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Boys & Girls Club of New Rochelle Celebrates First Graduating Class of Culinary Career Track Program in Partnership with the Mariano Rivera Foundation

The Boys & Girls Club of New Rochelle recently celebrated 34 graduates of its inaugural Culinary Career Track Program at the Club's Remington Clubhouse. The program, launched this summer with support from the Mariano Rivera Save 653 Foundation and Oaktree Education, equips young people with technical training and professional skills to prepare for culinary and hospitality careers.

"Vital initiatives such as our Culinary Career Track Program give Club youths well-rounded tools to succeed in both their careers and their lives," said Becky Mazzanobile, CEO of Boys & Girls Club of New Rochelle. "The comprehensive training combines hands-on lessons with career development skills, igniting a passion for cooking, prepping them for eventual entry into the workforce and creating skills-based opportunities that will support our eager participants well beyond the kitchen."

"This program brought me back to the passion I had for cooking," said participant Tyleek Saunders. "Being in the kitchen again reminded me why I love it and



gave me a new sense of purpose."

Over 10 weeks, participants engaged in hands-on training led by Head Chef Ralph Jeansimon of Alvin & Friends Restaurant in New Rochelle and Chef Georges Aine, with support from Joseph Monaco of Oaktree Education. As a program partner, Oaktree provided chefs, mentors and coordinated field experiences. A vocational culinary organization specializing in profes-

sional kitchen training and hospitality excellence, Oaktree connected classroom instruction with real-world best practices. Students rotated through small-group instruction in food preparation, safety, teamwork and presentation, with additional field experiences at Oaktree's vocational school and at Alvin & Friends, where they prepared and served meals to customers.

One student, Ixel Meraz, exemplified the impact of the program during a field experience at Alvin & Friends Restaurant. On Wednesday, Aug. 20, Merez impressed both the kitchen staff and front-of-house team with his professionalism,

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From the Office of the New Rochelle City Manager



NEW ROCHELLE CITY MANAGER
WILFREDO MELENDEZ

Dear Neighbors,

As we begin the fall season, this column provides some key reminders along with some updates and a look-ahead to upcoming programming.

FALL REMINDERS

Fall Leaf Collection begins October 14: Please remember that all leaves must be placed in biodegradable paper bags or open containers weighing no more than 75lbs. for collection. Leaves placed loosely at the curb and the blowing of leaves into the street are strictly prohibited and can clog storm water drains. Yard waste (grass clippings, twigs, sticks and other yard

generated debris) collection concludes on October 24. Please- DO NOT mix yard waste with leaves. Leaf blowers are only allowed to be used weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and on weekends from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Check your heating system: As colder weather approaches, the City of New Rochelle encourages all residents and landlords to inspect and service their heating systems to ensure they are safe, efficient, and ready for winter. Don't wait until the first freeze—act now to keep your home safe and warm all winter long.

Keep Sidewalks Clear and Safe: Maintaining the curb and sidewalk in front of your property isn't just a common courtesy: it's your responsibility. Per Sections 281-3 and 281-4 of the Code of the City of New Rochelle, property owners are responsible for keeping curbs and sidewalks abutting their property clean and free of litter and dirt, ice and snow, and animal feces.

Fire prevention week October 5-11: This year's theme is "Charge into Fire

Safety: Lithium-Ion Batteries in Your Home", working to educate everyone about buying, charging, using and recycling these batteries safely. And don't forget to check your smoke detector batteries when 'clocks fall back" on November 2.

Lawn sign ordinance: As Election Day draws near, residents are reminded that City Code Section 270-7 prohibits placing signs on public property—including medians, sidewalks, and utility poles. Signs are only allowed on private property with the owner's permission. Help keep our community clean and safe!

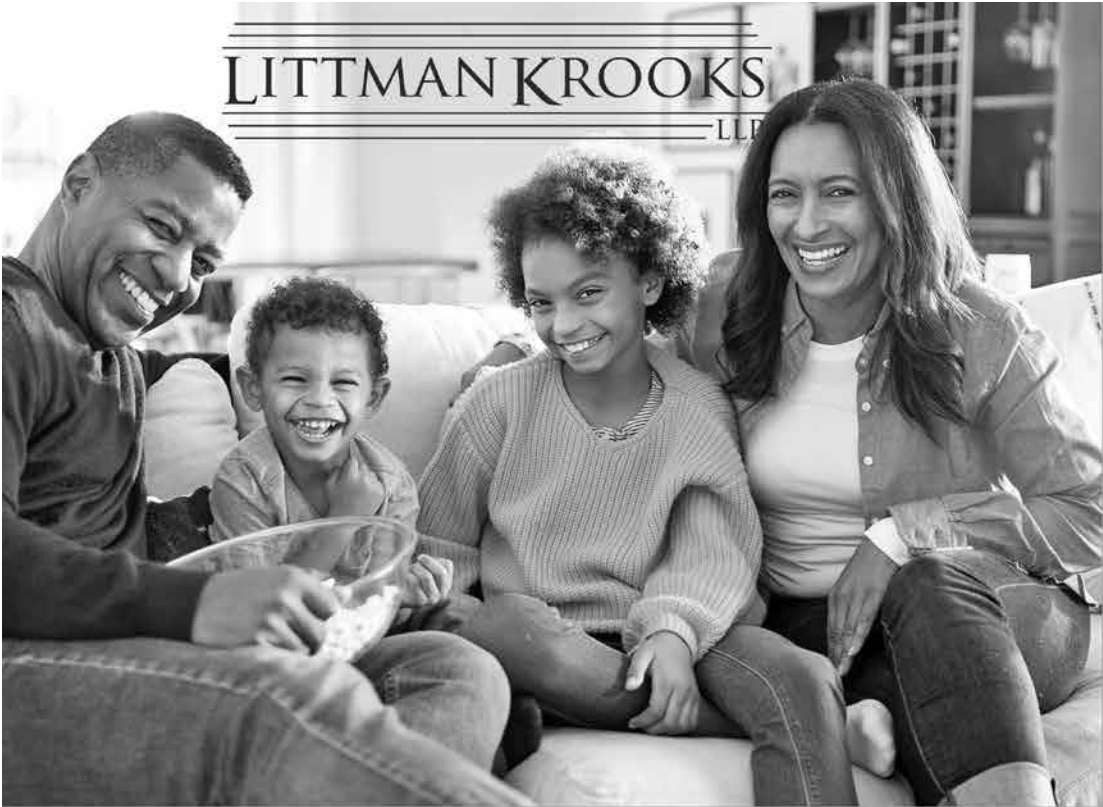
Quaker Ridge Road update - The Public Comment Period for the Quaker Ridge Road Complete Streets project has recently wrapped. I'd like to thank everyone who attended our September 9th Public Hearing and submitted written comments on the planned improvements to Quaker Ridge Road focused on enhanced safety for all users of the thoroughfare. On September 19, the City submitted a grant application to the Westchester County Complete Streets Municipal Assistance

grant program to cover construction costs of the changes, including lane redesign, paving and signal updates in accordance with Complete Streets design guidelines.

