The pristine views of the Palisades, from Yonkers, will continue. photo by Donna Davis

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Christian Federico Tourney Raisers Scholarship Funds

By Bill Foley

The annual Christian Federico Softball Tournament took place Saturday, Aug. 1 at Red Mountain Field in Yonkers, to raise funds for scholarships for students to attend college in Christian honor.

According to Christian’s uncle, Vic Federico, 28 teams had signed up to play, including 16 men’s teams and 12 co-ed teams. One team came up all the way from the University of Maryland, where Christian attended college, and played club baseball.

The winner in the men’s division were the Tom Emanski All-Stars, and in the co-ed division were the Danny Mac’s. The Federico brothers – both Yonkers natives – have worked for the City of Yonkers, with Lore of the Yonkers Parks and Recreation Department and Vic at the Yonkers PAL.

This writer has known both of them since we played in the North Yonkers Softball League, going back to 1974 at Fleming Field. They played for Federico Landscaping, and I for the Royals. I also had the pleasure of refereeing some of Christian’s football games when he played for Ossining in the Scarsdale Youth Football League. He was a great football player and a wonderful young man.

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Without Mayor’s Race Dem Primary September 10 Still a Big Deal

By Dan Murphy

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Yonkers On the Move (YOM) is collecting the miles/ steps submitted on-line and via the Mile Card mailed or dropped-off at the Riverfront and Wil Libraries for YONKERS WALK 20 Challenge, Phase 2. Mayor Mike Spano personally presented recognition certificates to those completing 20 or more miles at the June 24th, 2015 Challenge Phase 1, City Hall Recognition event. The Mayor thanked over 20 awardees for serving as role models for Yonkers in getting outside and active.

This part three or phase challenge is an opportunity for friends, family, neighbors, church groups, small business and work colleagues to form and participate as individuals and in Phase 2, also form a team to contribute their walk miles to pass this year’s 12,000 mile goal.

For those new to the YONKERS WALK 20 Challenge, the concept is simple. The land area of Yonkers is approximately 20 square miles - YOM asks those walking a total of 20 miles or more during a Challenge period to tell YOM about it on the YOM Mile Card or on-line at www.walkyom.org. Participants logging 20 or more miles are well on their way towards making exercise a regular part of their lives and will be invited to attend the second Challenge recognition event. (The Sept. Date and details to be determined soon)

There’s still time to start and register a walk team of 2 or more, simply:

1. Determine a team name (up to 30 characters) and supply a few words about your group or job based team.
2. Select a captain who will be the official team point person for YOM
3. Provide the above information on-line - click on the TEAM link at YOM website www.walkyom.org and you can register and receive confirmation of your team status.

The other positive, and Yonkers centric part of this story is that the Alamo cinema provides the perfect venue for a film’s opening, on Central Park Avenue.

Yonkers On the Move 2015 WALK Challenge: Phase 2, Collecting the Miles and Forming Teams

Solace Premier at Alamo a Hit

A true ‘Yonkers production’ of a movie filmed in the city, by a Yonkers native, made its premier on July 30 at Alamo Drafthouse Cinema. As guests entered the theater they were greeted by gift bags, comic book programs, and tidbits about the 6 episode comedy, which was shown together at the premier. The Cast, crew, guests and creator Ralph Puma filled Theatre 9 to watch the world premiere of Solace, popcorn included of course!

Puma held a Q&A after the show. We look forward to following Solace, and the future endeavors of Puma. Follow the progress at Facebook—Solace –The Movie page.

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Mayor Mike Spano and Councilman Christopher Johnson at City Hall with some of those completing Phase 1 and receiving recognition, YOM T shirts and YOM and City Recognition Certificates. Photo by Stuart Scott

The Cast of Solace, with creator Ralph Puma, right at premier

Extended cast, crew and supporters of Solace

Photos by Donna Davis

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ASKING A SEARCH ENGINE TO RECOMMEND A CARDIOLOGIST IS LIKE ASKING A CARDIOLOGIST TO FIX YOUR COMPUTER.
Mayor Seeks Nominations for Curb Appeal Awards

Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano last week announced the city’s annual Curb Appeal Awards, which recognize residents for their efforts to improve the ‘face’ of homes in their communities with beautiful and creative gardens and landscaping. This is the third annual “Mayor’s Curb Appeal Awards,” which are presented to residents, homeowners, businesses and homeowners for their efforts in their own front yards. Yonkers is known for its unique and diverse landscape and so many of our neighbors should realize that our landscape is the hard work of those who take pride in their community and strive to make their homes beautiful.

Residents can nominate a Yonkers homeowner for Mayor Spano’s Curb Appeal Awards in one of three categories: landscaping, interior improvement and creativity/originality.

