A new era of community-based healthcare was ushered in with the ribbon-cutting of a state-of-the-art surgical and oncology pavilion at NewYork-Presbyterian Lawrence Hospital. Top hospital administrators, medical staff, and community and government leaders toured the new 36,000-square-foot space to learn about services offered at NewYork-Presbyterian Lawrence. The cancer center, a collaboration between Columbia University Medical Center, our academic partner, and NYP Lawrence Hospital, and provides a comprehensive menu of services from prevention to diagnosis to advanced treatments and survivorship. New operating rooms will serve all of the inpatient surgical needs of the hospital. Radiation oncology, a new program for the hospital, includes a PET (positron emission tomography)/CT (computerized tomography) Scan and a LINAC (linear accelerator) machine. The LINAC offers the most advanced linear accelerator available. A satellite laboratory and pharmacy are situated adjacent to the infusion therapy suite for an efficient flow.

Patients now have access to disease-specific management teams focused on areas such as breast, lung, and gynecologic cancer. The physician teams include cancer specialists who are members of the highly regarded NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Westchester and ColumbiaDoctors faculty practices. Many of these physicians are members of the Herbert Irving Comprehensive Cancer Center / at NewYork-Presbyterian Columbia University Medical Center—one of only three National Cancer Institute-Designated Comprehensive Cancer Centers in New York State. These physician teams, new technology, access to clinical trials, and disease-specific management teams elevate the level of care provided. Navigators assist patients through their treatment journeys, ensuring that they understand what is happening during each step of treatment and schedule follow-up appointments. Additional programs include enhanced support and survivorship programs, genetics counseling, nutrition care, pain management, and palliative care.

Being a part of the NewYork-Presbyterian system has major benefits. The NYP Lawrence Cancer Center offers patients access to the most advanced treatment and clinical trials at NewYork-Presbyterian Columbia University Medical Center’s Herbert Irving Comprehensive Cancer Center. There is a true collaboration among the teams and through advances such as video conferencing, patients can discuss treatment options and physicians can consult with colleagues without having to travel to the city.

“This center is a major expansion for NYP Lawrence Hospital and allows us to provide all the services our patients need under one roof in their community,” said NYP Lawrence Hospital President Michael J. Fosina. “More importantly, patients can receive those services from a top-notch team of physicians from continued on page 11.
Reaction to Anti-Semitic and Anti-Black Graffiti Found on Bronx River Bike Path

Reacting to anti-Semitic and anti-black graffiti scrawled along the Bronx River bike path in White Plains, County Executive Robert P. Astorino made it clear that hate speech has no place in Westchester.

"Bigotry in any of its forms will not be tolerated in Westchester," said Astorino, who was joined by James Castro-Blanco, the executive director of the Westchester County Human Rights Commission, and George Longworth, commissioner of the Westchester County Human Rights Commission. At a press conference at the scene of the vandalism just south of the Metro North train station. "This type of activity is criminal and will be prosecuted."

The Westchester County police received a report around 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 13, about the graffiti. The footpath and bridge were defaced with spray-painted scrawling, which included a swastika, the initials, KKK, and various racial slurs.

All of the graffiti was removed by the county. A police investigation is underway, and Astorino has directed Commissioner Longworth to place additional resources and surveillance in all public areas owned by the county, including more inspections of county trail ways and bike paths.

With the presidential election now over, Astorino said it was important for all sides to now come together to strengthen our nation.

"That starts with respect, and as County Executive, I want everyone to know county government will remain vigilant in its efforts to ensure that the rights, dignity and safety of all our people are protected every day.

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Jansen Hospice and Palliative Care’s ‘Better than Cooking Dinner’ a Resounding Success!

With more than 200 guests in attendance, fun and delicious and all for a great cause were some of the topics of conversation on everyone’s mind at the 17th annual Better Than Cooking Dinner held on October 19th. Hosted by the Bronxville Field Club, this fabulous event raised over $50,000 – all to benefit the remarkable programs and services offered by Jansen Hospice and Palliative Care.

Bronxville residents, Michelle McBride and Sharon Parson, were co-chairs for this year’s event, and together, they rallied their remarkable benefit committee to make the evening a resounding success.

A special hats off and thank you from all at Jansen Hospice to the amazing chefs, restaurants and country clubs who each year truly make Better Than Cooking an event to be savored and enjoyed. And, to the Bronxville Field Club, for their gracious generosity as hosts of this extraordinary evening.

Visit jansenhospice.org for more information.

Ellen I. Larson 1958-2016

Ellen I. Larson of Deep River, CT passed away November 2, 2016 at the age of 58 after fighting breast cancer with bravery. She was born in Cleveland, OH to Edwin and Margaret (Decker) Larson. She is survived by her husband Charles W. Hedge of Deep River, CT; sisters Elizabeth Larson Dills of Boston, MA and Margaret Ann Larson White (Douglas) of Charlotte, NC; nephews Alexander Dills and Edwin White; step children Heather Bean (Jeff), Holly Hedge, and Trevor Hedge; step grandchildren Kelly Bean, Lilly Bean, Jacob Palmieri, Abby Palmieri and Cassie Palmieri.

Ellen attended Shaker Heights High, Colgate University receiving a BA, Phi Beta Kappa in 1980, an MBA from NYU and was a CPA and CFA. She spent her entire career in Manhattan and most recently as a Managing Director at FTI Consulting where she specialized in valuations allowing her passion of numbers and analysis to be utilized.

Ellen continued to live in Bronxville after she found her beloved weekend home in Deep River called Honeyspot. She fell in love with Chuck after he hand crafted a beautiful display case for her antique tea cup collection. Their love grew and they were married in 2006. Ellen enjoyed antique collecting, cooking, swimming and had a passion for gardening. She was known for her gracious style, generous ways, positive attitude and strength.

