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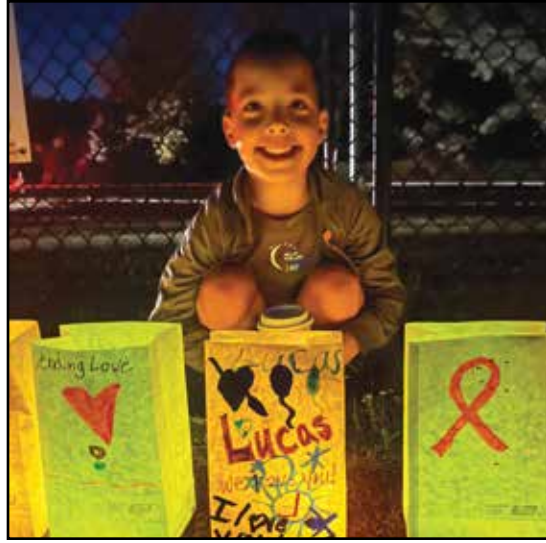
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The newly merged Relay For Life of Eastern Putnam (Brewster and Patterson) held its inaugural event June 8 at Brewster High School, where teams, survivors and other advocates joined together to support the mission of the American Cancer Society. Participants walked a dino lap for childhood cancer, and other mission laps in support of programs like Road to Recovery and Hope Lodge. There was also a luminary event in the evening.

Debut of Eastern Putnam Relay for Life a Success!



Seventy-five survivors were served a complimentary meal donated by Aversano's Restaurant & Pizza of Brewster, in memory of the owners' mother, Adeline. A kids' tent offered crafts, face-painting and other activities. There was also a silent auction, and plenty of other entertainment throughout the day. Brewster High School's "Mr. Brewster" was even present to cheer on the walkers. More than \$108,000 has been raised by this event in support of the American Cancer Society's quest to find a cure for cancer. Donations may still be made at relayforlife.org/EasternPutnamNY.

Home Ownership In Putnam Soars

Congressional Dist. 17 Leads Metro Area

During National Home-ownership Month in June, the Hudson Valley Association of Realtors is raising awareness about the benefits of owning a home and the importance of making home ownership more attainable for all Americans.

According to the National Association of Realtors, Congressional District 17 – covering northern Westchester, Putnam, Rockland and southern Dutchess counties – indicated the highest rate of home ownership in the New York-metropolitan area, at 76.6 percent, at the end of 2022.

District 18, covering Orange and northern Dutchess counties, was a close second, at 67 percent home ownership; followed by District 16, covering southern Westchester and the northern Bronx, at 55.6 percent.

District 10 in Manhattan showed 28.8 percent home ownership, while District 15, covering the northern Bronx, reported just 17.1 percent home ownership. The lowest home ownership rate was in the southern Bronx and northern Manhattan, with just 11.7 percent of the population owning homes.

The median property value in District 17 (Putnam) was \$549,400, which skewed higher than the national median property value of \$320,900. The median household income was reported to be \$87,124, which is above the national median household income of \$74,755.

"The data in these reports reflects the fact that the Hudson Valley and New York-metro area continue to be one of the most desirable locations in the

country," said Lynda Fernandez, CEO of the Hudson Gateway Association of Realtors. "Our association joins the National Association of Realtors in its quest to advocate for current homeowners, as well as support potential homeowners in the goal of achieving the American dream."

Overall, in New York, the real estate industry accounted for \$366.6 billion or 17 percent of the gross state product in 2023. Nationwide, however, the U.S. is facing an underbuilding gap of 5.5 million units, equating to a \$4.4 trillion underinvestment in housing.

Still, the National Association of Realtors is forging ahead to help Americans achieve home ownership by advocating for various bipartisan tax bills and solutions, including the Affordable Housing Credit Improvement Act, to encourage creating and preserving affordable housing, and incentivizing home ownership by increasing the \$10,000 cap on the state and local tax deduction and eliminating the marriage penalty.

Hudson Gateway Association of Realtors members work with elected officials at the national, state and local level to enact legislation that supports existing homeowners and helps to create opportunities for future homeowners. In the U.S. Congress, members have supported bills like the More Homes on the Market Act, which would increase the capital gains exemption for long-time homeowners – encouraging them to bring their

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Grant Funds Security Upgrades at Brewster Schools

Brewster Central School District has been able to complete safety upgrades and new security installations throughout the district's four school buildings, thanks to a \$100,000 grant through the New York State Senate's Community Resiliency, Economic Sustainability, & Technology program.

The need for updated security measures in schools has become increasingly prevalent with incidents of gun violence and unauthorized intruders in schools rising across the country. Recently, the Brewster school administration replaced the locks on every classroom and workspace throughout the district.

"The safety of all our students is of the utmost importance and that's why this investment in the

Brewster Central School District is essential," said State Sen. Peter Harckham, D-Ossining. "Old and inefficient locks do not help anyone. Students cannot progress academically with their best foot forward if they do not feel safe, and this is the kind of preemptive investment that ensures a secure environment for students and staff."

The school's previous lock and key method was cumbersome and could result in inconsistent response times from building to building and classroom to classroom, should an emergency occur, according to school administration. The new quick-action locks can be bolted significantly faster and will drastically improve the response time of faculty executing

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From left are Brewster Central School District Director of Facilities Glen Freyer, State Sen. Pete Harckham, BSCD incoming Superintendent Dr. Michelle Gosh, Director of Technology & Innovation Jim Treloar, and Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operation Viktor Karlsson. Photo by James Persons/Harckham's office.

Letters to the Editor

Questioning the Patterson GOP Committee Leadership

Dear Editor:

Former Republican Committee Chairman Peter Dandreaano, upon his hasty exit from the Town of Patterson, turned over the reins to his protégé Laura Russo to become the new chairperson.

It didn't take long for Russo, on the evening of Jan. 16, to take charge of the committee. It was reported that the committee nominated Russo for County Legislature District 4, and Joseph Capasso for Patterson Town Board, to replace Dandreaano.

But some of you may be wondering what really happen on the night of Jan. 16, after reading letters to the editor in a local newspaper over three-week period, by resident Jeanne Kozlowski, Patterson GOP Secretary Peggy Burns and candidate Jennifer Bumgarner.

Were candidate letters made available and was a vote taken?

In search of the truth, I obtained a copy of the minutes from the Jan. 16 meeting, written by Burns. Additionally, I spoke with candidates from the Feb. 7, 2023 nomination committee meeting, as well as non-committee individuals who had sent a letter requesting consideration for open positions in the past, to learn the protocols

that were in place.

What I learned was that in 2023 and before, the process was to present each person who submitted a letter of interest and give each a time to introduce themselves, followed by a Q&A session. They even included a late submittal by Joe Esposito and included him in the process in 2023. A vote followed, with ballot results reported.

However, this January, they announced the two positions. Burns nominated Russo for County Legislature, and it was seconded by Patti Maurer. No other nominations were made and they closed the nominations, followed by Burns reading Russo's letter.

This was followed by Councilwomen Smith stating, "We can't let what happened in the last election happen again."

Burns then nominated Capasso for the town board vacancy, which was seconded by Patti Maurer. Bumgarner nominated Esposito, which was also seconded by Maurer. Both were given opportunities to speak.

Voting then took place, with Capasso receiving 10 and Esposito seven votes.

Bumgarner had submitted (via email) a letter to Russo for her consideration for the Legislature seat. There is no indication that the letter was shared by Russo with

the committee prior to the nomination. Additionally, the minutes indicate that no vote was taken on the Russo nomination, and yet the same secretary, in her letter to the editor, stated a 14-1 vote when, interestingly, there were 17 votes available.

On the evening of June 4 at the Putnam Lake VFW's "meet the candidate night," Bumgarner, Democrat Randall Mulkins for County Legislature District 4, and Esposito appeared. During the Q&A session, a Putnam Lake resident asked of the Republicans what was the procedure in place at the nomination meeting. Esposito indicated it was not what he expected and that his letter was not made available.

In fact, right after the Capasso nomination, he turned to Bumgarner and advised her that he had submitted a letter. With this, Bumgarner spoke up, causing a nomination to be put forward.

A second resident, Larry Maxwell, spoke up, advising that he was not a member of the committee, but had in fact submitted a letter of interest for a town board seat thru Arturo Jara, a committee member who indicated the letter was submitted to Russo, but that his letter was never made available.

Just hours before the nominations, our county executive, in a Facebook posting from a ceremony, introduced Russo as the Republican candidate for District 4. Did Russo advise the county executive that there was in fact another Republican, Bumgarner, requesting consideration later that night? And that Russo would have to survive a vote that evening to get the nomination?

That's a question for the county executive and Russo.

*Bruce Major
Patterson*

Academic Honors

Gregory Leonard of Patterson has been named to the Dean's List at Iowa State University for the spring 2024 semester.

Raina Hemberger and Victoria Varella of Garrison, and Madeleine McDermott of Patterson have been named to the Dean's List at Centenary University in New Jersey for the spring semester.

Joshua Consentino of Brewster, Donovan Harris of Carmel, and Sinai Vele of Putnam Valley have been named to the Dean's List at Alfred State College for the spring semester.

Anica Diaz and Taylor Finney of Carmel, Amelia Vail of Holmes, and Zayden Williams of Patterson recently graduated from Wooster School in Connecticut.



Working Mom By Holly Crocco

Moms Get Sensory Overload, Too

I never had a sensory issue until I had a kid.

