Yonkers Sues NYS for Additional Education Aid

By Dan Murphy

With New York State the recent recipient of a $5 billion pot of revenue obtained as a result of settlements with banks over fraudulent practices, the City of Yonkers has decided to join an education funding lawsuit against the state. The lawsuit, filed by New York for Students Educational Rights, seeks equitable school funding to New York City and other New York school districts.

“We are not waiting any longer for Albany to fix this problem. If Albany won’t fix this problem, we will,” said City Council President Liam McLaughlin.

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As the ever-growing New York City real estate community continues to grow about the City of Yonkers as the next destination for younger generations, and those subsets to leave the city but remain close to the Big Apple, continues.

The focus for the Sunday evening was the mural conceived and painted by Yonkers-native

Development, and Interest, as Yonkers Continues

New Construction Dots City Landscape

Yonkers is on the cusp of something great.”

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Students Educational Rights.

The sole remaining member of the SFC development team, Fidelco Realty Group, recently cut the ribbon for its redevelopment of the Glenwood Power plant, the symbol of Yonkers’ beauty and untapped potential.

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**Kawasaki Rail Car to Remain In Yonkers, Thanks to Grant**

Final approval of a $25 million state grant to keep Kawasaki Rail Car, Inc., and 375 employees in Yonkers completes a long last week at the Democratic Conference Leader State Sen. Andrea Stewart-Cousins, Empire State Development President and CEO Kenneth Adams and Kawasaki President and CEO of Kawasaki Rail Car Hiroki Iwasaki.

"The state’s assistance toward the purchase of this $25 million facility is a final step to ensure that Kawasaki can move in and enjoy our Five Star living. At this time, we’re waiving our second person fee, making it easier than ever to move in and enjoy our Five Star living," said Drew Hardy, general manager of Westchester’s Ridge Hill.

"Frozen" is the highest-grossing animated film of all time, and the free screening at Ridge Hill is expected to draw a large crowd. Pre-screening activities will begin at 7 p.m., along Second Street for family fun and entertainment prior to the start of the movie. More information is available at www.WestchestersRidgeHill.com.

**Film Frenzy Continues With ‘The Lego Movie’**

Westchester County Parks 2014 “Framed Film Frenzy” series will conclude with the showing of “The Lego Movie” (2014, rated PG) on Saturday, July 19 at the Brook or Tibbetts Brook Park in Yonkers; the rain date is Thursday, July 24.

The afternoon events feature an outdoor movie as well as swimming. The park opens at 7 p.m. for swimming and relaxing, and the movie begins at sunset. Bring your own picnic or purchase food at the concession stand. For swimming, bring your own swimwear and chairs.

**Presentation of ‘Frozen’ Rescheduled for July 28**

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On Aug. 11, Summer Movie Mondays will present “Despicable Me 2.”

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The aviators wired back, asking, “Do you have a map of the area?” – and received the answer: “No. Air Force fliers usually look at the ground, not the sky.” They replied, “We see trees.” The pilots said, “We see trains.”

We can estimate that Herb’s ac- tivity in Yonkers was about one hour away from this train route. According to the time of day, the train was on its way to New York City, and the distance was about 10 miles. They were on the back roads near the rail yard, and realizing that they could not bring back the train, they decided to blow up the bridge.

Rommel remembered his mission to ensure that the bridge was blown up. He then explained to the staff gathered around the planning table and the bridge was blown. He then neutralized the explosives. What? Gen. Patton’s North African Division could not clear the bridge.

They blew up the bridge, and he blew up the bridge, and he blew up the bridge.

It is a pleasure to put it on today for Herb. As a granddaughter of Col. Blum; and his daughter, Dawn Blum; with her older daughter, Sierra.

“Herb and his team bypassed 1,000 German soldiers and ended up in a machine gun nest.” Herb was very aggressive and very determined. He was a guardian of freedom and the American way of life.

The Germans never seeing his uniform. He was a fighting man and a fighting force against the enemy. He was an American soldier, he was a warrior, he was a fighter.

The Yonkers Riverfront Library will pro- vide a variety of programs and events. Free admission to art exhibits by Horton, and Eric Schoen on Thursdays at 5 p.m.; at 512 W. 150th St. Hot Topics:

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Flood Mitigation Efforts
On Bronx River Continue

The Westchester County Board of Legislators continued its agreement to support management efforts in flood-prone areas and began organizing groundwork for next mitigation projects this week following a joint hearing with the Bronx River Advisory Board, which is chaired by Legislator Bernice Spreckman.

