Yonkers H.S. Named Baseball City Champs

Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano released his $1.12 billion fiscal year 2017 executive budget proposal last week at a briefing for the City Council at Yonkers City Hall. The spending plan takes significant steps toward bringing inherited structural problems in a balanced manner, while conforming to the property tax cap, maintaining city services and providing its largest contribution in history to the Yonkers Board of Education.

"The fiscal year 2016 budget I present to you today is still a lean, balanced budget that strives to continue the progress we have made, with greater efficiencies and savings while staying within the confines of the state mandated property tax cap that the city has accomplished for four consecutive years," said Spanos.

Municipal Budget

The executive budget for fiscal year 2016 includes a municipal operating budget of $564 million, and proposes a 1.24 percent property tax levy increase, one of the lowest property tax increases in 20 years. By staying within the cap this year, Yonkers residents will once again be eligible to receive property tax rebates from New York State.

Under the proposal, the tax rate per $1,000 of assessed value would increase by $6.84, an increase in the tax rate of 0.95 percent, a typi- cally one-time family home would see their annual property tax bill increase by $77.29, or less than $0.80 per month.

The proposed budget provides for more efficiencies and savings through reorganiza- tion efforts while maintaining the same level of services. It does not contain any layoffs. Additionally, the executive budget proposes $64 million in city capital improvements, including $5.5 million for im- proving city parks and recreation areas, including construction, exhibition galleries and a support wing; $37.5 million for painting and maintenance at Nodine Hill Water Tower; $2.5 million for a new fire house; and $1.1 million for a new fire- house renovation.

Board of Education

The proposed executive budget includes a record $53.5 million appropriation for the Board of Education, an increase of $14 milli- on. The city will again increase its maintenance of effort for the BOE, which includes $14.8 million from sales tax revenue that Spano proposes last year to dedicate specifically towards maintenance of effort for the BOE.

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Yonkers Montessori Academy's Finest: 2016 Val & Sal

From left are Yonkers High School students Tatiana Pugacheva, Prachi Shah, Daniel Hong, Lili Hoif, and Shaina George cleaning up the Saw Mill River at Van der Donck Park.

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Sacred Heart Players Present "Thoroughly Modern Millie!"

Sacred Heart High School's "Sacred Heart Players," one of the best high school drama troupes in the area, will be presenting "Thoroughly Modern Millie," a joyous musical musical of American optimism, in the days of the roaring twenties. The production will run for three weekends, beginning on Friday, April 22 and 23 at 7 p.m., and Sunday, April 24 at 2 p.m., at Sacred Heart Church Hall on Covenant Avenue in Yonkers. Admission is $10, or $8 for students and senior citizens. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 914-985-6073.

On the opening day, Friday, April 22, the Sacred Heart Players will present a special performance of "Thoroughly Modern Millie!" to approximately 350 seventh- and eighth-grade Catholic school students from the Westchester area. This perfor- mance will be followed by a reception hosted by Sacred Heart Parish in Yonkers.

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Shelley Mayer and YWCA Yonkers, painters of funds for organizations that deliver critical services, are focusing on facilities owned or operated by not-for-profits. "Funds raised will benefit programs and services provided by Aisling Irish Community Center, which focus primarily on emotional and physical well-being, and the objective of protecting the welfare of vulnerable Irish emigrants and the community at large."

Programs include senior services, children’s programs, cultural and闽eological classes, and a homeless nutrition program. The Aisling Irish Community Center endeavors to provide facilities to the Irish immigrant community and strives to present a caring face to all, reaching out not only to the physical, but the emotional, social, psychological and educational needs of the person.

Donations continue to be accepted. Find out how to help fund Aisling Irish Community Center by calling 914-375-5211 or emailing info@aislingcenter.org. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/AislingIrishCommunityCenter.

Primary Day in New York

As this column goes to press, I have just cast my vote in the Democratic primary at Yonkers Middle/High School on Rockland Avenue. Such was not the case yesterday at the bus stop. The business was not busy, and they only had one line of voters. I could not help but wonder why Pauline Boyland was registered in a political party and not the Democratic. That was six months ago. Even Donald Trump, a business-savvy child, change their registration in time so that they could vote for their father.

In so much the New York State Legislature can do to make it easier to vote: They did not. There were moderators and volunteers without screaming through floors. The Kennedy-Nixon debates did not have fancy blinking lights or elaborate stages like the Republican and Democratic debates this primary day. The candidates and moderator sat at simple tables and asked straightforward questions; no screaming, no shouting.

