By Dea Murphy

The Yonkers Police Athletic League held its 29th annual luncheon June 4 at Empire City Casino at Yonkers Raceway.

This year’s honorees included Yonkers Police Benevolent Association President Keith Olson; and Police Captains, Lieutenants and Sergeants Association President Tom Phelan. Both graduated from Saunders High School in Yonkers. Phelan and Olson are Yonkers police to serve and protect.

PAL President and Master of Ceremonies Angelo Marchetti commented on how both have helped our Yonkers PAL over the years and are responsible for our success.”

PAL Luncheon Chair Howard Durant did another great job selling the party setting, including a sit-down dinner, MVP program and activities throughout the year.

He also detailed how the YPBA will also dwell on around 100 students – serving members James Stenning, who was this year’s honorary chair of the Yonker Police Athletic League.

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Yonkers’ Korean War Heroes

Army Corporal Edwin Nathaniel Love

By Andrea Talia

Edwin Nathaniel Love was born Oct. 19, 1951 to Edwin W. and Leola Love. He was the second of five children, their first son. He had an older sister, Dorothy; younger siblings Alice and Alfred, who may have been twins; and another younger sister, Marva.

Edward W. and Leola were both born and raised in Virginia. They married and started young families, their first son: He had an older sister, Dorothy, was 10 and Marva, the youngest, only 3.

Around this time, Love indicated to his parents that he enjoyed the Army and intended to make a career of it. He attended basic training at Fort Dix, New Jersey, where his exemplary conduct and leadership qualities caught the eye of superiors – all the more because he was completing training, he was selected to remain with the Dix Det and help train other new recruits.

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During his service, Edwin W. had been promoted from lance corporal to staff sergeant.

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Van der Donck Park was abuzz with lovers of honey and fresh produce last weekend for the second installation of the Get Fresh Yonkers Farmers Market. Locals and out-of-town visitors alike milled past baskets overflowing with crisp lettuces, fresh deep-green spinach, arugula and sweet sugar snap peas.

“I looked out my window this morning and saw the market, so I came down with my mom and sister, who are visiting from the city,” said Lisa Olney, while sipping on “deliciously refreshing” lavender iced tea from the market.

The farmers market is a part of Groundwork Hudson Valley’s comprehensive Get Fresh Yonkers initiative, designed to improve access to affordable fresh produce locally. All of the farms participating in the market are local, New York State farms. These include the organic Ryder Farm, as well as Glebocki and Sisters Hill farms. Hydroponically-grown produce freshly picked from the Science Barge greenhouse is also part of the mix, including the tender-leaved Butterhead Rex lettuce. When fruit is ready for harvest, Stuart’s and Amba Farms will add to the bountiful array.

“Last week we bought some bok choy. That was my favorite. I sautéed it in a little garlic and carrots and my family devoured it!” said Andrea Pucci of Ludlow Park, shopping with her son Marco Gobbato. Her other son, Leonardo, works on Groundwork Hudson Valley’s Youth Farm Team. With baby Alexandra in tow, Maria Nigro and husband Anthony, a Yonkers firefighter, snapped up the last jar of Yonkers’ own Rich’s Glory Bees honey. The Nigros, Dobbs Ferry residents, have Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano welcomed Fidelco Realty Group Chairman Marc Berson for the ribbon cutting to open Deals Stores, a discount store located in the renovated property at 7 Main St., earlier this month.

Deals Stores occupies 9,000 square feet retail space in Fiddicko Group’s redevelopment of the former Yonkers Public Library, and is part of the $10.6 million renewal of the building. In addition to the floor retail, 23 housing units on the upper floor will open in the fall as The Library Lofts.

“The recognition by Deals of the shopping vibrancy in Yonkers downtown points to the success of the city’s redevelopment,” said Peter Klein, vice president of Feddicko Realty Group. “As Mayor Spano’s team welcomes businesses with help and assistance, we are proud to be the city’s partner in its transformation.”

The property’s rich history dates back to 1913 when the site was originally the Hamilton Theater. That structure was demolished in 1927 and replaced with the current three-story structure that was leased by the renowned Genung’s Department Store in 1933. The Yonkers Community Development Agency purchased the property in 1978 and renovated it for the Yonkers Public Library, which took occupancy in 1981.