A memorial service for Ellen was held on Saturday, November 12, 2016 at the Deep River Congregational Church, 1 Church Street, Deep River, CT. Arrangements were handled by Robinson Wright & Weymer funeral home in Centerbrook, CT.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the ‘Ellen I. Larson, Class of 1980, Memorial Scholarship’ fund at Colgate University, Attn: Stewardship Funds, 13 Oak Dr., Hamilton, NY 13346.
From the Mayor’s Office

BY MAYOR MARY MARVIN

November 29, 2016

“Small Business” Saturday – held last month – offered incentives to shop small and local. Social and economic facts prove that it is a “bargain” to shop in one’s hometown small stores every day. The beneficial nexus is clear:

• Small businesses generate local sales tax revenue that is a vital component of every community’s budget. If we lost that one revenue line in the Bronxville budget and all other line items remained flat, your Village taxes would have risen 12 percentage points last year!

• For every dollar spent in a locally owned independent store, $68 returns to the community. This occurs because of the multiplier effect as small business hire local accountants, architects, computer specialists, sign makers, attorneys etc. Local merchants often even buy ancillary supplies from each other.

• If the same item is purchased at a chain or a mall store, less than $40 returns “home.” The reason being chain stores often bypass local service providers, rather having everything handled homogeneously through “headquarters.” Thus, the local accounting firm doesn’t have a chance to even pitch business. And if all of one’s shopping is done on the internet, nothing flows back to the community where the package was delivered.

To play out an all too possible scenario as internet sales increase significantly on a yearly basis, and mom and pop stores close at an alarming rate, if our small downtown shuttered, there would be an immediate 12 to 15 percent tax increase and/or municipal services cut so drastically that quality of life in the Village would be severely affected. Home values would decrease due to their location so close to a non-thriving business district. Home prices are directly related to the nearby amenities offered in the surrounding area, be they attractive gift shops, movie theaters, exercise studios, or small restaurants.

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I believe in my core that each time you spend a retail dollar, you must weigh the full value of your choice, not the immediate financial “deal”/ benefit, but rather look to the future and what you want for the sustainability of your hometown.

The disappearance of local businesses leaves a social and economic void that is palpable and real – even if unmeasured by an index. The quality of life of a community will change more quickly and negatively than any economic indicator can translate.

A small business district is a treasure - a glue that defines a community – a place where seniors and stroller meet.

Small town businesses not only provide convenient access, they save on fuel and ancillary costs, encourage a walking environment, foster a human connection often lost between a merchant and customer and local merchants support the local community with raffle donations, prizes, gift certificates.

Important to note, when was the last time a donated prize at St. Joe’s events, the Bronxville School, the Junior League was from Amazon.com or Costco?

A purchase made in our Village not only delivers a much deserved message of appreciation to our merchants for their sustained local generosity, but our stores offer unique, personalized gifts that are often delivered, wrapped, explained in detail and able to be returned. Small stores also buy from other small start-up manufacturers whose unique products are not produced on a scale mass enough to be a part of a national sales plan for a chain or big box store.

Net net, a purchase in the Village sends money directly back to our public school and Village government via the significant share of the tax burden our small businesses shoulder though they do not use the school or use many municipal services, most notably having their garbage collected privately versus Village labor.

Bronxville shop owners are vested in our community and the unique ambiance/vibe they provide and the pleasing windowscapes that grace our downtown will remain a permanent attribute of our Village only if we walk in and support the merchant inside. As is borne out economically and socially, a purchase made in the Village is the ultimate long term “bar gain.”

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The Bronxville School Foundation Announces Fall 2016 Campaign

The Bronxville School Foundation launched its Fall fundraising campaign. Founded by a group of forward thinking community members in 1991, the Bronxville School Foundation raises funds each year for projects proposed mainly by teachers and administrators that provide students with educational experiences beyond the scope of the school’s budget.

“With the District budget tightening, Foundation grants and the projects they fund are more important than ever to maintain the school’s excellence and fulfill the Bronxville Promise for our children. We can’t do it without the support of the Bronxville community. I hope that everyone will donate generously to this year’s Community Drive.” stated Lisa Barr, Chairman of the Board.

Last year, the Foundation awarded forty-four grants totaling $775,000 that include exciting, weeklong i2 Learning STEM immersion projects for the elementary and middle schools, a school energy audit project aided by high school science students and a Maker-Space transformation for the elementary library. Since its inception 26 years ago, the Foundation has awarded 643 grants totaling more than $8.3 million to strengthen the curriculum through innovative programs, faculty training and enhanced educational resources, and to provide new technologies and improvements to school facilities and equipment. Almost $4 million of these grants were awarded in just the past six years.

The Foundation’s Grants Committee is actively engaged with the District to understand the highest-priority programming, equipment, and professional development that still falls through the scope of the school’s budget.

Holiday Package Delivery Guidelines

BY CHIEF CHRISTOPHER SATRIALE

Several neighboring communities are experiencing thefts of packages delivered to unoccupied homes. As the holiday season approaches we expect an increase in these thefts. Please follow the below guidelines for placing orders and selecting delivery options:

- Ask for a tracking number. Most major shipping companies offer this service at no charge. This number allows you to track your packages and notifies you when they will be delivered.

- Request a “Signature Delivery Option”. This requires a signature when the packages are delivered and ensures they will not be left at the front door.

- Request a specific drop off time and date when you will be home to accept your packages.

- Arrange to have your packages held at the shipping service so you can pick them up.

- Ask the delivery service to leave your packages at a side or back door. An enclosed porch where packages are out of sight is also a good option.

- Have your packages delivered to your workplace.

- Have your packages delivered to the home of a relative or neighbor who will be there to accept them.

- Ask to have your packages delivered to a retailer store so you can pick them up at your convenience.

- Ask a trustworthy neighbor to keep a “Watchful Eye” out for your packages. If they’re willing, ask them to safeguard your packages until you return home.

- If your packages do not arrive as scheduled contact the sender immediately.

Please report suspicious activity or person(s) to the Police Department immediately.

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Bayside Travel’s Annual Travel Showcase

On November 17, Barbara Nichvals, third from right and some of the staff of Bayside Travel held a well attended Travel Showcase at the Pelham Country Club.
Village to Mark JFK Centennial

BY STEPHEN E. LIPKEN

At the beginning of the Bronxville Board of Trustees Work Session on Monday, November 14, Mayor Mary C. Marvin relayed the request of the Bronxville Historical Conservancy to place “a Federal Mark or Medallion” at the site of the Joseph P. Kennedy Estate on 294 Pondfield Road on the occasion of President John F. Kennedy’s 100th birthday (1917-1963).

