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Kent Celebrates Community Spirit



Kent Community Day attracted many families to town center Sept. 14 to enjoy bounce houses, live music, food trucks, community organizations displaying their services, and a whole lineup of entertainment. Here, a Kent Public Library teen volunteer makes a balloon creation for a young visitor.



Kids took turns inside a blowup ball pit at Kent Community Day. Additional photos are on page 8 and 9. Photos by Holly Crocco.

Legislators Hear Proposal to Change Term Limit Rules

By Rob Sample and Holly Crocco

Term limits for elected officials has become a popular concept over the past few decades, with a recent Pew Research study finding 87 percent of U.S. adults favor limiting the number of terms that members of Congress are allowed to serve.

On Sept. 12, the Putnam County Legislature's Rules Committee discussed a proposal to amend the county's term limits policy for both members of the Legislature, as well as the county executive, which was submitted for consideration by former Legislator and Deputy County Executive Dan Birmingham.

Under the current rules, which were first adopted in 2010, legislators are limited to four consecutive three-year terms, and the county executive may serve two consecutive, full four-year terms. The change proposed by Birmingham states that only a unanimous vote of the Legislature, as well as a permissive referendum, can implement a change to term limits

"It simply changes the ability to amend, modify or abolish term limits – it changes the power to do that from six legislators to nine, unanimously," said Birmingham.

Confusion set in since a previous proposal by Birmingham outlined more extensive changes to align the county's elections with the state's proposed even-year elections. Instead of implementing those changes, he only proposed the unanimous vote

and referendum as an "extra safeguard" against a lawmaker serving too long.

"Since I've been off the board in the last 12 years, I have seen this board change for the good ... new faces, new voices, new ideas," said Birmingham. "The framers (of the Constitution) did not intend career politicians. They wanted people from all walks of life who could serve a short time and then come home to live under the laws that they made."

"As it stands right now, six human beings in Putnam County could abolish term limits, for this body and for the county executive," added Legislator Paul Jonke, R-Brewster. "What we're saying is, number one, it has to be nine people, and subject to a (permissive) referendum."

Legislator Erin Crowley, R-Mahopac, described the proposal as a "non-solution to a non-problem."

"Why would we want to throw ourselves headfirst into this?" she asked. "Have we held any public hearings or talked to constituents who are asking for this? We haven't heard from anyone who needs this to be fixed... Also, did you consult with our county attorney? Did you consult with the Board of Elections?"

"Why would the Legislature defer to a department of the county for authority?" countered Greg Ellner, R-Carmel. "We have time; we can consider this. This is an elegant solution. If the state does change, we're going to

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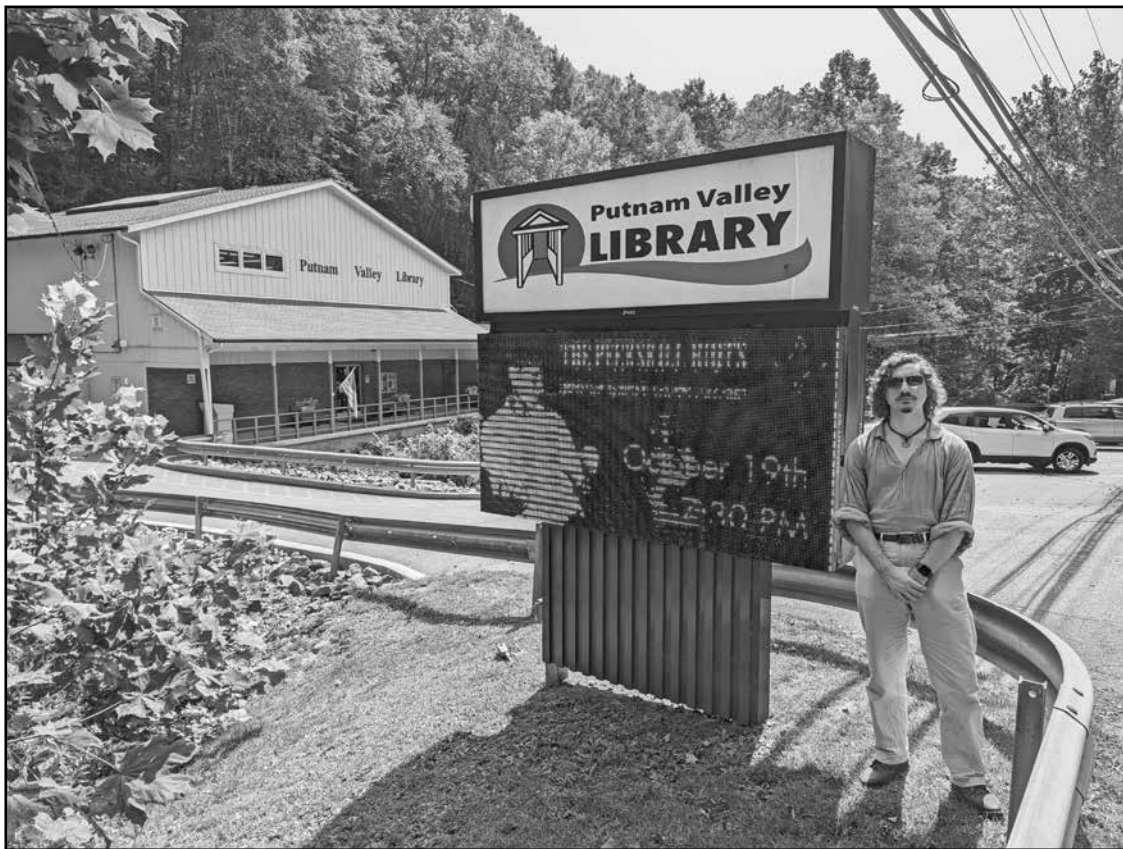
Spectators Line the Street for Brewster Firemen's Parade



The Brewster Fire Department's annual firemen's parade drew a crowd to Main Street to watch as various police and fire departments marched through the village, accompanied by bands, Scouts, athletes and other civic organizations. Here, the Brewster High School Marching Band serenades spectators.



Grand Marshal Ken Clair is ushered in by a color guard during the Sept. 14 parade. Additional photos are on page 16. Photos by Holly Crocco.



Local Filmmaker Jon Scott Bennett will present the next episode in his documentary series on the Peekskill Riots of 1949 at Putnam Valley Library.

Explore the Peekskill Riots of 1949

The Putnam Valley Library will present the third episode of a powerful five-part docuseries by local filmmaker Jon Scott Bennett, examining one of the most significant, yet often overlooked events in American history – the

Peekskill Riots of 1949 – with a screening scheduled Oct. 19 at 7:30 p.m.

On Aug. 27, 1949, a benefit concert for the Civil Rights Congress featuring Paul Robeson was violently attacked in Peekskill.

What began as a day of music and solidarity for the Jewish and black working-class communities in the Hudson Valley quickly turned into a scene of chaos and violence.

Stirred by local resentment toward Robeson and the concert's intended audience, a group of protestors organized by the Peekskill Evening Star and local veteran's groups marched with the intent to shut down the event.

The peaceful gathering erupted into a brutal riot, leaving innocent concertgoers – including men, women, and children – under siege.

“Episode Three: A Riot Erupts” dives deep into the harrowing events of that day, uncovering how years of simmering animosity in Peekskill finally exploded into a national scandal. The documentary sheds light on the underlying tensions and societal factors that transformed a small riverside city into the epicenter of a violent and racially charged conflict.

Following the screening of the episode will be a conversation with Bennett, when attendees can engage directly with the filmmaker and gain insights into the research and creative process behind the series.

Register for the program at bit.ly/PVLRIOOTS1019.

Bennett is a local filmmaker dedicated to uncovering the stories that shape local history. His previous documentaries “The Leather Man” and “The Pound Ridge Massacre” have gained attention for their deep historical insights. For more about Bennett and his work, visit JonScottBennett.com.

Letters to the Editor

Questions Opposition to Battery Storage Facilities

Dear Editor:

I read several weeks ago in this paper that Carmel has placed a temporary ban on the construction of a battery energy storage facility. The facility would be placed on a 93.5-acre site. The size of the proposed facility was not given but I suspect it would not be larger than a medium-sized house of 2,000 square feet.

The primary concern cited was the danger of a fire in a lithium-containing structure. The article does not describe the site as wooded or scrub and whether the local fire station could access and handle a fire on the site. I suspect that numerous other storage structures have been built in this country and (wonder) if contact with those communities has been initiated.

The article states that the town intends to study the various issues surrounding such a project, which is certainly reasonable. So I wonder if a consultant has been hired and whether any further action has been taken. I would like to believe the opposition to what is an important electrical energy related structure has no other basis than safety.

*George Baum
Kent Lakes*

Critical of Candidate's Behavior on 9/11

Dear Editor:

On Sept. 11, 2001, as a then-NYPD lieutenant, I was part of the initial level four mobilization to respond to the World Trade Center, and I arrived with my officers just as United Flight 175 slammed into WTC 2.

Each year I am proud to take a leadership role in a local morning ceremony by veterans and to see how residents and elected officials of both major parties come together in unity, taking a day off from campaigning out of respect for those we lost as a result of 9/11 and in the 20-year war on terror.

That's why I was so disappointed to see Putnam residents talking about candidate for Assembly District 94 Zack Couzens making fundraising appeals on Sept. 11. Specifically, his fundraising text on 9/11 stated: “Please stand with me.”

“Me” ... Contrary to everything 9/11 reflections represent.

Sept. 11 is the one day we stand united. Even in prayer we beg that, on this one day, we put aside our petty political differences, not “Please stand with me.”

I looked further and could not find Couzens' attendance at any of the seven area Sept. 11 memorial services. So many in our great nation have sacrificed so much as a result of 9/11, whether it's all those killed and wounded in the initial attack, those who have died from 9/11-related cancers, or members of our great military who've died in the 20-year war on terror. And now Mr. Couzens wants to represent them.

As a first responder who looked up to see the second plane hitting the second tower and watching multiple victims jump to their deaths from the upper floors, I found Mr. Couzens' indifference and lack of awareness on one of our most tragic days to be very disrespectful to our police, firefighters, our veterans and our nation.

*Andrew DeStefano
Patterson*

Thanks for Attending the Fair

Dear Editor:

Thanks to our wonderful volunteers, exhibitors, entertainers and staff, the 100th anniversary Yorktown Grange Fair was a great success. Rain dampened the festivities on Saturday, but despite the weather, the tractor parade drew crowds and fun rocked the fairgrounds.

Friday and Sunday were perfect early autumn days, with clear blue skies and mild temperatures – perfect weather for carnival rides, great food, fabulous entertainment, and viewing the incredible exhibits in baking, needlework, woodworking, photography art and Legos.

The Mulchaey Barn was beautiful – filled with flowers and produce from local farms and gardeners. The livestock shows featured an opportunity to get “up close and personal” with goats, horses, sheep, alpacas, cows and poultry. We are grateful to all of our exhibitors and artisans who make the fair unique.

