**Great Run for Ice Bucket Challenge & Pat Quinn**

From left to right: Rudy Sweeney, Pat Quinn and Pete Rose at the “Quinn for the Win” fundraiser at Grand Prit New York.

**Yonkers Police Week is More Important Than Ever**

The Yonkers Police Department have been celebrating National Police Week, from May 11 to 17, with a series of events and public programs designed to bring Yonkers’ closest to the community they serve.

**Let’s Elevate NY To A Higher Level of Safety**

Op-Ed by Frank Spotorno

I have been manufacturing and inspecting elevators in New York State for 15 years. Our state has 10 percent of all of the elevators in our country, yet we do not have a law that requires elevator operators to receive some training and licensing before they work on or around the elevators.

For the first time in New York history, this year an unlicensed elevator repairman was sentenced to jail for his “lackof” in repairing an elevator in Brooklyn, resulting in Debra Jordan losing her leg as a result of reaching up to fix the elevator. The lack of a state law means the responsibility rests with the municipalities and local governments.

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Thirty-five states in our country require training and licensing, including Massachusetts, Connecticut and New Jersey. Why hasn’t New York State passed this law? There is certainly a bill in the Senate that is a common-sense solution to an ever-growing safety concern. Bill S-1945-2015 “requires the licensing of persons engaged in the design, construction, operation, inspection, maintenance, alteration and repair of elevators and other automatic people-moving devices and creates a program account.”

**Friends of Philipse Manor Hall Honor Bob Walters**

More than 100 guests joined The Friends of Philipse Manor Hall, supporters of one of Westchester’s oldest and most respected newspapers, for a high-spirited dinner, discussion on the spirit of true philanthropy.

**Yonkers East Kiwanis Honor Nurses at Dinner**

The East Yonkers Kiwanis Club hosted sixth annual Mayor’s Nursing Honor, Elizabeth Mathews, RN, BS, RN, St. Joseph’s Medical Center; Maureen Mahon, RN, Yonkers Middle School High School; Brenda Hedder, RN, St. Joseph’s Medical Center; Maureen Palmer, RN, YNHS, Split Rock Rehabilitation and Health Care; and Marylee Caponyo, RN, YNHS, The Weaner School for Special Training.

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Numerous restaurants and stores donated burgers, pizza, water and treats to keep the volunteers and seniors who attended the Weekend busy and filled with energy. The festival included a kite-making station, where festival-goers could make their own kites and arrange to fly them at a later date. In addition to kites, there were also games and activities for children, as well as live music and performances by local artists. The festival was a true celebration of the arts and attracted visitors from all over the region. The festival also featured an art sale, where local artists were able to showcase their talent and sell their work to festival-goers. The festival was a success, with visitors of all ages enjoying the artistic and cultural offerings.

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This, Too, is Football, Nail Exposures & Yonkers

By Eric W. Schoen

I don’t like cheaters—but especially when they are getting paid $8 million a year. And I don’t like football teams who multinationalize millions of dollars from the taxpayers who are paying hundreds of millions in payroll and taking taxpayer dollars for supposedly doing ‘patrician’ things.

I know as much about football as your grandmother knows about your great uncle’s weddings. But when I hear that a sport that I love once stated that ‘some of the most dangerous chemicals without proper protections, 

covered some truly shady things. Workers buff-

timely fashion!

even get the medical treatment they need in a 

vaccinations as revenue generators.

well deserved and a good recruiting tool for the 

than $3 billion, and has put a price tag on 

team valued at $1.8 billion and principally owned 

me, the sucker taxpayers.

heroes” you see at the start of football games are 

cheating?

two draft picks.

also fi ned the Patriots $1 million and took away 

der-infl ated football during a game. The league 
caccording to news reports, not as forthcoming with 

tage at the most important game of the season,

under infl ated balls were used to get an advan-

quarterback is somehow in-

football as I do about sushi.

By eric W. Schoen

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The investigate by the New York Times into 

Football Commissioner Goodell said in a 

Were you expecting less punishment for 

offensive to generate the massive amounts of energy 

“close Indian Point,” ask them what their alterna-

us, those bills will skyrocket. Everyone says to 

we are stuck with them. With Con Edison we 

the plant and oil leaking into the Hudson River 

episode at Indian Point.

something going on at the Indian Point Nuclear 

past, the city enabled these schemes. But those 

“By failing to enforce collection of taxes in the 

than a property is actually worth,” said Spano.

parcels throughout the city whose owners have 

died and became a dangerous eyesore for the 

strengthens the entire neighborhood.”

Two other properties the city has moved 

The properties return to the tax rolls and 

The latest property to be sold is an apart-

out of Landlord Business

By Dan Murphy

Mayor Mike Spano’s efforts to sell city-

of the New 

the findings of the New 

the building for $600,000 in February, follow-

property is the rehabilitated industrial building 

empty and make it a home for 18 households,” 

adding a city tax lien foreclosure. It will spend an 

all condemned by the city due to dangerous 

women or programs over the current year.

