

# ~NEW ROCHELLE CITY SOUNDINGS~

Sharing the Best of New Rochelle – September 2006

## *WHAT'S GOING ON IN SEPTEMBER* ⇨ CALENDAR

### *Colonial Times at Paine Cottage*

For "Patriot Day Weekend" at the Thomas Paine Cottage on **Saturday and Sunday, September 9 and 10 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.**, there will be a visit by soldiers of the 2<sup>nd</sup> New York Regiment, who fought for America's freedom at places such as Quebec and Saratoga. You can learn about this regiment's history and that of the common soldier who served in Washington's army during the Revolutionary War. There will also be "hands-on" activities for children. The suggested donation is \$3.00 per person, \$1.00 for children under 12.

At a Colonial Fair/Arts & Crafts Show on **Saturday, September 30**, you can travel back to pre-Revolutionary days and observe colonial soldiers practice their drill and fire their muskets. You may visit their camp and a one-room schoolhouse, try your hand at weaving, have your face painted, or decorate a pumpkin. Enjoy a bake sale, a white elephant sale, and refreshments. In addition, stroll the leafy aisle and consider the works of a wonderful group of artists and craftspeople. Admission is free. Rain date is Sunday, October 1.

Thomas Paine Cottage is located at 20 Sicard Avenue at North Avenue across from New Rochelle High School. For more information, visit [www.ThomasPaineCottage.org](http://www.ThomasPaineCottage.org) or call 633-1776

### *Jack's Friendship Garden Opens at Huguenot Park*

Jack's Friendship Garden, the handicapped-accessible playground at Huguenot Park, is open at last. On **Friday, September 8**, local officials will gather for a "ribbon cutting" ceremony at **3:30 p.m.** Then, on **Saturday, September 9**, the Jack Robert Young Foundation, which built the playground, will host a family day with food and fun from **11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** at the part

### *Greek Festival at Holy Trinity Church*

The annual Greek Festival at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, with its tempting aroma of Greek food and fun activities for families, will draw visitors from all over Westchester for two weekends this year: from **Friday, September 8 – Sunday, September 10** and from **Friday, September 15 – Sunday, September 17**. Gyros, shish kabob, souvlaki, spanikopita, baklava and more will entice people to the taverna. Other features include a vendors' market, flea market, games, and rides for children. Admission is \$1; children under 12 attend for free. Food and activities are individually priced.

### *Scholarship Fund Golf Outing*

The Bert Saperstein Communication Scholarship Fund, which raises money for college students majoring in communications, will hold its twelfth annual golf outing/fund raiser at Bonnie Briar Country Club in Larchmont on **Tuesday, September 12**. One scholarship each year is designated for a NRHS graduate. The full-day event includes: breakfast, 18 holes of golf, cookout lunch, open bar cocktails, buffet dinner, prizes, and a \$10,000 putting contest. The entry fee is \$275. Contact [www.bsc-scholarshipfund.org](http://www.bsc-scholarshipfund.org), [info@bsc-scholarshipfund.org](mailto:info@bsc-scholarshipfund.org) or 636-1281.

### *Sound Shore Medical Center Blood Drives*

Sound Shore Medical Center (SSMC) is providing the opportunity to give the "gift of life." The Center will host blood drives in September to collect blood donations to be used exclusively by SSMC patients. The

drives are open to the public, and any individual between the ages of 18 and 75 with a photo ID may donate. On **Sunday, September 10, 11:30 a.m. – 2:00p.m.**, donors may give at Shiloh Baptist Church, 185 Lincoln Avenue, New Rochelle. The following weekend, on **Sunday, September 17, 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**, an Eagle Scout drive will take place at St. Anthony's Church, Nepperhan Park, Yonkers. Finally, on **Sunday, September 24, 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**, donors will be welcomed at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 559 Pelham Manor Road, Pelham. For further information, call the Blood Donor Coordinator at 914-632-5000, Ext. 5221.

### *Kickoff Party for BID Family Saturdays*

Bring the family down to Ossie Davis Park at Library Green on **Saturday, September 30 from 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon** for the Kick-off Party for BID Family Saturdays. There will be refreshments, storybook characters, crafts, and a live performance by Kurt Gallagher and the Whatchamacallits. In the event of rain, activities will be moved indoors to the library's Ossie Davis Theater. BID Family Saturdays will continue until June 23, 2007 and will feature international mini-fests, performances, craft workshops, films, scavenger hunts—and much, much more!. For additional info, check the BID Calendar at [www.downtownnewrochelle.com](http://www.downtownnewrochelle.com).

