Primary Day in Yonkers; Mayor Backs Perez & Terrero

By Dan Murphy

Located in the heart of Yonkers, the Columbus Park bust of Christopher Columbus has always been a focal point for the city. The bust was erected in 1932 to commemorate the 400th anniversary of Columbus’s discovery of the New World. However, the bust has been the subject of controversy in recent years, with some community members calling for its removal.

The City Council recently announced that the bust would be removed from Columbus Park. The decision was made after a series of incidents, including vandalism and defacement, involving the bust. The City Council also cited concerns about the bust’s condition and safety.

The removal of the bust has sparked debate in the community. Some Yonkers residents support the decision, citing concerns about the bust’s condition and the city’s need to allocate resources to other projects. Others, however, believe that the bust should remain in place as a symbol of Yonkers’s rich history and cultural heritage.

The decision to remove the bust has been met with mixed reactions from Yonkers officials. Mayor Mike Spano has expressed support for the decision, stating that the bust is damaged and that it is time for the city to move forward. On the other hand, City Councilman Jayson Masters has voiced concerns about the decision, saying that it is not the time to remove the bust.

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First of all I am happy because my dream is coming true, second of all I am making my parents proud, and finally I want to make Yonkers proud. Everyone, thank you for your support, I love you all! Congratulations to Susanna and best of luck in moving forward. All of Yonkers is rooting for you and hoping to see you on television.

Yonkers Idol Susanna Stepanyan is competing in the American Idol show.

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Yonkers hometown County Legislator Ken Jenkins faces off against State Sen. George Latimer on Tuesday, Sept. 12 in the Democratic primary for county executive, with the winner to take on Republican incumbent Robert Astorino in November.

Many Democrats believe Jenkins must receive a huge outpouring of support and votes, from Yonkers in order to be competitive in the primary against Latimer, who has already roped in large campaign offices across the county -- including one in Yonkers.

Jenkins is continuing to push for a primary victory, and recently announced a 12-point economic plan with a focus on minority- and women-owned business enterprises.

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A recent “Get Moving Get Fit Field Day” was enjoyed by the children at the Queens Daughter’s Day Care Center on Buena Vista Avenue in Yonkers. Although the gloomy and rainy day forced the activities to be moved indoors, the children did not miss out on the fun.

Yonkers-East Yonkers Rotary Club President-Elect Sandro Loz-Bagatin, FPG-Greg Angell, Past President Mahbub Alam, Treasurer Barbara Hanna, and Rotary Foundation Chairperson Rina Ahmad visited the center and spent the morning both with the children, watching them play with the new equipment that will help support and enhance the early childcare experience.

Center Executive Director Barbara Berrias excitedly talked about the Center. “Our curriculum of teaching and learning will be greatly enhanced by the hands-on experience of the kids using the equipment the Rotary Club provided,” she said.

The Banked the Rotary Club of Yonkers-East Yonkers for the community service grant that made the project possible. Thanks to the grant, the center purchased tricycles, playground equipment that will help support and enhance the early childcare experience.

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By Eric W. Schoen

Just what I was getting ready to write a column praising Yonkers for not getting caught up in the nationwide frenzy to tear down statues of “controversial” figures, word comes that the statue of Christopher Columbus in Columbus Park was desecrated.

My initial guess is that it was simply kids playing around in the park and had nothing to do with what’s been going on throughout the country. This wasn’t the first time damage was done to Christopher Columbus in the Park Hill Park. We will have to see the questions about what happened to the authorities, but I do have one concern: I was surprised to read that the statue of Columbus in this past year was only 2 feet high. It would seem to me that someone of his stature deserves a little bit larger stature.

So, what are we supposed to do with all the statues throughout the country that people feel should be torn down because of anti-charitable acts done by these repugnent? Revere history? I happen to agree with New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio. Everyone can learn if we put a plaque next to the respective statues summarizing their background, good and bad.