“Five houses are now on the Kennedy property,” Marvin stated. “Teddy went to the Bronxville public school and married Joan at St. Joseph’s Church. I don’t want the marker placed near the street and turn it into a Chappaqua ‘cul-de-sac,’ with cars turning left on Masterton Road.”

It was suggested that some type of memorial be placed at Leonard Morange Square.

In the Mayor’s Report, Marvin gave a Special Presentation to Anna Longobardo for her long and distinguished service to the Village. “In the mid-’90’s, Anna chaired a special committee to formulate a Central Business District Plan. She joined our Design and Review Committee in 1992 and served until 2011, seventeen years of which she was the Chair.

“Anna served on the Planning Board from 1994 until the present; 22 years as Vice Chairman. We have her to thank for the Kensington Project. She did it with such grace, such civility and talent,” Marvin concluded.

Then the Board approved Local Law 4-2016, prohibiting parking on the west side of Pondfield Road from the southern curb line of Gramatan Avenue to the northern curb line of Normandy Road.

Local Law 5-2016 prevents bicycling on sidewalks in the Central Business District, rubbish swept by businesses onto streets plus keeping their sidewalks free of litter.

The Bronxville School Foundation Announces Fall 2016 Campaign

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outside of what the school budget is able to cover. Money raised last year was immediately put to work this summer. “We were able to fund training across all three schools in several new teaching strategies, including the Columbia Teachers College Writing and Reading program, as well as project-based learning and Socratic seminar methods. We also funded the renovation of the Cardio Center and Weight rooms used by physical education classes and team athletes, in addition to funding many other programs,” stated Jennifer Thomas, Vice-President of Development.

The Foundation relies almost exclusively on its Fall campaign for grant money. “A strong response by school families and community members to our fall fund-raising letter is essential to our success. We hope even more families will support the Foundation this year,” said Thomas.

In the 2017 Spring grant process, the Foundation will be carefully reviewing grant applications from administrators, faculty, students and parents. “It’s the community’s tradition of generosity and commitment to quality education that allows us to transform innovative grant ideas into reality,” said Executive Director Peggy Williams.

For more information on the Fall 2016 Campaign and to make donations, contact Executive Director, Peggy Williams at (914) 395-0515 or visit www.BronxvilleSchoolFoundation.org

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Upcoming

Westchester County Holiday Model Train Display takes place weekends through December 18 at Lasdon Park Arboretum and Veterans Memorial in Somers. Santa will be on hand, visitors can take tractor drawn wagon rides and the Lasdon main garden will display the huge model train display. The library will present holiday movies and storytelling at various times. The Garden Shop will be open for business, selling refreshments, poinsettias, Christmas trees, wreaths and gifts. For hours and prices visit www.lasdonpark.org or call 846-7268.

The Bronxville Public Library, 201 Pondfield Road, Bronxville hosts the following Adult programs: Dec. 8 at 2pm, A Gift Basket Making Demonstration; The Coloring Group meets every Monday at 1:30; The social knitting and crochet group meets every Wednesday at 11am; December movies take place on Dec. 6 at 6:30pm screening A Christmas Carol and Dec. 14 at 1:30pm screening National Tree. Two concerts are planned: “An American Holiday in Song” on Dec. 10 at 3pm featuring Caroline Doctorow; And Dec. 18 “For Good Measure” an A Capella troupe from Scarsdale performs at 3pm. For Teens the Library offers Life Size Jenga and Checkers on Dec. 7 at 3:15; and the teen movie selection is “TMNT: Out of the Shadows” on Dec. 29 at 2pm; a teen STEM program is planned for Dec. 28 at 2pm. Children’s activities are: Dec. 6 at 4pm, Electricity and Circuitry, for ages 8-11; Dec. 13 at 4pm, “Bricks-4-Kids: Space Robot” for ages 5 and up; And on Dec. 20 at 4pm, Author Reading & Workshop for ages 4 and up. All programs require registration, call 337-7680 or visit bronxvillalibrary.org.

Christ Church, 17 Sagamore Road, Bronxville hosts the following December events: Dec. 11 at 10am, Holy Eucharist featuring the Parish Choir; Dec. 18, at 10am, Holy Eucharist and later at 11:15am, The Christmas Party; Dec. 24 - at 4pm, The Family Christmas Creche Mass - at 10:30pm The Christmas Prelude - at 11pm, The Solomon Midnight Mass; Dec. 25 at 10am, The Christmas Mass. Call 337-3544 for additional details.

December 5 – 9 has been designated Older Driver Safety Week in Westchester. A series of five “Keys to Safe Driving” sessions will take place at various locations in Ossining, Peekskill, Mamaroneck, Mt. Vernon and Yorktown. Each session will cover similar materials, call 813-6188 or visit bdc1@westchestergov.com for additional information.

Westchester Country Parks features the following programs: Dec. 10, from 1:30pm, Winter Wildflower Arrangements at Edith G. Read Wildlife Sanctuary, Playland Park, Rye; Dec. 10, from 2-3:30pm, a Winter Stroll at Cranberry Lake Preserve, Old Orchard Street, North White Plains; Dec. 11, from 2 – 3:30pm, Pre-Holiday Candle Making at Marshalls Conservatory, Route 1, Rye. Additional information available at parks.westchestergov.com. For details on the annual holiday events visit www.nps.gov/sapa.

The Bartow Pell Mansion Museum, 895 Shore Road, The Bronx, hosts the following: December 7 at 2:30pm and 4pm, a Gingerbread House Workshop; advanced registration required; and The Bronx Arts Ensemble Presents The Manhattan Brass Quintet, Holiday Concert on December 10 at 10:30am and 3pm registration required; Candlelight tours of the mansion take place on December 20, from 6-8pm, registration requested. Call 718-885-1461 or visit info@bpmm.org or call 718-817-8700 for reservations.

On Dec. 10 at 4pm the Reformed Church of Bronxville, 180 Pondfield Road, Bronxville invites the community to its annual Messiah Sing Along conducted by Dr. Sandor Szabo. Scores will be provided and a reception will follow. For additional information call 337-6776.

The League of Women Voters of Westchester host retired Chief Judge of New York State and Chief Judge of the New York State Court of Appeals, The Honorable Jonathan Lippman who will be the speaker at the annual holiday luncheon on Dec. 9 at 1pm at the Scarsdale Woman’s Club, 37 Drake Road, Scarsdale. Visit www.lwv.org for tickets.