Finally, a huge shoutout to everyone who attended the fair. You are the reason the Grange has presented the fair for 100 years. It was our pleasure to see your smiles.

We are already hard at work planning the 2025 fair, and we would love to have you join us as a volunteer organizer. We have as much fun planning the fair as we do presenting it for our neighbors and friends. Please see our website at www.yorktowngrangefair.com to fill out the volunteer form.

*Mark Franks
Grange Master, Yorktown
Grange Fair*

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Holiday Musical Auditions

The Brewster Theater Company will hold vocal auditions for its holiday musical “That Time of the Year” on Saturday, Sept. 28 from 2 to 4 p.m.; and Sunday, Sept. 29 from 5 to 7 p.m., at Drew United Methodist Church, 28 Gleneida Ave., Carmel.

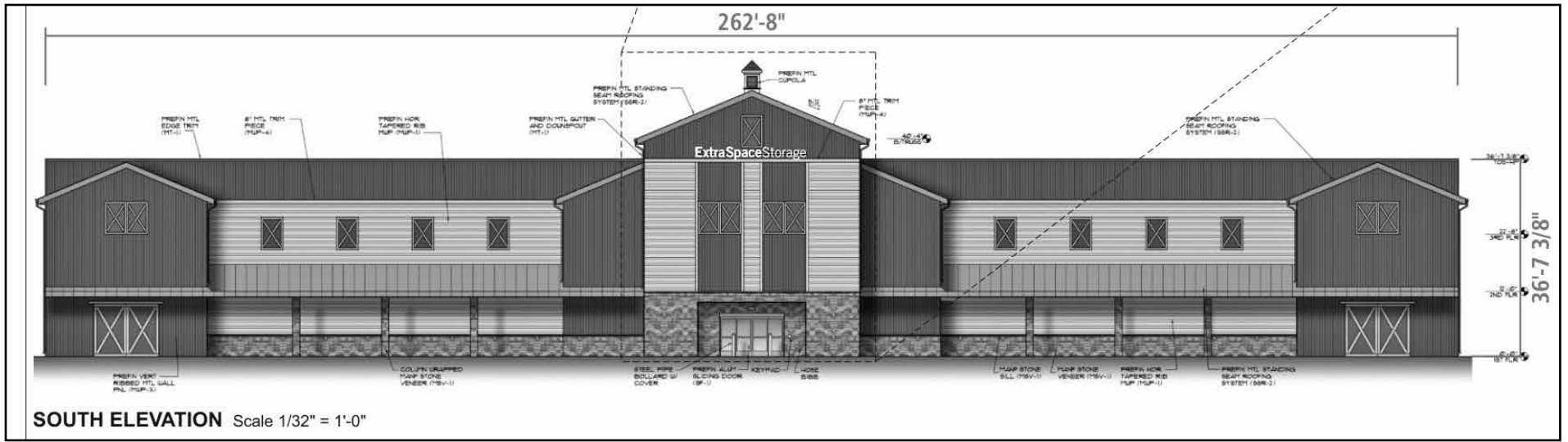
“That Time of the Year” is a musical revue of 25 original songs for Christmas, Hanukkah

and New Year. The songs were written by Laurence Holzman and Felicia Mendleman, with music by seven different composers. The revue features a variety of musical styles, including show tunes, rock, blues and jazz, and the songs range from upbeat group numbers to touching ballads. They capture the warmth and humor of the interfaith holiday season, highlighting both the

joys and anxieties of the time. Performance dates are Dec. 6 through 15.

The show is directed by Donald Birely of Brewster, with musical direction by Steven Loftus. The show is produced by Judy Brewster of Southeast.

For an audition slot, email BTCHolidayShow@gmail.com. All ethnicities are encouraged to audition for all characters.



A provided rendering of the facility.

Self-Storage Planned for Old Mahopac Farms Building

Diamond Point Development will break ground on a new state-of-the-art self-storage facility in Mahopac on Sept. 30. The 105,405-square-foot, multi-story, climate-controlled building at 106 Route 6 is expected to open in the

fourth quarter of 2025. "This site was the former home of Mahopac Farms, a beloved institution in the Carmel community that once supported a playhouse, a museum and a petting zoo," said Jason Sommer, Diamond Point

Development principal. "Mahopac Farms is at the gateway into the Town of Carmel, so we wanted to keep the character of the property intact, while making it more aesthetically pleasing." DPD worked with the Carmel

Planning Board and the Carmel building and planning staff to design a self-storage facility that has the characteristics of a historic barn, according to Sommer.

planned and approved. "Over the next five years, we expect to lease more than 160,000 square feet of climate-controlled storage space at Mahopac Farms," said Sommer.

This soon-to-be-constructed three-story self-storage facility will include approximately 82,000 rentable square feet and 800 individual storage units. To protect customer's belongings from the elements, every unit will be temperature and humidity controlled.

The sale of the parcel was brokered by Hans Hardisty of SVN Hardisty Commercial Real Estate.

Diamond Point Development is a full-service real estate investment, development, and asset management company. For more information, visit DiamondPointDevelopment.com.

Enjoy 'Open House on the Farm' at Tilly Foster



Photo provided by Cornell Cooperative Extension-Putnam County.

nosh and entertainment, enjoy locally made apple cider doughnuts, fresh-grilled corn, and apple cider while listening to live music. Check out Tilly's Farm Stand to purchase pumpkins, flowers and vegetables grown on the farm.

Also, don't forget to peruse Collaborative Concepts' fall exhibit sculptures that have been installed on the grounds.

Tilly Foster Farm is located at 100 Route 312, Brewster.

This event is free, but pre-registration is strongly recommended. Visit cceptutnamcounty.org/events for more information or to register.

a wonderful example of what CCE and 4-H bring to our community and families," said Brandy Keenan, CCE-Putnam 4-H educator. "It should be a wonderful day of exploration and fun that will hopefully spark new interests, as well as a deeper understanding of what CCE does."

Back by popular demand will be the alpaca-to-afghan fiber spinning demonstrations, when event-goers can watch the process of turning alpaca fiber into hand-spun yarn and into hand-crafted items like hats, blankets and sweaters. There's even a chance to try a hand at carding fiber, hand-spinning, and experimenting with yarn crafts.

For those looking for a little

Enjoy a fall day at Tilly Foster Farm in Brewster on Saturday, Oct. 5, during Cornell Cooperative Extension-Putnam County's Open House on the Farm.

From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., the farm will be bustling with activity and fun for visitors of all ages. Children can play games, go on pony rides, try archery, visit farm animals, and paint pumpkins. Adults can learn about harvesting honey and what beekeeping entails, or get advice about their plants and gardens from Master Gardener volunteers.

There will be information about energy, nutrition and food systems programs, 4-H, and more. "Open House on the Farm is

We Will Miss

Brewster

Leslie J. Mugavero, 82, September 15, Beecher Funeral Home, Brewster, NY, (845) 279-3615.

Joseph Cioccolanti, 98, August 29, Beecher Funeral Home, Brewster, NY, (845) 279-3615.

Michael DeBeauvernet, 86, September 10, Beecher Funeral Home, Brewster, NY, (845) 279-3615.

Carmel

Katherine E Roode, 74, September 7, Balsamo-Cordovano Funeral Home, Carmel, (845) 225-2144

Russell J. Bruno, 93, September 11, Balsamo-Cordovano Funeral Home, Carmel, (845) 225-2144

Anthony M. Christiano, Sr., 84, September 16, Joseph J. Smith Funeral Home, Mahopac, (845) 621-1992.

Mahopac

Dr. Michael J. Cavanaugh, 85, September 9, Joseph J. Smith Funeral Home, Mahopac, (845) 621-1992.

Madeline Jackel, 81, September 13, Joseph J. Smith Funeral Home, Mahopac, (845) 621-1992.

Patterson

Diana DiDonato Sblano, 83, September 14, Balsamo-Cordovano Funeral Home, Carmel, (845) 225-2144

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Putnam Man Honored for Overcoming ‘Overwhelming Odds’

A Putnam County resident was recently honored by Helen Hayes Hospital in West Haverstraw during National Rehabilitation Awareness Week (Sept. 16 to 22), in recognition of his extraordinary recovery following a devastating motor vehicle accident.

Ethan Cruz of Lake Peekskill received the HHH Spirit of Achievement Award – the highest honor – for demonstrating outstanding courage and determination despite overwhelming odds, excelling in his rehabilitation program.

At 19, Cruz was admitted to Helen Hayes Hospital in a coma following a motor vehicle crash. The accident resulted in multiple injuries, including a spinal cord injury and brain hemorrhage. Ini-

tially unable to walk, talk, or feed himself, Cruz made remarkable progress, regaining these abilities by his discharge, and continues to strive for greater independence in outpatient therapy.

According to the hospital, Cruz personifies the attitude, spirit, and resolve that constitute rehabilitative medicine.

“Each year we recognize individuals who have faced tremendous challenges and emerged not only stronger, but as sources of hope and inspiration for us all,” said Dr. Edward Hall, chief medical officer of Helen Hayes Hospital. “This year’s honorees have pushed beyond the limits of what many thought was possible in the pursuit of mobility and independence following disabling injuries and illnesses.”

The Honors Assembly began in 1900 as a school graduation ceremony for children at the then pediatric rehabilitation facility, celebrating the achievements of patients over the prior year. Star of stage and screen Helen Hayes McArthur herself presented the diplomas, and later awards, during her long history advocating for the hospital.

Today, the Honors Assembly serves as a celebration of the hospital’s entire patient community and recognizes patients’ tremendous resilience and selfless support of others facing similar odds.

Founded in 1900, Helen Hayes Hospital is operated by the New York State Department of Health and is affiliated with the NewYork-Presbyterian Healthcare System.

Nutrition Corner

By Allison J. Stowell
MS, RD, CDN



Back to School Meal Prep

Welcome to a new school year and the meal planning that comes along with it. If summer meant a lighter schedule for your family, then the start of the school year reminds us of the challenge of balancing early mornings with long afternoons and less time at home to prepare dinner. It takes a moment to get back into the groove of prepping meals, but with a bit of planning we can nourish our families while still getting them to practice on time. Here are some simple tips to consider:

Make more but don’t go crazy: Simply put, engaging in too much meal prep is stressful, time consuming, limits time on the weekend (thereby limiting relaxing family time), and often leads to waste when the desire to consume prepped foods wanes mid-week. Instead, simply make more than you need at each meal to ensure nextovers are available to you. Bottom line: Home chefs should not be trying to make a full dinner every night, but prepping ahead of time should be balanced so that it’s not too time consuming.

Utilize nextovers and streamlined meals: Nextovers are “new” leftovers that recreate some of what you made today as something new for tomorrow. Nextovers save time, reduce waste, and ultimately make feeding your family easier and faster. They allow you to streamline your week and cook less. My colleagues and I have written extensively about nextovers in our blog at GuidingStars.com.