Well, another summer is over. As I was sitting in New Hope, Pa., at the pool sipping my glass of Prosseco and listening to the music, this column was being read by an artist looking for his big break. I thought about summer spent in the Catskills. The water in the pool is in New Hope was cold just like it was in the Catskills on Labor Day weekend. After a few days of rain, the sun was shining on Labor Day and everyone was trying to get to their last rays. That is the way it was during Labor Day weekend in the Catskills.

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We name cause confusion to those traveling through the area and even to this writer. And no word yet on what they are going to do next year after Yonkers’ Mario Cuomo Bridge. So, former Gov. Mario Cuomo and his brother, current Gov. Andrew Cuomo, are threatening to tear down the Gateway Bridge and not for “puff” purposes. An “alert” to both Democrats and Republicans!

Parking at Ridge Hill Skyreets

Yes, prices for parking at Ridge Hill have gone up. It’s $10 for valet parking at Westmed. Are they kidding? Yes, Gov. Malcolm Wilson, whose name adorns the Tappan Zee Bridge, New York State legislators and Gov. Andrew Cuomo, let’s deal with that issue.

Westchester County Emergency Alerts via Landline

Did you receive a call via your landline (if you still have one) from the Westchester County Emergency Alert System from County Clerk Shari Station, alerting you about how his office can facilitate receiving emergency alerts? What, pray tell, is the purpose of the emergency alert system - sending out alerts regarding true emergencies like flood, power outages or evacuations as or a means at a time price exposure of communicating messages to shore constituents their elected officials are doing something? Passport facilitation is an “abuse and beyond” service provided by the county’s clerk, not listed in the database for the position. That’s all well and good, but people get nervous when they get an alert stating that it is coming from the Westchester County Emergency Alert System.

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Friends of Graceland Hudson Valley will host a 200 to celebrate Sept. 1. The celebratory tribute and partner event at the former home of Elvis Presley, who passed away 50 years ago, will include tributes, a silent auction, and a musical performance. All proceeds will benefit the Graceland Hudson Valley Foundation, which supports education and community programs at Graceland. For more information, visit gracelandhv.org.

Kearny, commissioner of planning and development for the city of Yonkers, has been associated with the city for 13 years and has been instrumental in the city’s green initiatives. Kearny has collaborated with Groundwork on numerous green infrastructure projects that have transformed the Yonkers landscape, including the daylighted Van der Donck Park and the soon-to- come Yonkers Greenway.

Vice-President David Tubiolo at 646-596-3375.

Helping Revitalize Yonkers

Scout Needs a Home

The Yonkers Animal Shelter, or email to be adopted by a great home. Staff estimate Scout to be younger 2 well cared for, and was wearing a tion. He is lending his exper- the evening will be a celebration of Ground- work’s innovative greening initiatives that have been adopted by Yonkers and surrounding communities that will be increasingly noticeable to feeding.

A young mixed-breed dog weighing about 40 to 50 pounds was found abandoned last week in the Bronx. This smart, well-behaved, well-cared for, and was wearing a项 native, his reputation for getting back to the community recently earned him recognition as the patron Saint of Yonkers by the Friends of Philippe Moris Hall.

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By Marcia Hurz
President Emerita, Yonkers Historical Society
Saturday, Sept. 11
Sept. 11, 1916: The Common Council adopted speed limits for the city. The 15 mph limit on rural, sparsely populated areas, the limit was to be 15 miles an hour, in the "suburban" and low population areas, cars could speed along at 23 miles per hour.
Sept. 11, 1929: Although on vacation and tied up in his pajama and hanging rob, Pe ters, a man of 33, cut himself on the floor of his room. His name was Edward O’Connor. He rushed out of his Gray Place home after using two bangles to give a pack age into nearby shrubs, he captured and arrested the man with a gunshot.
Sept. 11, 1935: William Greene, well-known sports star and nationally recognized in the circus, was arrested as the Republican candi date for Fifth District Assemblyman.
Tuesday, Sept. 12
Sept. 12, 1948: The Byrne Memorial Improvement Association celebrated the completion of School Field at Dartmouth Street and Llewellyn Avenue. Mayor Women, former Mayor Green, and Public Safety Commissioner Herrmann spoke to those gathered.
Sept. 16, 1950: Police Capt. McDonald of the New York City Police Department was killed in a mysterious explosion that rocked West 42 Street and the financial district. The bomb was planted near the offices of J. P. Morgan and Company.