### *A Photographic Journey of India*

A solo exhibit by Kelly Clark entitled "A Photographic Journey of India" will officially usher in The College of New Rochelle's (CNR) fall 2006 season in the Mooney Center Exhibit Hall, 29 Castle Place. It will be **on display from Aug. 31 through Sept. 25. A reception** will take place **Sept. 9 from 2-4PM.**

The exhibit will feature 20 photos that depict life in India, including the people and urban landscapes. To give back to the country that has helped her see the beauty of life, Ms. Clark will donate a portion of the sales to the Christian Children's Fund for their charitable programs in India. The reception and exhibit are free and open to the public. **Hours: Mon-Thurs from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m., Friday, Saturday and Sundays from 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.** For directions or information, please go to: <http://www.cnr.edu/CNR/cnr-directions.html#NEWROCHELLE> or call (914) 654-5423.

### *50 Years of Powwow*

From **September 10 – November 22**—with an **opening reception from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. on September 24**—the College of New Rochelle will host "50 Years of Powwow," a photographic exhibit examining a vital part of the Native American community and providing an opportunity to celebrate native culture and traditions. For further information, see the calendar below.

## ***WORKS IN PROGRESS & NEW DEVELOPMENTS***

### *Extending a Gift to New Rochelle's Future*

**By Lynn Honeysett**

Rarely does an older city have the opportunity to determine the future of a large piece of waterfront property, land so often monopolized by the remnants of old industry or vista-blocking corridors of utilitarian buildings. The City of New Rochelle seized such a moment and is considering the fate of approximately 20 acres of city-owned Echo Bay property off Main Street, located between Five Islands Park and Sutton Manor, and including the marina. Additional privately-owned contiguous properties could also be acquired. The ideal fix would reunite New Rochelle with its Echo Bay views and waterfront access, and revitalize the poorly utilized property east of Post Road.

A winnowing process initiated by the City resulted in four top real estate development firms presenting plans for the Echo Bay properties to City Council in late June. One firm has since dropped out. The three remaining, Twining Properties, Forest City Residential Group and WCI Communities, visualize different solutions, but all echo the common themes of public waterfront access, vista corridors, and mixed residential, restaurant, retail and open space.

Shared concepts include the creation of a new street or streets leading to the shore and waterfront restaurants and promenades. All present buildings in a range of design styles for a more natural feel. Forest City and WCI plans include revitalizing the old Mancuso marina; Twinings shows a boat launch. Both Twinings and WCI incorporate the Armory, the former as a fitness center and spa and the latter as a possible marketplace, cultural venue or sailing school. The three plans differ in building density and relative percentages of mixed use, as well as vehicle access. Concepts such as green, sustainable building (Twinings), “fingers” of green space leading to the water (Forest City), and a water taxi to link to other parts of New Rochelle (WCI) creatively differentiated the contenders. The presentations are viewable at <http://www.newrochelleny.com/echobay.asp>.

“We’re really choosing a partner that understands what we want, our vision,” said Craig King, New Rochelle’s Commissioner of Development, “complemented by the capacity to negotiate the variables of community and environmental impact, regulatory requirements, privately-owned parcels, and market fluctuation; experience in waterfront and brownfield sites, and the financial capacity to sustain a long-term process.” The developer will be chosen by October.

“This is a transparent public process,” King emphasized, “open to public input every step of the way.” And New Rochelleans should share in this pivotal moment. Thoughtful stewardship of the waterfront now will multiply its gifts well into New Rochelle’s future.

### *Mariano Rivera Opens Restaurant*

As residential high-rises now dot our downtown skyline, new businesses are emerging to service the residents of these new buildings. Enter Mariano “Mo” Rivera, New York Yankees relief pitcher extraordinaire and, now, restaurateur. Mr. Rivera opened Mo’s New York Grill, an upscale steakhouse in July, where local product, Gary Fosina, is the executive chef and general manager. Mo’s is located at 14 Memorial Highway and is open for dinner Tuesday through Sunday from 5:30 – 10:30 p.m.

