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Community Helps Sleepy Hollow Families Left Homeless by Fire

by Robert Kimmel

Following a ravaging fire that forced residents to flee from their Sleepy Hollow home during Christmas Eve, the public's generosity was quickly marshalled to aid a village DPW employee's extended family, and other tenants, occupants of the heavily damaged three-story house. Among the 13 persons made homeless were three children, ages three, seven and nine.

Village Clerk Paula McCarthy established a GoFundMe effort on the Internet directed at collecting funds to help the families, and the village sent out an email letter to 2,200 residents, while information was also placed on Facebook. The employee, Jose Zhinin, has worked for the village for almost 18 years, and owned his home at 194 Beekman Avenue for 20 years.

Robust assistance also came quickly through the determined efforts of Anne Richards, who administers the 10591 group, a community Facebook page, and Matthew Gullotta who maintains the Gullotta House Inc., a local charity which aids Westchester residents who face hardships.

Within several hours following the fire, through Gullotta's efforts and financial help, and with the assistance of the DoubleTree Hotel's Assistant General Manager Michelle Cinto, the homeless were lodged at that Tarrytown hotel for three nights and provided with



Christmas Eve fire in a home on Beekman Avenue left a village DPW employee and other occupants homeless.

— Photo by Brittany Brand

many of their meals as well.

Richards rallied 10591 members to join in her ongoing endeavors to provide clothing, shoes, shelter and funding for the homeless families. She assembled the goods at her house and managed delivery of the collected articles to the displaced persons. Through her messaging to the community, she continued

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Mayor Wray to Seek Sixth Term in Sleepy Hollow

by Robert Kimmel

Mayor Ken Wray, along with a trio of incumbent trustees, will be pursuing a return to their posts in Sleepy Hollow's March election. The mayor and the trustees, Glenn Rosenbloom, Denise Scaglione and John Leavy, made known their intentions late last month. The four will campaign under the "Unite Sleepy Hollow" banner, the political identification they have used previously while winning elections.

For Wray, it will be his bid for a sixth two-year term, continuing a tenure that began with his successful first election to the post in 2009 after serving as a trustee for the two prior years. "It is an incredibly exciting time for the village," Wray said while expressing his eagerness to remain as mayor. He cited the Edge-on-Hudson development and the village's adjacent East Parcel project with its prospective Commons as among activities he wants to see through to their fruition.

The village recently received a \$1.5 million state grant toward the East Parcel development and it has achieved an upgraded bond rating this past fall from Moody's Investment Services. At that time, Sleepy Hollow was also recognized by the Mid-Hudson Regional Economic Council as a Priority Project, "for taking bold steps to realize its potential as a place of employment, a place to live, and a place for visitors."

"I want to build on all of the positive momentum Sleepy Hollow has established, and I also want to see through completion of the major development projects we currently have in progress," Rosenbloom stated. "But it is the growth and change that is upon us and the opportunity to help manage it for the benefit of all Sleepy Hollow residents that is particularly motivating."

He added, "I look at the future with confidence and excitement. In our soon to be adopted Comprehensive Plan, we have an invaluable resource filled with strategies on how best to achieve our goals and overcome obstacles."

Rosenbloom, who is also Deputy Mayor, lauded the current Board of Trustees, "as

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Irvington Girls Basketball Coach Maher Notches 700th Career Win

by Tom Pedulla

Gina Maher recently reached an extraordinary milestone when she earned her 700th victory at Irvington, an unprecedented total for a New York State Athletic Association girls basketball coach. Her remarkable resume also includes five state championships, 18 sectional titles and 22 league crowns.

And yet the greatest measure of Maher's success cannot be measured.

That would be the countless number of students who took life lessons taught during sweat-filled practices, hard-fought games or a quiet moment away from the court to excel long after their days at Irvington were done.



Coach Gina Maher (center) celebrates her milestone victory.

— Photo by Irvington School District

"Everyone has always said Ms. Maher is like our second mom," said Miranda Farman, a senior

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MTA Cell Tower in Tarrytown is Removed

by Alexander Roberts

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority's 150-foot cell tower, erected over a weekend on Tarrytown's waterfront in September, was taken down over the weekend before the Christmas holiday.

MTA spokesman Aaron Donovan told *The Hudson Independent* that the agency was honoring its commitment to the village to remove the structure after igniting a firestorm of controversy over its location adjacent to the Franklin Courts public housing complex and playground. While local zoning prohibits cell towers near residential properties, the MTA as a state agency had exercised its right to pre-empt local land use regulations.

Cell Tower Needed for Improved Communications

The MTA maintained that the Metro-North Police needed the tower to improve emergency communications. However, its design allowed for co-location of the antennas of private cell companies such as Verizon and T-Mobile, which could have paid the MTA rental fees. While Donovan said that the MTA had not yet signed co-location agreements for this or any of the other 14 monopole locations slated for the region, it remains a possibility.

"The income from such agreements could help meet MTA expenses, thus contributing to lower tolls and costs to taxpayers, as well as reducing the number of new private sites needed for cell service," Donovan said.

The village had unsuccessfully tried to

stop the installation in 2015 with a complaint before the Federal Communications Commission, charging violation of the National Historic Preservation Act because of the tower's impact on the viewshed of the historic Tarrytown train station.

Public Forum Drew Hundreds

The public reaction, however, proved more potent as the tower energized hundreds of citizens to fill Village Hall at a public forum in October. In addition to residents, New York State Senate Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins and Assemblyman Tom Abinanti attended the forum and were instrumental, along with Tarrytown Mayor Drew Fixell, in negotiating with the MTA to remove the tower and in suggesting alternatives. Fixell hailed the removal, which originally had



Workers dismantle the platform that sat atop the Tarrytown monopole.

—Photo by Alexander Roberts

been promised by March 2019, as "an early Christmas gift."

One of the alternatives, an existing monopole at the new State Police barracks on Paulding Avenue, will now incorporate the additional Metro-North antennas.

Dan and Nancy Hanover mobilized hundreds of residents and gathered more than 300 signatures on a petition against the monopole on Change.org. Dan Hanover said that he was glad the MTA had "kept its word" and taken down the cell tower.

Charles Dickens, a retired teacher who helped organize residents at Franklin Courts and Franklin Towers against the structure, marveled at how the community's protest brought it down so quickly.

"That's the power of unity, and somehow the MTA got the message that we weren't playing," Dickens said.

Sleepy Hollow Fire

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an effort to secure temporary residences for them, pending the repair of the house.

Gullotta and Richards were among the volunteers who brought goods and presents to the families at the hotel. "It was good to see the young children open their Christmas presents," Gullotta said.

"This is a wonderful, hardworking Sleepy Hollow family whom I've personally known for many years," McCarthy wrote about the Zhinin family for the GoFundMe dona-

tions. "On this Christmas Eve, they have lost their home to a raging fire. Their family including a toddler, along with several tenants, are left to wonder what's next? Let's help them re-build their lives."

The village's letter noted the "sad and devastating event," stating, "One of our residents, who is also one of our Public Works employees, lost his home to a raging fire on Beekman Avenue. His family, along with several tenants were lucky to get out alive."

"Many people have been in touch with me to find out how they can help," Sleepy Hollow Administrator Anthony Giaccio commented. "This is a strong, and car-

ing community." He also noted that the Red Cross assisted as well. Giaccio added, "Thankfully our fire department did an excellent job when responding to keep the fire from spreading, and fortunately no one was hurt."

After almost a week of donations to the fund, it was approaching within several thousand dollars of the \$20,000 goal originally set by McCarthy, and nearly 300 people had contributed. Donations can be made to the GoFundMe link found on the Sleepy Hollow Village Facebook page, at <https://www.facebook.com/sleepyhollowny.gov/>.

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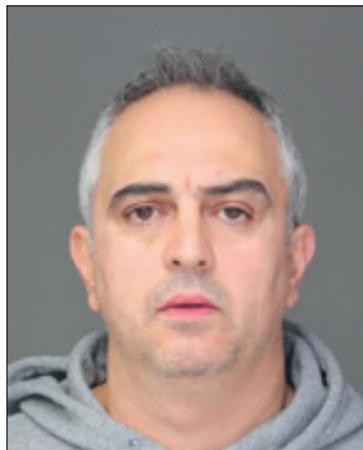
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Man Charged with Stealing from Area Sports Club

Westchester District Attorney Anthony Scarpino Jr. has charged a New Rochelle man with two felonies related to the theft of credit cards from out of the lockers of New York Sports Club members at Dobbs Ferry's Rivertowns Square complex off the Saw Mill River Parkway.

Ivan Vrabec, 48, was arraigned in Greenburgh Town Court on charges of second-degree Identity Theft and fourth-degree Possession of Stolen Property. On Christmas Eve, he was remanded into custody with bail set at \$100,000 in cash or \$250,000 in bonds



Ivan Vrabec

after it was discovered that he was already on probation for similar crimes committed in New Jersey and six prior felony convictions.

Vrabec allegedly picked a combination lock in the club's men's locker room, stole the card and used it to buy \$660 worth of wine at the Westchester Wine Warehouse on Rte. 119.

The DA's office has requested that anyone who believes they have had a credit card stolen

at the Dobbs Ferry NYSC on or around December 14 should contact them at (914) 995-3420.

Wray Seeks New Term

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united in its vision, is dedicated, thoughtful and committed to getting the job done. We are all looking forward to continuing to work together with the village staff to make Sleepy Hollow an even more vibrant and attractive community in which to live, work and do business."

In seeking her third term, Scaglione referred to the Comprehensive Plan, commenting, "I'd like to be able to put the recommendations into action to improve the quality of life for all of our residents. The village is about to undergo a major transformation, that I have been pleased to have been a part of over the past four years. I do not want to leave office when things are just getting started. I would like to see our work through to its completion. We've also worked hard to build up our police force, hiring seven new police officers during my two terms," Scaglione remarked.

"I look forward to strengthening all of our departments to meet the upcoming demand of all the new residents who will be

calling Sleepy Hollow home in the coming years," she added.

Leavy said he "will be running again with my Sleepy Hollow Unite team for a third term. We have a great team, and we want to keep improving our village each year. We are able to take credit for many developments in our village, but I am most proud of the work I have done with regard to public safety and infrastructure improvements. Improving our quality of life and creating a safer quality of life and creating a safe environment for all our residents is very important to me."

Wray described the existing Unite Sleepy Hollow group holding command in the village as being composed of Democrats, Republicans and Independents, "without the partisan politics you see on the national level."

Wray described their aim as working for the advancement of the village. Wray and the three trustees on his slate ran unopposed in the 2017 election. As of this report, no opposition has announced for the March vote.



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New Owner Outlines Plans for Irvington's Villa Lewaro

by Barrett Seaman

Most applicants for non-traditional uses of prominent properties in Irvington can expect to be greeted by skeptical regulators and nervous neighbors worried about disruption of their placid village lifestyle. But not Richelieu Dennis.

The new owner of Villa Lewaro, the 34-room mansion built more than a century ago by entrepreneur Madam C. J. Walker, was greeted at the December 17 board of trustees meeting with a virtual love fest. From Mayor Brian Smith ("We're very excited that you are now the caretaker of that historic home") to Dennis' prospective next door neighbors with friendly tips about the need to shovel snow off the sidewalk, Irvingtonians expressed support for his plans to use the villa not as a residence but as a meeting place—possibly a think tank—for the furtherance of black female entrepreneurship.

Taking the meeting room mic off its stand, Dennis worked the room, walking his listeners through his own story as an immigrant from Liberia who used his grandmother's recipes for African black soap and shea products and sold them on the streets of Harlem. From that start on 125th Street and Fifth Avenue, he said, "We built that business to one of the largest natural beauty products company in the country."

That company, Sundial Brands, now a sub-

siidiary of Unilever, includes the Madam C. J. Walker line of hair care products. Dennis, now 48, recounted how, as a boy growing up in Liberia, he learned about Madam Walker and said she was "hugely inspiring for me as a child." When civil war in West Africa drove his family to flee to America, he brought her notion of "community commerce," spreading the profits of the enterprise throughout the communities from which profits were derived, to the management of his own entrepreneurial efforts. He wanted to "build a business that contributed to the equality of women."

Last year, Dennis' Sundial Brands launched the New Voices Fund, seeding it with \$100 million to support black women entrepreneurs through training, mentorship and networking. While he did not specifically link the New Voices program with Villa Lewaro, there appears to be a natural symmetry between New Voices' emphasis on promoting black female entrepreneurship through training programs on the one hand, and Madam Walker's legacy on the other.

For some years now, Dennis said, he has been thinking about creating a think tank "where we would have some of the best



Richelieu Dennis

minds in the country, from some of the best institutions in the country thinking about entrepreneurship and the challenges of entrepreneurship for women and women of color in particular."

What he and his colleagues discovered, however, was that the existing think tanks, large investment firms and major business incubators have not yet given much thought to using modern technology to promote entrepreneurship among women of color. So, it would seem that Sundial and New Voices, using Villa Lewaro as a centerpiece, will have to create such a system themselves.

What he envisions, he said, would be to have 10 or 12 graduates of some sort of training program gather afterwards at Villa Lewaro to share and to learn. Such a program might take place every six months in Irvington. "And those 10 to 12 people would then get an opportunity to come together in one place and talk about their challenges, their successes, get to exchange new ideas, get to share in their experiences."