New Roc City, 33 LeCount Place, New Rochelle offers their “Ring in the New Year at Noon” event on Dec. 31, for kids 2 – 10, in the atrium, from 10:30am – 12:30pm. The highlight is the countdown to a 3000+ balloon drop at noon. Registration is required at newrochelle-downtown.com

The Bartow Pell Mansion Museum will be open for special holiday event hours on December 3 from 10 a.m.–1 p.m. only, and the museum will be closed on Sunday, December 4 and Sunday, December 5. Bartow-Pell Mansion will be open for additional public hours to view the mansion and trees decorated for the season Monday, December 26 through Friday, December 30, 12 to 4 p.m. Cost: $5 adults, $3 seniors and students, free for children under age 6. For complete details, visit bpmm.org

The Symphony of Westchester, 11 at 3pm, with violinist Alex Abayev, Symphony of Westchester’s Concertmaster, at J. Murphy Auditorium, 715 Center Ave. at Mamaroneck Ave. Visit www.thesymphonyofwestchester.org or by phone 654-4926. The program is sponsored by Friends of the Yonkers Public Library and is free, no tickets are required. The Gleec Club is under the direction of Master Robert Sonnenberg. Call 337-1500 for additional details.

Sarah Lawrence College hosts the following events: Dec. 8 at 7pm, a South Indian Solkattu Concert at Marshall Field House, 1 Mead Way, Bronxville; Dec. 9 at 7pm an African Classics Concert at 7pm, in the Marshall Field House; Dec. 12 at 7:30pm, The College Jazz Instrumental Concert at the Marshall Field House; Dec. 13 and Dec. 14 at 7:30pm, The Merce Cunningham Performance Project with Holley Farmer and Barbara Bray Ketchum, Artist-in-residence at the Performing Arts Center; Bessie Schönberg Dance Studio, Sarah Lawrence College, 1 Mead Way, Bronxville. All events are free and open to the public. For a complete listing visit collegeevents@sarahlawrence.edu.

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In White Plains, a New Year’s Eve Celebration starting at 10pm in at Main and Court Streets, featuring a DJ and live music, a ball drop, confetti and a spectacular fireworks display at midnight. There are four gated entry points: Main St at Church St; Renaissance Sq. at Williams St; Court St at Martine Ave.; and Martine Ave. at Marmonack Ave.

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First Graders Thank Veterans

Each year, The Chapel School’s first graders are given an important homework assignment in early November. They are asked to identify a relative or family friend who fought in a war and bring the name and address of that veteran to school. The students then reported to their class how they know or are related to the veteran, what war they fought in, and why they are brave. A lesson in how to handwrite letters results in a thank you note to his/her veteran for serving in the military to keep us safe from harm and protect our freedom. They are mailed from school in time to be received for Veteran’s Day.

This holiday season, everyone has so much to be thankful. Remembering veterans and those who serve today is very important. The Chapel School is a place where service as a way of life is promoted to all students and families. Students participate in Midnight Runs, food collections for ECAP, and other projects to help those in need throughout the school year. Sharing time, talents, and treasures with people in the community and around the world distinguishes The Chapel School as a caring place where God’s love is freely shared.

Mindy Corporon, founder of SevenDays.org. Corporon spoke of the senseless tragedy she and her family endured on April 13, 2014, when her 14-year-old son and father were collateral victims during the fatal shooting by a neo-Nazi at the Jewish Community Campus and Village Shalom in Overland Park, Kansas. She also spoke of her family’s proud history, as her grandmother saved a Jewish family from Hitler’s Nazis in Greece during WWII.

“Make a Ripple: Change the World’.

Mindy Corporon, founder of SevenDays.org shares the message “Make a Ripple, Change the World” with 7th Graders from The Chapel School.

ELA Teacher MaryAnn Cahalin. “Mrs. Corporon spoke of learned hatred, the importance of tolerance and the power of kindness and love. The slogan for her organization is ‘Make a Ripple: Change the World’.

What a wonderful message of empowerment and hope for our future leaders.”

Note: Yvette Manessis Corporon, mother of Chapel School 7th Grader Nico, wrote a novel based on the heroics of her grandmother-in-law called, When the Cypress Whispers.

Third Graders Get Hands On

In September, third graders at The Chapel School visited The Stepping Stones Museum for Children, in Norwalk, Connecticut. In addition to exploring hands-on activities in various exhibit galleries, the children enhanced their trip with a Water Cycle workshop. The students developed an understanding of weather by experiencing the water cycle and exploring where and how water affects the world in which we live.

The students discovered the essential role that water plays in our lives by exploring the water cycle. They experimented with evaporation and condensation and learned how water affects the world in which we live. The students observed where and in which forms water can be found. They also organized data that they collected and analyzed a poem to review each part of the cycle. They experimented with evaporation and condensation, and learned how water affects their world.

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A contribution to The Community Fund is a direct investment in our community with 100% of donations made to our Annual Campaign going directly back to the community via grants. Contributions can be made by mail, on-line, through a stock donation, or by designating The Community Fund in your company’s United Way, Employee Giving or Matching Gift programs.

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For more information about the Fund and the agencies and programs we support, please visit The Community Fund website at www.thecommunityfund.org.
Art Exhibition Created by Eastchester and Tuckahoe High School Students at OSilas Gallery

The fourth annual pARTners exhibition opened at OSilas Gallery recently. This exhibition is an art installation created by Eastchester and Tuckahoe high school students. Given the theme of “Reform & Revolution,” special needs students, their peers and art teachers created individual works of art that culminated in this colorful and evocative installation in collaboration with Concordia College students, emphasizing the importance of creating art together.

The students from Tuckahoe High School took their inspiration from Andy Warhol and created a series of prints featuring familiar items, such as a smart phone and video game control, as well as enormous soup cans in reference to Warhol’s iconic work. Tuckahoe art teacher Danielle Cacace stated, “The students focused on “revolution” as a time of change, collecting inventions that were created to make life easier and transitioning everyday items into works of art.” She added, “Our students look forward to the pARTners exhibition each year and to sharing their art with family and friends.”

