Happy 102nd Birthday, Teresa Mautone-Tortora!

Teresa Mautone-Tortora with her son, Mark.

By Tiziana Thomas Dorea

Many famous people were born in 1912: the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, Italian movie director Michelangelo Antonioni, and Pope John Paul I. And among the artists, the engineer, the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the actor Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertainer Danny Thomas, the sculptor Henry Moore, and the artist Jackson Pollock, the entertaine
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Jenkins Appointed President & CEO of Industrial Dev. Agency

Mayor Mike Spano announced this week’s appointment of Westchester County Legislator Ken Jenkins to serve as president and chief executive officer of the Westchester Industrial Development Agency. Jenkins is to succeed Dist. 3 assemblyman Melvina Carter, who’s been named chairman of the Westchester IDA since 2007. "I am pleased to announce Ken’s leadership of the Westchester IDA and look forward to continuing working with Ken to create economic development that benefits all residents of Westchester County," said Spano.

"Ken has the skill set and understanding of how the Westchester IDA can serve to create a vibrant economic development in Westchester," said Jenkins.

"I look forward to working with Ken to further the mission of the Westchester IDA. I am pleased with Ken’s leadership and under his leadership, the Westchester IDA will continue to grow and to meet the needs of our community," said Spano.

"We thank Melvina for her service to the Westchester IDA and the city. She has been a dedicated member of the Westchester IDA and has served as its executive director for over 10 years. She has been a leader in creating economic development and has helped to make our city more competitive in the global marketplace," said Jenkins.

Mayer Visits With Constituents

Assemblymember Shelley Mayer recently visited the Yonah Schimmel Knish Bakery in Yonkers to meet constituents and hear their concerns. ‘’I want to thank all of you for your hard work, ‘’ said Mayer. ‘’We are all here to make sure that our community is served, and that’s what we’re here to do.’’

Mayer plans to continue to visit businesses like this in the City of Yonkers.

Inter-Religious Prayer Service is This Week

The 10th annual Inter-Religious Prayer Service for Peace and Justice Celebrating World Interfaith Harmony Week will take place Sunday, Feb. 2 at 7 p.m. in the Ethical Society of Westchester, 7 Union Wood Rd., White Plains.

Representatives of world religious traditions will come together to recite universal prayers or statements of peace and justice, in recognition of the 2006 resolution by the UN General Assembly calling for a week of World Interfaith Harmony Week between all religions, nations, and cultures.

The week-long event is organized by the Interfaith Harmony Week Steering Committee.

Sierra Club Hosting Food Waste Composting Program

Learn how to turn “garbage to black gold” this Sunday, Feb. 2 at 3:00 p.m. at the Tuckahoe Library. Mayor plans on continuing to hold future meetings at locations throughout the City.

For more information, visit Sierraclub.org or call 914-448-1210.

This Land is Our Land

By Eric W. Scheen

"This land is your land, this land is my land"
From California to the New York lakes
From the red wood forests to the Gulf Stream waters
This land was made for you and me
I was busy watching the Super Bowl
on my iPad, trying to stay warm
when I heard the sound of sirens
that iconic Hudson Valley classic song
fell silent on Tuesday
at 94 years of age.

I have a good fortune to watch Seager perform live in concert several times. No matter what your personal political persuasion is, I am sure that you would be moved by his performance and his dedication to the music industry. His songs have certainly had a powerful impact on me.

I don’t know if it is the result of the current political climate or simply my desire to search for information on Seager via Social Media, I recently stumbled across a news report on his death was “This Land is Your Land” by Woody Guthrie. How often we forget
that, yes, this land is our land.

Sometimes what I wake up in the morning and hear the news I can’t believe what is going on around me. On the one hand, I am glad to hear that our country is once again moving forward. But simply, did his 5-month-old daughter need to be put down at the airport? Our country and air travel really secure with the security screening that go on at our airports? I just don’t believe that this is the best way to go about it. And we are just now finding out about it.

I have been haunted by John Denver’s music since I was a child. But seriously, did his 5-month-old daughter need to be put down at the airport? Our country and air travel really secure with the security screening that go on at our airports? I just don’t believe that this is the best way to go about it. And we are just now finding out about it.

I was devastated by the news of Seager’s death. He was such a talented musician and his music will live on forever. He will be missed by all of us.

I want to thank everyone for their support during this difficult time. I will miss my dear friend, but I know that he will live on through his music.

