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**Hudson River Museum November Calendar**

The Hudson River Museum, 511 Warburton Ave., Yonkers, will present a number of events this month, continuing its focus on the American Civil War.

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**“Coffee and Conversation”** is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 12 at 1 and 3 p.m. at the Hudson River Museum. Photo Courtesy of Vienna Carroll.

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And We're All Still Here!

By Eric Schoen

A friend’s daughter was concerned about what would happen the day after Election Day if Hillary Clinton got elected. She attended a party over the weekend for a classroom whose family members considered the state of the Union to be moving out of our country. My friend called his daughter’s fears by telling her that anything would be fine if she could be there to watch the voting. She was right. There was no need to worry and that our country has a long history of soulless experiment.

And we’re still here. You still have to pay taxes and not at the national level, either at the state or local levels they are still going up. But stocks are still selling coffee and McDonald’s still has chicken nuggets on the menu.

History was made Tuesday night when Donald Trump was elected the next president of these great United States. We live in New York, Blue country – so we really had no idea of the tidal wave that was sweeping America. But if you, like me, have friends dotting the country, you had a taste of how unhappy people were with the status quo.

Americans asked themselves simple questions: Am I safe at home and when I travel throughout the country or abroad? Are my kids going to be fine, there was no need to worry and that our country.

Young American Clubhouse officially opened its doors in Pennsylvania and Florida to get out the vote. The fact that she didn’t have the decency to console them in person is one thing. She then took to the stage and, not to say, told me a lot about him.

Donald Trump is no angel – even he would admit that. The history of his use is that he is even nothing to a political party or special interests like the Democratic opponent would have to if she were to go the “America to America” route. If we speak to America at 2:45 Wednesday morning, he looked as shocked that he won as Americans standing up until the wee small hours of the morning were.

The America Tower were the Democratic and Republican parties. Democrats lost the presidency and managed minimal intrusions in the House and Senate. Republican leaders for the most part did little to advance Trump’s candidacy. They would have been happy with a Clinton win, keeping things status quo.

Trump won Because Americans were not happy with the direction their country is going. It’s as simple as that. They voted pocketbooks, which are increasingly becoming lighter due to billions being spent by this country to fight wars abroad in places we don’t belong. The polling industry took a big blow Tuesday night. They weren’t predicting a Hillary victory, which ran an article several weeks ago tying their predictions: Am I safe at home and when I travel throughout the country or abroad? Are my kids going to be fine, there was no need to worry and that our country.

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Enjoy An Evening of Beethoven, Mozart & Chopin

Classics from Beethoven, Mozart, Schubert and Chopin will be presented by students from the Pelham Pianos School on Sat., Dec. 19 at 7 p.m. at the Yonkers Public Library, 1500 Central Park Ave. The performance is free and presents highlights of this great musician's repertoire for a fee in the nearby Buena Vista and Larkin Center, is accessible to people with disabilites, with free parking located at sidewalk meters.

The performance is free and open to the public. For more information, visit www.ur-library.org.

Community Theatre Group Presents 'The Last Romance'

The Grinton I. Will Branch will present Michael Perskin Amsterdam's production of "The Last Romance," a heart-warming drama about the transformative power of love, Saturday, Nov. 19 at 2 p.m. in the Pincus Auditorium, 1500 Central Park Ave. The performance is free and open to the public.

The play is directed by Maureen Howard and stars Carol Jansen, Bill Smith, Ann Spiegel and Janet Tiran. It runs approximately 80 minutes with no intermission.

M&M Performing Arts Company, Inc., is the resident theatre company of Lyndhurst Manor. The company has been producing theatre in the Hudson Valley and Westchester County since 2000.

The Grinton I. Will Branch is accessible to people with disabilities and offers free parking located at the library. For more information, visit www.ypl.org or call 914-337-1500. ext. 317.

PoeT Christian Wiman To Read At Sarah Lawrence College

Award-winning poet and memoirist, essayist, editor, critic and translator Christian Wiman will read from his most recent collection, "Hammer: The Prayer: Selected Poems," Nov. 15 at 7 p.m. at the Slocum House at Sarah Lawrence College. "Hammer is the Prayer" is Wiman’s fifth book of poems and is being published by Farrar Straus and Giroux on Nov. 15. His previous collections include, "On the West," finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award; "Every River Thing," winner of the Ambrose Bierce Award for poetry and named one of the 11 best poetry collections of 2010 by The New Yorker; "This Glittering Hour," finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award. The play is sponsored by the Sarah Lawrence College’s Performing Arts Department, the Fine Arts Department and the Office of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

This artist-run gallery offers an internship, a residency program for college students, portfolio-preparation classes for youth, drama classes for seniors, and an annual residence program. For more information, visit www.sarahlawrence.edu.