Recent storms have closed both the Bronx River and Mill River parks, and motorists know that stormwater issues make traveling on the roads during rainfall a risky one. At last Thursday’s meeting, the BRAB expressed approval of the Bronx River Reconnaissance Plan, which was conducted along the river to identify and alleviate flood mitigation projects.

The BRAB meeting included discussion about helping local communities obtain partial county funding for the projects, which can offset expenses of several million dollars.

“We recognize the importance of helping our residents and business owners along the Bronx River reach long-term solutions to flood-related problems, which seem to increase with land development and intensification of certain areas,” said Legislator Maryline Simsky, who has been collaborating with Spreckman in her efforts to revitalize the Bronx River.

“Cleaning up the Bronx River and alleviating roadblocks that your flooding has to be our first priority, and we’re looking to work cooperatively with local business owners in partnerships to make government in this happen,” said Simsky.

In addition, the committee agreed that next steps include discussions with New York State Department of Environmental Conservation officials about targeted dredging of the Bronx River, and with Mono-North officials about a railroad freight causing flooding in Yonkers.

“It’s going to take a lot of work from city and government officials to solve the flooding related to the Bronx River,” said Spreckman.

“The flooding damages property and poses a public safety problem. It’s time to take action.”

On This Day in Yankees History...

July 29, 1893: The newly-formed Yonkers Historical Society was founded.

By Mary Hear President, Yankees Historical Society

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Jane Chu announced last week plans to award 66 Endowment For The Arts Our Town Projects, Se every day to keep you and your family safe when a product’s flavor, scent, the way it feels in their Half a cup of Classico’s tomato and grams of sugar – more sugar than half a can of a product’s taste, scent, the way it feels in their Gmail.com and followed on Twitter @SDiliberti. we must educate ourselves. us to their processed products disguised as food, adding large amounts of the ingredients to making soda formulas, which were tested at 3,904 a product’s bliss point. The bliss point doesn’t just make your favorite junk foods taste good, it may actually make us addicted to the foods. The bliss point is what makes us want to eat more of the foods, just like the “sweat point” that makes sweat taste good and gives us the desire to drink water, even when we are not thirsty. The bliss point also affects every other processed food. A serving of Yoplait’s original strawberry yoghurt contains 26 grams of sugar, 24 of which come from high-salt, high-sugar and fat.” Those foods stimulate the release of dopamine in the brain and make us feel good, and down the scale as we no longer find things fun. Dr. Pepper Snapple Group produced its chocolate-flavored Snapple in 2008 to help new soda formulas, which were tested at 3,904 in the field of healthy eating. The report page report then analyze every aspect of the evaluation process in the final formula, which consumers know as cherry vanilla Dr. Pepper. Developing the new flavor was a probabile end for the company, with one of the flavors first formular in 2008, has already been valued at $1 billion. pack the towels and the sunscreen because it’s time for some great fun in the sun at the popular Croton Point Park. Special events are planned for July and August. 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West Nile Virus is Close by; Positive Mosquitoes in NYC

The Westchester County Department of Health is urging residents to take precautions against mosquito bites, as New York City reported its first positive tests of mosquitoes for West Nile Virus. For this season, no mosquitoes in Westchester have been found to carry the virus, but this is the time of year when the health department expects to find the first positive virus tests.

"Giving our proximity to New York City, it is safe to assume that mosquitoes carrying West Nile Virus will soon be identified here in Westchester," said County Health Commissioner Dr. Combs. "This month is a critical time for investigating the presence of this virus in the county."

We will soon be investigating for West Nile virus infections in mosquitoes. Mosquitoes are carriers for the disease, and we move in with (plow blades) on the front of our trucks. Plow blades help to create small pools which can then be filled with water and this can be a breeding ground for mosquitoes.

Last year, there were positive mosquito findings in Westchester County and two cases of human West Nile Virus had been reported. However, Westchester County reported its first positive mosquito batch last year was reported in early August.

"For years, we have operated a search for the west Nile season by applying larvicide on a weekly basis. We can now easily identify small groups of mosquitoes. Residents should continue to do their part by removing standing water around their homes where mosquitoes can breed and by taking personal protective measures against mosquito bites, according to the department."

To help you reduce mosquito-breeding grounds where you live, residents should survey their property for standing water, plastic containers, ceramic pots or similar water-holding containers that should be discarded or treated, or that can be covered to prevent the presence of standing water and mosquito breeding. Use insect repellent containing DEET, as directed by the manufacturer, when outdoors.