Now, it seems I am constantly on the verge of overstimulated, "touched out," in need of quiet and otherwise irritable.

As I type this column, my 6-year-old is sitting beside me on the couch, while I teeter the laptop on my knees. Although, "sitting" isn't the most accurate way to describe Mikey's position.

As soon as I opened up the computer, in an attempt to squeeze in a little work while he was entertaining himself, he skipped over, jumped up on the couch, and slunk down beside me - very similar to the way a dog would. The only thing he didn't do was circle around a few times.

He pressed his body right up against my shoulder and slid all the way down, and is now leaning on me, as I keep my elbows tight to my ribs to accommodate him. I don't know how he can even be comfortable, seeing as his butt is resting in the growing divot between the couch cushions.

What makes this position even more magical is the fact that he never stops moving. His feet, which are curled up and pressed against my knee, keep kicking me, causing me to sway just enough to throw off my typing. And he is constantly turning his head this way or that, snapping his fingers, scratching something or just vibrating in one way or another.

He was also talking nonstop, but that was silenced when I gave into his request for a lollipop (because I'm a glutton for punishment and want to peel him off the ceiling right before bedtime).

Now, however, I get to experience all the slurping and sucking sounds, and the hard candy clinking his teeth and he continuously pulls it from his mouth with a "pop" and then plunges it back in with a smack.

It's enough to make me want to crawl right out of my skin.

And since I have completely thrown in the towel on parenting for the evening, he's got the tablet in front of him (to be fair,

I have my laptop in front of me) and I have to keep telling him to turn it down before it goes out the window.

But, I do need to be able to hear it so I can tell if he gets into something he shouldn't. I don't care about "parental controls," the child can still find a way to get into the bowels of the "morally grey" web.

So, with one ear and eye on his tablet, the other ear trying to tune out the lollipop slurping, my core muscles tightening to keep the computer on my lap and in front of me, and the little voice in my head on repeat telling me not to lose my cool, I await the return of my husband from his day at the office.

He will inevitably want to kiss me hello (nope, get away from me, I need some space) and want to know what's for dinner (bahaha-hahaha), and will appear sincerely wounded when I snap at him.

Fortunately, he's extremely forgiving.

He also knows the tables could turn on a dime and it will be him the child clings to as a human jungle gym, recipient of all the "Hey, Dad, guess what?" questions, and turned into Mikey's overall play slave.

It's all about balance.

Let me add a little note here to say that I do know how fortunate I am to have a child who wants to be near me, with me, next to me, ON me all the time. I know these days are fleeting and before I know it, he will be a teenager and want nothing to do with me (I may or may not be counting down the days).

But that doesn't mean I can't be overwhelmed sometimes.

My columns are full of dry humor about the perils of parenting, but I do hope all you readers know it is all in jest. I love having the love of my child and family.

Even if it is suffocating.

Holly Crocco is editor of the Putnam County Press/Times newspaper and mother of a 6-year-old. She can be reached at editorial@putnampresstimes.com.

Restaurant Raffle Benefits Women's Resource Center

The nonprofit Putnam/Northern Westchester Women's Resource Center is again holding its restaurant raffle to raise funds to continue to provide advocacy, education and services to the community to create a safe, supportive environment that eliminates violence and promotes gender equity.

Tickets are being sold for \$10 each or three for \$25, and each ticket gives the purchaser a chance to win a \$100 gift certificate to one of the following restaurants:

My Cousin's and Il Villaggio Authentic in Mahopac; The

Arch and Rraci's Restaurant in Brewster; Cathryn's Tuscan Grill in Cold Spring; McKinney & Doyle in Pawling; Peter Pratt's Inn, Barnwood Grill and The Gramercy in Yorktown Heights; Prime Pub Somers; Farmer & the Fish and 121 Restaurant in North Salem; Traditions 18 Restaurant in Granite Springs; and Lexington Square Café in Mt. Kisco.

The last day to purchase tickets is Aug. 10, and the drawing will take place Aug. 14.

Purchase tickets at www.pnwrrc.org.

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Public Health Summit Highlights Successful Collaborations

Health challenges and successes in Putnam County took center stage at the June 6 Public Health Summit XI, "Making Connections," at the Putnam County Golf Course in Mahopac.

The event stayed true to its name, inviting all community health improvement professionals to showcase their accomplishments and connect with colleagues by creating posters to demonstrate their missions and how they are addressing issues identified as challenges in Putnam.

Two dozen health concerns were on display, covering everything from mental health and tobacco use; to health concerns for target populations such as seniors regarding falls, injuries or Alzheimer's disease; and mothers and mothers-to-be regarding breastfeeding and maternity care.

Recent data shows that smoking rates for Putnam residents have increased by 6 percent from 2018 to 2021. To provide residents with the tools and support needed to quit smoking, the health department and the Prevention Council of Putnam are committed to offering Freedom from Smoking group clinics year-round. For information on a group forming now, or to be put on the waiting list, call 845-808-1390, ext. 43155.

Two county initiatives involve strong community connections and collaborations to address mental wellness. The Department of Mental Health, Social Services and Youth Bureau recently added new positions to enhance the accessibility and coordination of high-quality behavioral health resources in Putnam, which were needs highlighted by the Community Health Assessment/Community Health Improvement Pla, along with hospitalization records, coroner reports and other sources.

Plans have also been advancing fast with continued collaboration with Steve Miccio at People USA. Soon, Putnam will join many other counties with the establishment of a Crisis Intervention Center.

According to presenters, the longer one lives, the higher the chance of developing Alzheimer's disease or other dementias. More than many others, these diseases affect not only those with the diagnosis, but also their families and friends. As the county's population of seniors grows, the prevalence of these illnesses is set to increase, as well.

The cross-cutting issue of food insecurity was addressed by



Supported by County Executive Kevin Byrne, left, Supervising Public Health Educator Shanna Siegel and Interim Health Commissioner Dr. Michael Nesheiwat, the mantra "Public Health is for Everyone" is what the county considers to be the heart of what public health truly means – inclusive healthcare.



From left are Savannah Usher, a Public Health Corps graduate fellow; epidemiologist and summit presenter Alison Kaufman; and Shanna Siegel, supervising public health educator, disusing ways various organizations and departments are collaborating to improve community health.



Jordie Wilk, right, development manager who coordinates the Alzheimer's walk to raise funds for research, joins colleague Erin Lynch, senior program manager for volunteerism and health systems, in spreading the word about the burden of Alzheimer's disease and other dementias.

multiple organizations, including Cornell Cooperative Extension of Putnam, and Westchester/Putnam Independent Living Services.

One-third of all Putnam households live paycheck to paycheck, and the average cost of a meal in the county is second only to Manhattan. Food insecurity is linked to many chronic diseases, including various heart diseases, cancer, asthma and arthritis.

With early results from nearly half of all summit attendees, the "poster session" was given high marks. Just shy of 80 percent indicated the poster activity provided a good way to share information about their organizations, and 100 percent said it was a great way to learn and connect with organizations addressing health issues.

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NY Blood Center Declares Emergency

New York Blood Center is declaring a blood emergency due to a significant drop in donations preceding and following Memorial Day weekend. In the past several weeks, donations have been 2,100 units short of what is needed to meet hospital demand, placing a strain on the region's blood supply heading into the summer months, which are typically marked by a spike in traumas.

Annually, more than 56,000 traumas are reported in New York State – the majority of which occur on weekends and during the summer months. Blood transfusions are often needed to treat traumas, and a spike in traumatic accidents can cause a strain on the blood supply.

Additionally, school breaks, travel and busy summer schedules make blood donation less of a priority and often lead to seasonal shortages.

“The New York State Department of Health supports New York Blood Center’s urgent call for blood donations, as we experience blood shortage supplies throughout the state,” said NYS Health Commissioner Dr. James McDonald. “Just one selfless act of blood donation could potentially save multiple lives and help those suffering from traumatic injuries, undergoing surgery or fighting illnesses, as well as new parents and premature babies.”

The region currently only has a two-day blood supply of types O- and B-, which is well below the optimal level of five to seven days. Platelets and all other blood types are also in short supply.

In addition to the rise in traumas, blood is needed daily for routine patient care. Nearly 120,000 New Yorkers are diagnosed with cancer each year, and a quarter of the region's blood

supply is used to treat cancer patients alone.

“While the summer months bring warm weather and joyful gatherings of family and friends, each year our hospitals receive an influx of trauma patients that need our help and require blood transfusions for treatment,” said Andrea Cefarelli, senior vice president at New York Blood Center. “As we enter trauma season, we are asking New Yorkers to give back and make donating blood one of their regular summer activities.”

Blood donors can give every 56 days, and platelet donors can give twice per month. The Food & Drug Administration recently lifted several blood donor eligibility restrictions. To view current eligibility guidelines, visit nybc.org or call 800-688-0900.

To make an appointment to donate, can call 1-800-933-2566 or visit nybc.org.

Nutrition Corner

By Allison J. Stowell
MS, RD, CDN



Outdoor Meals

We may not have had much of spring, but summer weather is here. As we move our gatherings outdoors, food safety becomes a top priority. Whether it's packing food for a long day at the beach, grilling at the lake, or simply hosting a barbecue in your own backyard, warm summer weather makes it difficult to keep food safe.

Packing Food

Keeping food cold isn't just about ice packs, but also the way the cooler is packed. If possible, put perishable foods in one cooler and beverages, fresh produce and other foods you may want throughout the afternoon in another. This will keep the correct temperature for perishable food (furthermore, separate out raw meat to keep other foods safe).