Utilize nutritious and convenient products like microwavable grains, veggies and simple sauces: Gone are the days when you should only shop the perimeter of the store. There are SO many nutritious and convenient items available at today’s market if you know how to look for them. Follow your Hannaford dietitian team for shopping advice (or join one of our free meal planning classes!). Visit

Hannaford.com/dietitians for more information.

Use your calendar to guide your meals: Lastly, don’t forget to adjust your weekly menu to match your shifting schedule. This will reduce waste and limit the amount of take out your family relies on. Reserve a moment over the weekend to decide what days you have time to cook, and which days will require leftovers.

Sheet Pan Chicken Fajitas Hannaford.com (1 Guiding Stars)

Make extra and use leftovers for burritos, quesadillas, rice bowls, Mexican-inspired pizza, or even nachos.

- Ingredients:
- 1 lb boneless, skinless chicken breasts
 - 4 tsp taco seasoning , divided
 - 2 tbsp olive oil, divided
 - 2 green bell peppers, seeded and thinly sliced
 - 1 large red onion, thinly sliced
 - 8 (6-inch) flour tortillas
 - 1/2 cup salsa
 - 1/2 cup light sour cream

Directions:
Preheat oven to 425 degrees F. Cut the chicken into thin strips and add to a medium bowl, along with 3 tsp taco seasoning and 1 tbsp oil. Toss until well coated. Arrange on one side of a large, rimmed baking sheet.

Toss the peppers and onion with the remaining 1 tbsp oil and 1 tsp taco seasoning. Season with salt and pepper. Scatter in even layer next to chicken. Bake 18-20 min., until chicken is cooked through, and vegetables are tender.

When ready to serve, wrap the tortillas in damp paper towels and microwave 1-2 min., until warm and pliable. Toss chicken and peppers together. Serve in tortillas with salsa and sour cream.

Baked Brie with Pecans & Cran-Orange Chutney

(Family Features)
Baked Brie with Pecans and Cranberry Orange Chutney



- Ingredients:
- 1 bag (12 oz) fresh cranberries
 - 1/2 cup maple syrup, plus 1 teaspoon for garnish, divided
 - 1/2 cup water
 - 1 orange, zest and juice only
 - 1 tsp freshly chopped thyme, plus additional for garnish, divided
 - 1 tsp freshly chopped rosemary
 - 1 tbsp bourbon (optional)
 - 1 round brie (13.4 ounces)
 - 1/2 cup roasted pecan pieces
 - crackers
 - toasted bread
 - apple slices

Directions:
Preheat oven to 350 F. Line baking sheet with parchment paper or silicone baking mat.

In medium saucepan over medium-high heat, bring cranberries (reserving some for garnish), 1/2 cup maple syrup and water to boil. Reduce heat to medium-low

and cook, stirring occasionally, until cranberries pop and mixture thickens, 8-10 minutes.

Remove cranberry mixture from heat and stir in orange zest, orange juice, 1 teaspoon thyme, rosemary and bourbon, if desired.

Place brie on parchment-lined baking sheet. Bake 5-7 minutes, or until inside of cheese softens while outside remains intact.

Transfer brie to serving platter and top with chutney and toasted pecans. Drizzle remaining maple syrup over brie and garnish with remaining fresh thyme and reserved cranberries. Serve with crackers, toasted bread and apple slices.

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History Column

Jack Alcott, Southeast Historian

Fond Memories at Bob's Diner

Are these the last days for Bob's Diner, a Brewster landmark since 1955? A post by owner-chef Tom Sprague on the restaurant's Facebook page certainly points in that downward trajectory for the long-revered local eatery.

"My diner has limited time left," he said. "My apartment building has already been taken by eminent domain. Handling these shifts in my life has been challenging."

So it sounds like the Brewster redevelopment plan is finally moving forward. Brewster Village Board Trustee George Gaspar recently confirmed that the project is on track, with demolition set to begin in November.

But we'll have to wait and see if the developer, National Resources of Greenwich, Conn., hits that mark, as there have been numerous past delays.

The demise of Bob's Diner will leave a big hole in the village's communal psyche.

"My family's place many, many years in business, many wonderful memories," wrote Gary Rucho. "Many stars visited here: Linda Blair from 'The Exorcist,' Chuck Connors from 'The Rifleman.' Even Mick Jagger, Rolling Stones ... that was way back. All kinds of characters ate at Bob's. Soon to be all gone."

From the 1950s through at least the 1970s, Bob's was open 24 hours a day and was often still hopping at 3 a.m. After the bars closed, it was the local nightlife. Young people especially would head there with their dates and friends after a movie at The Cameo, for burgers, fries and conversation in the booths, which all had mini-jukeboxes on the wall. Pop in a quarter and listen to three Beatles 45s, or maybe Frank Sinatra. Meanwhile, the conversation and B.S. kept going, just like in the now classic movie, "Diner."

Rucho remembers smoke-filled nights in the railcar diner when it was full of pool "hustlers, gamblers and losers. Many wonderful memories in both places," he wrote. "Soon to be all gone."

I, personally, wish there was a way to save Bob's Diner; there's been a diner on that corner across from the Brewster train station since at least the 1920s. I'd also like to see the beautiful Lobdell mansion on Park Street since 1860 saved, too. But that does not appear likely.

However, the current revitalization plan calls for preserving the distinctive 19th century Lobdell cottage nearby. The cute cottage and its gingerbread Victorian-era architecture would be moved down to the entrance of Veteran's Park (Electrazone Field) along Railroad Avenue, according to Natural Resource/iPark developer Joseph Cotter.

Every building on the south side of Main Street from Railroad Avenue to the Old Town Hall (it's safe), right down to Marvin Avenue is slated for demolition.

That includes the decrepit Cameo Theater.

A huge multi-acre space will be cleared so that a 400-unit, five-story apartment building with retail on the first floor can rise on those blocks.

This is not the first time for wholesale demolition in Brewster. When New York City dammed the Croton River in the 1890s to create the Diverting Reservoir, as many as 30 homes in Brewster's former Thomasville hamlet along the river were taken down to their foundations, with others going to a watery grave.

In the Sodom part of town, the foundations of 28 homes and businesses, including a sawmill, now lie under that reservoir. In 1893, there was an enormous public outcry about the plan to flood Sodom, as recorded in The Brewster Standard. Folks then were upset that a part of their town's history and legacy was going to disappear in the deep.

Out at Tilly Foster, the Middlebranch Reservoir is on top of what was once a mining village of about 40 homes for immigrants (Irish, Welsh, Hungarians, Scandinavians and Italians). The Tilly Foster hamlet of Southeast adjacent to Carmel included a schoolhouse, church and mining company store, as well as the vast mine itself, which employed at least 400 workers. The church still stands, converted into a home – one of the community's few remaining vestiges.

And let's not forget that when Brewster village was born with the arrival of steam locomotives in 1849, it spelled the end of Southeast Centre and Sodom as the town nexus. The population center moved west, near what was then called Brewster's Station.

A hundred-plus years later, the housing boom of the 1950s to 1980s – along with the advent of Interstate 684 and I-84, the Danbury Mall and the lesser mini-malls outside the village – brought more tectonic changes, shedding businesses from Main Street. The village never had enough parking to compete with surrounding malls and supermarkets up on Route 22, and suffered more losses.

Several multi-story parking lots proposed in the 1980s never happened.

By the mid-1980s, Brewster was beginning to look a lot like other upstate towns where factories and industries were shutting down. The immigration waves here started about 1987, which to some extent revived Main Street – but not for the townsfolk outside the village in what became largely a bedroom commuterville.

The Hispanic folks have been here for nearly 40 years and have their own success stories and memories that will knit into Brewster's history, along with their own nostalgia for this gem of a village at the base of Marvin Mountain – just like the not-so-



Bob's Diner has been a staple in Brewster since 1955, but is slated for demolition as part of the village's revitalization plan.



Owner Tom Sprague has the date of the diner's opening forever etched in his skin.

welcome Irish, Italian and Puerto Ricans before them (check your history books).

Until the early 1950s, the village was the richest part of Southeast and a major center for the area, with its theaters, businesses, restaurants and bars. There were maybe 3,500 people living in and around Brewster vil-



lage, but folks came from all over eastern Putnam to shop, dine, see a movie or to catch a train to NYC in those days. It was a busy, lively burg – a real hub.

Southeast was mostly farmland then, with a sprinkling of older homes, many dating to the 1700s.

Then came the post-WWII baby boom and the suburban housing frenzy.

Today, Southeast has more

than 18,000 residents, according to the 2020 census. Brewster village is included in that estimate, with about 2,500 residents on record. The Town of Southeast, with thousands more homeowners paying taxes, along with its ever-expanding and lucrative commercial tax base, now has far more revenue flowing in than Brewster village, which seems to be hobbling along these days.

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A Connecticut man will serve six years in state prison and one and a half years under post-release supervision after pleading guilty dealing drugs in Putnam County.

According to District Attorney Robert Tendy, Brandon Gatling, 30, of Waterbury, was arrested June 14, 2023. After an investigation conducted by the Putnam County Sher-

iff's Office Narcotics Enforcement Unit into a fatal overdose revealed Gatling's contact information in the victim's phone, undercover investigators arranged for the purchase of fentanyl from Gatling to take place in Putnam County.

Investigators recovered more than 200 glassine envelopes containing a deadly heroin/fentanyl

mixture, multiple cellular telephones, a small quantity of cocaine, and several rounds of ammunition from Gatling's vehicle, and he was taken into custody, according to Tendy.

"The Putnam County Sheriff's Office NEU did an outstanding job in this investigation," he said. "As always, they were painstaking in their work, and it resulted in getting off our streets someone who had no compunction bringing and selling deadly drugs into Putnam County. ADA Breanne Smith, who worked with them and prosecuted the case, is also to be commended for her around-the-clock efforts in bringing this prosecution to fruition."

Gatling plead guilty Sept. 3 to one count of each third-degree criminal sale and possession of a controlled substance, and two counts of seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance. He is scheduled for sentencing Nov. 19 by the Hon. Joseph Spofford.



Elder Law Advice
Alan D. Feller, Esq.

Legal Tips for College Students & Families

College tours have not changed much over the decades. Walk around the campus for an hour and a half, passing 37 dining halls – but not stopping to eat once? Check.

Experience the college library and all of the quiet floors where no one is allowed to speak? Check.

Squeeze into a sample dorm room that was built in 1963 and has not changed a lick since? Check.

March past an engineering lab filled with serious looking equipment? Check.

I was hoping one of the robots in that lab would start to go haywire and take over the building, you know, to spice up the tour. My daughter thought that was funny.

What's not funny is the surprise many parents experience

when a health issue impacts their college student. Instead of the free exchange of information from a college infirmary, a parent may hear deafening silence. That's because their 18-year-old child is no longer a minor. Privacy laws may cause colleges to limit the release of health information without express consent.

How do we avoid these issues? Simple: Have your child sign a health care proxy and power of attorney. Parents can be named as representatives in both documents, although the health care proxy only allows one person to be appointed at a time.

With both documents in place, any health care or financial problem can be addressed by parents.

