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THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2018

## Celebrating the Vision – Honoring the Legacy of Lois Bronz

TARRYTOWN, NY -- Today's Students, Tomorrow's Teachers (TSTT) Greater Hudson Valley Region will host its annual "2018 Recognition Brunch: Celebrating the Vision" on Thursday, May 24, 2018 at the Double Tree in Tarrytown, NY, from 9:330 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., as we celebrate those who have contributed to the field of education. This year is special as we will celebrate the legacy of Lois Bronz, the first African American woman legislator in Westchester County who advocated heavily for education.

The purpose of the Annual Recognition Breakfast is to gather community members, elected officials, businesses and students to honor TSTT students who are continuing their path in education, leaders in the field of education who are paving the way for. This event is extra special as we also pay tribute to the legacy of Lois Bronz, the first African American woman legislator in Westchester County. We will also award Regent Judith Johnson with our Visionary Award and Dr. Laruth Gray with our Pioneer Award.

Today's Students Tomorrow's Teachers (TSTT) is an innovative career development & mentoring program that recruits and trains culturally diverse, economically challenged high school students for college and a rewarding teaching career. TSTT was designed to address the growing shortage of teachers of color. Upon receipt of teacher certification, TSTT students pledge to return to the classroom as teachers and role models who will inspire and strengthen their communities.



The Late LOIS T. BRONZ

# WESTCHESTER COUNTY BUSINESS JOURNAL

GOOD THINGS HAPPENING  
April 16, 2018

## NEW TRUSTEES FOR WLS

The Westchester Library System (WLS) has announced two new members to its board of trustees. **Karen Kelley** of Peekskill joins as the District XII representative covering Peekskill. The new District II representative covering Briarcliff Manor, Ossining and Tarrytown is **Jonathan Marshall**, a resident of Tarrytown. Their terms last five years.

Kelley has more than three decades in

health care management, policy development, advocacy and outreach.

Marshall is a native of Los Angeles and has a background in publishing and was with major magazines, including Newsweek, Car and Driver and Rolling Stone. In 2010, he launched JM Media Sales in Tarrytown.

**Catherine Draper** of Pelham was re-elected to another five-year term as the

District IX representative covering Bronxville, Eastchester, Pelham and Tuckahoe. In addition, the WLS Board elected the following officers for 2018: **Sean Ryan** of Armonk as president; **Susan Morduch** of Ardsley as vice president; **Bernie Seller** of Mount Kisco as secretary; and **Edris Scherer** of North Salem to another term as treasurer.



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## Events From Our Members

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#### **Resilience: A Series of Screenings**

Join a screening and discussion of Resilience, a 1-hour documentary that delves into the science of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and the birth of a new movement to treat and prevent toxic stress. Now understood to be one of the drivers for conditions as diverse as heart disease, cancer, substance abuse and depression - extremely stressful experiences in childhood are understood to alter brain development and have lifelong effects on health and behavior.

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### **Integrating Planned Giving into your Understaffed Development Department – practical ideas for securing the future of your organization Tuesday, April 10th**

Sue Dishart is coming to us from Guide Dogs for the Blind in San Rafael, CA. She is currently the Planned Giving Officer of this \$40+ million organization responsible for securing the future of the organization that has no government funding and does not charge for its services. More than one-third of the annual budget is from planned gifts every year. She has worked with

# The Arc Westchester Holds Annual Tech Conference



From left: keynote speaker David Banes of David Banes Access and Inclusion Services; Dennis Cleary, faculty member in the Division of Occupational Therapy at The Ohio State University; Richard Swierat, executive director of The Arc Westchester; Joan Toglia, dean of the School of Health and Natural Sciences at Mercy College; Timothy Hall, president of Mercy College; Jordan Jankus of The Arc Westchester; Dr. Andre Washington, assistant professor in the Department of Rehabilitation Counseling and Disability Studies at Langston University; Jennifer Harrington-Wilson of Putnam-Northern Westchester BOCES; Phil Proctor of AHRC NYC; and Rob Caluort of the Westchester Library System.

On March 27, the Arc Westchester co-hosted its third annual conference focused on helping individuals with cognitive disabilities lead a more independent life using tech. The Tech Supports for Cognition & Learning Conference saw its largest and most diverse audience ever, and the organization's list of partners for the event grew to include Mercy College, AHRC New York City, Westchester Library System, Putnam-Northern Westchester BOCES, and Visiting Nurse Service of Westchester.

The Tech Supports for Cognition & Learning Conference, which was held at the college's Dobbs Ferry campus, brought together the leading minds in technology, education and learning, clinical supports, and direct service supports that inspired attendees to continue to build bridges between technology and cognitive supports for people with disabilities.

The morning kicked off with opening remarks from Timothy Hall, president of Mercy College; Joan Toglia, dean of Mercy College School of Health and Natural Sciences; and Ric Swierat, executive director of The Arc Westchester.