Eric W. Scheen
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Sustainable Playland Board Adds Residents from Yonkers and NR

Sustainable Playland, Inc., which has been selected to manage Westchester County’s Historic Playland Park, has announced that Patricia Schofield of New Rochelle and Laura Blackman of Yonkers have joined its Board of Directors, increasing its membership to 10. Schofield is business manager of Proact LLC, a new business incubator. In this role she oversees all facets of operations and financial management and aids in the facilitation of new business initiatives and charitable endeavors. Previously she managed the New York office and administrative staff at Providence Equity Partners, was a consultant on global sponsorships and community events for Merrill Lynch, and was with UBS (formerly PaineWebber) in the office of government relations and public affairs. Schofield holds a bachelor of science degree from St. John’s University and a master’s degree from The Milano School of International Affairs, Management and Urban Policy. Blackman, an attorney, has more than 20 years of public- and private-sector legal experience, beginning as an associate with Rivkin, Radler, Dunne and Bayh. She shifted to the public sector as senior counsel with the Empire State Development Corporation, and later was an assistant attorney general with the New York State Environmental Protection Bureau. An assistant attorney general with the New York State Development Corporation, and later was an assistant attorney general with the New York State Environmental Protection Bureau. She earned her undergraduate degree at Princeton University and her law degree from Fordham University.

“UJA-Federation Scholarships Available to Teenagers

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The UJA-Federation Scholarships, which are available to teenagers from Yonkers and the New Rochelle area, are designed to provide financial assistance to high school seniors who wish to engage in community service projects. The scholarships are offered to students who have demonstrated a commitment to community service and have a record of good academic performance. The scholarships can be used to defray the cost of attendance at a college or university, or to support a community service project.

UJA-Federation of New York is offering technology opportunities to those entering 10th through 12th grade with plans to visit Israel this summer. Scholarship details and eligibility requirements can be found at www.scholarships.org/israel-scholarships.

Students must develop a community-service project and must be nominated for these merit awards by their New York-area synagogue or a UJA-Federation network agency, such as their local Jewish community center. Contact your synagogue, local JCC, or Mayyim Hayyim at 914-968-5851 for more information.

The deadline for submission is Monday, March 10.

The Westchester Bank Names Wiggins Chief Credit Officer

The Westchester Bank, a New York State chartered and full-service FDIC-insured commercial bank offering state-of-the-art technology with a comprehensive line of banking products to businesses and consumers, including: business and personal checking, business and personal savings, accounts, CDs, money market accounts, interest on Lawyer Accounts, attorney escrow accounts and tenant security accounts.

The Westchester Bank is headquartered at 2001 Central Park Ave., Yonkers, with additional branches in White Plains, at 464 Mamaroneck Ave., and Throemer’s, at 994 Broadway. For more information, visit www.TheWestchesterBank.com or call Kristin Ball at 914-373-1900.

John Tolomer, president and CEO of The Westchester Bank, said the bank is thrilled to be bringing Wiggins aboard its team.

“His senior-level expertise and skill sets are a terrific match for us,” said Tolomer. “We are well positioned to have another record-breaking year in 2014 and know that Eric will play a leading role in making that happen.”

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It’s Almost Groundhog’s Day

As part of the Westchester County nature community, the Lenoir Preserve will host an “Almost Groundhog’s Day” event Saturday, Feb. 1, beginning at 10 a.m. on Dudley Street in Yonkers. See what’s new this season.

For more information, call 914-968-5851.
**Workshop Empowers Homeowners To ‘Save Energy, Save Money’**

The Yonkers Animal Shelter has many dogs available for adoption. Brooklyn is a 2-year-old mixed breed – maybe a Bull mix – trained with some Great Dane traits. He has long legs and weighs about 70 pounds, but should weigh about 110 when he fills out. He is friendly and active and would love to be someone’s jogging partner. Brookylyn is very smart and learns quickly. He would be fine with older children, and loves to take walks and investigate everything he sees.

**Fake DPW & Con Edison Workers Running Scam**

Yonkers police are investigating several reports of individuals posing as Yonkers Department of Public Works employees or Con Edison employees who are manipulating residents to pay for non-existent services. The suspects have requested entry to homes in order to check water or gas lines and services were never performed. Residents should be aware that Yonkers DPW/City Hall will only seek entry into a home if called by a designated individual. A phone number is being used in this scam, and it is not the real engagement number. The public should call the Yonkers Department of Public Works at 914-377-7900 if they suspect the scam.

**Celebrate Presidents’ Day At Philipse Manor Hall**

President’s Day is a federal holiday, and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. from April to November, the Manor Hall’s public programs coordinator will recite “The Gettysburg Address” at 2:30 p.m., and meet visitors later in the afternoon.

**President’s Day celebration is an annual event featuring the Philipse Manor Hall’s Coat of Arms Collection of Presidential Portraiture. After his mother’s recent death, Washington was eager to make his own set of George Washington’s famous false teeth and draw portraits of presidents like the ones hanging in the museum.**

For additional information, visit www.philipsemanor.org.

**Looking for 50 Homeowners To Qualify for a FREE Home Solar System**

The U.S. Government and State of New York have financial incentives available to homeowners to replace their electric power provider with solar power.

For more information, call 1-800-75-SOLAR.

