Mayor Mike Spano will deliver his fourth State of the City address at the Riverfront Library on March 11. The speech will be the first unofficial step toward the mayor’s race in Yonkers this November, where Spano will certainly seek re-election and can run on the city’s accomplishments over the past four years.

“The opportunity of addressing the Exchange Club of Yonkers was an honor,” Mayor Spano said. “I look forward to the opportunity of addressing our city’s citizens on March 11 as well.”

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Last year the South Broadway St. Patrick’s Day parade merged with the McLean Avenue Merchant’s Association St. Patrick’s Day parade, which began a new era for Yonkers in honoring our Irish heritage, contributions and Saint Patrick, the Patron Saint of Ireland and the Arch-

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and in Aquarius, the world’s only undersea re
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"Find something you truly love to do and
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Yorkers Astronaut Ron Garan speaks to a packed audience at the Hudson
River Museum.

Col. Ron Garan, center, with Mayor Mike Spano and Yonkers First Lady and
CBS News anchor Mary Calvi.

By Dan Murphy

Westchester Astronaut Provides ‘Orbital Perspective’

Garan participated in the last space-shuttle-
based spacewalk. After his return and retirement from NASA
in 2011, he looked to give the world his "orbital
perspective," which he gained while living in space.
The "orbital perspective instead of look-
and thinking locally, look and think globally
and instead of looking at things in the short term,
you look at things in the long term," he said.
The orbital perspective is that if we work
together for the common good using long-term,
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"I think I already launched into space with this
idea that we need to leave this place a little
bit better than we found it and we’re all in this
together," said Garan. "I don’t think that was
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space and seeing that with my own eyes rein-
tended a concrete example of what I already
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Garan’s work now focuses on his "Orb-
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The Governor is WRONG!

By Eric W. Schoen

His 2015-2016 Executive Budget proposals are wrong for SUNY, wrong for students and wrong for New York:

• A cut of $1.3 million to SUNY’s successful Educational Opportunity Programs;

• Plans to close teacher prep programs based on invalid test scores from flawed SED-imposed teacher certification exams;

• A performance-based funding scheme that pits campuses against each other for funding and curtails access for high-needs and under-resourced students.

All while students are paying more than 60 percent of SUNY’s operating costs as the governor continues to disinvest in public higher ed. This is unacceptable.

Call 1-888-438-3921 and tell your legislators:

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New Greyston CEO Mike Brady

Mike Brady Named President & CEO of Greyston

Mike Brady is named President and CEO of Greyston Bakery, expanding his leadership role from vice president to the entirety of the organization. We are pleased to have found a leader within our existing team who possesses both the passion for our mission and as well as a vision for what a successful organization should be in the 21st century,” said Debra Stoner, chairwoman of the Board of Directors. Brady was a board member before being named president and CEO of Greyston Bakery in 2012, the for-profit arm of Greystone Foundation. Through his leadership, Brady developed the bakery into a pre-eminent social enterprise, demonstrating that Greyston’s unique model of open hiring and Publix-Marketing — Greystone’s mission to serve the people of Southeast Yonkers — is applicable with a profitable business model.

Brady is a well-known leader on social enterprise management, mindfulness in business, and socially-minded social entrepreneurship. He is regularly featured on these themes, including being presented at TEDxUnlv, CFS America and the Astoria Foundation Brown & Brown, as well as Harvard, Yale, Columbia and Brown.

Uscany celebrated its 32nd anniversary in 2015 and continues to have the opportunity to build on our heritage as a pioneering 21st century,” said Debo

"We look forward to continuing our relationship with then and Jerry’s and its partner Unilever. Mike has been a remarkable leader of Greyston Bakery,” said Chairwoman Stewart. “Mike has more than 30 years of experience in strategic and management positions, identifying and exploring new business opportunities in high growth and emerging industries, and has been central to growing the business to the current size. He is a business leader who is passionate about the American Sustainable Business Council, helping to grow our collaboration and our work with Greyston to assist and provide the means to succeed in our mission.

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The theme of the program is “Women’s Contribution” to the struggle. The program will feature a series of lectures by Michael Mayer and Yonkers Library Curator, Marcia Bees. It is a lecture series that will be held in the Library of the Yonkers Library. The sessions are free and open to the public. The library will have a schedule for every Friday, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. and from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Participation will also be from two youth advocates: Doris Guttman, Bettead-Canada, and a blind advocate. Pauline Chang, a youth advocate for the visually impaired, will be the host of the program. The program will be held in the Library of the Yonkers Library. The sessions are free and open to the public. The library will have a schedule for every Friday, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. and from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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Driver wanted for weekly newspapers in Dutchess County. Must have a valid CDL and own a car; and must own a car and valid state driver’s license. **Green Time:** 7-10 a.m. **Duties:** Deliver weekly newspapers to addresses throughout Dutchess County. **Pay:** $16.00. For more information, contact Streamline at 845-236-4740.