### *The Rock Club*

The Rock Club (TRC) has just opened at the New Rochelle Racquet Club and is one of the largest indoor climbing centers in the country. With over 15,000 square feet of air-conditioned climbing terrain, climbers of all ages and abilities will enjoy endless challenges from an enormous variety of routes. TRC offers programs for kids, group climbing, and facilities for private parties. TRC’s training center provides instructions for beginners of all ages, and the pro shop carries climbing gear and accessories. For more information, call 914-633-ROCK (7625) or visit [www.climbrockclub.com](http://www.climbrockclub.com).

### *Downtown’s A-Bloomin’*

Downtown streets are blooming with colorful flowers in attractive planters provided and maintained by the BID. The two- and four-foot high planters, substantial decorative terracotta tinted pots, are filled with a profusion of multicolored flowers and plants. Salmon-colored impatiens are blossoming in more than 80 tree wells that line Main Street, lovingly planted by the Garden Club of New Rochelle through a grant provided by the BID and maintained by more than sixty business owners along Main Street. In addition, Monroe College has placed hanging flower pots on light poles along their Main Street campus.

## *DID YOU KNOW?*

### *Museum Planned for New Rochelle High School*

Planning is well under way for a museum in the new wing of New Rochelle High School. The first exhibit, *Norman Rockwell in the 1940s—A View of the American Homefront*, is scheduled to open this fall. With a grand opening celebration tentatively slated for mid-October, the New Rochelle Fund for Educational Excellence has begun discussions to support this museum, to ensure the success of this exhibit, and to plan related events throughout the city.

## *New Rochelle to Renew Ties with La Rochelle*

**By Phyllis Ross**

It was May, 1999, and a large “Bienvenue New Rochelle” banner greeted the New Rochelle delegation at the La Rochelle train station. A group of municipal officials, business people, and interested citizens were visiting La Rochelle at the invitation of Mayor Michel Crepeau. Participants from both cities would take part in meetings on the arts, municipal management, and business and reflect on the historical ties between the two cities.

French Huguenot émigrés from La Rochelle founded New Rochelle in 1688, and, today, the New Rochelle flag and the imposing entrance doors to City Hall with their prominent fleur de lis motifs bear witness to the historic French connection.

That connection, dormant since the 1999 visit, may soon be renewed. Former City Manager Peter Korn hopes to bring together interested people to rekindle the Sister City relationship and explore new directions, including reciprocal official visits and hosting cultural and youth groups. Korn said, “It is important to maintain our historic ties with La Rochelle and a direct dialog with its people. In these critical times, international relations on a people-to-people basis can result in better understandings.”

Picturesque La Rochelle captured the hearts of the '99 New Rochelle delegation with its magnificent plazas affording views of the harbors, cobblestone streets Romanesque-styled buildings, and covered walkways. Two medieval stone towers mark the entrance to the old port. Between official meetings and tours, the visitors loved sitting outdoors at restaurants or cafes enjoying French seafood, a glass of wine, a cup of coffee, and crepes with a variety of sweet or savory fillings. Korn reminisced on the virtues of that visit, but he also sees possibilities of other sister city relationships. He said, “There’s no reason why we can’t explore expanding our Sister City program to another city where New Rochelleans may have historical or cultural ties.”

The Sister City committee will hold a planning meeting on September 25, 7:00 p.m., at City Hall. Those interested should contact Peter Korn for further details at [PKORN55@msn.com](mailto:PKORN55@msn.com). Send name, telephone number and email address.

## *Swim Across America*

**By Michael Fosina**

On August 22, 1975, six NRHS varsity swimmers—Miles Rubin, Ken Fosina, Rob Calgi, Andy Schrag, Justin Dignam, and Pete Donohue—swam across the Long Island Sound from Sands Point in Long Island to Hudson Park in New Rochelle, a feat recorded only once before in 1921. On July 29, 2006, thirty-one years later, Miles Rubin again swam the Sound, joining several hundred swimmers in the “Swim Across America” fundraiser for cancer research.

The local Swim Across America (SAA) chapter is chaired by New Rochelle resident Walter Halliday. Since its inception in 1987, SAA has raised over \$13.5 million for cancer research; this year’s event raised \$950,000. The number of New Rochelle residents participating in this important fundraiser continues to grow each year. This past year, 11 volunteers and 75 swimmers were from New Rochelle.

## *How Far Did I Go?*

**By Bruce K Negrin**

The welcoming signs posted at the gateways to our fair city are inscribed with the statement that New Rochelle is “a city of schools, churches and homes.” But, if you were to observe Webster Avenue at 6:00 on weekday morning or Pinebrook Boulevard on a weekend, you would think New Rochelle is a city of walkers, joggers, and bikers.