Preparing food outdoors

Preparing meals outdoors can be difficult. It's important to maintain safe handling practices by having separate cutting boards and utensils for raw meat and monitoring surfaces that raw meat may touch. If you won't have access to running water, then be sure to have hand sanitizer, antibacterial wipes and other tools on hand to prevent cross contamination and keep food safe.

Safe grilling

Begin by marinating foods in the refrigerator (if you plan to use some marinade later in cooking, reserve it before marinating raw meats). Remember to only defrost frozen meats in the refrigerator, not on the counter. Dishes and utensils that encounter raw meat should not be used again in the cooking process. If a recipe calls for “partial cooking” before grilling, this must be done right before grilling to maintain safe temperatures. Once foods are fully cooked (based on a food thermometer reading), maintain safe temperatures without over cooking by moving food to a warm part of grill until ready to serve. Visit USDA.gov for a list of safe cooking temperatures.

Serving Food

Whether it's at a picnic or your own backyard, maintaining temperatures is critically important.

Cold foods must be kept below 40 degrees, while hot foods should be kept above 140 degrees. The “danger zone” for bacterial growth is the temperature range in between (40-140 degrees). Risk increases when foods are left in this “zone” for two hours or more (one or more when outdoor temperatures exceed 90 degrees).

For more on food safety, visit FoodSafety.gov.

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Watermelon-Tomato Salad with Feta & Basil Hannaford.com

Juicy tomatoes are made even better with juicy-sweet watermelon, tart balsamic and tangy feta. Use multicolored heirloom tomatoes for an even more beautiful plate. For more salads and other “picnic perfect” recipes, visit Hannaford.com or GuidingStars.com.

Ingredients:

- 1 shallot, finely chopped
- 1/4 tsp. crushed red pepper
- 2 tsp. honey
- 2 Tbsp. balsamic vinegar
- 3 Tbsp. olive oil
- 1 lb. mixed heirloom tomatoes
- 1/2 seedless English cucumber
- 1/2 (6-oz.) package feta cheese
- 5 cups cubed seedless watermelon (about 3 1/2 lbs.)
- 1/4 cup torn basil leaves, divided

Directions:

In a large bowl, combine shallot, crushed red pepper, honey, vinegar and oil. Whisk to combine. Season with salt and pepper.

Cut tomatoes into 1” chunks. Halve cucumber lengthwise. Cut cucumber and feta into 1/4” chunks. To bowl with dressing, add watermelon, tomatoes, cucumber, feta and 2 tablespoons basil. Toss to combine. Garnish with remaining basil leaves and serve immediately.

Brown Sugar Meringues

(Family Features)

Brown Sugar Meringues

Ingredients:

- Water
- 6 large egg whites, at room temperature
- 1 cup Domino Light Brown Sugar
- 3/4 cup Domino Granulated Sugar Easy Baking Tub
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons Domino Turbinado Sugar (optional)

Directions:

Preheat oven to 225 F. Line three baking sheets with parchment paper. Set aside.

Pour 1 inch of water into medium saucepan and heat it until simmering. In heat-proof bowl, mix egg whites, brown sugar, granulated sugar and salt. Put bowl on top of saucepan and warm mixture until it reaches 125 F. Stir continu-



ously and make sure mixture does not touch water.

Carefully remove from heat. Using electric mixer, beat mixture at high speed 8-10 minutes. Transfer meringue into piping bag fitted with star tip. Pipe 12 meringues per baking sheet.

Sprinkle turbinado sugar on top of meringues, if desired. Bake 1 hour. Turn off oven and allow meringues to rest inside oven 1 hour. Remove from oven and enjoy.

Servings: 3 dozen meringues
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Get Funds for Home Energy Upgrades

New York State recently became the first state in the nation to offer the first phase of Inflation Reduction Act Home Electrification & Appliance Rebates Program funding to consumers.

The initial \$39.6 million formula grant will expand the reach of New York's EmPower+ program by allowing more low-income families to improve their homes with energy efficiency and electrification upgrades that will reduce energy costs and transition away from burning fossil fuels in their homes.

The recent announcement supports the state's nation-leading Climate Leadership & Community Protection Act goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 85 percent by 2050 and requirement for at least 35 percent, with a goal of 40 percent of the benefits of clean energy investments supporting disadvantaged communities.

This represents the first step in New York State deploying these IRA rebates to residents. Funding for the full portfolio of IRA Home Energy Rebate programs and deployment of additional rebates is expected later this year. The state is eligible to receive a total of \$317.7 million through the Department of Energy's IRA Home Energy Rebate programs – \$159.3 million for the Home Efficiency Rebates program and \$158.4 million for HEAR program.

In April, the Department of Energy approved the New York State Energy Research & Development Authority's partial-scope application for this initial funding, which allows NYSERDA's low income EmPower+ program to expand its current reach by providing funding for additional energy efficiency and beneficial electrification improvements, such as insulation and air sealing, heat pumps for space and water heating, and any necessary electrical upgrades to support those improvements.

Eligible owners of one- to four-family households that have a household income below 80 percent of the area median income or participate in a utility payment assistance program will now automatically be enrolled to benefit from HEAR incentives when they

apply to the EmPower+ program. Incentives are provided through EmPower+ contractors to reduce the cost of installing energy efficiency and electrification upgrades in a home or apartment, making them more affordable for New Yorkers. For more information, including the application process and eligibility requirements, visit www.nyserdera.ny.gov/All-Programs/EmPower-New-York-Program.

NYSERDA is currently working toward developing and submitting the full HEAR application to enable rebate offers to moderate-income residents, up to 150 percent of area median income, and to owners of larger low- and moderate-income multifamily buildings, including high-efficiency electric appliance rebates.



The North Country Band and George Mallas will open the Brewster Summer Music Series on June 26.

Country Music Kicks off Brewster Concert Series

The Brewster Summer Music Series kicks off June 26 with the North Country Band and George Mallas, and continues Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Southeast Veterans Park gazebo on Railroad Avenue. Performances are free to attend.

A nominee for New England Music Award's "Country Act of the Year," the North Country Band is a country fan favorite and recently had a sold-out show at Daryl's House in Pawling. The band will be combining original music with some country music favorites mixed in.


Brewster resident/singer-



songwriter George Mallas will open the evening.

Be sure to bring your lawn chairs or blankets, picnic or snacks, and be ready for some great tunes.

If there is inclement weather, visit www.culturalartsco.com for cancellation information.



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The old and new rates are set forth below:

	Old Rates	New Rates
SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL		
Quantity Used in the Month		
	(Per Hundred Cubic Feet (ccf))	
First 5 ccf	\$ 5.8302	\$ 5.7202
Next 7 ccf	\$ 7.5630	\$ 7.5571
Over 12 ccf	\$ 12.0126	\$ 11.9662
Cost of Water (all usage)	\$ 1.6500	\$ 1.8975
	(Per Thousand Gallons (mg))	
First 3.74 mg	\$ 7.7943	\$ 7.6473
Next 5.24 mg	\$ 10.1110	\$ 10.1031
Over 8.98 mg	\$ 16.0597	\$ 15.9976
Cost of Water (all usage)	\$ 2.2059	\$ 2.5368

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Meter size per month (Single & Non-Residential)	Old Rates	New Rates
5/8"	\$ 15.54	\$ 17.00
3/4"	\$ 19.39	\$ 21.45
1"	\$ 27.23	\$ 30.11
1 1/2"	\$ 38.91	\$ 43.03
2"	\$ 62.16	\$ 68.74
3"	\$ 116.62	\$ 128.96
4"	\$ 194.32	\$ 214.88
6"	\$ 388.51	\$ 429.63
8"	\$ 621.62	\$ 687.40

NOTE: The rates and charges for service under the above service classifications will be increased or decreased by surcharges as provided for elsewhere in the Company's tariff.

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Quantity Used in the Month	Old Rates	New Rates
	(Per Hundred Cubic Feet (ccf))	
First 900 ccf	\$ 4.9050	\$ 6.1835
Over 900 ccf	\$ 6.3233	\$ 7.9715
Cost of Water (all usage)	\$ 1.6500	\$ 1.8975
	(Per Thousand Gallons (mg))	
First 673.2 mg	\$ 6.5575	\$ 8.2667
Over 673.2 mg	\$ 8.4536	\$ 10.6571
Cost of Water (all usage)	\$ 2.2059	\$ 2.5368

The following is a comparison of current and proposed monthly bills for single family residential customers at various levels of consumption using a 5/8" meter.

MONTHLY WATER CONSUMPTION

	4 ccf (2,992 gals)	9 ccf (6,732 gals)	15 ccf (11,220 gals)
Monthly			
Old	\$ 45.46	\$ 89.79	\$ 158.42
New	\$ 47.47	\$ 92.91	\$ 162.86
	4.4%	3.5%	2.8%
Annual			
Old	\$ 545.53	\$ 1,077.52	\$ 1,901.05
New	\$ 569.65	\$ 1,114.88	\$ 1,954.34
	4.4%	3.5%	2.8%

Flat Rate Customers

Service Charge per Month	Old Rates	New Rates
	\$ 121.6794	\$ 137.3013

ShopRite Customers Donate \$140K to Make-A-Wish

ShopRite's annual Make-A-Wish fundraising campaign raised more than \$140,800 to benefit Make-A-Wish Hudson Valley.

Twenty-seven ShopRite stores throughout the Hudson Valley – including ShopRite of Carmel – collected donations from shoppers at checkout from April 14 to 27. The funds raised will help support Make-A-Wish Hudson Valley and its mission to create life-changing

wishes for children with critical illnesses.