"That's the big vision," he said. "We haven't nailed it all down yet. (But we) now have an opportunity to do something that hasn't been done before." And in the process, he added, give Irvington some recognition.

Dennis thanked Ambassador Harold Doley and his wife Helena, the previous owners, for preserving the villa, but he then added, "the first thing for us is to secure the villa, prevent it from falling into disrepair. We're focused on stabilizing it and restoring it."

What allows Dennis to use the villa for anything beyond a residence is a new law, on which the board put the final touches less than an hour after Dennis and his followers left the meeting. It permits adaptive reuse of registered historical buildings for non-residential purposes, including schools, tours and certain kinds of events. The purpose of the new law, which grew independently out of the recent Comprehensive Plan update, is to give the owners of such properties some relief from the high upkeep and tax expenses that burden ownership. Currently, only three such properties meet the criteria for the new law: Villa Nuits in Ardsley Park, the Octagon House and Villa Lewaro.

The new law gives trustees complete control, within the statute's parameters, over how the program affects the historic building itself as well as whatever impact it might have on the surrounding neighborhood, including size and frequency of events and parking. "People want to know where we are in the process," said Mayor Smith. "We're nowhere."

No official application for adaptive reuse has been filed, but when it is, the mayor assured, the hearings will all be public.

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New Team Named to Monitor Tarrytown's Comprehensive Plan

by Robert Kimmel

Tarrytown's new Comprehensive Plan will have a team of dedicated residents monitoring its successful implementation over the coming years. Eight persons were appointed last month by the village's Board of Trustees to the Plan's Management Committee for terms ranging from one to three years.

Titled "Tarrytown Connected," the Plan's wide-ranging work was initiated by the Board of Trustees in 2017 "to articulate the community's vision through specific goals and policies that the village will utilize to guide and prioritize decisions across its Boards, Committees, and Councils." A final draft was approved by the trustees this past November.

The Plan updates a similar blueprint developed in 2007. The many changes in the village since then necessitated a new plan with a vision and goals that looked farther into the future. Utilizing the public's input through a series of workshops, open meetings and questionnaires, as well as help from professional consultants and the village administration, the work culminated with the publication of "Tarrytown Connected."

The mission of the Management Committee mission is to advise the board in regard to "Changes to the Comprehensive Plan to maintain its currency as circumstances or board policy intent evolve; and the Status of actions supporting the Comprehensive Plan, including prioritization of new actions to be launched by the board."

All but one of the appointees to the new Management Committee were members of either, or both, the Steering Committee and Working Group that helped to guide the Comprehensive Plan's development since 2017. The board appointed David Auckland and Joan Raiselis as Co-Chairpersons of the Management Committee, positions similar to what they held in the earlier committees. Other appointees are Joyce Lannert, Philip Johnson, David Kim, Sadie McKeown, JoAnne Murray and Robert Song. Kim is the newcomer to the pursuit.

"I think this is an excellent opportunity for the Board of Trustees to help the village move toward the future, and by setting up this team they will have a steady set of recommendations coming in for actions that need to be taken," Co-Chair David Auckland said. "The plan that has been adopted is simply a policy statement, and in order to make it real, the Board will be making

a number of actions, such as for parking or affordable housing, and the Management Committee will be advising the Board on those actions."

Among the most pressing activities that need attention, Auckland said his personal selections were parking, affordable housing, tourism, and transit. "Local transit is important," Auckland commented, "and we need to take a closer look at where we can do better for our residents and employers with some form of local transit arrangements."

The Comprehensive Plan covers a broad range of themes, along with goals to be accomplished. The themes are: Economy, Mobility, Built Environment, Community, Culture & Education, Natural Environment & Open Space, and Sustainability & Resiliency.

Each theme includes what the plan describes as "a set of overarching goals... which structure the intent of the Comprehensive Plan," and "define the village's principal areas of focus and express the community's most fundamental aspirations - what Tarrytown aspires to achieve through the planning process."

Within the list of 21 goals, as examples, are subjects such as: Leveraged land use

& development to promote sustainable growth, Nurture an attractive and resilient business environment, Develop resources & resources for tourism, Reduce dependence on personal vehicles, Connect & enhance open spaces and recreational resources, Strengthen connections to the Hudson River, Ensure housing stock supports a diverse, multigenerational community, Ensure sustainability of infrastructure, and Maintain a village identity.

The "Tarrytown Connected" title conveys multiple meanings: "Expand equity and opportunity — Grow and facilitate access — Engage and evolve a relationship with historic context — Protect the environment for future generations — Collaborate with regional partners."

The Plan acknowledges that its varied implementation will require action by village trustees, other boards, administration, individuals and collaboration with organizations and institutions both inside and outside of Tarrytown.

"Tarrytown Connected" can be accessed fully online at www.tarrytownconnected.com/uploads/5/9/1/2/59125941/181119_tarrytown_connected_adopted_singles.pdf.

Holiday Fun

The Public Schools of the Tarrytowns' Asociación de Familias Hispánicas de los Tarrytowns ("AFHT") held their annual Holiday Celebration on December 13 at John Paulding School. Families gathered for a festive evening, enjoying a potluck dinner, holiday crafts, music and a puppet performance by Jilly Puppets. Lots of community volunteers were on hand, and Kids' Club provided desserts and crafts, including miniature Christmas trees for each child to decorate and take home. Kids' Club is proud to have supported the AFHT Family Literacy Program since its inception in 2010, and is thankful for the wonderful teachers who are so dedicated to this important program. (from left to right), AFHT teacher Maribel Palacios-Perez, and Kids' Club Directors Jennifer Green, Maryann Gallagher and Marie Guarnieri.



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Solar Farm Proposed for East Irvington as Clean Energy Source

by Robert Kimmel

The Town of Greenburgh is anticipating a formal application within the next several months from a company that has proposed building a solar farm in East Irvington. Representatives of the company, Cap Vert Energie (CVE), met preliminarily with the Town Board last month to describe the project which would be placed on 11 privately owned acres near Eiler Lane, mostly surrounded by the Taxter Ridge Park Preserve. The array of solar panels placed on a hill would not be seen by many neighboring residents, according to the company.

"I feel very open-minded about it," Greenburgh Supervisor Paul Feiner told *The Hudson Independent*. "The people whom I have heard from like the concept, but they have expressed concerns about drainage, and possible flooding," Feiner said. He also noted there were some worries about the area's appearance were many trees to be cut down. "What impresses me is that I haven't gotten comments, such as 'horrible' to describe the idea from most people. It seems like an interesting idea, and I have always advocated a solar farm."

Feiner said that an advisory committee would be created when a proposal comes in and that he would also be working with the

East Irvington Civic Association. "There should be about a dozen people who said that they would like to be involved and take part," he said. He also suggested that any resident who wants to participate should contact him. "We have to be responsive to the community and answer any concerns that they have. We will also meet with a consultant and the questions people have will be reviewed," the supervisor added. He said that consultants would be asked to conduct environmental reviews.

"Residents who live near the farm could receive as much as 10% savings on their utility bills, and the company is open to providing additional financial incentives to residents who live closest to the proposed solar farm," Feiner related. As he described it, "The solar farm would feed energy directly into the power grid. Solar farms would produce clean solar power available to residents who live in sections of town that cannot have solar panels."

Cap Vert Energie is a French renewable energy company, and operates in that country as well as in North America, Chile and Africa. With New York pursuing renewable energy, the company is focusing on our state, and it has also approached Cortlandt, Ossining, Peekskill and Yorktown about developing solar farms. The power cre-

ated by the solar panels would feed energy directly into the power grid. Con Ed and other suppliers would continue to provide power to community residents.

Westchester residents and businesses have experienced a variety of actions over the last several years to encourage them to utilize renewable energy, whether it is solar, or from other sources. Launched in 2016, Westchester Power, which describes itself as a "community-based energy purchasing program intended to lower costs and increase the use of renewable energy," operates in 21 municipalities, including Tarrytown, Sleepy Hollow, and Irvington, and was recently accepted in Dobbs Ferry when that Village passed enabling legislation. It is also available in the Town of Greenburgh.

The non-profit program, a part of Sustainable Westchester Inc., gives users the choice of selecting 100% renewable, clean energy. Local consumers continue to be billed by their utility company, ConEd, which maintains responsibility for the power infrastructure. By buying power supplies as a group, (Community Choice Aggregation), residents and businesses within a municipality have the advantage of competitively priced negotiated flat rates.

"We go to the suppliers to obtain the best prices," Dan Welsh, Westchester Power

Program Director said. Welsh explained that the program's "...buying power is largely a financial exercise. No one knows exactly what electrons are going into your power supply." The purchased amounts of renewable energy are converted to Renewable Energy Certificates through a state tracking system to prove compliance with a mandated renewable energy compliance program or "climate action pledge." Ultimately, they contribute to the quantity of clean energy sourced in the state.

Figures provided by Westchester Power show that in Tarrytown there are 2,962 residential, and 478 commercial users of its program. In Sleepy Hollow, the number of residential users is 2,124, with 371 commercial users. Irvington has 1,657 residential users and 124 commercial users.

The installation of rooftop solar panels is also being encouraged by New York State. Solarize Westchester has promoted the use of such panels with programs that save homeowners up front costs and savings derived directly from their private source of power. Governor Andrew Cuomo launched a "solarize" campaign in 2014, and the State's Clean Energy Standard mandates that, by 2030, 50 percent of the electricity used in New York must come from renewable sources.



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Former Tarrytown Trustee Mary McGee Inducted into Seniors Hall of Fame

by Barbara Moroch

When it comes to making a difference, people of all ages step up to answer the call. This past December, a select group of Westchester seniors were recognized for doing just that — for making a difference — and were inducted into the Senior Citizens Hall of Fame. Established in 1983 and sponsored in part by the Westchester County Department of Senior Programs and Services (DSPS), the organization serves to honor those who have made significant contributions to the county. Among the inductees for 2018 was Tarrytown's own Mary McGee.

McGee has deep roots in the area dating back to 1966 —initially as a student at Marymount College, and later on as a resident of North Tarrytown (now Sleepy Hollow). In 1984, she moved to Tarrytown and raised her three children in the home where she continues to live along with her husband of 44 years, John, who himself remains an active volunteer firefighter in the village.

"I love the sense of community and the small-town feel here. It's truly a place where



Mary McGee

your neighbors are your friends," McGee said.

It was her vested interest and love of the place she called home that inspired her to take an active role in village affairs. "Tarrytown needed people willing to move it forward and help it thrive," McGee explained. "In 2006, Mayor Drew Fixell asked if I would consider running for the board and I decided to do it. I was hon-

ored to be elected that April and I served until the end of 2018."

During her tenure, she and the other board members worked collaboratively to make significant improvements to the Tarrytown landscape including new residential and commercial buildings, a new Village Hall and police station, two new firehouses, improvements to Tarrytown's parks and aging infrastructure, and the building of the new fitness center and swimming pool at the riverfront.

"We also helped enact a new Ethics Code for the village government and worked with volunteers (now TASH) to establish an improved Farmers Market at Patriot's Park," McGee said. "While these are only a few of

the things that have happened during my tenure, they all added to the quality of village life."

Her commitment to Tarrytown's quality of life also extended to quality of education. Prior to her role as village trustee, McGee spent 12 years on the school board, where she worked extensively on K-12 curriculum development. "This resulted in better test scores and the naming of Washington Irving as a School of Excellence," she said. "That spurred us on to plan for improvements at

all of the area schools."

With a track record this considerable, it is no surprise that McGee has now been included in the Senior Citizens Hall of Fame, a club that boasts more than 1,000 members since its inception. "I found it interesting that most of my fellow inductees said that they got involved when they saw a need and decided to roll up their sleeves and get to work. That has always been my philosophy. If I see a need and can help, I do. It is very special to be a part of such a group," she said.

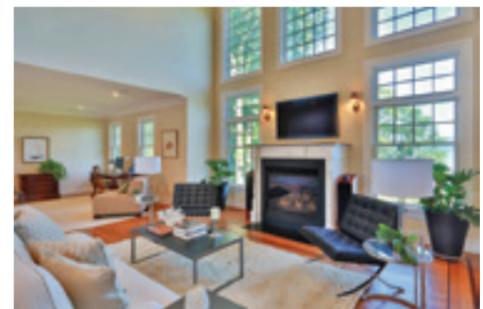


Westchester County Executive George Latimer was the guest speaker of the Tarrytown JCC Men's Club in December.

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SH High Chemistry Teacher Strives to Help Students Succeed

by Maria Ann Roglieri

The Tarrytown/Sleepy Hollow District shines because of many teachers who are unsung heroes. Their above-and-beyond dedication to their students is apparent in many things they do. Jason Choi, chemistry teacher for 22 years and current Chair of the Science Department at Sleepy Hollow High School (SHHS), firmly believes and exemplifies this.

Choi enjoys teaching in the district as he feels the teachers are talented and think outside the box. He and his fellow teachers are passionate about what they do and try to make learning fun. For example, 14 years ago, he decided to create Family Sci-

ence Night after a parent in the district asked for guidance regarding local museums to get her kids interested in science. Choi thought, "Why send her to the museums when we can do it right here, for all students?" When he asked teachers and administrators for help, many volunteered their time. The first Family Science Night was a huge success, and it became an annual event. The students and teachers have a blast, and Choi especially loves to see the excitement on the faces of the younger students as they



Jason Choi

learn about science.