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ADVANCED DENTISTRY OF WESTCHESTER EXPANDS DECAY PREVENTION PROGRAM

Dr. Sabrina Magid-Katz announces a new decay prevention program at Advanced Dentistry of Westchester, which helps patients prevent severe tooth decay, especially in people with aggressive decay.

The program has been expanded to use the protein-building amino acid L-Arginine, in topical form in hope to preclude new and further deterioration of teeth.

Your local dentist, Dr. Limongelli, sponsors many events to benefit the community. He is a native of Yonkers, born between 1943 and 1954, so he'll get your full Social Security benefits. Then, we'll increase your benefit by as much as 30 percent of what you'd get if you retire at age 62, we'll reduce your benefit by as much as 20 percent of what you get if you retire at your full retirement age. If you wait until your full retirement age (66 for people born between 1943 and 1954) and you're between 62 and 65, you get a record of your Social Security earnings.

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myself and nappy witty, he would often politely say, "Don't call me Mr. Brooks; call me Tom." In the years to come, proudly following in his father's footsteps, he would, in the years to come, proudly follow in his father's footsteps. Tom Brooks' grandson, Yonkers firefighter Frank, was the funeral director of Brooks Funeral Home on Ludlow Street. At the time, he was assigned to Division 19, Yonkers, and president of the Yonkers Fire Officers Association. Tom Brooks' grandson, Yonkers firefighter Frank, was the funeral director of Brooks Funeral Home on Ludlow Street. At the time, he was assigned to Division 19, Yonkers, and president of the Yonkers Fire Officers Association. Tom Brooks' grandson, Yonkers firefighter Frank, was the funeral director of Brooks Funeral Home on Ludlow Street. At the time, he was assigned to Division 19, Yonkers, and president of the Yonkers Fire Officers Association. Tom Brooks' grandson, Yonkers firefighter Frank, was the funeral director of Brooks Funeral Home on Ludlow Street. At the time, he was assigned to Division 19, Yonkers, and president of the Yonkers Fire Officers Association.

His death, being denied a fair, adequate or meaningful hearing, was a tragic loss for the city of Yonkers, for the Yonkers Fire Department, for the Aisling Center and for the Yonkers community.

May this tragedy and his life last forever be a lesson to others who may be denied their basic rights to a fair and reasonable hearing. May his memory and his sacrifice be a reminder to all of the importance of the rule of law in our society and the need for all citizens to be treated equally before the law.

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In Westchester—everything from "The Sound of Music" to "South Pacific." Sadly, the decision was made that New York high school students will not be performing musicals to public acclaim in our schools.

My son is as far as myKristen Logsdon of Westmead, was the executive director of the Aisling Center and aide to the Aisling team of the Westmead Center for the Women's History of the State of New York.

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New York City students can now bring their call to action to their local elected officials, and they can make use of the powerful tools they have to advocate for their rights and bring about change.

Before we deal with devices to alert drivers that they are going the wrong way on our roads, it is crucial to understand the need for these devices. Drivers who are caught going the wrong way on our roads are usually stopped for driving while drugged or drunk. They need help and we need to be protected from their dangerous actions.

