Spend a summer evening dancing and listening to music along the Hudson River.

The 12-week series takes place every Friday evening in June, July and August, rain or shine, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Yonkers downtown waterfront amphitheater. Each year, thousands of people attend the music series, as it’s one of the most anticipated local events of the summer. The full 2016 lineup will be posted online at Yonkersdown-town.com and include:

Friday Night Jazz, Blues & More on the Waterfront

- June 10 – The HD Quintet, led by Alex Hamburger and Victoria Diets
- June 17 – Cocomamma, featuring Latin and fusion reading piano
- June 24 – City of Waterfront Band
- July 1 & 8 – The Grace of the Keys
- July 15 – The Schoeps Band, featuring “Jazz Meets Swing”
- July 22 – “The Unsinkable” County Legislator Bernice Spreckman
- July 29 – Korean War veteran Mike Bennett gives a special tribute to deceased member Capt. Fred DeBusk
- August 5 – The Exchange Club’s “Live for Love” Annual Charity Event
- August 12 – The Eddie Bunn Band
- August 19 – Yonkers Idol 2016 winner, Chris Gordon
- August 26 – Yonkers Idol 2015 winner, Marissa Montes

Yonkers idyll tribute to our veterans with several events throughout the city, and while the weather washed out the parade, the true meaning of Memorial Day – to remember those who lost their lives in protecting our freedoms – was still remembered. The city held its Memorial Day ceremony at the sidewalk memorial in City Hall, and it was dedicated to the memory of our Gold-

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SummerFest Features Music At Cross County Center

Cross County Shopping Center is bringing a taste of friends to Yonkers this summer with five free concerts in June and July. Shoppers and visitors from around the region are invited to bring their beach blankets and chairs to The Green in the center of the mall to enjoy a variety of genres of music – from Latin to top 40, classic rock, soul and even a Selena cover band.

"There's a special ambiance to our summer concert series, with the shops as a nice setting and the sun going down as friends and families come together," said Liz Pollack, senior manager of marketing for Cross County Shopping Center. "We have some amazing talent lined up and hope everyone enjoys the wonderful performances we have scheduled this year."

The following five free band performances will take place at the shopping center, located at 8000 Mall Walk in Yonkers, in June and July on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

June 15 – FDR Drive featuring incredibly polished vocalists and musicians. The group offers a mix of music that includes current dance hits, Motown, R&B, 70s, 80s, rock, pop, novelty songs and standards.

June 22 – Milagro gives an all-embracing effort to define over four decades of music from genres of music – from Latin to top 40, classic rock and even a Selena cover band.

June 29 – Amish Outlaws will return to Cross County Shopping Center this summer.

July 6 – 6 Amish Outlaws is noted to be "straight Outlaw Lancaster" and is a popular cover band. There is no "typical" show, but the average crowd can expect to see men in full Amish clothing circled up as they play on a stage just off the main mall.

July 13 – Genesis and The Selena Experience will come together, form a concert on the main SummerFest stage and fireworks will be displayed from the north lot for Independence Day is scheduled for Friday, July 1 from 7 to 10 p.m.

As part of Westchester Magazine’s annual Wine and Food Weekend, Cross County Shopping Center and Needles & Company will host the "You’re Noodle" event for kids ages 5 to 12. It will include a pasta art project and the chance for kids to make their own ricotta tater tots – a favorite dessert sold at the casual sit-down restaurant, which is the only Westchester County location. Although this event is free, limited seating is available and advance registration is required at www.westchestermagazine.com/wineandfood.

"You’re Noodle" fits the mold of Cross County Shopping Center's 2016 SummerFest concert series, which will continue throughout the entire summer season with the following events:

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Mayor Mike Spano last week announced the schedule for the city’s 2016 Summer Film and Concert Series that will run during July and August at several Yonkers parks. The free and family-friendly series is open to children of all ages.

"With more than 70 dynamic parks and playgrounds as settings in Yonkers, it’s no better way to spend your summer nights than to enjoy an outdoor movie or concert with family and friends," he said.

Movies will be screened Thursday evenings in July and August, and the film will begin at dusk at various locations throughout the city. All movies are family-friendly and are rated either PG or PG-13.

