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Weathering Winter Storms Costly to Villages



Photo by Rick Pezzullo

Snow has provided many obstacles for residents in local villages.

by Rick Pezzullo

It's been a bitterly cold and snowy winter season, and local villages have been paying the price.

Administrators in Irvington, Sleepy Hollow and Tarrytown all reported their budgets have been busted by overtime, salt and other supply costs associated with trying to keep up with Mother Nature's frigid side.

"I don't remember a winter this bad. This has been a bad one," said Sleepy Hollow Village Administrator Anthony Giaccio, who has worked for the village for six years. "It's not just the snow, it's the cold. We're blowing our budget for sure."

Since Sleepy Hollow has already exceeded its \$115,000 budget for snow removal expenses, Giaccio said department heads have been instructed to delay any major purchases until the end of the current fiscal year, which for villages is May 31.

Giaccio explained the village would have to tap into its estimated \$1.5 million fund balance to cover its winter tab.

"We're hoping for no more snow," he said. "When we get to the end of the fiscal year we'll examine where we're at."

Tarrytown has also been hit hard financially and the approximately 60 inches of snow that has fallen this winter has created a space problem, forcing the village to get permission from neighboring Sleepy Hollow to dump snow at the General Motors site, according to Village Administrator Michael Blau.

"We have come to the realization that we will exceed our snow budget," Blau remarked. "Our biggest concern is getting the salt in. We have a little left, but

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Study Shows Demographic Decrease of Young Adults in Village of Irvington

by Alexander Roberts

A recent study of census data showed that the richest and most exclusive communities in Westchester County are undergoing a demographic collapse of their young adult populations. The study was done for Community Housing Innovations, Inc., a housing and human services agency based in White Plains.

While it's well known that Westchester County has been losing its 25-34 year olds—a loss of 12.8% since the 2000 census—it turns out the losses are much greater in the overwhelmingly white and richest areas without affordable housing. The river towns are no exception.

In *The Hudson Independent's* coverage area, the data shows a much higher exodus of young workers in Irvington as compared to the more diverse and affordable Sleepy Hollow. Irvington lost 39% of its 25-34 year old population from 2000-2011, based upon the Census Bureau's

American Community Survey. Adding to the bleak picture, Irvington lost 34.4% of its 35-44 year old cohort (compared to the overall county of 15.3%). It means that Irvington is aging rapidly, adding to concerns for staffing volunteer fire and emergency medical services, a dwindling school population and potential lower demand for homes as the young workforce forsakes Irvington for other areas.

According to Irvington Village Administrator Lawrence Schopfer, the effects of what has been called the "brain drain" are already being felt and he said the data did not surprise him.

"Our fire department and ambulance corps are hurting for volunteers and are struggling," said Schopfer. "The numbers of school children have declined so much that we commissioned a study to determine if the Main Street School is needed anymore."

Shopfer said the Board of Trustees and

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THE SECOND ANNUAL SLEEPY HOLLOW WINTERFEST: sponsored by the village, Sleepy Hollow Manor Association and Philipse Manor Improvement Association, was held at Rockwood Hall where residents enjoyed sleigh riding, homemade chili, hot cocoa and hot cider. Joining in the festivities were: (L-R): Trustee Susan MacFarlane, Mayor Ken Wray, Catherine Golub, James West and David Hodgens.

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Rotary's Duck Derby & YMCA's Healthy Kids Day Join Again for April Event

by Robert Kimmel

Preparations are underway for one of the most enthusiastically anticipated annual happenings in the river towns: the combined Rotary Club of the Tarrytown's Duck Derby and the Family YMCA's Healthy Kids Day. Jam-packed with fun activities for youngsters and adults alike, the event takes place Saturday, April 26.

The Y's entertainment, food, games and the rubber Duck Derby are expected to draw hundreds of families with their children to Patriot's Park for the event. It marks the seventh year that the YMCA and Rotary Club have collaborated to offer the excitement of the Derby and the enjoyment of the Y's wide range of activities.

A new climbing wall, rides for young children, carnival games, tug of war, races, live animals, an introduction to circus arts, face painting, the Colgate Bright Smiles bus, live music and dancing that mark the Y's activities begin at 11 a.m. Food will be available. Some of the events are also open to adult participation. While there are many free events scheduled, children's rides, the climbing wall and carnival games require the purchase of a \$10 bracelet that may be purchased at the Y beginning next month or on location, and which is good for the entire day.

Representatives from various organizations will be available to parents for information about health, dental care, insurance and safety.

One lucky person, having adopted the winning ducky in the final race of the Rotary's Duck Derby, will walk away with the first prize of \$1,500. The second place ducky brings \$250 to its adopter, and third place receives a \$100 prize. Ducks participating in the final race will have been winners in the five or six race heats that precede the Grand Finale race. Each heat winner will receive a gift certificate for breakfast for two at the Sheraton Hotel.

As many as 2,000 adopted rubber duckies could participate in the Derby's pre-

final race heats down Andre Brook which are scheduled to begin at noon. And the duckies are already waiting to be adopted. Adoptions are available with an application through the Rotary's website, (www.tarrytownrotary), which accepts credit cards or PayPal, or by calling Mimi Godwin at 914-631-0675.

Adopting a single duck costs \$10, and a "Six-Quack" is \$50. For an even better chance at winning, a "Tub-of Ducks," 13 in all, may be adopted for \$100. Ducks will also be available for adoption at Patriot's Park prior to each of the pre-final winners' heats.

Two people-sized yellow duckies will be making the rounds in the villages long before the Derby, most certainly during the afternoon of Sunday, March 16 as they take part in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. The costumed duckies are in reality, the Rotary's two organizers of the Derby, JoAnne Murray and Godwin. They are also scheduled to appear at a "Meet and Greet Birthday Party" celebration at Main Street Sweets in Tarrytown, Sunday, March 30, posing for photos, and welcoming the public. The sweet's shop is preparing a special "Ducky Ice Cream" which will be available this month and through April.

The Rotary's returning sponsors for the event are Tarrytown Honda, Tompkins Financial, Mahopac Bank, On Track Sports Center, *The Hudson Independent*, Allan Block Insurance, Westchester Marriott and Capri Pizza and Pasta. Murray noted that the "The Tarrytown Fire Dept will be there to ensure swift races," directing water into Andre Brook to speed the current.

"This event would not be possible were it not for the support of the Tarrytown Fire Department, Recreation Department, Department of Public Works and our sponsors," Murray said.

The Rotary's revenue from the event goes to various grants it provides to the community. The Y's income will help fund the scholarships it offers to children and adults who otherwise would not be able to participate in many of its activities and programs.



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Battle Brews over Control of Farmer's Market

by Elaine Marranzano

Dissatisfied with the farmer's market in Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow, a local volunteer group has staged a coup d'état of sorts.

Since 2006, the seasonal farmer's market in Patriot's Park has been operated by Down to Earth Markets (DTE), a for-profit entity, through a contractual agreement with Tarrytown. But recently a local nonprofit named Rivertowns Village Green has garnered the support of the public and a contract from the village to take over management of the market.

But DTE's contract with the village, giving it exclusive rights to operate the farmer's market, doesn't expire until December 2015, something the village administration said it was unaware of.

"The original contract with DTE from 2006 was for four years, but it auto-renewed every three years unless it was cancelled," explained Mayor Drew Fixell.

Rivertowns Village Green gathered 600 signatures on a petition titled "Take Back Tarrytown's Farmer's Market," urging DTE to release the village from its contract. Sleepy Hollow is not involved because Tarrytown controls permitting for Patriot's Park activities even though the park spans both villages.

Spokesperson Frankie Rowland said DTE is seeking a meeting with Tarrytown to resolve the issue. "We hope to come to a point where we can provide Tarrytown with the kind of market it wants," said Rowland.

With nine vendors, Tarrytown has one of the smaller markets in Westchester

compared to a village like Larchmont whose DTE market has 23 vendors or Pleasantville, the county's largest market, with 50 vendors. Pleasantville ended its relationship with DTE in 2012 by not renewing its contract and is now run locally by a volunteer organization.

"I thought our market was kind of a sad sack," said local resident Suzanne Sorrentino a founding member of Rivertowns Village Green. "I longed for something better."

Sorrentino first volunteered to help DTE liven-up the market and increase foot traffic. Over the last three years she and others brought in music, children's activities, story time, yoga and even a month of cooking demonstrations with local chefs. All they asked in return, according to Sorrentino, was that DTE promote the events at the market.

"For the chef's event all they did was run an ad in the newspaper which was smaller than a competing market and which didn't even mention the chefs," recalls Sorrentino. "They were taking our free labor without expanding the market."

It is unclear how Tarrytown's dual contract problem will be resolved. According to Fixell, mediation has been discussed. Neither contract costs the village anything. DTE is paid for its organizational services by its vendors and Rivertowns Village Green will operate under a similar business model.

Sorrentino remains undaunted. "We have superstar volunteers with tons of connections. We can make our market bigger and better. We can do this," she said.



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Beloved Sleepy Hollow Cemetery Worker Digs His Last Grave

by Stephanie Sears

Lifelong Tarrytown resident Frank Drahos brought cheer to the Sleepy Hollow Cemetery, which has been around since 1849. Unfortunately, all good things must come to an end.

The cemetery's beloved gravedigger for 54 years, beating his father's record, has now retired. The job ran in his family; besides his father, his grandfather was in the business as well. Drahos's father worked at the Sleepy Hollow Cemetery for 48 years; he and his son worked together when Drahos quit school in 1959. Drahos enjoyed playing in the cemetery as a child.

The Sleepy Hollow Cemetery is a resting place for many renowned names, such as Andrew Carnegie, Walter P. Chrysler, William Rockefeller, Nelson A. Rockefeller, Elizabeth Arden, Samuel Gompers, Leona Helmsley, and Brooke Astor. But of course, the most prominent of the cemetery's "inhabitants" is author Washington Irving, whose classic story "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" combines both the rich history and culture of the river town region.

However, Drahos was never really star-



Frank Drahos recently retired after 54 years at Sleepy Hollow Cemetery.

struck or emotional about those he buried in the graveyard. "To a gravedigger, everyone goes into the same hole in the ground," Drahos said. Not only did he tend to the

plots of the famous, he looked after the plots of former co-workers and relatives of current cemetery workers as well.

Drahos has witnessed the evolution of grave digging technology. When he first started, he used shovels, wheelbarrows, horses, hand drills, pickaxes, and dynamite, sometimes taking a whole day to dig just one grave. Now the use of backhoes has helped cut the grave digging staff number down from 28 to 6.

Not only is he known for his grave digging skills, he is also admired for dressing up the cemetery with his keen decorating talent, such as making wreaths for Christmas and planting flowers for Memorial Day.

Drahos' former co-workers only had good things to say about him.

"He's been with the cemetery for almost one third of its existence," said Jim Logan, the cemetery's superintendent, "He has such a knowledge of the grounds, and it's like losing a library of knowledge. He has an encyclopedia knowledge of the cemetery."

"He is a great man. He took pride in his work," said Janet Jacobsen, the cemetery's office administrator. "He loved what he did

and was especially talented in pruning the tress and bushes. Very talented and crafty. If you needed to know anything about plants you would ask him. We enjoyed his stories and we liked seeing him every day. The biggest thing we'll miss is his presence. His presence is unique. He'd do anything you asked him to, really. It was nice to work with him and to have known him all of those years." Jacobsen also added that Drahos was quite the handyman around the office as well.

"The biggest thing we'll miss is his presence."

—Janet Jacobsen

Margaret Olsen, office worker, echoed Jacobsen's sentiments. "He's a very kind, conscientious, generous, hard worker. I think very much of him. He would do anything for anybody and help anybody."

Drahos, 74, said he hopes to have at least five good years of life left, which he plans on spending with his girlfriend of 22 years plus fishing whenever he can.

When the time comes, he plans on joining Irving, Carnegie, Rockefeller, and the like, in his already prepared plot at the Sleepy Hollow Cemetery — right next to his parents.

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Incumbents Running Unopposed in Tarrytown Election

by Rick Pezzullo

Incumbent Tarrytown trustees Tom Basher, Robert Hoyt and Mary McGee will be facing no opposition in the March 18 election after a potential slate of candidates was disqualified by the Westchester Board of Elections.

Board of Elections Democratic Commissioner Reginald Lafayette said Frank Morabito, Margaret Murphy and Ronne Diaz, running as Tarrytown First, submitted petitions with 125 signatures but 107 were ruled invalid since no dates accompanied the signatures as required by Election Law. In order to appear on the ballot, a minimum of 100 valid signatures are necessary.

"There are rules you have to follow," Basher said. "It was kind of a last minute slate."

Basher and his running mates were endorsed by Tarrytown United and the Democratic Party. A 54-year village resident, Basher has been on the Board of Trustees for 22 years.

"I bring a lot of years of experience," Basher said. "We basically are policy mak-

ers. I try to advise everyone to take a step back and look at things more thoroughly before making any rash decisions. We listen to each other's ideas and thoughts. Nobody on the board has any individual agendas."

During his next term, Basher said he is looking forward to seeing the completion of Pierson Riverfront Park with an outdoor swimming pool and recreation building, and preserving as much open space as possible on the south end of the village adjacent to the Hudson River, on the Montefiore property.