"We recommend using insect repellent containing DEET, as directed by the manufacturer, when outdoors. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend using insect repellent that contains DEET for the best protection against mosquitoes."

Residents who notice large areas of standing water on public property that could serve as potential mosquito-breeding grounds should report this information to the health department by calling 914-965-4000 or at webstergov.org/health.

Antony Erera

'Be Fit, One Day at a Time' Back by Popular Demand

Due to the success of the pilot program, "Be Fit, One Day at a Time" will resume Wednesday, Aug. 6 at The Westchester on the Banks on Tappan Road in Valhalla.

"Be Fit, One Day at a Time" is an outdoor body-weight fitness boot camp geared toward adults of all athletic abilities. Aside from its unique setting at the base of Westchester’s iconic 300-foot-high mammoth dam, the program differs from other fitness boot camps in that it causes its approach encourages participants to exercise alone, integrate their own focus and visualization in maximizing their self-confidence.

The program is led by highly-qualified fitness professionals who understand the dedication, patience and perseverance needed to achieve long-term fitness goals.

"Be Fit, One Day at a Time" will be held Wednesday afternoons and Saturdays, Aug. 6, 9, 13, 16, 20, 23 and 27, as well as Sept. 6. There will be no class Labor Day weekend, Aug. 30.

Wednesday classes are 6 to 7 p.m. and Saturday classes are 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. The fitness boot camp sessions and all eight classes, active warm-up (10 minutes), resistance band training, cardiovascular work (20 minutes), and cool-down and stretch session (5 minutes) are included in the program package (four classes) is available for $49.

Each class will cover dynamic stretch and active warm-up (10 minutes), resistance band training, cardiovascular work (20 minutes), and cool-down and stretch session (5 minutes) are included in the program. Each participant will receive a timed, yoga mat and a bottle of water. Registration will be online only, at www.westchesterorg.com. For more information, call 914-231-4645 or e-mail info@westchester.org.

Nest puff-babies, had to carefully pick their paths on the steep slope leading to the gravestones in the Mount Rose Cemetery. Their color soon turned by time and their experiences, the veterans came home to Col. Herbert H. Bishop, MD, and dignitaries, including Louis Navarro, Director of the Department of Veterans Services for the City of Yonkers, Rabbi Rabbagino Emanuel Vaxis, the Yonkers Police Department chaplain, and retired Col. John Spence, former Mayor of Yonkers and chairman of the Westchester County Veterans Organization. Col. James Daniels, MD, National Guard (Ret.), also attended the ceremony.

"Many of his military activities are unknown to a few but a few of his superior officers who issued orders sending him into harm’s way,” said Bishop’s daughter, Donna. “My mother, Rosalind, my brother, John, and myself, who were not told, of what he accomplished. Only through memorabilia and awards, which were accomplished after his passing, did his activities come to light. Bishop was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the second-highest award for military service. Bishop was awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions and his wife, Marcella, did not find out until years after his death."

"It’s difficult to understand what he did because it was a war that no one knew about,” said Bishop’s granddaughter, Ellen. "It’s difficult to understand what he did because it was a war that no one knew about,

Many of an alive today reading about Col. Bishop, new will never learn the full extent of his deeds, as his military records are sealed un-til the end of the war. He was a soldier who died a hero and now ravaged by time and their experiences, the veterans came home to Col. Herbert H. Bishop, MD, and dignitaries, including Louis Navarro, Director of the Department of Veterans Services for the City of Yonkers, Rabbi Rabbagino Emanuel Vaxis, the Yonkers Police Department chaplain, and retired Col. James Daniels, MD, National Guard (Ret.), also attended the ceremony.

In closing last week’s article about Col. Bishop, due to an editing error, President and CEO of Westchester Medical Center, Arthur J. Venance was incorrectly identified as his distant relative, Theodore.

Seniors Can Caffeinate and Feel Better at Mall Walk

It is often said that “laughter is the best medicine” but what about coffee? It turns out that it is true, fun and easy to use.

Seniors can learn the priceless health benefits of incorporating humor and laughter into their daily routine Friday, Aug. 8 at 9 a.m. at The Westchester on the Banks as part of the Mall Walk program. Durando Otto, a licensed clinical social worker, will lead participants in a management and pain reduction, will discuss ways to apply humor to enhance mood, relieve stress and add joy to life.

The program will begin at 9 a.m. at the Food Court Level on Level 4, and admission is free for members of the Mall Walk program.

The Westchester County Parks, this program offers a slower-paced indoor health walking at The Westchester on Tuesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. To sign up for the Mall Walk program, sign up at the horse fountain located at the Mall Walk Entrance. The Mall Walk Level Two, on Tuesday and Friday mornings during the program.