Huguenot Street paving - Year two of our Downtown Street Milling and Paving program is scheduled to begin on October 5. This year the project will mill and pave Huguenot Street from Echo Avenue to Pintard Avenue as well as LeCount Place and North Avenue from Huguenot Street to Anderson Street, and Lawton Street from Huguenot Street to Main Street. To limit the impact on traffic flow in the downtown, this work will be conducted at night. Work is expected to last through October 14, weather permitting.

New Traffic Regulations Adopted for School Days - In response to changes in start and end times for public elementary schools during the 2025-2026 academic year, the City School District of New Rochelle requested updates to certain time-based traffic regulations. At its September 9 meeting, the City Council unanimously approved these

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Highlights from the 2025 Westchester County Summer Youth Employment Program



Thom Kleiner, Executive Director, WPWDB and Liz Oliveto, Youth Program Director pictured with SYEP youth participants, employers, and Carver Center staff.

Energetic, motivated, and future-focused are four standout participants of the Westchester County Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) who took the spotlight at Carver Center's SYEP closing ceremony. Sebastian Mora, Carver Camp, Roaa Mohammed, Carver Camp, Melani Lopez, Carver Center Camp, and Ana Ruiz, NY Presbyterian Hospital spent their summer working and reflected the confidence, professionalism, and career exploration mindset that the SYEP program is designed to inspire. Their achievements are just a small sample of the hundreds of success stories that occurred across the county this summer.

Each summer, the TANF Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) opens doors for Westchester County teens and young adults to gain their first real-world work experience. Supported by the Westchester-Putnam Workforce Development Board (WPWDB), SYEP provides subsidized employment opportunities for income-eligible youth ages 14 to 20. Employers are incentivized to hire participants because wages are covered by program funds, making it possible for small businesses, nonprofits, and community organizations to take on youth workers at no cost to them. Employers include government agencies, county parks and recreation centers, nonprofit organizations, and small businesses.

The program goes beyond a paycheck. Participants receive job-readiness training in areas such as financial literacy, resume writing, and interview preparation, while also gaining hands-on experience in workplaces ranging from community centers to hospitals. This combination of training and employment helps youth build confidence, explore career pathways, and develop the pro-

fessionalism needed to succeed in the workforce.

In 2025, SYEP ran from May 1 through September 30 with more than \$1.75 million in funding, including \$1,140,437 for Westchester placements and \$614,080 for Yonkers. In total, 420 program spots were made available, ensuring that hundreds of young people could gain valuable skills, and lay the foundation for future career success.

Participants are enrolled by local youth organizations who provide job readiness training, supervision, and mentorship. Each organization has an enrollment and employment goal for summer which is historically exceeded each year. This year's community partners included: Boys & Girls Club, Carver Center, Children's Village, Mt. Vernon Youth Bureau, New Rochelle Youth Bureau, Ossining Youth Bureau, Peekskill Youth Bureau, Slater Center, Town of Greenburgh, WestCOP, White Plains Youth Bureau, Westhab, Inc.

Liz Oliveto, WPWDB Youth Program Director shared: "We are truly grateful to the employers, community partners, families, and staff whose support makes SYEP possible each year. It's inspiring to watch our community come together each summer to open doors for young people and invest in their futures. And most of all, congratulations to our youth participants—you've worked hard, spoken up for yourselves, and shown what's possible when talent meets opportunity."

THE WESTCHESTER-PUTNAM WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD (WPWDB) is comprised of leaders and staff of state and county government agencies, non-profits, public education, and the private sector who work together to strengthen the partnerships between

business, education, and service providers within the "Career Center Network" to meet the needs for a skilled workforce. The WPWDB pursues funding opportunities and develops model programs and leading-edge practices. The "Network" is made up of four Career Centers

(White Plains, Mount Vernon, Peekskill, and Carmel) as well as partner agencies that provide state-of-the-art technology, training, resources, and services to youth, adults and employers. For more information, visit www.westchesterputnamonestop.com.

IEA Honors the Nation's Brightest Middle School Minds with National Award Program

The Institute for Educational Advancement (IEA), a nonprofit dedicated to the intellectual, creative, and personal growth of the nation's gifted and advanced learners, has selected 26 winners for this year's Caroline D. Bradley Scholarship (CDB). This national award program, founded 24 years ago, is the only merit-based, need-blind scholarship recognizing exceptional academic achievement in gifted seventh graders.

The Caroline D. Bradley Scholars, Class of 2030, receive a prestigious four-year scholarship that covers full high school tuition at an optimally matched school or through an individualized education plan. Scholars also benefit from ongoing, personalized counseling and educational advocacy provided by IEA.

Hailing from across the U.S., this year's Scholars are dedicated community members, passionate learners and leaders among their peers. They are multi-talented musicians, math champions, poets, authors, researchers and athletes.

"Every Caroline D. Bradley Scholar was chosen because of their extraordinary intellectual curiosity, leadership, and dedication to making a difference," said Deborah Monroe, IEA President. "From excelling academically to pursuing their passions, they embody the qualities of a Scholar—bright, driven, and deeply committed to using their talents to impact the world."

Interested seventh grade students apply for the Caroline D. Bradley Scholarship and complete a rigorous portfolio application process, which includes essays, middle school transcripts, standardized test scores, letters of recommendation, and a work sample. The application for the 2031 Class of Caroline D. Bradley Scholars will be available in late fall.

New Rochelle student Landon Ifill was among those for the Caroline D. Bradley Scholars Class of 2030.