New Rochelle offers those looking to hit the pavement and get in shape many avenues of exercise—literally and figuratively. It does not matter whether you choose to walk, run, or bicycle; there is a path of *enlightenment* for you! Exercising along our city’s streets also brings you closer to the neighborhoods

you traverse. As you stretch your legs, take a moment to look up and around; you will surely see something new or interesting.

To get you started, *City Soundings* has created an unofficial and approximated mileage chart for some of New Rochelle's most popular routes. If you would like to share your favorite exercise path or if there is an obvious one that you know has been omitted, we encourage you to contact *City Soundings* and share this information with us.

<u>STARTING POINT</u>	<u>END POINT</u>	<u>MILES</u>
Pinebrook Blvd. & Beechmont Dr.	Forest Ave.	.3
	Overhill Rd.	.9
	Bayberry La.	1.1
	A. Leonard Dr.	1.2
	Sheldrake Res. Br.	1.5
	Tulip La.	2.0
	Van Etten Blvd.	2.2
	Amherst Dr.	2.7
	Stratton Rd.	3.0
Stratton Rd. & Pinebrook Blvd.	Wilmot Rd.	1.1
North Ave. & Wilmot Rd.	Ursuline School	.3
	Northfield Rd.	.5
	Berrian Rd.	1.0
	NRHS Tennis Courts	1.5
	Beechmont Rd.	2.0
	City Hall Steps	2.5
	Station Pl. (RR Station)	3.0
	Legion Hall	3.5
Pelham Rd.	3.8	
Leif Ericcson Park @ Pelham Rd.	Leland Ave.	.5
	Drake Ave.	1.0
	Weyman Ave.	1.2
	Leno's Clam Bar aka Greasy Nick's	1.5 miles and some shrimp
Weyman Ave. @ Main St.	Glen Island Park Sign	1.0
Webster Ave. @ Eastchester Rd.	Inverness Rd.	.5
	Elizabeth Rd.	1.0
	Kress Ave.	.5
	Washington Ave.	1.0
	Main St.	1.5
NRHS Twin Lakes—full circuit		.78
Iona Prep Track	Per Lap	.25

## *PEOPLE IN THE NEWS*

### *Richard Organisciak Selected as Superintendent*

After an exhaustive search, the City School District has hired Richard Organisciak to assume the position of Superintendent of New Rochelle schools. Previously a teacher, principal, director, and superintendent in the New York City system and, most recently, the Superintendent of Schools in Deer Park, Mr. Organisciak brings a wealth of experience to New Rochelle. He has developed educational programs

and overseen curriculum development for students with the lowest levels of achievement and for those with strong academic credentials, and it is these skills that he brings here.

When asked why he would make a parallel shift from Deer Park to New Rochelle, Mr. Organisciak spoke of his yearning to be in a community that is “both urban and urbane.” He described New Rochelle as a “...community that expects quality and doesn’t merely pay lip service to it.” It has long been chanted in educational circles that greater parental involvement translates into greater student achievement, and Mr. Organisciak recognizes that one of his initial challenges will be to connect with parents and the broader community to explore how to optimize the quality of parental and communal contributions to the educational process.

Mr. Organisciak, a beloved superintendent in Deer Park, hopes to draw upon his vast experience to meet the challenges that New Rochelle presents. We wish him the best.

### *Thomas Geoffino Appointed Library Director*

Tom Geoffino is fully aware of the changing role of public libraries and their critical importance in a vibrant community. He has spent the last 12 years with the public library system in Fairfield, the last seven as a library director. Consequently, he relishes the new challenges of working in the second busiest library in Westchester County and seeking ways to further connect the library with the community that supports it.

Mr. Geoffino welcomes the opportunity to continue the fine work of his predecessor, Patricia Anderson, who retired at the end of July. He feels that a library must be relevant to the needs of the community and must design programs and provide services that reflect the diversity of that community. He will also focus on providing excellent customer service to the library’s deserving patrons and with ensuring that the library’s infrastructure is secure.

We welcome Mr. Geoffino to the literary heart of the Queen City.