College is quasi-adulthood. Banking, apartment leases, living with other people and figuring out transportation are all part of the college experience. Watching your child handle life's annoyances and allergens independently and with growing confidence is part of a parent's journey. Providing them with the support they need is also important.

Your college student should have a bank account that allows for parental transfers and savings options that holds earnings from their jobs or paid internships. Make sure these accounts are either co-owned by a parent or have a parent named as a beneficiary. If your child is bringing a car to campus, call your auto insurer to gain clarity about coverage, umbrella policy options and cost.

Picture this: You are a college junior and you are sitting in a non-descript office. Pieces of long, legal paper are placed in front of you. The word "lease" is right there on page one. Underneath that word are clauses related to rent, term, obligations, limitations, utilities, termination and security deposit.

Letting your child handle the lease signing is one way to deal with this legal transaction. A better option is working with your child to understand how a lease works and what these clauses really mean. For more involved living arrangements, including renting a house with multiple friends, a lawyer could review the documents.

Living with people is not always easy. College roommates may not get along, but most disagreements can be handled by a decent advisor in the dorm. Off campus, setting up a very simple agreement for roommates or housemates to share costs and outline responsibilities will save a lot of aggravation down the road.

Target may have most of what a college student needs, but it doesn't have everything. Parents still have to teach their children about how the law intersects with their lives. Following these basic steps will protect your student and give them an appreciation for practical problem solving.

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Putnam County Community Events

Volunteers Needed

Putnam Community Action Partnership is currently seeking volunteers to assist with its food pantry distribution Mondays from noon to 2:30 p.m., and Wednesdays from 3 to 6:30 p.m., in Brewster. Volunteers must be able to bend and lift and carry up to 15 pounds. Anyone interested should contact the CAP office at 845-278-8021 for additional information.

Board Vacancy

The Kent Conservation Advisory Committee is accepting applications. CAC is a volunteer organization that provides recommendations on environmental issues and promotes the enjoyment and protection of local natural areas. Interested persons should send a resume to Kent Town Clerk Yolanda Cappelli, 25 Sybil's Crossing, Kent Lakes, NY 10512; or to lcappelli@townofkentny.gov.

Marine Corps League

The Marine Corps League Putnam County Detachment 242 meets the second Wednesday of the month at noon. Interested in joining? Email MCLPutnam-CountyNY242@gmail.com.

CAP Collection

Reed Memorial Library in Carmel will be collecting donations of unexpired and nonperishable items, shampoo and condition, soap, feminine hygiene products, toothpaste, deodorant, toilet paper, tissues and laundry detergent for distribution through Putnam Community Action Partnership through Oct. 24.

Tuesday, Sept. 24

Sensory Playtime

Mahopac Public Library will host a drop-in sensory playtime Tuesdays, Sept. 24 from noon to 12:30 p.m. This program encourages children ages 2 to 4 and their caregivers to interact with materials to help them learn colors, shapes, letters, vocabulary, social skills, small motor skill, and other early learning concepts. No registration is necessary.

Career Development

Reed Memorial Library in Carmel will host "Career & Leadership Development for Teenagers" on Sept. 24 at 3:30 p.m. Registration is required at carmellibrary.org/calendar.

The Art of Dressing

Do you know the ideal length of your blazer, or what colors complement your complexion? Professional stylist Tonia Tagliarferro from the Art of Dressing will share need-to-know fashion tips Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 6:30 p.m. at Patterson Library. Learn how to select the perfect wardrobe for every body type. Adults 18 and older. Register at www.pattersonlibrary.org.

Book Cove

Friends of Brewster Public Library's Book Cave has new hours: Tuesday, Sept. 24 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Wednesday, Sept. 25 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.; and Thursday, Sept. 26 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. New and gently used books for all ages. All genres at unbeatable prices. Browsing also available by appointment. Inquire at the children's circulation desk.

Wednesday, Sept. 25

Medicare Seminar

Brewster Public Library will host a Medicare seminar with Dan Calabrese on Wednesday, Sept. 25 from 5 to 6 p.m. for ages 18 and older. An informative Medicare webinar covering enrollment periods, "original" Medicare parts and costs, supplements, updates to Part D, and more. This webinar will take place via Zoom, please with your email at brewsterlibrary.org to receive login information.

Tech Basics

Mahopac Public Library will present "Throw-Back Tech Basics" on Wednesday, Sept. 25 at 12:30 p.m. Do you have home movies on VHS? Want to listen to an old mix tape again? The library has the tools to help preserve your memories and convert old media (cassettes, VHS, 8mm reels) into digital formats that can be accessed on a computer and easily shared. Register at www.mahopaclibrary.org or call 845-628-2009, ext. 152.

Mahopac Library

Teen Council

Mahopac Public Library's Teen Library Council will meet Wednesday, Sept. 25 at 4:30 p.m. Learn what events and activities teens want to see at the library. By voicing your opinion, you can help make decisions for future library teen-goers. After a discussion, do a craft or activity. Grades six through 12. Snacks and drinks included. For questions, email Amanda at astalcup@mahopaclibrary.org.

'Cabrini'

Patterson Library will screen "Cabrini" on Wednesday, Sept. 25 at 1 p.m. After witnessing disease and poverty in the slums of New York, Italian immigrant Francesca Cabrini embarks on a daring journey to persuade the hostile mayor to provide housing and healthcare for hundreds of orphaned children. Rated PG-13. Register at www.pattersonlibrary.org.

Thursday, Sept. 26

'Pearls from Carol'

Brewster Public Library will host a "Pearls from Carol" presentation Thursday, Sept. 26 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. For ages 18 and older. A collection of writings spanning 20 years by the late Carol Ruggiero. Her husband, Albert, will share these pieces through a book talk and saxophone sing-along. Discover Carol's life, along with her humorous and insightful poems and essays. Registration is required at brewsterlibrary.org.

Southeast Town Board

The Southeast Town Board will meet at 7 p.m. at Town Hall on the following Thursdays: Sept. 26, Oct. 10 and 24, Nov. 7 and 21, and Dec. 5 and 19.

Mahopac

Library Meetings

The Mahopac Public Library Board of Trustees will meet at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 21, Dec. 19, Jan. 23, Feb. 27, March 27, April 24 and May 22. The annual meeting is June 2 (7 p.m.), with the reorganizational meeting July 10.

Feast of San Gennaro

Putnam County will celebrate its inaugural Feast of San Gennaro from Thursday, Sept. 26 through Sunday, Sept. 29 at Veterans Memorial Park on Gypsy Trail Road in Carmel. A statue procession of San Gennaro is scheduled Thursday, Sept. 26 at 6:30 p.m. Food, music, rides and other activities will be offered Thursday from 5 to 10 p.m., Friday from 5 to 11 p.m., Saturday from noon to 11 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 10 p.m.

Environmental Art Talk

The Putnam History Museum will host a lunch and learn program titled "'Healing Hudson' and the Environmental Movement," on Thursday, Sept. 26 at noon. In person at 63 Chestnut St., Cold Spring, and via Zoom. Environmental artist Selva Ozelli will discuss her show at HRM and explore the history of the environmental movement. Bring a bag lunch. Register at www.putnamhistorymuseum.org.

Blood Drive

New York Blood Center is holding a blood drive at Trinity Lutheran Church, 2103 Route 6, Brewster, on Thursday, Sept. 26 from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. Appointments preferred, walk-ins welcome. Call 1-800-933-2566 or register at nybc.org.

Friday, Sept. 27

Flower Show

The ninth district of the Federated Garden Clubs of NYS will present "A Century of Flowers & Blooms," a district-wide flower show to celebrate its 100th anniversary, at Lasdon Park in Katonah, on Friday, Sept. 27 from 2 to 4 p.m.; and Saturday, Sept. 28 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free.

Saturday, Sept. 28

Fall Concerts

The Town of Carmel Recreation & Parks Department will host a free concert at Mahopac Chamber Park from 6 to 8 p.m. Sept. 28 featuring the Tracy Delucia Band playing country hits. Bring lawn chairs and blankets.

5K & Family Run

The Philipstown Behavioral Health Hub will hold a 5K & Family Fun Run on Sept. 28 at 9:30 a.m. at the Riverfront Bandstand in Cold Spring. Awards will be given out. Check in and registration is from 8:30 to 9:25 a.m., with the 5K at 9:30 a.m. and the 0.3-mile fun run at 10:30 a.m. Register at www.philipstownhub.org.

Pasta Dinner

The Carmel Fire Department auxiliary will host a pasta dinner Saturday, Sept. 28 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the firehouse. Pasta with meatballs, salad beverages, desserts. \$15 for adults, \$10 for children 4 to 12, free for ages 3 and younger. Door prizes, raffles.

Pet Food Drive

A pet food drive is scheduled Saturday, Sept. 28 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Feed Barn, 1515 Route 22, Brewster, to benefit the Patterson Community Food Ministries, PO Box 298, 1059 Route 311, Patterson NY 12563. When people find themselves in a food insecurity situation, the family pet is also in the situation. Even one can of cat

or dog food will make a difference in a pet's life.

Manga Crafts

All anime/manga fans may make their own DIY craft Saturday, Sept. 28 at noon at Mahopac Public Library. Make a bookmark, keychain, button pin or collage. Materials will be provided. In the registration form, determine what characters/series you are interested in. To see examples of the crafts, check out our TikTok account @mahopaemanga. All ages welcome, as long as you are an anime/manga fan. Register at www.mahopaclibrary.org or call 845-628-2009, ext. 100.

Revolutionary

War Battlefields

Mahopac Public Library will present "Archaeology & America's Nearby Forgotten Revolutionary War Battlefields" on Saturday, Sept. 28 at 1 p.m. The months after the signing of the Declaration of Independence were crucial to the existence of the U.S. New York City and Westchester County were the site of the period's most significant events. Dr. Eugene Boesch, will present the history and archeology of historic landscapes that will raise awareness of those sites. Register at www.mahopaclibrary.org or call 845-628-2009, ext. 100.

Tag Sale

Julia L. Butterfield Memorial Library will hold its fourth annual tag sale Saturday, Sept. 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at 10 Morris Ave., Cold Spring.

Paint Night

Putnam Lake Fire Department and ladies auxiliary will hold a paint night fundraiser Sept. 28 at 7 p.m. at the firehouse, 72 Fairfield Dr., Patterson. There will be a choice of painting two stemless glasses or a lighted mason jar. Raffles, drinks and snacks for sale. Cost is \$45 per person and reservations are required; contact Tina at 347-865-6095 or Barbara at 845-494-3915.

Garrison Craft

Garrison Craft will return Sept. 28 and 29 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Garrison's Landing. A modern craft show showcasing a curated collection of craft makers, designers and artists. More than 60 artisans, along with live music by local musicians, regional food vendors, and pottery demonstrations by teaching artists. A one-day pass is \$10 for adults or free for kids age 12 and younger, with discounts for seniors, veterans and multiday passes. www.garrisonartcenter.org/garrisoncraft.