Dance & Exercise Converse

Feet lose gait and fit this holiday season, participating in free Zumba at Maze's Musicai and Balhae dance classes at the Yonkers Riverfront Library, when certified Zumba instructor Marie Yanez will lead a 1½-hour class Nov. 22 and 29 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Zumba is a popular aerobic workout combining Latin music with choreography from salsa, mambo, merengue, hip hop and other dance styles.

On Thursday, Dec. 6, 6:00 p.m., instructor Debby Kolb will teach students how to dance Mazza Balhae, a blend of Balhae dance steps with Bollywood moves. This Indian-inspired workout is designed for people who want to physically fit through easy-to-learn dance steps. Classes are held in the second-floor Community Room and are open to all teens and adults. No experience is necessary. Individuals will style while building strength and improving mobility and posture.

Yonkers Riverfront Library, located at One Luke's Corner is accessible to people with disabilities, and parking is available at sidewalk meters and free in the nearby Bono Yono and Wartburg parking garages. For more information, visit www.ypl.org.

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Seniors and Health Care

Institutes of Applied Human Dynamics Honors Senator

State Sen. Andrea Stewart-Cousins was honored recently by the Institutes of Applied Human Dynamics for her work in advocating for seniors.

"It is important to me that we continue to focus on the needs of older drivers in our community," said Stewart-Cousins. "This event is a great opportunity to ensure that our older drivers are safe on the road and have access to the resources they need."
YoFiFest 2016 Gets Two Thumbs Up!

From left are Justin Michelle, handling technical operations; Alexia Banochick and Alaina Harrington, associate producer; Mesh Taylor, director of social media; Matthew Pierce, associate producer; Robert Moment, director of operations; Patty Schumann, festival director; Davie Steck, executive director; Anna Birrittella, events director; and Donna Davis, festival photographer.

This year’s YoFiFest film festival was an all-new format built from the ground up — both literally and figuratively. It grew to eight days, regionalized several Westchester locations used, and after receiving a record number of submissions, it showed more films than ever before. It also included films “pop up” theaters constructed from scrunch (with the help of Sound Associates at 66 Main St., in downtown Yonkers with several hundreded actual theater seats, lights, cameras, screens, speakers, drapes and more).

On Nov. 3, these venues hosted the festival’s annual Filmmaker food event, featuring the winning-documentary “Sriracha” about the popular hot sauce, accompanied by a friendly competition between local chefs in which the audience sampled Sriracha-based dishes and voted for their favorites in different categories. The venues were: Chef Brest Portiert of Grot Thyne in New Rochelle for “Special Dish” for his Sriracha tacos. “Best Use of Sriracha” went to Chef William Lown of The Gritty Vine and The Marin Gin in New Rochelle for his dish of buffalo chicken sliders. “Most Inventive Dish” went to Executive Chef Kimi Hino of Alvin and Friends in New Rochelle for his chicken buns, and “Most Delicious Sriracha Dish” went to Chef Brest Portiert of Smokeshow of NY in Mamaroneck and NYC for his chicken and sticky rice plate.

The Nov. 3 “Best Dish” award went to Chef Hino and Alvin and Friends for receiving the most votes text.

To temper the heat, frosty craft beer was provided by Yonkers Brewing Company, onset deep and smoky elixirs were provided by Nahmias, and sweet sticky rice plate.

Nov. 4 was the Red Carpet reception, which provided a fun photo-op with fun of sons or sisters from the Dobronik Restaurant in New Rochelle, Peter Kirby’s sister’s Slovenian Venetia Vickels and bar courtesy of Yonkers Brewing Company.

Then, in honor of the election season, everyone was treated to “Weiner,” the behind-the-scenes documentary that captured former U.S. Rep. Anthony Weiner’s campaign race for mayor of New York City. The film won the U.S. Grand Jury Prize for a Documentary at this year’s Sundance Film Festival.

Then it was off to Zappa for the after-party and a YoFiFest-inspired cake made by Anna Artuso Bakery.