There are going to be additional debates during the primary and general election. If the debate sponsors truly want the electorate to learn the candidates' positions on the issues so they can make an informed decision, they will need to make it easy and elaborate the backdrop.

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Union Volunteers Give Back to Yonkers

YWCA Yonkers Executive Director Michelle Gorzars with State Sen. Andrea Stewart-Cousins, Rick Elenorou and John Drew from District Council 9, Assemblymember Shelley Mayer, Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano, and YWCA Mayor residents.

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Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano and Yonkers Police Commissioner Charles James last week announced the kickoff of H.E.A.R.T., the Heroin Enforcement and Assistance Response Team, as the city’s new heroin abuse prevention initiative. Developed by YPD and working with St. John’s Riverside Hospital, H.E.A.R.T aims to comprehensively address the growing heroin abuse epidemic nationwide.

“We’ve all seen the headlines; herein lie consequences that can be seen on the rise across the nation, and Yonkers is not exempt,” said Spano. “Our police department is leading by example with the creation of H.E.A.R.T and tackling not only the aftermath that occurs when one abuses the drug, but providing resources to the community to help prevent the addiction. Heroin abuse does not discriminate against age, class or ethnic backgrounds, as we must address this holistically, across all platforms.”

YPD, H.E.A.R.T, Yonkers police will focus on education, prevention, assistance and enforcement. The team is comprised of Yonkers police officers, caseworkers and trained substance abuse counselors who will follow up with heroin abuse suspects who are arrested, those who survive overdose and the families affected. St. John’s Riverside Hospital is partnering with YPD to provide the necessary services needed to overcome the daunting addiction, such as drugs, rehab and counseling.

“By taking a proactive approach to heroin abuse, particularly in the area of education, prevention and assistance for the arrestees, we hope to decrease heroin abuse in our community,” said Commissioner Gudino. “The goal is to get the abusers the help they need before the next use or use to deter them from the criminal justice system. St. John’s Riverside Behavioral Health Services has agreed to partner with us to assist in getting vital services for those in treatment. Our community outreach includes the mobile units that travel to schools and community groups, presenting educational public service announcements, and distributing assistance and outreach information brochures to those around because of heroin-related crime.

Over the last year, YPD has been a leader in tackling heroin abuse in Westchester, being one of the first departments in the county to deploy Narcan to officers on the streets. The hinterland drug epidemic has been attributed to one person experiencing an otherwise preventable death. To date, Yonkers police have saved 17 lives since using Narcan.

For those who want to spontaneously report suspicious drug activity throughout the city, call the Yonkers Police Narcotics Tip Hotline at 914-964-7537, and a community outreach coordinator is available 24 hours a day. For more information on Yonkers police, follow us on Twitter @YPDOnTwitter or visit the Yonkers Police Affairs Office at 233 East Main Street.
Yonkers Montessori

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Yong bilder Gina Gaviran, English teacher, and student tutor Danica DeWitt. The Montessori team includes English teacher Diana E. Dela Cruz, a Montessori advocate, and other supporters in the community who are passionate about diversity and inclusion.

Nauer has taken college-level courses in business, economics, and international relations that helped her develop a comprehensive understanding of the federal and international framework of tax liens and tax sale processes. She has also served as an intern at the US Department of the Treasury and at the US Department of Justice, where she worked on complex tax cases and was involved in local tax disputes.

In order to support her education, Nauer has been able to develop strong networking skills and has been able to take advantage of the many opportunities offered by the US tax system. She has been able to focus on her studies and has been able to gain valuable experience in the field, which has prepared her for a successful career in the field of tax law.

John Liszewski
Commissioner of Finance and Management Services

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**Further or Additional Tax Sale Notice**

In addition to the foregoing Tax Sale Notice and Statutes therein described, the further or additional notice is given setting forth the lists and parcels of land, including the address thereto, on which the tax liens to be sold shall be subject for the taxes and assessments for the years or periods specified in the Notice, and that a list upon said lists and parcels on and after the date mentioned in the advertisement for sale as stated herein, namely, Saturday, April 23, 2016, at 10:00 a.m., at which time any person or persons shall offer to take the same in consideration of the assessed values and assessments and pay the taxes and assessments and all costs by which the same is encumbered and chargeable accrued since the time of the sale, or shall make application for the registry of the tax lien.