For Choi, being a teacher is all about being part of the community. He gets to know as many SHHS students as he can personally—in chemistry class, in the hallways, on teams he coaches (Varsity Golf and JV Volleyball), and generally in Tarrytown/Sleepy Hollow. He and his wife, Serena McGough-Choi (an English teacher at SHHS), live in Sleepy Hollow so they can more broadly connect with students. Both attend students' games, concerts and plays. Relates Jack Starkey SHHS '17, "He went to my games and talked to me at length about them. When you have a close relationship with your teacher, that's huge. He's phenomenal."

Choi has a strong desire to see SHHS students succeed, both in the classroom and beyond. His teaching style is cutting edge and student-friendly. Assistant Principal Anthony Baxter related, "Mr. Choi is a true teacher. He continually re-examines his teaching practice through the years. He is a leader in the district as he empowers students to design their own outcomes."

Among the students, Choi is known as a superb teacher who motivates, challenges, and makes learning fun. He reaches out to students of all abilities and meets them at their level, often tutoring them when needed. Benji Povman SHHS '16 comments, "Choi makes it so people who are struggling have a chance, and people who are doing well are able to expand on their success. Plus, he advises us about our college plans-- he suggested I become an actuary and now I'm majoring in statistics. He predicted it!" Jack Rjeili SHHS '16 remembers how Choi let him do extra science experiments during lunch, and inspired him

to major in chemical engineering. Diego Arias SHHS '17 describes Choi as "an amazing person," who "does so much outside of classes to help students. He helped me edit my college essay and graduation speech even though I reached out to him last minute."

Choi feels a strong connection to students who are first generation. He came to America in third grade from Korea and became a citizen as a high school junior. As he wants the many students from other countries to feel that Sleepy Hollow is their home, he reaches out, checks in on, and encourages them.

He makes students feel comfortable in other ways too. Relates Povman, "He understands school is stressful and makes his class a positive experience. The last five minutes of class were devoted to fun games like Kokology (a Japanese game of self-discovery)." Whenever he gives a test, he tries to put anxious students at ease, telling them, "Come early during lunch and I'll buy pizza for you."

Choi is also committed to helping students beyond the classroom and beyond high school. He and his wife offer free SAT prep classes at night for all SHHS students. He has also helped students find summer jobs, often by connecting current students with former students. Relates Arias, "He not only prepares students for higher education, but creates a bond that lives on after school finishes." Indeed, Choi keeps in touch with as many former students as he can, writing to them just before their first semester college finals, making visits at various colleges, and even going to former students' weddings! Choi credits his wife for inspiring him with her strong work ethic and dedication to her students. He credits his children with inspiring him to be a good teacher, treating each student as if he/she were his own child.

State Grant Aids East Parcel

by Robert Kimmel

The development of the East Parcel, a 29-acre segment of the former GM assembly plant off Sleepy Hollow's waterfront, into a Commons for the village, received a hefty financial boost last month from Governor Cuomo's Regional Economic Development Council program. The village is receiving a \$1.5 million award from the Council to help pay for the work. The money will be allocated for the site's initial infrastructure by Sleepy Hollow's Local Development Corporation, (SHLDC).

In addition to preparing the site, ground work on the Parcel, located east of the Metro North rail tracks, includes installing 1,300 linear feet of a new sanitary sewer line with manholes, a sewer bypass and 630 linear feet of a temporary water main.

The Commons will include a new Department of Public Works facility, a need brought about by a growing village population, an increase reinforced by the \$1bil-

lion Edge-On-Hudson 67-acre mixed-use development on the adjacent West Parcel. Planned also are a community center, athletic fields, recreational facilities, parking, and improved access to adjacent neighborhoods and the West Parcel.

Sleepy Hollow Mayor Ken Wray thanked Governor Cuomo and the Council, "and all the elected officials and community leaders who supported our funding application." He described the early work as, "...critical for village residents to see we are serious about making Sleepy Hollow Commons a reality."

"The board is excited, as years of planning, discussion and investment are bearing fruit with moving the East Parcel project forward," Michael Dawley, SHLDC Chairperson, commented. "Though it's only site prep, sewer and water lines for now, we can't get to where we ultimately want to be without constructing a solid base of infrastructure upon which we'll build the new recreational and community assets."

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Heard Around the Watercooler

by Maria Ann Roglieri

Tarrytown Sisters Awarded College Scholarships

Clare and Ellie Johnson, SHHS '15 and '17 respectively, were each awarded a \$3,000 scholarship by the Express Scripts Scholars Program, which recognizes academic excellence and community involvement. Clare and Ellie both attend Binghamton University, where Clare is a senior Economics major and Ellie is a sophomore Biology major. Both sisters are active in healthcare career development activities and in performing arts on campus. The scholarships were awarded to the top quartile of applicants by Express Scripts, a health services company, where their father Joe Johnson works as a researcher.

Irvington Students Participate in Worldwide Hour of Code

Main Street School's fourth- and fifth-graders joined 100 million students around the world to participate in a variety of coding and computer programming activities as part of the worldwide Hour of Code, an event that is part of Computer Science Education Week from December 3-9. Throughout the week, Irvington students explored a variety of self-guided coding activities, including Minecraft (a popular video game involving placing blocks in a 3-D generated world). While the students gave commands to the main characters in the Minecraft workspace, they also learned about block-style code writing. "I like coding because you can make things do what you want, you can program games and it's fun," said fifth-grader Anna Dorokhova, who worked on a game that challenged her to navigate a maze as she moved a ball to the finish line. Main Street School expanded the experience through December 20 to allow every student to engage in coding multiple times.

HHV Awarded a \$30,000 National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Grant

"We are thrilled by Congresswoman Lowey's advocacy for Historic Hudson Valley," said Waddell W. Stillman, the organization's president. "This vital project will help expose the legacy of slavery in the colonial north, bringing this content to new audiences through the modern medium of a digital graphic novel. We are excited to begin this journey and grateful for the head start these funds provide."

HHV will use the grant to fund the initial stages of the creation of a digital graphic novel, *Cuffee's Trial*. The novel will depict the trial, and the true story of Cuffee, a slave accused of conspiracy to commit insurrection in colonial New York. Cuffee



was the first of 37 men and women to be tried, convicted, and sentenced to death for "the New York Conspiracy." Cuffee had a direct connection to Philipsburg Manor, HHV's National Historic Landmark in Sleepy Hollow. The completed novel will become part of HHV's larger "Slavery in the Colonial North" initiative.

Open Door Family Medical Center Wins Award

Open Door Family Medical Center won the HIMSS (Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society) Davies Award for Excellence in Healthcare Information Technology. Open Door has six locations in Westchester and Putnam counties, one of which is in Sleepy Hollow. Open Door earned the award for substantial improvements in asthma care at the organizations School-Based Health Centers and for advancements in colorectal screening at community health centers. Open Door has identified asthma as a particular area of concern among its patients, especially among children. In 2018, the organization achieved its goal of providing 90% of children suffering from asthma with an Asthma Action Plan and they were able to reduce missed school days due to asthma by 90%.

St. Patrick's Parade Grand Marshal Named

The Sleepy Hollow St. Patrick's Parade Committee has announced that Isabel Byrne Milano will be the Grand Marshal of the 23rd Annual St. Patrick's Parade to take place on Sunday, March 10. Leading the parade with Milano will be her aides: Thomas Anderson, Dobbs Ferry; Sister Mary Stephen Healey R.D.C., Elmsford; Lisa O'Reilly, Hastings-on-Hudson; Vince Phelan, Ardsley; Andrew C. Quinn, Ossining; Denise Scaglione, Sleepy Hollow; Lee Anne Sullivan, Tarrytown; and Michael Toolan, Irvington. The 2019 parade will be dedicated to the memory of Kitty Geissler, who was the 1st Grand Marshal of the Sleepy Hollow St. Patrick's Parade.

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Pleasantville's Village Bookstore Under New Management

by Linda Viertel

Inveterate booksellers, Roy Solomon and Yvonne vanCort, owners of Pleasantville's iconic Village Bookstore, have handed the reins to Jennifer Kohn who took over on December 8. After 15 years of owning and running their store, which had existed in seven different village locations since 1972, they found just the right local resident eager to continue providing the same personalized, welcoming and engaging community gathering place for book lovers.

Roy and Yvonne, as they are known by their loyal customers, have lived in Pleasantville for over 40 years, in the same home Yvonne had grown up in and where they raised their two children. Before deciding to own a bookstore, Solomon had been an English teacher at City University, then worked at his family's specialized printing company. VanCort had been an occupational therapist at St. Luke's Psychiatric Daycare, then an avid fiber artist at home while taking weaving classes at Marymount. Once Yvonne convinced Roy that they should become bookstore owners (he loved it right away) just after the Jacob Burns Film Center opened, their location became a "second lobby" for The Burns. Both venues helped to revitalize Pleasantville's inner village and have been vibrant, ongoing gathering places in the region ever since.

Small independent bookstores used to exist in most Westchester villages, towns and cities, but those that survived the arrival of Barnes & Noble and Borders are few and far between these days. While these large stores may have substantially disappeared due to online shopping and the increased



Jennifer Kohn, new owner of The Village Bookstore.

— Photo by Linda Viertel

use of electronic reading technology, Solomon said, "People still like good bookstores where they can browse, seek out specialty books, get owner recommendations or order an unusual title they just discovered."

In addition to providing a community gathering space, Solomon and vanCort supplied books for approximately 150 to 200 events throughout the year. They personally went to The Burns, various libraries, the Hudson Valley Writers Center, Spoken Interlude, local theatres, Pace University and many other places where programs offered authors, movie-makers, speakers and panelists book sales for an audience eager to learn more. But, they were becoming increasingly aware over the years that they

needed to find the right person to take over their beloved Village Bookstore.

And they did: Jennifer Kohn, who has lived in Pleasantville for 13 years with her husband Scott and three sons, Alex, Kevin and Nate Searle. She had expressed an interest in buying the store for more than two years and is an avid reader with deep experience in marketing. Having built tutor.com, the first free online tutoring program for children who could not afford private tutoring, becoming chief marketing officer and then selling the entity to The Princeton Review, she was free to daydream. "I wanted to marry my love of reading, with my marketing skills and community. I have always participated in mission-based orga-

nizations and enjoyed being part of reading communities," she explained.

Kohn knows that customers consider The Village Bookstore "their store," and she plans to keep it that way, especially continuing a partnership with The Burns. What she is exploring is additional programming that the community wants: possibly a store-based book club, having community curators look at what additional books could be stocked, and a greater presence online through Instagram, a website, and increased Facebook usage.

The Village Bookstore's booksellers are a font of reliable, varied literary knowledge, and Kohn plans to keep the entire staff: Wendy Tagney, author Marilyn Johnson, Cam Demaree, magazine writer Helen Meurer, and Molly Hummel. All are extremely well-read and passionate about differing literary genres, so they can recommend a wide variety of reading material to customers of all ages thanks to their varying areas of expertise.

Only a well-run, independent, community-minded bookstore run by passionate readers who care about providing a welcoming environment can create that kind of informative space. Roy and Yvonne did just that, but now they are turning the page. Their loyal customers will miss them, but Kohn will pick up the mantle and write her own new chapter based on their solid foundation.

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Irvington's Church of St. Barnabas Finds Itself a Joyful New Rector

by Barrett Seaman

It would not be unusual for someone walking past Irvington's Church of St. Barnabas on North Broadway to hear sounds of laughter emanating from the church — even, perhaps especially, on a Sunday morning. In the brief while he has been in Irvington (his first Sunday service was December 2), Reverend Gareth Evans has repeatedly demonstrated his capacity to laugh and to make others laugh — in the course of worship as well as in everyday life. And yet, he is far from just a stand-up comic in priest's vestments. "Finding humor in situations," he says, "helps people appreciate and lay claim to their inner spirit and the awesomeness of God."

Born to a working-class family in north-west England, Evans followed a long and winding path to Irvington that took him through Egypt, Oxford, Harvard and most recently as Rector of a church in Acton, Massachusetts. What he calls "the genesis of my vocation" occurred when he was a young man rising at dawn in the Siwa Oasis of Libya's White Desert. He and

other travelers were following the path of Alexander the Great as he sought to learn his future from the Oracle at Ammon. In the early morning light, the young Evans left his tent and walked out into the sand. Overwhelmed by the colors of the desert floor, he looked down to see that his own ephemeral footprints mingled with those of foxes and snakes and scorpions. "It was a stunning revelation that I was a creature just like them," he recalled. "It was the experiential foundation of my faith."

Staying on in Egypt, he worked as an assistant to the archdeacon of the Anglican Diocese there, and also as a tutor in an orphanage for disabled children. Thereafter, he returned to study theology at Oxford, where he enjoyed "some amazing opportunities, both personally and academically." At Oxford, a mentor helped him land a post as curate (assistant priest) at All Saints, Gosforth, a church known in the Anglican world as a breeding ground for future bishops. He spent four years there, the high point of which was co-writing, producing and starring in the lead role (Jesus, naturally) of a passion play with a

Northumbrian theme, replete with local dialect. More than 1,000 attended.