"These conversations, and this work, should not stop here," said Swierat. "Technology is as important as all other modalities of learning, but teaching technology to special education students, for example, tends to stop at high school; it does not extend easily to adult life. We have not seen anyone making that kind of effort, but this is our opportunity to make that happen. I challenge you to be part of that conversation."

The first presentation of the day was the keynote address from David Banes, director of David Banes Access and Inclusion Services and former CEO of Mada, Qatar Assistive Technol-

ogy Centre. His engaging talk lasted over an hour, and touched upon how technology can help create a balance between autonomy, duty of care, and safety for those with cognitive disabilities and their families.

"Independence has strong links to equality of choices," said Banes. "The challenge we face is the balance between wanting to protect our children and the desire to empower them to make their own choices. Looking ahead, the challenge lies not in the technology itself, but in the dissemination and sharing of information in a format and through media which has reach."

During his speech, Banes also spoke about technology that was not created specifically for those with disabilities (such as Uber and Text to Speech) and how they can be used in simple ways to drastically improve the lives of those with cognitive issues. He also touched upon how the ease and low cost of these technologies make them more accessible to those who can benefit most from them.

Additional guest speakers throughout the day included Dr. Andre Washington from Langston University, who spoke on virtual reality uses in vocational rehabilitation, and Dennis Cleary from Ohio State University, who presented two breakout sessions focused on design thinking and VocFit.com. Additional breakout sessions featured presenters from Apple, Microsoft, Tobii Dynavox and many others.

The day's sponsors included FlagHouse, Flightpath, Litman Krooks LLP, New York-Presbyterian, Tommie Cares Foundation and the Westchester Library System. For more information, or to view the day's presentations, visit [www.arcwestchester.org/techconference2018](http://www.arcwestchester.org/techconference2018).

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## **The Arc to host third annual Tech Supports conference**

**DOBBS FERRY** – The Arc Westchester hosts the third annual Tech Supports for Cognition & Learning Conference Tuesday at co-host Mercy College's Dobbs Ferry campus. The event's other co-hosts include AHRC New York City, PNW-BOCES, VNS Westchester and the Westchester Library System.

The conference focuses on technology solutions for people with cognitive disabilities (including developmental disabilities and autism, Alzheimer's disease, dementia, traumatic brain injury and stroke survivors) that help with tasks for independence in everyday life. It is geared toward parents, rehabilitation professionals, special-education teachers and those with cognitive disabilities.

This year's keynote speaker will be David Banes, director of David Banes Access and Inclusion Services and former chief executive at Mada, Qatar Assistive Technology Center.

The conference will include hands-on breakout sessions hosted by technology experts who will provide practical advice on the use of technology to support the daily living needs of people with cognitive disabilities. The sessions will include presentations from Apple, Microsoft, Tobii Dynavox and others.

The exhibitor area will include some of the latest products and services that make a better life possible for people with cognitive disabilities.

During the lunch period, a series of fast-paced "Ignite Talks" will feature inspiring stories of the use of everyday tech and its impact on the people who use it. The day will conclude with an announcement from Arc and WLS regarding the creation of the first web resource in the Hudson Valley listing information on how to contact experts who can help one explore technology solutions and learn more about this rapidly evolving field. 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information and to register, visit [www.arcwestchester.org/techconference2018](http://www.arcwestchester.org/techconference2018).

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### Westchester Black Girls Rock! Sunday, March 25th

Sister to Sister International's (STSI) has been connecting and inspiring girls and women of African descent for over 20 years because we know that Westchester Black Girls Rock!! This memorable afternoon will feature Beverly Bond who has led the Black Girls Rock movement to empower black girls to lead, innovate, and serve. In addition to a salute to Westchester women and girls on the move, during our Black Women Girl-Child Award Ceremony and tribute to change makers, dynamos, and role models in our community, followed by the legendary sounds of DJ Cocoa Chanelle!



### Greenburgh Nature Center Events

#### Great Green Eggstravaganza - Sunday, March 25th

Celebrate the emergence of spring! Join us for a day of egg-themed activities, including our environmentally-friendly egg hunt. Make seasonal crafts, meet some of our animals on the great lawn and join a naturalist to discover signs of spring throughout our property. Event held rain or shine. *Early registration before March 25: \$5 for members, \$10 for non-members. Day of event registration: \$8 for members, \$15 for non-members.*



### Creating Sustainable Funding from Individual Donors: A Proven Model

## Tuesday, March 27th

What would it look like to have an ever-increasing stream of major donors who love your mission? Please join us for this seminar on how to create sustainable funding for your nonprofit organization. Benevon trains and coaches nonprofit organizations to implement a missionbased system for raising sustainable funding from individual donors. This system ends the suffering about fundraising and builds passionate and committed lifelong donors.



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## Summer Learning Workshop With NSLA Consultant Tuesday, March 27th

At a National Summer Learning lunch in Phoenix, the former head of the Walmart Foundation, Margaret McKenna, say there is no higher return on investment in education than summer learning. She then went on to say that few areas of education seem so fragmented, so hand- to-mouth. At United Way, we believe an unmet need in Westchester and Putnam Counties is the development of a cross-organizational group. One with the aim of bolstering, not displacing our summer patchwork.