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The Curb Appeal Awards are a way to recognize the beauty in our city and to enter the hard work of those who take pride in their community and strive to make their homes beautiful.

The city is accepting nominations through Sept. 1 at www.yonkersny.gov/curbappealawards.

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Yonkers Improves Waterfront Esplanade

Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano recently announced that the city has begun work on a waterfront beautification project to replace brick pavers, make repairs to the esplanade, and improve the overall waterfront experience for residents and visitors.

As part of the project, the city will remove and replace the brick pavers on the esplanade, as suffering from years of wear and extreme weather conditions, many of the pavers had begun to crack. The city will also build a new planting bed on the north side of the esplanade, and replace a portion of the sidewalk on the lower city, which is being transformed into an accessible beachwith a new boardwalk.

The revitalization of the waterfront has helped Yonkers secure the second-greatest big city in New York State. Over the last several years, hundreds of residential units have been added to the neighborhood and several projects have been underway that will find even more growth in Yonkers' historic district.

Nearby, the city brought its fireworks celebration back to Mill River Daylighting project, and on July 4, earlier this year, Yonkers Brewing Company opened in the former trolley barn building, construction began on phase two of the Saw Mill River Piloting project, and on July 4, the city brought its fireworks celebration back to the waterfront, attracting 30,000 spectators.

During a recent special meeting of the Board of Legislators, the $6.8 million bond act to fund the improvements to the existing pool and aquatic facility will not be ready for use again until 2017.

Shimsky. “Unfortunately this needed recreational facility will not be ready for use again until 2017. But what the administration has already seen the light, and has committed to repairing it.

“The board has now provided the county executive with the funding to finish the job,” continued Shimsky. “We will and the administration for monthly updates, to help make sure that the work stays on track.”

Legislator Ken禁毒eke stated: “Since the inci- dent was done, we’ve had no issue with the community. “The administration has already seen the light, and has committed to repairing it.”
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Celebrate its 30th anniversary Thursday, July 12. By providing high-quality health care to Yonkers and neighboring communities, this State-of-the-Art Health Center has nurtured and empowered thousands of people, allowing them to manage chronic diseases and live a healthier, more independent life. For more information, call 914-965-4000.

**Health Department Issues Heat Advisory**

With hot and humid weather forecasts and temperature records expected to reach or exceed 90 degrees in parts of the county throughout the week, the Westchester County Department of Health has issued a heat advisory. As temperatures rise, residents are reminded to take precautions to avoid heat exhaustion and heat stroke. Here’s what you can do:

- Drink plenty of water to stay hydrated.
- Avoid strenuous activity during the hottest part of the day.
- Check on older adults, young children, and those with pre-existing health conditions.

Heat stroke is a serious and life-threatening condition that requires immediate medical attention. Symptoms include:

- High fever (above 104 degrees Fahrenheit)
- Dizziness or confusion
- Hot, dry, and flushed skin
- Rapid, weak pulse
- Trouble breathing
- Nausea or vomiting
- Loss of consciousness

If you suspect someone is suffering from heat stroke, call 911 immediately. In the event of a heat stroke, emergency medical treatment is crucial.

Heat exhaustion is a precursor to heat stroke and can be prevented by:

- Drinking plenty of fluids
- Wearing lightweight, loose-fitting clothing
- Seeking shade or air conditioning

If you are on foot, wear lightweight, loose-fitting clothing. If you are driving, make sure your car is well-ventilated.

For additional information, visit www.dec.ny.gov/environmental/25185.html.

**Without Mayor’s Continued from Page 1**

Virginia Perez and Pedro Abreu, it is one of the interesting primary races this year which also county Board of Legislators, and the recently-incumbent state senator are as members to a partisan coalition of republicans and democrats on the county board that hold a 9-8 majority, and her re-election is crucial for that coalition to continue for at least another 2 years.

Pedro Abreu’s campaign is focused on the issues of education, public safety, and economic development. Abreu has called for investment in education, especially in the STEM fields, and has promised to increase police staffing and reduce crime rates. He has also advocated for economic development, including the creation of jobs and the expansion of local businesses. Abreu has criticized Perez’s record on these issues, saying that she has failed to work with the local community to address these problems.

Pedro Abreu’s campaign has outlined several issues of concern to demonstrate the disparity between the current administration and the community. Abreu has called for a moratorium on the counties’ project to replace the Yonkers Joint Wastewater Treatment Plant, which was awarded at a cost of $20 billion, and has pledged to work with the community to ensure that the project is completed in an environmentally-friendly and cost-effective manner.

Abreu has also highlighted issues such as the underfunding of public health care and the lack of investment in roads and public safety. He has promised to work with the community to address these issues and to make Westchester County a safer and more inclusive place for all residents.