“ShopRite Supermarkets is honored to partner with Make-A-Wish of Hudson Valley,” said Steve Savas, president and chief executive officer at ShopRite Supermarkets, Inc. “This organization does such important work for exceptional children, and shares our commitment to make a difference in the communities in which we operate.

We look forward to the future continuing our successful fundraising and supporting of Make-A-Wish of Hudson Valley.”

Since its inception in 1986, Make-A-Wish Hudson Valley has granted more than 3,200 wishes for children in the Hudson Valley region. To date, shoppers at ShopRite Supermarkets, Inc., have donated \$930,000 for Make-A-Wish Hudson Valley.

“Together, with the help of ShopRite and its customers, we are able to make more wishes come true for many more children and their families,” said Kristine Burton, president and chief executive officer of Make-A-Wish Hudson Valley.

Make-A-Wish Hudson Valley serves eight counties in New York, including Putnam, Dutchess, Westchester, Orange, Rockland, Sullivan, Ulster and Delaware. It currently has close to 200 wishes in the pipeline waiting to be granted. The chapter expects to grant 140 wishes by the end of August – the most in the chapter's history.



Elder Law Advice
Alan D. Feller, Esq.

A Guide to Advocacy

You can chart the trajectory of your life by your sticker collection. My ancient albums held scratch-and-sniff stickers that smelled like fruit, pizza and other foods, as well as baseball players and shiny AAA bumper stickers that were never affixed to our Oldsmobile.

Now, after a long workday, the stickers I pull out of my pocket are from nursing homes, hospitals, rehabilitation centers and assisted living facilities. Most health care centers have sticker machines for visitors, since some level of screening is usually required. Whipping out a driver's license or bending your neck to have your face fit in the temperature-taking computer screen are common occurrences.

Once a loved one is situated in a care facility, you must obtain

admission to see them. A sticker begins your advocacy journey.

Seeing a loved one in a hospital bed hits you in the stomach. Your heart tells you they do not belong there; they belong at home. Your presence at their bedside is necessary to alleviate the fear and loneliness that accompanies a hospitalization. Bring them their favorite soup or a comfy blanket, since they are likely having a rough time and could use all the caring in the world.

In some cases, medical intervention on its own may be enough to return a family member to their home. Often, procedures and medication in the hospital are the beginning stages of illness management and a long-term care journey. Whether in person or by phone, maintaining regular, disciplined communication with staff is crucial to avoiding problems. Argumentative, accusatory and disruptive conversations will negatively impact care, even if the motives originate from a good place.

Always keep advance directives, such as Health Care Proxy, Living Will and Power of Attorney up to date.

Advocating for a loved one is more than just speaking to medical personnel and social workers. Proper advocacy includes health insurance fluency – knowing which coverages are relevant. Hospitalizations and rehabilitative coverage will be centered on Medicare and Medicare Supplemental Insurance. Medicare Advantage Plans are often less expensive, but have limitations when care needs increase, and facilities will even recommend that your loved one disenroll from these plans.

Discharge from a hospital to a rehabilitative facility has its own advocacy rules. The focus shifts to physical and occupational therapy, and strengthening your loved one after a hospitalization has deconditioned them. Generally speaking, insurance coverage will be Medicare and a supplemental insurance. The 100-day rule is not absolute. If your loved one plateaus, coverage could end early.

Medicare is not a solution for long-term care. Obtaining Medicaid eligibility becomes the next part of the advocacy process. Consulting with an elder law attorney to protect a family's assets is crucial to ensuring this health crisis does not leave a family financially strained.

The people who love you do not expect you to be miracle workers, but they depend on you to fight for them and make informed decisions.

Contact the professionals at The Feller Group, P.C. to learn more about proper long term care advocacy.

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Putnam County Community Events

Corvette Raffle

The Lake Mahopac Rotary Club's annual Corvette raffle is taking place. Tickets are \$100 or three for \$250, and can be purchased on weekends between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the CVS parking lot at Route 6 and East Lake Blvd., as well as during weekly business hours at Sullivan Insurance, 421 Route 6. An early bird drawing for a chance to win \$1,000 will take place July 10. The drawing for the Corvette will be July 28 at noon on the grounds of Mahopac Public Library. Second-, third- and fourth-place will win \$1,000, \$500 and \$250, respectively.

Donations Sought

The annual Patterson Book Sale will run Saturday, Sept. 21 through Sunday, Sept. 29 on the Patterson Fire Department grounds, 13 Burdick Road, across from the Patterson Library on Route 311. The department will start collecting donations beginning Saturday, Aug. 10. Drop off books, CDs, DVDs, blue-ray discs or vinyl LPs in a storage container near the pavilion on the fire department grounds. Put fiction, non-fiction and children's books in separate bags or boxes.

Monday, June 17

'Booksmart'

Mahopac Public Library will show "Booksmart" on June 17 at 5 p.m. Celebrate Pride Month with a fresh, modern, coming-of-age comedy starring Beanie Feldstein and Kaitlyn Dever, two best friends who plan a wild adventure on the eve of their high school graduation. Rated R. No registration required.

Quit Smoking

The Putnam County Department of Health will offer "Freedom from Smoking," an evidence-based smoking cessation program, to individuals who live or work in Putnam. In-person are Mondays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Department of Health, from June 17 through July 29, with an extra class Thursday, July 11. Free. Nicotine Replacement Therapy provided as long as supplies last. Pre-registration is required at <https://PC-DOHFreedomFromSmoking2024.eventbrite.com>.

Tuesday, June 18

Kent Town Board

The Kent Town Board will meet at 7 p.m. at Town Hall on the following Tuesdays: June 18, July 2 and 16, Aug. 6 and 20 (daytime), Sept. 3 and 17, Oct. 1 and 15, Nov. 12 and 19, and Dec. 3 and 17.

Jazz Music

Tompkins Corners Cultural Center will present The True North Jazz Project on Tuesday, June 18 at 6:30 p.m., at 729 Peekskill Hollow Road, Putnam Valley. The band will perform from a diverse music repertoire, taking the audience on a captivating journey through various musical styles and showcasing guest artists along the way. Tickets are \$20 and may be purchased at [Eventbrite.com](https://eventbrite.com), or at the door. Students are admitted free.

Retirement Planning

Reed Memorial Library in Carmel will host a program on retirement income planning June 18 at 11 a.m. Registration is required at carmellibrary.org/calendar.

Library Board Meets

The Kent Public Library Board of Trustees will meet the following Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in the library: June 18, July 16, Aug. 20, Sept. 17, Oct. 15 and Nov. 19.

IDA Meeting

The Putnam County IDA will meet Tuesday, June 18 at 6 p.m. at 2 Route 164, Patterson. View the meeting at www.facebook.com/putnamida. The minutes and a recording of the meeting will be posted to www.putnamida.com as soon as possible after the meeting has been adjourned.

Stretch Class

Reed Memorial Library in Carmel will host Classic Stretch with Corrie from June 18 to July 9 at 5:30 p.m. Registration is required at carmellibrary.org/calendar.

Patterson Library Board

The Patterson Library Board of Trustees will meet June 18 at 6:30 p.m. at the library.

Wednesday, June 19

Carmel Town Board

The Carmel Town Board will meet at 7 p.m. at Town Hall on the following Wednesdays: June 19; July 3; Aug. 7; Sept. 4 and 18; Oct. 9 and 16; Nov. 6, 13 and 20; and Dec. 4 and 11. The March 6 and Oct. 9 meeting will be held at the Carmel firehouse.

Juneteenth

Putnam County's second annual Juneteenth celebration is Wednesday, June 19 from 2 to 7 p.m. at Veterans' Memorial Park (lower park), 201 Gipsy Trail Road, Carme. Hosted by Putnam County and C.A.F.E. An afternoon of music and historical reflection. Historian's Office will present an exhibit, Kofi & Sankofa Drum & Dance Ensemble, music by DJ Frank Boogie, off-Broadway performance of Maggie's Farm by Goldee Greene. Refreshments, giveaways and prizes.

Teen Craft

Relax after school and make your own Macramé Rainbow on June 19 at 5 p.m. at Mahopac Public Library. Register at www.mahopac-library.org or call 845-628-2009, ext. 139.

Thursday, June 20

Summer Solstice

Celebration

Peter Fiore and his Friends present "Peace in the Valley," a collaborative art exhibition, Thursday, June 20 from 6 to 10 p.m. at Old Town Hall, Suite 101, 67 Main St., Brewster, featuring artists Phoebe Hawkins, Joshua 2, Mary Tavares, Jacqueline Rada and more. Meet and chat with the artists. An evening of art, music, poetry and refreshments. Free. Exhibit opens to the public June 7; to view before the celebration call or text Fiore at 914-490-9048.

Patterson's Past

What's in a name? Before becoming Patterson, the area had various names. Discover the history of these names and places and the stories of some of the early inhabitants of the area with Patterson Historical Society on Thursday, June 20 at 6:30 p.m. at Patterson Library. Adults 18 and older. To register, call 845-878-6121 or go to www.pattersonlibrary.org and click the calendar.

Summer Movies

The Town of Carmel Recreation & Parks Department and Tompkins Bank will present its free Sunset Concert Series on Thursdays from 7 to 9 p.m. at Mahopac Chamber Park. June 20 is Debits & Credits, June 27 is Nashville Drive, July 11 is Patrick Perone Elvis Tribute and the Blue Suede Rockers, July 18 is Pablito Y Su Latin Show, July 25 is The Classics, Aug. 1 is Mike Risko Band and Aug. 8 is 1/3 of Sophie Band.

