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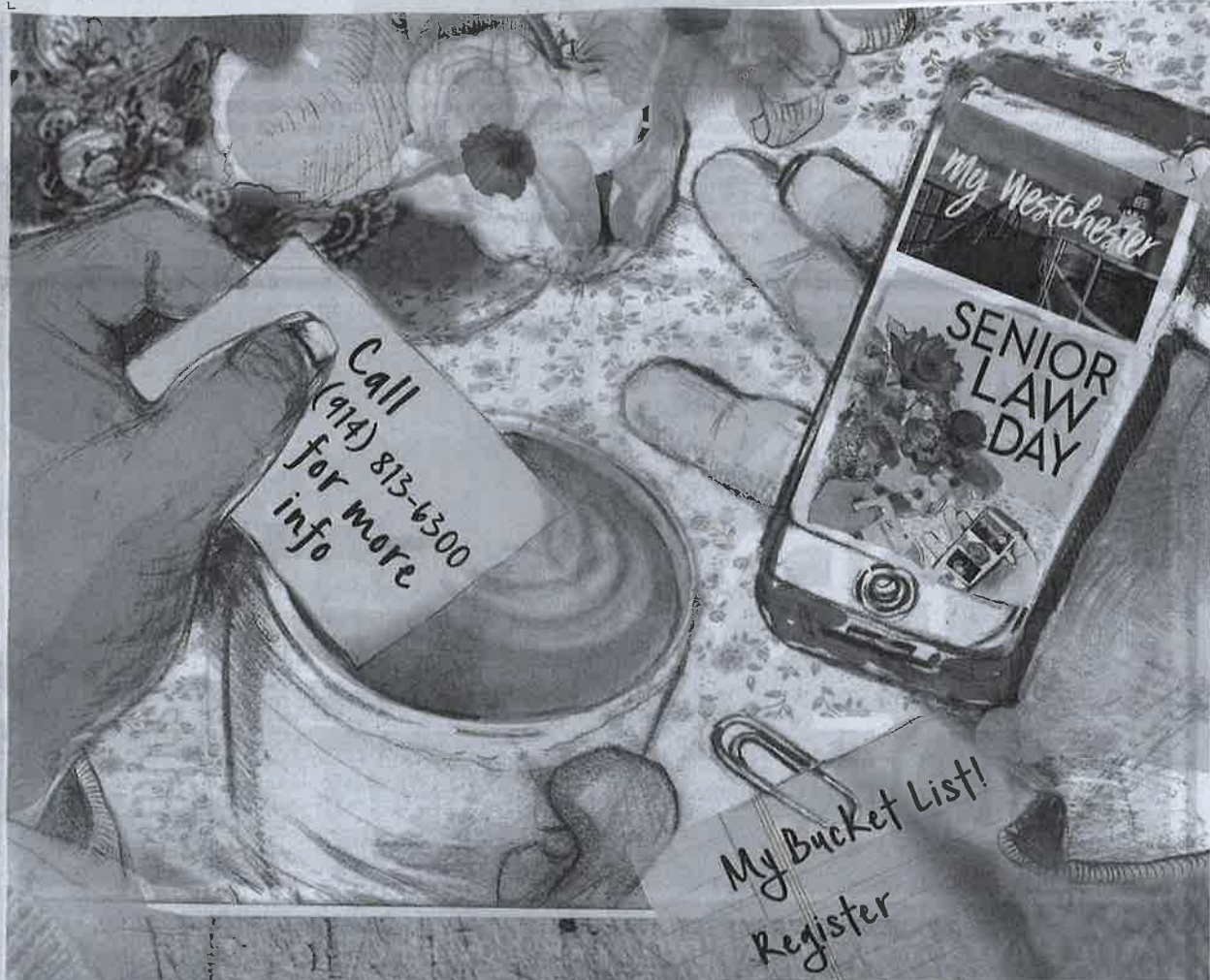
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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2018

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23

Demystifying MEDICARE and Healthcare Coverage for Seniors
Tuesday, October 23, 1:15 – 4:15pm
West Harrison Library, 2 Madison St. This FREE presentation of the library system's Westchester Seniors Out Speaking is perfect for anyone trying to navigate their way through our complicated healthcare system for older adults. It will help those who already have Medicare, as well as people soon to be 65, planning their retirement, or assisting relatives and friends with their medical decisions and paperwork.

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Bedford 25 for 2018

Celebrating the most dedicated, most creative, and most influential

On these pages, we celebrate the 2018 Bedford 25: the dedicated, creative, influential, and intriguing neighbors who make this community our favorite place on the planet. —Edited by Jennifer Moore Stahlkrantz

Sophia Bernier

Since joining the Bedford Historical Society in 2008, Bernier has employed numerous creative strategies to make history more accessible and engaging. She is the behind-the-scenes engine that keeps the society on task. Her organizational talents, creative skills, and genial manner have helped the society bring history to life, and life to history in Bedford.



