



Free vaccines for kids

Westchester County Health Department offers free pediatric Moderna COVID-19 vaccines this summer. The vaccine clinics will be held on Fridays from 9 a.m. to noon, by appointment only, for children ages 6 months to 5 years. The vaccine clinics will be held at the Health Department, 134 Court St., White Plains.

The Moderna vaccine is given in two doses, at least 28 days apart. The county will also offer all other COVID-19 vaccines for the other age groups from 1 to 3 p.m. on Fridays.

To make an appointment, go to <https://bit.ly/3NLjvYU>, select the Vaccine and Clinic Information drop down, and click on the link for the vaccine you want. More appointments will be added, so check back frequently.

Save the date!

Scarsdale's summer sidewalk sale will take place Thursday, July 28 through Saturday, July 30 in the village center.

In addition to the brick and mortar retail stores, Scarsdale Business Alliance (SBA) health and wellness members and other service providers may participate again this year, with spaces provided on Boniface Circle which will be closed to vehicular traffic. In addition, limited space for home businesses will be available by lottery.

Vendor participation and placement is on a first-come, first served basis. All participants must submit a hold harmless form (<https://bit.ly/398zKB7>) and certificate of insurance.

To sign up, go to <https://bit.ly/3trQn11>.

Bicycle Sundays set to return in September

No Bicycle Sundays July or August. The Bronx River Parkway from Westchester County Center to Scarsdale Road in Yonkers will be closed to traffic for the exclusive use of cyclists, joggers and walkers on Sundays in September (except Sept. 4) — Sept. 11, 18, 25 and Oct. 2, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bicycle Sundays are canceled in the event of inclement weather.

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Input sought on revisions to voter eligibility

Proposal would allow noncitizens to vote, run, serve on nominating committee

By VALERIE ABRAHAM

SCARSDALE VILLAGE — The Scarsdale Procedure Committee (PC) has proposed a major change to the local nonpartisan election process that would allow noncitizen residents of Scarsdale to run for and serve on the Citizens Nominating Committee

(CNC). Noncitizens would also gain the right to vote for candidates running to serve on of the CNC.

CNC members — comprised of six residents from each of Scarsdale's five elementary school districts — are elected by their neighbors to vet and nominate a slate of candidates for village office positions that are open in any given year.

According to PC chair Michelle Sterling and vice chair Peri Zelig, the proposal to open the CNC to noncitizen participation "represents a collaborative opportunity for Scarsdalians to make a positive difference in the civic affairs of Scarsdale." It is similar to the voter-approved procedural change

made in January by Scarsdale's School Board Nominating Committee.

Each year, members of the Procedure Committee look to improve the nonpartisan election system's governing document — the Non-Partisan Resolution — and the CNC processes. This year, they proposed changing voter eligibility and several other relatively minor amendments in the Non-Partisan Resolution, all of which require notice and feedback from the public. The other changes primarily "address plain language clarification of longstanding substantive provisions with only a few additions" and "common sense changes that correct or enhance organization, grammar,

readability, use of plain English, and the avoidance of confusing or inconsistent language or terminology," according to a summary prepared by the PC, which is posted online at <https://bit.ly/3nNvjPQ>.

Members of the public are invited to review and comment on all of the proposed amendments and revisions, which are clearly marked on a document that can be downloaded at <https://bit.ly/3NPXh8L>. Feedback about the proposed amendments should be sent via email to Sterling at michellesterling1@gmail.com or PC member Madeleine Eppenstein at meppenstein@eppenstein.com.

All comments received by the PC

from Scarsdale residents and community organizations during the 90-day public comment period, from June 27 through Sept. 30, will be reviewed by the PC. The committee then will decide which amendments should be presented to the electorate on the ballot Tuesday, Nov. 15, when Scarsdale voters go to the polls to elect a new class of CNC members.

Qualified voters who are citizens and residents can vote 'yes' or 'no' on each proposed amendment. Noncitizen residents can comment on the proposals in advance, but cannot vote in November. The change, if approved, would take effect for the next election

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Red, white and blue color the streets of ARTHUR MANOR

Tradition continues as residents celebrate Fourth of July

By JIM MACLEAN

A vintage bicycle became a perfect example of what has made Arthur Manor's Fourth of July celebration a treasured event in Scarsdale for the past 94 years.