In the mid-1950s, your scribe was only eight years old and weighing close to 300 pounds and, carrying a gun in hand, entered the club. In the years to come, proudly following in his father's footsteps, Tom Brooks' grandson, Yonkers firefighter Frank, was the funeral director of Brooks Funeral Home on Ludlow Street. At the time, he was assigned to Division 19, Yonkers, and president of the Yonkers Fire Officers Association. Tom Brooks' grandson, Yonkers firefighter Frank, was the funeral director of Brooks Funeral Home on Ludlow Street. At the time, he was assigned to Division 19, Yonkers, and president of the Yonkers Fire Officers Association. Tom Brooks' grandson, Yonkers firefighter Frank, was the funeral director of Brooks Funeral Home on Ludlow Street. At the time, he was assigned to Division 19, Yonkers, and president of the Yonkers Fire Officers Association. Tom Brooks' grandson, Yonkers firefighter Frank, was the funeral director of Brooks Funeral Home on Ludlow Street. At the time, he was assigned to Division 19, Yonkers, and president of the Yonkers Fire Officers Association. Tom Brooks' grandson, Yonkers firefighter Frank, was the funeral director of Brooks Funeral Home on Ludlow Street. At the time, he was assigned to Division 19, Yonkers, and president of the Yonkers Fire Officers Association. Tom Brooks' grandson, Yonkers firefighter Frank, was the funeral director of Brooks Funeral Home on Ludlow Street. At the time, he was assigned to Division 19, Yonkers, and president of the Yonkers Fire Officers Association. Tom Brooks' grandson, Yonkers firefighter Frank, was the funeral director of Brooks Funeral Home on Ludlow Street. At the time, he was assigned to Division 19, Yonkers, and president of the Yonkers Fire Officers Association. Tom Brooks' grandson, Yonkers firefighter Frank, was the funeral director of Brooks Funeral Home on Ludlow Street. At the time, he was assigned to Division 19, Yonkers, and president of the Yonkers Fire Officers Association. Tom Brooks' grandson, Yonkers firefighter Frank, was the funeral director of Brooks Funeral Home on Ludlow Street. At the time, he was assigned to Division 19, Yonkers, and president of the Yonkers Fire Officers Association. Tom Brooks' grandson, Yonkers firefighter Frank, was the funeral director of Brooks Funeral Home on Ludlow Street. At the time, he was assigned to Division 19, Yonkers, and president of the Yonkers Fire Officers Association. Tom Brooks' grandson, Yonkers firefighter Frank, was the funeral director of Brooks Funeral Home on Ludlow Street. At the time, he was assigned to Division 19, Yonkers, and president of the Yonkers Fire Officers Association. Tom Brooks' grandson, Yonkers firefighter Frank, was the funeral director of Brooks Funeral Home on Ludlow Street. At the time, he was assigned to Division 19, Yonkers, and president of the Yonkers Fire Officers Association.
events like the Yonkers marathon, city parades, and as escorts for large funerals and dignitaries. The YPD motorcycle unit is highly regarded as the best in the northeast.

“We are honoring the traffic unit for their dedication and devotion on behalf of the citizens of Yonkers, while holding up the highest standards in the department,” said Exchange Club President Ann Muro.

The event was attended by the Police Benevolent Association; Captains, Lieutenants and Sergeants Association; and family and friends of the officers. Police Commissioner Charles Gardiner congratulated the honorees, as did Mayor Mike Spano.

A special award was given that night to Co-Chairwoman Helen Henkel for her untiring efforts over the years in contributing to the success of this event for the Exchange Club.

Another special award was presented by Muro to Exchange Club member Frank Spotorino for his large contribution made at last year’s dinner, which led the way to the Exchange Club raising enough money for the purchase of a dog for YPD’s K-9 unit. This was the second dog presented by Exchange over the years.

The Blue Knights, a non-profit law enforcement motorcycle club of active and retired law enforcement officers who promote motorcycle safety, was also recognized for its ongoing support of the Exchange Club. “It is ironic that tonight we are honoring the motorcycle unit of the YPD while we have other ‘Motorcycle friends’ from the Blue Knights with us, as well,” noted Muro.

The members of the YPD Traffic Division are Lt. Sean Mullins and Sgt. Christopher Petrotta; members of the Motorcycle Unit are Officers Darren Moran, Leslie Hand, Nicholas Lalli, Felix Rios, Steven Schlusberg, Anthony Campanile, Vincent Romano and Peter Mullen; and the YPD Hack Unit includes Officers Charles Baker, John Moriarty, Fred Squazzo, Joseph Reagan, Kenneth Stauding and Lisa Piarulli.
The City of Yonkers has continued its Black History Month celebrations through the end of February, with City Commissioner Christopher Johnson and the Yonkers Gospel Choir hosting the fourth annual Black History Month Gospel Concert at the Riverfront Library. Assemblymember Shelley Mayer also gave remarks, and Getty Square Gristposte provided dessert and beverages after the performance.

The Yonkers African American Heritage Committee and the Neophytus Community Center celebrated black history and heritage with a luncheon honoring Sharyn Patterson-Howard, CEO of Yonkers Family YMCA, and the Rev. Cynthia Miller, aide to Bishop Howard, CEO of the Yonkers Family YMCA.

State Sen. Andrea Stewart-Cousins, center, with honorees Paula Crawford, right, and Shawyn Patterson-Howard.

Dr. Jim Bostic gave the opening prayer and blessing of the food, while Mt. Thompson of the YMCA led guests in singing “Lift Every Voice and Sing.” Local musicians “Rage The Change” performed music, and Yonkers spoken word poet Tom Ray performed two thought-provoking pieces.

State Assemblyman Christopher Johnson said he hopes some or all of the additional funds the city has presented a budget request with an $89 million request for additional funding. The mayor called for re-election and will make an announcement at the Hometown Heroes donated their time to prepare, serve and clean up after the event.

The Upshaw Ensemble performs at Gospel Concert at Riverfront Library.