In the Year 2000, he came to the States on a scholarship to Harvard Divinity School. While there, he served at a church in Cambridge, held a couple of interim positions and was eventually asked to take over a badly neglected parish in Charlestown, across the harbor from Boston. The church was in such bad shape, physically, financially and spiritually he says, that most people in the neighborhood thought it had shut down. Evans set out to make himself and the church visible. In time, the people returned—first for weddings, baptisms and funerals and then on a regular basis. The money to restore the church itself, he says, came easily "because people could see something vital was happening."

His role in the Charlestown turnaround won him a similar post in rural Acton, northwest of Boston. It was, he said, "a parish in crisis, where a different kind of repair, one of the heart and soul, was needed." Eight years later, the church righted, Reverend Evans was ready for a move, and St. Barnabas appealed to him because "it

is a healthy place with a big heart." And it also happens to be closer to his wife Fran's parents, who live in upstate Hyde Park, and her siblings, who live in Brooklyn. It was "an opportunity for our kids (Cassie, 8, Charlie, 3, and Jamie, 2) to see their grandparents and cousins on a regular basis."

Waiting for his wife and kids to follow from Acton, Rev. Evans set out to introduce himself to Irvington and perhaps reclaim some parishioners who might have drifted away from regular attendance in recent years. He's already befriended the owners of the corner deli and the hardware store and, as a Brit with high standards for Indian cuisine, taken a fancy to Main Street's Chutney Massala restaurant. He also counts himself fortunate to have been in the stands when Irvington girl's basketball coach Gina Maher won her 700th game. He is touched by "the wonderful reception I've received in the town. People are incredibly welcoming and supportive," which is easy when the newcomer is as approachable — and funny — as Gareth Evans.

Where We Worship... And Who We Are: Christ Episcopal Church and San Marcos

by Tom Hinds

"We are the church with all the banners and signs," said The Reverend Susan Copley, Rector of Christ Episcopal Church on South Broadway in Tarrytown. A rainbow flag hangs in front of the church, and, among other signs that have graced the front wrought-iron fence over the years is one stating "Immigrants and Refugees Welcome."

Christ Church has a rich history. Built of brick in 1837 in village Gothic Revival style, luminous Victorian stained glass windows grace its walls. The founder of American literature and historian, Washington Irving, was a patron and early warden. (His pew is tucked into a corner of the Church by the decorated Victorian baptismal font.)

Because it is located on busy Route 9 in Tarrytown's inner village, the Church gives the impression of and actually is a bustling, public, historic centerpiece. A nun driving by recently came in to note the sign on the front fence that said, "Keep calm and pray on." As the Rev. Copley noted, "The building is beautiful and people have prayed here for 181 years. You can feel that. But I am not interested in being a Sunday chaplain. This church has to be out in the world - a real part of Tarrytown." Christ Episcopal Church in 2019, 12 years into the Rev. Copley's ministry, blends Irving's history of being engaged with the Tarrytown community and the Rev. Copley's goal of making faith meaningful in the modern world. The Rev. Copley said, "Often, people come in during the day to pray, to rest and to study our history." She has grown the membership of the Church to be inclusive. "We are trying to be a 'beloved community' - married, single,



The Reverend Susan Copley of Tarrytown's Christ Episcopal Church.

divorced, ethnically mixed, straight, gay, of different ages - and that doesn't begin to list the differences. Our presence in the pews for worship is a gathering of the body of faith." And yes, the Rev. Copley does preside over same sex marriages.

In 1993, the Church started San Marcos Mission, a program for the growing Latin immigrant population, and the front doors are open to everyone every day. The Church has services each Sunday at 8 and 10 a.m. and a Spanish service at 12:30. The Spanish-speaking congregation also joins in many services; there are about 12 bilingual services a year which are celebrated along with English-speaking members such as the very popular "Three Kings Pageant" at Christmas time. Morning Prayer is observed during the week, as well as the monthly Sunday Evening using historic editions of the *Book of Common Prayer*. An annual "Blessing of the Animals" has become a well-attended, pop-

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— Reverend Susan Copley

ular tradition.

Many Sundays The Rev. Copley ends a gathering by stating, "This worship is ended, but now our service in the world begins." The Rev. Copley and congregants from Christ Church practice this concept and are active in the local community and the broader world. Members participate in REPAIR, a racial justice program, and in "The Midnight Run" carrying needed items to the homeless in Manhattan. The annual Fall Fair that supports the Church continues as it has for many years.

However, the congregants' public interests are even more extensive: they sponsor activities at the Church for the local YAI (a network of agencies that supports people with intellectual and developmental disabilities) group home residents who volunteer on such projects as prepping and folding clothes for the church's Clothing Closet which, in turn, provides clothing for people in the community. Congregants visit and lead prayer services at Tarrytown Hall Care Center, Kendal on Hudson, and, most recently, for Crestview Assisted Living.

Christ Episcopal and San Marcos also house and provide financial support for the Community Food Pantry of Sleepy Hollow and Tarrytown which is a monthly distribution of healthy food to nearly 250 families, serving approximately 1,000 individuals.

The Church also has a very close supporting relationship to Cristosal, an active mission and advocacy group in El Salvador

which works with internally displaced persons in El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras. Members of the congregation have also travelled to San Salvador and environs in connection with Cristosal. A ministry at Christ Church is involved with supporting recent immigrants and hosting older children who are seeking asylum in the United States. As The Rev. Copley says, "We want to be connected to what happens in the world, otherwise we are not the church."

The Rev. Copley realizes that bringing the church to the community can be very difficult, but she has some familiarity in experiencing difficulties. She worked at Sloan-Kettering as a pediatric oncology nurse. As a lay missionary and pediatric nurse, she met her husband, David Copley an aid worker, in Liberia, West Africa during that country's civil war in the '90's. (David, also a priest, is currently the Director of Mission Personnel at the Episcopal Church Center in New York City.) In Liberia, Susan and David served as nurses in the civil war and helped to house, feed and heal displaced people.

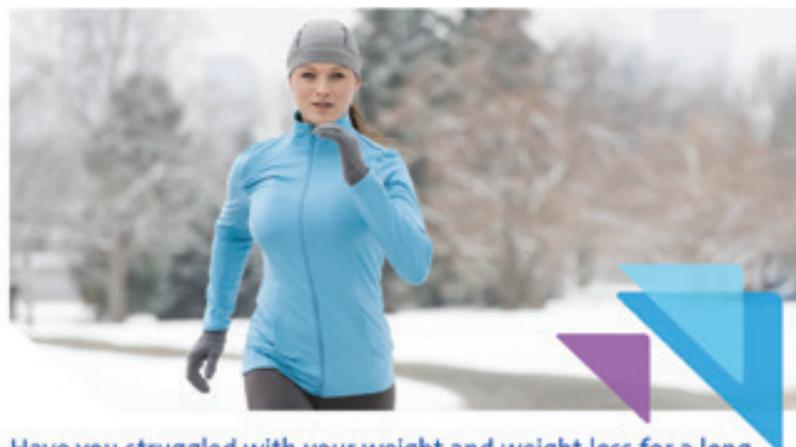
In April 2007, Rev. Copley became the 16th rector of Christ Church and San Marcos Mission where she quickly brought her energetic mission of service to her congregation, a belief in God's embrace, and a generous-spirited vision of faith. "The Church doors are open and the sign in front says 'God loves you madly.' We believe that and are trying to live it."

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If the answer is yes to the questions above, bariatric surgery may be a life-changing jumpstart to better health. Weight loss, unfortunately, is not simply about burning more calories than you consume. In the case of obesity, many other factors can be at play including genes, the environment, and the food you eat. One in three Americans are diagnosed with obesity and have a body mass index, or BMI, of 30 or higher. Higher amounts of body fat increase the risk of many conditions including type 2 diabetes, cardiovascular disease, sleep apnea, osteoarthritis, and even some type of cancers.

There's a misperception that people with obesity simply eat too much, despite the impact on their health. Some people believe that if they exerted more willpower over their appetites, they could stop being obese. That is not really true. Normally, our weight is maintained by our central nervous system and appetite hormones. These systems help to balance our calorie intake with our calorie expenditure.

At higher weights, that process is disrupted. Bariatric surgery works to change the internal body chemistry that would otherwise sustain obesity. But bariatric surgery isn't for everyone. Only people with a BMI of 40 or higher, or a BMI of 35 with significant health problems caused or exacerbated by their weight, are eligible.

While bariatric surgery might be the first step, patients must take the reins and transform their lifestyle by eating healthier foods and exercising regularly. Still, for many, this surgery is a lifesaver. Phelps Hospital now offers a bariatric program that includes weight-loss surgery and a comprehensive patient support program. Most weight-loss surgeries here are performed using minimally invasive (laparoscopic) surgical techniques.

For more information or to make an appointment call 914-221-1269 or visit us on the website: phelpshospital.org/bariatrics.



Dr. Wayne Weiss
Director of
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Reflux: what is it and do you have it?



Do the holidays leave a lump in your throat? If fond farewells aren't choking you up, it could be that too many treats are causing or aggravating acid reflux, a condition that creates various types of discomfort, from a lump in your throat to indigestion.

Acid reflux occurs when stomach acid backs up into the esophagus, sometimes as far as the throat. When acid flows into the esophagus, it's called gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD); when it reaches the throat, it's called laryngopharyngeal reflux (LPR). In either case, you may be able to ease the condition by modifying what and how much you eat, losing weight, and quitting smoking, among other things.

Reflux, which affects some 40% of the U.S. population, occurs when the circular band of muscle around the bottom of your esophagus weakens. Normally, the band opens to allow food and liquid to flow into your stomach, but when it weakens it allows stomach acid to flow back up into your esophagus.

During GERD, the backwash of acid irritates and inflames the esophagus lining, often causing a series of symptoms, including heartburn, chest pain, difficulty swallowing, regurgitation of food or sour liquid, indigestion, belching, bloating, or a lump in your throat. Being overweight, pregnant, a smoker or exposed to secondhand smoke increases the risk for GERD. Eating large meals, fatty or fried foods, eating late at night, drinking alcohol or coffee, or taking medications like aspirin can trigger or aggravate it.

During LPR, stomach acid travels up through the esophagus all the way to the throat, irritating it along with the voice box and airway. LPR can produce many of the same symptoms as GERD. Additionally, it can create the feeling of mucus in the throat, the need to clear the throat, sore throat, chronic coughing, mild hoarseness (LPR does not cause hoarseness but makes it worse), recurrent sinus and asthma symptoms. LPR is often misdiagnosed as allergy, asthma, or sinus problems like post-nasal drip.

Holiday indulgences like chocolate, greasy or fatty foods, and alcohol may trigger or exacerbate acid reflux, but they don't cause it. Rather, the high-protein, high-fat American diet causes the stomach to release extra amounts of the hormone, gastrin. This increases the production of acid and the digestive enzyme, pepsin, which in turn may irritate and damage the entire upper airway and digestive tract.

Most people can self-manage acid reflux, whether GERD or LPR, by eliminating dietary triggers. Research shows that a modified Mediterranean-style diet – 90-95% plant-based diet of fruits, vegetables, grains and nuts – not only helps reverse reflux symptoms and aids weight loss, but also decreases the risk of many chronic diseases including heart attack, stroke, diabetes, and many cancers. Other strategies for easing reflux symptoms include eating slowly, avoiding tight-fitting clothing to minimize pressure on the abdomen and lower esophageal sphincter, waiting at least three hours before lying down after a meal, eating smaller portions, losing weight, and stopping smoking. Drinking alkaline water with a pH > 8.0 can also help by naturally neutralizing acid and stopping the enzyme pepsin from working.

Sometimes, easing reflux symptoms requires medical treatment, such as over-the-counter or prescription medications, or even surgery. Traditionally, treatment has focused on the use of medications called proton pump inhibitors, or PPIs. PPIs are supposed to be used for short periods of time, up to 12 weeks; however, people often use them for too long, potentially increasing their risk for heart attack, stroke, kidney or liver damage, stomach or esophageal cancer, or even death, according to recent studies.

If you think you have acid reflux, schedule an appointment by calling 914-326-2385. A specialist will determine whether medical treatment or a dietary approach is best for you.

Sources: <https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/gerd/diagnosis-treatment/drc-20361959>
<https://my.clevelandclinic.org/health/diseases/15024-laryngopharyngeal-reflux-lpr>



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January/February 2019 Calendar

Phelps Hospital offers the community a wide range of programs on health-related subjects as well as numerous health screenings and support groups. Most events are free and take place on the Phelps campus, 701 N. Broadway in Sleepy Hollow, unless otherwise noted.

ONGOING PROGRAMS & SUPPORT GROUPS

**Better Breathers Club/
Pulmonary Fibrosis Support**
Tuesday, January 8, 2019
Tuesday, February 12, 2019
12 noon – 1:00 pm
Call 914-366-3712 to register

Alzheimer's Support Group
Friday, January 11, 2019
Friday, February 8, 2019
10:00 am
755 Building, Suite 545
Call (914) 366-3937 to register

Cancer Institute Community Day
Tuesday, January 15, 2019
Tuesday, February 19, 2019
Full day of free support groups for cancer patients and their caretakers.
10:30 am – 4:30 pm
Radiation Medicine Conference room
1st floor of the 777 building

Laughter Yoga
Tuesday, January 15, 2019
Tuesday, February 19, 2019
Free yoga practice utilizing laughter with special guided techniques to lower the level of stress hormones in the blood and oxygenate the body and brain to feel healthy and energetic.