**City Council Opposes Sending More Sewage Waste to Yonkers**

The Yonkers City Council has voted to pass a resolution opposing plans by Westchester County to send additional sewage waste to Yonkers. Yonkers residents would experience a serious odor problem in the area due to the odor emanating from the treatment plant and its impact on the quality of life of neighborhood residents. As northern Westchester counties continue to grow, so will their need for waste management, said Panzella. “The diversion of additional sewage waste would open the door to even more sewage being diverted from up-country in the future,” she conceded. “The City Council of Yonkers, therefore, calls upon Westchester County to halt any plans about additional sewage into the City of Yonkers.”
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We have a unique opportunity for a Lead Sculptor at the Loew Company. LIsa Company has 200+ employees in our Rocky Point facility. We are set to move our company to the new site in the fall and are in need of skilled artists to help us transition our famous Loew Bros. logo and other famous Loew Bros. images to our new facility.

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- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Ability to meet tight deadlines

This is a full-time position offering a competitive salary and benefits package. If you are interested, please send your resume to leadsculptor@loewcompany.com. We look forward to hearing from you!

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Notice of formation of JMH SPORTS ENTERPRISES, LLC, Of Org. filed with State of NY (SSNY) on 10/20/2013. The address of the agent for service is: 1712 Post Rd, Westport, CT 06880. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1712 Post Rd, Westport, CT 06880. Purpose: any lawful purpose.


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Notice of formation of Passing Through Certificates, Series 2006-NC2, Plaintiff against ROSANNA and others. Against Secretary of State of New York on 06/15/2004 in New York County, Supreme Court. Purpose: any lawful act.

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Notice of formation of JH & ASSOCIATES CONSULTING, LLC, Of Org. filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/11/2007. The address of the agent for service is: 1260 Arborcliff Rd, White Plains, NY 10607. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1260 Arborcliff Rd, White Plains, NY 10607. Purpose: any lawful act.

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Notice of formation of History Gear LLC. Of Org. filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/21/2013. The address of the agent for service is: 1260 Arborcliff Rd, White Plains, NY 10607. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1260 Arborcliff Rd, White Plains, NY 10607. Purpose: any lawful act.

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Notice of formation of Ofc. filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/18/2012. The address of the agent for service is: 240 Woodbridge Rd, Danbury, CT 06810. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 240 Woodbridge Rd, Danbury, CT 06810. Purpose: any lawful act.

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Hot Topics in Health Care: Discrimination Provision Delay

By Michael LaMagna, Esq.

Yet another provision of the Affordable Care Act--the Discrimination Provision--was supposed to take effect within six months. Many cited that there already was a gap in the law, that the Internal Revenue Service cannot yet provide HPCW with key insights that contribute to the design of the Comfort Crew program. The administrator for this type of care in the Westchester community became clear to HPCW Executive Director Mary Spengler immediately, and so the organization began innovative methods to build a new program for children, specifically-trained team comprised of pediatricians, nurses, social workers, spiritual care providers, coaches, families and friends, therapists, and grief and bereavement counselors.

"Comfort Care works with the child's own pediatrician to create an individualized plan of care that ensures the highest quality of life for the child and their family," noted Spengler. "This collaborative approach to care requires significantly more time, energy and resources, than to their management and providers better health insurance options, especially lower-cost policies, that are considered discriminatory under the law.

The class will be held on the S1A level (visitor’s parking entrance) of the Cothen School of Social Work, 311 North St., Suite 204, White Plains. For more information or to register for classes, call Cecilia Pugliese at 914-964-7825.

Free Tax Counseling Program is Available

Meyer Saposnik announced last week that the Tax-AIDE program of the American Association of Retired Persons will provide free tax counseling services through the Yonkers Office for the Aging, located at 311 North St., Suite 204, White Plains.

"This is just one example of how Yonkers continues to strive and provide services to the community at no cost," said Saposnik. "We at AARP Foundation Tax-Aide are happy to partner with the community of Yonkers through OPA to offer this important free service to Yonkers' low- to moderate-income community, with particular emphasis on Yonkers' seniors," added Bill White, district coordinator. "AARP Foundation Tax-Aide is here to hand out of the 94 deaths of children in Westchester County in 2010 were associated with cancer, the current expansion of its pediatric palliative care program now known Comfort Crew was the most profitable health care agency will be the first to provide a formulated model of care in Westchester County designed specifically for children.

Changes to New York Medicaid, including higher co-payments for certain outpatient care, will allow for medically-necessary curative services, in addition to palliative care, for children under the age of 21 who receive receiving this care. This change in coverage provides critical care and support for families of children with a covered and Affordable Care Act, titled Concurrent Care (CC), which includes the 82 of 94 deaths in Yonkers which may be considered discriminatory under the law.