Map Magnets

Reed Memorial Library in Carmel will host an adult craft program to make map magnets June 20 at 3 p.m. Registration is required at carmellibrary.org/calendar.

Friday, June 21

'Native American Stone Structures'

Putnam History Museum will present "Native American Stone Structures of the Lower Hudson Valley" with independent researcher Rob Buchanan, featuring a hybrid lecture Friday, June 21 from 7 to 8:15 p.m. at 63 Chestnut St., Cold Spring, and streamed online. \$20, or \$18 for members (\$15 for online). On Saturday, June 22 from 10 a.m. to noon, there will be a hike in Putnam Valley. \$20/\$18. Register at putnamhistorymuseum.org.

Saturday, June 22

Art Rock Lake Fest

The Arts on the Lake summer concerts kick off Saturday, June 22 from 2 to 8 p.m. with Art Rock Lake Fest, at 640 Route 52. Jack Grace brings his gritty country NYC vibe, Stephen Clair is a citified troubadour songwriter, Melomane with Pierre de Gailande brings a cinematic art-rock or pop-noir flavor to the stage, and The Monkeytown Milk Spiller provide an amalgam of early jazz, cabaret, vintage glam and punk rock. Tickets are \$10 and available online and at the door.

Folk Music

Tompkins Corners Cultural Center will present Shirl Lawrence and Steve Kaplan, aka Great Blue, on Saturday, June 22 at 7:30 p.m. at 729 Peekskill Hollow Road, Putnam Valley. Tickets are \$20 at [Eventbrite.com](https://eventbrite.com).

Music at St. Mary's

The Garrison School Jazz-Rock Ensemble will perform June 22 at 2 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Cold Spring Free.

Summer Reading Kickoff

A summer reading kickoff party at the Reed Memorial Library in Carmel is scheduled June 22 at 11 a.m. Mark Rust will perform a musical show called "Books That Sing." Then enjoy a small ice cream from Carmel Creamery. Registration is required at 845-225-2439 or carmellibrary.org.

Sunday, June 23

Nature Hike

Hike the Gordon Douglas Reserve-West on Sunday, June 23 beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Metro-North Appalachian Trail station, just north of Native Landscaping on Route 22. The 6-mile hike will last about 4 hours. It will be a strenuous hike on steep slopes and around boulders, intended for

experienced hikers. Bring your own lunch or snacks, and plenty of fluids. No dogs allowed. Email Ken Luhman at frogspaddle22@gmail.com if you plan to attend. \$5 per person.

Monday, June 24

Drawing Program

Reed Memorial Library in Carmel will host an art program called "Drawing Texture: Smooth to Rough" on Mondays through July 8 at 11 a.m. Registration is required at carmellibrary.org/calendar.

Wednesday, June 26

Patterson Town Board

The Patterson Town Board will meet the following Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at Town Hall: June 26, July 10 and 24, Aug. 14 and 28, Sept. 11, Oct. 9 and 23, Nov. 6 and 20, and Dec. 4 and 18.

Latin Music

Celebrate the start of summer with a rollicking concert by award-winning performer Flor Bromley on June 26 at 3 p.m. at Mahopac Public Library. Flor is a 2023 Latin Grammy nominee, a bilingual singer/songwriter originally from Peru. Register at www.mahopac-library.org or call 845-628-2009, ext. 139.

Quilting

Gather at the Putnam History Museum for a series of in-person workshops to commemorate the history of anti-slavery in the Hudson Valley on Wednesdays, June 26, July 3 and July 10 from 3 to 5 p.m. at 63 Chestnut St., Cold Spring. All skill levels, ages and backgrounds. Create quilt squares that tell the stories, names and places of significance to enslaved Africans, freedom seekers, and the abolitionists who fought for freedom and justice. Register at putnamhistorymuseum.org.

HIV Testing

The Putnam County Department of Health will offer free HIV testing for New York State residents Wednesday, June 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the health department, at 1 Geneva Road, Brewster. The test takes 15 minutes and is confidential. Walk-ins welcome. Condoms are available for free in the lobby. For information or to make an appointment, call 845-808-1390, ext. 43155.

Meditation Series

Terry Ariano will lead meditation skills amidst the beauty of Patters Library Park on Wednesdays, June 26, July 10 and Aug. 21 at 10:30 a.m. Relax and restore your body and mind in this guided meditation series. Bring a yoga mat and a cushion. To register, call 845-878-6121 or go to www.pattersonlibrary.org and click the calendar.

'Arthur the King'

Patterson Library will screen "Arthur the King" on Wednesday, June 26 at 1 p.m. Based on a true story, the film follows a Swedish adventure racers team and Arthur, the street dog that joins them, on a 10-day, 435-mile race for the Adventure Racing World Championship. Adults 18 and older. To register, call 845-878-6121 or go to www.pattersonlibrary.org.

North Country Band

The free Brewster Summer Music Series kicks off June 26 with the North Country Band and George

Mallas, and continues Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Southeast Veterans Park gazebo on Railroad Avenue. Performances are free to attend. The country fan favorite will be combining original music with popular tunes mixed in. Brewster singer-songwriter George Mallas will open.

Mah-Jongg

Reed Memorial Library in Carmel will host beginner/practice Mah-Jongg events June 26 at 2:30 p.m. Registration is required at carmellibrary.org/calendar

Thursday, June 27

Genealogy

Reed Memorial Library in Carmel will host a program called "Start Climbing Your Family Tree: An Introduction to Genealogy" (via Zoom) on June 27 at 6 p.m. Registration is required at carmellibrary.org/calendar.

Southeast Town Board

The Southeast Town Board will meet at 7 p.m. at Town Hall on the following Thursdays: June 27, July 11 and 25, Aug. 8 and 29, Sept. 12 and 26, Oct. 10 and 24, Nov. 7 and 21, and Dec. 5 and 19.

Cruise Nights

The Carmel Cruisers are back for their third season of free Wendy's car shows at 1894 Route 6, Carmel. Cruises are from 3 to 9 p.m. the last Thursday of the month and every other Saturday, beginning through the end of September; as well as 9 a.m. to noon every Sunday continuing through the end of October. Weekly updates can be found on Facebook.

Friday, June 28

History Hike

Putnam History Museum will present a history hike featuring Benedict Arnold's flight on Friday, June 28 and Saturday, July 6 from 10 a.m. to noon, beginning at Marsha's Mile/Glenclyffe trailhead parking lot in Philipstown. \$15 for \$12 for members. Register at putnamhistorymuseum.org.

Saturday, June 29

Fireworks Night

Arts on the Lake's annual Fireworks Night concert is Saturday, June 29 beginning at 6 p.m., at 640 Route 52. Rufus Jones and his 10-member New Young Blues Band brings a mix of guitar skills and Memphis-style blues and soul. Opening the night will be singer/songwriter Diane Scanlon. The newly formed Lakeside a capella chorus will also sneak in an opening song or two. Tickets are \$10 and available online and at the door.

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“Floral Mandela II” by Luisa Baptista.

Giclee Prints on Display at Kent Library

A collection of vibrant giclee prints by Luisa Baptista is on display at the Kent Public Library through the end of June.

“Since I can remember picking up a pencil and crayon, I have always been innately passionate about art,” said Baptista. “My earliest memories are of happily drawing, coloring freely and seeing the world through imaginative, creative lenses.”

Despite her natural gravitation toward art, Baptista said her expression of it seemed to ebb and flow throughout several stages of her life.

“There were periods where I placed it all on hold, due to my inexperienced struggles and pressures to meet external and traditional expectations,” she said. “Of course, as experience has taught me, creative instincts cannot be suppressed for long and, consequently, my artistic desire to create and express would re-emerge and blossom during my periods of health crises and extreme stress.”


After a life-altering health scare, Baptista began to listen

and tune into her innate creative instincts and finally took a chance on herself and her art.


“Once I did, my world seemed to open up in ways I could not have believed,” she said. “Some lifelong dreams were realized, awesome opportunities and experiences became possible and tangible, and new artistic outlets opened up that I had never considered before.”

Baptista said visual art was always an extension of herself and what she needed to release. What began as subconscious doodling with pen and paper developed into expressions of passion for visual movement and energy, patterns, and the arrangement between positive and negative spaces.

“Whether I’m working with vivid color combinations or high contrasts of black and white, my line work explores fluidity and motion,” said the artist. “Creating linear tension and balance by diverging and synchronizing shapes and spaces provides both a heightened focus and meditative state for me.”



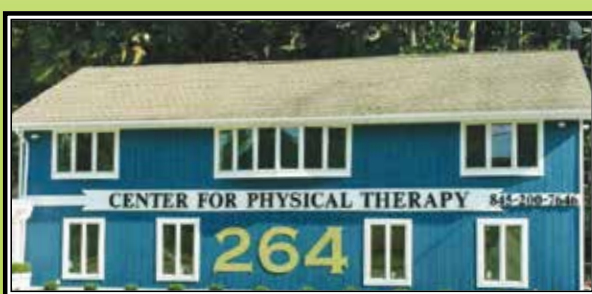
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Passport Day Takes Carmel Youth Around the World



Third-graders at MPES in Kent/Carmel celebrated Passport Day recently.

Third-graders at Matthew Patterson Elementary School in Kent/Carmel traveled around the world on Passport Day.