The students from the Eastchester High School “Global Crafts” class created silhouettes of each other to represent a diverse selection of activists and bold personalities. Considering the theme “Reform & Revolution,” students looked to revolutionary figures of the past and present to inspire their work. “It was beautiful to see such a diverse group of students working together on this body of work. They selected topics and figures that were meaningful to them, and physically used their own silhouettes to embody those concepts,” added Eastchester High School art teacher Matthew Robinson.

pARTners 2016 is sponsored by The Heart of Neiman Marcus Foundation. The mission of The Heart of Neiman Marcus is to help bring enriching arts experiences to youth . . . because ART changes lives. OSilas is very grateful for the Foundation’s support of the Gallery’s youth programs.

Reform & Revolution will be on view through December 10 at OSilas Gallery, Concordia College, 171 White Plains Road, Bronxville. For more information about OSilas Gallery and its events and exhibitions, go to osilasgallery.org.
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Bronxville School Foundation Announces New Board Member

The Bronxville School Foundation recently announced a new board member, Katherine Calvert. Katherine is filling the remainder of the term of a board member that recently moved from Bronxville.

Katherine Calvert graduated from the University of California at Berkeley and holds a BA in English. She is currently working as a fractional CMO for technology companies while serving as a Board member for Marstone, Inc, a digital advisory startup based in New York City. Until the company’s recent acquisition, Katherine spent ten years at Advent Software, a publicly traded FinTech company, where she served as the Chief Marketing Officer. She is also an elected Director of the General Alumni Association for Phillips Exeter Academy, and a member of the Fund Board for the non-profit Jansen Center for Hospice and Palliative Care. She and her husband Gray have three children attending the Bronxville School.

The Bronxville School Foundation Board Chair, Lisa Smith Barr said, “Katherine’s intelligence and enthusiasm will serve the mission of the Foundation well. Her experience in technology and marketing, as well as her work on other nonprofit boards, will make her a valuable addition to our Board and all of us are looking forward to welcoming her and working with her.”

If you have any questions or would like to learn more about the Bronxville School Foundation, contact Peggy Williams, Executive Director at 395-0515, any Board members, or visit www.BronxvilleSchoolFoundation.org.

Westchester County Holiday Toy & Gift Drive Underway

In the hopes that every child can feel the joy of opening a special gift this holiday season, County Executive Robert P. Astorino announced that the Westchester County Holiday Toy & Gift Drive will be collecting new, unwrapped gifts and donations through December 13. Monetary donations are welcome in the form of gift cards, cash or checks made out to the Westchester Child Welfare Holiday Fund.

“‘For many of these kids, your donation may be the only gift they get to open,” Astorino said. “Together we can help brighten a child’s holiday, and as always, I am so thankful to all who are able to give.”

The toy and gift drive will benefit babies through teens living in foster care or residential centers in Westchester. It is being run once again by the Westchester County Department of Social Services (DSS).

Contact Bryan Paler, of DSS, at bqpp@westchestergov.com or 995-3987 to give a gift card, cash or check and to receive a receipt for your donation.

Collection bins will be located on the first floor of the Westchester County Office Building, 148 Martine Ave., White Plains, as well as the following DSS offices:

- Central Office, 112 E. Post Rd., White Plains
- Mount Vernon District Office, 100 East First St.
- White Plains District Office, 85 Court St.
- Yonkers District Office, 131 Warburton Ave.
- Training Center, 10 County Center Rd., White Plains

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NewYork-Presbyterian Lawrence Hospital's New $65M Cancer Center and Surgical Suite Elevates Care

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NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Westchester, ColumbiaDoctors, community physicians, and staff members collaborating and focused on their individual plans of care. The center was designed with the patient's overall comfort and experience in mind. The lower level houses all radiation therapy for advanced medical imaging through a linear accelerator, a system for image-guided radiotherapy that combines the functional and physical views, and a PET/CT scanner. The first floor includes a bright and open infusion center (with community, semi-private, private treatment areas), pharmacy, lab, medical offices and exam rooms. The second floor contains new operating rooms with state-of-the-art equipment including a video integration system for use with robotic and laparoscopic surgeries. This suite will serve the hospital for all surgical needs and replace the current operating rooms. A tranquil rooftop garden completes the building, accessible to both patients and visitors. "Coupled with our nationally recognized Carol Bernadette - hosts of both Frank Tripodi and his wife Bernadette - received an overwhelming reception from the Nigerian village when they stepped off the plane at JFK with their new iPad and laptop they also generously gifted Jonathan and Bright. Special thanks for the wonderful reception go out to Mike Fix and Richard Sullivan from the Rotary Club of Eastchester and to Bill Currie, Rotary District 7230 Chair of the Gift of Life Program.

This coming January, the Rotary Club of the Pelhams celebrates its 70th year... a long and proud tradition of helping those in need. In addition to the Gift of Life Program which was introduced to the Pelham Rotary over 12 years ago by fellow member Marty Ketels - other innovative initiatives include a free CPR Program for students and the community, an annual college scholarship award, as well as monthly acknowledgments of local high school scholars. To find out more, visit www.pelhamrotary.com

Rotary Celebrates Recovery of "Miracle Girl" and Says Farewell

Left to right: Tracey Lewis, VP Operations NewYork-Presbyterian Lawrence Hospital, Michael J. Fosina, President and CEO NewYork-Presbyterian Lawrence Hospital, Maureen Killackey, M.D., FACS, FACOG, Clinical Director of Cancer Services for NewYork-Presbyterian Lawrence Hospital and Professor of Medicine and Obstetrics and Gynecology (in the Herbert Irving Comprehensive Cancer Center) at Columbia University Medical Center, Janet DiFiore, Chief Judge, NYS Court of Appeals, David Buchwald, NYS Assemblyman, Henry Lee, M.D., Ph.D., Director/Chairman of the Department of Radiation Oncology at NewYork-Presbyterian Lawrence Hospital and Professor in the Radiation Oncology at Columbia University Medical Center.

H. Taylor Breast Health Center, this new cancer center will continue to build upon and expand our services to provide outstanding care to our patients close to where they need it - home," said Maureen Killackey, M.D., FACS, FACOG, clinical director for of the NYP Lawrence cancer services and Professor, Medicine and Obstetrics and Gynecology, at Columbia University Medical Center.