**United Way  
of Westchester and Putnam**

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## Westchester Children's Association Events

### 4th Annual NY Fathering Conference - Tuesday, April 3rd

Learn Everywhere, Every Day -- spotlights the importance of life long learning for fathers and their families. Speakers and workshops focus on both formal and informal educational settings as well as strategies to enrich, encourage and support opportunities for dads and children to explore the world together.

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### 2018 GPS4Kids Baseline Report - Tuesday, April 17th

This is the first GPS4Kids report since 2015. In addition to a brief update, we introduce six baseline indicators on our Phase I focus: positive learning environments. These data points serve as an assessment of our current state of the county. The hope is, the data and questions raised will entice more coordinated advocacy, data collections & analysis, and coordinated action to ensure all children in Westchester thrive regardless of race or zip code.

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Sunday, March 11, 2018

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# Oscar Davis, Jr. Re-Elected to 2nd Term as Mount Vernon Library Trustee

## *Vows to Continue Moving Mount Vernon Public Library Forward*

MOUNT VERNON, NY -- (May 11, 2018) -- The Committee to Re-Elect Oscar Davis, Jr. is pleased to announce that Oscar Davis Jr. easily won a second term as a Mount Vernon Public Library Trustee on May 8. Davis beat out his closest competitor, Judy Williams, by 161 votes. Voters also passed the \$4,685,386 proposed for funding the Mount Vernon Public Library.

Three seats were up for grabs in this year's election. Trustees elected will serve out 5 year terms ending on June 30, 2023. Malcolm Clark will join Davis and Williams on the Board of Trustees in the third open seat.

"I am immensely humbled that the people of Mount Vernon have shown their confidence in me to serve as a Mount Vernon Public Library Trustee for another term," said Davis. "There is still much work to be done and I know that we will do great things as we move forward."

Davis was first elected in 2014

as the youngest candidate on the first slate ever of library trustee candidates to be elected by voters. Once elected, Davis quickly was elected Vice President of the Board of Trustees where he served two terms. He is currently in his second term as President. Throughout his tenure on the Board of Trustees Oscar Davis had worked tirelessly with other members to make much needed improvements to the Mount Vernon Public Library which had fallen into disrepair.

"Oscar Davis and his fellow trustees are building enthusiasm for libraries which is terrific and contagious," said Sean Ryan, District V representative, and Board President, Westchester Library System. "I look forward to our working together to help advance MVPL and all Westchester libraries."

Working for a time without an Executive Director and no funding from the city, the library secured additional grant funding and managed



OSCAR DAVIS, JR.

to make much needed repairs to its roof and building infrastructure. The exterior was given a facelift and public art was installed through grants and partnership with NYS Assemblyman Gary Pertlow, Westchester County Legislator Lyndon Williams and Arts Westchester. The library's books were audited and new programming was instituted

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## **LIBRARY TRUSTEE, *Cont'd. from page 3***

that would make the library not only a place for books but a community gathering place.

Many new and exciting programs have resulted in increased use of the building offering reading and research materials, magazine and film libraries, an updated computer lab and a host of community resources. Innovative ways to increase membership boosted library patronage on average of two thousand patrons annually.

“The thing I am most proud of is the fact that we kept our Central Library of Westchester status,” said Davis. “Our programming is inspiring other libraries in Westchester to diversify and emulate our success. I cannot thank the community enough for working with us to revive our stacks of information.”

Winners of the election will be sworn in on Wednesday July 18 at 6:30pm in Grace Greene Baker Community Room at the library.

For more information please call the Friends of Oscar Davis Jr. at 914-914-361-5079 or email [FriendsofOscarDavisJr@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsofOscarDavisJr@gmail.com)

# The Journal News

LOCAL NEWS  
Monday, May 14, 2018

## Check out Yonkers library's new look on Central Park Ave.

**Ernie Garcia**  
Rockland/Westchester  
Journal News  
USA TODAY NETWORK

YONKERS — The Yonkers Public Library has finished renovating the Will branch's facade.

The Will branch's undulating arches at 1500 Central Park Ave. are now decorated with vertical, industrial steel mesh panels and slim, multi-colored poles that reference the kaleidoscopic panels from the 1960s that formerly decorated the facade.

"We tried to be respectful to the original design, but bringing it up to date using modern materials and current building practices," said Edward Falcone, the Yon-

kers Public Library's director. "You really get a better sense of the drama of the arches."

The result of the facade makeover is a brighter and more comfortable environment.

The former facade blocked considerable natural light, while the new design has brightened the Will branch's main reading room. New tinted windows and insulation installed as part of the renovation mean the reading room won't be unpleasantly hot or cold.

The library, formally known as the Grinton I. Will Branch, opened in November 1962 and was designed in the mid-century modern style by architect Eli Rabineau, who was active in Westchester

County from 1946 until 1970. Rabineau, who died in 1991, designed many local public buildings and Jewish centers, including Bet Torah in Mount Kisco and Montessori School 27 in Yonkers.