The site has been abandoned since the library moved to the new Riverfront Library on the waterfront in 2002. The Main and Mill Street block rehabilitation is a continuation of the city’s redevelopment in the downtown area. In addition to the former library, other projects in the block include multiple new store openings on Main Street, the current renovation of the Wheeler Building, and several recently completed mixed-use developments on Warburton Avenue. The city is working on adding a second section of Saw Mill River daylighting on North Broadway as part of the Mill Street Courtyard project.

The courtyard is being funded in part from the sale proceeds of the library building. The library redevelopment was spurred by a grant from the Empire State Development Corporation’s Restore New York Communities Initiative. The City of Yonkers secured a Restore New York grant of $15.45 million for the purpose of restoring and rehabilitating the former library.
By Eric W. Schoen

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Happy Father’s Day

As the end of the school year approaches, Stew Leonard’s Wine of California is offering a class dedicated to the wines of California on Friday, June 28 at 7 p.m. in the library. Admission is free with tickets only, which will be available on a first-come, first-served basis beginning Monday, June 24 at the first floor information desk at the library.

Stew Leonard’s wine experts will guide you through a variety of wines, pairing them with various snacks to introduce you to the world of wine. Tickets are the class are $25 per person and may be purchased at the store or by calling 914-375-4713.

Donations also serve to benefit the Great Neck Library, which hosts numerous events and advanced classes as well as a year of Wine Educators, she has earned intermediate through the Society


elegant aromas of cherries and plums open to a soft, silky mouthfeel boasting a spectrum of red and black fruit flavors with a hint of spiciness. Oak and a nice M. Mariani Cabernet 2010 Alexander Valley (26.50), pings from Rob- of a world-class wine region. Steve Leon-

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By Michael Muro

This Sunday, Father’s Day, a day in which families joi

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But he never knocked against his father’s door;

And from his kind I’d like to be.

And never had a secret that didn’t

And let them ply their vicious trade

Men are of two kinds, and he

What speech he had was plain and blunt. He was an unassuming gent.

But when first among men his soul

And independent, it was he.

No back door gossip linked his name

With any shady tale of shame.

No broken pledge lost him respect,

And independent, it was he.

If ever man on earth was wise

And let them ply their vicious trade

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Brooke needs a home.

The Yonkers Animal Shelter has many pets in need of a good home. Brooke is a young dog about 8 months old and weighs 40 pounds. She is light tan with some white streaks on her face. She is very active and loves to play ball or Frisbee — but she likes her bed the most. She doesn’t just sit or stand; Brooke tries her best to substain herself and splash around! This is a dog who would love a home of her own.

Visit Brooke at the Yonkers Animal Shelter, 1201 Palisade Ave. Hours are 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. weekdays, and noon to 3:30 p.m. weekends. For more information, call 914-477-6700 during normal hours.

Mayor Spano Creates Curb Appeal Awards

Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano announced last week that the city is now accepting nominations for the first annual “Mayor’s Curb Appeal Awards,” which will recognize Yonkers homeowners for their exceptional curb appeal and landscaping. The city is accepting nominations through July 5 at www.yonkersny.gov.

“Our Yonkers’ neighborhoods are filled with beautiful homes with thoughtful designs and unique details adding the edge of personality,” said Spano. “The goal of our new Curb Appeal Award program is to recognize the hard work our neighbors do to place their area to take pride in their community, by enhancing their curb appeal.”

Residents can nominate a Yonkers homeowner for an award in one of three categories: landscaping, creative improvement, and creative originality. Photos of the home and its surroundings should be furnished with the nomination. The award ceremony will take place in early August at the Savino Sialiano Park at 10 a.m.

Nominated properties should have a pleasant overall appearance, be well-maintained and contribute to the overall community appearance; show that a lot owner demonstrates originality and creativity; and stand out as an attractive property in its neighborhood.

In appreciation of their hard work, recipients of the Curb Appeal Award will be recognized by the mayor at City Hall on Monday, Aug. 8. Each recipient will receive a plaque and $250 gift certificate to use towards professional services. The families of the award recipients will be provided with a sign for their property, recognizing their distinction.

Veterans Honored at Annual Appreciation Day This Month

Mayor Mike Spano and the Yonkers Office of Veterans Affairs will honor veterans at its annual Veteran’s Appreciation Day on Saturday, June 29 from noon to 4 p.m. at the John F. Kennedy Memorial in Yonkers.