For more information, go to www.westches tergov.org/mallwalk.

Elder Law Attorney to Address Medicaid Asset Protection Trusts

Tara Emelie Espinosa, a partner in DeGroof, Roca and Sirignano, LLP in White Plains, will lecture on the draft-version of the Westchester County Bar Asso-
Death of Earl Warren

July 9 marked the 40th anniversary of the death of Supreme Court Justice Earl Warren, whose legacy was significant because it was the story of an extreme contradiction.

Earl Warren was one of the most recognizable figures in American politics and was the first to rush to his aid and cradle him after his death of Supreme Court Justice Earl Warren.

One of the victims was Yuri Kochiyama, who was a friend of Malcolm X and activists who was accused of a crime had his constitutional rights and the Miranda warnings. These cases are often the subject of various redevelopment plans.

The property consisted of an architectural gem of Louis Sullivan's work. It will provide jobs, as well as expand the tax base and help close the City's budget gap.

The deal includes agreements with a number of Westchester-based companies, including the Empire State Development, which will provide an estimated $635,250 exemption on sales taxes for construction materials, plus occupancy taxes.

This plan includes groups whose needs are not currently being met, including those with disabilities, families in need of affordable housing, and veterans with disabilities. The plan represents a major step toward improving the quality of life for all residents of Yonkers.

The Deal with the Groundbreaking of the new building will take approximately 24 months to complete and will result in the creation of a new office building with 25,000 square feet of office space.

The project is expected to cost $225 million and will take approximately 24 months to complete, resulting in the creation of more than 800 construction jobs during that period.

The city has already applied for a grant for the new building, which has 15,000 square feet of office space, and is expected to save the city $300 million over the next decade.

A second phase, to be completed over the next five years, will include a hotel, restaurants and retail space, as well as a new convention center.

The new building will be located at 555 Tuckahoe Road, which is adjacent to the Cross County Shopping Center. It will be developed by an affiliate of WCA Properties.

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Congressman Eliot Engel and Assemblyman David Buchwald spoke at the event.

Westchester Rising Editor in Chief

For the Geologists who follow the Kitchen countertop guide, it is important to understand the characteristics of the granite and materials they use. Archeologists have found granite in the kitchens of ancient civilizations throughout history, indicating that it was highly valued for its durability and beauty. Once granite is excavated, it is cut into slabs and polished until it is smooth and shiny. The slabs are then installed on the countertop, where they will be exposed to heat, moisture, and sporadic use.

The benefits of granite countertops are numerous. They are durable, resistant to heat and cold, and require minimal maintenance. Granite countertops can be cut, polished, and shaped to fit any kitchen design. They come in a wide variety of colors and patterns, making them a popular choice for kitchen design. Granite is also a natural material, making it a sustainable choice for your kitchen.

However, granite countertops also have limitations. They are porous and can absorb spills, so it is important to seal them regularly to prevent stains and discoloration. They are also heavy and can be difficult to move or replace. Additionally, granite is a natural material and can be susceptible to scratches and chips if not properly cared for.

In conclusion, granite countertops are a popular choice for kitchen design due to their durability, beauty, and functionality. However, it is important to consider their limitations and to properly care for them to ensure they remain in good condition for many years to come. The choice of granite countertops is a personal one, and it is important to choose a material that fits your lifestyle and design preferences.
Father of the Year honorees include, from left, Steven Bledsoe, regional sales manager at Tandem Diabetes Care; David Ourlicht, managing director and special advisor to the chairman at Gabelli Funds; Bruce Peckman, CEO at Westchester Rehabilitation and Nursing; Peter X. Kelly, owner and chef at Gabelli Funds; Bruce Peckman, CEO at Westchester Rehabilitation and Nursing; Peter X. Kelly, owner and chef at Gabelli Funds; Bruce Peckman, CEO at Westchester Rehabilitation and Nursing; Peter X. Kelly, owner and chef at Gabelli Funds; Bruce Peckman, CEO at Westchester Rehabilitation and Nursing; Peter X. Kelly, owner and chef at Gabelli Funds; Bruce Peckman, CEO at Westchester Rehabilitation and Nursing; Peter X. Kelly, owner and chef at Gabelli Funds; Bruce Peckman, CEO at Westchester Rehabilitation and Nursing; Peter X. Kelly, owner and chef at Gabelli Funds; Bruce Peckman, CEO at Westchester Rehabilitation and Nursing; Peter X. 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