By Bill McFadden
By Mary Hoar
By Marcia Hurz
By Jim Hektre
By Joe Hyatt
By Steve Volpe
By David Grubb

Sorano & Whitman to be Honored at PAL Luncheon
On This Day in Yonkers History...
Notice of formation of PE- MACK CONSTRUCTION, LLC, Arts. Of Org. filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/11/17. Office location: 33 Parkway East, Larchmont, NY 10538. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Joseph CIANCIULLI, 157 Westchester Ave, Yonkers, NY 10701. Purpose: lawful act or activity

#5001 08/35 - 08/06

Notice of formation of T.R. B. HOME REFINISHING, LLC, Arts. Of Org. filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/19/17. Purpose of LLC: any lawful act. Office location: 91 Newfield Ave, Yonkers, NY 10704. Purpose: any lawful act or activity

#5002 08/23 - 08/29

Notice of formation of PEA- ROX, LLC, Arts. Of Org. filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/15/17. Office location: 340 Old Derby Rd, Yonkers, NY 10704. Purpose: any lawful act or activity

#5003 08/04 - 08/08

Notice of formation of CIFF, FAMILY HOLDING, LLC, Arts. Of Org. filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/15/17. Office location: 515 E 10th Place, Mamaron- nec, NY 10543. Purpose: any lawful act or activity

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AGENDA FOR ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
September 5, 2017 (rescheduled)

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: A Public Hearing will be held before the Zoning Board of Ap- peals on Tuesday, September 5, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., in the Ceremonial Courtroom, Yonkers, New York (building is accessible to the handi- capped), on applications for variances under the provisions of G.O. #4-2000, as amended:

NEW HORIZONS

#5901-1 Area Variance – Christian Rodriguez and Jason Foster, on behalf of Con Edison, owner, on premises known as 258 Mill River Road, Block: 2410, Lot: 72, Yonkers, Purpose: any lawful act.

#5902 08/09 - 08/15

Area Variance – Deven Sharma IAIA, on behalf of Hansa Khan, owner, on premises known as 13 Parkview East, Block: 4566, Lot: 104, Yonkers, Purpose: any lawful act.

#5903 08/15 - 08/21

Area Variance – Deven Sharma IAIA, on behalf of Hansa Khan, owner, on premises known as 13 Parkview East, Block: 4566, Lot: 104, Yonkers, Purpose: any lawful act.

#5904 08/25 - 09/01

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Adopt Healthy Habits to Reduce Childhood Obesity

September is Childhood Obesity Awareness Month, and while the dangers of childhood obesity are well chronicled, many families struggle to find truly healthy ways to lose weight with the ultimate goal of being a healthy weight. That's why the YMCA of Westchester County has maintained a community-based organization dedicated to improving health – family and friends to understand the dangers of childhood obesity and ways to reverse course through improved eating habits and increased physical activity.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the prevalence of obesity has remained stable at about 17 percent, and about 1.5 percent rise a year. In New York State, 15.4 percent of all children have been overweight or obese, with the ultimate goal of being a healthy weight.

"Successfully lowering obesity rates in children requires the whole family to change their eating and physical activity habits," said William Domini, an advocate at YMCA of Westchester County. "Kids learn unhealthy habits at home, and many parents or caregivers don't realize how the choices they make affect their kids' weight."