**NY Senator Andrew Stewart-Cousins meets clients of Lightsource Guild’s GuildCare**

After the morning celebration, Mayor Bengio and Stewart-Cousins were able to spend time meeting with GuildCare clients and staff. The event was well-attended, with many people coming to learn more about the services offered by this organization. The conversation centered around the importance of early detection and independence.

“I’m very pleased to be here today to celebrate the milestone of 30 years of health care in Yonkers,” said Mayor Bengio. “The success of this organization is a testament to the power of community support and the dedication of its employees.”

Stewart-Cousins added that the legislative district of 30th District, continues in court, with the outcome of the case still undetermined at our press time.

“Choosing politics over the public health of the County is unacceptable,” said Dr. Shelia Antro, Westchester Democratic State Chair. “We must stand together in getting this work back on track.”

“Glad to see this is moving forward to working together with them on behalf of our constituents,” said Abreu.

**For More Information**

Visit www.cny.org, for New Rochelle, go to www.purchasethecity.com, for Peekskill, go to www.cityofpeekskill.com, for the Town of Yonkers, go to www.townofyonkers.com; for Yonkers, go to www.yonkersgov.org/budget, and for the Village of Yonkers, go to www.villageyonkers.org.

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The New Yorker Who Should Be Running for President

By Dan Murphy

Former New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg, who never ran for president, is now getting caught, but we must make rules for elected officials who violate the public trust.

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The Facebook comments from Murtagh's article this week.

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Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival will perform a “Midsummer Night’s Dream” in the museum gallery Sunday, Aug. 9 at 1 and 3 p.m. Photo courtesy of HVSF.

Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival presents its summer 2015 season of free shows Friday and Saturday nights through Aug. 22. Drama, film and music programs have been organized by the Hudson Valley Museum in association with the Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival, Alamo Drafthouse Cinema and Purpl.

On Friday, Aug. 7, Timothy Bloom will perform. A Grammy Award-winning soprano for No-Vo and Chris Brown, Bloom started recording on his own in 2010. His sound, a mix of R&B, rock and soul, has won acclaim from Billboard, Forbes and VH1.

“An Iliad” will be presented Saturday, Aug. 8. Adapted from Homer’s original epic, the “poet” tells a tale of heroism, will and ancient glory.

On Friday, Aug. 14 will feature Ouzi. Originally from Ghana, Ouzi offers a lively blend of Afropop and ska, punk and reggae. The band has an improvisational, jam-session quality that conveys the stories in the summer exhibition “poet” tells a tale of heroes, battles and ancient glory.

“Raiders of the Lost Ark” (115 minutes, rated PG) will be shown Saturday, Aug. 22. This is a modern take on Shakespeare’s comedy about the exiled sorcerer Prospero and his shipwrecked enemies; will he take revenge or call for peace?

The Hudson River Amphitheater presents its summer 2015 season of free shows Friday and Saturday nights through Aug. 22.

Three of the four venues – the JFK Marina and Trevor Park, off Warburton Avenue and JFK Memorial Drive, one block north of the museum – Amphitheater 2015 programs have been sponsored, in part, by Anitra Bank and the Henry E. Niles Foundation. Additional support for Friday night music is provided by Various DIS and Saturday movies by Affinity Health Plans. 

The museum is open Friday and Saturday nights from 5 to 9 p.m., with a free planetarium show Fridays at 7 p.m. (Free planetarium shows have been made possible by Entergy.)

On Friday, Aug. 7, the Yonkers Community Music Showcase will feature performers from the neighborhood with song, dance, drums and spoken word.

“The Tempest” will be shown Saturday, Aug. 22. This is a modern take on Shakespeare’s comedy about the exiled sorcerer Prospero and his shipwrecked enemies; will he take revenge or call for peace?

“Where’s Wally ?” will be shown Sunday, Aug. 9. This is a modern take on Shakespeare’s comedy about the exiled sorcerer Prospero and his shipwrecked enemies; will he take revenge or call for peace?

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Henry Needs a Home

Henry is a distinguished gentleman about 8 years, weighing about 55 lbs...he came here one month ago when he was discovered in the hallway of an apartment building...No owner came forward so Henry joined us at the shelter...He seems to have been well cared for by someone...He is a nice size, has a very nice temperament and was well fed...also, while we are never sure, Henry seems to be house trained...He is very friendly with both people and dogs; however, he would not do well in a home with cats as he seems to want to chase them....Henry has already been neutered so he can pack his bags anytime!!

Come see Henry at The Yonkers Animal Shelter located at 1000 Ridge Hill Blvd, hours are 11 to 4:00 daily and weekends. For more information, call 914-377-6730 during business hours or 201-981-3215 at anytime. Emails may be sent to lesliem147@gmail.com.