Music

July 6 at Gran Park – "Bandh Compound" hip hop

July 13 at Grant Park – "Handlinz" hip hop

July 20 at Coyle Park – "Celtic Cross" Irish

July 27 at Lincoln Park – "Tennessee"

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Aug. 3 at Coyle Park – "Pop & The Soul Explosion"

Aug. 10 at JFK Marina – "FIDR Drive", pop

Aug. 17 at Fleming Field – "Sesame Street"

Aug. 24 at Welty Field – "Jcon/Fly Band", rock

Aug. 25 at Rainey Park – "Larry Chance & The Earls" with guest Steve Michaels, doo-wop

An absolute joy – such a great idea

Dedicated Home Care for those You Love

The above is typical of the comments we get about Community Home Health Care’s top-rated aides and the services they provide. So is "The most responsible, loving aide I’ve ever had for my mother."

With top-rated Aides and over 33 years of delivering highest-quality, private pay services to the region, Community stands at the forefront of Westchester County’s home care providers. At Community, we make sure that your loved ones get a personalized, unbeatable experience, summed up in 4 words.

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Community can help your family by providing affordable care, assistance with applying for and arranging payments by Medicaid, and accepting copays for maximum convenience and the ultimate peace of mind.

Any day, any time, we’re there for you!
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Yonkers to Participate in Energy-Saving Initiative

The City of Yonkers and Gorton High School are hosting a global event that will highlight the importance of energy conservation for the benefit of the environment. The event is called “Daylight Hour” and will take place on Wednesday, June 29 from noon to 2 p.m. The City of Yonkers will join other local governments and businesses across the United States in a simultaneous shutdown of non-essential activities to demonstrate the availability of daylight, energy savings, and the potential impact of energy conservation on the environment.

The event is part of a larger initiative called “Daylight Hour,” which is a global movement that encourages communities to turn off non-essential lights and equipment during a specific time of the year. This year, Daylight Hour is scheduled for June 29, and it is estimated that participating cities will save millions of dollars in energy costs and reduce their carbon footprint.

Residents and businesses in Yonkers are encouraged to join the initiative by participating in various activities, such as turning off lights, using natural light where possible, and engaging in educational programs. The City of Yonkers will host a series of programs and events throughout the day to raise awareness about the importance of energy conservation.

“Daylight Hour” is not just about saving energy; it’s about raising awareness and inspiring people to make sustainable choices in their daily lives. By participating in this initiative, Yonkers can demonstrate its commitment to a more sustainable future and inspire others to join the movement.

Gorton High School football coach Dan DeMatteo, who is also the mayor of Yonkers, expressed his support for the event: “This is an opportunity for us to demonstrate the availability of daylight and the potential impact of energy conservation on the environment. It’s a chance to do our part to help this global initiative.”

The City of Yonkers is partnering with local businesses and organizations to promote the event, including the Hispanic Cultural Foundation, the Hispanic Advisory Board, and the Yonkers Hispanic Cultural Foundation. The event will include a parade and a flag-raising ceremony held at the Lenoir Preserve on Dudley Street in Yonkers. The parade will feature floats and live bands, and it is expected to draw thousands of people.

In addition to the parade, there will be a “Stream Study for Kids” program held at the Lenoir Preserve, where participants will learn about the importance of water conservation and how to identify and protect local waterways. The program will be led by local environmental experts and will be suitable for children ages 6 to 12.

The City of Yonkers is also hosting a farmers market from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Lenoir Preserve, where residents can purchase fresh produce and support local farmers. The market will feature a variety of vendors, including local farmers, artisans, and community groups.

The City of Yonkers is committed to sustainability and has made energy conservation a priority in its ongoing efforts to create a more sustainable city. By participating in “Daylight Hour,” Yonkers is hoping to raise awareness about the importance of energy conservation and inspire others to join the movement.

Mayor Mike Spano said, “Climate change is real, and ‘Daylight Hour’ is an opportunity to do our part and demonstrate the commitment of the City of Yonkers to the effects of climate change.”

Residents and businesses are encouraged to participate in “Daylight Hour” and to make energy-saving choices in their daily lives. By doing so, they can help reduce their carbon footprint and contribute to a more sustainable future.