## *AWARDS, HONORS, ACCOLADES*

### *Sister Dorothy Ann Kelly to Receive Peace Award*

On Wednesday, September 6, Sister Dorothy Ann Kelly, President Emerita of the College of New Rochelle and currently the Provincial Prioress of the Eastern Province of Ursuline Sisters, will be honored with the Yitzak Rabin Peacemaker Award, presented annually by the Coalition for Mutual Respect. The award will be presented at a ceremony in the New Rochelle City Hall Chambers at 5:45 p.m., preceded by a reception at 5:00 p.m.

Initially a member of the History Department at CNR, Sr. Dorothy Ann became the academic dean in 1967 and president in 1972. During her tenure, she oversaw the establishment of the graduate school, the School of Human Resources, and the School of Nursing.

Rabbi Amiel Wohl, co-chair of the Coalition explained that a divine spirit motivates Sr. Dorothy Ann in her human relations and work of conciliation between people of all faiths.

### *Tooting Our Own Horn*

Our own Sherry Bruck is the creative director of the Harquin Group based in Pelham. Recently, the Harquin Group won the coveted Norman Liss Best of Public Service Award for their design of the Ossie Davis Theater sign for the New Rochelle Public Library. The award is presented to the most outstanding submission in the public service category and recognizes marketing innovation, creative excellence, and successful implementation of a marketing initiative. Congratulations!

**SEPTEMBER 2006 CALENDAR**

Please note that our calendar is now available on-line at [www.localendar.com/public/citysoundings](http://www.localendar.com/public/citysoundings).

- Fri, Sept. 1** **Farmer's Market:** 8:00 am to 3:00 pm or sell-out. New location: So. Division St. and LeRoy Place, adjacent to Prospect St. municipal parking lot.
- ESL Registration:** 10:30 am – 1:00 pm, New Rochelle Public Library (NRPL).
- Youth Soccer of New Rochelle:** Registration for fall season in progress. Fall season begins Sept. 16 and is available for boys and girls from Pre-K to Grade 7. Registration and info: [www.YSNR.org](http://www.YSNR.org).
- Mon. Sept. 4** **Labor Day:** New Rochelle Public Libraries, City Hall, New Rochelle Schools closed.
- Tues. Sept. 5** **Conversational English:** 6:15 – 7:30 pm, NRPL.
- Board of Appeals on Zoning:** Board meeting: 7:30 pm, City Hall annex.
- Board of Education Meeting:** Comm. of the Whole 7:30 pm, regular meeting 8:30 pm. Board Room, Administration Bldg, 515 North Ave.
- Wed. Sept. 6** **New Rochelle Schools Open.**
- Yitzak Rabin Peacemaker Award:** Presented to Sister Dorothy Ann Kelly by The Coalition for Mutual Respect. Council Chambers, City Hall, 5:45 pm, preceded by a reception at 5:00 pm. Free and open to public. Info: Temple Israel, 914-235-1800.
- Thurs. Sept. 7** **City Council Meeting:** City Hall, Committee of the Whole meeting 3:45 pm; for agenda and information [www.newrochelleny.com](http://www.newrochelleny.com) The meeting will be televised on Channel 75.
- Fri, Sept. 8** **Farmer's Market:** 8:00 am to 3:00 pm or sell-out. New location: So. Division St. and LeRoy Place, adjacent to Prospect St. municipal parking lot.
- Friends of the Library Book Sale:** 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, NRPL.
- “Holy Drama: Fiction from the Middle East” Book Discussion Group:** *Nine Parts Desire* by Geraldine Brooks, 10:00 – 11:30 am, NRPL.
- Sept. 8-10** **Greek Festival 2006:** Greek food, dancers, crafts, Flea Market, rides and games. Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, 10 Mill Road at North Ave. \$1.00; children under 12 free when accompanied by an adult. Complimentary shuttle bus from free parking at Ursuline School. Rain or shine.
- Sat. Sept. 9** **Friends of the Library Book Sale:** 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, NRPL.
- Saturday hours resume** at main library and Huguenot Children's Library, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm.
- ESL Registration:** 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, NRPL.
- Scholar-in-Residence:** Award-winning filmmaker Menachem Daum, 11:00 am during Shabbos services, followed by kosher Kiddush luncheon at 12 noon, no charge. Bagel brunch and screening of *Hiding and Seeking* Sun. Sept. 10, 10:00 am, \$7.00 at door. Congregation Anshe Sholom, 50 North Ave. Info: 914-632-9220 or [www.anhesholomnewrochelle.org](http://www.anhesholomnewrochelle.org).
- Sept. 9 & 10** **Patriot Day Weekend:** Learn about the history of the soldiers of 2<sup>nd</sup> New York Regiment and the common soldiers who served during the Revolutionary War. See musket firings and enjoy “hands-on” activities for children. 10 am – 5:00 pm, Thomas Paine Cottage, Sicard Ave. at North Ave. Suggested donation \$3.00 per person, \$1.00 for children under 12. Info: 633-1776.
- Sun. Sept. 10** **Learning in Retirement (LIRIC):** Open House, 2:00 pm, Joyce Auditorium, Iona College. Info: 633-2675 or [www.iona.edu/liric](http://www.iona.edu/liric).
- Mon. Sept. 11** **Registration for Preschool Programs:** Begins 9:00 am at main library, 10:00 am at Huguenot Children's Library.
- SCORE:** Free Small Business Counseling, 6:00 – 7:45 pm, NRPL.