McGee, a trustee for eight years and a 47-year resident, is also excited about Tarrytown getting an outdoor pool that will be available to all residents.

"I think this will really be a good addition to Tarrytown. It will really be a community pool," she said.

The former Board of Education member said she is proud of the improvements at Pierson Park, Neperhan Park and the RiverWalk and is awaiting upgrades at Patriots Park. She said she would like the village to develop a plan to address infrastructure needs on an annual basis.

"I want to continue to see these things



Tarrytown Trustees Robert Hoyt, Mary McGee and Deputee Mayor Tom Basher

move forward," McGee said. "I think we're all very thoughtful people. We all do our homework. We don't go in with individual agendas and we all work together."

Hoyt, a 32-year volunteer firefighter with Consolidated Engine Co. #1 and a senior manager with Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, is a 51-year resident and has been a trustee for eight years.

He said during his time on the board the

village has received more than \$12 million in grants for projects throughout the village. He said the board has been fiscally responsible without sacrificing services.

"We have been a part of making countless positive changes in our village," Hoyt stated on his campaign website. "We will continue to work hard and listen to the community as we strive to preserve Tarrytown as the 'jewel' of the Lower Hudson Valley."

Sleepy Hollow Dems Slate Uncontested in Village Election

by Rick Pezzullo

The slate endorsed by the Sleepy Hollow Democratic Committee will be running unopposed in the March 18 village election.

Karin Wompa, a 19-year resident, will be starting her fourth two-year term. Wompa chairs the Sleepy Hollow Development Committee and reestablished the Environmental Advisory Council. She also serves on the GM Committee.

She explained the Development Committee was comprised of government and business professionals with the goal of creating and sustaining a vibrant downtown in the village.

"With the development of the GM site

on the horizon, we want to ensure a strong presence in our downtown, with a natural connectivity and complement to the new development, the waterfront and the public transportation systems in place to attract new residents and businesses," Wompa said. "The committee has been very dynamic and we hope to secure long term enhancements in our downtown."

Political newcomer Dorothy Handelman, a professional photographer who



Dorothy Handelman

moved with her family to the village in 1995, also sees the development of the GM site as being "pivotal" to the economic development of the community.

"I believe I possess the good judgment to be an advocate of our village and make a positive contribution to the future of our community, and it's the right time to dedicate myself to the position," she said.

Handelman said she has been involved with the Tarrytown Union Free School

District for the last 16 years serving in many capacities, including president of the PTA at the high school. She also served on the board of the Sleepy Hollow Performing Arts Center and the local garden club at Sleepy Hollow Manor.

Meanwhile, earning a second term on the board will be Jennifer Lobato-Church. A lifelong village resident, she served on the village's Zoning Board before joining the Board of Trustees in 2012. She was unable to answer questions before deadline.

Trustee Susan MacFarlane, who founded the volunteer group, "Friends of Horan's Landing and Sleepy Hollow Riverfront Park," and was elected to the board two years ago, decided not to seek another term.

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not enough to handle a major snowstorm.”

Tarrytown budgeted \$225,000 this year based on a 10-year analysis of past costs, but its overtime expenses are already \$23,000 over projections. Two years ago, Blau said the village spent \$6,100 in snow removal overtime. To date this year, the village has spent \$73,000.

Like Sleepy Hollow, Tarrytown will be required to take some money out of its undesignated fund balance, which currently has a balance of approximately \$3.5 million.

In Irvington, Village Administrator Larry Schopfner said the village has already spent more than twice the \$125,000 it budgeted for the winter. He said the vil-

lage would likely be reimbursed about \$20,000 from the state for paving Broadway, but the rest will have to be withdrawn from Irvington's more than \$2 million fund balance.

He said by far it has been the most expensive winter in Irvington over the last 10 years. Last year, the village spent \$142,000, and the year before \$59,000.

“It's not an exact science. You just never know,” he said.

Irvington has also experienced problems finding space for all the plowed snow. Schopfner said the village has been storing snow at Scenic Hudson Park.

“There's a lot of snow down there,” he remarked. “It cuts out half the parking lot. It will be a while until it disappears.”

Study Shows

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Mayor Brian Smith are well aware of the problem and have made construction of affordable housing a top priority.

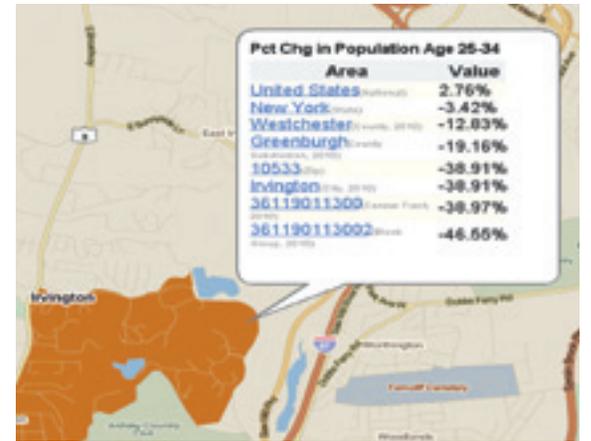
“We want to provide support to an interested group of citizens to make affordable housing possible and are working on an ordinance,” he said.

In contrast to losses of young adults in Irvington, more diverse and affordable Sleepy Hollow only lost 1.3% of its 25-34 year old population and 5.3% of its 35-44 year old population.

Tarrytown fell in the middle, losing 14.5% of its 25-34 year olds and 25.7% of its 35-44 year olds.

Where are they going?

While the CHI study did not determine where the young adults are going, a search of census tracts in the Metropolitan area revealed substantial increases since 2000 of the white population of 25-34 year olds in areas of Brooklyn and upper Manhattan. For example, drawn by cultural attractions, walkability, rental apartments and available nightlife, the population of 25-34 years-olds registered a gain of 35% and the white population more than 2,000 percent, in one census tract near Harlem Hospital.



It really does take a village... To tackle a 30 million word gap

by Heidi Schwartz

Thirty million fewer words -- that's what a child from a low-income family will hear by the time he or she is four, according to a landmark study of almost two decades ago. Kids' Club of Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow sought, last year, to find out what was available in our community to help new mothers from low-income families give their babies the right start. They found that while pre-K programs have expanded, there was little available for the birth to age three population.

So Smart Babies was born. Director Susan Gitlitz and teacher Rocio Castaneda of the Public Schools of the Tarrytowns' Asso-

ciacion de Familias Hispanas led the charge to develop a new program, and Kids' Club worked to facilitate and provide funding. It's all about harnessing the power of parents' language by encouraging new mothers to talk and read more with their babies.

Smart Babies debuted this past fall, thanks also to the generosity of Sister Susan Gardella of the RSHM LIFE Center, who offered space in her new Valley St. location. Then the Junior League got on board to help fund some of the



books that each mother will receive. And most recently, Rachel Echt, a seventh grader at Sleepy Hollow Middle School collected \$500 in Barnes & Noble and Amazon gift cards for Smart Babies for her Mitzvah Project at Temple Beth Abraham. Rachel also collected 100 new and

gently used books for very young children. It's especially heart-warming, the organizers said, to see the next generation of philanthropists joining the caring community of Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow.

The pioneering study disclosing the gap between the vocabularies heard by young children of lower income families and those heard by children of more advantaged families was published in 1995 in the book, “Meaningful Differences in the Everyday Experience of Young American Children,” by two psychology professors, Betty Hart and Todd Risley, both Ph.D's.

For more information, about Smart Babies and to see how you can help, visit; <https://www.facebook.com/kidsclubttsh>, www.kidsclubtarrytown.org, or kidsclubttsh@gmail.com

Heidi Schwartz is a Board Member of the Kids' Club

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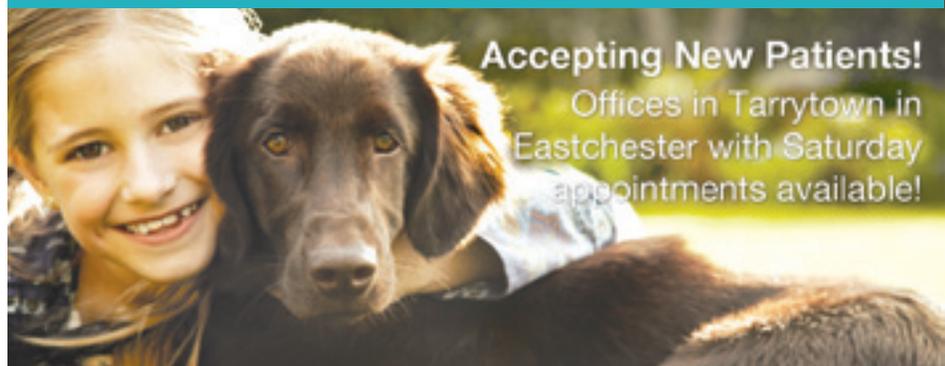
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Bus Rapid Transit System Favored in New Bridge Plans

by Janie Rosman

Early speculation that an extensive bus rapid transit system will be in place when the new bridge opens in 2018 proved correct, according to a prematurely-released Executive Summary by the Mass Transit Task Force. Missing from the recommendations, however, are details about which agency or agencies will oversee the new system, and how it will be funded. (Additional details that were to be released at the February 28 transit meeting will be included online at www.thehudsonindependent.com.)

“It is important to note that many other transit options were considered by the Mass Transit Task Force, including commuter and light rail options,” per a disclaimer. These options are being considered for a three-tiered timeline: short-term (now through 2018), mid-term (15 years after the bridge is built), and long-term (2033 and beyond).

A new transit hub in White Plains is in store, thanks to White Plains Mid-Hudson Regional Economic Development Council (MHREDC)’s \$1 million grant to study improvements and potential development around its train station. And while the new bridge’s \$300 million worth of structural strength can support future rail, there’s no place to build it — now.

In addition to its Metro North connections, the new system “fundamentally changes transportation options” within and between Westchester and Rockland, based on studies that find more people commute within the counties than travel to New York City.

“People are getting off the train in Tarrytown in scrubs,” Metropolitan Transportation Authority Director of Special

Project Development and Planning, William Wheeler, said at the February 2013 meeting. “So when you come up with a solution, it’s not just going to be for the morning and evening commute. It’s going to have to be for the middle of the day, the evening and in many different directions.”

Seven proposed routes (three between the counties, three within Westchester, and one connecting Westchester to the Bronx) will connect with White Plains, Westchester Medical Center, the Palisades Center, downtown Nyack, the Platinum Mile, Empire City Casino, the Shops at Nanuet, downtown Suffern, and Westchester County Airport.

Also incorporated is Tarrytown Mayor Drew Fixell’s suggestion to revisit the Tarrytown-to-White Plains segment of I-287 to see what improvements can be made.

Mid-term plans include redeveloping White Plains Train Station and the immediate area, reconstructing Exit 11, improving West-of-Hudson rail, and an in-line BRT at the Palisades Center. East-west trains are planned for the long-term, as is passenger service on the West Shore line.

Months earlier, a proposed joint-county bus route between Rockland and Yonkers would end prematurely at the Palisades Center, stranding those who need transit west to Spring Valley.

Thumbs-downing the monorail idea while declining a Tarrytown connector/ramp (estimated at \$80 to \$90 million) to Tarrytown Train Station left few options. By summer, the group was close to deciding upon plans for rail, or recommending a system that doesn’t preclude rail in the future, but “focusing our energies on bus rapid transit,” state Department of Transportation Commissioner Joan McDonald said.



New NY Bridge Update

by Brian Conybeare

Now that winter’s icy grip is starting to loosen on the Hudson River, work is starting to ramp up once again on the New NY Bridge project to replace the Tappan Zee.

For safety reasons, river-based construction was temporarily suspended during parts of January and February due to ice buildup on the river and the string of strong winter storms that buried the region in snow. Fortunately, Tappan Zee Constructors, LLC (TZC) has built into its schedule two months off for winter weather each year, and most land-based work continued despite the difficult conditions.

As spring approaches, more and more construction equipment and workers will be arriving to help move this historic project forward. The I Lift NY super crane arrived in New York Harbor on January 30, and will be brought up the Hudson River in the coming weeks.

Its 6,000 mile journey from California to the New NY Bridge project site began in December and took the crane, formally called the “Left Coast Lifter,” through the Panama Canal and up the

East Coast. It is now being reassembled and readied for its job hoisting huge pre-fabricated elements of the new bridge into place, saving both time and money, and reducing the amount of dredging needed for the project.

Updated information about the crane’s journey, including photos and video of its arrival in New York Harbor, is available at NewNYBridge.com.

While multiple construction elements are underway, TZC’s main focus is on installing the permanent pilings that will form the foundation of the new twin spans. Approximately 1,000 massive steel tubes of varying sizes are being sunken into the river bottom. They will then be cleaned out and filled with steel-reinforced concrete.

The New NY Bridge is designed to last 100 years before it needs any major structural repairs, and creating a strong foundation is the key to meeting that goal; meanwhile, residents are getting a valuable opportunity to witness a new bridge rising above the Hudson — a new bridge for a new generation.

Brian Conybeare is the Special Advisor for the Tappan Zee (New NY Bridge) Project

Inquiring Photographer

by Alexa Brandenburg

“Do you think the bridge should be named in anyone’s honor?”



Greg Goldberg
Tarrytown Lifer

“If they do, it should be for a group, like the Veterans. If an individual it should be for someone like Kathryn Davis who gave so much money to the Waterfront.”