Tradition carries forward from generation to generation, grandparents to parents to children, as families take part in the parade. In fact, some people come back to the village just for this event.

That was the case this year for the Callaghan family whose float garnered the grand prize at this year's 94th annual Arthur Manor Neighborhood Association Fourth of July parade. Dad Christian Callaghan, who grew up in Arthur Manor and was in the parade as a child, recently shared an idea with his parents, who also live in Scarsdale, about his family's idea for a float that would celebrate the 40th anniversary of the 1982 movie "E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial."

"When I told them, my mom said, 'You know, your old bike is still up in the attic.' ... That bike was in the parade in the 1980s and now it's back," said Christian Callaghan. "I rode that bike in this parade and all around this neighborhood, and now it's my son's bike."

Christian and his wife Stephanie worked on the float, which Dad pushed along the parade route while their son Jack rode the bicycle decorated with a big full moon and a papier-mâché E.T. in

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Ally Cole waves while riding her wagon in the Fourth of July parade.

SCARSDALE INQUIRER/JIM MACLEAN

New board tackles key issues at annual reorg meeting

By TODD SLISS

SCARSDALE SCHOOLS — In addition to many mundane procedural items, the Scarsdale Board of Education reorganizational meeting/first business meeting of the 2022-23 school year on July 1 featured some key developments and interesting discussions.

Newly elected board members Colleen Brown and Suzie Hahn Pascutti were sworn in for their first meeting and the board voted unanimously to promote Amber Yusuf to president and name Ron Schulhof vice president as he enters his second three-year term on the board.

Board member Bob Klein nominated Yusuf, who served as vice president to Karen Ceske this past school year. "Amber ... is someone who has stepped up to the plate during very demanding times and for me in particular her demeanor and her thoroughness have really been appreciated and I feel 100% confident that she will lead us this year in a good direction."

Board member Jim Dugan nominated Schulhof. "Ron obviously needs no introduction, this being the start of his fourth year on the school board. We all know Ron very well from the time he has served. He has a steady voice, a sharp mind, a seemingly [un]limited abundance of time to spend, and a real dedication and a clear vision for the continued success and excellence of our schools. I couldn't think of anyone better to be the vice president of our school board."

Prior to a vote to readopt all board policies, which is done annually by law, Interim Superintendent Dr. Drew Patrick pointed out a "modest change" to the board policy section of Board-Docs, where all public documents for the district are housed online. With the help of District Clerk and Assistant to the Superintendent Honore Adams, all regulations that are part of policy are now listed with those policies. "It just seemed to make

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Trustees change code to ban signs in village rights-of-way

Some exemptions, with a permit, will be allowed

By VALERIE ABRAHAM

SCARSDALE VILLAGE — Scarsdale Board of Trustees approved by unanimous vote June 28 a resolution to amend a local law restricting yard signs.

The revised Village Code, Chapters 247, 80 and 310, prohibits, with certain exceptions, the placement or installation of any signs within the village's right of way.

The new requirements are tougher than those in the previous law and must be complied with within 60 days.

However, the new law exempts some existing signs, such as those in front of businesses, schools, houses of worship or other facilities, if it would cost more than \$1,000 to bring the signs into compliance. Proof of such costs is required for the exemption.

The law also states there are exemp-



Vote Yes and Vote No signs were posted throughout the village in 2018.

SCARSDALE INQUIRER/FILE PHOTO

tions for "traffic control signs, governmental signs, temporary A-frame signs in nonresident zoning districts that have received a permit from the vil-

lage, and temporary special event banners" that have received a permit from the village.

On a form submitted in accordance

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— VILLAGE ATTORNEY DANIEL POZIN

with the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) regulations, the village stated the new local law is "more restrictive than the existing law" and therefore, "it is not anticipated that there will be any significant adverse environmental impacts as a result of its adoption."

Further, according to the SEQRA form, "It is possible that the removal of signs will improve the aesthetic conditions in neighborhoods and will be a benefit to the environment."

The village board held public hearings on the proposed code changes

May 3 and June 14.

At the June hearing, village attorney Daniel Pozin explained that Scarsdale is "prohibiting any kind of signs in the Village rights-of-way, and that would apply to all kinds of signs, regardless of content, because the law is content neutral [and] all signs must be out of the right of way."

He continued: "There are exceptions for that, such as existing large signs ... outside of a place of worship or outside of a country club if they're in the right of way."

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