The facade replacement, along with new terra cotta panels on the front of the children's wing, cost \$1.8 million and was the first phase of the Will branch's renovation. An additional \$2.4 million phase is ongoing and involves work on the building's rear exterior.

The entire building is expected to be done in about six months.

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May 9, 2018

## Voters approve Mount Vernon library budget

MOUNT VERNON - Voters approved the Mount Vernon Public Library's budget Tuesday and they elected three trustees.

The \$4.7 million budget was approved by a vote of 546 to 255, according to preliminary results announced Tuesday night. On Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. the library's Board of Trustees will meet to accept the preliminary vote tally.

There were also three trustee seats in contention on Tuesday with seven candidates. The winners were:

- Oscar Davis, Jr.
- Judy Williams
- Malcolm I. Clark

# The Journal News

LOCAL NEWS

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

## Cafe to open in White Plains Library on Wednesday

**Richard Liebson** Rockland/Westchester Journal News  
USA TODAY NETWORK

**WHITE PLAINS** – Patrons of the city's library will soon be able to enjoy conversations, sip barista-brewed coffee and munch on light foods when the new "Everyday Healthy Cafe" opens Wednesday.

A years-long renovation and re-invention of the four-decade-old White Plains Library resulted in the opening of "The Trove" children's library in 2005 and "The Edge" library for teens in 2013.

Since then, there have been renovations throughout the building, including the creation of a community meeting room, smaller conference rooms and office space.

"Our redesign is focused on meeting the needs of adults," Director Brian Kenney said. "We've made it exciting for our young people, and now we want to make it exciting for adults."

Enter the cafe — a public-private partnership between the library, the city and Sam's of Gedney Way. The restaurant has similar facilities at White Plains Hospital and the hospital's Center for Cancer Care. Peter Herrero, the restaurant's owner, "has lived in

White Plains his whole life and is involved in a lot of community-related activities," said Joe Sasso, executive chef at Sam's. "When he heard that the library wanted to open a cafe, he jumped at the opportunity." He said the cafe, in keeping with its name, will offer fresh, healthy drinks and snacks.

The cafe had a soft opening this week in preparation for its grand opening, scheduled for 11 a.m. Wednesday. It will be open from 7:30 a.m. to library closing time, but may begin opening at 6:30 a.m. if the demand is there.

"I think it's a fabulous idea, and I hope it does very well," said Vanessa Greenbaum, who was at the library on Thursday with her toddler grandson for "Trove Time," a literacy playtime program. "I'd love to get some coffee or tea while I'm here."

The bright, spacious cafe seats about 20, with tables and chairs for another 16 patrons outside, weather permitting. The cafe offers a variety of coffees, teas, smoothies and other drinks, along with "grab and go" foods including breakfast sandwiches, paninis and more.

Adding to the cafe's ambiance is the Friends of the White Plains Library used book store, also located in

the space once occupied by periodicals and microfilm machines. A browser's delight for decades, the store offers an eclectic mix of gently used books, all priced at \$1 or less.

"We're fortunate in that we have a very large facility, so we had space to work with in creating the cafe," Kenney said. "People love used book stores, so putting them together is a nice combination."

In all, some \$2.5 million was spent on the recent improvements. That included a \$1 million donation from an anonymous benefactor, a \$1 million match from the city and \$500,000 raised by the White Plains Library Foundation.

The result, Kenney said, is a revitalized community destination.

"In the digital age, I think people are looking for ways to come together," he said. "People want to connect face to face, especially if they've been sitting in front of a screen all day."

Visit [whiteplainslibrary.org](http://whiteplainslibrary.org) to learn more about the library's programs and events.

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Community

# Repeat Win for Ruth's Rubes

May 2, 2018 at 12:00 AM



The Ruth Keeler Memorial Library's Ruth's Rubes became a legacy team with its third win on Sunday, April 16, at the 15th annual Rube Goldberg Machine Contest at the Lower Hudson Valley Engineering Expo in White Plains.

In 2016, the team was awarded a special Rube Goldberg Legacy Award for presenting a machine that demonstrated a true understanding of the heart and soul of Rube Goldberg.

In 2017, it took second place in the overall competition. This year, it placed third while members had a great time presenting their machine and sharing what they learned with hundreds of middle-school students at the Expo's Test Lab Activity Room.

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The 10 members of the team are: Alex Coutsouradis, John Michael Daigneault, Finn Keenan, Emily Lehr, Josh Malvino, Rina Nishimura, Nicholas Pena, Aleia Rizzo, Laura Takken and Maya Wichman. The kids met on many Friday nights and Sunday afternoons beginning in January with coaches John and Eileen Diehl to create their machine.

Eileen Diehl is a teacher's assistant at PQ Elementary. In addition to running the after school STEM classes she promotes STEM activities at the library, North Salem's Mountain Lake Summer Camp and Pound Ridge Summer Camp. The Diehls lead the Girl Scouts robotics program and the Rube Goldberg competition.

The Rube Goldberg team also gets support from library director Carolyn Reznick.