The lights, cameras and action continued Saturday and Sunday, with all time pop-up theaters starting the day with free, family-friendly programs, including a hands-on workshop presented by the Sarah Burtz Film Center, short films from The Brooklyn Film Festival’s kids, “Breaking into the Business,” casting and, after a Q&A with a YoFiFest-er as the executive producer and an after-party at Dolpins Restaurant and Lounge.

Other programs and events this year included a double feature of Ella Kurisu films at The Grot Thyne in New Rochelle, an evening of dance-related short films at The Donaldson Theater at Sarah Lawrence College, a back-to-backs-of-arch-enemies double feature at The Picture House in Pelham, and a “Done In Six Days” night at The Alamo Drafthouse Cinema on Central Avenue.

This year had the highest number of visitors from outside the area and the response from filmmakers and audience members was enthusiastic. “I was really honored to be a part of YoFiFest,” said Mike Quigley, director of “The Masterpiece.” “I was really honored to be a part of YoFiFest,” said Mike Quigley, director of “The Masterpiece.”

For more information about the Mediterranean Political Action Committee, visit mpacnow.org. For any of you who missed YoFiFest this year, you can join the mailing list at Yofifest.com to receive the newsletter and mark your calendars for the 2017 YoFiFest festival in mid-October 2017.

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The events co-chairs were William Shaggs and Susan Naber.

Photos by Donna Davis

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Mary Keohan of Ardsley is the financial secretary of the association and active in garden clubs and senior citizen programs. Bob Stauf, a retired Yonkers school teacher and volunteer in the Hope Organization, before she was a member of the Yonkers Human Rights Commission, and an activist in the Yonkers Democratic Committee. Mark E. Ward-Berry is a former pastor of Saint Barnabas Church in Woodlawn and now parish priest at Saint Patrick’s Church in Yorktown.

Mary “Scotty” O’Sullivan was a former resident of Yonkers who was an active volunteer in the Hope Organization, before she passed away. The award was accepted by Es- lina and Tom Kennedy.

American Irish Association President Catherine Marshall and board Chairperson Carol Daly thanked everyone for attending, and the volunteers who helped make the evening a success.

Send your letters and opinions to us at dmurphy@risingmediagroup.com

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May the Force Be With You at Legoland

Experience Lego Star Wars Days at Legoland Discovery Center Westchester on Nov. 18 and 19, featuring activities for all ages including Lego Star Wars Build competitions, a Lego Star Wars-themed Master Builder Academy and a large-scale Lego Yoda group build.

Lego Star Wars Days will be filled with exciting Lego activities guaranteed to bring the spirit of one of the most beloved film series of all time to life. These family-friendly Lego buildings feature iconic landmarks locations and buildings throughout New York, made entirely out of more than 1 million Lego bricks. Advance tickets and annual passes to Legoland Discovery Center are available online. LegoLandDiscoveryCenter.com/Westchester

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The county executive was joined last week by Lea, Mahoney, assistant coach Eric Helmreich. Team members who were juniors at the time of the championship include Andrew D’Aniello of Garnerville, Michael Goerke of Carmel, Vin Cavallaro of Yonkers, Rob Delmaine of Eastchester, Dylan Sahs of Mahopac, Dominico Breaux of Pelham, Jon Dilillo of White Plains, Jeremy Hernandez of Yonkers, Paul Spagnoli of Thornwood, Jerome Harkins of Somers, Anthony Piccolino of Bronxville, Joe Iengo of Yonkers, Rob Rota of Yonkers, and Brian Rapillo of Harrison.

Team members who were seniors at the time of the championship include Christian Rowell of Eastchester, awarded the Jack Curran Postseason MVP Award; Michael Ditmuere of Bedford; Billy Gerken of Bronxville; Samuel Roque of Eastchester; Chris Dexta of Putnam Valley; Marty Durkin of New Rochelle; Alex Dimovski of Valhalla, Andrew Milice of New Rochelle; Joseph LaSorsa of Katonah, awarded the Best Postseason Player of the Year Award, Michael Romanos of Yonkers, and John Mirione of Bronxville.

Some of the seniors have gone on to play baseball in college, including Dutra at Duke University, LaSorsa at St. John’s University, Helmreich at Richmond University and Dimovski at Pace University.

To learn more or make an appointment, visit nyp.org/medicalgroups or call 914-787-4100