The Institute for Educational Advancement (IEA) is dedicated to the in-



Landon Ifill

tellectual, creative, and personal growth of our nation's gifted and high-potential youth. Central to the mission of IEA is a commitment to the development of the whole child through engaging educational experiences that promote optimal challenge, mentorship, exploration of ideas, and recognition of personal potential. IEA seeks to connect gifted individuals through dynamic and engaging year-round programming. Additionally, IEA supports a diverse community that creates a sense of belonging and affirmation. For more information, visit www.educationaladvancement.org.

IEA's Caroline D. Bradley Scholarship Program is one of the few U.S. high school scholarship programs that is need-blind and awarded solely on the basis of merit to highly gifted seventh graders. Since its inception in 2002, the Caroline D. Bradley Scholarship has served over 425 students with academic and personal support, high school tuition and a lifelong network for mentorship and peer connections. The award is generously funded by the Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation.

enthusiasm and collaborative spirit. His work ethic and natural ability to engage with others left such a strong impression that owner Alvin personally offered him a position on the spot. The offer highlights how the program's hands-on training is already opening doors for participants in the culinary and hospitality field.

The program also included a structured hospitality and workforce readiness curriculum created by Boys & Girls Club Program Manager Ajee' Davis-Burley and facilitated by instructor Mariyam Muhammad. Sessions emphasized resume development, interview preparation, financial literacy, professional attire and workplace communication. Participants also completed the nationally recognized ServSafe Food Handler Certification program, a credential that strengthens employability across restaurants and food service establishments.

The program was made possible through the support of the Mariano Rivera Save 653 Foundation, whose commitment to workforce development continues to expand opportunities for emerging adults in New Rochelle. As part of its collaboration with Boys & Girls Club of New Rochelle, the Foundation is building innovative career pathways for youth from under-resourced backgrounds, with the goal of serving more than 800 young people over the next three years in a variety of disciplines that include law enforcement and digital printing. Rivera was inducted into the National Baseball Hall of Fame for his elite accomplishments during his 19 years with the New York Yankees.

"We are so proud of this latest cohort of graduates, and our entire program with the Boys & Girls Club," said Hallie Lorber, Executive Director for the Mariano Rivera Save 653 Foundation. "Mariano had 652 saves during his Major League Baseball career, but this work is Mariano's greatest save yet! We are thrilled to help so many students build bright professional futures."

Davis-Burley emphasized the holistic approach and personal impact of the culinary program. "The Culinary Career Track Program was about more than cooking," she said. "Participants built resumes, practiced interviews and strengthened their communication skills — experiences that prepare them for success in any career path."

Chef Jeansimon, who has more than 20 years of experience specializing in Caribbean cuisine, reflected on the stu-

dents' journey. "Hands-on learning gave participants the chance to build confidence while developing their skills," he said. "Cooking requires constant adjustment, and these students learned how to adapt. That lesson that will serve them throughout their futures."

New York State Sen. Nathalia Fernandez, who attended the graduation, commended the program's impact. "The Boys & Girls Club of New Rochelle and the Mariano Rivera Save 653 Foundation are giving young people meaningful pathways into the workforce, and culinary graduates reflect the talent and determination in our community," she said. "I congratulate them on this achievement."

State Sen. Shelley Mayer, Chairwoman of Senate's Education Committee, emphasized the value of hands-on experiences. "This program gives young people the chance to explore a career, gain confidence and build lasting skills," she said. "Opportunities like this allow students to discover what they love and prepare for a successful future."

"The Culinary Career Track Program gave young people valuable workforce skills while also teaching them how to work as a team and learn from professionals," said Terry Clements, a member of the Westchester County Board of Legislators. "It is an investment in their future and in our community."

New Rochelle Police Commissioner Neil Reynolds shared his perspective on the program's impact when addressing the graduates. "The confidence and resilience these young people showed throughout the program will carry into every aspect of their lives," he said. "The lessons they gained here extend far beyond the kitchen."

"Our goal was to introduce students to the fundamentals of culinary arts while emphasizing teamwork and confidence," said Monaco. "Over 10 weeks, they not only gained technical knowledge but also discovered what they are capable of achieving."

"This experience gave me the chance to discover who I am in the kitchen and build lasting connections with my team," added participant Daniela Pulido.

The inaugural graduating class includes Cameron Mack, Cesar Vargas, Jacob Calvin, Amira Sabree, Tahjae Williams, Asia Jackson, Jasir Cooper, Summer Cooper, Karmina Alvarez, Jose Rivas, Jonyce Ludvig, Tyleek Saunders, Mia Mendoza, Jordyn Thomas, Alexan-

dra Valencia, Kathleen Ramirez, Izabella Oliveros, Caroline Pulido, Ixel Meraz, Marla Dume, Gregory Smith, Victoria Ramirez, Julia Nweke, Valeria Grandez Pelaez, Daniela Pulido, Amaya Velez, Rosalind Augustin, Malika Dume and Kapey Joseph.

Certificates of participation were awarded to Jeremiah Lucre-Valentin, Chais Garrick, Kathleen Ramirez and Lance Milton.

For 95 years, Boys & Girls Club of New Rochelle has been an integral part of the community, offering quality, achievement-driven programming encompassing academics, mental wellness, fitness, leadership and civics. Today, it is one of Westchester Coun-

ty's largest nonprofits and a leader in youth development, serving over 10,000 youths annually at 12 school sites and two clubhouses.

Boys & Girls Club of New Rochelle's impactful before-school, after-school, elective, and summer offerings empower members to excel in school, become good citizens, and lead healthy, productive lives while effectively bridging the gap between school and home. Boys & Girls Club of New Rochelle is proud to be affiliated with Boys & Girls Club of America, widely considered as both the leading youth organization and among the top nonprofits in the United States. Learn more at BGCNR.org.

Deep Concern Expressed re: Natural Gas Pipeline Expansions



BY STEPHEN E. LIPKEN

City of New Rochelle Mayor Yadira Ramos-Herbert called the September 16th Council meeting to order, beginning with Consent Agenda Proposed Amendment to the 2025 Budget re: Junior League of Westchester on the Sound's Mommy and Me Grant amounting to \$5,000 and amending Ordinance No. 212 of 2024, the Budget of the City of New Rochelle for 2025.

Consent Agenda Item 9, "Resolution opposing Enbridge's Algonquin Pipeline 'Project Maple' and new or previously defeated pipelines including the Williams Constitution Pipeline and Northeast Supply Enhancement (NESE) Pipeline in New York State" was approved by Roll Call Vote, Councilman Albert Tarantino voting "no."

