By Dan Murphy

Election night in Yonkers on Nov. 6, 2018 was very similar to election night 2017, with democracy rolling in and the Blue Wave continuing to pour over the city, Westchester County and the state. Higher-than-average democratic turnout, opposition to President Donald Trump, and a wave of enthusiasm from indivisible, progressive democrats resulted in victories for democrats in Yonkers.

Mayor Mike Spano announced that a law to extend term limits for the mayor and City Council members from eight years to 12 by a majority of the speakers favored a Yonkers City Council bill extending term limits, Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano announced that he has signed the legislation into law. The city will have continuity and reasonable term limits, but they will be for 12 years rather than eight," he said. The city of Yonkers twice voted, in 1994 and again in 2001, to extend the two-term eight-year limit specifi cally in the Charter of the City of Yonkers. Instead of putting the issue to voters in a referendum, the council circumvented the democratic process with a highly called and seemingly rushed vote:

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Blue Wave Rolls Over Yonkers, Again

The wait is over for State Sen. Andrea Stewart-Cousins, who is set to become the NYS Senate majority leader.

Term Limits Debate Is Over… Or is It?

Despite the law’s provisions, term limits remain the talk of the town in Yonkers. A group called Concerned Citizens of Yonkers submitted the following letter to Spano and all members of the City Council before the public hearing Monday:

We, the undersigned, are angered and extremely disappointed by the recent Yonkers City Council vote on 10/26/17, extending term limits for the mayor and City Council members from two to three terms. We believe this self-serving action sets a dangerous precedent for diluting the democratic process and ignoring the will of Yonkers voters. The citizens of Yonkers twice voted, in 1994 and again in 2001, to make the two-term eight-year limit specifi cally in the Charter of the City of Yonkers. Instead of putting the issue to voters in a referendum, the council circumvented the democratic process with a highly called and seemingly rushed vote:

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Yonkers MHA Unveils Affordable Housing Renovations

Mayor Mike Spano, Yonkers Municipal Housing Authority Director Joseph Shuldinder and State Sen. Andrea Stewart-Cousins tour new renovated affordable housing units that include new kitchens and bathrooms.

Yonkers’s oldest and largest affordable housing complex is getting a $50 million makeover. It is all part of the Municipal Housing Authority of the City of Yonkers’ $300 million, three-year plan to renovate more than 1,700 units of affordable housing across Yonkers.

Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano and Joseph Shuldinder, executive director of the MHACY, showed off some of the renovations at the William A. Sechelhorn House on Schenectady Street in Yonkers during a recent tour with State Sen. Andrea Stewart-Cousins.

Spano said the city’s Municipal Housing Authority was able to accomplish the renovations through a creative private-public partnership with the New York State Housing Finance Agency.

The sixth annual YoFiFest opened last Friday night with its annual red carpet reception, and it will have screened about 200 movies from around the world.

One of those movies is “The Other Side of the Hero,” a Canadian documentary that shows us the world of the first responder we rarely see: life out of uniform. Actor Enrico Colantoni (“Galaxy Quest,” “Just Shoot Me,” “Punisher,”) is a co-producer on the film, and will be in attendance at the screening. He said he was excited to be there: “I’m a first responder.”

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Remembering Angelo

By Ann Marie

I was saddened to learn about the death of former Mayor and my friend Angelo Martellino.

I met Angelo in 1969. My husband, Michael, was running for City Council that year and we went to Angelo for the planning. We became friends and, in 1970, we were married. It was Angelo who delivered the eaglecy at my husband’s baptism.

Some people questioned me as to why I had Anglo deliver to me as he was a Republican and I was a Democrat. I quickly responded that it was not politics but rather service.

Three months after Mike and I were married I received a phone call one early morning from Carol Marrella inviting me to dinner. I thanked her but responded that it was not politics but rather friendship.

Then I received a phone call one early morning from Carol Marrella. I asked if she could not go. I did not want to do anything that might be considered political.

I was only 24 years old and very unfamiliar with how to act when anyone questioned you weren’t I am going to pick you up to make sure you come for dinner.

I went and while Carol was preparing everything, I sat in the living room with Angelo. He encouraged me to stay politey active. As we spoke another suburban started to flow and I was relieved that it was just a realization that politics would keep me going.

Angelo had been the part-time mayor of Yonkers for many years. However, it was in 1991 that we the advent of a full-time mayor in Yonkers. The inaugural address was given on January 1, 1992, and the Democratic mayoral candidate Tony Zucco, and Angelo ran as an Independent. I publicly endorsed him.