The team has plans to make a final presentation at the Ruth Keeler Memorial Library before the next Board of Trustees meeting at 5 p.m. May 8.

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## 2018 Teen Video Challenge Winner – New York State and CSLP

*Summer Reading at New York Libraries* is proud to announce the 2018 CSLP **"Libraries Rock!"** Teen Video Challenge winner for New York State. The Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) Teen Video Challenge competition had many creative entries from New York State and across the country. All of the winning CSLP TVC videos can be viewed at [www.cslpreads.org](http://www.cslpreads.org)

### **2018 New York State Teen Video Challenge Winner – Larchmont Public Library**

"Libraries Rock!"

*Skeptical teen and friend venture to the public library. Skeptical teen articulates most (outdated) stereotypes associated with libraries. Simultaneously, as the pair walk through the Larchmont Public Library, 21st century library spaces and programs can be viewed in the background leading the skeptical teen to conclude, "Libraries Rock!"*



LIFESTYLE 04/23/2018

# Beam Me Up: Larchmont Library Celebrates Star Trek's 50th Anniversary



Jon Craig



Author and Captain Kirk lookalike Clive Young  
Photo Credit: *Contributed /Clive Young*

Recently, the most profitable and popular science fiction franchise in history celebrated its 50th anniversary. That franchise is "Star Trek."

On Sunday, April 29, at 4 p.m., the Friends of the Larchmont Public Library present Clive Young's "Beam Me Up: 50 Years of Star Trek," a fast-paced, multimedia program celebrating all things Star Trek.

Clive Young explores how creator Gene Roddenberry first envisioned the original TV show as a western in space, and then steadily built a team of legendary actors, brilliant writers and clear-sighted directors who brought the original crew's story to life across a TV series, animated children's show and six feature films between 1966 and 1991. Aimed at both beginner and longtime fans, the program follows Star Trek's long, tumultuous history and its continuing impact on pop culture around the world.

ADVERTISING

"Star Trek" was the most wildly successful failure in television history. First shown on NBC in September 1966, the original "Star Trek" lasted just three seasons before it was canceled -- only to be resuscitated in syndication and grow into a global entertainment mega-phenomenon.

A dozen movies, beginning with 1979's *Star Trek: The Motion Picture* and resuming this July with the director Justin Lin's "Star Trek Beyond." It finds Captain Kirk (Chris Pine) and Spock (Zachary Quinto) in deep space, where they are attacked by aliens and stranded on a distant planet -- a plot that may make some viewers glad that at least the special effects are new.

Over the decades "Star Trek" merchandise alone reportedly brought in some \$5 billion.

Clive Young has been a popular speaker at dozens of universities, libraries and conventions across the universe.

Clive Young is the author of "Homemade Hollywood, Fans Behind the Camera" and many other publications. Young is an author/lecturer covering the crossroads between high tech and popular culture. While he has covered the music industry as the senior editor of Pro Sound News for more than 15 years, he has also written for MTV, VH1, American Songwriter, Music Business International, Wine Enthusiast and other outlets. His latest book, *Homemade Hollywood* (Continuum; 2008), covers the emerging "fan film" culture, and received rave reviews from Total Film, the Times Literary Supplement and others, including Cory Doctorow, who called it "real treasure, an inspiration." His first book, "Crank It Up" (Backbeat Books; 2004), profiled the world's top roadies, receiving strong reviews from Billboard, Hit Parader, and specialist press.

The program is preceded by refreshments beginning at 3:30 p.m.

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# William T. Broadnax, Jr. Marks 50 Years at Ossining Library

*By Yvonne B. Bert*

the BOCES students, encouraging them to excel in whatever they attempted. Some of those same students continue to seek him out when they spend time at the Ossining Public Library.

In a recent interview, Bill responded to the following:

Why did you seek out the Ossining Public Library for employment? "I had just moved to Ossining, As a high school librarian, it seemed the ideal choice."

Why did you pursue Library Science? "As an English/Social Studies high school teacher, the library was the next step forward."

What are the most significant changes you have noticed at the Library? "Technology! The changes are technology driven. The library world is changing and the diversity and needs of the public is very challenging. The questions are different and with the use of on-line access, the research is faster and at your finger-tips. There is so much news worldwide and we have to keep up with it to be able to help people seeking information.

What are your most pleasant memories of your years at the Library? The satisfaction of meeting

the needs of patrons – students and adults.

Did you plan to stay so long? What kept you there? Never thought about the time. However, the joy and satisfaction of the job is the "keeper!"

Did you use the library when you were growing up? I had access to the school library. There was a library in the community for "whites only." When I was a teenager, after civil rights laws banned segregation, a new smaller public library was built for use by all.

Bill grew up in Columbus, Geor-

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gia, during the Jim Crow segregation era. In 1958, he graduated from Knoxville College in Knoxville, Tennessee, with a Bachelor of Science Degree in English and Social Studies. He then joined the U.S. Army and was honorably discharged after two years of service. Bill continued his education at Villanova University and earned a Master of Science in Library Science (MSLS), and later attended Drexel University, Columbia University and Syracuse University pursuing advanced education in Library Science. Before moving to Ossining, he taught English and Social Studies in the Philadelphia Public Schools, and after that as a Librarian in the Deptford Township Public Schools.