NYS Governor Kathy Hochul met with President Trump to discuss the development of the long-defeated Williams

Constitution pipeline, the NESE pipeline and other fossil fuel projects in New York.

Public Hearings held on Tuesday, September 9th (For Decision): Approved measures encompassed designation of parking spaces for current and former members of the United States Armed Forces; Resolution adopting the 2026 Section 8 Annual Public Housing Authority (PHA); Submission of Grant Application to Westchester County Complete Streets Municipal Assistance Program re: Quaker Ridge Road Complete Streets Project.

Finally, Discussion Item, "Remington Boys and Girls Club" was requested by Council Member David Peters. "Remington Boys and Girls Club was rebuilt and came into existence not too long ago," Peters averred. Discussed centered on transportation of students to the club houses and scholarships. There were some concerns about operating costs.

changes, which include:

- Extended one-way street hours on school days at certain location; and,
- Longer “No Turn on Red” periods at key intersections on school days.

The Department of Public Works is currently updating all affected traffic signs across the city to reflect these new regulations. A full list is available at newrochelleny.gov/schooltraffic

Westchester Power mailing - If you are a New Rochelle resident or small businesses currently supplied electricity by Westchester Power, you should be receiving a mailing from Sustainable Westchester about a new municipal energy supply contract beginning December 1, 2025. Customers are encouraged to learn more about the program- which provides access to renewable energy at competitive fixed rates- including how to opt out and how to choose between 100% or 50% Renewable Energy. More information is available at sustainablewestchester.org/wp/conedterritory/, or by calling Sustainable Westchester at (914) 242-4725 or emailing wp@sustainablewestchester.org

SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS CONTINUE

Food Scraps Recycling Program: As part of our ongoing commitment to reduce waste sent to landfills, our two locations to drop off food scraps are in full operation: Pinebrook Tennis Center and D’Onofrio Park. This initiative removes food scraps from the solid waste stream and offers residents a convenient way to recycle. Between September of 2024 through June of 2025, the City has collected over 23 tons of food scraps. Additionally, compost bin kits and compostable bags are now available for purchase at the Public Works office at City Hall. You can learn more at newrochelleny.gov/foodscraps

Helpsy Textile Recycling: New Rochelle has partnered with Helpsy, a certified B Corp, to provide at-home clothing recycling pickup to residents. This initiative saves money, time, and the planet’s resources. Sign up at www.helpsy.com/newrochelleny, bag up your unwanted clothes, textiles, footwear, linens, stuffed animals and other items, and Helpsy picks up from your front steps on collection day.

REMINDERS AND OPPORTUNITIES
The New Rochelle Youth Bureau is now accepting applications for its Youth Council. The Youth Council offers young people, grades 8th - 12th, the opportunity to be a part of a selected group of individuals who are concerned with youth related issues within the community. Our Youth Council sponsors community service projects and interacts with other youth organizations throughout Westchester.

New Assessment Calendar Dates:
New assessment dates will begin for the 2026 assessment cycle:
December 1 – Taxable status date. Exemption forms due
December 1- Valuation date
February 1- Tentative assessment roll
Third Tuesday in February – Grievance Day
April 1- Final assessment roll
May 1- Deadline for appeals filed with the County Clerk
September 1 – School tax bill first half
January 1- City tax bill
March 1 - School tax bill second half
June 1 – County tax bill

Fall events: Finally, our departments are working hard to create and coordinate special events that keep New Rochelle as the ideal place to live, work and grow. In October we can look forward to Heritage celebrations for German and Italian Americans, Views & Brews at Hudson Park on October 4, the NRPD’s Touch a Truck at Hudson Park and Scarecrows on the Sound at Davenport Park on October 11, the Fall-o-Ween at Five Islands Park on October 17, the Todora Golf Outing at Wykagyl Country Club on October 20, and the Ward Acres Howl-o-ween pet event on October 25, as well as community events like the New Rochelle Council on the Arts ArtsFest and Hudson Park Children’s Museum Wild-cliff Haunted Mansion. Our website community calendar has information on all these and more: newrochelleny.com/events
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Westchester County Hosts Annual Interfaith Prayer Vigil and September 11th Memorial Service



Westchester County held two commemorative events to pay tribute to those who perished in the tragic events of September 11, 2001, and those who later died from 9/11-related illnesses. Led by County Executive Ken Jenkins, the events included an Interfaith Prayer Vigil on September 10 and a Memorial Service on September 11.

This year’s observance included the addition of seven names to the 9/11 First Responders Memorial, raising the total to 88. Everyone honored on the Memorial either resided in Westchester County, worked in the County, or volunteered within Westchester.

Jenkins said: “Nearly a quarter century later, the pain of September 11 is still with us in Westchester. This year, we added seven more names to the First Responders Memorial, each representing a life that was cut short by the illnesses associated with that tragic day. We come together not only to mourn, but also to ensure that their names, their service and their sacrifices are never forgotten. These ceremonies are moments of reflection and resilience as we continue to support the families and loved ones whose lives were forever changed.”

Deputy County Executive Richard Wishnie said: “Our annual vigil and memorial service allow us to pause, reflect and stand together in solidarity. The addition of seven names this year reminds us that the impact of that day continues to unfold in our families and neighborhoods. Westchester stands united in honoring those who are no longer with us and in offering strength to the families who carry their memory every day.”

The Interfaith Prayer Vigil featured Christian, Jewish, Hindu and Muslim leaders offering prayers, followed by a

presentation of the colors by the Westchester County Department of Public Safety Color Guard, a ceremonial wreath-laying at the 9/11 steel beam from the Twin Towers, remarks from Jenkins and closing remarks from Wishnie.

The memorial service honored all Westchester County residents who died on 9/11 and from 9/11-related illnesses. The service included remarks, music and the reading of the names of all who are memorialized.

Westchester County Board of Legislators Chair Vedat Gashi said: “Today we gathered to read the names and honor those we lost on September 11th and from related illnesses. Though decades have passed, the heartache endures, but so does the truth that emerged from that darkness: Americans are resilient, compassionate, and unbreakably strong when we look out for one another. In reading each name, we ensure their sacrifice remains forever etched in our community’s heart.”