“I loved passport day this year,” said Damian, a student in Catherine DeToma’s class. “One of the things I liked was that our parents came. Another thing I liked was that it was fun making my diorama. Also, it was so fun traveling from country to country.”

Parents, teachers and community members crowded into the hallways and classrooms that were decorated with flags from around the world.

“Passport Day is a day dedicated to celebrating cultural diversity and global awareness through the lens of different continents,” said teacher Michelle Belasco. “Each third-grade class immerses themselves in the study of a specific continent, researching countries, landmarks and cultural aspects. The culmination of their efforts is showcased through dioramas and presentations, allowing students to share their newfound knowledge with families and caregivers.”

Belasco’s class studied the African continent and Gina Boalt’s class studied Europe, while DeToma’s students went “down under” to learn about Australia. Mrs. Greenberg’s class toured the continent of South America, while Mrs. Love’s students journeyed through the continent of Asia.

“By dressing up in clothing representing their continent and singing songs, the students further immerse themselves in the cultural experience, bringing their studies to life,” said the teachers. “The collaborative effort of the third-grade staff, families and caregivers highlights the importance of community involvement in education and creating memorable learning experiences for students.”

Livia, a student in DeToma’s class, said her project on Australia was a lot of work – but worth it.

“It was not easy,” she said. “It was a very tiring day. I was more sleepy than a koala.”

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Men’s Health Matters: Taking Charge of Wellness



Men’s Health Month underscores the importance of proactive health management. If you or the men in your life have been neglecting health concerns, seize this opportunity to initiate positive changes. Here are some healthy lifestyle tips:

- **Get fit:** According to the CDC, adults aged 18-64 should aim for at least 150 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic activity per week, along with muscle-strengthening exercises of all major muscle groups at least twice a week. For those 65 and older, balance-improving activities are also recommended.
- **Before ramping up your activity level, consult your doctor for personalized advice on the best types and amounts of exercise for you.**
- **Eat healthy:** For a healthy diet, prioritize fruits and veggies, aiming to fill half your plate with them.
- **Have regular check-ups:** These are crucial for early problem detection, as recommended by the CDC. Discuss with your doctor about necessary screenings and vaccine updates.
- **Seek help:** Men may be less likely to seek help for mental health issues. Addressing mental health is essential for encouraging men to seek support.

Coping with stress:

- Prioritize self-care
- Ensure sufficient sleep
- Exercise regularly
- Avoid tobacco and illegal substances
- Maintain a balanced diet

Reach out for support:

- Discuss your concerns and feelings with trusted individuals.
- Engage with your community or faith-based groups.
- Confide in a friend, or community leader, or seek professional assistance from your doctor for additional support and resources to regain joy in life.

Remember, prioritizing health isn’t just an act of self-care—it’s a gift to oneself and loved ones, ensuring a healthier and happier tomorrow.



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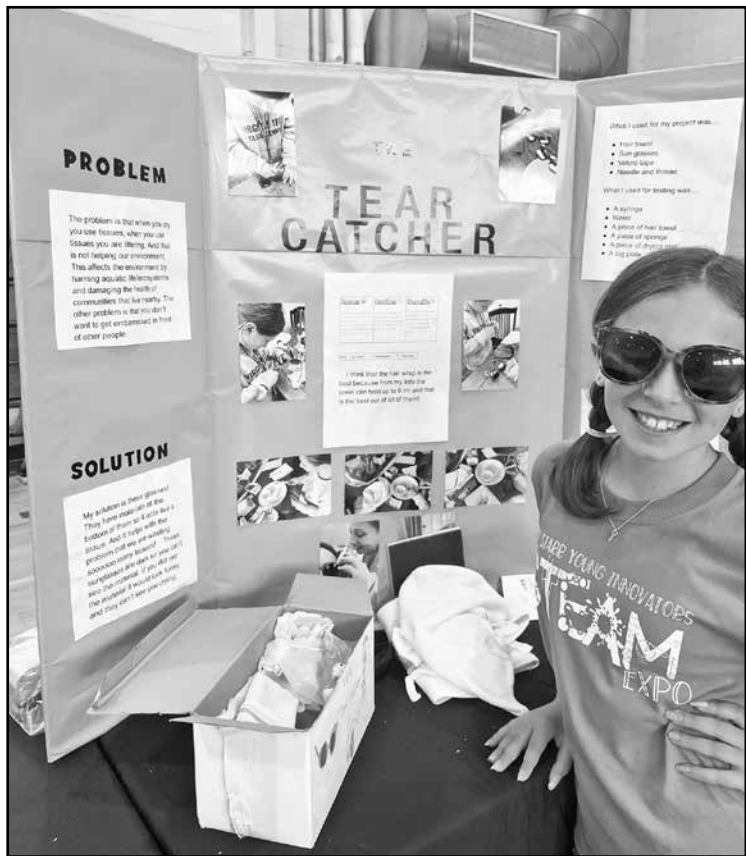
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Big Rigs & Bubbles at Patterson Touch-A-Truck



Patterson Rotary hosted its annual Touch-A-Truck for Heroes event June 8, with big rigs on display at the Patterson Fire Department grounds, and a petting zoo, face painting, bubble bus and other entertainment at the Patterson Library.





Brewster students show off their inventions at the recent STEAM expo.

C.V. Starr Honored for STEM Curriculum

C.V. Starr Intermediate School in Brewster has been recognized as a 2023-24 Project Lead The Way Distinguished School for its commitment to increasing student access, engagement and achievement in its PLTW programs.

This honor is given to a select number of elementary schools across the U.S. for providing broad access to transformative learning experiences for students through PLTW Launch, an elementary STEM curriculum.

PLTW is a national nonprofit organization that serves millions of pre-kindergarten-through-grade-12 students and teachers in schools across the U.S., aiming to make every child in every grade successful in science, technology, engineering and math.

“We are honored to be recognized as a 2023-24 Project Lead The Way Distinguished School,” said Principal Maggie McCabe-Andriello. “This would not have been possible without our teachers’ hard work and dedication. They have embraced this program and are the key to its success here.”

According to the principal, PLTW has been a game-changer for the school.

“Our students are involved in real-world, applied learning experiences that empower them to gain in-demand, transferable skills needed in today’s world,” she said. “They engage in computational thinking, engineering and biomedical science through hands-on activities, projects and problems. Because of our work with PLTW, we now host a spring STEAM expo where students are challenged to solve real-world problems.”

During the recent sixth annual Young Innovators STEAM Expo, students presented their inventions and artwork – including “Space for the Case,” “Lego Picker Upper,” “The Book Buddy Protector,” “The Tear Catcher,” “Pet Petter,” “The Fun Cleaning Game” and more – to the community.

Most of the ideas came out of real-life problems students experienced themselves, or watched

someone in their family have to deal with. Whether the student worked alone or in a group, they thought through the problem and created an invention they depicted on a trifold with pictures, explanations and process.

For example, “The Patch Project” by Veronica Dortch aimed to tackle a problem her little sister encountered when she had to wear an uncomfortable eye patch over one lens of her glasses. A simple foam sticker adhered to the lens cut to size and decorated for an aesthetic look pleased her sister, who was much more comfortable and confident.

Some of the projects were created by 3D printers and some required building with wood, but most were made with found objects from around the house.

To be eligible for the PLTW Distinguished School designation, C.V. Starr had to have more than 75 percent of its student body participating in the program, and had to offer at least one PLTW Launch module at each grade level during the 2022-23 school year.

Studies show that students decide as early as elementary school whether they like, and think they are good at math and science. Whether designing a car safety belt or building digital animations based on their own short stories, PLTW Launch students engage in critical and creative thinking, build teamwork skills, and develop a passion for and confidence in STEM subjects.

“We are honored to recognize C.V. Starr Intermediate School for their commitment to providing students with exceptional educational experiences while ensuring equitable access to PLTW programs,” said Dr. David Dimmett, PLTW president and CEO. “We congratulate them on this achievement and celebrate their dedication to empowering students with the knowledge and skills to succeed, not only in STEM subjects but also in preparing them for future careers and life beyond the classroom.”

For more information about PLTW’s Distinguished Program Recognition, visit www.pltw.org/pltw-program-recognition.