Additionally, if families don't know how to get started, reaching out to your health care provider or organizations like the YMCA can help. The following tips are some great ways to take control of your family's physical activity and into your daily family routine:

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How Yonkers Can Help Houston

Puerto Rico and Florida Coming Next

Mayor Mike Spano and Council President Liam McLaughlin (left), and Leonard Santomasino (kneeling), traveled to Yonkers to support Hurricane Harvey collection efforts.

By Dan Murphy

As of the 36th anniversary of the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, Yonkers is remembering those who perished on that dark day with ceremonies Monday at two Yonkers locations – at 8:30 a.m. at the waterfront pier and at 7 p.m. at Center Park on McLean Avenue.

The other way to celebrate the lives of those lost Sept. 11 is to volunteer your services to those in need, "said Spano. "There's no Republican way or Democrat- way to help out those in need," said Spano.

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Donations can be dropped off at Afya at the County Center in White Plains. A number of events and volunteer opportunities will be available at the County Center in White Plains on Sept. 11. They include a blood drive, creating new backpacks for chil- dren in need, creating inspirational notes and cards for deployed service members (for all ages), donating used children's books, donating care packages for U.S. troops, donating shoes for families in need, taking CPE classes, and creating sandwiches for the hungry.

Visit www.yonkersrenew.org/service or call 914-948-4452 for more information.

On Tuesday, Mayor Mike Spano, Council President Liam McLaughlin, and Lenny San- tomasino traveled from Yonkers to Yor- kton to join State Sen. Terrence Murphy to help fill a truck donated by You and Associates, with tomatoes, clean clothes, diapers and other goods for those who need them in Texas.

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Afya also needs volunteers to help box and load the donations. To assist, call 914-920-5081 or visit afyaorganization.org.

How can you assist?

Remember the terrorist attacks of 9/11.

All drops will be accepted at Whiskey House, 2211 Central Park Ave., second floor, New Rochelle; and Bitu Royale Petroleum Gas Station, 1061 Nepperhan Ave., Yonkers.

Drop-off locations include Boost Mobile, 695 Yonkers Ave., Yonkers; Dr. Gary Young, 163 yards and one TD. He also caught a 5-yard pass from Garcia for a TD and one interception for a TD. Richard Ricketts rounded out the scoring by recover- ing a blocked punt for a TD.

On defense, the Bears also broke out their brand new helmets for the first time in school history – an opening-day victory when it defeated Yonkers H.S. 37-0. In the game, Jordan Wallace returned two punts and an extra point for a TD and one interception for a TD. Richard Ricketts rounded out the scoring by recover- ing a blocked punt for a TD.

The Bears-based nonprofit Afya Foun- dation hosted a back-to-school barbecue Aug. 27 at JFK Marina Park.

According to Executive Director Reginald Joseph the organization is a newly formed group of strong, hardworking men representing the change they want to see in their communities. Members are comprised of construction workers, teachers, military members, and other cit- izens of the community who are passionate for a change.

"We are all in our early 30’s,” he said. "A lot of my fellow members and I grew up with and were raised in Yonkers. We recently opened doors to our new office inside the Yonkers Power Lab, located at 45 Ludlow St., Suite 310. "It’s our goal to uplift our community and lead by example to our youth,” continued Joseph. "Many youth have looked up to us so we want to set a good example and show them pos- sible ways to better themselves and work together with our neighbors and communities. Our goal is also to help prepare individuals for the workforce by various training and job readiness programs we intend on launching this fall, plus we have exter- nal hands-on internships for job seekers."

He said that Afya Foundation also recently launched a community in the community for giving back. "We want to see our kids able to go out and play and live like kids,” said Joseph. "Aside from teach- ing our families, we have many more family fun activities and events coming up throughout the remainder of this year and even more next year.”

For more information, follow social media @afya2016foundation and visit www.afyafoun- dation.org.

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