For more information about “Daylight Hour” and the City of Yonkers’ participation in the event, please visit www.yonkers.gov/daylighthour. Businesses and residents are also encouraged to share their energy-saving stories on social media using the hashtags #DaylightHour and #YonkersEnergy.
Understanding Ramadan

By Zipporah Osei

The holy month of Ramadan begins, and with it 2,625 per every 100,000 people being Muslim in the State of New York alone, the percentage of non-Muslims who know about fasting during Ramadan – simple jor pillars of Islam, it is a fundamental part of the many reasons Muslims fast during Ramadan is to and self-preservation and as one of the five ma

Batac Ruth was caught spending through Yonkers back in 1927.

By Mary Bisner

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Iftar is the breaking of fast after sundown and is essential. Questioning if your Muslim friends really have to fast all day is not only disrespectful of their religious beliefs, but also of their identity. Just as a Catholic must make confession in Lent, a Muslim must do so during Ramadan and attempting to tempt a friend or coworker into eating during this month is in itself disrespectful

By Mary Hoar

Buster needs a home.

“Fuddly Puddle” with the Yonkers Padding and Rowing Club begins Thursday, June 16 from 6 to 7 p.m. – and it will each Thursday afternoon through September 3 at J.R. Marinus and Park in northern Yonkers. New this season is stand-up paddleboarding, as well as regular rowing, canoeing, kayaking, and groups of more than eight individuals. The program is sponsored by the Yonkers Public Library and is free to participants. For more information, email lesliem147@yhn.org • 718-981-3215 business hours or 201-981-3215 at any time.

There are many pets available for adoption at the Yonkers Animal Shelter. Buster is a 1-year-old dog who loves people and attention. He was underweight and is now eating heartily with joy by anyone who wants to adopt. He also loves other dogs and likes to be around them. He has been spayed. For more information, call any time at 914-985-7500.

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Serious, Kidney, and Cardiovascular Care

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SPECTRUM NEWS

Spectrum Resigns
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Spectrum, whose political career spanned four decades and included a term on the board, has served on a bipartisan basis as a representative for the 14th District, which represents parts of the 14th District, which represents parts of Yonkers and Mt. Vernon, is David Tubiolo, who has served as a legislative aide for the past five years, and as former Sen. Nick DiPietro announced his retirement last week.

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Special guests of honor who placed wreaths during the ceremony included WWII veterans Frank Fortuna and James Vertrano, Korean War veterans Harold Dworetzky and Tiny Malano, Vietnam War veterans Frank Sullo and Carlos Vargas, and Global War on Terrorism veterans Robert Alba and James Gunter III.

On the evening of May 23, members of the Armando Rauso AMVETS Post 40 held their annual Memorial Day ceremony. Commander Sam Riti acted as emcee.

Member Mike Bennett gave a special tribute to deceased member Capt. Fred DePalma, who served for seven years during World War II and then returned for a tour during the Korean War, where he was killed in action. During his career he was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the Silver Star, two Purple Hearts and the Korean Service Medal for Gallantry in Action.

In attendance were Mayor Mike Spano, Yonkers City Court Judge Ed Gaffney, City Council President Liam McLaughlin, and City Councilmen Michael Sabatino and Mike Breen, who all gave remarks.

Former head of Westchester Veterans Affairs Ron Tocci was on hand to record the ceremony and interview attendees.

The Temple of Love has been unveiled!

On a perfect, sunny day last week, the temple was dedicated in memory of Carol Martinelli, thanks to the munificent support of former Mayor Angelo Martinelli, her husband of 65 years. Many members of the Martinelli family and their friends were present.

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The Yonkers South Broadway Business Improvement District held a South Broadway Live festival June 4 at Lincoln Park. The day included free music featuring five bands, food, prizes, giveaways and children’s activities. For more information, visit www.southbroadway-bid.org.

Members and friends of the Lincoln Park Jewish Center, an Orthodox synagogue in the Lincoln Park section of Yonkers, gather outside the synagogue preparing to march in the annual Celebrate Israel Parade on Fifth Avenue in Manhattan. Approximately 25 people marched in the rain during last week’s event, including former President Joe Schnitzler, and Sara Schweizer, wife of current President Jack Schweizer, who held the banner along the parade route.

Mayor Mike Spano celebrated with members of the Yonkers African-American Heritage Committee on June 3 by raising the Pan-African flag at the steps of City Hall, as part of YAAHC’s African-American Heritage weekend. Variations of the Pan-African flag are used in Africa and around the world to represent Pan-Africanist ideologies.