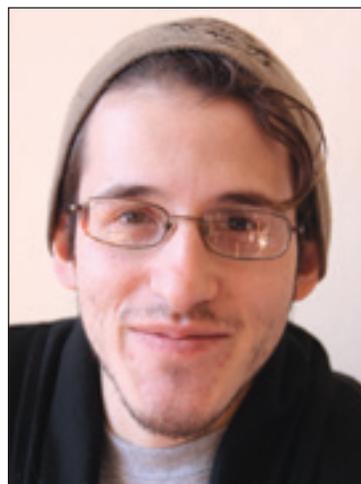
Ingrid Kindler
Tarrytown

“I’d say leave it as it is because it already is something else (Governor Malcolm Wilson Tappan Zee Bridge) and no one calls it that.”



Morelli Anselmo, 73
Tarrytown

“Tarrytown Bridge. It would be a much easier answer when giving directions.”



Jefferson Lundeen-Goldschlag, 25
Tarrytown

“Not particularly. I like the old name and I can’t think of anyone offhand who deserves that honor.”



Rachel Atlas, 9
(with David Atlas, 9)
Sleepy Hollow

“Yes, but I’m not really sure who yet.”

Students Visit Nicaragua to Build Homes in Community

by Robert Kimmel

An eight day trip to Nicaragua next month for a group of students from Irvington High School will be anything but a leisurely vacation. The 10 Irvington students, along with three from Croton-Harmon High School and three adult chaperons, will be hard at work building a house. They are going to the Central America nation April 12 under the auspices of a nonprofit organization called Bridges to Community.

The organization lists its mission as having two parts. The first is "to improve the lives of impoverished communities in developing countries through volunteer service trips." As it works to accomplish that, it also wants to "educate and transform those volunteers to be more aware of the connections we all share and the ways we can all impact our lives for the better," as it states on its website.

The program's impact is evident in the reaction of students such as Abby Felix, an Irvington High senior who will be making her second trip under the program to Nicaragua. "For me it was definitely life-changing, going down there," she said of her first visit. "The people down there were so amazing. It taught me so much about living with so little. They were awesome people, and they were so happy when we were there."

For Irvington Middle School teacher Luann Ricciardi, the April trip will be her 10th time chaperoning youngsters to Nicaragua. "It started seven years ago when my oldest daughter wanted to take a service trip abroad," she explained. "A series of events then led her to be among the chaperons along with Andy Starr, another regular on "Bridges" journeys. Starr, a parent of one of the first Croton students on the trips, joins Ricciardi and Caroline

Lehoczky, an Irvington Middle School teacher, to make up the trio supervising the student group on next month's visit.

Ricciardi said she usually accompanies youngsters on these missions twice a year, during both the winter and spring breaks, but it was decided to combine the two trips this year and take both Irvington and students from Croton-Harmon where she and her children live. "Once you go there, you have to go back," Ricciardi said.

The group will be traveling to a small, rural community, Las Conchitas, in Masaya, Nicaragua. Many of the existing homes there are described by the local Bridges to Community group as having "scrap wood walls...with dirt floors, no door to lock and a tin roof that leaks. Their basic need of a safe shelter is not being met." The local student groups have built seven new homes in Nicaragua as well as working on a medical clinic and school.

Ricciardi described the homes being built as "about the size of a single car garage with two doors and two windows." About 550 cinder blocks are used to construct each home, and the roofs are made of steel. Members of the entire community join in, including the family that will live in the house, helping the kids, she said. "We will build side-by-side. Everybody wants that family to succeed, and that is



The Bridges to Community Irvington contingent posed with locals on the group's 2013 trip to Nicaragua.

what it is all about."

"The work was really challenging, and it was hot down there," Abby Felix said. She spoke of the students as having to dig 20 holes, four feet deep, pull rocks from the ground, mix and haul cement in wheel barrels, cut and tie wiring to rods, and make the foundation. "Everything was by hand," she added. "I learned to do a lot of things." The student group lived in the

"It taught me so much about living with so little."

—Abby Felix

Wyatt, Francesca Speiss, Grace Richter, Teah Wilson, and Matt Casadei. They will be joined by Erin Ricciardi, Dani Weinstein and Sophia Martin from Croton-Harmon.

Fund raising pays for most of the trip, according to Ricciardi. "Everytime we do our best to offset the cost of the trip," she stated. She explained that there is a trip fee and any additional funds raised also may go toward paying for construction material. "We are not paying hotel fees," Ricciardi emphasized. "We stay within the community." She noted that a local church, "had allowed us to use their space."

The Tarrytown-Croton group is currently trying to raise \$35,000 to cover all expenses and some material costs. Raffles for a big screen TV, a chili cook-off, open mike and other activities are aimed at garnering donations. Checks may be made out to "Bridges to Community," and given or sent to members of the group. Funds may also be donated through a secure web page e set-up by the local group, <http://www.firstgiving.com/fundraiser/irvington-bridges-2/irvingtonbridgessfundraisingpage-1>

town, and Felix said, "Two women volunteered to cook for us every night. We immersed ourselves in their culture." She noted she was "going back this year, with one of my best friends, Sara Scott." The initial trip, Felix said, "changed our perspective about a lot things in the world."

The other Irvington High students taking the trip in April, include Jake Glantz, Peter Jones, Chris Curran, Meg Toussey-



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EF Planning Upgrades in Tarrytown, Second Location

by Janie Rosman

EF International Academy, occupying the previous Marymount campus in Tarrytown since 2008, is close to purchasing and developing a former IBM facility in Thornwood for its private boarding high school.

"This new campus will be self-contained and doesn't change EF's operations or commitment to Tarrytown," EF International Language Centers' Philip R. Johnson told the Tarrytown Planning Board in December. The school is seeking necessary building permits to develop 97 acres of the 265-acre parcel into 420,000 square feet of classrooms, dorms and recreational space.

Last December, the Mount Pleasant Planning Board approved site plans; days earlier, its Board of Trustees said "yes" to zoning text changes and a permit allowing the for-profit school to operate in the Office Business Education Conference (OBEC) zone.

Legionaries of Christ Inc., a religious nonprofit, bought the property, including a 410,000-square-foot conference center and office building, from IBM Corp. for \$33.7 million in 1996 and put it on the market last year. Come September, EF will open its new campus with about 800 international students and 100 employees.

"Our current zoning requires us to stick to the current footprint of the campus," said Shawna Sullivan, EF International Academy spokeswoman. "Tarrytown and

the entire Westchester County community have been incredibly supportive of EF's mission, and we look forward to keeping our presence in Tarrytown while exploring expansion options in Thornwood."

EF's Tarrytown campus will still house the international program; but, the school seeks site plan approval for improvements and upgrades, including a conversion of the Gaines Memorial Library into a 225-bed dormitory. Ancillary upgrades are pedestrian sidewalks, crosswalks and safety lights along Marymount Avenue, and a modified taxi waiting area with parking available. The police department's feedback was incorporated into revised plans for the taxi waiting area and parking regulations, and will be submitted to the Board of Trustees for approval.

Each of the separate landscape-related projects received building permits, which Johnson said were included for reference only. "We have tried very hard to bring together all the feedback and input, and address all concerns, and have presented those in an overall site plan review," he said.

Village officials received a letter from the fire department prior to the February meeting regarding site plan issues EF said it addressed — for example, ensuring fire trucks had proper access — and for which the department needed confirmation. Unspecified concerns about the interior layout were referred to the building depart-

ment. Fire department and village officials were to have met with EF and its fire advisors to address the outstanding issues.

"We are still working with the fire department to incorporate its input into our

fire safety plan," Johnson acknowledged. Paying close attention to feedback from the board and village officials, EF hopes to receive final approval for its site plan this month.



Special Olympics Spring Games returns to Sleepy Hollow High School on Saturday, May 17, from 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Volunteers Needed. To sign up visit tufsd.org. Click on the link for Special Olympics Spring Games - 5/17/14. Follow the prompts. If you can't make it May 17, there are MANY opportunities for you to help - making posters/decorations. Holding a fundraiser. Helping set up the day before. Volunteer Meeting, Tuesday, March 25. For more information E-mail: shhsSpringGames@gmail.com or call 914-332-6201.



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Continuum Not Giving Up on Facility in Irvington

by Barrett Seaman

More than three months after the Manhattan-based development company Continuum asked the Irvington Planning Board to hold up on completing its Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for a 70,000 sq. ft. assisted living complex at 30 South Broadway, village officials have heard nothing from them.

In mid-November, Continuum general counsel Michael Merola told Village Attorney Marianne Stecich his firm was seek-

ing to partner with another company with more experience in operating such a project, and that further refinement of their application might get ahead of their negotiations with such a partner.

Through a spokesman, Eric Yaverbaum, Merola said in November that Continuum "expects those negotiations to be complete shortly, and therefore, it expects to reengage the village in December or early January."

Since then, silence.

With the project removed from the Plan-

ning Board's agenda for more than three months, rumors—particularly among the project's opponents—have been floating that the deal was dead. Then late last month, prompted by inquiries from *The Hudson Independent*, Yaverbaum confirmed that "we continue our exploration of joining with an experienced assisted living operator," adding later: "We're not giving up!"

Inasmuch as the scale of the facility had been whittled down from 120 units in the original proposal to 101 units to accommodate Planning Board members' concerns

about scale, some experts speculate that the facility's business plan may no longer fall within Continuum's projected "sweet spot" of economic viability, thus prompting them to seek out an operator with more experience in the field.

It is also possible that perceived hostility to the project, not only among Irvington neighbors but also on the Planning Board itself, would give a potential partner pause before investing with Continuum.

For its part, however, Continuum insists it is plowing ahead.

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Committee Selected to Study Potential Field Upgrades in Irvington

by Rick Pezzullo

An 11-member committee has been formed in the Irvington Union Free School District to study potential upgrades to playing fields, including artificial turf and lights.

The Fields Project Committee was established from a pool of 23 interested residents to review field needs outlined by the Board of Education and put together a report about possible enhancements. Chosen for the group were Ann Acheson, Sean Brady, Michael Gyory, Michael Hanna, Deb Hargraves, Michael Havraniak, Thomas Jackson, Andrew Kotchen, Linda Pierpont, Rick Rasulo and Esther Samra.

"The spirit of volunteerism is certainly alive and well in Irvington, and we greatly

appreciate the overwhelming response for participation," said Board of Education President Robert Grados, "As we expected, it was very difficult to select the committee members because the qualifications of the respondents were so impressive."

Some of the issues the committee will tackle are whether East Field and Meszaros Field should switch from grass surfaces to artificial turf and have lights. It will also try to determine if Oley Track should be replaced. Financial considerations will also be weighed.

The committee is expected to meet with district staff, architects and engineers at least three times over a several-week period before finalizing its report for the Board of Education.



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YMCA Preschool Teacher Makes Learning Fun

by Janie Rosman

Within 10 minutes, Christina Kharem's classroom became a gleeful energetic song-fest as preschoolers, teacher assistant James Belvin, and visitors danced to The Addams Family theme song's revised lyrics.

"Days of the week, clap, clap, days of the week, clap, clap" is a favorite among the 4s class she leads at the Tarrytown YMCA's Early Learning Center (YELC) at Tappan Hill. "I often make up poems, songs and finger plays to go with my lessons," Kharem said afterward. "Play is the most important work of a child, and that is something I will always advocate for and encourage in my classroom!"

The little ones also like the circle song and weather songs she wrote to the tune "Kumbaya" with accompaniment from her husband Ahmed, a musician, and sung by their 11-year-old daughter Maya, a Y volunteer.

"I learned so much about how to teach, interact and incorporate learning with fun," Belvin said. "Sharing or writing your name or learning to read are accomplished in most pre-k classes, but with this amount of smiles love is special here, and it starts with our head teacher."

Fun activities with education undertones prepare her students for kindergarten in the fall. The children sing an original weather song. "Now we're going to check the weather and report back," Kharem announced, as two children each picked up a small pair of binoculars and walked to the window to observe. After announcing the weather to their class, they charted it on a graph and dressed the weather bear for the day. "While having fun we are learning math terms and also being scientists."

"Christina's a beloved teacher, and a remarkable woman," Vice President of Marketing and Community Development Barbara Turk said. "She's dedicated to the community and to helping people."

Of Belvin, son of former John Paulding School principal Marilyn Mercado-Belvin, she noted, "Education's in his blood."

A private practice clinical social worker

certified in early childhood education and working with students with disabilities (birth to grade 2), Kharem is also certified in child abuse identification and reporting, first aid and CPR. Her extensive background includes internships at the Y and within the school district, and two years as a 3s substitute teacher at Temple Beth Abraham Nursery School. Since 2007, she's been a substitute teacher, leave replacement teacher, and home schooling teacher in the school district.

YELC moved to Tappan Hill School with days to spare before the 2012-2013 school year began.

"We were so excited to move," Childcare Director Nicole Bernardone said. Classrooms for toddlers, 2s and 3s, and 4s were formerly at the Y's Main Street location, and the offsite infant center was at the Neighborhood House. "While it was great being a part of the Y community, we were really tight for space, and when this space became available, we said 'Yes, we're doing this!'"

Within 48 hours, Bernardone and several teachers relocated and were ready for the following Monday. "Basically, we had one weekend to move in and get ready," she said, thankful for the wonderful staff who helped orchestrate the move.