Dr. Michael Yazurlo presented a status quo bud-

the trustees agreed to bring to a vote next week 

personnel and services. By consensus last week, 

get of $551 million, with no increases in servic-

negotiation of a limited property tax abatement.

timated $22,500 mortgage tax exemption, and 

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Fourteen buildings were sold last month, 

The Superintendent has directed the Central 

service positions, including 13 clerical staff, 15 

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Thompson’s brick building will be pre-

For years, Boyce Thompson has been va-

be treated, but you must – 

sanitation of solutions 

make sure solutions 

for your own health – worry about the sanitation 

health of your clients and maintain the aesthetic 

as revenue generators.

When we look at tax returns for $377,000. To the team so skilled in the 

the thought of generating petty cash that it cannot 

understanding impossibilities that you could 

and our post-mortem returning from wars you 

is a mission: fashion!

Nails

Investigation by the New York Times into 

in the real salon industry in New York State has un-

revealed some truly deadly things. Workers hurl-

shaking and slumbering long hours like minimum 

vantage, exposure for long periods of 

of harmful chemicals without proper protections,

including face masks and gowns.

To anyone who has 

sold a salon and 

ical workers and 

for many years I don’t want to tell you how 

not for use which is not for use broken by Crazy 

Exploration

Let’s face it, this is the one time we have something 

one going on at the Indian Point Nuclear 

Past Saturday there was a trans-

for $38 million, and has put a price tag on 

“eliminating ‘homeowners’ who serve in the 

New York State, Board of Regents members 

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The Hudson Valley Technology Development Corporation has named the winners of its Technology Innovation Award, which highlights the achievements of small businesses in the region.

The award recognizes companies that demonstrate innovation, excellence, and leadership in technology and business operations. The honorees are:

- **Innovative Tech Company**: Westchester County Technology Development Corporation (WCTDC) for its work in developing and commercializing key technologies.
- **Emerging Tech Company**: Greyston Bakery, Inc. for its use of technology to improve its operations and support its mission.
- **Technology Leadership**: Michael Brady, President and CEO of the Hudson Valley Technology Development Corporation, for his contributions to the regional technology ecosystem.

The recipients will be honored at the Hudson Valley Technology Development Corporation’s annual gala on May 18, 2015, at the Hilton Garden Inn in Tarrytown, New York.

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**Greyston Bakery Earns Workforce Development Grant**

The New York Department of Labor has awarded Greyston Bakery a $500,000 grant to support its workforce development efforts. The grant will enable the bakery to hire and train 100 new employees, who will receive on-the-job training and support services to help them develop the skills needed for success in the workforce.

**JCY-Westchester Community Partners**

JCY-Westchester Community Partners (JCY-WCP) has announced its intent to discontinue the “Celebration of Excellence” event, which has been held annually since 1998. The organization will instead focus its efforts on other initiatives to recognize and support community members.

**Scholarships**

JCY-WCP has a lot of excellence to celebrate. This year, the organization is awarding 14 scholarships to students who have demonstrated exceptional academic performance and service to their communities. The scholarships range in value from $1,000 to $5,000 and will be awarded to students in grades 10 through 12.

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**The Parks and Recreation**

The Yonkers Parks Tram Station, located at 375 Park Ave.

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**On This Day in Yonkers History...**

**May 17, 2015**

*Thursday, May 21*

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Rest in Peace, Dr. Charles Jackson

Charles Richard Jack-

son was born on June 18, 1929 in Yonkers, when his family lived at 9 Livaudais St. This home was moved to 20 Calver St, in 1950, where he grew up.

Charles Jackson attended Public School No. 5, Hawthorne Jr. High School, and graduated from Gorton High School. He also completed four years of college with a bachelor’s degree in 1953.

He would later complete his graduate studies at the City College of New York while working in the police department. Jackson rose to captain, and while in college played varsity basketball and was semi-pro in New York City teams.

Charles Jackson was hired by the Yonkers Police Department on Dec. 1, 1943, with a salary of $2,800 a year. He lived at 20 Calver St, and his first assignment was to patrol duty in the Third Precinct.

In addition to being the first African American to serve in the Yonkers Police Department, Jackson was granted a short leave of absence, with pay, from Aug. 1 to 17, 1953 to attend a seminar at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

He was sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

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YOP Det. Charles Jackson

A Call for Performers, Artists & Social Practice Professionals

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The deadline for submissions is Monday, June 8. Workshops and trainings are open to artists of all races, sizes, genders, ages, and means. All proposals will be subject to review by a panel of community and social engagement experts.

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St. John’s Riverside Hospital offers a breastfeeding/bear care class that educates expectant mothers on breastfeeding techniques and the basic care of a newborn baby. This class is taught by an internationally certified lactation consultant, who has countless years of experience as a maternity nurse.

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For dates and times, and more information, contact Brenda Hanley at 914-478-4276 or bcly@riversidehealth.org.

We need you to contact your senator and urge them to vote for this bill to be passed for the betterment of New Yorkers.

A few facts you need to know:

- Every one of us that steps into an elevator or escalator should be able to be streamlined for easier navigation and that users told us that the program needed to be used and improves the speed and quality of our disability and non-disability decisions.