Sunday, Sept. 29

Fundraiser

Tompkins Corners Cultural Center will welcome Jay Ungar and Molly Mason on Sunday, Sept. 29 at 2 p.m., at Camp Combe in Putnam Valley, for an afternoon of music dancing and a buffet. A benefit for TCCC. Tickets are \$100 and available at Eventbrite.com.

Book Sale

Patterson Volunteer Fire Department's book sale runs through Sunday, Sept. 29. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, and noon to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, on the grounds of the Patterson Fire Department,

13 Burdick Road, across from the Patterson Library on Route 311.

'Elvis in the Park'

"Elvis in the Park" will feature Gene Dinapoli as Elvis and Patrice as Patsy Cline on Sunday, Sept. 29 from 4 to 7 p.m., with gates opening at 3:30 p.m., at Wells Park on Oak Street in Brewster. Bring chairs and enjoy food trucks. Tickets are \$15 and available at www.signupgenius.com.

Walk to End Domestic

Violence

The Putnam/Northern Westchester Women's Resource Center will host its annual Walk to End Domestic Violence on Sunday, Sept. 29 at 9 a.m. at FDR State Park, 2957 Crompond Road, Yorktown Heights. Registration is \$25 for adults age 20 and older, \$10 for teens, free for kids age 12 and younger. Register at pnwrc.org.

Monday, Sept. 30

Square Dancing

Friendly Squares will hold a free square dancing fun night Mondays, Sept. 30 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at Katonah Methodist Church Parish Hall, 44 Edgemont, Katonah. For more information, visit www.friendlysquares.org.

Tuesday, Oct. 1

Medicare 101

Is Medicare looming in your future but you don't know where to start or what would be best for you? Already in a plan but uncertain if it is the right fit? Maggie Flynn of Advocate Health Advisors will help decipher eligibility and the options involved in choosing a plan Tuesday, Oct. 1 at 6:30 p.m. at Patterson Library. Adults 18 and older. To register, call 845-878-6121 or go to www.pattersonlibrary.org.

Kent Town Board

The Kent Town Board will meet at 7 p.m. at Town Hall on the following Tuesdays: Oct. 1 and 15, Nov. 12 and 19, and Dec. 3 and 17.

Thursday, Oct. 3

Rosh Hashanah

On the first day of Rosh Hashanah, Thursday, Oct. 3 at 1 p.m., on the shore of Lake Gleneida in Carmel, Chabad of Putnam will host a 30-minute outdoor service that will include Shofar blowing, Tashlich, several selected prayers, and a brief holiday message delivered by Koror.

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Kent



Families flocked to Kent Town Center for the annual Kent Community Day on Sept. 14, where they enjoyed live music, bounce houses, food trucks, caricature drawings, face painting and so much more. Photos by Holly Crocco.

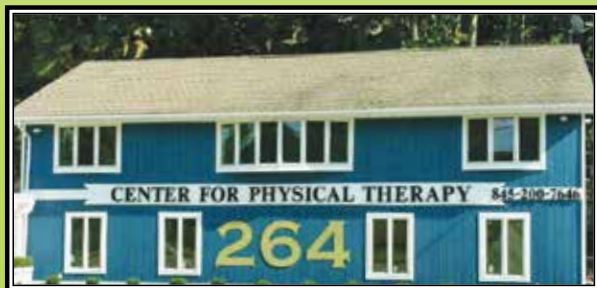


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Community Day Draws a Crowd



Hospital Kids' Day Promotes Healthy Living

Putnam Hospital's annual Kids' Day returned Sept. 14, featuring games, hayrides, food, vendors and family entertainment throughout the day. Photos by Holly Crocco.



Police Reports: Attempted ID Theft, School Threats Made

Four individuals were recently arrested after attempting to illegally access a customer's account at a local bank.

According to Putnam County Sheriff Kevin McConville, at about 9:50 a.m. Sept. 11, a deputy was dispatched to the Hudson Valley Federal Credit Union in Southeast for a report that a female had entered the bank and presented fraudulent documents to attempt to withdraw money. A teller realized that the documents, including the photo, did not match the customer whose

account she was attempting to withdraw from, and the suspect fled the bank.

With the assistance investigators, deputies were able to get a description and license plate of the vehicle the suspect left in, and an alert was put out to all police departments in the area. At about 1 p.m., officers from the Carmel Police Department spotted the vehicle on Route 6 near Baldwin Place Road and made a traffic stop.

Sheriff's personnel responded to the scene and took

the vehicle's occupants into custody and brought them to the sheriff's headquarters for questioning. It was determined that the suspects had made attempts at other banks earlier in the day, and were successful in two transactions in the Town of Poughkeepsie, withdrawing a total of \$12,000.

Onaj Leonard, 23, of the Bronx; Rashad Newton, 21, of Syracuse; and Kirk Neufville Jr., 22, of the Bronx, were all charged with second-degree attempted identity theft, and

various degrees of criminal possession of stolen property, misdemeanors. Dawn Petruny, 49, of Woodbridge, Conn., was also charged with second-degree attempted identity theft, as well as felony possession of a forged instrument.

Leonard and Newton were issued appearance tickets for a future court date, and Neufville and Petruny were held pending arraignment.

Sheriff's office investigators were assisted by detectives from the Town of Poughkeepsie Police

Department and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, and the investigation is continuing.

A 13-year-old student in the Green Chimneys School District in Patterson was arrested Sept. 6 after sending threatening emails to the school.

According to Sheriff McConville, at about 10 p.m., the sheriff's office was notified of the emails by the school district via the Threat Assessment Management system. An investigation began, which included forensic computer analysis, and a suspect was developed.

The suspect was interviewed in the presence of their parents and on Sept. 11 was charged with one count of making a terroristic threat, a class D felony, and issued an appearance ticket to report to Putnam County Probation.

Carmel Central Schools operated on a two-hour delay Sept. 20 as police investigated a threat that was reported by administration at the high school.

According to Sheriff McConville, his office was notified at about 5:55 a.m. of a threat seen on an online chat in Discord. It was a non-specific threat that was made by an individual in the community, and not directly related to Carmel High School, or any school.

The threat was determined to be unsubstantiated and schools operated with increased police presence across the district.

Legislators Hear Proposal to Change Term Limit Rules

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be there... It's bad government to be reactive."

Crowley asked why the matter wouldn't go through the Charter Review Committee, to which Birmingham responded that doing so would be impractical because that committee meets just once every 10 years.

Legislator Bill Gouldman, R-Putnam Valley, urged the committee to be cautious, especially since the county is not yet affected by the change in the state's election schedule. "It can wait until next week or next month so we can review this and tweak it if we need to," he said.

Legislator Nancy Montgomery, D-Philipstown, agreed that the issue should be brought up with the Board of Elections before any action is taken, and lamented that the proposal was not posted on the county's website for residents to view. "I do wish this was more transparent," she said.

Committee Chairperson Tony Addonizio, R-Kent, disagreed. "I think we must preserve term limits, and this will be a safeguard," she said.

"This is one of the positive things the public will embrace," added Legislator Ginny Nacerino, R-Patterson.

The proposal will continue to be discussed at a special meeting of the Rules Committee on Sept. 23.

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Patterson Heats Up With Blues & BBQ Fest



Patterson Rotary hosted its annual Blues & BBQ Festival on Sept. 14 and 15 on the grounds of the Patterson Fire Department, where attendees enjoyed live music, fresh barbecue, kids' activities, raffles and more. Provided photos.

Chabad Offers High Holiday Services

Chabad of Putnam County in Carmel invites the public to its High Holiday services.

"We offer a welcoming service to all, regardless of background or affiliation," said Rabbi Avi Korer. "Our style is friendly and welcoming. We seek to make all our attendees as comfortable as possible."

For reservations and location of services, visit www.PutnamChabad.org or call 845-225-4770.

The services are conducted with the beginner in mind, with many of the prayers read in English, and a running commentary by the rabbi accompanying the entire service, including stories, inspirational thoughts, and teachings about the prayers. The

service includes much festive as well as meditative singing.

"We offer an excellent children's program during parts of the main services," said Korer. "The program is run by Morah Michal, who will explain the meaning of some of the prayers. Stories, songs, refreshments, contests and prizes will be included in this special holiday children's program."

On the first day of Rosh Hashanah, Thursday, Oct. 3 at 1 p.m., on the shore of Lake Gleneida in Carmel, Chabad of Putnam will host a 30-minute outdoor service that will include Shofar blowing, Tashlich, several selected prayers, and a brief holiday message delivered by Korer.

Fond Memories at Bob's Diner

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The consensus is that something's got to change and many are pinning their hopes on the village redevelopment plan. Brewster has gone through big changes before and somehow emerged, if not unscathed, at least on a new path. Where the new redevelopment path takes Brewster remains to be seen.

Old-timers here all have

fond memories of Bob's Diner, the Cameo Theater, the pool hall (Jack & Jill) and the Hope's Drug Store lunch counter back in their heyday.

As Rucho said in his heartfelt note: "The ones that have passed on in my family are turning in their graves. Bob's Diner will be missed in my heart. The greatest, most delicious breakfast around!"

Not for the first time, it looks like Brewster's going to have to create new and different memories as the unpredictable future takes shape.

Jack Alcott is the Town of Southeast historian and a Brewster history enthusiast. See more on Facebook, at "Southeast, NY - Historian."

Adoptable Pet of the Week



Annie

The Putnam Humane Society has dozens of animal friends in need of homes. Annie is a hound mix from down south who's very sweet and gets along with everyone. To learn more, contact Putnam Humane Society, 68 Old Route 6, Carmel, at 845-225-7777.

Nods Sought for Youth & Adult Service Awards

The Putnam County Youth Bureau is accepting nominations for its 40th annual Youth Volunteer Service Awards and the James F. Reitz Adult Volunteer Service Award.

The nomination deadline is Nov. 15.

The Youth Board, in collaboration with the Youth Bureau, hosts this event each year to recognize the dedication of Putnam's youth and adult volunteers. The public is asked to nominate one or more students and/or adults that deserve to be honored for their exemplary community service efforts.

Award nominees must have performed their community service without payment or benefit.

Youth Award recipients are recognized for the volunteer work they performed that benefits Putnam residents and makes Putnam a better place to live. They must be high school students who reside in Putnam County or attend a high

school in Putnam.

One adult is also recognized at this event for his or her exemplary community service work directly with Putnam youth. The volunteer must be 21 years of age or older and live or work in Putnam County. The person must have performed at least two consecutive years of volunteer work with Putnam youth.

Only individual volunteers are eligible for an award; volunteer groups will not be considered.

The nominee must also complete a volunteer service log, and three reference forms must be completed by non-relatives who can best describe the type of service performed by the nominee.

For more information, or to make a nomination, visit www.putnamcountyny.com/youth-bureau#awards.

The 40th annual Youth Awards Dinner is scheduled Thursday, April 10 at the Putnam County Golf Course in Mahopac.