**City People & Issues:** Marc Jerome, Monroe College Executive Vice-President, talks about the mission and history of Monroe College, a rapidly growing private college founded by his family in the Bronx and New Rochelle. Host, Ina Aronow of the League of Women Voters. 7:00 pm, Channel 76.

**Tues. Sept. 12** **Conversational English:** 6:15 – 7:30 pm, NRPL.

**New Rochelle Historical and Landmarks Review Board:** 7:30 pm, Room B-2, City Hall.

**Wed. Sept. 13** **Brown Bag Book Discussion:** *The Ladies Auxiliary* by Tova Mirvis, 12 noon – 1:30 pm, NRPL.

**Downtown Fall Sidewalk Sales – Through Sat. Sept. 16.**

**Thurs. Sept. 14** **Hospice Care and What it Means to the Patient and the Family:** AARP Chapter 30 Monthly Meeting: 1:00 pm, Hugh A. Doyle Senior Center, 94 Davis Ave. Info: Vin Dunn, 235-2363.

**Library Board of Trustees Meeting:** 7:30 pm, NRPL.

**Fri, Sept. 15** **Farmer's Market:** 8:00 am to 3:00 pm or sell-out. New location: So. Division St. and LeRoy Place, adjacent to Prospect St. municipal parking lot.

**Coffee and Conversation with New Rochelle Public Library Director Tom Geoffino.** League of Women Voter's 9:30 – 11:00 am, NRPL.

**Sept. 15-17** **Greek Festival 2006:** Greek food, dancers, crafts, Flea Market, rides and games. Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, 10 Mill Road at North Ave. \$1.00; children under 12 free when accompanied by an adult. Complimentary shuttle bus from free parking at Ursuline School. Rain or shine.

**Sat. Sept. 16** **New Rochelle Art Association Jurying-In:** 10:00 am – 1:00 pm, NRPL.

**Sun. Sept. 17** **Music of the Romantics:** New Rochelle Opera members will perform selections by Bellini, Donizetti, Rossini, Verdi, Puccini and other composers. 3:00 pm, Joyce Auditorium, Iona College. \$18 general admission, \$15 senior citizens, free to full-time Iona students. Info: 914-637-7796 or [www.iona.edu/artscouncil/](http://www.iona.edu/artscouncil/).

**Mon. Sept. 18** **SCORE:** Free Small Business Counseling, 6:00 – 7:45 pm, NRPL.

**City People & Issues:** Chris Arena, chair of the New Rochelle Council on the Arts and Thea Eichler, a long-time member of the Council, talk about the history and future of the arts in New Rochelle, including a proposed Arts Center and a New Year's Eve citywide arts celebration. Host, Ina Aronow of the League of Women Voters. 7:00 pm, Channel 76.

**Tues. Sept. 19** **Beyond the Headlines discussion:** 1:00 pm, NRPL.

**Conversational English:** 6:15 – 7:30 pm, NRPL.

**City Council Meeting:** City Hall, Legislative meeting 8:00 pm; for more information: [www.newrochelleny.com](http://www.newrochelleny.com) The meeting will be televised on Channel 75.

**Wed. Sept. 20** **Consumer Help** from NYS Attorney General's Office, 2:30 – 4:30 pm, NRPL.

**Thurs. Sept. 21** **Jazz Performance:** Bassist and composer Harvie S and his band will perform original compositions rooted in the Latin/Jazz tradition. 12 noon, Joyce Auditorium, Iona College. Free and open to public. Info: 637-7796 or [www.iona.edu/artscouncil/](http://www.iona.edu/artscouncil/).