Each of the tax liens referred to in this advertisement will be subject to the provisions of the Federal Soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief Act and amendments thereto and Section 313 of the State Military Law.

Notice is hereby further given that a particular and detailed statement of the property affected by this sale, together with the total amount of the tax lien, as described in the Notice, or in the advertisement for sale as stated herein, namely, Saturday, April 23, 2016, at 10:00 a.m., at which time any person or persons shall offer to take the same in consideration of the assessed values and assessments and pay the taxes and assessments and all costs by which the same is encumbered and chargeable accrued since the time of the sale, or shall make application for the registry of the tax lien.

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And Notice is hereby given that if default be made in such payment, the lien of the City of Yonkers, upon said lands and tenements for any tax or assessment thereon, which are to be sold will hereafter be published in the official newspaper(s) of the City of Yonkers.

Each such notice shall contain a description of the property affected by such lien, together with the total amount of the tax lien, as described in the Notice, or in the advertisement for sale as stated herein, namely, Saturday, April 23, 2016, at 10:00 a.m., at which time any person or persons shall offer to take the same in consideration of the assessed values and assessments and pay the taxes and assessments and all costs by which the same is encumbered and chargeable accrued since the time of the sale, or shall make application for the registry of the tax lien.

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Anita Sklar

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In an interview with YONKERS RISING, Ruth

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Your bridges, tunnels and large-scale buildings

— are also the co-chairs of the local Little League

Union members, elected officials, community leaders and civic

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Notice of Formation of Birth-

Metals Services, LLC, a New York Limited Liability Company, located at 162-11 28th Avenue, Long Island City, NY 11101. NY Dept. of State on 1/31/15. Designation as LLC agent for purpose of service of process upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail any required process to 121-10 28th Ave, Long Island City, NY 11101. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Production

Enterprise LLC: Date of filing with SSNY on 2/19/16. Office location: Westchester County, NY. NY State of State on 2/21/16. Designation as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail any required process to 125-10 Hough St, Yonkers, NY 10704. Purpose: any lawful activity.

More than a dozen properties in Yonkers will be available for purchase at a real estate auction taking place next Friday, April 22, at the Yonkers Riverfront Library Community Room, 425 Main St., Yonkers, and online. The properties were acquired by the City of Yonkers through tax foreclosure, and are a mix of single-family, multi-family, commercial, and vacant properties.

The auction will be conducted by William & Williams, a leader in global live and interactive auctions.

Bidders may view the properties, terms and conditions and download a sample contract at www.yonkersrising.com/onlineauction.

Call today!

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Auction at 6752 04/01 – 05/06

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Pier Street Yonkers, NY 10704. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Financial

Click to view the full-sized image.
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to education funding. The capital budget of $35 million for school improvement and 8 improvements for $35 million will be used for school improvement and the Board of Education for the current year for $20 million ($8 million for capital projects for the Board of Education).

"With $35 million in bond funding, school improvement projects will be underway this summer," said Spano. "This will be the first step in a multi-million dollar property tax cut for fifth consecutive years in the city's budget, which has already been enacted for 2017-2018 fiscal year." Spano is still advocating New York State to pass the cent property tax cap for the fifth consecutive year.

The complete fiscal year 2017 executive budget can be downloaded at www.yonkersrising.com.

**Budget Snapshot**

- City Proposes 1% increase in Education spending in the city's budget from 2016-2017 for the city's budget
- No layoffs of municipal or BOE employees
- Proposes 1.67 percent increase in property tax assessments for the city's budget
- Stays within the state mandated 2 percent property tax cap for the first consecutive year, residents to receive tax rebates from New York State

**New Yor k S t at e**

"I urge the City Council to build upon the state’s $35 million commitment to Education,” said Spano. "With a state contribution to the Board of Education by New York State, the City Council can move forward with a fair and honest budget for our taxpayers and improve the education system in the city’s budget."
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

In the Matter of Foreclosure of Tax Liens

Pursuant to XIX of the Charter of the City of Yonkers and Article 11, Title 2 of the Real Property Tax Law, by the City of Yonkers, New York—List of delinquent taxes as of April 15, 2016, consisting of one volume.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF TAX LIENS
BY CITY OF YONKERS, NEW YORK