Daniela Eaton's 4-1/2-year-old son Alex has been in Kharem's class since age 2. "She amazing and gets the kids to talk about their feelings, and at first I didn't understand. Then Alex started saying, 'It makes me angry,' or 'I don't like this.'"

Programs are open to anyone regardless of their ability to pay; scholarships are available through its Annual Strong Kids Campaign and fall Masquerade Ball.

YELC's three-year lease means Kharem — originally hired as a 3s teacher, and moved to 4s because of her special education background — can teach in more spacious surroundings. "Especially rewarding is that I'm working with the same kids this year as last year," she said. "It's really sweet that the Y is letting me teach the way I teach, and the icing on the cake is to have



Teacher, Christina Kharem, captivates her 4 year-old students at the Y's Early Learning Center.

Photo by Janie Rosman

the same students again this year."

Along one wall of her classroom are neatly-boxed books, coded by seasons, activity, and learning level, and blocks for playtime, arranged against the wall. "I spend a lot of time to make my classroom centers interactive and fun learning environments, and take into account the academic, emotional, physical, psychological, cultural and social whole of every child," Kharem said.

Pleasantly surprised that her son learned all 26 letters of the alphabet, including she sound each letter makes and a word associated with each letter, Eaton remembered learning these at age 6. "Christina does it

with all her heart, and loves her class like a second family."

One Friday per month, her class stars in the "Pre-K's Got Talent" show: each child introduces him or herself, and performs individually or in a group. "This gives them confidence, and helps them showcase a song, poem or dance (from pop rock to 'Twinkle Twinkle Little Star')," she explained. "They also make up original songs and dances, and it's a lot of fun!"

"Ronen loves going to preschool every day, and a big part of the reason is getting to see Ms. Christina," Rebecca Indibi said about her son, Kharem's student for the past two years. "Christina worked effectively with Ronen to help him cope with his feelings during a difficult family time, and also provided support to me as a

parent."

Indibi feels good about sending her son to preschool every day "because I know he's happy there, and I know his primary teacher (Kharem), is kind, nurturing, and supportive."

"There is something special about seeing a kid light up, watching kids learn and make connections," Belvin said. "I'm lucky enough to be in a class where that happens every hour of every day."

An emotional moment came when Kharem learned Bernardone and Childcare Administrator Susan Barak nominated her for the Child Care Council of Westchester, Inc.'s 2014 JOEY Award recognizing exceptional individuals caring for and teaching kids in early care and education programs. Awards will be presented June 6.

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Viewfinder

1: Restaurateurs and chefs gathered at the RiverMarket Restaurant, and in “The Lodge at Hudson Harbor,” in Tarrytown last month to officially launch Hudson Valley Restaurant Week, which takes place from March 10-March 23, with special prices at select restaurants;

2: Irvington High senior Benjamin Ovetsky signed a Letter of Intent on Feb. 6 to play Division I Soccer with Binghamton University.

3: Laura Murray, Leslie Ishoo, Theresa McCarthy, JoAnne Murray and John Sardy at Sleepy Hollow/Tarrytown Chamber of Commerce Winter Networking event at Hudson Harbor;

4: Ice sculpture on Grove Street



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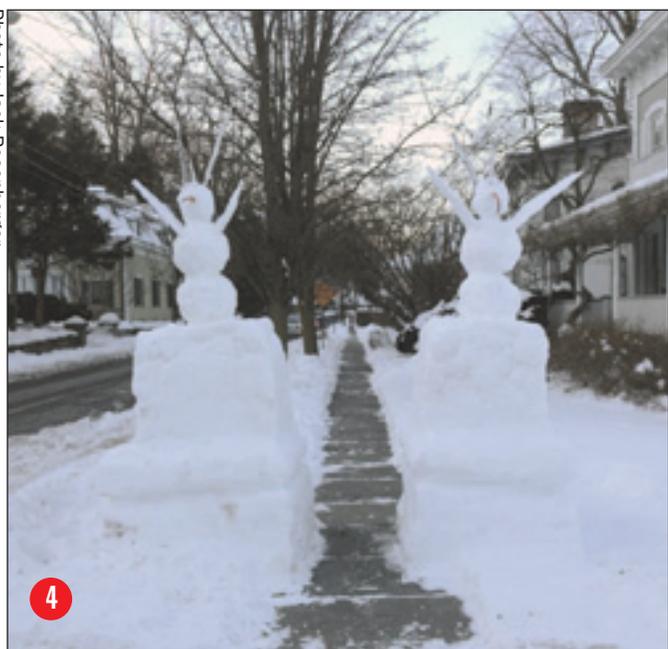


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Watercooler

Around the Watercooler

by Jenifer Ross

RETIRED

Jackie Golabek, owner of Whimsies Incognito on North Broadway, officially retired on February 23 after 25 years of running one of the most renowned and loved gift stores in the Rivertowns. "25 years ago I came to this village and fulfilled a dream of mine. I had always wanted to have a store, and so Whimsies Incognito came to be," Golabek said in a recent blog. "It's been a beautiful trip—full of a film-strip of memories. Whimsies is closing its doors after 25 years of business! Thank you for being part of the adventure. Now it is time for me to go after another 'brass ring' and see where the next passion leads me." Thank you for so many years of retail devotion to this town. Our community will miss your shop immensely, and cherish our Whimsies purchases and gifts for a very long time to come.



dead. Is the murder related to the forgeries? Set in Tarrytown, the title refers to Bellini's, an ice cream shop modeled after Main Street Sweets. Nick Bellini, while fictional, was inspired by Gene Buonanno, and the conversations she and he had about art while painting his family's ice cream shop and the mural that spans the entire west wall. Available on Amazon.

Inspired by the arts, *Civil Law in America: A Minimalist Law Book* by Irvington attorney Larry Berglas, offers a big view packed into a One-Cup-of-Coffee read. The book is a creative, concise and simple expression of the law packed into a brief 60 pages. Berglas's book is a fresh voice on the law for artists, students, teachers and anyone seeking a simple approach to legal issues. Larry A. Berglas is a writer, teacher, musician and practicing attorney with more than twenty years of multidisciplinary experience in the law. He teaches Arts and Entertainment Law and Finance for the Arts at Purchase College. Available on Amazon and at B&N.

HONORED

Rivertown Artists Workshop (RAW) is launching The Sleepy Hollow Art and Performance Awards at its March 1 benefit at The Lodge at Hudson Harbor. The awards were created to recognize artists, entrepreneurs and business leaders who championed the creation and presentation of new work and who spearheaded community arts-based alliances during the past year. This year's recipients are Jenifer Ross, Founder/Director of W@tercooler, a cooperative workspace in Tarrytown; Margaret Liston, Artistic Director of Hudson River Rising and choreographer for One Billion Rising/Tarrytown; and Hilary Sweeney, Founder/Co-Director of Westchester Circus Arts. Awards will be hand-made works of art by Vera Zamdmer and Stewart Lee and presented by special guests. To purchase tickets to RAW's benefit performance visit www.rivertownartistsworkshop.org

PUBLISHED

Congrats to Tarrytown painter, and now author, Ronnie Levine, who recently published an art mystery novel called *The Ice Cream Shop Detective*, about an artist, Lissa Franklin, who agrees to help a charismatic cop tell masterpieces from fakes. Franklin, responding to a vague plea for help from a fellow artist, walks into his studio on Kaldenberg Place and finds him

EXPANDED

Career Connections Associates, with offices located at W@tercooler in Tarrytown, recently expanded its operations to include Light Industrial Staffing. This new department is to be co-managed by Karen Vasconi, Derrick Jones and Jim Downing. In conjunction with highly qualified accounting, finance, HR, sales, IT and legal candidates, Career Connections will now be able to offer cost effective, fully bonded and insured support staff in warehousing, logistics and general maintenance. In an effort to give back, the firm is also now working in tandem with regional VA career services centers and homeless shelters (same local region) to help Veterans, chronically unemployed, and homeless people get back to work.

Jenifer Ross owns W@tercooler, a shared workspace located in Tarrytown, NY www.watercoolerhub.com

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Y Dance Academy Festival 2014 Will Highlight Student Achievements from Studio to Stage

by Morey Storck

The annual Y Dance Academy Festival 2014 will be held at the Masters School in Dobbs Ferry from March 21-23, under the overall direction of Jane Alexandre, former co-director of the Y Dance Program. This student presentation has been conceived to celebrate the dancers' achievements and to highlight their evolution from studio practice to stage performance. The entire program is choreographed by professional choreographers, working with professional colleagues in lighting, sound, and stage management.

"Dance is a performing art, and we have an obligation as artists to engage our audience as fully as possible," Alexandre said.

Dancers from ages five to adult perform in ballet, pointe, modern dance, jazz dance, tap, hip hop, and theatre dance. "There is no overall storyline, although there may be a narrative for a particular piece," explained Alexandre. "Each dance piece on the program is newly choreographed by the faculty specially for his/her students. The evening's program, itself, is offered as a cohesive whole to show the developing strengths of the dancers within the range of contemporary dance performance."

This is the first year of the Y Dance Academy, the new name having been chosen to emphasize its graduated, progressive dance education program at the conservatory level. This will be its first presentation under the

new name and new management, with artistic direction by Alexandre and Gemma Striker, program manager.

Alexandre has been working in the New York dance world for more than 30 years as a performer, choreographer, teacher, director, administrator producer, and writer. In 1987 she founded the Tappan Zee Dance Group, which she directed until 2006. She created the Y Dance Program with Julie Johnson in 2006, serving as co-director until 2012. She is also artistic director of Evolve Dance, Inc

Striker has a diverse background as a dancer, yoga instructor, and competitive gymnast.

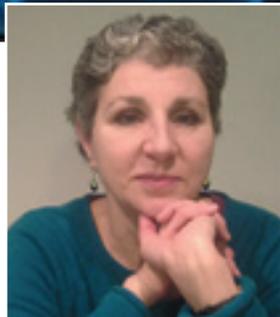


Bottom Left: Dance director, Jane Alexandre



to tell anyone that they can't dance or begin to enjoy the culture of dance.

Physical training and esthetic training make up the core of the Y Dance curriculum. Each of the teaching faculty must have a performing history as well as teaching credentials. "They may be the best dancers in the world, but if they can't convey their creative thoughts and movements to the students, any student, they are of little use to me," Alexandre said.



She has worked in various capacities with local and national non-profit and social justice organizations. Her academic focus on society-identity and community, combined with her passion for dance and interest in mind-body health, interacts with Y Dance Academy's commitment to making dance education all-encompassing and accessible to everyone.

The Y Dance Academy's mission appears on every press release, activities schedule, in fact every piece of paper that leaves its office: "Excellence in dance education. Accessible to all." Over and over, Alexandre vows never

Faculty mentoring starts at age eight, which usually means one or two classes a week. By grade 12, classes may climb to five or six days per week. The Y Dance Academy believes that all of its students must know every genre of dance, ballet, modern and jazz in order to move on to a top conservatory.

Alexandre is passionate about what she recognizes as the Y Dance Academy's mission, so whether there is a problem with language, culture, finance, or even transportation, tuition is charged on a sliding scale according to need. In some cases scholarships are available. And, Alexandre never loses sight of her goal:

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Food for Thought

HIDA Japanese Restaurant in Hawthorne

by Linda Viertel

Travelers on Route 9A, often wondering what the large steep-roofed structure is in Hawthorne, east of the roadway, would be surprised to know that HIDA Japanese Restaurant (formerly Gasho), was shipped, piece by piece from Japan in 1975. A 400-year-old farmhouse, it was dismantled and brought to the states, then re-erected by Japanese artisans; but HIDA almost succumbed to the wrecking ball. Were it not for the efforts of Michun Yokobori and her husband, Yuji, this classic example of Japanese gasho-style architecture, along with its carefully designed Japanese gardens, fish pond, arched bridge and pagoda, would no longer exist. Instead of a representation of Hida village's famed steep-roofed buildings, a World Heritage Site in Japan in fact, we would see a hotel and parking lot.

When Michun and Yuji, a former French chef in Japan and hibachi chef at Gasho beginning in 1975, were biking along the North County Trailway, they noticed a "For Sale" sign in front of Yuji's former work site. Having opened their own Japanese restaurants, Abis, in Greenwich, Mamaroneck and Thornwood, and then retired, they couldn't bear to see this unique gasho structure destroyed, so they bought it. They renovated the 6,000-square-foot interior, revitalized the Japanese gardens, and brought in Buddhas of all sizes, exquisite masks and figurines, even a massive Xian China warrior to give each interior room character. Screens, pastoral Japanese prints, polished wood beams and glistening wood chairs and tables demonstrate Michun and Yuji's love of their new restaurant, which they opened in August of 2013.

"We want people to appreciate this building," said Michun while urging me to look up into the attic story to see the exquisitely strapped beams. "We couldn't think that it would have been destroyed." The Yokoboris kept one room for hibachi-style dining, and renovated the others – one

into a dining room for a sushi bar and traditional dining area, another into a classy full-service bar serving specialty cocktails and a large variety of sakes, with a view to the Japanese garden, fish pond and sculpted trees.

Yuji's 40-year experience as a chef is in clear evidence at HIDA. His tempura is light, crunchy (due to the panko-based crust), and perfectly cooked. Sushi and sashimi are fresh, and rice is always plump, with the right texture of chewiness – a perfect foil for any of the vast sushi choices available.