A lifetime member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), Bill became involved in the local chapter of the NAACP and served as President of the Ossining Branch (1974-1976) and also as Vice President (1977-1978). For 24 years, he coordinated "A Symphony of Fashions and Luncheon", the major fundraiser for the branch and a premier event in the community. Bill also served as Vice President and Life Membership Chairman of the Camden County, New Jersey Branch. On the National level, he was Vice President of the NAACP Life Membership Committee.

Bill is a member of the Board of Directors of the Cooperative Scholarship Fund of Ossining, and a member of the Peekskill Branch NAACP. His professional affiliations include membership in the Westchester Library Association, New York Library Association, American Library Association, and National Education Association.

The community is invited to join in the celebration of Ossining Public Library's own William T. Broadnax, Jr.'s 50th Anniversary on Saturday, April 21st, 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the OPL Budarz Theater, 53 Croton Avenue, Ossining, NY. A reception will follow in the Art Gallery. For additional information, contact James Trapasso at (914) 941-2416.

# WESTCHESTER COUNTY BUSINESS JOURNAL

GOOD THINGS HAPPENING

April 16, 2018

## NEW FOUNDATION TO SUPPORT YONKERS LIBRARY



The Riverfront Library in downtown Yonkers.

A nonprofit has been launched to help support the Yonkers Public Library. Called the Foundation for the Yonkers Public Library (FYPL), its mission is to further enhance the library's ability to provide outstanding programming, cutting-edge technology and vibrant meeting places that best serve Yonkers' diverse community. That goal will be achieved through fundraising, advocacy and community partnerships.

Leading the foundation are **Nancy Maron**, who is vice president of the library's board and **Anietra Guzmán-San-**

**tana**, president of the library board. The inaugural FYPL board of directors includes **Anna Birrittella, Edward Falcone, Mary Hoar, Joann Li, Diana Lugo-Martinez, Allison Marra, Jaime Martinez, Teresa Pereira, Kathleen Ruen, Kofi Sansculotte**, and **Richard Stoddard**.

In its first year, the foundation plans to support several key library initiatives, including the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten literacy program and public events at each branch throughout 2018, to celebrate the 125th anniversary of the YPL system. More information at [foundationforypl.org](http://foundationforypl.org).

## BCW's Green Business Partnership Facilitates Statewide Library Sustainability Initiative



Front Row – L-R: Rebekkah Aldrich Smith, Mid-Hudson Library System; Jill Davis, Hendrick Hudson Free Library; Jane Solnick, Con Edison; Dani Glaser, Green Business Partnership; Tara Seeley, Westchester Community Foundation; Claudia Depkin, Haverstraw King’s Daughters Public Library; Jeremy Johannesen, New York Library Association  
 Back Row – L-R: Peter McCartt, Westchester County; Rebecca T. Miller, Library Journal; John Ravitz, Business Council of Westchester; Scott Fernqvist, Green Business Partnership; Teresita Wisell, Westchester Community College

While much of the conversation about “going green” usually focuses on helping businesses and organizations *lessen* their impact on the environment, this most recent Leaders in Sustainability event was all about making *more* of an impact.

More than 70 attendees joined the Green Business Partnership for a thought-provoking panel event that made one thing clear: sustainability isn’t just about using fewer resources and limiting damage, but doing more with less.

So where do libraries come in? With 756 public libraries in New York that employ 31,00 people and serve 10.6 million cardholders – they are a tremendous resource, a large employer, and a place where New York’s future business leaders and workforce learn. A perfect example of this is the “Repair Café” at the Gardiner Library, where kids are taught by a volunteer “repair coach” to fix broken electronics, rather than just throw them away and get new ones. This reduces waste and helps youth develop valuable analytical and problem-solving skills.

With so much opportunity and possibility, we were thrilled to hear Peter McCartt, who attended the event on behalf of George Latimer, call the Green Business Partnership “one of the best programs in Westchester,” and express the County Executive’s support and enthusiasm.

As panelist Rebecca Miller said, the Green Business Partnership provides the framework to accelerate the work of becoming sustainable. To learn more and get started, visit [www.greenbusinesspartnership.org](http://www.greenbusinesspartnership.org).