BY ACTION IN REM

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on the 15th day of April, 2016, JOHN LISZEWSKI, Commissioner of Finance and Enforcing Officer of the City of Yonkers pursuant to law

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Golden Artists Featured At Philipse Manor

Philipse Manor Hall, 9 Wall Street, is open Tuesday to Saturday from noon to 5 p.m. Admission to the Community Gallery is free; however, a fee is charged for on-site parking available. Exhibiting Artists include: Iliana Reymundo, Frances Bril, Grace Brophy, Elaine Carney, Lynn Anne Cicalo, Eugene Distelhurst, Rose Marie Distelhurst, Pat Dundas, Frank Gerasia, Gloria Gerasia, Elsa Goolde, Gloria Maier, Marie Distelhurst, Pat Dundas, Frank Gerasia, Yvonne Palladino, Maria Pennacchio, Joan Schneider, Sandra Shalof, Jeanette Werney, Joan Schindler, Sandra Shafid, Jeanette Werney and Joyce Werney.

The second annual Golden Artistry Art Show opened at the Philipse Manor Hall Commu- nity Gallery on April 8; for information, call 914-377-6730 or 201-683-5500. Visit the website at www.goldenartistryshow.com. The show will run through May 14.

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After years of collaboration with judges and court administrators, along with state and local representatives, County Executive Robert Astorino finalized last week's opening of the new Family Court branch in Yonkers at the iPark Hudson Complex at 131 Waverly Ave. The newly-refurbished, 22,775 square foot space will provide families with a safe, clean and efficient experience during what is often a difficult time in their lives.

Coming to Family Court can be overwhelming, even scary, especially when children are involved,” said Astorino. “In the very least, you should feel safe and be comfortable, which is what this new space offers. Add to that the accessibility and efficiency, and you’ve got a safe and secure and modern experience.”

The streamlined facility will feature separate security-screened entrance for staff, pätners and the public. That, along with a suite of the art technical infrastructure and modern physical plant, will translate into savings of up to $20 million over the life of the lease for Westchester taxpayers.

“The nature of the work of the Family Court demands the facility be safe and welcoming,” said Alan Scheinkman, administrative judge for the Ninth Judicial District. “It is gratifying to see the results of much hard work with County Executive Astorino, and to deliver this modern courthouse to the families of Yonkers and others who are involved in these families are experiencing.”

The court is located adjacent to an office of the county Department of Social Services, which serves the needs of many families attending the court and understands the consequence and efficacy of the new location.

Among the highlights of the new Yonkers Family Court location are:

- Three court rooms, three hearing rooms, a waiting area, and Family Court patrons pass through the building’s common public entrance to the floor. Public access to the Family Court is through the building’s common waiting area, and Family Court patrons pass through two security check points. Also, there are three court rooms, three hearing rooms, a waiting area, and offices for judicial support staff, as well as a children’s center and attorney-client conference rooms.
- The staff will feel secure and comfortable, and the public will feel safe and secure.
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Paulo Suzuki can be found working and networking hundreds of 8-by-10 light abstract ideas, scattered out into the hallway and covering every inch of available space – including the floor and tables – of his 500-square-foot studio.

The studio itself appears much smaller than it is because Suzuki also stores up to 40 giant canvases, some as large as 10 by 14 feet. These pieces range from symbolic stepping stones to plant form patterns. He describes them as a testament to life and death. Each “stone” is painstakingly handled as a separate painting.

While spectacular in scale, what may be more impressive are the materials. Mixed media? Sure, but what exactly? A short list includes asphalt, air, red earth, woods, stones, flowers, feathers, sand, salt, turf, bones, food, animal hide, tin cans, bottle caps, cloth, cork and more.

Suzuki, born in Brazil and raised in Papi, has lived in London and is now residing in the Bronx. He adapted Yonkers as the place to pursue his lifelong passion for painting. ‘Painting represents freedom,” he said. “You can create your own universe.”

He has shown in Japan, London, Brazil and New York, and has been represented in prestigious galleries such as the Marlborough Gallery and Gale Gates Gallery.

Suzuki will be among 60-plus YOHO artists opening their studios to the public during the 13th annual YOHO Artists Open Studio at 541 and 570 Nepperhan Ave., the weekend of May 14 and 15. This free event will run from noon to 7 p.m. Saturday and until 5 p.m. Sunday. For more information, visit www.yo- artists.org.