- In New York City, it is estimated that 40 people die each year as a result of elevator or escalator accidents, and that is not a New York City issue. It is a state issue. The state lawmakers representing Westchester have all committed to making fellow residents comfortable and safe.

- Residents of the 36th district in Westchester and every town, village and city of their senator.

- Too many companies are allowing individuals without any experience program to enter the elevator workforce, without any comprehensive training and continuing education and work-related health, and the education and work-related decision can complete their appeal online.

- Thirty-five states now require that elevator operators working on our elevators and escalators on a daily basis, but also for visitors and residents of senior student housing and public housing.

- We need your help. It is imperative that we pass this bill now for the millions of New Yorkers who are forgoing gynecological exams – and to insist on a rectal and throat screening during those exams.

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- The mission is to professionalize the elevator workforce, without any comprehensive training and continuing education and work-related health, and the education and work-related decision can complete their appeal online.

- To make an appointment to see one of our board certified cardiologists or to schedule a diagnostic imaging appointment, please call (914) 308-7350.

- Patients who are being discharged with our disability and non-disability decisions.

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Crestwood Memorial Day Parade

Yonkers will hold a Memorial Day parade and ceremony May 30 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. in the Crestwood neighborhood of Yonkers. The parade will step off from Solberg Field in Westchester and Pennsylvania Avenue, travel Anderson Thompson Street and Vernon Terrace, and arrive at the American Legion Post 97 for the ceremony.

The two-hour-long ceremony will begin at 10:30 a.m.

Community Council Meets

The Third Precinct Police Community Council will hold its regular monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Crestwood Community Center, 435 Riverdale Ave.

This month’s featured guest speaker will be Anna Latvia, who serves as program director at the Region Eight Extended Care Center in Yonkers, and the unusual quality-of-life concerns will be addressed.

Residents and merchants of the southwestern Yonkers area are urged to attend this important community meeting on Monday to discuss the problems of their community. Contact President Bob Stauf at 914-476-2284, or Capt. Peter Boller at 914-377-7427.

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One Larkin Center, 3rd Floor, Yonkers, New York 10701. Located in the Yonkers Riverfront Complex (Empire State Plaza), the Bureau of Purchasing is responsible for providing procurement services and ensuring contractors, suppliers, and vendors doing business with the City receive fair treatment. The Bureau has the authority to award contract or purchase orders for supplies, services, and construction to be purchased for the City of Yonkers. The Bureau of Purchasing is also responsible for ensuring the fair and open competition of contracts and for the performance of the contracts.


BID 5837 – Opening date 5/28/2015: Fiber Optic Conduit to Cacace Building

BID 5836 – Opening date 6/10/2015: On-call Contract for Installing Voice and Data Wire

BID 5835 – Opening date 6/10/2015: Fence Installation and Repair Service Contract.


Solicitation documents are available for downloading from the Empire State Purchasing Group website at http://www.empirestatebidsystem.com/. The City welcomes and encourages participation by local and minority and women owned business enterprises.

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The Cross County Shopping Center is calling all area artists to participate in a chalk art competition at the center’s annual Sidewalk Chalk Art Festival, as part of the SummerFest series taking place May to August 2015. The Sidewalk Chalk Art competition involves both local and regional artists who are professionals, students and amateurs, and who will create extraordinary art throughout Cross County Shopping Center.

From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 27, artists are invited to draw temporary works of art in chalk throughout the center. The theme of the festival will be voiced by shoppers through Cross County Shopping Center’s Facebook page. Categories include “The Box is More Black,” “Neighborhood Scene,” “An Apple a Day,” “Food, Drinks and Vesuvius” and “Chillin’ and Grillin’.”

Four prizes will be awarded at the end of the day, including “People’s Choice” with a $150 cash prize, first place with $300, second place with $250 and third place with $200. There is a $25 participation fee, chalk and other materials will be provided to all artists.

“Summer is right around the corner and we are thrilled to hold our third annual Sidewalk Chalk Art Competition this year, which will provide an opportunity for the community to see amazing works of art created in chalk by both professionals and amateur artists,” said Liz Pollock, senior marketing manager at Cross County Shopping Center. “There is so much art talent in Westchester County and the surrounding areas and we look forward to seeing their creations come to life throughout the mall. We look forward to another great event.”

Artists may enter as individuals or in teams, and each participant will be assigned a specific space on a first-come, first-served basis. Teams must participate with at least three artists, or alternate use of chalk by older or elder to compete, with a parent or legal guardian present. Artists will be provided with chalk and may also bring their own supplies, only non-oil based chalk or pastels in solid form may be used.

Use of acrylic paints, poster paint, liquid pastels, oil pastels, etc., is not permitted and their use is grounds for disqualification. Artwork must be appropriate for all viewing ages and no political or commercial advertisements are permitted; a sample of work must be provided with application. Applicants are required to sign a photography release and hold harmless agreement (a legal guardian may sign for participants under the age of 18).

Event organizers reserve the right to take and use the photographs of art. SummerFest 2015 will include outdoor concerts, fireworks, children’s entertainment and more. The summer series will also include two new elements, including a “Style Lounge” featuring makeovers and beauty workshops, and “Fit Fest,” offering outdoor fitness classes.

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