



## From Homeless to Novelist; Long Island Woman Overcomes Homelessness and More to Write Book

The heroine in Fanchon Stylezz's first novel, "Heart of Kings," grows up in Long Island, gets drawn into a love triangle that put her in grave danger, and suffers a near-fatal heart attack.

While the story of Taliyah Russo is not totally autobiographical, Stylezz does share some of the experiences faced by her gritty protagonist.

"I wanted to show how someone can make one bad decision and have life spiral out of control," said Stylezz, whose real name is Fanchon Woodward.

Woodward's own story is, in fact, an epic tale of gut-wrenching setbacks and strong-willed recoveries.

[Read more.](#)



## CHI is Moving!

CHI's White Plains headquarters is moving from its current location to:

**75 South Broadway, Suite 340  
White Plains, NY 10601**

The new office will open during the week of July 28. All CHI telephone numbers and e-mail addresses will remain the same.



## Construction Underway on CHI-Sponsored Condo Development in Ardsley

The foundations are in for the four buildings that comprise Westchester's newest affordable housing project. Waterwheel Condominiums in Ardsley will ultimately have 17 affordable homeownership housing units and five units for working families.

Architectura, a respected design and construction firm with significant experience in both residential and commercial development, is the developer of the Waterwheel Condominiums. CHI is a nonprofit sponsor. The project was made possible by \$2.8 million in state and federal grants, including a \$640,000 NYS Affordable Housing grant, to CHI.

The property, located on Saw Mill River Road north of downtown, was designated by the Village of Ardsley as a site for affordable multi-unit housing.



## Don't Miss CHI's Homebuyer Education Classes This Fall

### Homebuyer Orientations

**Yorktown Heights on September 4 or in Brentwood on September 18**

Attend one of these free orientations to learn about resources available to middle-income first-time homebuyers, and to see if you are eligible for a down payment-assistance grant.

### First Home Education Course

**This three-part program begins in White Plains on September 8**

This series of three 2 ½-hour classes over the course of four weeks is designed for families that do not yet have a mortgage commitment or a contract to purchase, but wish to become a homeowner in three to seven months.

[Click to register or to see a complete schedule of fall programs.](#)



## CHI IN THE NEWS...

### *Fios1 News - Lower Hudson Valley* **Foreclosures skyrocket in the Hudson Valley**

June 24, 2014

Families in Westchester who are behind in their mortgages are encouraged to contact CHI for foreclosure-prevention assistance.

[See the video.](#)

### *The Journal News*

### **Young grads: Leaving mom and dad but not the suburbs'**

July 8, 2014 by Barbara Livingston Nackman

When Chris Konopka was finally able to move from his parent's home in Blauvelt, the 26-year-old didn't take the route traditionally followed by generations of suburban kids and head straight for the city.

Last week, he was unpacking, assembling an Ikea desk and waiting for the cable guy in his new home: a large studio apartment on Garth Road in Scarsdale where he pays roughly \$1,300 a month for rent.

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