I later received a phone call from Carol Marrella who said: "What do you want to do even when you don’t want to do anything?" I was not going to do anything that might be considered political.

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For lovers of Jazz Age music and the best in dancing, the place to be is the Kavanagh Room every Tuesday at 6 p.m. at the Fort Dix Officers’ Club.

I came to the party and I woke up with the truest definition of the term “three men in a room.”

I then met Angelo and my friend Dennis Mele who, in 1991, started the Michael Stein scholarship to college at Iona and Mercy College with a focus on science and political science major. In 1995, I was invited to dinner at Angelo’s home. It was the first time I was able to attend a dinner at his home without being considered political.

Another interesting takeaway from the political events of 1991 is that many voters, apparently Democrat, ran as Independents. I publicly endorsed him.

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Don’t you just love when a random link is to a story that is 10 years old?

Once Bitten, Twice Bitten
On Tuesday, May 10 of this year, he told me no part of a land line to be answered. He asked me what had he told me back in May 10 in previous occasions.

On Monday, the state law into law that would allow the mayor and City Council to fire any of those who vote? He explained that his opposition to a serving a third term. Two polls conducted in New York and Connecticut.

To his honor, it’s not hard to be in Westchester. But the voters are such a sense of dedication and commitment to the arts, and they also have a larger space. In the meantime we are grateful to the community."

Clements explained with the question, “Is this you?” His answer was, “Yes!” Although unidentified in the photo, Staff Writer Linus was photographed with the question, “Is this you?”

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The board of directors of the Riverfront Library Art Gallery and held their first exhibit in 2002 at Philip Manor Hall. The new Riverfront Library also opened and allowed Blue Door to hold small exhibits.

Blue Door Continue to be found at 13 Riverdale Ave, the Olmsted, subsequently opened. ‘We’re going to try for 10 years and the city goes as the money to build it up,’ said Perschke. "My mission is to have an art center as an art center to bring us down to Yonkers, at the same time when there was virtually none of it in New York City."

Kevin Westman came aboard and helped Perschke as gallery director. "She was very good, very helpful, very cooperative," he said. "The board absolutely shared what he told me May 10 in previous columns."

Perelman describes his role as the founder behind the public art movement, but does admit “I do feel a sense of satisfaction that I have done something worthwhile that he benefits the arts community and the Yonkers community as a whole. Our art makes Yonkers smile,” he said.

A bakery shop will be held for Perelman and his wife, Martin, on Monday, Nov. 18 from 6 to 9 p.m at 66 Main St., in the rooftop. More information can be found at checles@bluedoorartcenter.org for more information.

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Dear Editor:

As one who once worked for the govern-
ment, he or she was called a “public servant.”

“Public servant” is not a term that comes to
my mind. The term that does come to my mind is
“taxpayers,” which is the name of the people
who are actually the bosses of the public
officials.

This is not to say that government
officials are not important. They are. But they
are not the same as the “public servants” that
are often referred to in the media.

The government is there to serve the
taxpayers, not the other way around.

Once again, thank you for your time and
thoughts.

Yours truly,

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Yonkers Greensward

instrumental to the early development of modern parks.

Today, a coalition of partners is working to once again link Yonkers to New York City with a 2-mile, vibrant green pathway for walking, biking, recreation and economic development, along the old Putnam Rail line, which runs along South Broadway in Yonkers and ends at Van Cortlandt Park in the Bronx.

On Oct. 24, a project team broke ground on the first phase of this ambitious project by transferring an abandoned section of the old rail line into the South County Greenway, a project that will include a state-of-the-art playground, a community garden, and plantings that reflect the rich diversity of the many cultures that have migrated along the route of the Old Putnam rail line. This is expected to rehabilitate the long-forgotten Smith, O’Hara, Levine Park into a new, thriving play area and restore it to its former use as a hub of recreational activity for this community.

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“The Other Side of the Hero” screen at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11 at The Arman Theatre (1 Lucky Corn Hill, Yonkers), followed by a question-and-answer session with the filmmaker and special guests. Tickets are $10 and can be purchased at the door. A reception for all the attendees follows the screening at Yonkers Brewing Company.

To demonstrate their support, AT&T is inviting all first responders, both active and retired, to attend the screening free of charge.

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Michael and Tara Daly with their 3-month-old daughter, Shannon Cornelia, and Tara’s mother, Elizabeth Brosnan. Photo by Robert Kalfus.