“Recognizing our veterans and service members in our community is one of the simplest ways we can say thank you to those who risked their lives for America,” said Spano. “By acknowledging our local heroes here in Yonkers, we are respecting and showing our deepest appreciation for the brave men and women who defend our greatest freedom.”

The mayor will invite all veterans residing in Yonkers, the Yonkers Police, Yonkers Fire Department, local businesses and organizations to join in the ceremony. During the ceremony, Yonkers will recognize the Communications and Training Center of Auburn, N.Y.

The ceremony will feature a 21-gun salute, presentation of the colors and speakers. The Yonkers Veteran’s Chorus will perform a variety of songs, and local veterans will participate in the ceremony. The Yonkers Fire Department will provide a color guard. The ceremony will conclude with the presentation of several awards and certificates of appreciation.

Lessnjk Joins National Support of New Education Clarification

Yonkers City Council President Lesnjk Rallyes Campaign Finance Reform in Albany

Yonkers City Council President Chuck Lesnjk joined hundreds of campaign finance reform advocates in Albany for the fair for the last week of June to rally for campaign finance reform. Lesnjk said that he was an active participant in the rally. Lesnjk stated that he was “proud to be a part of the movement.”

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The city’s …
By Michael LaMagna, Eng.

If there is one thing that people need to do to help themselves cope with their own health, it is to seek help. Many people are reluctant to seek out their own health care professionals because they are often fearful of what they might find out. However, there are several reasons why people should seek health care professionals.

One reason is that health care professionals are trained to recognize the signs and symptoms of various diseases and to provide appropriate treatment for them. Health care professionals also have the ability to conduct diagnostic tests that can help determine the cause of a health issue. In addition, they can provide support and guidance to help people manage their health.

Another reason is that health care professionals can help people understand their health and how to maintain it. Health care professionals can provide information about healthy lifestyles, nutrition, and exercise. They can also provide advice on how to avoid common health problems, such as heart disease and cancer.

Finally, health care professionals can help people take control of their own health. Health care professionals can help people set goals for improving their health, develop a personalized health care plan, and monitor their progress. This can help people feel more empowered and in control of their health.

In conclusion, seeking out health care professionals is an important step in maintaining and improving one’s health. Health care professionals can provide the knowledge, skills, and support needed to help people achieve and maintain their health goals.

Advertise your Services and Health Care

For more information, call 914-396-6040 or visit www.sajos.org.

Saint Joseph’s Medical Center • 127 South Broadway • Yonkers, NY 10701
The Workcenter Adult Community Services’ Center Line Program will mark 15 years since it was conceived, the Workcenter’s only community program to support intellectually and developmentally disabled adults. To help the program continue, the Workcenter is hiring peer mentors to support and empower our participants. Call 914-965-0210 ext. 123. For more information, visit www.workcenter.org.

Community Council to Meet
The Third Precinct Police Community Council meeting will take place Tuesday, June 11, at 7:30 p.m. at the Chema Community Center. Since March 2012, representatives and merchants of southwest Yonkers have been working directly with the Third Precinct Police Department and the Yonkers Police Benevolent Association to reduce crime in our community.

Yonkers' Best
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her parents. She also has a little brother, Sully, who is six.

Dad loved his newspapers – probably the reason why she is still the only Democrat in the family. Her parents were engineers, but when they got married in the early 1960s, her grandfather was the only man who had a black suit.

The rest of the family is still in the Democratic Republic.

Dazmalyn Kwon is a National Honor Society Award recipient and earned the Dominican Honor Society Award, American Rainbow Honor Society Award, Yonkers Student Recognition, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Student Recognition, St. Francis Xavier High School Honor Roster Program and multicultural. During her free time, Maria has volunteered for Habitat for Humanity. Dazmalyn is a member of blood drives and has a history tassel at Roosevelt on the Honor Society.

"My work in the ACI mentor program andlogger from the Rockland Community Tech, Yonkers Community College, and Bronx River Manor High School-going to study engineering (just like her parents and sister)." she said.

In her spare time, Dazmalyn also enjoys animation, specifically the genre of anime. I hope to become an animator one day."

"She is the best younger sister ever!"

Keep up your work, study hard and do well in college. We are proud of you."

Valentimarian Damlae Sanchez will graduate with a GPA of 93.9. She has taken two AP courses, two College Link courses, and seven Honors courses.

Yonkers’ Korean War
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The show where this debated controversial issue is televised across the nation.