From left are Brewster Schools Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources Stephen Hancock, John F. Kennedy Elementary School Principal John Conroy, Assistant Principal Eileen Cruz, State Sen. Pete Harkham, K-5 ELA specialist Eileen Barret, Superintendent Michelle Gosh, and K-5 math specialist Allie O'Conner. Photo by James Persons/Harckham's office.

Brewster Universal Pre-K Program Flourishes

State Sen. Pete Harkham, D-Peekskill, visited the Brewster Central School District's tuition-free universal pre-kindergarten program last week to meet with administration, and stopped by three classrooms with students actively engaged in learning.

The UPK program, introduced last year, is funded with federal dollars as well as through the New York State Department of Education allocation in the state budget.

"New York's universal pre-kindergarten program has been a tremendous success in our communities," said Harkham. "Congratulations to the Brewster Cen-

tral School District on the robust program it has built to engage their young scholars. I'm proud we passed this legislation to ensure over 2,800 students in Senate District 40 have access to early education and the opportunities it provides."

Before it was passed four years ago by the Democratic majority in the State Senate, UPK programs did not exist outside New York City. This meant many families could not provide their children with pre-kindergarten education due to financial constraints.

Since the program went into effect, the state has invested more than \$355 million into UPK to provide more than 51,000 young students outside New York City with tuition-free education as of the end of the 2023 school year.

Brewster currently offers five UPK sections: one at John F. Kennedy Elementary School, two at Brewster High School, and two at St. James the Apostle School in Carmel hamlet – servicing a total of more than 100 students.


Since the program started in Brewster, Harkham has helped secure \$1.58 million to support the district's UPK over the past two years.

"As the recipients of a \$900,000 UPK expansion grant

from the New York State Education Department, we were thrilled to host Sen. Harkham for a tour of our on-campus sections," said Brewster Schools Superintendent Michelle Gosh. "This expansion grant funding allows us to provide an essential early learning experience for our youngest students with minimal reliance on the general budget."

During his tour, Harkham visited the three pre-K classrooms and saw students participating in arts projects, and an interactive lesson on showing kindness. He also toured the courtyard playground and cafeteria at JFK Elementary School to get a full understanding of what a standard five-hour school day looks like for the students.

"In just one year we are seeing students who are reading well, treating others with respect, and helping one another learn," said Principal John Conroy. "The current kindergarten students who attended our pre-K program last year have adjusted extremely well this school year as a direct result. We are extremely grateful for the assistance in securing funds for the BCSO budget to create such an outstanding program and will continue to monitor and assess our pre-K program as it grows from year to year."



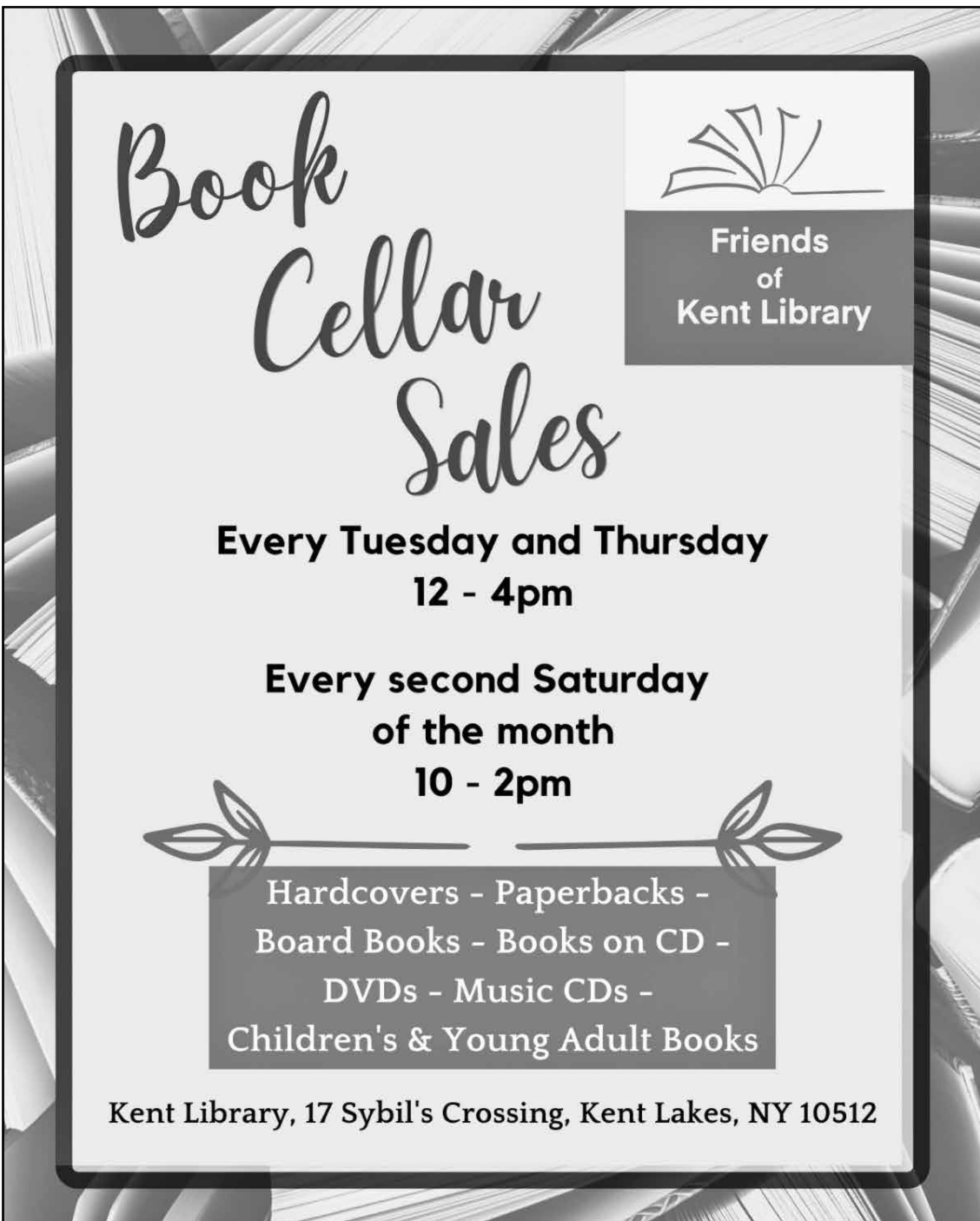
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Kent Residents Urged to Complete Survey

The Town of Kent is seeking community input to help shape its new pedestrian and bicycle improvement plan, called Connect Kent, which aims to enhance walking and biking conditions throughout Kent by making them safer and more connected, offering residents more opportunities to use alternative transportation modes.

To make sure the plan reflects the needs and preferences of Kent residents, the public is encouraged to take a nine-question survey regarding their walking and biking habits around town. Participation will help identify key areas for improvement and contribute to creating a more pedestrian- and bike-friendly environment.

To take the survey, visit

<https://bartonloguidice.mysocialpinpoint.com/kent-bpmp/7wos> or www.townofkentny.gov.

The survey will be open through Sept. 30. All information shared will remain anonymous and will only be used for development of the pedestrian and bicycle improvement plan.

Connect Kent is part of a larger effort funded by the New York State Climate Smart Communities grant program. It is being developed based on a combination of public feedback and an inventory of current pedestrian and bicycle conditions. The ultimate goal is to improve infrastructure, prioritize key routes, and provide a safer, more connected environment for walking and biking throughout Kent.

PUTNAM COUNTY AND TOWN NOTICES

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PUBLIC NOTICE

**Carmel
NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, Putnam County, New York, will meet at The Carmel Fire Department, Carmel, New York on October 9, 2024, at 7:00 o'clock P.M., Prevailing Time, for the purpose of conducting a public hearing upon a certain map, plan and report, including an estimate of cost, in relation to the proposed increase and improvement of the facilities of the Carmel Water District No. 2, in said Town, being the construction of a new Water Treatment Plant, on a parcel of land adjacent to the existing water treatment plant to be decommissioned located at 1760 Route 6, in Carmel, New York, including land acquisition and original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances, and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith (including said decommissioning), at a maximum estimated cost of \$27,400,000.

Said capital project has been determined to be a Unlisted Action pursuant to the regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation promulgated pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), the implementation of which as proposed, it has been determined will not result in any significant environmental impact.

At said public hearing said Town Board will hear all persons interested in the subject matter thereof. The Town Board will make every effort to assure that the Public Hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone requiring special assistance and/or reasonable accommodations should contact the Town Clerk.

Dated: Mahopac, New York, September 4, 2024.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF CARMEL, PUTNAM COUNTY, NEW YORK

/s/Alice Daly
Town Clerk
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**LEGAL NOTICE
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID**

TOWN OF CARMEL
PUTNAM COUNTY,
NEW YORK

SUPPLY AND
INSTALLATION OF
AIR CONDITIONING UNITS
AT CARMEL TOWN HALL
CONTRACT NO. C299

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received at the Office of the Town Clerk, Town of Carmel, 60 McAlpin Avenue, Mahopac, New York 10541, until **11:00 A.M. on October 21, 2024** immediately after which the bids will be opened publicly read and recorded by the Town Clerk.

The work under this Contract comprises the furnishing of all tools, equipment, materials and labor for the removal and replacement of three (3) existing roof top air conditioning units located at the Town of Carmel, Town Hall.

The foregoing is a general description only and shall not be construed as a complete description of the Work to be performed for this Project.

One Bid will be received. Bids shall be on a lump sum basis.

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained at the Office of the Town Clerk upon receipt of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) per set. Payment shall be in the

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form of Cash, Certified Check or Money Order, payable to the Town of Carmel, nonrefundable. Contract Documents may be obtained from the Office of the Town Clerk, Carmel Town Hall beginning **September 26, 2024** at 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday.

Prospective bidders may request mailing of Contract Documents by contacting the Town Clerk's Office. Bidders must provide a prepaid air bill for mailing a minimum of one week prior to the **MANDATORY** pre-bid conference. Neither OWNER or ENGINEER shall be responsible for any delay in such shipment.

Neither the OWNER nor the ENGINEER will be responsible for full or partial sets of Contract Documents, including any Addenda, obtained from other sources.

A **MANDATORY pre-bid conference** will be held at **2:00 PM on October 9, 2024**, at Carmel Town Hall, 60 McAlpin Avenue, Mahopac, New York 10541 to provide prospective Bidders and interested parties an opportunity to raise questions pertaining to the Bidding and Contract Documents, and for the OWNER or its representatives to clarify any points.

Bid security and proof of qualifications to perform the Work shall be as described in the specifications.

Bidders shall comply with all special and statutory requirements in accordance with the specifications.

Contract time of commencement and completion will be as specified in the Agreement.

The Bid Bond Form is contained in the Contract Specifications.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond, or Certified Check accompanied by a Certificate of Surety, the coverage of which is specified in the specifications.

This project is subject to the provisions of Article 5-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York and certificates required thereunder shall be available for public inspection at the office of the Town Clerk, Town of Carmel, New York.