Master of Ceremonies for the 9/11 Memorial Ceremony and Fox 5 Reporter Richard Giacobas said: “Covering stories every year on 9/11, especially here in Westchester, is still incredibly emotional this many years later. It is my honor to emcee this program and remember your loved ones. May their memory be a blessing and let us never forget.”

9/11 First Responders Memorial Committee Co-Chairs Matthew J. McCauley and Georgia Asciutto said: “As we mark another somber anniversary of the attacks on the World Trade Center, we come together today to remember all the fallen heroes, to honor their bravery and to ensure the 9/11 families that they, and their lost loved ones, will never be forgotten.”



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New Rochelle Public Library Celebrates The 50th Anniversary of Ragtime with a Weekend of Special Events



The New Rochelle Public Library will honor the 50th anniversary of *Ragtime*, the legendary novel by longtime New Rochelle resident E.L. Doctorow, with a celebratory weekend of programs on Saturday, October 4 and Sunday, October 5, 2025.

Published in 1975, *Ragtime* was hailed as a groundbreaking work that interwove historical figures with fictional characters, capturing the sweeping social, cultural, and political changes of early 20th-century America. Its resonance endures five decades later, inspiring award-winning adaptations for film and Broadway.

The Library's *Ragtime* Celebration Weekend invites the community to revisit this literary masterpiece through film, live performance, and conversation with leading artists who helped bring Doctorow's vision to the stage.

Ragtime Celebration Weekend Schedule

Ragtime Film Screening
Saturday, October 4, 2025 | 1:00 – 4:30 pm

Experience Miloš Forman's epic adaptation of *Ragtime*, nominated for eight Academy Awards. Presented in its latest digital restoration, the film features an all-star cast including James Cagney, Howard E. Rollins Jr., Elizabeth McGovern, Mary Steenburgen, Debbie Allen, and Mandy Patinkin. (155 minutes, Rated PG)

Celebrating 50 Years of *Ragtime*
Sunday, October 5, 2025 | 2:00 – 4:00 pm

• Caroline Doctorow: *Ragtime* at 50
2:00 – 3:00 pm

Musician Caroline Doctorow

honors her father's legacy with a multimedia program featuring family photos, personal stories, passages from the novel, and a live performance of period-inspired songs.

• Virtual Interview with Stephen Flaherty & Lynn Ahrens
3:15 – 4:00 pm

Tony Award-winning composer and lyricist Stephen Flaherty and Lynn Ahrens reflect on the creation of *Ragtime the Musical*, its cultural impact, and its much-anticipated Broadway revival opening October 16, 2025. The conversation will be moderated by Ralph Sevush, Executive Director of Business Affairs, The Dramatists' Guild.

"New Rochelle has always been proud to call E.L. Doctorow one of our own," said Eugenia Schatoff, Executive Director of the New Rochelle Public Library. "Fifty years after its publication, *Ragtime* continues to inspire and challenge us with its exploration of identity, justice, and the American dream. We're thrilled to bring together artists, family, and community members to celebrate this milestone."

All events take place in the Ossie Davis Theater at the New Rochelle Public Library, 1 Library Plaza, and are free and open to the public. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis and registration is requested at bit.ly/NRPL_Ragtime

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and programs tailored to a diverse audience. Chartered in 1894, NRPL is a school-district library with its own operating budget and a Board of Trustees composed of seven elected members. It has served the 81,500 residents of New Rochelle from its Main Library building in the downtown business district since 1979.

A smaller branch, located in the park in front of the New Rochelle High School, was restored through a grassroots effort and currently operates as the Huguenot Children's Library. Learn more at nrpl.org. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram @NRPublicLibrary.

New Rochelle Parks Department Launches New Views & Brews Fall Fundraiser Event at Hudson Park



The New Rochelle Department of Parks & Recreation is excited to announce *Views & Brews*, a brand-new fall fundraiser event supporting local parks and community programs, with a full day of live music, local bites and beverages, and activities.

Presented in partnership with Posto 22 Restaurant and Manhattan Beer Distributors, and co-sponsored by beloved local businesses including Beechmont Tavern, 18th Ward Brewing, Kenny's on the Water, Spectator's Sports Pub, Smokehouse Tailgate Grill, Lawton Street Tavern, and Pepsi-Cola of New York, the event will benefit Friends of New Rochelle Parks, the nonprofit partner of the City's Parks & Recreation Department, in collaboration with the Westchester County Parks Foundation.

Views & Brews will take over Hudson Park on Saturday, October 4, from 2:00 to 7:00 PM. Guests can enjoy tasty food and beer from local restaurants, fun lawn games, plus music from a DJ and live band The M80s, performing a tribute to the '80s on the New Rochelle waterfront. The event is free and open to all ages, with food and beverages available for purchase. Proof of age is required for alcohol purchases.

"As our Department's services and needs continue to grow within our five bureaus, so too does the need to grow our Friends of New Rochelle Parks Fund," said Vin Parise, Commissioner of Parks & Recreation. "An event like *Views & Brews* is a win-win for New Rochelle – an enriching day of food, cheer, and community at Hudson Park, while helping to expand and enhance vital services for our residents."

Proceeds from *Views & Brews* will support a wide range of Parks & Recreation initiatives, from capital improvements to youth programming, senior services, community events, and more. Previous projects made possible through the Friends of New Rochelle Parks Fund include the Sustainability Initiatives at Ward Acres Park and Glenwood Lake, capital upgrades at Flowers City Park, the Grow! Lincoln Park Community Garden, Youth Bureau events and programming, and ongoing support for local organizations like the New Rochelle Boys & Girls Club, Youth Tackle Football, Developmentally Disabled Internship Program, and the New Rochelle Thanksgiving Parade.

The New Rochelle Parks & Recreation Department is the City's fourth-largest municipal department, comprising five bureaus: Parks Maintenance, Recreation & Special Events, the New Rochelle Youth Bureau, Doyle Senior Center / Office for the Aging, and the New Rochelle Marina. The City of New Rochelle, through its dynamic agencies like the Parks & Recreation Department, is committed to activating its parks and public spaces with diverse, year-round community programming, drawing residents, visitors, and potential new residents alike.

Whether a craft beer enthusiast, a foodie, or just looking to enjoy a beautiful fall day on the waterfront, *Views & Brews* offers something for everyone while supporting the heart of the New Rochelle community. For updates and event details, visit NewRochelleNY.com or follow @NewRochelleNY on social media.