Dr. Vinodray Shah
Certified Laughter Yoga Instructor
10:30am-11:30am
Radiation Medicine Conference room
1st floor of the 777 building

Collaborative Partnership Council
Tuesday, January 15, 2019
Tuesday, February 19, 2019
11:30 am – 12:30 pm

New Patient Orientation
Tuesday, January 15, 2019
Tuesday, February 19, 2019
12:30 pm – 1:00 pm

New Patient Chemotherapy Review Class

Nutrition for the Cancer Patient
Tuesday, January 15, 2019
Tuesday, February 19, 2019
2:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Support Session/Speakers
Tuesday, January 15, 2019
Tuesday, February 19, 2019
Chance to meet and talk with other patients, caregivers, and family members.

For more information on all of these programs and to register call 914-366-1661 or visit our website phelpshospital.org

HEALTHY LIFE CALENDAR

Cancer Care Series
Join us for panel discussions surrounding cancer care focused on prevention, early detection, risk assessment, screening recommendations and more.

Presented by:
Dr. Thomas Weber, Surgical Oncologist
Dr. Peter Stein, Gastroenterologist
Tawanna St Lewis, Genetic Counselor

New Year, New You! Know your cancer risk, how to prevent, detect and treat.
Thursday, January 10, 2019
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Register online at <https://cancer2019.eventbrite.com> or call 914-366-3470

Never too young to start assessing your cancer risk
Wednesday, February 6, 2019
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Register online at <https://nevertoyoung.eventbrite.com> or call 914-366-3470

Preventable, Treatable, Beatable!
Thursday, March 7, 2019
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Register online at <https://pbt2019.eventbrite.com> or call 914-366-3470

For more information on our Emergency Medicine education, maternity & baby care classes please visit our website phelpshospital.org

Roasted Pork Chops With Caramelized Napa Cabbage, Asian pear

Serves 4

Ingredients:

For the Pork Chops and Cabbage:

- 4 ea. Center cut pork loin chops
- 10 oz. Chopped Napa cabbage
- 4 oz. Julienne (Match stick cut) of Asian pear or apple
- 1 tbsp. Finely chopped parsley
- 1 tbsp. Finely chopped shallots
- 5 tbsps. Grape seed or canola oil
- ½ tsp. Salt
- ¼ tsp. Freshly ground black pepper

Method:

For The Pork Chops:

- 1) Preheat your oven to 300 degrees F.
- 2) Heat a large sauté pan over medium high heat for about 4 minutes.
- 3) Add the oil and heat until a slight smoke develops.
- 4) Add the pork chops into the pan and sear well on all sides, then place into a 300-degree oven until an internal temperature of 130 degrees is achieved.
- 5) Remove the pork chops from the pan and allow to rest for at least 10 minutes. (Final rested temperature should be 145 degrees.)



For the Cabbage:

- 1) In a hot sauté pan add about one teaspoon of oil and add the cabbage.
- 2) Sauté the cabbage until it begins to caramelize, then add the pear and the chopped shallot.
- 3) Continue to sauté until the pear is just tender, then season with the herbs, salt and pepper.
- 4) Serve the pork chops with the hot caramelized cabbage and pear saute.

Chefs Notes:

- 1 tsp. dried parsley can be substituted for fresh parsley.
- Yellow onion can be used as a substitute for shallots.
- Green or red cabbage can be used as substitute for the Napa cabbage.

Vitality Calendar

JANUARY

Mind Games for Fun
Wednesday, January 2, 2019
2:00 pm
Board Room/"C" level

Spirituality
Wednesday, January 9, 2019
9:00 am
Board Room/"C" level

The Breakfast Club (Stroke)
Thursday, January 10, 2019
8:30 am
Board Room/"C" level

Osteoporosis Program (Dietitian)
Thursday, January 10, 2019
10:30 am
Board Room/"C" level

Senior Steps (Hearing Screening)
Tuesday, January 15, 2019
10:00 – 11:30 am
777 Building, Suite 303
Appointment times are required.

**Functional Medicine –
An Individualized Approach to Health**
Wednesday, January 16, 2019
9:00 am
755 Building, 4th floor

FEBRUARY

Mind Games for Fun
Wednesday, February 6, 2019
2:00 pm
Board Room/"C" level

Breakfast Club
Thursday, February 14, 2019
8:30 am
Board Room/"C" level

Osteoporosis Program
Thursday, February 14, 2019
10:30 am
Board Room/"C" level

Senior Steps (Medicare Screening)
Tuesday, February 19, 2019
10:00 – 11:30 am
755 Building, Suite 225
Appointment times are required.

**Functional Medicine –
An Individualized Approach to Health**
Wednesday, February 20, 2019
9:00 am
755 Building, 4th floor

Important Information: Access the "C" Level through the back entrance of the hospital marked "Auditorium." Proceed down one flight.

The Functional Medicine Program is held in the Family Medicine Residency Conference Room.

For more information, please contact Ellen Woods at (914) 366-3937 or email ewoods3@northwell.edu

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Our Neighbors

Kendal on Hudson's New Executive Director: James Antonucci

by Linda Viertel

A polymath is a person of wide knowledge who can draw on multiple areas of learning to solve myriad specific problems; Kendal on Hudson's new CEO, James Antonucci, fits the descriptive "polymath" to a tee. After an extensive search, former Tarrytown/Sleepy Hollow Schools Superintendent, Howard Smith – a Kendal Board Member and chair of the Search Committee, announced Antonucci's appointment in late June. Antonucci started on August 15th, taking over full-time on September 1 from the long-serving former CEO, Pat Doyle.

Antonucci is delighted to be returning to his roots along the Hudson River where he grew up. Hailing from a large Italian and Irish family in Yonkers, most of whom still live there, he will be joined by his wife and children who will be moving from Seattle, Washington and begin life with his extended clan in Westchester County. He began his professional journey in the culinary world at Saunders Trade and Technical High School in Yonkers where he participated in the Commercial Foods Program. While studying and working there, the chef at the Tarrytown Hilton, where his mother worked as a banquet chef on weekends, told him, "You need to start working." So, at 15 he started, as he said, "Eating, sleeping and learning about food all day long."

From there he became an intern at the prestigious Waldorf Astoria where his mentor, Executive Chef John Doherty, suggested he apply to the Culinary Institute of America (CIA). At the end of his training, Chef Doherty then suggested Antonucci go to Zurich, Switzerland to stage in the



Kendal on Hudson CEO
James Antonucci

kitchen at the 650-year-old Michelin-rated Storchen Hotel. Upon his return, at age 25, the CIA called to recommend him as executive chef at Terra, a traditional Florentine restaurant in Greenwich, Connecticut. From there, he opened Valbella in Old Greenwich, and his own restaurant in Larchmont – all by age 30.

After marrying, restaurant creation and oversight grew too time-consuming, so he became executive chef at the Columbia Medical Center where he developed an interest in health care, its frameworks and structures. There he learned he had the knack for high-end hospitality with a corporate mix and was told by his superiors, "You'd be perfect working for a CCRC (Continuing Care Retirement Community)."

Having studied health care administration at the University of Connecticut and receiving a bachelor's degree in business and finance from Sacred Heart University

in Fairfield, he then became director of 330 Park in Fairfield, and, at the same time, earned his master's degree in business administration and finance at the University of New Haven.

His next initiative was to take a HUD (Department of Housing and Urban Development) building, Spring Point Senior Living, in New Jersey, and convert it to a Type A (extensive care) CCRC. As its executive director, he brought in more residents through marketing and renovated the building to make it a success over a five-year period.

Antonucci's vision grew, as he then moved to The Village in Gainesville, Florida where he became the executive director of a 1,400-resident, 112-acre, 750-unit facility with 450 employees. It was 62% occupied when he arrived, but, under his leadership, occupancy grew to 95%.

While there, he began to work with University of Florida researchers in their wellness program and went on to gain his Ph.D. at the University of Florida in design construction and planning with a focus on environmental gerontology – the study of design that encompasses not only the built environment but the programs that foster independence

"I am passionate about resident engagement," Antonucci said, "And I take pride in creating and running a community that remains full and vibrant. It's not about the age of a community," he added, "It's about how independent they are. That's why I love Kendal residents; they are engaged in day-to-day operations."

It was difficult for him to leave Seattle, where, as executive director of Heron's

Key, an Emerald Communities Life Plan Community in Gig Harbor, Washington, he had responsibility for the start-up and operational oversight of the \$180 million community. He was directly involved with all aspects of construction and interior design, as well as financial feasibility models, communication and negotiation with the City of Gig Harbor. But, "coming home was a big deal," he noted, for him and for his extended family.

After only a few months at Kendal, he is full of enthusiasm about his staff and the residents with whom he is enjoying a true partnership. He is brimming with ideas for best practices to enhance residents' independence, marketing to those who don't know about the Kendal, and defining what distinguishes the Kendal community. Now in its 15th year, Kendal on Hudson maintains a financially secure position, a continued contentment among staff and residents, and a high degree of involvement in the local rivertowns.

Now, Antonucci is eager to make Kendal On Hudson even more relevant and use existing capital for enhanced programming and well-designed space. "The Kendal maintains the best care here," he explained, "So I would like to take that reputation and engage the community in welcoming others - evolve into a hospitality model."

Antonucci is fortunate to be the executive director of a CCRC populated by intelligent, service-oriented and engaged residents, for which he is more than grateful. His goal is to express that vibrant culture to the marketplace, to emphasize the Kendal's many residential options, high level of service and care, and market those amenities to new generations.

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Sports

Sleepy Hollow Senior Makes Name for Himself on Hardwood

By Tom Pedulla

Daniel Williams is genetically blessed as the son of late heavyweight champion Carl "The Truth" Williams – and it shows.

Williams, a 6-3, 200-pound senior at Sleepy Hollow High School, has established himself as one of the area's finest basketball players. He averaged 23.6 points, 11 rebounds and four blocked shots through the early stages of this season. He first dunked as a freshman.

"To see a 14-year-old kid do that, I knew something was different about him," said Chris Starace, the varsity coach at Sleepy Hollow, adding, "Just the way he moves, the way he does things, you can just tell that genetics is part of it."

Keith Wright, who coached Williams as part of Next Level Athletics 17-and-under AAU team, first spotted him as an eighth grader. "He was raw, but you could see the athleticism. Then he mentioned who his dad was and it was like, 'Okay, now I get it,'" said Wright.

The elder Williams owned two Golden Gloves amateur titles. After turning professional, he compiled a 30-10 record, including 21 knockouts. He reigned as United States Boxing Association heavyweight

champion from June 21, 1987 until March 8, 1991.

He launched his career with 16 consecutive victories before dropping a controversial 15-round decision to Larry Holmes in an epic bout for the International Boxing Federation crown in May 1985. He became known as "The Truth" for his ability to make believers of those who doubted him.

Williams described his hard-hitting father as a "perfect dad," a role model even after his death due to throat cancer in April 2013.

"The way he carried himself, it made me look up to him," he said. "It made me want to be like that, like a big athlete."

He already has distinguished himself. He received All-League and All-Conference honors as a junior.

"He's the most athletic player I've ever coached, and that's a pretty high compliment because I coached kids who played Division 1," said Starace. "He plays above the rim like no other player I've ever been around."

Williams will never forget his first dunk in an organized game. It came three years



Daniel Williams has been turning heads as an elite player for the Horsemen.

ago, in a varsity game against visiting Nanuet.

cause I was a sophomore at the time." While he is capable of doing something spectacular at any moment, Williams remains a work in progress. He also played football at Sleepy Hollow and should benefit from focusing all of his efforts now on basketball. He is working on his jump shot and defense as he eyes the college level.

He is being recruited by a number of schools, many of them Division III. Starace believes the 17-year-old might benefit, academically and athletically, from a year in prep school. That is receiving serious consideration.

"Wherever he plays in college, I think they are going to be really happy with him because I don't think he's even scratched the surface yet of his athletic ability," the coach said.

Williams noted how much his father meant to him. "He was everything you could possibly want," he said.

Moving on without the "perfect dad" has not been easy. Even packed stands can feel empty without his father's towering figure.

"When he first died, it took a huge toll on me," Williams said. "But I'm just living my life now."

He does, after all, have a big name to live up to.

700th Career Win

Continued from page 1

guard. "We go to her with all of our problems. So many girls will be in her office during off periods, just chatting with her. She is so much more than our coach."

Alexis Martins noted that Maher continues to have a profound influence on her well after she graduated in 2013.

"Ms. Maher was able to take a game and, through hours of long practices, workouts and X's and O's, teach each of her girls so much more," Martins said. "She was a daily example of what it meant to be invested and committed."

Maher, in her 43th season, never loses sight of the need to be much more than a basketball coach. She is very much a life

coach.

"Basketball is a minute part of their life," she said.

More than victories, Maher treasures moments such as the one she enjoyed recently with Bea Tsao, a member of the class of 1985. Tsao, a physician in Boston who lives with her husband and their two children, recalled a comment the coach made at a team dinner several decades ago that still resonates with her.

"You have to respect them and you have to care for them. You are being a teacher," Maher said. "That is what all of these good teachers do. They respect and they teach and they care."

Players understand they are learning more than a sport from Maher.

ago, in a varsity game against visiting Nanuet.