For any reason whatsoever, or for no reason, the Town reserves the right to waive any informalities in the bids or to reject any and all bids. No bidder may withdraw their bid except by written request submitted at least twenty-four hours before the time of opening or until the lapse of 45 days after the actual opening thereof.

The Town is exempt from payment of sales and compensating use taxes of the State of New York and of Cities and Counties on all materials to be incorporated into the Work. These taxes shall not be included in the Bid.

The Town will furnish the required certificates of tax exemption to the CONTRACTOR for use in the purchase of supplies and materials to be incorporated into the Work.

The Town's exemption does not apply to construction tools, machinery, equipment or other property purchased by or leased by the CONTRACTOR, or to supplies or materials not incorporated into the Work.

Non-Discrimination in Employment:

It is the policy of the Town that their Contractors shall comply with all Federal, State, and

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local law, policy orders, rules, and regulations which prohibit unlawful discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, or national origin, and will take affirmative action to insure that they are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, or national origin.

Provisions concerning this requirement are detailed in the specifications.

By Order of the Town Board of the Town of Carmel
Alice Daly, Town Clerk

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Brewster

Notice for the Public

Village of Brewster

The Village of Brewster will be flushing the hydrants on **Wednesday, OCTOBER 2, 2024 starting at 7:30 am and continuing throughout the day until completed.**

Pressure will be affected and water discoloration may occur.

The entire system inside and outside the village may be affected.

Do not run your water expecting it to clear.

The best course of action is to use water sparingly and allow 12 to 24 hours for the turbulence in the pipes to settle.

Questions may be directed to Village Hall – 845-279-3760.
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**LEGAL NOTICE
VILLAGE OF BREWSTER
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
PUBLIC HEARING**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Brewster will hold a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2024 – Which would be a proposed repeal of Chapter 250-17, and Chapter 250-23 pertaining to streets where parking is prohibited at all times and where time limit parking is allowed and replaced with proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2024, which will update Chapter 250-17 and Chapter 250-23 statutes for street parking. Copies of the proposed local law will be available on the Village website, www.brewstervillage-ny.gov, and at Village Hall. The Public Hearing will take place during the Village Board of Trustees Meeting on October 2, 2024, at 7:30 P.M. at Village Hall, 50 Main Street, Brewster, NY 10509. At said Public Hearing, all interested persons shall be heard on the subject thereof. The Board of Trustees will make every effort to assure that the Public Hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone requiring special assistance and/or reasonable accommodations should contact the Village Clerk. Anyone wishing to speak may do so.

By Order of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Brewster
Michelle Diebold
Village Clerk

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**Southeast
SOUTHEAST
PLANNING BOARD
NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING**

PUBLIC NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Planning Board/Architectural Review Board of the Town of Southeast, New York, in accordance with Chapters 78 and 138 of the Code of the Town of Southeast, and NYCRR Part 617 of the Environmental Conservation Law (as applicable), will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 7, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., at Southeast Town Offices, 1360 Route 22, Brewster, New York to consider the following:

DE BONIS SOUTHEAST DUNKIN' – Application is being made for Site Plan and Special Permit for "Fast-Food Eating Establishment," for a proposal to construct a new 2,345 sq. ft. Dunkin' building with a drive-thru queue and associated improvements and landscaping on a 0.92-acre property located at 1617 Route 22, Brewster, NY, in the SR-22 Zoning District, and identified as Tax Map Number 46.-1-21.

ALFACOR, LLC – Application is being made to amend the Conditional Use Permit to remove the restriction prohibiting a sign facing I-684. Site Plan and Conditional Use Permit approval was granted on 12/21/20 and last amended 7/10/23 to construct two new commercial buildings on an approximately 31.5-acre lot located at 16-18 Fields Lane, Brewster, NY, in the OP-1 Zoning District and identified as Tax Map Number 78.-2-25.

Thomas LaPerch, Chairman
Town of Southeast Planning Board
Dated: September 16, 2024
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Supreme Court

NOTICE OF SALE IN FORECLOSURE STATE OF NEW YORK SUPREME COURT: COUNTY OF PUTNAM **M&T BANK**, Plaintiff, v. **CAROL M. JENDRAS, ET AL**, Defendants. PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT In pursuance of a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the Office of the County Clerk of Putnam County on August 5, 2024, I, Charles A. D'Agostino, Esq., the Referee named in said Judgment, will sell in one parcel at public auction on October 7, 2024 Courtroom 209 of the Putnam County Supreme Court, 20 County Center, Carmel, NY, at 10:30 AM the premises described as follows: 391 Gage Road Brewster, NY 10509 SBL No.: 47.-1-28 ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND situate in the Town of Southeast, County of Putnam, State of New York. The premises are sold subject to the provisions of the filed judgment, Index No. 501472/2023 in the amount of \$363,707.92 plus interest and costs. The aforementioned auction will be conducted in accordance with the Court System's COVID-19 mitigation protocols and as such all persons must comply with social distancing, wearing masks and screening practices in effect at the time of this foreclosure sale. Woods Oviatt Gilman LLP Attorneys for Plaintiff 500 Bausch & Lomb Place Rochester, NY 14604 Tel.: 855-227-5072 106382-1 82061

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SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS Supreme Court of New York, Putnam County. **U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION**, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCAF ACQUISITION TRUST, Plaintiff, - against- **PATRICK BERGIN A/K/A PATRICK J. BERGIN A/K/A PATRICK J. BERGI AS HEIR AT LAW AND DISTRIBUTE FOR**

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THE ESTATE OF MARY CATHERINE BERGIN A/K/A M.C. BERGIN; RAYMOND BERGIN A/K/A RAYMOND T. BERGIN A/K/A RAY T. BERGIN A/K/A RAYMOND J. BERGIN AS HEIR AT LAW AND DISTRIBUTE FOR THE ESTATE OF MARY CATHERINE BERGIN A/K/A M.C. BERGIN; GRACE BERGIN A/K/A GRACE ANN BERGIN A/K/A GRACEANN A. BERGIN A/K/A GRACEANN BODT A/K/A GRACEANN ANN BERGIN AS HEIR AT LAW AND DISTRIBUTE FOR THE ESTATE OF MARY CATHERINE BERGIN A/K/A M.C. BERGIN; UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF THE ESTATE OF MARY CATHERINE BERGIN A/K/A M.C. BERGIN; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA OBO INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; CLERK OF THE COUNTY OF PUTNAM; "JOHN DOES" and "JANE DOES", said names being fictitious, parties intended being possible tenants or occupants of premises, and corporations, other entities or persons who claim, or may claim, a lien against the premises, Defendants Index No. 500406/2023. Mortgaged Premises: 58 Hillside Drive Mahopac, NY 10541 Section: 53.16 Block: 1 Lot(s): 18. TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above captioned action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the Plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after completion of service where service is made in any other manner than by personal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a Defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service hereof. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECTIVE of the above captioned action is to foreclose on a Consolidated Mortgage to secure \$171,000.00 and interest, recorded in the Putnam County Clerk's Office on June 19, 2007 in Book 5111, Page 386, covering the premises known as 58 Hillside Drive, Mahopac, NY 10541. The relief sought herein is a final judgment directing sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the mortgage described above. Plaintiff designates Putnam County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgaged premises is located. Notice YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME IF you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. FRIEDMAN VARTOLO, LLP 1325 Franklin Avenue, Suite 160 Garden City, NY 11530, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK INDEX NO. 501084/2017 COUNTY OF PUTNAM

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PUBLIC NOTICE

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CMLT1 ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-AMC3,

Plaintiff,
vs.

TAMMI GIORDANO, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF JACK GIORDANO, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE TO THE ESTATE OF RAMONA GIORDANO; RACHEL SALGADO, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF JACK GIORDANO, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE TO THE ESTATE OF RAMONA GIORDANO; GEORGE APONTE, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF JACK GIORDANO, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE TO THE ESTATE OF RAMONA GIORDANO; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTES OF THE ESTATE OF JACK GIORDANO, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE TO THE ESTATE OF RAMONA GIORDANO, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; ARGENT MORTGAGE COMPANY; THE CLERK OF THE COUNTY OF PUTNAM; THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK; THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; KORENE TINNEY; KAREN TINNY,

in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; ARGENT MORTGAGE COMPANY; THE CLERK OF THE COUNTY OF PUTNAM; THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK; THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; KORENE TINNEY; KAREN TINNY,

Defendants.
Plaintiff designates PUTNAM as the place of trial situs of the real property

SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS

Mortgaged Premises:
130 DYKEMAN ROAD,
CARMEL, NY 10512

Section: 44.5, **Block:** 1,
Lot: 52

To the above named Defendants

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above entitled action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days of the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service of the same is complete where service is made in any manner other than by personal delivery within the State.

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The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service. Your failure to appear or to answer will result in a judgment against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. In the event that a deficiency balance remains from the sale proceeds, a judgment may be entered against you.

NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT

THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of \$399,500.00 and interest, recorded on January 12, 2007, in Liber 5011 at Page 402, of the Public Records of PUTNAM County, New York., covering premises known as 130 DYKEMAN ROAD, CARMEL, NY 10512.

The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above.

PUTNAM County is designated as the place of trial because the real property affected by this action is located in said county.

NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME

If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home.

Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property.

Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action.

YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.

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Dated: September 3rd, 2024

ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC
Attorney for Plaintiff
Orit Avraham, Esq.
900 Merchants Concourse,
Suite 310
Westbury, NY 11590
516-280-7675
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PUBLIC NOTICE

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF PUTNAM

MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT, LLC,

-against-

SUSAN WILLIAMS, ET AL.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Putnam on May 30, 2024, wherein MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT, LLC is the Plaintiff and SUSAN WILLIAMS, ET AL. are the Defendant(s). I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the PUTNAM COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 20 COUNTY CENTER, CARMEL, NY 10512, on October 21, 2024 at 2:30PM, premises known as 49 BREWSTER DRIVE, CARMEL, NY 10512; and the following tax map identification, 33.58-1-30.

ALL THAT CERTAIN PLOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND, WITH THE BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON ERECTED, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE TOWN OF KENT, COUNTY OF PUTNAM AND THE STATE OF NEW YORK

Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index No.: 500230/2023. Jack Elliot Schachner, Esq. - Referee. Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310, Westbury, New York 11590, Attorneys for Plaintiff. **All foreclosure sales will be conducted in accordance with Covid-19 guidelines including, but not limited to, social distancing and mask wearing. *LOCATION OF SALE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DAY OF IN ACCORDANCE WITH COURT/CLERK DIRECTIVES.**

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PUBLIC NOTICE

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF PUTNAM

SPECIALIZED LOAN SERVICING LLC,

-against-

MARY E. MCGOUEY, ET AL.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Putnam on June 26, 2024, wherein SPECIALIZED LOAN SERVICING LLC is the Plaintiff and MARY E. MCGOUEY, ET AL. are the Defendant(s). I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the PUTNAM COUNTY SUPREME COURT, COURTROOM 209, 20 COUNTY CENTER, CARMEL, NY 10512, on October 28, 2024 at 11:30AM, premises known as 321 FOX RUN LANE, UNIT #7-C

PUBLIC NOTICE

A/K/A UNIT 321, PATTERSON, NY 10512; and the following tax map identification: 34-3-17.-320.