Simone Development Companies, Montefiore Einstein Hospital, and Yondr Honored by the Center for Educational Innovation

Simone Development Companies, a full-service real estate investment company specializing in the acquisition and development of healthcare, mixed-use, office, industrial, retail and residential properties, was recently honored by the Center for Educational Innovation (CEI) at their annual gala at the Plaza Hotel in Manhattan.

Joe Simone, president of Simone Development Companies, accepted the award on behalf of the organization for the company's ongoing efforts to expand access to education and create opportunities for students in the Bronx.

"I'm deeply honored to accept this recognition from CEI on behalf of Simone Development Companies. We are proud to continue our support of initiatives that strengthen STEAM education and healthcare-focused programs in the Bronx and beyond, preparing the next generation for future success," said Mr. Simone. "Thank you to CEI for this meaningful recognition and for your continued commitment to ensuring every child has access to a quality education."

In addition to Simone Development, Montefiore Einstein Hospital was also recognized with awards presented to former Assemblyman Marcos A. Crespo, now continuing his advocacy for public health and quality of life as Senior Vice President of Community Affairs at Montefiore Einstein, and former Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr., now Senior Vice President of Strategic Initiatives for the hospital.



Pictured left to right are: Allan McLennan, Board Member, CEI; Dr. Michael Kohlhausen, President/CEO, CEI; Joe Simone, president of Simone Development Companies; Judy Roth Berkowitz, Chair Emerita, CEI; Patrick Duff, Chairman, Board of Directors, CEI; Gail Badillo, Board Member, CEI; and Dr. Meisha Porter, Visiting Senior Fellow, CEI. Photo by Don Pollard

Rounding out the honorees was Graham Dugoni, founder and CEO of Yondr, a pioneer in creating phone-free spaces. Yondr has partnered with thousands of schools across New York State to transform the school day experience and with venues worldwide to create phone-free concerts and events.

CEI is a nonprofit education organization located in New York City and a recognized leader in advancing meaningful reforms in public education. CEI's mission is to make the school the center and driving force of public education reform and innovation, working directly with teachers, school leaders, and the community to create the schools their children need to succeed. CEI's vision is to help build a public education system where every child has access to an excellent school.

Simone Development Companies is a full-service real estate investment company specializing in the acquisition and development of healthcare, mixed-use, office, industrial, retail and residential properties. Headquartered at the

Hutchinson Metro Center, it boasts a portfolio of over 7 million square feet throughout the Bronx, Manhattan, Queens, Long Island, Westchester County, Orange and Fairfield Counties and New Jersey. With expertise spanning acquisition, development, construction, finance, asset management, accounting, leasing and property management, Simone Development Companies is set apart by its vertically integrated management team, long-term asset ownership and its pursuit of visionary development.

New Rochelle Public Library to Celebrate Grand Opening of Children's Garden With New Outdoor Pavilion

The New Rochelle Public Library (NRPL) will celebrate the grand opening of its Children's Garden with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and family festival on Saturday, October 18, at 1:30 pm at the Main Branch, 1 Library Plaza.

The renovated garden will feature a new outdoor pavilion, expanding space for children's programs and community gatherings. The project was made possible through the New Rochelle Public Library Foundation, which secured an American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant from the City of New Rochelle.

The celebration will begin with a ribbon cutting and performance by Songcatchers, followed by pumpkin decorating, face painting, a Halloween Dreams & Screams concert with Rock Your World Kids, and photo ops with Esteban the Magnificent from The Day the Crayons Came Home. Guests are encouraged to come in costume.

"Children's imaginations bloom when they have spaces to create, play, and connect," said Eugenia Schatoff, Executive Director of the New Rochelle Public Library. "This new pavilion opens the door to even more outdoor programming for families across our community."

All activities are free and open to the public. Registration is requested at bit.ly/NRPL_Spooktacular2025. This event is part of ArtsFest 2025, sponsored by the New Rochelle Council on the Arts.

For more information about upcoming children's programs, visit the Library's online calendar at bit.ly/NewNRPLCalendar

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Four Students Named National Merit Scholarship Program Semifinalists

Four New Rochelle High School (NRHS) seniors have been named National Merit Scholarship Program Semifinalists. Regina Teran, Ian McCloskey, Cory Seelenfreund, and Paxton Rogove are among a select group

of 16,000 high school seniors nationwide competing for nearly 7,000 National Merit Scholarships totaling \$26 million. Those awards will be announced in the spring.

The four standouts were among 1.3 million juniors in 20,000 high schools who entered the NMSP by taking the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test in 2024. The elite pool of semifinalists represents less than one percent of U.S. high school seniors.

To become Finalists, the students and a NRHS official must submit a detailed scholarship application that includes information about the students' academic records, participation in school and community activities, demonstrated leadership abilities, employment, and honors and awards received. Finalists will be notified in February. National Merit Scholarship winners will be selected from the group of Finalists.

Congratulations, Semifinalists!



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The Pros and Cons of Co-Fiduciaries in Estate Planning



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In estate planning, a fiduciary is someone entrusted with managing another person's assets and affairs, often serving as an executor, trustee, or power of attorney. Many individuals consider appointing co-fiduciaries—two or more people sharing fiduciary responsibility—to ensure a balance of perspectives and safeguard decision-making. Many

clients express a desire to treat all of their children equally, which often leads them to consider naming all of them as co-fiduciaries. While co-fiduciaries can offer several advantages, there are also important drawbacks to consider.

Pros of Appointing Co-Fiduciaries

Checks and Balances: One of the most common reasons for appointing co-fiduciaries is to create a system of checks and balances. When more than one person is involved, the risk of mismanagement, fraud, or favoritism is reduced. This can be particularly important in high-value estates.

Shared Workload: Estate or Trust administration can be time-consuming and complex. Co-fiduciaries can divide responsibilities, such as communicating with beneficiaries, managing assets, filing taxes, and handling legal matters. This shared workload can reduce stress and ensure that no single fiduciary is over-

whelmed. Co-fiduciaries can also bring complementary skills to the table. For example, one fiduciary might be financially savvy, while the other has strong interpersonal skills for dealing with family dynamics. This can lead to more well-rounded decision-making.

Family Representation: In blended families or when children from multiple marriages are involved, appointing co-fiduciaries from different branches of the family can help maintain neutrality and foster trust among heirs.