"I was on the fast break and I thought I might as well just go up," he said. "The crowd went crazy. It was overwhelming be-

"It's a lot about winning, but it's also about lessons we can carry past high school, working through things and, even if you have a bad day, putting your best out when you enter the gym," said senior Mia Mascone.

Maher invests time to learn strengths and weaknesses of each player on the roster and how to best motivate each one.

"She is just such a role model. She pushes me to be more than I ever thought I could be," said Eva Gilbert, another senior. "She makes me work hard at everything – school, sports, family. Whatever I have to do, she's on me about grit and how to work my butt off for what I want."

Maher favors one phrase above all others – "Hold the Rope."

That is her way of emphasizing the need

for each team member to fulfill her role, to be someone others can count on. In time, teammates come to view each other as much more than teammates.

"Hopefully, we've created this huge family," said Maher. "And there is the saying that once you are part of it, you are always part of it." Nothing pleases her more than when former players visit.

As years tick by and victories mount, it is only natural to wonder how much longer Maher will do her share in holding the rope. She said her passion for basketball is as strong as when she started in 1975. She had difficulty sleeping after a recent loss to Briarcliff.

"I may be even more competitive," she said.

Irvington Theater to Bring Acclaimed New York City Comics to Westchester

by Mitchell Bard

New York City is a comedy hot spot. Every day, 365 days a year, you can find talented performers -- from grizzled veterans to up-and-coming youngsters -- plying their trade in the handful of top-tier comedy clubs in the city. Westchester residents are only a train ride away from all the action, but, after a long workweek, that drive or train ride into Manhattan can feel like it might as well be an international flight.

For one Saturday night in January, however, folks in Westchester will only need to make the short drive to the Irvington Town Hall Theater (ITHT) if they want to see three veteran New York City comics perform their stand-up acts. That's because a benefit concert for the theater, "NYC Comedy in the IRV," is coming on January 19.

The show will feature headliner Lenny Marcus, a regular at the Comedy Cellar (you might have seen him on Comedy



Lenny Marcus will headline show.

Central's new series, "This Week at the Comedy Cellar") -- who often appears on television, including three appearances on the "Late Show With David Letterman."

Marcus has brought on the two support-

ing acts, also regulars in New York City comedy clubs and on television: Buddy Fitzpatrick and Karen Bergreen.

"We are really looking forward to this show in Irvington," Marcus said. "I didn't even know there was a place called Irvington until now. Hopefully, this benefit puts Irvington on the map, but if it doesn't, and it probably won't, at least maybe a few comedians and their jokes can help support a theater (to be honest I think it's gonna take money, but that's not my problem)."

All proceeds from the event will go to the Friends of the ITHT, a 501(c)3 corporation dedicated to supporting the theater.

Presenting Marcus, Fitzpatrick and Bergreen in Irvington meets the ITHT Commission's goal of bringing critically acclaimed, Manhattan-quality artists to the theater. Marcus is excited for the chance to perform at the historic 116-year old theater, and he is hoping for a good turnout.

"It should be a fun show," Marcus said. "Please come!"

The show begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$35 for seats in the orchestra and \$25 for seats in the balcony. A VIP ticket, which includes a seat in the first five rows of the orchestra and admission to a party on the theater stage before the concert, costs \$50. (Tickets can be purchased at: www.irvingtontheater.com.) Each ticket includes two free beers.

"NYC Comedy in the IRV" Featuring Lenny Marcus marks the second of three ITHT benefit shows during the 2018-2019 theater season. The series kicked off with the immensely successful Cool Music / Hot Night in September, a five-band music concert featuring Brooklyn's Kenny Young and the Eggplants. The series will continue on April 26 with a concert featuring the bands that turn Halloween night in Irvington into an outdoor music festival, filling side streets with adoring fans.

The presenting sponsor for the series is Eric Bernstein of Compass in Dobbs Ferry.

6th Annual Winter Blues Rocks The Music Hall

On Saturday, January 5, the Tarrytown Music Hall once again becomes a serious scene by welcoming the 6th annual Winter Blues concert. Produced by the Sleepy Hollow Performing Arts Boosters, this year's line-up includes past favorites Juke Joint and the Tarrytown Horns with special guests, Cornbread Jam, and newcomers

Sarah Chalfy accompanied by Peter Griffin, and a TUFSD alumni combo. Closing the show will be the always-popular Losing Our Faculties--a band made up of talented teachers from Sleepy Hollow High School. Scheduled to perform in the beginning of the evening are the Sleepy Hollow High School Jazz Combo, and performers from

the upcoming Sleepy Hollow Middle School musical *The Wizard of Oz* and the High School's Spring production of *Hello Dolly!* "This started as a brainstorming fundraiser idea - capitalizing on our local bands to raise money for the performing arts in our Public Schools. It started with a bang and six years later our community event is still going strong and has raised over \$50,000," said Boosters co-President Alexa Brandenburg.

Originally the brainchild of Mary Kohrher and Jan Atkinson as a way to combat the winter blues, the event has become the Boosters' biggest fundraiser of the year. A lively, fun, energetic event, it perfectly encapsulates what the Boosters are all about. "It's a fun, entertaining party that not only brings our community together but adds enrichment to a part of education that always needs support," said Brandenburg.

The evening, which is open to all members of the community, includes an open bar with wine provided by Grape Expectations and beer from the Captain Lawrence Brewing Co. An all-you-can eat barbecue dinner will be provided by Pik-Nik BBQ, and local dessert maestro Renee Katshuba will be providing sweets through her company, MadeByRK. There will also be a silent auction featuring jewelry, art, and other items and services donated by local businesses and individuals, and a live auc-

tion. The evening will be MC'd by local parent Jim Johnstone.

All proceeds will go to the Sleepy Hollow Performing Arts Boosters to further enrich the arts within Sleepy Hollow Middle School and High School. "The Performing Arts Boosters supports, encourages, and



enables the aspects of my children's education that are closest to our hearts," said Boosters co-President Amy White. "The plays, orchestra, band, chamber, jazz... the Boosters raise money to send the musicians and actors on their trips while also buying instruments, rehabilitating the pianos, and other projects."

The adults-only event starts at 7 p.m. and continues to midnight. Tickets remain the same price they've been since the event's inauguration in 2013: \$75 (increasing to \$100 after January 3). They can be reserved online at www.tarrytownmusicall.org or at the door. Teachers in the Public Schools of the Tarrytowns and Sleepy Hollow High School alumni can email sleepyhollowperformingarts@gmail.com for a coupon code to purchase tickets at half-price.

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It's Official: Juniper and Bread & Brine Have Merged to Create a Seafood Mecca

by Linda Viertel

For those of us who have missed Chef Alex Sze's inventive cooking at Juniper in Hastings (both locations), customers can now experience his culinary skills at the recently expanded Bread & Brine, now a vibrant informal eatery where fish shack meets tiki bar meets a melding of East/West tastes.

When the original Bread & Brine owner Jeremy McClellan and Chef Sze joined together to form Hastings Hospitality Group, then became next-door neighbors in a restaurant partnership, the beginnings of their culinary dreams came true. Instead of having one kitchen create menus for two different restaurants – Bread & Brine and Juniper – they merged two dining spaces and two bars into one, while maintaining unique atmospheres in each space.

The original menu at Bread & Brine, a tribute to McClellan's love of Maine's iconic lobster shacks and Portland's quintessential seafood restaurant, Eventide, now gets special treatment thanks to Sze. Choose perfectly prepared, traditional, hearty Maine steamers as a "small plate," or chicken wings gets Sze's Eastern touch via General Tsao, sesame and chili. New England clam chowder is a rich creation brimming with quahog clams, potato, leek, celery, salt pork in a creamy base and topped with toasted, piping hot cornbread. Buffalo shrimp gets an unusual taste from sambal oelek (an Indonesian chile paste), accompanied by scallions and house-made pickles. In addition, Sze's housemade soft milk buns served with whipped butter subtly flavored with crustacean broth have become a signature appetizer.

Six types of fresh oysters are always on the raw bar menu, a weekly selection from both coasts, with an emphasis on the Northeast. Accompaniments include a lemon pepper mignonette, house pickle granita, classic cocktail sauce and fresh horseradish. Little necks and sweet jumbo shrimp are also available. It's important to note that McClellan sources his sustainable seafood daily from 5 to 6 top-notch purveyors, from the Fulton Fish Market at Hunts Point and Beal's Lobster Pier in Bar Harbor, Maine.

Classic lobster rolls get two treatments: Maine style – cold lobster/mayonnaise salad on a buttered roll; or Connecticut style – hot lobster sautéed in butter on a roll – both come with fries. Chef Sze spent time in the famed Chef Michel Richard's kitchen at his iconic D.C. restaurant, Citronelle, and pays homage to his mentor with his justly popular Tuna burger a la Michel Richard- served



L to R: Traditional New England clam chowder. Maine lobsters direct from Beal's lobster pier. Fresh oysters and their accompaniments. Below left: Classic lobster rolls.

with potato crisps, ginger mayo, and toasted tomato with a soy vinaigrette. Daily market fish specials always change: selections might be dorade, haddock, striped bass or a fisherman's stew.

Vegetarians (or anyone, in fact) will love Sze's roasted cauliflower- a crunchy exterior complemented by a sweet interior, accompanied by a fried egg, ricotta, raisins, capers all in a scallion vinaigrette. Linguini with white clam sauce gets the East/West treatment with wonton noodles, steamed cockles, pancetta, garlic and chili. And, carnivores (or anyone, in fact) will delight in Bread & Brine's patty melts, grilled as requested, and topped with griddled onions, cheddar cheese, B&B pickles, Sze's special sauce and served with butter fried French fries.



Creative cocktails get special treatment from mixologist, Christina Andrews. She is passionate about tiki cocktails, fun and energetic concoctions that are slowly catching on. She plans to expand her two bars with more classics and special tiki drinks beyond the four she created initially. Red and white wines are offered by the glass or bottle. And, there is always a featured red or white for customers to try, give their opinions about, and, if popular, the featured item stays on the wine list. Craft beers, lagers and ciders are also offered.

► **THE SHED:** McClellan has created a charming, intimate room within Bread & Brine's larger, airier space by enclosing a private dining area, which he calls "the shed." Eight to 12 diners can sit comfortably around a large table in what looks much like someone's New England dining room. Nautical paintings, a fireplace, antiques, lamps lit low and forest green walls all give a feeling of comfort and warmth. It's a great place to reserve for family dinners or a true Maine clambake (newspaper on the table, lobsters, steamers, corn, potatoes, chorizo) when

everyone dons bibs and gets to hone their shell-cracking skills. McClellan and Sze will also help customers craft their own menus for a "shed party" or just reserve a night out at Bread & Brine for a group who would enjoy ordering a la carte off the menu.

Every Sunday night Mama Sze, Chef Sze's mother, makes her famous traditional dumplings, and local families can't get enough of them. Every Wednesday oysters are \$1 all night long. Dollar oysters are also available at the "Adult Swim" happy hour from 5 to 7 on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday – the best deal on fresh raw oysters in all of New England!

Chef Sze wants guests to have a good time at their meal. "Though my background was in fine dining," he explains, "Juniper was casual, and my hope is that customers come

often and experience some tastes that might be new to them and be surprised. I enjoy making even simple, traditional choices taste better." Partnering with McClellan, who grew up in Maine, and for whom seafood is his "soul food," Sze is able to let his pure ingredients shine at Bread & Brine where traditional and unique "Down East" cuisine has found a home on the Hudson River.

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Obituaries

Donald Moffat, 87

Veteran Broadway, film and TV actor Donald Moffat, who lived at Kendal on Hudson in Sleepy Hollow, died December 20. He was 87.

Mr. Moffat, whose career spanned five decades, was a familiar face to movie and theatergoers. He played a corrupt president of the United States in the film *Clear and Present Danger*, Lyndon Johnson in *The Right Stuff* and, in one of his last performances, an aging Ulysses S. Grant in an off-Broadway play by John Guare, and was often cast as distinguished characters of one kind or another because of his ruggedly handsome face and trim figure. He played multiple roles to great acclaim in Shakespeare, Ibsen, Pinter and O'Neill plays, among other classic playwrights. His career was notable for its non-stop activity: Twenty Broadway shows, many more off-Broadway, 121 movies and countless TV shows, including *One Life to Live*, in which he played Dr. Marcus Polk.



Donald Moffat

He is survived by his wife - noted actress, film and TV director Gwen Arner, his daughter, Lynn, married to Sleepy Hollow Mayor Ken Wray, three other children - Katherine, Wendy and Gabriel, 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. He was a great wit and raconteur and will be deeply missed by his friends and family.

Rose Raniolo, 90

Rose Iacono Raniolo, a native and lifelong resident of North Tarrytown (now Sleepy Hollow), died December 4. She was 90.

She graduated from North Tarrytown High School in 1946, where she was a cheerleader. During high school she worked at the Adams dress factory on Orchard Street in Tarrytown and did part-time work at Readers' Digest during Christmas time. In 1949, she married her high school sweetheart, John F. Raniolo, at St. Teresa's Church in North Tarrytown, three years after he was honorably discharged from service in World War II.

From 1946 to 1955, she worked at Washington Irving Trust Company, which later became County Trust, on the corner of McKeele Avenue and Broadway in North Tarrytown in the mortgage department. Later in her life, she substituted for teaching assistants at the John Paulding school in Tarrytown.

Rose and John were married for 67 years before his passing on January 29, 2016.