ALL THAT CERTAIN PLOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE CONDOMINIUM UNIT (THE "UNIT") KNOWN AS UNIT NO. 7C BLDG. NO. 3 IN THE PREMISES KNOWN AS THE FOX RUN CONDOMINIUM AND KNOWN AS BULLET HOLE ROAD, TOWN OF PATTERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF PUTNAM AND STATE OF NEW YORK,

TOGETHER WITH AN UNDIVIDED .46 PERCENT INTEREST IN THE COMMON ELEMENTS OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN SAID DECLARATION (HEREINAFTER CALLED THE "COMMON ELEMENTS").

Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index No.: 500824/2021. Ralph L. Puglielle, Jr., Esq. - Referee. Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310, Westbury, New York 11590, Attorneys for Plaintiff. **All foreclosure sales will be conducted in accordance with Covid-19 guidelines including, but not limited to, social distancing and mask wearing. *LOCATION OF SALE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DAY OF IN ACCORDANCE WITH COURT/CLERK DIRECTIVES.**

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PUBLIC NOTICE

LLC

COMMERCE RE HOLDING LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 8/23/24. Office in Putnam Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 84 Commerce Dr., Carmel, NY 10512, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

SHARK BITES MAN LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/26/2024. Office loc: Putnam County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Noah Lang, 6 Railroad Ave., Cold Spring, NY 10516. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

CRITICAL MASS JAMS LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/28/2023. Office loc: Putnam County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 147 Simpson Rd, Carmel, NY 10512. Reg Agent: Matthew McCarthy, 147 Simpson Rd, Carmel, NY 10512. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

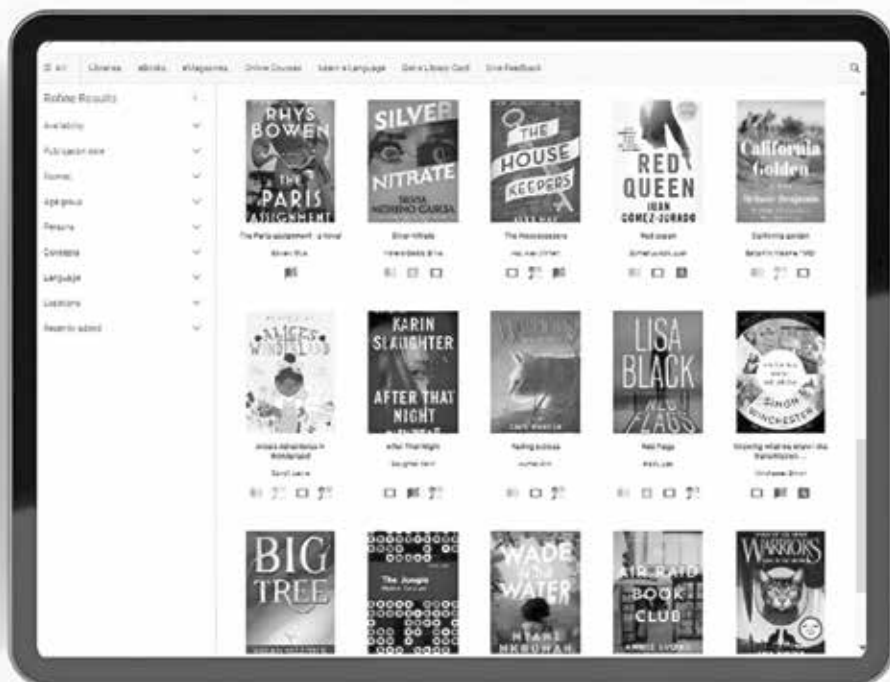
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DONI 144 LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 9/10/24. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 792 Main St., Ste. B, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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Honoring a Wappinger War Hero

Join the Town of Southeast Cultural Arts Coalition to view and discuss "The Creation of the Daniel Nimham Sculpture," a documentary about the Sachem Daniel Nimham sculpture installed last year in Fishkill, on Oct. 5 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Old Town Hall, 67 Main St., Suite 101, Brewster.

Ninham was both a Wappinger Indian and Revolutionary War hero, and this informative film describes the ancient sculptural process still in use today that was used to honor him, and also examines the contributions made by indigenous peoples in the creation of our country – even

in the midst of their exclusion and annihilation.

The free film screening will be followed by a discussion with sculptor Mike Keropian and filmmaker Jeff Hodges.

Seating is limited and reservations may be made at www.culturalartsco.com/calendar.html.

Register for Free Fall Prevention Class

Registration for the upcoming free "A Matter of Balance" fall 2024 class is now open.

This is an eight-session, in-person class presented by the Center for Balance, Gait & Fall Prevention at the Hudson Valley Regional Community Health Centers, 15 Mt. Ebo Road South, Brewster. It runs from 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, from Oct. 8 through 31.

Many older adults experience concerns about falling and restrict their activities. "A Matter of Balance" is an award-winning program designed to manage falls and increase activity levels. After 10 years, it continues to be a great success.

"The class had the right mix of information and exercises to help class attendees become aware of their surroundings to make modifications to improve their safety, as well as increase their mobility to improve their bal-

ance," said one past participant. "I also appreciate that the class was available to people outside the New York area."

"I had one of the best experiences in the program – I cannot say enough about it," added another.

The program emphasizes practical strategies to manage falls. Participants learn to view falls as controllable, set goals for increasing activity, make changes to reduce fall risks at home and exercise to increase strength and balance.

Anyone who is concerned about falls, who has fallen in the past, who has restricted activities because of falling concerns, or who is interested in improving balance, flexibility and strength is recommended to register.

For more information, email Marc Kaplan, program director, at dmarckaplan.gait@gmail.com, or call 845-278-6930, ext. 5944.

Free Smoking Cessation Program Begins Oct. 7

Putnam County residents have a chance to take their first steps – or restart their journey – toward a tobacco-free life.

The Putnam County Department of Health, in partnership with the Prevention Council of Putnam, is offering a free smoking cessation program called Freedom from Smoking, considered the "gold standard" in quit-smoking programs. Both organizations are committed to ensuring easy accessibility of this proven-effective program, developed by experts in the field from the American Lung Association.

The eight-session, seven-week program starts Monday, Oct. 7, and runs through Nov. 18. Each class meets from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the health department office, 1 Geneva Road, Brewster.

Classes are scheduled Mondays, except for two times when Monday falls on the federal holidays of Columbus Day and Veterans Day. Also, during the fourth week, in addition to the Monday, Oct. 28 class, which is "Quit Day," a second session will be held Wednesday for a 48-hour check-in.

"If you have ever wanted to quit, or have tried before but have been unsuccessful, this is the program to try," said Alexa Contreras, a health educator at the Putnam County Department of Health who, along with Natalia Sanchez-Bahr, a prevention specialist at the Prevention Council of Putnam, are the American Lung Association-certified facilitators

for the series.

"This program teaches you how to prepare to quit and make a plan to enhance your ability to 'stay quit,'" said Sanchez-Bahr. "Many thousands of people have used it and are now living smoke-free lives."

While the classes are conducted in English, both facilitators for the upcoming sessions are bilingual.

Over the past few years, the smoking rates for Putnam residents have risen more than 80 percent. According to data collected by the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, the nation's premier system of health-related telephone surveys for four decades, the rates went from 8.2 percent in 2018 to 14.7 percent in 2021.

Meanwhile, rates in neighboring Westchester fell from 7 percent to 5.6 percent.

"Smoking remains the single largest preventable cause of death and illness in the world, and locally it is a major and escalating health concern," said Dr. Michael Nesheiwat, Putnam's interim health commissioner. "We know the benefits to quitting smoking are almost immediately measurable. After just 12 hours, the carbon monoxide level in your blood drops to normal. Somewhere between two weeks to three months, your circulation and lung function improve. One to two years after quitting, your risk of having a heart attack begins to drop."

The sessions start with dis-

cussions and guidance for preparing and planning to quit. Each person's experience with quitting smoking is different, and by sharing their own experiences, participants are empowered by the collective support.

Freedom from Smoking uses proven activities and tools to help participants understand their own relationship with tobacco and how to enjoy a tobacco-free life. Nicotine replacement products such as the patch and gum will be available – also for free – while supplies last.

Using NRT is encouraged, but not required, and will be discussed in detail as part of the program.

"Some smokers feel hopeless after unsuccessful attempts at quitting, but this program recognizes these feelings and they can be part of one's journey to become a non-smoker," said Contreras. "Participants are empowered to create their own path to success. Some of the strategies that participants learn include handling stress, maintaining a healthy, active lifestyle and managing their weight in their new smoke-free lifestyle."

Pre-registration is required, as group size is limited. More information on the program (in 40 languages) can be found at www.freedomfromsmoking.org. For more information or to pre-register, call 845-808-1390, ext. 43155; or visit <https://PCDOH-FreedomFromSmoking2024.eventbrite.com>.

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BREWSTER FIREMEN'S PARADE A HIT!



Brewster Fire Department held its annual firemen's parade Sept. 14, when throngs of residents and visitors lined Main Street to cheer on the various marching bands, fire departments and civic organizations that participated in the event. Photos provided by BFD.



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Join us in raising awareness for breast cancer this October and encourage the women in your life to prioritize their breast health. Knowing and managing risk factors for breast cancer is essential for early detection and prevention. And early screening for breast cancer is key to a better outcome.

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More Fast Charging Stations for NYS

A total of \$21 million is now available to install electric vehicle fast chargers along major travel corridors across New York State, including interstates 81, 84, 86, 87 north of I-84, 88, 90, 190, 390 and 490, as well as New York 13 between I-86 and I-81, and New York 17 north of I-84.

Funded by a federal National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure grant, the state's new competitive Upstate NEVI Direct Current Fast Charger program supports the expansion of infrastructure to improve consumer access to a network of reliable electric vehicle charging. The initial round of funding focuses on locations along and north of Interstate 84, including areas of the state north to the Canadian border and west to Buffalo.

Proposed sites must meet all federal requirements, including being located within one mile of an exit, being publicly accessible 24 hours a day-seven days a week, and having the ability to charge at least four electric vehicles simultaneously. Sites are also required to have no less than 150 kilowatts and must meet federal uptime requirements for the percentage of time the charging station is functional.

Proposals that close gaps between existing and planned charging stations, offer amenities such as restrooms and food, or have stations that provide multiple types of charging connectors will be prioritized.

Electric vehicle purchases in New York have risen 660 percent in the last five years, and there are currently more than 15,000 chargers at more than 4,000 locations across the state.

"As we work to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, the NEVI Program and this grant will help us by furthering the buildout of New York's fast-charging infrastructure along our interstate highways," said NYS Department of Transportation Commissioner Marie Dominguez.