Cons of Appointing Co-Fiduciaries

Risk of Disagreement: Co-fiduciaries must make decisions together, and disagreements can delay important actions or lead to legal disputes. If the co-fiduciaries have conflicting personalities or values, the process can become contentious, causing friction among heirs and potentially increasing legal costs. If the co-fiduciaries are family members, it

can also lead to conflicts among family members and strain or even damage relationships. While the intention may be fairness, asking children to manage an estate together can place emotional stress on them—especially during a time of grief. The pressure to make joint decisions under emotional strain can deepen rifts rather than promote unity.

Slower Decision-Making: Requiring the agreement of multiple parties often slows down decision-making, especially if the fiduciaries are located in different cities or states. In urgent situations, such delays can be problematic. If co-fiduciaries are evenly split on a decision and there's no mechanism in the estate plan to resolve a deadlock, administration can stall entirely. This might require court intervention to break the tie, further complicating the process.

Unequal Participation: In practice, one co-fiduciary may end up doing the bulk of the work while the other remains passive. This can breed resentment or lead to inefficiencies, particularly if compensation is shared equally.

Difficulty in Financial Institutions and Courts: Some banks, brokerage firms, or courts prefer working with a single decision-maker. They may impose stricter requirements when multiple fiduciaries are involved—such as needing all signatures for every transaction—leading to delays and frustration.

Conclusion

Appointing co-fiduciaries in an estate plan can provide balance, accountability, and shared responsibility—but it can also introduce the risk of conflict, inefficiency, and delays. When considering co-fiduciaries, it's important to choose individuals who communicate well, share mutual respect, and are capable of working together under pressure. Consulting with an estate planning attorney can help you weigh these factors and structure your fiduciary appointments to best serve your estate's goals.

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Table Hopping with Morris Gut

Enjoy the Sights, Sounds and Flavors of India During Diwali

Diwali, the Hindu Festival of Lights, is a major holiday throughout India and the rest of the globe. It is a fine time to enjoy the vibrant flavors of Indian cuisine. It lasts five days, this year peaking on October 20. It is marked by rituals, parades, and plenty of good food. Here are some local spots to take in those exotic flavors. Dine in or take out:

Mumbai Katta, 227 Westchester Ave., Port Chester. 914-937-3265 Anita and Jayant Gawde have opened a vibrant ode to flavorful regional Indian street food. They will mark the traditional five-day festival of Diwali. Anita is a dynamo in front and back of the house. www.mumbai-katta.com

Neha Palace, 27 Meyer Ave., Yonkers at Cross County Shopping Center. 914-476-5900 Diya Ramchandani's big, elegant restaurant and catering venue serves Halal cuisine. www.nehapalace-nyonkers.com

Marigold Cuisine, 434 White Plains Road, Eastchester. 914-202-9455 Michelin recognized chef Hermant Mathur, who was personal chef to the Prime Minister of India, offers a creative modern take on Indian cuisine. www.ordermarigold-restaurant.com

Tandoori Taste of India, 223 Westchester Ave., Port Chester 914-937-2727 Bharat Patel, pioneer proprietor of long running Tandoori Taste of India, will be marking Diwali with a grand buffet and specialties at lunch and dinner. www.tandooritasteofindia.com



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Jaipore Royal Indian Cuisine, 280 Route 22, Brewster. 845-277-3549 A lot of local history coming out of this historic mansion. www.jaiporenyc.com

Chutney Masala, 76 Main St., Irvington. 914-591-5500 Chef Navjot Arora runs a creative kitchen as recognized by the Michelin Restaurant Guide. www.chutney-masala.com

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Coriander-Modern Indian, 154 Larchmont Ave., Larchmont. 914-235-1306 Proprietor Shawn Nagpal and his team offer a modern touch to their regional Indian cuisine. www.coriander-ny.com

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October 2025 Events at the New Rochelle Public Library

All events take place at the New Rochelle Public Library, 1 Library Plaza, New Rochelle, unless otherwise noted. In addition to the programs listed below, all programs, including daily programs for children and teens can be found on the NRPL online calendar at <https://bit.ly/NewNRPLCalendar>. As always, all programs are FREE and open to all!

Chair Yoga
Wednesdays, October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
1:00 - 2:00 pm
Mondays, October 6, 20, 27
12:30 - 1:30 pm
Conquer stress and fatigue, and infuse your day with renewed energy and focus with a gentle yet invigorating session of chair yoga. No need to change clothing or lie on a mat. Space is limited; first come-first-served. FREE! Location: 1st Floor Meeting Room/Ossie Davis Theater

NRPL Mah Jongg Club: Open Play
Thursdays, October 2
1:00 - 3:00 pm
Tuesdays, October 7, 14, 21, 28
5:45 - 7:45 pm
Join us on Tuesdays, 5:45 - 7:45 pm and Thursdays, 1:00 - 3:00 pm at the New Rochelle Public Library to play Mah Jongg. This is for experienced players. Please be sure to bring your card. Location: Tuesdays, Lobby, Thursdays, 1st Floor Meeting Room. Registration requested at bit.ly/NRPL_MahJongg

Ragtime Celebration Weekend: Ragtime Film Screening
Saturday, October 4, 2025
1:00 - 4:30 pm
Join us for Milos Forman's epic film adaptation of Ragtime, E.L. Doctorow's bold, distinctive and award-winning work of historical fiction, nominated for eight Academy Awards. Presented in its latest digital restoration, with an all-star cast including James Cagney, Howard E. Rollins Jr., Elizabeth McGovern, Mary Steenburgen, Debbie Allen, and Mandy Patinkin. 155 minutes. Rated PG. Location: Ossie Davis Theater. Registration requested at bit.ly/NRPL_Ragtime

Sing Your Heart Out! Workshop for Adult Singers
Saturdays, October 4, 11, 25, 9:30 - 11:30 am
Mondays, October 6, 20, 27, 9:30 - 11:30 am
Music maestro Robert Puleo returns to lead the Fall 2025 "Sing Your Heart Out!" Workshop. Aspiring singers will gain the confidence required to sing as well as learn how to select music appropriate for their voice, and--most importantly--how to have fun throughout the entire 'learning to sing' process! Location: Ossie Davis Theater. Register online at bit.ly/NRPL_SYHO_FALL2025 or contact Robert Puleo via phone at 914-475-8201 or by email at robertppuleo@gmail.com

Qi Gong
Tuesdays, October 7, 14, 21
10:00 - 11:00 am
Energy (chee) and gentle body movement (gong) for healing the body, mind and emotions. Gentle exercises are easy to learn. Drop in. FREE. Location: 1st Floor Meeting Room/Theater

Salsa Party (Virtual Program)
Tuesday, October 7
5:30 - 6:30 pm
In honor of Hispanic American Heritage Month, we're heading into the kitchen for a salsa party!