**International Film:** *Tsotsi* (South Africa), 7:00 pm, NRPL. Suggested donation: \$2.00.

**Fri, Sept. 22** **Farmer's Market:** 8:00 am to 3:00 pm or sell-out. New location: So. Division St. and LeRoy Place, adjacent to Prospect St. municipal parking lot.

**Mon. Sept. 25** **SCORE:** Free Small Business Counseling, 6:00 – 7:45 pm, NRPL.

**New Rochelle/LaRochelle:** Sister City planning committee meeting, 7:00 pm, City Hall. If interested, email Peter Korn, [PKorn55@msn.com](mailto:PKorn55@msn.com) with name and telephone number.

**City People & Issues:** Repeat of Sept. 11 program with Marc Jerome. 7:00 pm, Channel 76.

- Tues. Sept. 26** **Conversational English:** 6:15 – 7:30 pm, NRPL.  
**Planning Board Meeting:** 7:30 pm, City Hall Annex.  
**Board of Education Meeting:** Comm. of the Whole 7:30 pm, regular meeting 8:30 pm. Board Room, Administration Bldg, 515 North Ave.
- Fri, Sept. 29** **Farmer's Market:** 8:00 am to 3:00 pm or sell-out. New location: So. Division St. and LeRoy Place, adjacent to Prospect St. municipal parking lot.  
**"Holy Drama: Fiction from the Middle East" Book Discussion Group** (*Minaret* by Leila Aboulela)  
 10:00 – 11:30 am, NRPL.
- Sat. Sept. 30** **20<sup>th</sup> Annual Colonial Fair:** 10:00 am – 5:00 pm. Hands-on activities in the one-room schoolhouse; colonial soldiers encampment; craft activities, white elephant sale; bake sale. Also, **First Annual Art and Crafts Exhibit and Sale** featuring Southern Westchester artists and artisans. Thomas Paine Cottage at Sicard and North Aves. **Rain date Oct. 1.** Info: 633-1776.  
**BID Family Saturday Kick-Off Party:** 10:30 am – 12 noon, Library Green and NRPL.  
**New Rochelle Art Association Jurying-In:** 10:30 am – 12 noon, NRPL.  
**Needlework Workshop:** 10:30 am – 12 noon, NRPL.  
**Classical Concert:** *Basically Brahms*, with pianist Diane Guernsey and violist Lydia Leizman. NRPL. Suggested donation: \$2.00.

**Ongoing**

- Through Sept. 25** **"A Photographic Journey of India:"** Solo exhibit by Kelly Clark. Mon. –Thurs. 9:00 am -- 9:00 pm; Fri., Sat. and Sun. 9:30 am -- 5:00 pm. Mooney Center Exhibit Hall, College of New Rochelle, 29 Castle Place. Exhibit and reception free and open to public; appropriate for children of all ages. Reception Sat., Sept. 9, 2:00 -- 4:00 pm. Info: 654-5423.
- Sept. 1 – 15** **Albrecht Hipszer: A Post Impressionist in 1930's Europe**, Lumen Winter Gallery, NRPL.
- Sept. 10 – Oct. 5** **American Impressionism:** Art Exhibition featuring original paintings on loan from a private collection. Brother Kenneth Chapman Gallery, Iona College Arts Center 715 North Ave. Opening reception Sun., Sept. 10, 1:00 – 3:00 pm. Gallery tour Tues., September 12 at 12 noon. Free and open to the public. Info and gallery hours: 637-7796 or [www.iona.edu/artscouncil/](http://www.iona.edu/artscouncil/).
- Sept. 10 – Nov. 22** **50 Years of Powwow:** Photo exhibit portrays the history of Native American powwow, depicting the cultural exchange of powwow through dancing, singing, visiting, and building relationships. Also American Indian regalia that reflect the regional Native communities. Opening reception Sun., Sept. 24. 2:00-4:00 pm, Castle Gallery, College of New Rochelle. Tues. & Wed. 10:00 am – 8:00 pm; Thurs. & Fri. 10:00 am – 5:00 pm; Sat. & Sun. 12 noon – 4:00 pm. Closed Mondays and legal holidays. Suitable for children of all ages. Free and open to public. Info: 654-5423 or [www.cnr.edu](http://www.cnr.edu).
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