkers Rising wishes all of our readers a Happy 2013. We appreciate your support and help in printing the good news about the City of Yonkers. Pictured above is the Yonkers Rising staff: (standing, l to r): Photographer Donna Davis, Advertising & Sales Representative Paul Gerken, Editor-in-Chief Dan Murphy, Copy Editor Andrew Tobia and Administrative Assistant Greg Baldwin; and (sitting l to r): Ambassador Michael Bennett, Photographer Ed Whitman, Columnist Eric Schoen and Photographer Christopher Tyrone. Not pictured are our publisher, Nick Sprayregen, Assistant to the Editor-in-Chief Bayan Baker, Intern Ben Cohn, columnists Michael LaMagna, Michael Molinelli and Peggy Godfrey and contributors Cathy Elser and Paul Jerome.

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