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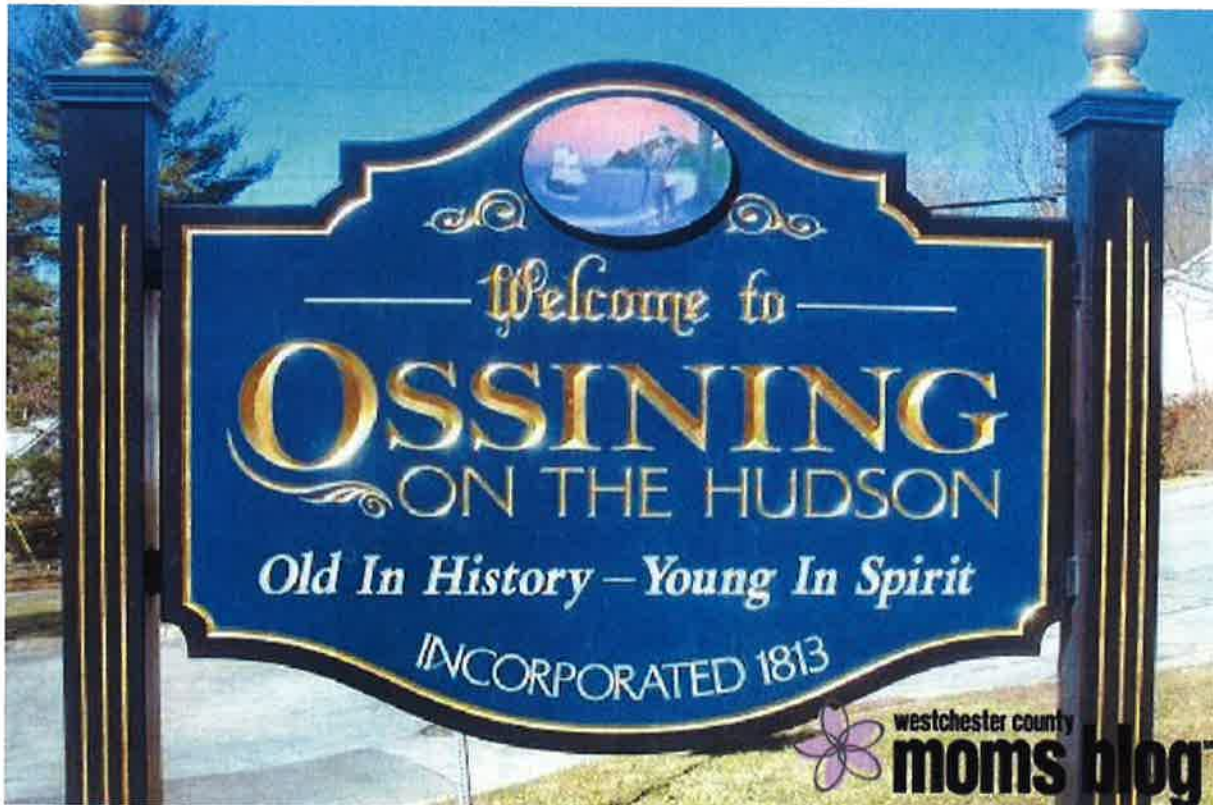
# PASSIONATE ABOUT THE WESTCHESTER COUNTY AREA AND THE MOMS WHO LIVE HERE

☰ Menu



## Spotlight on Westchester: Ossining

by Amy on [February 19, 2018](#) in Food, Local Business, Mom, Play Dates, Things to Do, Westchester



Ossining is a beautiful and vibrant Hudson Line community in Northern Westchester. With its lovely downtown and beautiful riverfront, Ossining is a wonderful place to live or visit. With or without the kiddos, there's plenty to

do.

## What To Do:

**Ossining Public Library:** Our library is big, beautiful, and offers a metric ton of fun activities for kids. From the children's library to the weekly playgroup classes, OPL is a lovely spot to spend a rainy afternoon or to learn alongside your little ones. There is also a great performance space downstairs that frequently hosts concerts, art shows, and other community events. Check out [their calendar](#) to see what's coming up.

**Dragonfly Wellness:** The best yoga instructors around. Dragonfly has a beautiful and unassuming space, perfect for a quick retreat from the every day. Check out a class and you'll feel refreshed and serene as you head back into the world.

**Mike Risko Music:** A full service music store and music school, Mike Risko Music is a great community spot. If you're looking for music lessons for yourself or your child, this is the place to go. Some of their unique programs include adult rock band (they have it for kids too) and children's theater productions. If you're looking for live music, The [Mike Risko Band](#) is great, and they perform all over Westchester. They often host free shows of their students performing and do kids' birthday parties too.

## Head Outside:

**Louis Engel Park:** This riverfront park adjacent to the train station is the home of many wonderful O-Town festivals and events. Friday nights in the summer feature a fabulous concert series, and in April the park hosts the biggest Earth Day celebration in Westchester. It's also a great place to just throw rocks in the river with kids. When the weather warms up, Engel Park's spray park is a super fun place to splash around.

**Veteran's Memorial Park:** This park has something fun going on at all times of the year. In the winter you can pack up your skates and hit the ice at Vet's park. They have a playground, fields, and small picnic pavilion as well. Ossining has a great park in nearly every neighborhood. Check out [the map here](#) for more info.

**Ossining Farmers Market:** Venture down Main to Market Square on a Saturday morning and you'll find a wide variety of seasonal produce along with free range meat and eggs, bread, and pickles. The farmers market is year-round, but moves indoors during the coldest months.

**Teatown:** My favorite place to hike and picnic, Teatown boasts an amazing nature center and beautiful scenery. You can walk around the lake and unpack your lunch at the gazebo or meander around the birds of prey trail. Go during the week when parking is free.