To learn more about cancer services at NYP Lawrence or to schedule an appointment, visit www.nyp.org/lawrencecancer.

Village Christmas Pageant

The Reformed Church of Bronxville, 180 Pondfield Road presents the 102nd anniversary of the Village Christmas Pageant taking place on December 24th from 5:30 to 6:30pm. Residents of the Village participate in the Nativitiy, with the help from live animals. All are welcome to join in the Invisible Choir (no experience necessary).

Everyone will meet at the Cloister at the top of the hill at 5:15 pm. Call 337-6776 with questions, and visit reformedchurch.org for further details.
What Happened to My Bright Red Ferrari?

BY BERNARD A. KROOKS, ESQ., CERTIFIED ELDER LAW ATTORNEY

Your uncle recently passed away and you were expecting to inherit his brand new, bright red Ferrari. After all, you were very close with him and often went for drives in the countryside in his Ferrari. In fact, on several occasions he mentioned to you that he wanted you to have his car if something happened to him. However, when he died he left you a $50,000 bequest. Not bad, but you certainly can’t buy a Ferrari for $50,000. So, what should you do?

When clients feel like they have not been treated fairly by a relative (or anyone else) who has passed away, their first inclination is to think about challenging the will. However, in many cases the client should hit the pause button and think twice before doing this. Will contests are not easy to win.

Here’s a recent case which shows what can happen if you challenge someone else’s will. Sam and Erica were married. It was Erica’s first marriage and Sam’s second, his first marriage ending in divorce. Sam had one child, Jason, from his first marriage. Erica did not have any children. They each had identical wills, leaving everything to Jason. Sam and Erica were married. It was Erica’s first marriage and Jason, from his first marriage. Erica did not have any children. They each had identical wills, leaving everything to Jason.

Their wills also contained a provision, requiring the surviving spouse to live at least six months after the first spouse’s death. If the survivor did not live that long, he or she would be treated as having predeceased the first spouse. This type of provision is sometimes included in a will to avoid having to do two probate proceedings (or, for that matter, figure out who died first) if both spouses die together in an accident or within a relatively short period of time.

In March of 2015, Sam died. Erica filed a probate proceeding in May and submitted Sam’s will to the court. Because she filed just two months after Sam’s death, Jason objected. He argued that she had no authority to take over Sam’s estate because he had failed to survive him by six months.

Erica apparently became angry, and revoked her own will to make sure that Jason did not receive any share of her estate. Erica signed a new will a few months later (well after she had reached the six-month survivorship requirement). She left her entire estate to her sister and nothing to Jason. She died five months later.

Jason contested her new will, arguing that she had been subjected to undue influence by her sister in preparing her new will. The probate court dismissed his complaint and upheld Erica’s will. Not satisfied, Jason appealed.

The higher court affirmed the probate court finding and stated that it was clear that Erica was angry with Sam, and that no one influenced her in her decision to revoke the earlier will or to do her new will. Once she revoked the earlier will, she was intestate — that is, she had no will at all — and since Jason was not her child, she would have no right to any share of her estate if she had died without a will.

Why would that make a difference? Because if she had no will prior to signing the new will, Jason had no standing to even challenge that will. According to the appellate court, there was no question that Erica had revoked her earlier will a few months prior to her executing a new will and thus Jason’s objections were dismissed.

Moral of the story: carefully think through all potential consequences of objecting to someone’s will; not only financial costs, but also emotional impact. So, while it would have been nice to drive around in that gorgeous Ferrari, sometimes it makes sense to be happy for what you have been left and not to look a gift horse in the mouth!

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Some people love a parade, some love a rainy night. I love a beach. And as they are predicting a long, hard winter this time around... Aruba — and your fabulous beaches — here I come!

Aruba, called "The One Happy Island," is a 19 mile-long island of the Lesser Antilles in the southern Caribbean Sea just 15 miles from Venezuela. Together with Bonaire and Curacao it forms a group referred to as the ABC islands. As its turquoise waters collide against the desert-like terrain of the north shore, Aruba is celebrated as one of the most revisited destinations in the Caribbean. Luckily, it is located below the hurricane belt and has a temperature of 82-degree days year round; in fact, it has the most sunny days in all of the Caribbean.

Beaches here are spectacular — Eagle Beach has been named one of the top 10 in the world. On my visit, it seemed that the beach was a part of everything I did — from water activities to riding a horse on the sand to lunches, cocktails and dinners, all — where else? On the beach.

The Aruba government has launched a $350 Million project upgrading sites in Oranjestad, the capital, as well as building linear park, which will be the longest of its kind in the islands; it will create an accessible, scenic link between the airport and resorts along Palm Beach. To include bike paths, pedestrian paths, kiosks and an abundance of trees, this will be a location where visitors and locals can relax, kick-back, and enjoy.

Shake, Rattle and Roll

As kicking back was foremost on my mind, I'd been told that the De Palm UTV experience was fun and one I wouldn't forget. Well, they were right on one count. I think I'll remember it for as long as I live. Fun — that subjective, isn't it? One person's fun is another's...er...nightmare? To be fair, it appeared that everyone on this UTV off-road adventure was having a blast. Me? Not so much. Each vehicle carried two of us and we drove in a bumpy cavern formation led by a professional tour guide who showed us the best landmarks of Aruba. All I was aware of was crashing through roads with crater-like holes, skirting marshy boulders, bumping, grinding, and eating dirt that the vehicle in front of me was kicking up. It was, yeah, unforgettable. UTV tours just happen to be all the rage on the island — so à chacun son goût! There are loads of water sports: windsurfing, paddle boarding, kite boarding. More to my taste was snorkeling and kayaking — and lying in a hammock.

It's Cuckoo

That may be the sound of an island bird but for now, let's consider one of the silliest, good time tours you can have: The Kukoo Ku-nuk picked me up at the airport and later took me on an island tour. What the heck is it? Simply a wacky, wonderful, one-of-a-kind open air bus, Reggae blasting, the driver blowing his singing horn, and we loonies shaking our maracas and calling out to pedestrians as we ride by. The company says it's "the perfect way for the old and the reckless and the young and the restless to tool around." I'll second that.