Diane Briggs

Elected to the Pound Ridge town board last year, Briggs immersed herself in understanding the nuts and bolts of running a local government; became the liaison to the Open Space Acquisitions Committee and Planning Board; initiated the creation of the new Pound Ridge Economic Development Committee; and worked to ensure the health and vitality of local businesses.



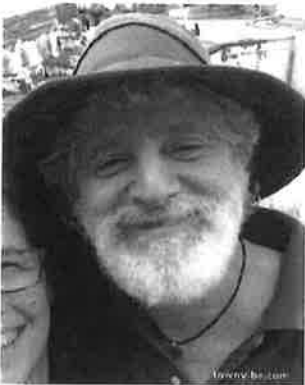
Elisa Burns

For more than 32 years, this Bedford resident has provided superior healthcare to women in our community as an obstetrician/gynecologist, as the chair of the OB/GYN department at CareMount Medical, and as the director of quality for the Institute of Robotic & Minimally Invasive Surgery at Northern Westchester Hospital.



Gary Cohn

Cohn works with Temple Shaaray Tefila, Bedford Presbyterian Church, and our local community to organize mission trips for local students and adults to Nicaragua, Puerto Rico, and North Carolina. He is scoutmaster of Bedford Boy Scout Troop 129, a lifetime volunteer member of the Bedford Village Fire Department, and he organizes the local Thanksgiving Dinner program.



Christina Dochtermann

Dochtermann founded the BCSD Elementary BikeRun, is the president of the Fox Lane Ski Club, co-parent president at Fox Lane High School, past president of the Junior League, volunteers for Northern Westchester Hospital, and is on the board of the Bedford Riding Lanes Association. She is also an expert at volunteer networking!



Mary Esbjornson

Esbjornson has served as executive director of the Bedford Hills Free Library for the past four years. Under her leadership, the library has set an exciting new course, engaging everyone in our community. Her creativity and vision ensure that the Bedford Hills Free Library is the heart of the hamlet and a centerpiece for lifelong learning benefitting all.



Brown Family

They have been the heart of the extraordinary music program at Antioch Baptist Church for four generations. Longtime Bedford residents, the tradition started with Evelyn Brown, followed by Earl, Gerard, David, Earlena, Gwen, Larry, Kyle, Andrew, and Jennifer. Bedford Hills would not be the same without Antioch, and Antioch would not be the same without the Browns!



Daphne Everett

Back in 2014, Daphne Everett saw a need in Scotts Corners for a casual café where friends could linger over a cup of coffee and an avocado toast. After transforming a central downtown location into The Kitchen Table at Pound Ridge, her efforts resulted in a popular meeting place where everyone stops by for an espresso, simple healthy food, and to catch up on community news.



Debbie Franzese & Alexandra Walsh

The duo purchased the Bedford Gourmet in 2010 and built the tried-and-true neighborhood catering and take-out boutique into a

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**League of Women Voters Presents
Civics Workshop at New Rochelle
Library, Tuesday, Oct. 30th**

NEW ROCHELLE, NY -- The League of Women Voters will present a workshop focusing on the ABCs of government, and on the Nov. 6 midterm election, at the New Rochelle Public Library, 1 Library Plaza, on Tuesday, October 30, from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. There is no charge and all are welcome. Reservations are appreciated by e-mailing LWVnewrochelle@gmail.com, but drop-ins are welcome.

The workshop will include a slide presentation on the structure of local, county, state and federal government and nonpartisan discussion on what is at stake at the midterm election. The format will include ample time for interactive discussion in small groups. Participants will receive League publications, including a copy a Directory of Officials," "The Citizen Lobbyist," the nonpartisan Voters Guide, and information on [www.Vote 411.org](http://www.Vote411.org)—the LWV of Westchester election information website.

The workshop is part of a "Know Your Government" series presented at public libraries and community sites by LWV chapters. It was produced by the LWV of Westchester Education Foundation and funded by a generous grant from the Westchester Community Foundation.

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Yonkers Public Library to Hold Free Informational Session on Oct. 17th

YONKERS, NY -- Have you been turned down for a job because you don't have a high school diploma, or are you interested in going to college and need the credentials? Find out how to achieve a high school equivalency diploma at a free informational session at the Riverfront Library on Wed., Oct. 17 at 11 a.m.

In the workshop, professional tutors will outline four ways to gain a high school equivalency diploma, including taking the Test Assessing Secondary Complete (TASC) exam (formerly GED), participating in the National External Diploma Program (NEDP) and/or as-

sessing your previous educational work and applying it toward exam credits. The speakers will also review different ways to prepare for the exams from taking classes to online independent study.

In addition, the Riverfront Library offers TASC tutoring, weekly workshops with onsite tutors providing personalized support for individuals taking the TASC exam. This is a free service open to all on the following days: Wednesdays at 10 a.m.; Thursdays at 5 p.m. and Fridays at 10 a.m.