But the menu is far more ambitious than the comprehensive list of sushi and sashimi choices. There are many unique creations: soups, salads, and wraps made with Hida's own house-made pancakes (the duck wrap is Yuji's signature presentation). Chinese-style dishes are also available, and, soon Korean options will be on the menu. Every Thursday Korean chefs have come to train HIDA's already skilled staff in time to offer Korean specialties beginning in March.

Diners who remember Gasho's famous hibachi-style tables in the high-ceilinged main room won't be disappointed. Hibachi items are still very much on the menu, and a favorite of families and groups of friends who enjoy sitting around the hot-plate table and sharing steak, salmon, vegetables, shrimp, and scallops, cooked to order, with knife skills, food flipping and controlled fire tricks providing a feast for the eye as well.

Enter HIDA, and you are entering another world — one filled with happy Buddhas, unique lighting highlighting the Gasho house mark, handed down from



generation to generation. (Yuji's family symbol is the slanted red square subdivided into quarters and featured on the menu).

So, if you can't travel to the mountain regions where gasho buildings have been grouped together in Hida, take the time to visit HIDA in Westchester, wonder at its construction, thank Michun and Yuji for preserving a classic structure, one built to withstand massive snowfall in Japan's mountain regions – and a style that must have come in handy this past winter! And, by all means, enjoy HIDA's definitive presentations of Japanese cuisine in all its glory. If you are looking for a restaurant space to entertain a large group, celebrate a family event, dine in celebratory banquet style, then HIDA will not only take good care of you, Michun and Yuji will make certain to provide you with a memorable culinary event for any occasion.

Top: Entrance into Hida with highlighted circular Gasho house mark featured. Bottom left: Xian warrior statue in the sushi bar room. Inset: HIDA Exterior

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Three-Year Run Impressive for Sleepy Hollow Girls



by Katy Kachnowski

Coaches, fans, and especially the parents of the Sleepy Hollow girls' basketball team will tell you just how special it was, and the record speaks for itself.

In one of the most dominating runs that Sleepy Hollow High School has seen from any team over three years, the Lady Horsemen Basketball team had a culminating record of 50-10. And over the past two years they were 34-5.

The team ended this past regular season play with a 46-34 win against Eastchester at home on February 7. Senior Grace Carr led the way with 15 points, junior Alex Davis Sumter nailed 13 points and Jessica Tucci hustled for five steals.

For their first playoff game on February 17, the sixth seeded Horsemen faced the 11th-seeded Hendrick Hudson Sailors at home. Postponed twice due to snow, this game was well worth the wait. Carr and Jenny Bucci each contributed 17 points, while Davis Sumter netted eight. With a

Left to right: Rebecca Leeper, Grace Carr, Jessica Tucci, Jamie Volpe and Jenny Bucci

final score of 55-46, the team earned a trip to the quarterfinals.

In that round, Sleepy Hollow was matched up against third seeded Rye on February 19. The Horsemen fought hard and were only trailing by six points at half-time. However, despite a hard fight, the team fell to the Garnets by a final score of 62-37.

"The Rye game was difficult, but they are a really good team," said Coach Nick Romeo. "They were the higher seed and earned home court advantage. That might have made a difference, but they played tough that night."

The end of the season may be the end of several highly successful runs for Sleepy Hollow. With the close of the season, the team says goodbye to five talented seniors. Romeo explained, "Tucci and Bucci were awesome three point threats for us and

both finished with over 100 three pointers made for their careers." He credited Carr with being consistent all year long and added, "Leeper and Volpe also did an awesome job and continued to prove what assets they were to our team throughout

our three year run."

The loss of this much talent will mean that Romeo will have to groom new starters next year and will surely rely on current junior Alex Davis Sumpter and sophomore Vanessa Onwe to lead on the court.

Irvington Girls and Boys Bounced from Basketball Playoffs

by Rick Pezzullo

The stellar seasons of the Irvington girls and boys basketball teams both ended with stunning defeats in the Class B semifinals at the County Center.

The four-time defending state champion Lady Bulldogs, coming off clinching their sixth straight league title, rolled over Hastings in the first round of the tourney, 59-28, but lost in overtime to fourth-seeded Dobbs Ferry, 55-52.

Irvington, which split two games with the Lady Eagles in the regular season, led by 13 at halftime but succumbed to a zone defense in the second half, which also contributed to a poor shooting effort.

"The last game was a game of streaks. You have to put the ball in the basket," Coach Gina Maher said. "We ran out of time and they didn't. We were all devastated."

Despite losing four starters from last

year's squad, Irvington went 16-2 in the regular season. "I'm really proud of my girls. I think people didn't expect us to be as good as we were," Maher said. "I love this team. They're a really good group of young women."

During the season, Maher, coaching in her 38th season, picked up her 600th win, an accomplishment she was quick to downplay.



Coach Gina Maher

"I never scored a point. I never grabbed a rebound. It's not about me at all," she said. "600 wins is about Irvington."

Meanwhile, the boys' squad, which posted a 17-1 regular season record, made it to the County Center for the first time in four years and was the top seed. Irvington showed why in the first game by besting Briarcliff 58-34. However, the semifinals were a different story as upstart Putnam Valley, making its first trip to White Plains, rolled over the Bulldogs, 69-45.



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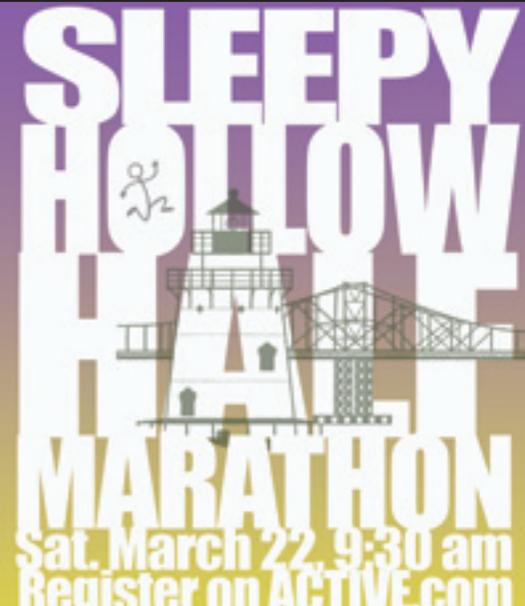
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The School and the Child Center: A Pennybridge Story

by James D. Balestrieri

Pennybridge is the small hamlet that lies between Tarrytown and Irvington. Following the Civil War, near the corner of Sheldon Avenue and Meadow Street in Pennybridge, the residents built a wooden schoolhouse named the Irving Public School. A pot-bellied stove heated the small building and the interior boasted benches carved with letters in the flowing Spencerian cursive that teachers used to call penmanship.

In a 1955 newspaper article on the original school, Hannah Elizabeth Embree was remembered as having been one of the institutions finest teachers and Principal H. C. Steinmetz was noted for his Ichabod Crane style of discipline with a birch rod. Principal Steinmetz, it seems, also wrestled any school bullies and always, in recollection, at any rate, emerged victorious.

Many noteworthy citizens of the Tarrytowns studied at the old Irving School. Among them were Wallace Odell, founder of the Tarrytown Daily News, which was published from 1912 to 1931; Johnny Tidaback, who served with distinction in the Spanish-American War in Cuba; and many members of the Gross family, including John Gross, who owned the Old

Country Store in Pennybridge that was torn down to make way for the Tappan Zee Bridge. Gross also served the community as fire chief, (earlier title for Mayor of Tarrytown) trustee and President of Tarrytown for many years, and was, in his later years, President of the Sleepy Hollow Cemetery Association.

In 1905, the old wooden structure was replaced by a new, larger building constructed of brick in what is known as the Palladian style of architecture. This style had been developed in Europe in the 17th and 18th century influenced by the symmetries of classical Greek and Roman temples. With its high windows, Doric columns and open center staircase, this new school was designed to accommodate Pennybridge's growing population and make a statement about the area's commitment to education. For the next fifty years this incarnation, now called the Pennybridge School, served the community.

In the 1950s things changed when the Irvington School District built a large elementary school in Dow's Lane. The student population of the Pennybridge School was transferred to Dow's Lane and the Sheldon Avenue building and grounds were sold to the Village of Tarrytown for the sum of \$35,000. The village refur-

bished the building intending it to possibly house the Police Department and other municipal offices, but it became, instead, the temporary home of the Tarrytown Recreation Department and Summer Day Camp.

Here the story rests until 1983, when the Day Care Center of the Tarrytowns, founded in 1968, faced cuts in scholarships and wanted to consolidate its facilities in one permanent location. To that point, the center had moved no fewer than ten times, having been located in, among other places, the Salvation Army building, at Marymount College, and at the Pierson School (now the Landmark Condominium) on the corner of Hamilton and North Broadway. In 1983, the center was divided between space at the Winfield Morse School in Sleepy Hollow, where the 3 to 5 year olds attended, and the Tarrytown YMCA, which provided infant day care.

The name of the person who had the eureka moment connecting the center to the old school in Pennybridge seems to have been lost to time, but Elizabeth "Libby" Mascia, founder of the center, Director Maureen Barbelet, Joan Rose, president of the center's board of directors, and board member Joan Jacobson, took the idea and ran with it. The center orchestrated a 30-

year lease with the village, paying a small sum per year in rent. As part of the deal, the center also assumed some \$17,000 per year in upkeep costs from the village, an amount that has doubled since that date.

Prior to opening, a great deal of renovation in the old school remained to be done to make it suitable as a day care center. Architect Don Reiman of Briarcliff Manor was hired to take on the transformation. Through generous local donations and some federal funding obtained by Tarrytown trustee Angela Lichtenberger and Westchester County Legislator William Crosbie through the Emergency Jobs Bill, over \$300,000 was raised to pay for the renovations. In fact, most of the labor was done for free by inmates from the Sing Sing Correctional Facility in Ossining.

One of the first child care facilities in Westchester to earn national accreditation (in 1991) the center, renamed The Elizabeth Mascia Child Care Center, continues to serve our community in the old Pennybridge School, which was made a Village landmark in 1985. The sounds of children, echoing back to the Civil War, fill its halls.

James D. Balestrieri is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Historical Society, Inc., serving Sleepy Hollow and Tarrytown.

Lack of Grass Growing Taking a Toll on New Soccer Field

by Janie Rosman

What should have been the fourth anniversary of Tarrytown's new soccer field is instead, and again, another wolf cry for developer Toll Brothers.

Something mysterious is preventing grass from growing there, while landscapes flourish around already-built Toll Brothers homes nearby. The soil isn't hexed, since four samples analyzed by The LandTek Group, Inc., a company specializing in sports facility design and construction, came back acceptable.

"As you know, we've been very cooperative in giving site plan approvals for the houses you've already constructed," Planning Board Chairman Stanley Friedlander told Toll Brothers attorney Jennifer Gray last November. "Outstanding items that I'm concerned about are the fence and the delineation of markings for the public park, and the soccer field."

The Planning Board was also looking at potential fences for recommendation to the village trustees. But, Friedlander wanted to know why the developer wasn't anxious to get closure on the field, citing four lost seasons. "It was a lot of work, and a lot of money, to create that park and field, and not to have either of those things is really unconscionable at this point," he admonished.

The developer was to have addressed the drainage issue and leveled the field on its own dime by December 2011, at which

time Tarrytown would own the soccer field.

Fingers wagged at Toll's substandard work ("Village Planners Annoyed With Wilson Park Soccer Field Delay," August 2012), when Robert J. DeGiorgio, P.E. of Dvirka and Bartilucci Consulting Engineers presented storm water management plans that included water quality control, an under drain system (slot drainage and perforated drains), and contaminant-free topsoil.

At the time, discussion focused on whether the Toll's responsibility ends after the soccer field is seeded or after grass begins to grow. "Establishment of turf takes six months at least," Gray said. "The village is to maintain the field, and Toll is responsible for drainage and infrastructure."

With silt seeded via machine and fertilized last fall per village agreement — a process to be repeated this spring — the field "should produce growth by summer," Gray assured. "My understanding was, grass was growing, and weeds were a problem."

"I would welcome the weeds to make it look more full," Village Engineer/Building Inspector Michael McGarvey said about the sparse, sandy mess. "If we can't get grass to grow, we may have to look at sodding the field." Friedlander asked why an identical field in the same latitude and longitude as the soccer field in Rockland flourishes, when this does not.

Gray cited a letter dated November 12, 2012, stating, "A substantial amount of the infrastructure has been completed."

The board also gave substantial approvals, member Rod Tedesco replied. "It may have been substantial last year, yet since last year, you've done nothing for the village," McGarvey reminded her at the November 2013 meeting. "Nothing has been done."

Friedlander met with the developer and village staff on December 11 to discuss outstanding field issues.

Toll kept its field care agreement twice in the fall, Gray told the board, "And we are committed to the plan to do that again in early spring 2014. There's also a possibility LandTek may recommend additional items." If the field isn't viable by summer of 2015, Toll will seed it again.

"There was never any mention of clearing up the exterior — pipes, swale around the field, debris, brush and downed trees — and drainage, and these things have to be enumerated and done now," Friedlander pointed out. Gray's comeback about previously agreed-to drainage work included swales around the field's perimeter, and Astroturf installation, which McGarvey confirmed.