White Wedding Day

Another activity quite popular here: Getting hitched. Aruba has been named one of the world's top wedding and honeymoon destinations by Brides Magazine. From the Divi Resort to the Renaissance Resort's private island to the drop-dead new Ritz Carlton (the first 5-star on the island) — everyone's goin' to the chapel — and there's not a more romantic place to do it.

Speaking of romance, there's a hidden gem on this island known as Boardwalk. Run by charming, Belgian-raised twins Stephanie and Kimberly Roijakkers, and considered by many as the most romantic hotel in Aruba, this small, Caribbean-colored property is situated across from the famed Palm Beach. Boardwalk has been featured in The New York Times, USA Today and National Geographic Traveler. Its lush gardens, hammocks on terraces and champagne breakfasts delivered to your room make this a perfect oasis for couples, honeymooners or anyone wanting a peaceful, serene, truly intimate home base from which to explore the environs.

Munching Mania

On this island, it's easy to do. No less than 90 nationalities influence Aruba's cuisine, and the local offerings more than hold their own. At the many, many, many restaurants, you'll find both local and Caribbean dishes, from the many breakfast, lunch and dinner choices available.

Bon Bini

Bon Bini means "welcome to my country." It's a Papiamento word, the official and most common language in Aruba and it was something I often heard on my visit. I never did learn the word for "Goodbye," undoubtedly because I didn't want to say it. I much preferred the local phrase Te Aworo — see you later - thus insuring my return.

The Kitchen & Bath Insider® - The Holiday Kitchen

BY PAUL BOOKBINDER, M.I.D., C.R.

Whatever your age, I hope that you still feel the special magic of the holiday season. Whether it's Christmas, Chanukah, Kwanzaa, Festive or just celebrating the winter solstice, now more than ever it behooves us to take the time out of our busy schedules to enjoy this time of year. And, one part of the magic of the holidays is making up your holiday "wish list" even if it's only in your imagination.

Let yourself go. What would you really like? A diamond bracelet. A home theater. Maybe a trip to Maui. Or perhaps, something you could really use...like a new kitchen! After all, most of us spend more time in the kitchen than any other room in our house, and this is especially true throughout the holiday season, when the kitchen becomes the focal point of your home.

During the holiday season kitchens are not only filled with the immediate family, they're also cluttered with guests as well; helping, visiting, kitzing, snoozing, etc. With all the time spent in this oasis in the middle of your home, and all the people milling around, folks have a tendency to notice what doesn't work well, in terms of design and function, so it's no wonder that more people start to think about remodeling during the holidays than any other time of the year.

Wouldn't it be great to have enough room to prepare next year's holiday delicacies without bumping into everyone else? And enough storage space for all your spices, as well as places to put away all the dishes, glasses and silverware after the shiny, new dishwasher has made them spotless.

If a new kitchen is on your holiday wish list, (or you wish it was), you can get the process off to a good start with a "wish list for the kitchen that's on your wish list." It should include everything that you would like in your new dream kitchen. Then make another list of what you really must have in case you need to trim things, if budget or space don't allow everything from the first list.

Next step pick up some kitchen magazines in town or go to www.Houzz.com or www.pinterest.com and look at what other people are doing. When you see something that interests you, tear it out or print it out or save it on your computer so that you can show it to your kitchen designer. It's easier and safer to show someone a specific concept rather than trying to explain it, leaving less chance for misinterpretation of what you had in mind. This will ensure that your dream kitchen ends up looking like your dream kitchen and not a lumpy old coal.

When the holiday season is over, you're now ready to begin the actual project. Gather up your lists, your pictures, your iPad, and find a creative designer who understands you and will be able to combine all your ideas into a stunning, functional and afford able new kitchen just for you or a loved one. But, whether or not you get a new kitchen this season, I'd like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a very joyous holiday season and a happy and healthy new year.

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Where to Celebrate the Holidays!

The Holiday Season is upon us, so whether you've been naughty or nice, time to make plans with friends and family. If you are going out, here are some festive suggestions for every palate, each offering a good dose of Holiday Cheer!

Celebrate Croatia Style!

There will be holiday specialties all month long. Founded by Jerry Tomic, Dubrovnik became a sensation: Westchester's first restaurant devoted to Croatia, a multi-level 85-seat establishment with seasonal outdoor enclosed patio, state of the art temperature controlled wine cellar, ai fresco wood fire rotisserie BBQ, lush seasonal herb garden and bar/lounge. Talented chefs man the kitchen and they will transport you to the beautiful Adriatic in flavorful style. Veteran restaurateur and operating manager Nada Bernic (previously of The Terrace in upper Manhattan), also insists they use the finest ingredients in the seasonal marketplace. Most everything is house made from the bread to desserts. Try the Warm Octopus Salad; Steamed Mussels Bay Scallop on the Shell; Fresh Cod Filet with grapes, olives, pearl onions; Mama Terezia's lobster, shrimp, scallops, fish, clams and mussels steamed in a seasonal broth over pasta; Rack of Lamb; or whole roasted fish prepared out on the BBQ. Open 7 days for lunch and dinner. Handsome private party and meeting facilities for up to 120 guests include a wine cellar room and garden room for banquets. Valet parking. Dubrovnik, 721 Main Street, New Rochelle. 914-637-3777 www.durbrownikny.com

Italian Holiday Classics!

A major renovation is now complete and it is stunning! Proprietor Michael Vi volo and his wife Margaret of La Riserva, 2382 Boston Post Road, Larchmont (914-834-5584), have been serving the 'Italian classics' here for over 38 years and the refreshing atmosphere and friendly ambience keep it a treat. Be seated in the lovely refurbished dining room, now part vintage photo gallery, and let the friendly staff suggest such specialties as: flavorful Polenta al Gorgonzola with shrimp; fresh Spiedini cooing its cheese; Angel Hair Abissi Marini, thin egg noodles in a light cream sauce with shrimp and mushrooms; Veal Chop alla Griglia, with mushrooms and roasted potatoes; or Branzino Mediterraneo. There is a daily luncheon for $15.95. Michael's son Dean operates Trattoria Vivilo in Harrison. Private party facilities. Open 7 days for lunch and dinner. Free parking. www.lariservarestaurant.com

Lobster & Cheer on City Island!