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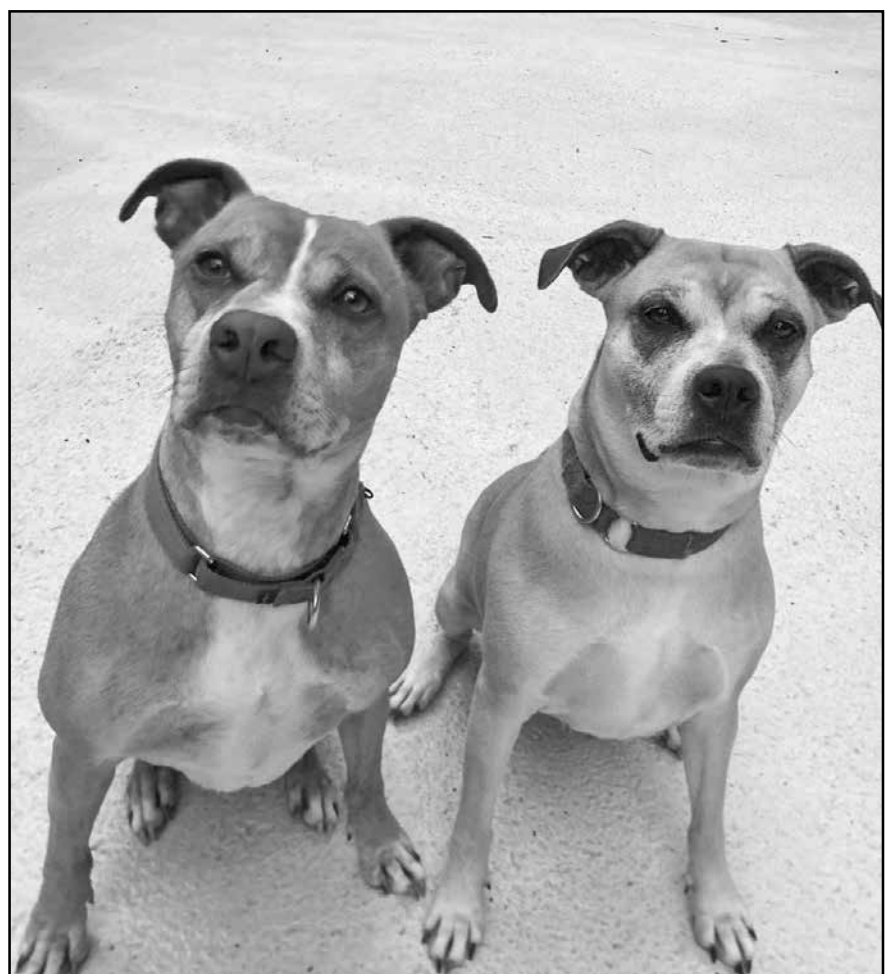
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The Putnam Humane Society has dozens of animal friends in need of homes. Bogey is around 4 ½ years old and Becall is about 9. They were found on the side of the road two years ago and are a very bonded pair that cannot be separated. They absolutely love each other – snuggling at night and playing nicely together. However, they do not like other dogs. To learn more, contact Putnam Humane Society, 68 Old Route 6, Carmel, at 845-225-7777.



Photo by Erin McNally.

Celebrate Pollinators with CCE

Join Cornell Cooperative Extension of Putnam County for National Pollinator Week to celebrate winged allies at two free events.

Pollinator Week, June 17 to 23, is a celebration of the vital role pollinators play in our ecosystems, economies and agriculture. These essential creatures – including bees, butterflies, moths, bats, beetles and hummingbirds – are the unsung heroes behind the food we enjoy and the beauty that surrounds us.

Join CCE on Friday, June 21 from 1 to 4 p.m., at 1 Geneva Road, Brewster; and/or Saturday, June 22 from 9 a.m. to noon, at Desmond-Fish Public Library on Route 9D in Garrison, to explore pollinator habitats and envision a future where pollinators not only survive, but thrive.

These free events include tours of gardens and discussions about building your own pollinator-friendly landscape. In addition, Put-

nam Pollinator Pathway volunteers will show participants what they can do to support pollinators.

These events are shine or light rain, and will only be canceled in case of extreme weather. No registration is necessary.

For more information, visit cceputnamcounty.org/events or contact Maureen Salerno, Master Gardeners volunteer coordinator, at 845-278-6738 or ms2648@cornell.edu.

Rock & Fireworks Kick Off AotL Summer Concerts

The Arts on the Lake 2024 Summer Concert Season kicks off Saturday, June 22 with an all-day Art Rock Lake Fest, followed by the annual Fireworks Night concert Saturday, June 29. These start a summer season of outdoor concerts at AotL on the Boyd Family Concert Lawn.

The Art Rock Fest, from 2 to 8 p.m., features a mix of local bands and those from New York City. Jack Grace brings his gritty country NYC vibe, Stephen Clair is a citified troubadour songwriter, Melomane with Pierre de Gailande brings a cinematic art-rock or pop-noir flavor to the stage, and The Monkeytown Milk Spiller provide an amalgam of early jazz, cabaret, vintage glam and punk rock.

The Fireworks Night concert, which starts at 6 p.m., features Rufus Jones and his 10-member New Young Blues Band. Jones, originally from Memphis, brings a potent mix of dynamic guitar skills and impeccable Memphis-style blues and soul. Opening the night will be singer/songwriter and Grammy winner Diane Scanlon.

The newly formed Lakeside a capella chorus will also be sneaking in an opening song or two.

Tickets for both concerts are \$10 and available online and at the door.

The annual Summer Concert Series on Friday nights in July, which are provided on a pay-as-you-wish basis, start July 5 at 7 p.m. with Back to the Garden, 1969. Always an audience favorite with a large following, the band performs music from the famous Woodstock concert.

On July 12, Darryl Tookes brings his mastery of songwriting and singing to the stage. A singer, pianist, composer and arranger, he has worked with many celebrated performers and legendary music figures. This eclectic list reads like a music industry “who’s who” and includes Quincy Jones, Phil Ramone, Leonard Bernstein, Roberta Flack, Sting, Paul Simon, Bobby McFerrin, Luther Vandross and Michael Jackson.

July 19, Ernie Sites brings his unique sense of western America to the stage. He is a true southern Idaho cowboy. He was a bareback rider, bull rider, team and calf roper and rodeo clown. He’s also a professional western entertainer known as a country troubadour.

July 26, the Williamsburg Salsa Orchestra brings the fire and joy of Salsa back to town. WSO is based in Brooklyn but has roots throughout South America and Puerto Rico. With a large band and a dazzling lead singer, its style of contemporary and traditional salsa leaves no one sitting.

All July concerts will take place from 7 to 9 p.m. on the Boyd Concert Lawn at AotL, 640 Route 52, Kent Lakes. Attendees can bring their own lawn chairs, food and drinks. A limited number of chairs are available for rent. Light refreshments and snacks will also be available.

Parking is limited, so it is recommended to arrive early to secure a spot.

For more information on the events and to purchase tickets, visit artsonthelake.org, call 845-228-2685 or email office@artsonthelake.org.

Grant Funds Security Upgrades at Brewster Schools

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a lockdown procedure in the event of an emergency.

“The funding received from Sen. Harckham has allowed us to take yet another step forward in the name of student safety,” said incoming Superintendent of Schools Michelle Gosh, now serving as the assistant superintendent of curriculum and instruction. “The rekeying of our high school allows for crucial time-saving measures for first responders, staff and stu-

dents in emergency situations. It also allows for more efficiency in non-emergency settings.”

The new system has also reduced the number of master keys required to unlock each classroom. The previous locks required seven different master keys, which made the process of unlocking each classroom at the end of a lockdown drill quite lengthy. The new locks all correspond to one type of key that is only handed out to faculty members who have been properly vetted to make the lockdown procedure more seamless.

The awarded CREST grant funding is among the State Senate grant programs administered by the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York to support community and economic development.

Home Ownership In Putnam Soars

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homes to market and increase inventory for new homeowners.

In Albany, members have supported the First-Time Homebuyers Savings Account. Similar to NYS 529 for Education, this bill would allow future homebuyers to put aside money, tax

free, to be used as a downpayment on a home.

Also, within various counties, laws have been passed that affect the co-op purchase process, making the transaction more transparent for all parties and allowing for more successful sales – frequently to first-time homebuyers.

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Carmel LEGAL NOTICE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

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 AM on **July 25, 2024** at which time all bids will be publicly opened, read and recorded by the Town Clerk for the following:

CONTRACT #C294
THE COLLECTION OF REFUSE, GARBAGE, RECYCLABLE MATERIALS AND BULK COLLECTION RESIDENTIAL CONTAINER PICKUP -- SINGLE FAMILY HOMES

All bidders must comply with Section 103(a) and 103(d) of the General Municipal Law relating to non-collusive bidding and waiver of immunity against criminal prosecution.

In order to be eligible to bid on this project, specifications **must be obtained directly** from the Office of the Town Clerk, at the above address, beginning **June 18, 2024** between the hours of 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday

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through Friday.

Bid envelope shall be marked "**BID**" plus bid title and number.

The Town Board of the Town of Carmel reserves the right to reject any and all bids and abandon the proposal or may reject all bids and re-advertise at a future date.

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

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Putnam COUNTY OF PUTNAM NOTICE FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by the Director of Purchasing of Putnam County for the following commodities and/or service:

RFB 17-24 - ON CALL DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS (FEMA and ARPA Compliant)

Detailed specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Department, Putnam County Office Building, 40 Gleneida Avenue, Room 105, Carmel, New York

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10512 between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday or you may download from the Empire State Bid System's website at www.empirestatebidsystem.com.

Sealed bids must be filed in the above office on or before **1:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2024.**

dated: Carmel, New York June 13, 2024
Sgd/John Tully, Purchasing Director
Putnam County Purchasing Department

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Southeast

Notice of Completion Of Final Assessment Roll Pursuant to Section 506 Of Real Property Tax Law

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That the Assessor of the Town of Southeast, County of Putnam, has completed the Final Assessment Roll for 2024. A copy thereof will be available on the Town & County's website and in the Town Clerk's Office at the Town Hall, 1360 Route 22, Brewster, NY on

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July 1, 2024 where any interested person may examine it any day during normal business hours.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF PUBLIC INTEREST ORDER SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM

STARR RIDGE MANOR WATER DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF SOUTHEAST, PUTNAM COUNTY, NEW YORK

INCREASED COST OF IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Southeast, Putnam County, New York, did duly adopt on June 13, 2024, the following Public Interest Order authorizing an increase in the amount to spent for the improvements to Starr Ridge Manor Water District in the Town of Southeast to the amount of \$2,550,000. **THE ADOPTION OF THIS PUBLIC INTEREST ORDER IS SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM.**

Southeast, New York

PUBLIC NOTICE

Hon. Kathleen Chiodina
June 13, 2024

Town Clerk

At a Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Southeast, Putnam County, New York, held at the Town Hall, in Brewster, New York, in said Town, on the 13th day of June 2024, at 7:00 o'clock P.M., Prevaling Time.