A December 31 progress meeting to review outstanding field drainage issues — similar to a September 2013 meeting among village officials, DeGiorgio, Toll Land Management Director Casey Devlin, Wilson Park principal James Fitzpatrick, and Kevin Malone from LandTek — includes the following, per the village's notes:

- The west side embankment by the soccer field — about 330 feet from top to bot-

tom — will be regraded and fitted with 6 inches of topsoil, replanted and seeded and protected from erosion.

- The water quality swales as shown on the approved plan will be constructed as shown with a 4-inch perforated HDPE (high-density polyethylene) sloped drain at the center surface of the swale.

- Make revisions to the spring water delivery system as shown on an earlier plan and per comments from Dvirka and Bartilucci.

- Revise the west side impoundment area (18-inch outlet) per Kellard Plan, to include the entire elevation in 292 EL area per comments by Dvirka and Bartilucci.

- Install fencing and netting around the field per plans.

- Clean and grade west side of Lot 3; re-contour, smooth, and plant wild seed mix.

- Install rip rap iron at old rail road trestle outlet, about 14 feet wide by 20 feet long, minimum 1-1/2-inch stones, clean.

- Address any erosion issues along newly-constructed lots (retaining walls) or any other erosion issues relating to SWPPP requirements.

- Maintain and construct adequate access to all stormwater practices for future maintenance.

More recently, circular marks, possibly from tires, mysteriously appeared on the field. While tire marks wouldn't hurt the field, McGarvey said, "Depending upon how deep the ruts are, it could hurt the grass."

What's Happening

Wednesday 5

ASHES TO GO: From 6:30 to 8:30 a.m. Rev. Susan Copley of Christ Episcopal Church will apply ashes for busy commuters at the Tarrytown Train Station. Call 631-2074.

THE BRIDGE: Brian Conybears discusses the schedule for the Tappan Zee replacement at 9:45 a.m. at the Men's Club meeting at JCC on the Hudson in Tarrytown. Call 478-3585 or visit www.jcconthehudson.org

OSCAR NOMINATED MOVIES: "Nebraska" will be shown at 2 p.m. at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. Call 631-7734 or visit www.warnerlibrary.org.

JEWISH FOOD FOR THOUGHT: At 7:30 p.m. explore every day spiritual themes through a Jewish lens at Temple Beth Abraham in Tarrytown. Call 631-1770 or e-mail adulted@tba-nny.org.

Thursday 6

MODERN DAY SLAVERY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING: Panel discussion at 7 p.m. at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. Call 631-7734 or visit www.warnerlibrary.org.

SOLAR CITIES BIOGAS INNOVATORS PROJECT: Talk by Prof. Thomas Culhane at 7 p.m. at Curious-on-Hudson, 145 Palisade St., Dobbs Ferry. Visit www.curiousonhudson.com.

Friday 7

BODIES IN THE LIBRARY BOOK GROUP: At noon experience sleuthing around the world at the Ossining Public Library. This month's book is "Belshazzar's Daughter" by Barbara Nadd. Call 941-2416 or visit www.ossininglibrary.org.

CLOTHING CLOSET & BOUTIQUE: From 5 to 7 p.m. donated clothing and accessories will be sold at Christ Episcopal Church Hall in Tarrytown. Call 631-2074 or visit www.ChristChurchTNY.org.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT: "Monsters University" will be shown at 5:30 p.m. at the Irvington Public Library. Call 591-7840 or visit www.irvingtonlibrary.org.

"FIDDLER ON THE ROOF": This Irvington High School spring musical will be performed at 7:30 p.m. Call 589-2786 or 591-6646. Also March 8, 14 & 15 at 7:30 p.m., March 9 at 2 p.m.

"CIRQUE ZIVA": Danny Chang and his Golden Dragon Acrobats perform at 8 p.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall. Call 877-840-0457 or visit www.tarrytownmusichall.org.

Saturday 8

SNOWDROPS IN THE GARDEN: At 10 a.m. talk and slide show entitled "Galanthophilia, a Good Kind of Love" by Ernie Cavallo at Lyndhurst Carriage House, Tarrytown, sponsored by the Rock Garden Society of Hudson Valley. Call 738-1156

SUMMER CAMP OPEN HOUSE: 12 to 3 p.m. at the Y Early Learning Center at Tappan Hill, 50 Ichabod Lane, Tarrytown. Call 418-5562 or visit www.ymcattarrytown.org.

CONCERT: Fiddle player Eugene Bender performs at 2 p.m. at the Ossining Public Library. Call 941-2416 or visit www.ossininglibrary.org.

FASHION DESIGN AND ILLUSTRATION: Workshop for ages 11 and up at 1 p.m. at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. To register visit Reference or call 631-7734. Workshop continues March 15 & 22.

MOVIE MAVENS: At 7 p.m. "The Impossible Spy" will be screened and discussed at Temple Beth Abraham in Tarrytown. Call 631-1770 or visit www.tba-nny.org/study/adults

"IN THE HEIGHTS": Performed by the Clocktower Players Adult Troupe at 7:30 p.m. at the Irvington Town Hall Theater. Call 591-6602 or visit www.IrvingtonTheater.com. Also March 9 & 16 at 2 p.m., March 14 & 15 at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday 9

WINTER FARM MARKET: From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Hay Barn at Stone Barns Center for Food and Agriculture in Pocantico Hills. Call 366-6200 or visit www.stonebarnscenter.org.

MAPLE SUGARING PARTY: From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Greenburgh Nature Center in Scarsdale. Call 723-3470 or visit www.greenburghnaturecenter.org.

POETRY READINGS: At 1:30 p.m. prominent local poets read from their work, facilitated by Dr. George Kraus, at JCC on the Hudson in Tarrytown. Call 366-7898 or visit www.jcconthehudson.org.

CONCERT: Johnny and Edgar Winter perform at 7 p.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall. Call 877-840-0457 or visit www.tarrytownmusichall.org.

Monday 10

WOMEN IN JAZZ: Presentation by jazz musician Marshall Tilden at 10:30 a.m. at JCC on the Hudson in Tarrytown. Call 366-7898 or visit www.jcconthehudson.org.

ROTARY WINE & JAZZ EVENING: 6:30 to 9 p.m. featuring Mark Morganelli and the Jazz Forum All Stars at Abigail Kirsch at Tappan Hill in Tarrytown. Call 591-8110 or visit www.tarrytownrotary.org.

Tuesday 11

CRAFTS WITH KEVIN: At 3:45 p.m. children 4-8 make rubber band guitars at the Irvington Public Library. Call 591-7840 or visit www.irvingtonlibrary.org.

Wednesday 12

OSCAR NOMINATED MOVIES: "Philomena" will be shown at 2 p.m. at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. Call 631-7734 or visit www.warnerlibrary.org.

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CRAFTERNOONS: At 4 p.m. children 8-12 make patchwork origami boxes at the Irvington Public Library. Call 591-7840 or visit www.irvingtonlibrary.org.

"PHANTOM TOLLBOOTH": Y Theatre performs at 7 p.m. at Washington Irving School in Tarrytown. Call 418-5562 or visit www.ymcattarrytown.org. Also March 14 at 7 p.m.

"BLUE GOLD": At 7:30 p.m. see this film about tensions over scarcity of fresh water at the Greenburgh Nature Center in Scarsdale. Program co-sponsored by the Sierra Club Lower Hudson Group. Call 723-3470 or visit www.newyork.sierraclub.org/LHG.

"BEST OF" FILM SERIES: "The Past" will be shown at 8 p.m. at Irvington Town Hall Theatre. Call 591-6602 or visit www.irvingtontheater.com.

"FULLY AWAKE: Black Mountain College": At 8 p.m. Richard Connolly shows this documentary and provides a window into American culture at the Nyack Center, Broadway at Depew. Call (845) 353-2568 or visit www.rivertownfilm.org.

Thursday 13

Music: At 4 p.m. Ron Bucalo presents the Dj-djeridu, an ancient instrument of the aboriginal people of Australia, at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. Call 631-7734 or visit www.warnerlibrary.org.

"GOOD LESSONS FROM BAD WOMEN": Dorothy Leeds performs at 7 p.m. at the Ossining Public Library. Call 941-2416 or visit www.ossininglibrary.org.

LINKED-IN: At 7 p.m. Cheryl Williams provides advanced tips and techniques at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. Call 631-7734 or visit www.warnerlibrary.org.

BOOK DISCUSSION: At 7 p.m. the Warner Library Book Group discusses "The Burgess Boys" by Elizabeth Strout. Call 631-7734 or visit www.warnerlibrary.org.

Friday 14

BOOK CLUB: At 10 a.m. "Free Spirit" by Joshua Safran will be discussed at Temple Beth Abraham in Tarrytown. Call 631-1770 or visit www.tba-nny.org/study/adults

OPEN MIC @THE PURPLE CRAYON: Sign-up at 7:30 p.m., music at 8 p.m. at 52 Main St. Hastings-on-Hudson. Call 231-9077 or visit www.purplecrayoncenter.org.

CONCERT: Guitarist Richard Thompson performs at 8 p.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall. Call 877-840-0457 or visit www.tarrytownmusichall.org.

Saturday 15

PANCAKE BRUNCH: At 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. at Teatown Lake Reservation in Ossining. Call 762-2912, ext. 110 or visit www.teatown.org.

TEEN KNITTING WORKSHOP: Boys and girls ages

11 and up learn the basics at 10:30 a.m. at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. To register visit Reference or call 631-7734. Workshop continues March 22 & April 5.

"THE WATER ENGINE": At 2 p.m. M&M Productions Acting Company performs this David Mamet play in radio show format at the Irvington Public Library. Call 591-7840 or visit www.irvingtonlibrary.org.

CONCERT: Fiddle player Brendan Dolan performs with the O'Rourke Irish Dancers at 3 p.m. at the Ossining Public Library. Call 941-2416 or visit www.ossininglibrary.org.

ANNUAL PURIM SERVICE AND SHPIEL: At 7 p.m. at Temple Beth Abraham in Tarrytown. Call 631-1770 or visit www.tba-nny.org/study/adults

CONCERT: Spring Doo Wop at 8 p.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall. Call 877-840-0457 or visit www.tarrytownmusichall.org.

"PROS(E) OF PIE": At 8 p.m. join a monthly storytelling forum and bring a pie to share at W@tercooler, 21 N. Broadway, Tarrytown. This month's theme is "Schemes & Betrayal". Call 332-1400 or visit www.prosofpie.com.

Sunday 16

St. Patrick's Day Parade: Starts at 1:30 p.m. at Main St., proceeds north on Rte. 9 to Beekman Ave. in Sleepy Hollow and down to Kendall Ave. Call 693-0192 or 631-4306.

CONCERT: The Jefferson Starship band performs at 7 p.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall. Call 877-840-0457 or visit www.tarrytownmusichall.org.

Monday 17

THE WORLD WAS OUR STAGE: Spanning the Globe with ABC Sports: Presentation by Doug Wilson at 10:30 a.m. at JCC on the Hudson in Tarrytown. Call 366-7898 or visit www.jcconthehudson.org.

"iSHOW YOU HOW": At 6:30 p.m. an Apple technician shows seniors how to use the latest electronic gadgets at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. Call 631-7734 or visit www.warnerlibrary.org.

Tuesday 18

GRAVITY: At 3:45 p.m. ages 4-8 experiment with

SENIORS

AARP TAXPAYER ASSISTANCE: Available every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. until April 15 at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. Sign up at the Reference Desk or call 631-7734.

SENIOR BENEFITS INFORMATION CENTER: Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. a representative from the Medicare Rights Center 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 269-7765.

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: Available Monday to Friday 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for \$2.50 donation at Knights of Columbus Hall in Tarrytown. Call 631-2717.

THE NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE

43 Wildey St., Tarrytown, 631-0205

MEMOIR WRITING: 1 p.m. March 11 and 25.

YOGA ON THE CHAIR: 11:15 a.m. Wednesdays.

ART WORKSHOP: 1 p.m. Wednesdays.

TAI CHI: 11 a.m. Thursdays.

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

YOGA ON THE CHAIR: 11:15 a.m. Fridays.

MOVIES: 1 p.m. Fridays.

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

TARRYTOWN SENIOR CENTER

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

MEETINGS: 1 p.m. March 4 and 18, followed by games.

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

LUNCHEON: noon at Baptist Church, March 24.

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

SWIMMING: 11 a.m. Tuesdays at Kendal-on-Hudson.

GAMES: 1 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

IN-HOUSE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY: Noon March 12.

YOGA: 10 a.m. Thursdays.

BOOK CLUB: 1 p.m. March 28.

OTHER CLASSES: Check bulletin board.

POOL TABLES: Available any time.

JAMES F. GALGANO SENIOR CENTER

55 Elm St., Sleepy Hollow, 631-0390. Annual donation is \$10, due before March 1.

MEETINGS: 1 p.m. March 3 and 17,

followed by bingo.

YOGA: 8:30 a.m. Mondays.

SWIMMING: 10 a.m. Tuesdays at Kendal-on-Hudson.

EXERCISE CLASS: 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays.

NICKEL BINGO: 1 p.m. Tuesdays.

In-House St. Patrick's Day Party: 1 p.m. March 12.

MOVIES: TBAA

CERAMICS: TBA

EXERCISE CLASS: 10:15 a.m. Fridays.