The TASC tutoring program is always looking for

volunteers to help tutor students. If you have a background in teaching and/or tutoring and want to give back to the community, please contact Phyllis Cole at (914) 375-7966 and she can provide more program information.

Yonkers Riverfront Library, located at One Larkin Center, is accessible to people with disabilities. Parking is available at sidewalk meters and for a fee in the nearby Buena Vista and Warburton Parking Garages. For more event information visit www.ypl.org.

The New York Times

READING ROOM

12 Authors Write About the Libraries They Love

Oct. 15, 2018

For most readers and writers — and book lovers in general — the library holds a special place of honor and respect. We asked several authors to tell us about their local public library or to share a memory of a library from their past.

[Read Michael Lewis's review of "The Library Book," by Susan Orlean.]

Regeneration and Inspiration

I have created art for over 100 books for children and adults. Yet when I moved from Boston to Croton-on-Hudson, N.Y., with my family in 1970, I had illustrated just 16.

All of my projects required a great deal of research. I kept a file of pictures clipped from magazines and newspapers, but when I needed a reference for something specific, I would hop on the train to Grand Central Terminal and walk to the New York Public Library on 42nd Street and Fifth Avenue. It was magical to browse its vast picture collection, but I discovered that I had another great source at my fingertips.

The Croton Free Library, located in a quiet corner of town and bordering the cemetery where the playwright and writer Lorraine Hansberry is buried, was just 10 minutes from my house. Over the next 48 years, this small library would play a role in almost all of my projects, becoming one of the building blocks of my creative process. The librarians assisted in my always urgent research requests, put up with late returns, and combed the shelves for books once borrowed and now needed again with only a vague description to go on: "It was large, the cover blue or maybe green. You know, the one on African-American folklore."

The Croton Free Library has shaped the content of my work. It is more than a research bank; it's a muse. On days when the wheels on my creative engine refuse to turn, I'll leave my studio and make the short drive to my library for regeneration and inspiration. And when I walk through the doors, I am always greeted with: "Hey, Jerry. What are you working on now?"

— Jerry Pinkney, *"The Three Billy Goats Gruff"*

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Harrison Library Director Receives NY Innovation Award

NY Library Association honors HPL Director Galina Chernykh for success growing the library

By Dave Donelson | Oct 8, 2018 11:32 am ET

This post was contributed by a community member.



Harrison Public Library Director Galina Chernykh has been honored by the NY Library Association (NYLA) for her work in transforming the library into the centerpiece of the Harrison community. She will receive the Mary Bobinski Innovative Public Library Director Award at the NYLA Annual Conference in November.



“Her ability to always see the bigger vision makes the library a vibrant place by merging reading and other academic pursuits with community involvement,” said Danielle Colavito, one of the library’s Makers In Residence, in a letter nominating Ms. Chernykh for the award.

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“Galina has worked tirelessly to bring new programs like the Play2Learn Festival to Harrison,” adds HPL Board of Trustees President LoAn Austin. “Her energy and enthusiasm are contagious and inspire the staff and community leaders to see the Harrison Public Library’s limitless potential.”

According to NYLA, The Mary Bobinski Innovative Public Library Director Award is given to a public library director who during the past two years developed or implemented an innovative program leading to an increase in financial support and/or usage of their library by:

- Demonstrating the value and importance of their public library to community leaders and local government officials.
- Enhancing the image of the public library through an innovative public relations program publicizing the resources and services in multiple media formats.
- Developing new programs and services to attract users and non-users.

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“I am humbled and earnestly grateful for this award,” Ms. Chernykh says, “but the achievements it reflects would not have been possible without the inspiration I receive from my board and my staff as well as the tremendous support the library receives from the community.”

In a letter supporting Ms. Chernykh’s nomination, Harrison Town Councilman Frank Gordon said, “Since her appointment to her current position as Harrison’s Library Director in 2011, Ms. Chernykh has revitalized and transformed our Town’s public library through innovative programming and capital improvements.” He reinforced his endorsement with a list of capital projects planned under Ms. Chernykh’s direction that include the complete \$4 million renovation of the Halperin Building in downtown Harrison as well as multiple capital improvements to the West Harrison Branch.

Also endorsing the nomination was HPL Foundation trustee Fran Brescia-Coniglio, who wrote,

“Galina understands the important role libraries play in a community and most importantly adapts with the times and needs of the patrons to create a welcoming place.”

Ms. Chernykh will receive the award November 9 at the NYLA Annual Conference in Rochester, NY.

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A party for book groups, career advice, genealogy resources and more

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This Week on Martine

Thinking about A Career Change?



If you're thinking about a career change and want to plan for the next stage of your life, join us for this workshop presented by WEBS Career and Educational Counseling Service on Thursday, October 11th from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

During this workshop you'll learn how to assess yourself and evaluate your skills. Discover informational resources and start to cultivate a network. Registration is required; to register, [visit our online calendar](#) or call (914) 422-6979.

Video of The Week