This restaurant would thrive anywhere but its right in the middle of City Island, the charming seaport village just below the Westchester line. The Zagat NYC. Restaurant Survey designated Artie's Steak & Seafood, 394 City Island Ave., Bronx (718-885-9885), one of the best in the Bronx. Owner Spiro Chagares and his staff offer patrons an inspired melding of traditional and contemporary dishes served with flair. Sit back in one of several refurbished dining areas and enjoy such changing specialties as: hearty Seafood Chowders; Smoked Salmon Roll-Ups; Wood Grilled Jumbo Shrimp and Scallops; hunks of tender Short Rib; a massive Zuppa Di Pesce; tender Oven Roasted Rack of Lamb; Char donnay Poached Salmon with seafood; and fresh Lobster prepared in a variety of styles. There's a loaded Lobster Salad Roll at lunch and their Mediterranean style Pizzas are good to share. Check out the redesigned bar/lounge most evenings for good networking. Private party facilities. Off premise catering. Open 7 days. Free parking. www.artiescityisland.com

Ciao To All This Holiday!

Zef and the amiable crew at Ciao, 57-7 John Albanese Place, Eastchester (914-779-4646) are marking a major renovation at their bustling trattoria with generous plates of Italian/American cuisine served with gusto. Be seated and have Peter, the genial general manager suggest such open kitchen specialties as Hot Antipasto for two, three or more, loaded with delectable fruits of the sea; giant Scallop Appetizer with drizzled wasabi; fresh Arugula Salad with goat cheese, marinated Portobello mushrooms, sprinkled with balsamic vinegar; house made Pappardelle with fresh mozzarella; Salmon alla Ciao, with white wine, lemon, capers and asparagus; delicious Chicken Paillard, or Veal Saltimbocca, decadently good with cognac, garlic, sage, shiitake and porcini mushrooms. From the grill come the best of fresh seafood; and fresh Lobster prepared in a variety of styles. There's a loaded Lobster Salad Roll at lunch and their Mediterranean style Pizzas are good to share. Check out the redesigned bar/lounge most evenings for good networking. Private party facilities. Off premise catering. Open 7 days. Free parking. www.artiescityisland.com

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The Nutcracker Comes to Life at The Picture House

Join the Picture House on Sunday, December 11th at 3:00 pm for the Nutcracker Magical Matinee, an annual holiday tradition for families and kids of all ages. The cinematic version of New York City Ballet’s classic production brings George Balanchine’s choreography to the big screen. The Nutcracker will be presented in the Main Hall, at a special film event trimmed with beautifully costumed ballerinas from Ballet Arts greeting attendees upon arrival.

A holiday favorite, The Nutcracker is the beloved tale of a young girl whose dreams transport her to a fantasy land of Mice Kings and fairytale sweets that come to life. The film features a legendary all-star cast from New York City Ballet, including Darci Kistler and Damian Woetzel as the Sugarplum Fairy and her Cavalier, with a cameo appearance by a young McCauley Culkin as the Nutcracker Prince. Kevin Kline narrates the story. The matinee event will open with a live performance by youth members of Ballet Arts’ dance program featuring excerpts from The Nutcracker Act II.

The Picture House is once again presenting this enchanting matinee event to give young audiences an authentic, formal theater experience, close to home and at affordable ticket prices. This film version of The Nutcracker is the same production performed by New York City Ballet each December at Lincoln Center.

Tickets for The Nutcracker Magical Matinee are priced at $20 for general admission, $16 for members, $10 children and are available at www.thepicturehouse.org or at the box office, 175 Wolfs Lane, Pelham, NY 10803.

From left, Veronica Fiore, Judy Visoky, Jasmine Cacace, Carol Fata and Mary Reilly serving meals to people in need.

Teachers and Staff Give Hope to Those in Need

Bronxville Elementary School teachers and staff members, who are instilling in their students the importance of being engaged citizens, served warm and nutritious meals to people in need at the HOPE Community Services’ soup kitchen in New Rochelle on November 21.

Third-grade teacher Veronica Fiore, who led the volunteer efforts, along with elementary school secretary Mary Reilly and third-grade teachers Jasmine Cacace, Carol Fata and Judy Visoky, helped serve food to more than 150 people, many of whom live in the homeless shelter or subsidized housing. They served salad, ham, macaroni and cheese, string beans, Italian bread and cake, and also helped wash down the tables and sweep the floors.

“We all feel grateful for the opportunity to help those less fortunate than us and to make a difference in their everyday lives,” Fiore said. “It makes us thankful for what we have. It is important to give back and that’s why we continue to volunteer each month.”

Fiore said she joined the volunteer efforts three years ago as part of what was supposed to be a one-time-only Bronxville Teachers’ Association undertaking, which turned into a monthly initiative due to the overwhelming support and teachers’ desire to volunteer.

Bronxville School staff members will return to HOPE Community Services for the next soup kitchen volunteer opportunity on December 19.

Masterworks: Unpacking Fashion

The Costume Institute at The Met Fifth Avenue, Anna Wintour Costume Center, 82nd Street and Fifth Avenue, NYC presents “Masterworks: Unpacking Fashion” on exhibit through February 5, 2017 explores how the department has honed its collecting strategy to amass masterworks of the highest aesthetic and technical quality, including iconic works by designers who have changed the course of fashion history and advanced fashion as an art form. The exhibition will highlight approximately 60 of these masterworks from the early 18th century to the present, which The Costume Institute has acquired since its last acquisitions show, blog.mode: addressing fashion, in 2007. For additional information, visit metmuseum.org

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Bronxville Village – Seriously, what are you waiting for? This home has it all! Double-size living room, formal dining room, sun room, renovated kitchen with island, enormous family room, four bedrooms, 3 1/2 updated baths, finished basement with 2nd fireplace. Want more? How bout central AC, 2 car attached garage and manicured grounds with room for play? The time is now. $1,845,000
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Tuckahoe -- Circa 1900 carriage house recalls our area’s historic past, and the substantial grounds with well established flower and vegetable gardens reminds us of simpler times. Yet, the eat-in kitchen offers granite counters and the new master bedroom is complete with skylights, a walk-in closet and an ultra bath with whirlpool tub. Old and new, perfectly blended! $735,000
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