## Where to Eat:

**DD's Diner:** Our go-to place for after church, DD's is one of the areas newer diners and serves up a menu of delicious sandwiches, salads, and breakfasts.



# The Journal News

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LOCAL NEWS  
Friday, February 9, 2018

## Local Black History Month events

**Feb. 15**

Free screening of "Soundtrack for a Revolution," a documentary about the music of the Civil Rights movement through archival footage, interviews with participants, and versions of classic songs by today's recording artists, followed by a panel discussion. 6:30 p.m. Ossining Public Library, 53 Croton Ave.

# The Journal News

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LOCAL NEWS  
Wednesday, January 31, 2018

## Yonkers library opens Local History Incubator, wants public to share photos, memories

**Ernie Garcia**, [elgarcia@lohud.com](mailto:elgarcia@lohud.com)

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*(Photo: Ernie Garcia/The Journal News)*

YONKERS - The Yonkers Public Library has opened a Local History Incubator that librarians hope will motivate the public to share their photographs and memories.

The incubator at the Grinton I. Will branch at 1500 Central Park Ave. consists of a computer and high-resolution scanner for photographs in one room and high-quality recording gear and microphones in an adjacent soundproof room for capturing oral histories and for making podcasts.

"We would love to hear about people's memories of the library," said Christian Zabriskie, the Will branch's administrator, who is interested in family photos that have a broader historical value. "In a shoe box somewhere in your house there might be a view of downtown Yonkers nobody has seen from an old parade."

For now, the \$11,000 incubator is open by appointment only and the goal is to offer the public training classes on using the scanners and the audio recording equipment.

The new gear has already allowed Yonkers librarians to upload old photos to the [Yonkers Public Library Archive](http://archive.ypl.org/) (<http://archive.ypl.org/>). Old photos on the online archive include images of the library's old bookmobile and the construction and opening of the Will branch.

So far the online archive has seven collections, including contributions from the [Yonkers Police Museum](http://www.yonkersny.gov/live/public-safety/police-department/yonkers-police-museum) (<http://www.yonkersny.gov/live/public-safety/police-department/yonkers-police-museum>) and the United States Volunteer Life Saving Corps.

The library is particularly interested in images from private collections showing events or people inside or outside of old Yonkers libraries because the system is about to begin celebrating its 125 anniversary.

Many public libraries host archives of some sort. The Yonkers Public Library's Riverfront branch stores many old records and books related to the city's history, while the Will branch houses the office of the Yonkers Historical Society.

Zabriskie said the incubator is an effort to crowd-source local history so that local people have a say in preserving history. The incubator is also intended to build stronger relationships among librarians and the public they serve.

"This is really just a continuation in the movement of modern librarianship to be more active in the community," he said.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2018

## Letters to the Editor

### Board should not compromise transparency and accountability

To the Editor:

While we acknowledge the hard work of the Pound Ridge library board of trustees and are grateful for their service, we also know that transparency and accountability by these board members cannot be compromised. We are quite certain that the board has broken New York State Open Meetings Law (statutes enacted by the legislature in 1976 under the Freedom of Information Law) by holding a secret, stand-alone executive session Dec. 3, 2017, in which they look action to vote on a resolution. The board failed to convene a public meeting in advance, failed to notify the news media and the public.

The official meeting minutes requested by the Committee of Concerned Citizens were denied by the board and when finally posted, three weeks late, did not record the vote count — again disregarding the Open Meetings Law. According to an Advisory by the New York State Committee on Open Government in Albany (who reviewed legal documentation), these actions fail to uphold the Open Meetings Law. Additionally, the COOC has confirmed that the action of voting on this resolution at this secret executive session does not fall within attorney-client privilege (as the board claimed), so this meeting is not exempt from the law.

Our inconvenient questions to this board are important. Citizens and citizen watchdog organizations have the right to challenge the validity of actions, decisions, and wrongdoing. We urge the board to take the high road and admit their mistakes. We ask that going forward this board upholds the New York State Open Meetings Law, so we can all be assured that the actions of the library are done in good faith, with genuine transparency and accountability.

Audrey Insoft  
Paula Cappa  
Co-chairs, Committee of  
Concerned Citizens

only if you put your thumb on the scale.

The one place where the equation is different is dining. Sure, there is Fresh Direct and Blue Apron to get either raw ingredients or ready-to-sauté meals directly to your kitchen. But if you want to choose from a menu and have someone make it for you, you either have to go to a restaurant or be a college kid home on break with a mother who misses you dearly. Amazon won't cut it.

Even then, location and ease of access make a difference. If you have to travel far or look for a place to leave your car, the equation starts to tip. Regardless of how enticing the menu, if it's a trial to get to the front door of the establishment it's just as easy to pick another. After all, meatballs aren't exclusive.

Still, when we journeyed to nearby Port Chester for dinner, we knew what we were in for. It's a little farther than a casual jaunt, but it was a quiet night during the holidays. And