KNITTING: 1 p.m. Fridays.

Open weekdays for socializing, card playing, etc.: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

the force that keeps our feet on the floor at the Irvington Public Library. Call 591-7840 or visit www.irvingtonlibrary.org.

Wednesday 19

DECONSTRUCTING THE BEATLES: At 9:45 a.m. Scott Frieman gives a multimedia presentation at the Men's Club meeting at JCC on the Hudson in Tarrytown. Call 478-3585 or visit www.jcconthehudson.org

OSCAR NOMINATED MOVIES: "Gravity" will be shown at 2 p.m. at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. Call 631-7734 or visit www.warnerlibrary.org.

LOCAL AUTHOR VISIT: At 7 p.m. Charlie Devent discusses her book "The Snow Queen's Daughter - My Life with Asperger's, A tale from the Lost Generation" at the Ossining Public Library. Call 941-2416 or visit www.ossininglibrary.org.

"HEAR MY SONG": \$5 film will be shown at 7 p.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall. Call 877-840-0457 or visit www.tarrytownmusichall.org.

SYNAGOGUE WINDOWS, A PERSONAL SELECTION: Slide lecture at 7:30 p.m. by Saara Gallin at Temple Beth Abraham in Tarrytown. Call 631-1770 or visit www.tba-ny.org/study/adults

Thursday 20

AUTHOR VISIT: At 7 p.m. Debbie Stier introduces her book "The Perfect Score Project: Uncovering the Secrets of the SAT" at the Irvington Public Library. Call 591-7840 or visit www.irvingtonlibrary.org.

COLLEGE PREP: What Counts in the Admission Process: For students and parents at 7 p.m. at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. Call 631-7734 or visit www.warnerlibrary.org.

THURSDAY EVENING BOOK CLUB: Meeting at 7:30 p.m. to discuss "Hateship, Friendship, Courtship, Loveship, Marriage" by Alice Munro at the Irvington Public Library. Call 591-7840 or visit www.irvingtonlibrary.org.

Friday 21

DROP & SHOP: From 5 to 7 p.m. at Parents Place, 2 Central Ave., Tarrytown. Call 469-3811 or visit www.theguidancecenter.org.

3RD FRIDAY AT THE Y EARLY LEARNING CENTER: From 6:45 to 9 p.m. watch circus and theatre performances, sample food from local vendors at 50 Ichabod Lane, Tarrytown. Call 419-6804 or visit www.ycattarrytown.org.

"COMPANY": Presented by the Broadway Training Center Senior Ensemble at 7 p.m. at the Irvington Town Hall Theatre. Call 591-6602 or visit www.IrvingtonTheater.com. Also March 22 at 7 p.m. & March 23 at 3 p.m.

Y DANCE FESTIVAL: At 7 p.m. students of the Family YMCA at Tarrytown dance program perform at the Masters School in Dobbs Ferry. Call 631-4807 or visit www.evolvedance.org. Also March 22 at 7 p.m. & March 23 at 1 p.m.

CONCERT: Los Lonely Boys perform at 8 p.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall. Call 877-840-0457 or visit www.tarrytownmusichall.org.

Saturday 22

PUPPET SHOW: At 2 p.m. performance of "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" & other Eric Carle favorites at the Tarrytown Music Hall. Call 877-840-0457 or visit www.tarrytownmusichall.org.

COMEDY NIGHT: Rob Bartlett performs at 8 p.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall. Call 877-840-0457 or visit www.tarrytownmusichall.org.

Sunday 23

BLOOD DRIVE: From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Temple Beth Abraham in Tarrytown. Call 631-1770 for appointment.

FORGED: A Wild Edibles Walk and Taste: At 1 p.m. for ages 8 and up at Stone Barns Center for Food and Agriculture in Pocantico Hills. Call 366-6200 or visit www.stonebarnscenter.org.

Monday 24

A HISTORY OF IMPRESSIONISM: Presentation by art historian Beth S. Gersh-Nesic at 10:30 a.m. at JCC on the Hudson in Tarrytown. Call 366-7898 or visit www.jcconthehudson.org.

CRAFTS: At 7 p.m. make beaded earrings with Joan Lloyd at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. Call 631-7734 or visit www.warnerlibrary.org.

Tuesday 25

GAME NIGHT: At 5 p.m. ages 8 and up solve puzzles and riddles for prizes at the Irvington Public Library. Call 591-7840 or visit www.irvingtonlibrary.org.

Wednesday 26

FOOTBALL: At 9:45 a.m. learn the proper techniques for watching football games at the Men's Club meeting at JCC on the Hudson in Tarrytown. Call 478-3585 or visit www.jcconthehudson.org

LOCAL AUTHOR EVENT: At 7 p.m. Jean Zimmerman discusses her latest novel "Savage Girl" at the Ossining Public Library. Call 941-2416 or visit www.ossininglibrary.org.

"IN A WORLD": At 8 p.m. this romantic farce will be shown at the Nyack Center, Broadway at Depew. Call (845) 353-2568 or visit www.rivertownfilm.org.

COMEDY NIGHT: Wanda Sykes performs at 8 p.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall. Call 877-840-0457 or visit www.tarrytownmusichall.org.

Thursday 27

PIZZA & MOVIE: 5 p.m. at Parents Place, 2 Central Ave., Tarrytown. Call 631-2513 or visit www.theguidancecenter.org.

"HIGHLANDS OF THE HUDSON": At 7 p.m. Stephen P. Rice examines how the Highlands were depicted in verbal and visual art in the 19th century at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. Call 631-7734 or visit www.warnerlibrary.org.

Friday 28

"BEST OF" FILM SERIES: "The Great Beauty" will be shown at 8 p.m. at Irvington Town Hall Theatre. Call 591-6602 or visit www.irvingtontheater.com.

Saturday 29

BRUNELLESCHI AND THE DOME OF FLORENCE: Powerpoint lecture by Toni McKeen at 2 p.m. at the Irvington Public Library. Call 591-7840 or visit www.irvingtonlibrary.org.

CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT: At 2:30 p.m. the Senasqua Winds perform at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. Call 631-7734 or visit www.warnerlibrary.org.

CONCERT: At 8 p.m. Richard Shindell performs at Irvington Town Hall Theatre. Call 591-6602 or visit www.irvingtontheater.com.

CONCERT: Iris Dement & Susan Werner perform at 8 p.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall. Call 877-840-0457 or visit www.tarrytownmusichall.org.

Sunday 30

NATURE'S ARCHITECTS: At 10 a.m. create nests from natural and manmade materials and compare with birds' nests at Teatown Lake Reservation in Ossining. Call 762-2912, ext. 110 or visit www.teatown.org.

BACKYARD: Composting Basics: Workshop at 1 p.m. at Stone Barns Center for Food and Agriculture in Pocantico Hills. Call 366-6200 or visit www.stonebarnscenter.org.

SAT MATH PREP WORKSHOP: At 1:30 p.m. at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. To register visit Reference or call 631-7734. Workshop continues April 6 & 13.

AMERICAN JEWISH COMPOSERS: At 2 p.m. join Mark Morganelli and The Jazz Forum All Stars for a concert at the Carriage House at Lyndhurst in Tarrytown, part of the Jewish Cultural Festival of the Rivertowns. Call 366-7898 or visit www.jcconthehudson.org.

EVENSONG: A brief candlelight service of prayers and hymns at 7 p.m., followed by light refreshments, at Christ Episcopal Church in Tarrytown. Call 631-2074.

CONCERT: Punch Brothers perform at 7 p.m. at the Tarrytown Music Hall. Call 877-840-0457 or visit www.tarrytownmusichall.org.

Monday 31

LYNDHURST AND THE JEWISH GOLD COAST ON THE

HUDSON RIVER: Presentation by Lyndhurst Executive Director Howard Zaris at 10:30 a.m. at JCC on the Hudson in Tarrytown. Call 366-7898 or visit www.jcconthehudson.org.

Tuesday April 1

CONCERT: The Tzedek Youth Choir performs at 7 p.m. at Temple Beth Abraham in Tarrytown as part of the Jewish Cultural Festival of the Rivertowns. Call 631-1770 or visit www.tba-ny.org/study/adults.

Ongoing

OPERA WORKSHOP: Susan Grunthal explores great opera composers and artists from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on six Thursdays starting March 6 at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. Call 631-7734 or visit www.warnerlibrary.org.

JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL: Mar. 19 - Apr. 10 at Jacob Burns Film Center in Pleasantville. Call 747-5555 or visit www.burnsfilmcenter.org.

"RAGTIME": Through May 4 at the Westchester Broadway Theatre in Elmsford. Dinner at 6:15 p.m. & show at 8 p.m. Call 592-2222 or visit www.broadwaytheatre.com.

EXHIBIT: "Northern Seas", landscapes by 3 Danish artists, at the Irvington Public Library. Reception March 8 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Call 591-7840 or visit www.irvingtonlibrary.org.

PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT: "Power and Calm Images of Movement and Stillness from the Hudson River and Beyond" by Alexa Brandenburg at the Warner Library in Tarrytown. Call 631-7734 or visit www.warnerlibrary.org.

EXHIBIT: Paintings by local artist Cesar Winston Vera at the Ossining Public Library. Reception March 9 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Call 941-2416 or visit www.ossininglibrary.org.

PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT: Through April 30 "Plastic Bags", a collaborative project by high school students to photograph as many plastic bags on the loose in their environment as they can in 2 hours, at the Greenburgh Nature Center in Scarsdale. Call 723-3470 or visit www.greenburghnaturecenter.org.

BUDDHIST MEDITATION: Westchester Buddhist Center meets every Sunday at 10 a.m. at Eileen Fisher headquarters in Irvington. All are welcome. Visit www.westchesterbuddhistcenter.org.

YIDDISH: Read, learn and sing on Tuesdays at 12:30p.m. at JCC on the Hudson in Tarrytown. Call 366-7898 or visit www.jcconthehudson.org.

JAZZ WEDNESDAYS @THE PRIME: Mark Morganelli, Vic Juris & Nilson Matta play jazz and Brazilian jazz from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. at 19 Main St., Hastings-on-Hudson. Call 478-1147 or visit www.jazzforumarts.org.

USED BOOKS: Friends of the Irvington Library is partnering with Curious-on-Hudson Bookshop, 145 Palisade St., Dobbs Ferry to offer used books year round. Proceeds go directly to the Library. Call 412-8393 or e-mail friends.irvingtonlibrary@gmail.com.

HOMEBOUND SERVICES @ YOUR LIBRARY: If you are unable to leave your home due to illness or disability, a Warner Library staff member or volunteer will bring library materials to you. Call the Reference Desk at 631-7734.

MAH JONGG: Play Mondays at 1 p.m. at Temple Beth Abraham in Tarrytown. Call 631-1770 or e-mail adulter@tba-ny.org to ensure there are enough players for a game.

TORAH STUDY: Rabbi Holtz leads a class every Wed. at 10 a.m. at Temple Beth Abraham in Tarrytown. No previous knowledge required. Call 631-1770 or e-mail adulter@tba-ny.org.

FRIDAY NIGHT JAZZ JAM: Featuring Jay Azzolina and Friends from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at the Hastings Station Café in Hastings on Hudson. Call 693-3175.

OSSINING DOWN-TO-EARTH FARMERS' MARKET: Open Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. all year at Spring and Main Sts. Call 923-4837.

STONE BARN'S PROGRAMS: A series of produce-related talks and tours are offered on Saturdays and family programs on Sundays at Stone Barns in Pocantico Hills. Call 366-9606 or visit www.stonebarnscenter.org.

HEALTHY LIFE SERIES: Phelps Memorial Hospital

Center in Sleepy Hollow offers the community a wide range of programs on health-related subjects as well as health screenings and support groups. Visit www.phelpshospital.org.

FILMS FOR CHILDREN: Weekends at noon at the Jacob Burns Film Center in Pleasantville. Call 747-5555 or visit www.burnsfilmcenter.org.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS AT THE LIBRARIES: Stories, rhymes and songs for children of various ages at Tarrytown's Warner Library and Irvington Public Library. For Warner, call 631-7734 or visit www.warnerlibrary.org. For Irvington, call 591-7840 or visit www.irvingtonlibrary.org

CHESS CLUB: The Warner Library Chess Club meets on the second, third and fourth Thursday of the month from 6:30 to 8:45 p.m. Call 631-7734 or visit www.warnerlibrary.org.

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Our Family Serving Yours

Obituaries

John Zoumboulis, 44

John Nicholas Zoumboulis, the proud owner and operator of the Horseman Restaurant in Sleepy Hollow since 1999, died peacefully on February 13 after losing his two-and-a-half year battle resulting from a cardiac arrest. He was 44.

Mr. Zoumboulis was a lifelong Stamford resident. He graduated from Westhill High School in 1988 and earned his bachelor's degree from St. John's University in 1992. He went on to work in financial services as a bonds trader at Paloma Partners, LLC, but was an ambitious entrepreneur at heart who started several small businesses. He was a lifelong member of the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church and served the church in many capacities from youth group president to parish council member. He cherished his church and his businesses, but most of all, loved spending time with his children, family and friends, and his German Shepherds. He was also very active in martial arts for over 25 years. He was a loyal, fun-loving man who was proud of his Greek heritage.

Oliverio Ojito, 78

Oliverio A. Ojito, a resident of Sleepy Hollow, died suddenly on February 9. He was 78.