The class, called the "AARP Foundation Tax-Aide," will provide free tax preparation services to eligible residents of Yonkers for the 2013 tax year. Those eligible must have an annual income of $43,000 or less. The program begins Monday, Feb. 3, at the Cothen School of Social Work, 311 North St., Suite 204, White Plains.

For more information or to register for classes, call Cecilia Pugliese at 914-964-7825.
Once again, Westchester County will be attempting to award annual county mortgage tax receipts program to help low- and moderate-income people buy homes to ensure affordable housing.

The mortgage tax, considered a major county revenue source, helps fund the local school districts, important community and local and the real estate market of Yonkers.

"The 2013 mortgage tax figurants reflect a very robust third quarter real estate market, followed by a recent increase in the number of homes sold in Yonkers and Westchester," said John DiPietro, executive director, county Department of Real Estate Services. "This is a positive indicator of the market's stability and growth, which will continue to support the housing market and the local economy."

Last year's mortgage tax receipts totalled $487,965,115, nearly 9% more than the year before. The total 2012-13 mortgage tax was $445,781,615. The mortgage receipts are site-specific, meaning that the mortgage tax is assessed on the property and the number of homes sold in the city and town. The tax is a flat rate of 5% of the assessed value of the property. The tax is due on the first day of the month in which the mortgage is registered.

The mortgage tax receipts are used to fund the county's affordable housing program, which provides low-income families with the opportunity to purchase a home.

The county's budget for the upcoming fiscal year includes a 10% increase in the mortgage tax rate, from 1% to 1.1%, to help fund the affordable housing program. The rate increase is necessary to help fund the program, which is expected to increase by 10% to $45 million in 2013-14.

"The increase in the mortgage tax rate is necessary to fund the affordable housing program," said Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano. "The program is critical to ensuring that all residents have access to affordable housing.

The increase in mortgage tax receipts is also a reflection of the county's strong real estate market, which has been on the rise since the recession. The real estate market in the county has been improving, with home sales and prices on the rise. The mortgage tax receipts are a key indicator of the county's economic health.

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For a special lunch or dinner. From Feb. 3 to 9, Downtown Yonkers' finest restaurants are offering an across-the-board discount to all guests. Participating restaurants will offer 20 percent off lunch and 25 percent off dinner selections. To receive the discount, diners must bring the required discount certificate, which can be printed from www.YonkersRestaurantWeek.com. Diners must make reservations over the phone and mention Yonkers International Restaurant Week.

This promotion will showcase a variety of culinary delights. Peter Kelly's X2O Xaviars on the Hudson was voted Westchester/Hudson Valley’s most popular restaurant, and Zagat’s described X20 as “magnificent” and “unbelievably creative.” Westchester Magazine voted Zuppa Restaurant and Lounge “Best Modern Italian Restaurant;” and Dolphin Restaurant was voted best new restaurant. Almost every restaurant in the downtown area has been acclaimed for its creativity and cuisine. Cuban, Japanese, Indian, seafood, Italian, Mexican and more – Downtown Yonkers is an international destination for food lovers.

"Yonkers International Restaurant Week will bring new people to our downtown and our waterfront, allowing everyone to see the new renaissance of Downtown Yonkers," said Daniel Lipka, executive director of the Yonkers Downtown Waterfront BID. "Restaurant week gives us a chance to showcase our unique dining spots and introduce them to a new audience."

A full list of participating restaurants can be found at www.YonkersRestaurantWeek.com.

This offer is not redeemable through online reservations; prices do not include alcoholic beverages, gratuities and taxes, and this discount cannot be combined with any other offer. For more information, visit www.YonkersDowntown.com.

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and a Happy New You.

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Yonkers resident, author and Gold Star Mothers chapter President Hope Hollinsworth-Coaxum recently presented her stage production of “Never Judge a Book by its Cover” at the Yonkers Riverfront Library.

Hollinsworth-Coaxum is the writer, director and producer of the play, which is her second production and explores the definition of judgment, revealing in us the significance of faith and discernment.

The main character is Dalia, daughter of Pastor Jeremiah Devine, a stern yet loving father and spiritual leader of Heavens One Purpose Exemplified Baptist Church. The stage production unfolds and invites viewers into Dalia’s mind as she searches to understand the transformation of two young men, Jacob and Joshua – one who is vowing for her heart and the other for something as promising and sacred as her virtue.

The cast and crew put on two successful showings, Jan. 11 at the Yonkers Riverfront Library (sponsored by The Men’s Club of Community Baptist Church) and Jan. 17 in Coop City at the Dreiser auditorium.

Each performance had 200-plus attendees with nine children with special needs as guests in Coop City. There are now three more shows scheduled for the New York/Connecticut area, which will include a free performance for the residents of Children’s Village in Dobbs Ferry at the end of February.

Those who wish to contact the playwright can email her at hope@booksbyhhc.com.

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