Gail Matthew, 73

Gail Louise Matthew, a resident of Irvington, died November 30 at Calvary Hospital in the Bronx, following a lengthy struggle with skin cancer. She was 73.

She spent her childhood in Palmyra, NJ and was a 1963 graduate of Palmyra High School. After high school she attended Purdue University from which she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1968 and a Master of Science in Special Education in 1969. She was a proud member of the Alpha Omicron Pi sorority and the Kappa Delta Pi honorary educational society.

While at Purdue, she met David L. Matthew III, whom she married on November 8, 1969. After completing her education,

she lived with her husband in Ambato, Ecuador from 1969 to 1970 while he was a volunteer in the Peace Corps. After returning to the U.S. in the early 1970's the couple lived in Peekskill prior to settling in Irvington in 1980.

Mrs. Matthew was a dedicated and inspirational teacher in the Chappaqua Central School district where she taught special education in the Douglas G. Grafflin Elementary School, retiring in 2006. She was also a devout Christian. She was affiliated with the Rise Up Christian Fellowship, and she was an active member of the Calvary Chapel of Westchester.

She was a devoted and loving wife, mother, and friend. She loved to travel. Throughout her life she had visited every U.S. state as well as many countries throughout Latin America, the Caribbean, Africa, Europe, and Oceania. She also loved knitting and card stitching.

Alice Nelsen, 76

Alice M. Nelsen, a resident of Tarrytown, died December 7. She was 76.

Born in White Plains, she was raised in Elmsford where she attended school. She went on to become a school teacher and taught in the Elmsford School District for almost 40 years. Many of those years were spent teaching in the Alice E. Grady School. Her favorite hobby was creating items with the art of origami.

Margaret Pesick, 80

Margaret Pesick, a longtime Irvington resident, died December 14. She was 80.

Born in Tarrytown, for more than 30 years she was a secretary for BOCES in Rye Brook. For many years she was also the organist and singer at Holy Cross Church in North Tarrytown. She was married to Stephen Pesick, who predeceased her in 2010.

Mercy College Opens Veterans Center on Dobbs Ferry Campus

by Barrett Seaman

With the presentation of the colors by a Marine Corps honor guard and a singing of “The Star Spangled Banner” (twice), Mercy College opened a Veterans Center on its Dobbs Ferry campus last fall, designed to provide a resource and a haven for some 150 former soldiers, sailors and air force veterans currently enrolled there.

The new center, located on the lower level of Mercy’s Main Hall, has computer terminals, a printer, six oversized lounge chairs facing a 55” flat screen TV and a mini-kitchen. The Center, made possible in part by a \$25,000 grant from TD Bank, is modeled on a similar Veterans Center at Mercy’s Bronx campus. Altogether, according to Mercy President Tim Hall, 280 vets are registered as students at the college.

In the past decade, over one million veterans have returned home seeking higher education. Of the many needs they face, education is among the most common. Adjustment to campus life is not always easy though. Most returning vets aren’t like your average undergrad, in that they’re older, and they may bring with them physical and psychological wounds that prevent them from joining in the normal student lifestyle. But they also tend to be more focused and may be less inclined to join in the sometimes-frenetic social scene than traditional students.



Ribbon cutting ceremony was held for new Veterans Center at Mercy College.

Army vet Ronald Melendez, president of the Veterans of Mercy, said that Mercy vets’ GPAs run from 3.5 to 4.0 and that a program they launched for themselves called Operation Buddy-Up matches high achievers with those whose grades fall below 3.5 to provide study tips and encouragement. “We keep ourselves academically accountable to ourselves,” said Melendez.

The Center will also provide a haven for

vets with war-related disabilities—a place where they don’t feel the need to explain their injuries. One Mercy vet saw it as a place where no one asked about the extensive scarring on his neck. Another, whose trauma left him with a speech impediment, found that the Bronx campus center was one place where he found that he could speak without stuttering.

Former Marine Corporal Viviana De-

Cohen, who was instrumental in forming the original Bronx campus vets center, said that a common feeling among other vet/students was “a need to find a quiet place to study.” She got together with six other vets and produced a video about their experiences and submitted it to a competition held by the Student Veterans of America in Washington. The film won a \$10,000 first prize, which provided seed money for their own space on campus.

When DeCohen, widely called Mama V., came to the Dobbs Ferry campus as a counselor after her own graduation, she immediately started looking for other vets. Together they started Operation Buddy-Up, issued wristbands so they could easily identify other vets and started pushing for their own center.

Building on the success of the Buddy-Up program, the group has launched Operation Push-Up, which encourages vets to take the next step to graduate school. Fourteen Mercy vets have already gone through one graduate program or another and another 18 are currently enrolled in programs ranging from MBA to Physician’s Assistant Master’s degrees. Three are now studying at Columbia University’s School of Social Work. Said vet DeCohen: “We want to help them make the transition from killer to scholar.”



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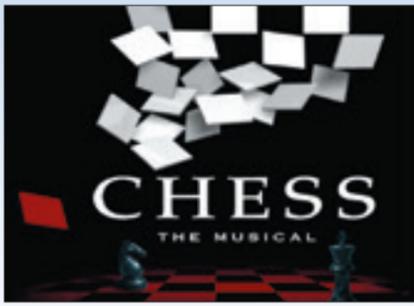
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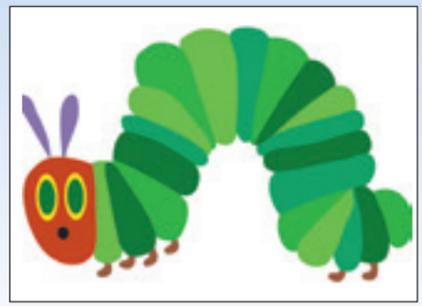
Saturday 5
Broadway Training Center (BTC) Gala 2019: *Chess The Musical* at 6 p.m., Irvington Town Hall Theater (ITHT).



Wednesday 9
Environment of Local Breweries: Justin DiNino, owner of Tarrytown-based Nano brewery Duncan's Abbey, will discuss sustainable hop growing at the Geenburgh Nature Center.



Monday 21
Comedy And Conversation: An evening with Ophira Eisenberg, host of NPR's *Ask Me Another* at the Jazz Forum.



Saturday 26
Puppet Show: *The Hungry Caterpillar* & Other Eric Carle Favorites at 11 a.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall.

What's Happening

Check out the complete directory for January at www.thehudsonindependent.com

Wednesday 2

ISRAELI FOLK DANCING: Every Wednesday in January (except January 9), from 7 to 10 p.m. at Temple Beth Abraham, 27 Leroy Ave., Tarrytown. Info: <http://ctisraelidance.com>.

Thursday 3

MAH JONGG: Meets at 1 p.m., Temple Beth Abraham, 27 Leroy Ave., Tarrytown. Also meets Mondays, January 7, 14, and 28. Due to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day holiday, the January 21 gathering will meet Thursday, January 24. Free for Temple members, \$2 per session for guests. Info: adulted@tba-ny.org or call 631-1770.

Friday 4

BOBBY COLLINS Performance: Stand-up comedian Bobby Collins will perform at 8 p.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall, 13 Main St. Info: 631-3390, Ext.100 or <http://tarrytownmusichall.org>.

Saturday 5

SCHOOLS FUNDRAISER: The sixth annual *Winter Blues* fundraiser to benefit the Sleepy Hollow Performing Arts Boosters at Sleepy Hollow Middle School and High School will be held at 7 p.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall, 13 Main St. Info: 631-3390, Ext.100 or <http://tarrytownmusichall.org>.

BROADWAY TRAINING CENTER (BTC) GALA 2019: *Chess The Musical* at 6 p.m., Irvington Town Hall Theater (ITHT), 85 Main St. One-night-only, fully staged musical to benefit BTC, honoring Gregory G. Allen, ITHT Theater Manager. Live auction, raffles, and special reception for VIP ticket holders. Tickets and info: www.irvingtontheater.com. Proceeds support BTC, its scholarship fund and arts education. (Please consider donating at: www.BroadwayTraining.com/donate.)

MOVIE MAVENS SERIES: *And Then She Arrived* at 7 p.m. at Temple Beth Abraham, 27 Leroy Ave., Tarrytown. Free for members (\$5 for non-members). Info: 631-1770 or tba.org.

Sunday 6

MUSIC AND MUNCHIES: The Greenburgh Hebrew Center and PJ Library present Music and Munchies from 3 to 4 p.m. at the Shames JCC on the Hudson, 371 S. Broadway, Tarrytown. This free event is ideal for children (up to age six) and their families. RSVP to Stacey at PJLibrary@g-h-c.org.

Wednesday 9

RIVERTOWN FILMS: Rivertown Films will present three films in January: *Tea with the Dames* on January 9 at 8 p.m. at the Nyack Center; *Studio 54* on January 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the Lafayette Theatre in Suffern; and *Shoplifters* on January 23 at 8 p.m. at the Nyack Center. Tickets: \$12 for

the general public, \$9 for members. Tickets can be purchased at the door or at: 800-838-3006/ www.rivertownfilm.org.

ENVIRONMENT OF LOCAL BREWERIES: Justin DiNino, owner of Tarrytown-based Nano brewery Duncan's Abbey, discusses sustainable hop growing, locally sourced ingredients, grain composting and more, 7-9 p.m. at Greenburgh Nature Center, 99 Dromore Rd., Scarsdale. Free admission. Info: <http://www.greenburghnaturecenter.org> or 723-3470.

INVEST AND RELAX: Investment Series with Matt Ludmer, 7-9 p.m. at Shames JCC on the Hudson, 371 S. Broadway, Tarrytown. Free admission but registration required. For more info, call the Aligned Center at 292-0930.

Thursday 10

DRINK & DRAW: RiverArts, in association with Brief Studios, 7:30-10 p.m. at 145 Palisade St., Studio 412A, Dobbs Ferry. All levels welcome. Admission: \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. Info: www.riverarts.org/drink-draw.

Friday 11

NEIL YOUNG TRIBUTE: *The Broken Arrow Neil Young Tribute* has been rescheduled from October 12 to January 11 at 8 p.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall, 13 Main St. Info: 631-3390, Ext.100

or <http://tarrytownmusichall.org>. Tickets from the original date will be accepted.

BOOK CLUB: 10 a.m. at Temple Beth Abraham, 27 Leroy Ave., Tarrytown. Members will discuss *As Close To Us As Breathing* by Elizabeth Poliner. Suggested donation: \$2. RSVP to 631-1770 or adulted@tba-ny.org.

Saturday 12

ALIGNED CENTER CONSULTATIONS: A Family and Systemic Constellations Workshop will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at The Aligned Center, 1 Bridge St., Suite 64, Irvington. \$40; registration is required. For more info or to register, call the Aligned Center at 292-0930.

OPEN WRITE: Enjoy a creative evening of writing exercises, sharing work and connecting with the community at 7:30 p.m. at the Hudson Valley Writers Center, 300 Riverside Drive, Sleepy Hollow. Refreshments will be served. Free for members; \$10 regular admission. Info: 332-5953 or admin@writerscenter.org.

Thursday 17

FINANCIAL COCKTAIL HOUR: 6 to 7 p.m. at The Aligned Center, 1 Bridge St., Suite 64, Irvington. Free admission but RSVP is required. Call the Aligned Center at 292-0930.

Friday 18

OPEN MIC: 7:30 p.m. at the Hudson Valley Writers Center, 300 Riverside Drive, Sleepy Hollow. Open mics provide writers and performers in every genre an opportunity to share their words, music, or comedy in an encouraging community. Suggested donation is \$5. Info: 332-5953 or admin@writerscenter.org.

MUSICAL SHABBAT: Shabbat services with special music for Shabbat Shirah and featuring songs of social justice in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Day. 7:30 p.m. at Temple Beth Abraham, 27 Leroy Ave., Tarrytown. Info: 631-1770.

COUNTESS & FRIENDS: Luann de Lesseps – *Countess & Friends* will be performed at 8 p.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall, 13 Main St. Countess Luann is a reality television star, author, actress, singer, mother and an original cast member of Bravo's hit TV show *The Real Housewives of New York*. Info: 631-3390 Ext.100 or <http://tarrytownmusichall.org>.

SENIORS

SENIOR BENEFITS INFORMATION CENTER (SBIC): Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. a trained counselor from SBIC is on hand at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. Sign up at the Reference Desk or call 631-7734. To ask questions outside regular counseling hours call 231-3260.

SENIOR VAN: Beginning at 9 a.m. Monday through Friday, a van is available for seniors who need transportation. Call the Tarrytown Village Hall at 631-7873 or the Sleepy Hollow Recreation Dept. at 366-5109.

HOT LUNCH: Plus other activities Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Neighborhood House in Tarrytown. Suggested contribution \$3. Call 330-3855.

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SENIOR CANTEEN: informal social group, 1 p.m. Thursdays.

MOVIES: 1 p.m. Fridays.

MAH JONGG: 1 p.m. Fridays.

BRIDGE AND CARD CLUB: 1 p.m. Fridays.

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Pierson Park, 631-2304. Annual donation is \$15.

EXERCISE: 10 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

NICKEL BINGO: 12:30 p.m. Mondays.

BOOK CLUB: Mondays 3 to 5 p.m.

Ongoing

IT TAKES A VILLAGE 10591: Seniors meet on the second Tuesday of each month from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at The Reformed Church of the Tarrytowns, 42 N. Broadway. The program includes a speaker, conversation, and refreshments. All are welcome. Call 914-222-5116 or visit www.itav10591.org.