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Students at Museum School
Learn Heart Health Basics

Allison’s Heart Foundation for Children and Young Adults, an organization that promotes good heart health in children, teens and young adults, recently sponsored three presentations of “Alli’s Heart Lesson” to children at Yonkers’ Museum School 25.

More than 40 second-graders, as well as a group of students with special needs, participated in the interactive sessions administered through Westchester Children’s Museum. The grant has been renewed in 2013 with the intention of expanding the program.

“Most importantly, however, I want our kids dreaming again! I want them to know that through hard work and dedication, they can truly accomplish anything in life!”

Mayor Mike Spano presented Duncan-Gibbs with a proclamation from the city for her work and dedication in making the arts thrive in Yonkers.

For more info on YTI visit call 914-665-3040.

Yonkers Firefighters Dept. Welcomes 30 New Members

Mayor Mike Spano with members of the YTI board.

Photos by Donna Davis

Mayor Mike Spano and Fire Commissioner Robert Brown recently welcomed 30 new members of brave souls to the Yonkers Fire Department. The class completed its training and is now set to help fill the ranks in the department.

New firefighters include: Devon Chisholm, John Pozzi, Frank DeSimone Jr., Michael DeBella, Robert Baranczadlo, Delmar Fernandez, Michael Consolivo, Michael Pietropaolo, Michael Minasso, Louis Bousman, Mike O’Shea, Keith Pursall, Alain Price, Yanko Perez, Steven Babash, Anthony Quinimbo, Tydell Drummond, Ryan Finnell, Christopher Lavolle, Timothy O’Connell and Alonja Russell.

If they grew up knowing that they’ve been taught properly, this will give them pride in their accomplishments, helping them throughout their entire life.

I’m not just looking to develop dancers, but minds, so that our children can become positive contributors to the workplace and to society.

“I’ve always loved the theatre and I want to spread that love to this new generation. With shows like ‘Matilda,’ ‘Annie,’ and ‘The Lion King’ currently on Broadway, I have no doubt that another one of YTI’s students will find their way onto the Broadway stage! My hope is that even if they don’t go on to perform professionally, the exposure they’ve received at YTI will have impacted their lives in such a way that they’ll be unafraid to stand in front of their classmates and give a report, they’ll live healthier lives because they know how good it feels after exercising, or that they’ll simply support the arts, artists and music when it comes their way.”

“My vision for YTI is very simple: I’ve always wanted to provide an excellent education in the performing arts to every child who walked through our doors. While YTI’s goal has always been to provide a safe environment, it has also been my personal vision to face discipline made available to our students who are looking to pursue the performing arts as a profession, as well as those who just do it for fun. While I don’t expect the majority of our students to go into the performing arts field, I do expect our instruction to give each student the tools necessary so if they decide to pursue the arts, they’ve been taught the proper technique for each class offered.”

“As a professional dancer with 30 years of professional experience (25 on Broadway), I owe it to each child to make sure he/she receives excellent training when he/she walks through YTI’s doors. I want each child to be successful and if that means working them hard to teach discipline, focus, confidence and critical thinking so that they can take these skills with them as they mature, then I know it will have a positive impact on their lives.

“If they learn to focus, they will do better in school and grow to be proficient businessmen and women. If they learn to be confident, they will learn to speak and communicate more effectively.”

WCM Educator Barbara Manchewka reads “Alli’s Healthy Heart.”

Photos by Donna Davis

Allison’s Heart Lesson has reached approximately 250 children since its inception in 2012, about 50 of whom have even participated in the program twice.

“I'm not just looking to develop dancers, but minds, so that our children can become positive contributors to the workplace and to society.

“I've always loved the theatre and I want to spread that love to this new generation. With shows like 'Matilda,' 'Annie,' and 'The Lion King' currently on Broadway, I have no doubt that another one of YTI's students will find their way onto the Broadway stage! My hope is that even if they don't go on to perform professionally, the exposure they've received at YTI will have impacted their lives in such a way that they'll be unafraid to stand in front of their classmates and give a report, they'll live healthier lives because they know how good it feels after exercising, or that they'll simply support the arts, artists and/or musicians when they 'grow up.'

"Most importantly, however, I want our kids dreaming again! I want them to know that through hard work and dedication, they can truly accomplish anything in life!"

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From left are Police Commissioner Gardner, the Rev. Clarence Bolling, Mayor Mike Spano and James Landy.

From left are Mayor Spano, District Attorney Janet DiFiers and Commissioner Gardner.

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