

Region News Briefs

Candidate Arrested In Prostitution Sweep

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WHITE PLAINS, Oct. 13 — A Yonkers man who tried to run for Congress but failed to win a spot on the ballot was arrested in Manhattan on Wednesday and charged with patronizing a prostitute.

John Casaburro, 43, was carrying a flier that identified him as a candidate in the 18th Congressional District race when he was arrested as part of a police sweep in the area around West 24th Street and 11th Avenue, said Sgt. Joe Gallagher. Five other men were arrested at the same time.

Mr. Casaburro spoke to local Republican officials about his desire to run for the seat held by Nita Lowey, a Democrat, and he filed a petition with the State Board of Elections seeking an independent line on the ballot. That petition was denied because it had only 273 signatures, and

3,500 signatures were required.

The Republican-Conservative candidate in the 18th District is Andy Hartzell of Scarsdale.

Woman Sues Town Over Slip on Dog Drool

CHESHIRE, Conn., Oct. 13 (AP) — A woman who injured herself after slipping on some dog drool is suing the town for negligence.

The woman, Carla S. Koch, says in her lawsuit that there were no mats on the floor last year at a town-run canine obedience class at the youth center. She broke her ankle during a fall on the linoleum floor, she said.

"It isn't a matter of dogs don't drool," she said. "There's a reason for mats in obedience school and this is it."

Town Attorney John K. Knott Jr. said he was not familiar with the specifics of the case, but said, "It's unbelievable the claims people make."

After the accident on Sept. 27, 1993,

Ms. Koch had surgery and was on crutches for 10 weeks. She says she has scars on both sides of her leg, and still has two pins in her leg.

Panel Approves Bill To End Lifelong Tenure

TRENTON, Oct. 13 (AP) — School principals and administrators would no longer be given lifelong job security under a bill approved by the Senate Education Committee today.

New Jersey is among only seven states that give school administrators lifelong job protection.

The bill would require school boards to hire school principals and managers on contracts that would run from three to five years. It would affect only principals and administrators hired after final approval of the bill.

The State Department of Education and the New Jersey School Boards Association both support the measure.

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