He was a barber and proprietor of Oliver's Barber Shop on John Street for many years. He is survived by his son Jose (Maria) and his granddaughters Jennifer, Melissa and Lauren.

Sophie Sciarpelletti Doherty, 96

Sophie Imhof Sciarpelletti Doherty, a resident of Tarrytown, died February 9. She was 96.

She was born in North Tarrytown on June 29, 1917. She was a lifelong parishioner of Immaculate Conception Church. She was also a member of the VFW Post 1939 Ladies Auxiliary. For a period of about 20 years, she lived in Coconut Creek, FL before coming back to Tarrytown.

She was married to Bernard Sciarpelletti, who predeceased her in 1962. She later married William Doherty, who predeceased her in 1999.

Walter J. Koval, 91

Walter J. Koval, a lifelong Sleepy Hollow resident, died February 10. He was 91.

Mr. Koval was born in North Tarrytown, now Sleepy Hollow. He was a communicant of Holy Cross RC Church where he married Gloria Galassi in October of 1947. She predeceased him in 2012.

Mr. Koval served in WWII with the U.S. Army in the European Theater along with his twin brother Joe and brothers Willie and Eddie, also twins. After military service, he began work at General Motors' Chevrolet Division plant as did many of his siblings. He retired in 1985. He was a member of VFW Post #1939, UAW Local

664 and the Slovak Catholic Sokol.

Barbara Lofaro, 81

Barbara Grace Lofaro, a graduate of North Tarrytown High School and resident of Ossining, died on February 5. She was 81.

She was born in Tarrytown and earned an Associate's Degree from Marymount College in Tarrytown. She worked for the Bank of New York for many years. She had a love for detail. This not only aided her in her career, but also helped her organize and plan many trips across the country and overseas. She loved to travel, and went on many trips with her sisters, friends, and in her later years, her senior's group in Ossining. She had an infectious laugh.

John (Jack) Downing, 80

John Francis (Jack) Downing, a resident of Sleepy Hollow, died peacefully on February 15. He was 80.

He was born in Tarrytown and graduated from Archbishop Stepinac High School in 1951. He attended St. Michael's College in Colchester, Vermont. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in 1956 and was stationed in Hawaii until his Honorable Discharge in 1958.

He married Ann Everly of Leavenworth, Kansas at St. Theresa's Church on October 7, 1961. She predeceased him in 2007. He was employed by General Motors from 1958 through his retirement in 1987. Mr. Downing was a longtime active and dedicated member of the FOE Eagles Aerie 1042 in Sleepy Hollow, where he served as treasurer for the past 18 years.

Rose Schuttenberg, 89

Rose Schuttenberg, a longtime resident of Tarrytown, died February 20 at Saratoga Hospital in Saratoga Springs, NY. She was 89.

She lived in Tarrytown most of her life, moving to her daughter's home in upstate New York in 2001. A homemaker, years ago she worked in the mortgage dept. of County Trust in Tarrytown. An active member of the Tarrytown Senior Citizens, she enjoyed reading, but she especially loved the company of her family. A member of Church of the Transfiguration, in Tarrytown, she was a member of the church Women's Society.

Mary Giunta, 91

Mary Patricia 'Pat' Giunta, a former longtime Irvington and Tarrytown resident, died February 21 in Chevy Chase, MD. She was 91.

She had been a school teacher who taught at North Tarrytown High School and later at North Rockland High School. In her retirement, she spent several years as a Docent at Lyndhurst. She had been a parishioner of Transfiguration Church and a member of the Transfiguration Seniors.



Letters

A Parking Red Flag for Tarrytown

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to Janie Rosman's Article from February 2014 titled, "Change of Use Puts Mint At Odds with Village over Parking."

The way I read this article, it should be titled "Village at Odds with Mint Over Success in Growing its Business."

Granted, it is the responsibility of Tarrytown Administrators to make policy and decisions in keeping with a livable community.

However, the information provided says more about Tarrytown's misguided Village Code as regards a "Parking Fund" replacing a "Jitney Fund," where neither has [to-date] demonstrated any improvement to parking for those driving-in to enjoy a meal at Mint, or any other restaurant.

In fact, the exorbitant and disproportionate levy on Mint effectively penalizes a business that for years has been a "Net Contributor" to Tarrytown, while the funds being sought smack of Alaska's "bridge to nowhere", because nowhere is there an indication of just how those funds are to result in a net improvement to parking.

Given Tarrytown's enviable position as an attractive place for business to invest, the decision-makers involved would serve the Village well if they re-oriented their short-term policy for a long-term plan that rewards businesses like Mint for staying in Tarrytown. Otherwise, as has occurred in so many other villages and towns, the cost of doing business will outweigh the benefits of staying or moving in.

There are many local municipalities with friendlier policies that would welcome Mint and other aspiring Tarrytown small

businesses with open arms, much to the Village's loss of diversity and character.

Sincerely,

Pedro Ceron
Tarrytown

Math-related Activities are Available at SH High

To the Editor:

I'm writing to respond to the article "Tarrytown Parent Hopes Math Help Adds Up For Students." While I respect the opinion of Mr. Zamdmer and his enthusiasm for motivating students to get involved in math, I disagree that there is "zero push for math" in high school.

In fact, as students grow older and progress through high school, there are many extracurricular activities available that pertain to mathematics. These activities include the Math Team, National Math Honor Society, Computer Coding Club, the American Math Competition, and many more.

The math team meets for competitions once a month against neighboring schools in Westchester County. The meets allow students to compete as a team and as an individual. The individuals who score the highest cumulatively are invited to participate in statewide competitions. I am a member of the Math Team, and I thoroughly enjoy participating in the meets. In addition, participation in the club is at an all time high with close to 30 students participating regularly.

The National Math Honor Society is open to students who have maintained an unweighted minimum math average of 85 or above throughout high school level courses. Once inducted into the society, each member must participate in numerous events to remain in the society that include participating in pi day events, tutor peers, attend planning meetings, assist at the Lego Robotics competition, assist at the Washington Irving March Math Madness, and promote mathematics throughout the school.

The Computer Coding Club is a fairly new club that's open to all students with a consistent membership that displays an interest in computer programming. The club meets every Wednesday after school. The levels of programming knowledge vary from expert to novice. The students learn through the use of Python and tutorial sites such as Code Academy. The interest in the class has spawned the creation of an AP

computer programming class.

The American Math Competition is held once a year and open to all high school students. Students who participate are eligible for national recognition and scholarship opportunities.

At Sleepy Hollow we have been granted one of the most amazing groups of math teachers who hold a passion for their job and provide every individual windows of assistance. Math is far more than the exams you take in class and the homework you complete, it's a way to understand the world. I'm grateful for all the opportunities I have been provided with. I enjoy being president of the Math Honor Society and tutoring students in all areas of math. My goal is to become a math teacher and get students to be as passionate about math as I am.

Christine Greige

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The Importance of Computer Backups

by Craig Vogel

Welcome back to “tech stuff.” I’ve been asked to go into more detail about backups. As I said last time, I think it’s critical to keep educating everyone about topics like this. I’m convinced that backup is the most important maintenance task you can do for your computer.

Why Backup?

Family pictures. Important documents. Financial data. These are the types of information you have stored on your computer. For most people, loss of this information would be catastrophic. What would you do if your computer experiences a system failure, hard drive crash or malware attack that causes loss of access to these files? What about something as simple as deleting a

file by mistake – how would you recover? The answer is not “I don’t know” or “I’d call someone like you” – the only answer is “I’d restore from my backup”.

Backup Systems Pros and Cons

So how do you setup a backup system and what kind of system works best? Let’s answer the second question first. The best kind of backup system is one that is completely automatic, simple to restore from and simple to manage. In addition, you want as few “moving parts” as possible. By this I mean, the minimal amount of hardware and software you’ll need to maintain to keep your solution up and running.

Though there are as many as five different kinds of backup systems, in my experience there are two that work best – local and online (nowadays referred to as “cloud”). A lo-

cal backup system is one where the copy of your important files is physically located in the same place as your computer. This is good for performance (the information doesn’t have far to travel) and access (the storage medium, usually an external hard drive, can be physically handled) but bad for security (easy access means easy damage or theft) and disaster recovery (if you have a flood or a fire, you could lose your backup as well as your computer). Other pros and cons: this method is typically easy to setup (local backup software is built into PC and Mac computers) and inexpensive (hard drive storage is cheap) but you have to worry about the drive being properly powered, connected and working so the management overhead is an issue. Due to the negatives of the local backup system, I typically recommend an online backup system.

An online backup system is one where the copy of your important files is NOT located in the same place as your computer. This is achieved by UPLOADING your files to a server on the Internet. This is bad for performance (initially ONLY, since the first backup requires that ALL your files be sent to the server; subsequent backups happen MUCH faster) and access (you can’t physically touch your backup) but good for security (all your information is encrypted aka scrambled) and disaster proof (since the information isn’t at your location). Other pros and cons: this method is also easy to setup (sign up and pay, install and configure) and mostly foolproof (“set it and forget it” – because there’s no hardware to manage) but the cost is recurring (based on a monthly fee that gets discounted if you sign up for a year or two years). Regard-



less of the system you choose, I urge everyone to CHECK his or her backup system from time to time to ensure it is functioning properly.

Products and Recommendations

Local backup systems have two components: hardware and software. Online backup systems are software only. As previously mentioned, both PC and Mac computers come with built in backup software (Windows Backup and Time Machine respectively). For hardware, I’m partial to external hard drives made by Seagate and LaCie. My preferred online backup system is called Mozy. I am not a fan of their primary competitor Carbonite.

One more thing to consider: the hybrid strategy. Even though I prefer online to local, the combination of the two systems is very powerful. The access and availability of local with the security and safety of online is the best of both worlds. And Mozy for Windows provides a feature that enables this – they call it “2xProtect”. The software does both online and local backup simultaneously. To accomplish this on a Mac, simply use both Time Machine and Mozy.

I hope you found this information valuable. Please email me at craig@mycomputerguy-inc.com if you have something specific you would like me to address. To be continued...

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Remember When: Roy's Deli

by Elaine Marranzano

Remember when Roy's Deli at 8 Main Street in Tarrytown served what The New York Times hailed as an "exemplary" roast beef sandwich? Food so good, even the Rockefellers took a little "Roy's" along on their yacht, the Dauntless. For almost four decades, proprietors Quentin Parnell and Roy Colsey catered to hungry patrons who long for the taste to this day.

"Roy's combo wedge was one of the most delicious things I've ever eaten, and Quent and Roy took the recipe to their graves. I have tried for years to replicate that sandwich."

—Lucas J. Meyer on Facebook



Top: Storefront today;
Bottom: Roy's Deli

Colsey opened Roy's in 1945 as a frozen foods store (a cutting-edge innovation at the time). Parnell joined about five years later after meeting Colsey on Jones Beach.

"Roy and my dad were both fisherman and both smokers at the time. He asked my dad for a light and they started talking. Roy was a big talker. Then he just asked my dad to work for him," recalled daughter Elaine Parnell Winward.

It was a winning combination. For 38 years the duo worked from early morning until 8 or 10 at night, making everything from scratch.

"My dad would make beef barley soup and 40 pounds of meatloaf every day, but what really put them on the map were the wedges," said Winward.

The bread for the wedges came from Alter's Bakery, and the milk and dairy products sold in the store came from Diamond Dairy formerly on Wildey Street.

But it is not only the food that people remember.

"My biggest memory is the ambience," said Roy Colsey, Jr., Roy's son who was a physical education teacher for 33 years at Sleepy Hollow High School. "There were these big wagon wheels on the ceiling and this old wooden box telephone by the counter that worked until the day they left!"

Many people on Facebook share Colsey's recollections of the store.

"I'll never forget those worn-out floors creaking as you walked down the aisles, or the bells on the front door that jingled when it was opened or shut."

—John Naples

"I seem to recall a sign behind the counter saying something like: 'Our credit manager is Helen Waite, so if you want credit, go to Helen Waite.'"

—Mark Jurcic

There was no cash register at Roy's to

calculate transactions. A pencil behind the ear and a brown paper bag was all that was needed.

"They used to put all your items on the counter, write all the prices on your paper bag in a column and add it up (REALLY FAST)," said Joanne DeCarpine.

The store was always busy, but even when the line stretched out the door, Quent and Roy gave each customer their personal attention, according to Colsey.

"Neither one of them hustled. People came in to talk to them and share a joke and it's like the people waiting in line knew their turn would come," he recalled. "My dad knew all the customer's names and their children's names."

The men were also father figures to the young men they employed, including Robert Shur who worked at Roy's for three years in the mid-60s.

"A lady used to come in and steal things. We would watch her through the cold cuts cabinet and write the price of the items on the bag which we included with her other items," said Shur.

One night Roy was almost killed going home to Pleasantville when his car smashed head-on into a tree.

"My dad had to run the store alone for nine months. I remember seeing dark circles under his eyes. He was so exhausted," said Winward.

The demands of running the store kept Parnell away from his family for much of the time, said Winward. "But I didn't think twice about it. My dad was the best of the best. He was such a gentle soul and a great dad."

When Quentin and Roy decided to retire in 1984, nearly 100 people attended a farewell party.

"It brings tears to my eyes to think of the good times we had in that store and the respect people had for my dad," Colsey said.



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