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Saturday 19

REMEMBERING DR. KING: Join the Foster Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church Steward Board as they host the annual All-U-Can-Eat breakfast from 7:30 to 11 a.m. at the church, 90 Wildey St., Tarrytown. \$15 donation. On January 21, the church will celebrate the life of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. through song. This free program begins at noon.

NYC COMEDY IN THE IRV FEATURING LENNY MARCUS: Irvington Town Hall Theater (ITHT) Benefit, at 7:30 pm, 85 Main St., Irvington. Veteran stand-up comics Lenny Marcus, Buddy Fitzpatrick, and Karen Bergreen perform to benefit Friends of the ITHT, the non-profit that supports the theater. Two free beers included for each ticket holder (21 or over). Tickets: www.irvingtontheater.com.

DANCESPIRATION: *Dancespiration* will be per-

formed by the students and teachers of the Tarrytown Fred Astaire Dance Studio at 7 p.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall, 13 Main St. Celebrate the magic of ballroom dance with an extravaganza of foxtrots, salsas, rumbas and show dances. Info: 631-3390 Ext.100 or tarrytownmusichall.org.

Monday 21

DR. KING VOLUNTEER PROGRAM: Shames JCC on the Hudson, Tarrytown, volunteers will sort, decorate and put together 600 Blizzard Boxes, emergency kits of non-perishable food, which will be distributed to various senior centers and food pantries. 10 a.m. to noon. Visit www.shamesjcc.org to sign up.

COMEDY AND CONVERSATION: An evening of stand-up comedy and conversation with Ophira Eisenberg, host of NPR's *Ask Me Another*, and stand-up physicist Saad Sarwana, of the Science Channel's *Outrageous Acts of Science*, 7:30 p.m. at

Jazz Forum, 1 Dixon Lane, Tarrytown.

Friday 25

WRITERS CENTER READINGS: Readings by Rachel Hadas, Safia Jama, and Gardner McFall at 7 p.m. at the Hudson Valley Writers Center, 300 Riverside Drive, Sleepy Hollow. Info: 332-5953 or admin@writerscenter.org.

BYE BYE BIRDIE: Presented by Clocktower Players, Jr. Teen Troupe at Irvington Town Hall Theater, 85 Main St., Irvington at 7:30 pm. Also on Saturday, January 26 at 7:30 pm. For tickets and info, visit: www.irvington.theater.com.

Saturday 26

PUPPET SHOW: *The Hungry Caterpillar & Other Eric Carle Favorites* at 11 a.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall, 13 Main St. Info: 631-3390 Ext.100 or <http://tarrytownmusichall.org>.

CANFIN GALLERY EXHIBIT: *New Works*, an exhibit of the art of Cecil Touchon through Feb. 17 at the Canfin Gallery, 39 Main St. Tarrytown. Info: 332 4554 or www.CanfinGallery.com.

Sunday 27

BIKE TARRYTOWN MEETINGS: Bike Tarrytown holds general meetings on the last Sundays of the month in January, February and March from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Warner Library, 121 N Broadway, Room B, Tarrytown. Info: <https://biketarrytown.org>.

ADULT EDUCATION DISCUSSION: *Reproductive Freedom and Judaism* will be discussed from 4 to 6 p.m. at Temple Beth Abraham, 27 Leroy Ave., Tarrytown. Panel discussion moderated by Allison Fine, co-founder of Underwire: A Community of Elected Women, and featuring Rabbi David Holtz, Info: 631-1770.

Community Voices Heard Concert Fundraiser at Jazz Forum: January 31

Increased political activism in the lower Hudson Valley has resulted in activists from different communities working together to support a wide range of initiatives. Community Voices Heard (CVH)'s Jazz and Soul Night, on January 31st at Tarrytown's Jazz Forum (1 Dixon Lane), is one such collective effort.

The event is a fundraiser to support CVH, which organizes low-income communities in the lower/mid-Hudson Valley and NYC to address economic, racial and social justice issues. In addition to food and drink, the evening will feature performances by Harlem's favorite soul singer and three-time winner of Live at the Apollo, James "Petawane" Burris.

Jazz and Soul Night is the brainchild of Irvington resident Peter Bernstein, a founding member of Irvington Activists and a CVH board member. "Combining musical performance in Westchester's top jazz club with fundraising for the important work of CVH is a natural for bringing our diverse communities together for a special evening," he said.

CVH is a non-profit, member-led, multi-

racial organization principally comprised of women of color and low-income families in New York State. CVH tackles tough issues and builds power to secure racial, social and economic justice for all New Yorkers through grassroots organizing, leadership development, policy changes, and creating new models of direct democracy.

This past year, CVH member-leaders in the Westchester chapter won the largest expansion of rent stabilization in New York State in over two decades through the passage of the Emergency Tenant Protection Act in the village of Ossining. CVH member-leaders also fought for, and won, the first official Affordable Housing Needs Assessment in over a decade in Westchester.

Joining Bernstein in hosting the CVH Jazz and Soul Night are Tarrytown native Lisa Piedimonte Bergman (founder of Tarrytown-based Social Action Supper Club) and her husband and fellow activist Jeff Bergman, Peekskill resident Robert McCreanor (head attorney with the Workers Justice Center of New York), and Irvington residents Sarah Cox (President of Friends of the Irvington Library) and Paula Romanow

Etzel (Co-chair of the Irvington Democratic Committee). The host committee is working closely with Ellen Prior, General Manager of the Jazz Forum, to make sure that the event is a special evening.

Lisa and Jeff are raising their two boys in Tarrytown, in part due to its diverse population. "Tarrytown is a shining example of a large community that is culturally and socio-economically diverse and works hard to protect and support one another," said Lisa, who helps local families fight food insecurity with the help of her Tarrytown Supper Club members. "And this is tightly aligned with CVH's goal to build power with low-income residents to fight and speak out for real systemic change. Day after day I am astounded by the actions of the community to fight for what is right."

For tickets or to become a sponsor, visit: <https://CommunityVoicesHeard.nation-builder.com/jazznight>. (Purchased tickets can also be donated so that CVH members who can't afford the ticket price can attend the event.)

For more info, contact Julia Solow at 914-514-7632 or julia@CVHaction.org.

In Our Libraries

Adult Events at the Irvington Public Library

The following events will be held at the Irvington Public Library, 12 South Astor St. Info: call 591-7840, e-mail irvref@wlsmail.org or visit www.irvingtonlibrary.org.

Saturday 5

ACRYLIC PAINTINGS EXHIBIT: Seema Kapur Varma's acrylic on canvas paintings will be on exhibit in the Martucci Gallery from Jan. 5 through 30. Gallery hours: Mon., Wed., Fri., and Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Tues. and Thurs., 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

THURSDAY EVENING BOOK CLUB: The group will discuss *You Should Have Known* by Jean Haff Korelitz at 7 p.m.

Tuesday 8

NATIVE PLANTS: "The Pollinator Pathway Living Classroom Series" presents Cathy Ludden on choosing native plants for your garden at 7 p.m. Free program. Register online: irvingtonlibrary.evanced.info/calendar/signup, or call 591-7840.

Saturday 26

CLEARING THE CLUTTER: A professional organizer from House 2 Home Organizing will be at the library at 2pm to offer tips on how to clear the clutter in your life. Free program. Registration: irvingtonlibrary.evanced.info/signup or 591-7840.

Young Adults Programs at the Irvington Public Library

Thursday 10

HUMAN HUNGRY HIPPOS: Come play the human version of *Hungry Hungry Hippos* at 5 p.m.

Thursday 17

IRVING TEE-SHIRT LOOP SCARVES: Turn tee-shirts into soft cozy scarves at 5 p.m. Bring your own tee-shirt or choose from ours.

Events at the Warner Library

The following events have been scheduled for the Warner Library, 121 N. Broadway in Tarrytown. For more information call 631-7734 or visit warnerlibrary.org.

Wednesday 2

WEDNESDAY MOVIES: Every Wednesday in January at 2 p.m. Jan. 2, *Love, Still*; Jan. 9, *Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again*; Jan. 16, *Lady Bird*; Jan. 23, *The Old Man and the Gun* and Jan. 30, *Loving Vincent*.

Thursday 3

SHARE YOUR DREAMS: Every Thursday in January, from 1 to 3 p.m., *What Can We Learn from Our Dreams* will be held. Join a new group at the library and talk about your dreams for the fun of it.

Saturday 5

JAZZ QUART PERFORMS: Tarrytown resident Hiroshi Yamazaki will bring his jazz quartet to Warner Library for a concert of originals and standards at 2:30 p.m.

Thursday 10

AFRICAN DREAMS: *African Dreams: An Evening with David Schroedel and Joe Queenan* will be held at 7 p.m. Sleepy Hollow resident, David Schroedel will exhibit 22 images of the 3,500 photographs he took during a trip to Namibia and Botswana in late 2017 in the Fitzgerald and Stairwell galleries during the month of January at the library.

Wednesday 30

FREE HEALTH SCREENINGS: On the last Wednesday of every month from noon to 2 p.m. the Warner Library and Doctors United will be providing the following complimentary services for library members at no charge: blood pressure screening, computerized digital stress analysis; and neck and back pain screening. There will also be a doctor available to discuss any health concerns you may have.

Thursday 31

HOME STAGING: With Marie Graham of the

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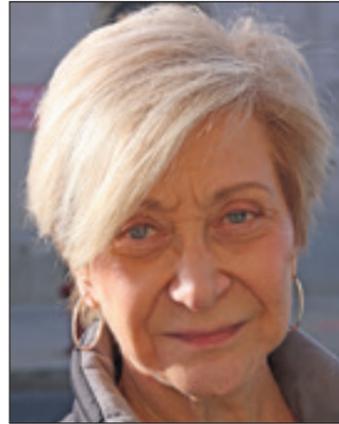
Amada Reimundez
Tarrytown

“I resolve to keep my family peaceful, healthy, and happy.”



Carlo Carroccia
Tarrytown

“To focus even more on my family’s needs, and to do more in general for the community.”



Gloria Rakacky
Tarrytown

“I don’t bother anymore because I don’t keep them anyway.”



Lisa Robinson
Works in Tarrytown

“My New Year’s resolution is to maintain good health.”

Corrections

In the print version of last month’s story about Dobbs Ferry pediatrician Dr. Nitin Gupta, the sixth paragraph should have read: Current state law does not allow him to sell prescription medicines, and his patients’ families would still have to pay separately for hospitalization or treatment by specialists. “But with time to manage my patients, there is less need for specialists,” he said.

Meanwhile, in the Inquiring Photographer, two of the photos and quotes were mismatched.

The Hudson Independent regrets the errors.

The New 60



INDY TALKS Tune into Indy Talks, *The Hudson Independent’s* monthly cable TV interview show. This month, our guest is **Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins**, the incoming majority leader of the New York State Senate and arguably one of the three most powerful politicians in the state. She also represents our own 35th District. The show airs on Cablevision channel 75 and Fios channel 34 within the Town of Greenburgh each Friday of the month at 9:30 a.m., 3:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. It is also available 24/7 on our website, www.thehudsonindependent.com, and Facebook page.

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Refreshed Home at 7 p.m. Home staging is the very practical, very individual process of getting a property ready for sale. Please sign up at the reference desk.

Events at the Dobbs Ferry Public Library
The following events have been scheduled for the Dobbs Ferry Public Library, 55 Main St. For more information call 693-6614.

Thursday 24
CULT MOVIE SCREENING: *Serial Mom*, starring Kathleen Turner, will be screened at 7 p.m. The film is rated R. Register online or contact the library.

Saturday 26
MARTIAL ARTS MOVIE: *Zu Warriors* will be screened at 2 p.m. The film is rated PG-13. Register online or contact the library.

Event at the Greenburgh Public Library
The following event has been scheduled for the Greenburgh Public Library, 300 Tarrytown Rd., Elmsford. Info: 721-8200 or <https://www.greenburghlibrary.org/home>.

Saturday 5
UNIVERSITY WOMEN MEETING: The American Association of University Women will hold its monthly Westchester branch meeting at 10:30 a.m. The speaker will be Stephen Paul DeVillo an author of two books, who will discuss the topic *The History of the Bowery*.

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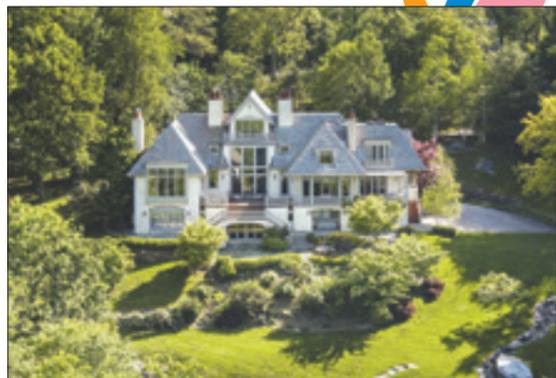
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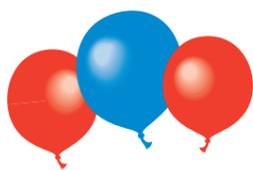
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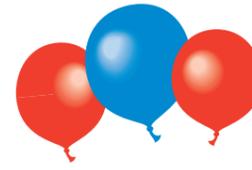
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