Join us to make two delicious salsas -- a mango, jicama + black bean salsa, and a roasted tomato salsa. To go alongside, we'll bake up a batch of super simple homemade tortilla chips. Location: Virtual. Registration is required here bit.ly/NRPL_Salsa_Oct2025

Mah Jongg Beginner Instruction
Thursdays, beginning October 9
1:00 - 3:00 pm
Learn the hottest game of strategy, skill and a bit of luck. Registrants must attend all sessions, as learning the game builds on skills from the previous week. By the end of the program, you will have gained the skills and confidence to play Mah Jongg without instructor supervision. Location: 1st Floor Meeting Room. Registration requested at bit.ly/NRPL_BeginMahJongg_Fall2025

Well-Minded Movement: Boost Flexibility, Posture & Balance
Fridays, October 10 and 24
11:30 am - 12:30 pm
Struggling to stand tall or move with ease? This gentle class, based on The Feldenkrais Method®, uses slow, gentle mindful movements to improve posture, flexibility, and balance--without strain. Please bring a towel, blanket, or garden pad to sit on. Open to all abilities. Location: 1st Floor Meeting Room (1st Floor)

NRPL Film Series: Halloween Cult Horror Double Feature (MAD LOVE & I WALKED WITH A ZOMBIE)
Saturday, October 11
2:00 - 4:45pm
Join New Rochelle librarian and film historian Chris Poggiali for a special double feature of classic cult horror movies! Chris will introduce the films and lead a post-screening film discussion.
2:00 PM - MAD LOVE (1935); Directed by Karl Freund - 68 minutes
Deranged surgeon Dr. Gogol (Peter Lorre) pines for actress Yvonne Orlac (Frances Drake), who is planning a break from acting to tour with her pianist husband, Stephen. After an accident mangles Stephen's hands, Gogol replaces them with the hands of a dead knife-wielding murderer, which appear to have retained the urge to use knives as weapons.
3:00 PM - I WALKED WITH A ZOMBIE (1943); Directed by Jacques Tourneur - 69 minutes
When she takes a job caring for a comatose woman on a Caribbean island, a young nurse (Frances Dee) finds herself plunged into a mysterious world where the ghosts of slavery haunt the present and Vodou priests have the power to summon the living dead. Location: Ossie Davis Theater. Registration requested at bit.ly/NRPL_CultHorror

Adult Art Workshop: Decorative Paper Pumpkins
Thursday, October 16
10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Using found objects to print on different types of paper, create materials to make decorative paper pumpkins. Drop in. Free. Location: 1st Floor Meeting Room

ArtsFest 2025: Undead: A Dracula Story
Thursday, October 16
7:00 pm
The Red Monkey Theater Company brings their deconstruction of Dracula -- adapted by Amy Frey from the novel by Bram Stoker -- to New Rochelle. This new play follows Lucy Westenra,

a geriatric patient in a hospital, who is convinced that she is seeing monsters. As Lucy spirals into the world of Dracula, her doctors are forced to examine who determines reality. Directed by Lisa Spielman. Registration requested at bit.ly/NRPL_ArtsFest2025

ArtsFest 2025 - Friday Night Concert: Brian Carter Quintet
Friday, October 17
7:00 pm
Join drummer and composer Brian Carter for an inspiring ArtsFest 2025 performance as his quintet brings to life Brian Carter II--a powerful new all-original album inspired by family, legacy, and love. Blending timeless jazz with fresh energy, the evening includes a special tribute to his trailblazing aunt, Patricia Ann Mullings. Don't miss this heartfelt, high-energy performance. Location: Ossie Davis Theater. Registration requested at bit.ly/NRPL_FridayNightConcerts

ArtsFest 2025 - Children's Garden Grand Opening: A Spooktacular Celebration!
Saturday, October 18
1:30 - 4:00pm
Join us as we celebrate the grand opening of the Library's beloved Children's Garden--now with a brand-new outdoor pavilion that expands NRPL's outdoor programming space! We'll kick off the festivities with a special ribbon cutting to officially open the pavilion, featuring a performance by Songcatchers, followed by a celebration with pumpkin decorating, face painting, photo ops with Esteban the Magnificent from The Day the Crayons Came Home, Halloween Dreams and Screams (Music with Armelle) and

more. Come dressed in costume and explore the garden. Location: Children's Garden/Children's Room. Registration requested at bit.ly/NRPL_Spooktacular2025

ArtsFest 2025 - "Commural"
Saturday, October 18
2:00 - 4:00 pm
Get into the ArtsFest spirit! Grab a marker, pictures, glue and your imagination and help us create a giant "Commural" as part of our community - a colorful paper mural that includes images and words to celebrate the people and spirit of New Rochelle. Writer Karen Gardner will spark the creativity, but the masterpiece comes from you! Drop in anytime between 2:00 - 4:00 pm to add your words, doodles, and designs to this one-of-a-kind community artwork. Location: Huguenot Children's Library, 794 North Avenue, New Rochelle

ArtsFest 2025 - Sunday Afternoon Concert Series: A Celebration of Chamber Music
Sunday, October 19
2:00 pm
As part of ArtsFest 2025, enjoy a captivating chamber music performance by recent graduates from the Bard Conservatory of Music: Monika Dziubelski (flute), Klára Zaykova, and Andrew Altrock (piano). This talented trio will perform: Mel Bonis -- Suite en Trio, Op. 59; Eugène Goossens -- Suite for Flute, Violin and Piano, Op. 6; Darius Milhaud -- Sonata for Flute, Violin and Piano, Op. 15. Presented by Young Musicians of Westchester. Location: Ossie Davis Theater. Registration requested at bit.ly/NRPL_YMWConcerts



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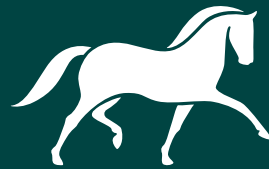
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