PRESENT:
Nick Durante Supervisor

Eric Cyprus Councilmember

Eric Larca Councilmember

Wendy Lewis Councilmember

Alex Mazzotta Councilmember

In the Matter Of

a Proposed Increase (Pursuant to Section 209 h of the Town Law) in the Maximum Amount Authorized to be Expended in Connection with a Water District in the Town of Southeast, Putnam County, New York, Known as Starr Ridge Manor Water District in said Town **PUBLIC INTEREST ORDER**

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Southeast, Putnam County, New York (the "Town"), has heretofore approved the establishment of a water district in said Town, known as Starr Ridge Manor Water District; and

WHEREAS, the properties within the Starr Ridge Manor Water District and benefitted by the improvements within the Water District are set forth in Exhibit A, annexed hereto and made part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has received a plan and report including an estimate of cost of improvements to said Water District, prepared by Delaware Engineering DPC, a competent engineer, duly licensed by the State of New York, which has been filed in the office of the Town Clerk of said Town in relation to improvements to be made to the Starr Ridge Manor Water District in said Town and to increase the maximum estimated cost \$2,550,000, pursuant to Section 209 h of the Town Law; and

WHEREAS, said capital project, being the design and installation of a new filtration system therefor, has been determined to be a Type II 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 a significant environmental effect; and

WHEREAS, an Order was duly adopted by said Town Board on October regarding said Water District, the improvements proposed therefor, and the increase in the maximum amount proposed to be expended for said improvement, and specifying the 30th day of May, 2024, at 7:00 o'clock P.M., Prevaling Time at the Town Hall, 1360 Route 22, Brewster, New York, in said Town, as the time when and the place where said Town Board would meet for the purpose of holding a public hearing to hear all persons interested in the subject thereof concerning the same; and

WHEREAS, such Order was duly published and posted in the manner and within the time prescribed by Section 209-h of the Town Law and proof of such publication and posting has been presented to said Town Board; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was duly held at the time and place set forth in said Order, as aforesaid, at which time all persons desiring to be heard were duly heard; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of said Water District to the typical property therein, be-

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LEGAL NOTICE

By the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Carmel pursuant to Section 267 Town Law, notice is hereby given that a hearing will be held on:

JUNE 27, 2024 - 7:30 P.M.

To hear the following applications:

HOLD OVER APPLICATIONS:

- Application of **ROBERT ALTERO** for a Variation of Section 156-15 seeking a Variance for permission to retain gazebo and legalize room above garage. The property is located at 3 Curry Spur, Mahopac NY and is known as Tax Map #53.12-1-7

Code Requires/Allows	Provided	Variance Required
10' rear (gazebo)	2'	8'
25' front (garage)	0' (over property line. Easement agreement needed.)	25'

- Application of **2 CLARK PLACE, LLC** for a Variation of Section 156-15 seeking a Use Variance for permission to retain 2 apartments to exist in commercial building in a commercial (c) zone. The property is located at 2 Clark Place, Mahopac NY and is known as Tax Map #75.12-1-42.

Code Requires/Allows	Provided	Variance Required
Lot Area - 40,000 s.f.	12,875 s.f.	27,125 s.f.
Front Yard - 40'	6.2' & 4.7'	33.8' & 35.3'
Lot Depth - 200'	65.2'	134.8'
Bldg. Area - 5,000 s.f.	4,238 s.f.	762 s.f.
Parking Spaces - 20	12	8
Loading Zone - 1 on prop.	1 not fully on prop.	1
Use Variance to allow apartments in Commercial Zone		

- Application of **TSHR LLC** for a Variation of Section 156-15 seeking a Use Variance to permit the continuation of 12 residential rental units, 11 of which have existed since the sixties and the twelfth since 1970. Applicant further seeks the following area variances for existing conditions in place for over 50 years. The property is located at 27 Seminary Hill Road, Carmel NY and is known as Tax Map #55.6-1-70.

Code Requires/Allows	Provided	Variance Required
2 Story: Front Yard - 40'	38.7'	1.3'
3 Story: Front Yard - 40'	33.6'	6.4'
2 Story: Side - 25'	10.4'	14.6'
Garage: Rear - 20'	6.6'	13.4'
Garage: Side - 20'	4'	16'
2 family deck: Rear 40'	5'	35'

- Application of **AARON KASS** for a Variation of Section 156-15 seeking a Variance for permission to subdivide lot into two lots. The property is located at 90 Mexico Lane, Mahopac NY and is known as Tax Map #53.-2-17.

Code Requires/Allows	Provided	Variance Required
Lot 1 area - 120,000 s.f.	67,953.65 s.f.	52,046.35 s.f.
Lot 2 area - 120,000 s.f.	64,468.80 s.f.	55,531.20 s.f.
Lot 1 rear yard setback -40 ft.	7.3 ft. existing	32.7 ft.

- Application of **ANTHONY NANETTI** for a Variation of Section 156-15 seeking a Use Variance to legalize a two-family structure in a single-family zone. The property is located at 7 Indian Avenue, Mahopac NY and is known as Tax Map #75.12-1-32.

Code Requires/Allows	Provided	Variance Required
Single Family Use	Two Family	To permit two-family in a single-family zone

- Application of **PAULA NIGRI** for a Variation of Section 156-15 seeking a Use Variance for permission to retain existing tent storage structure on lot without a principal use. The property is located at 101 Drewville Rd., Carmel NY and is known as Tax Map #65.8-1-6.

Code Requires/Allows	Provided	Variance Required
Front 40' (Drewville)	26'	14'
Front 40' (Crafts)	21'	19'
Side 20'	16'	4'

NEW APPLICATIONS:

- Application of **MICHELE & HENRY MARFE** for a Variation of Section 156-15 seeking an Area Variance for permission to retain existing shed - 12' x 20'. The property is located at 286 Shear Hill Road, Mahopac and is known as Tax Map #65.11-2-2.

Code Requires/Allows	Provided	Variance Required
15' - side	3.2'	11.8'
15' - rear	11.4'	3.6'

- Application of **GABRIEL LAMANNA** for a Variation of Section 156-15 seeking a Variance for permission to build an addition to existing, non-conforming building on a non-conforming lot. The property is located at 255 NYS Rt. 6, Mahopac NY and is known as Tax Map #86.7-1-37

Code Requires/Allows	Provided	Variance Required
Lot Depth: 200 ft.	146 ft.	54 ft.
Front Yard: 40 ft.	29 ft.	11 ft.
Side Yard: 25 ft.	15 ft.	10 ft.
Rear Yard: 30 ft.	28 ft.	2 ft.
Min Floor Area for Buildings: 5,000 s.f.	4,893 s.f.	107 s.f.

- Application of **ANTHONY CANARIATO** for a Variation of Section 156-15 seeking an Area Variance for permission to construct addition. The property is located at 77 Bloomer Road, Mahopac NY and is known as Tax Map #75.20-1-40.

Code Requires/Allows	Provided	Variance Required
20' Side	13'	7'

- Application of **DAYNE GOMES** for a Variation of Section 156-15 seeking an Area Variance for permission to retain shed in front yard. The property is located at 75 Brook Street, Mahopac NY and is known as Tax Map #53.19-1-19.

Code Requires/Allows	Provided	Variance Required
25' Front	17'	8'
15' Side	1'	14'

MISCELLANEOUS:

MINUTES:

- April 25, 2024
- May 30, 2024

By Order of the Chairman,
John Maxwell

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ing the typical one family home therein, is \$1,880 in the first year in which operation, maintenance, debt service and other charges and expenses are to be paid; and

WHEREAS, there is no separate administrative cost or hook-up fees to the typical property in said Water District, being the typical one family home therein; and

WHEREAS, a detailed explanation of the manner by which were computed said estimated first-year costs to the typical property, being the typical one family home, in said Water District, and all documentation concerning compliance with SEQRA, has been filed in the office of the Town Clerk where the same are available during regular office hours for examination by any person interested in the subject manner thereof; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to increase the maximum estimated cost relating to the improvements used and utilized in connection with the said Water District; NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED, by the Town Board of the Town of Southeast, Putnam County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to Section 209-h of the Town Law, it is hereby determined that it is in the public interest to increase the maximum amount authorized to be expended in connection with the improvements within the Starr Ridge Manor Water District in the Town of Southeast, Putnam County, New York, to an increased maximum estimated cost of \$2,550,000, which will not constitute an undue burden on the property in said Water District. It is hereby further determined that all real property to be assessed to pay the cost thereof will be benefitted by the proposed improvements at the increased cost thereof and no benefitted property has been excluded from the boundaries of said Water District.

Section 2. The improvements proposed for said Water District consist of the design and construction of water filtration / purification and distribution system, including a water treatment facility to serve properties in the Starr Ridge Manor Water District in the Town of Southeast, Putnam County, New York. The maximum amount to be expended by said Water District pursuant to these proceedings for said improvement shall not exceed \$2,550,000. Said cost of said improvement shall be financed by the issuance of serial bonds of said Town maturing in annual installments over a period not exceeding 40 years, payable in the first instance from assessments levied upon and collected from the several lots and parcels of land within said Water District deemed benefitted from the improvements, in an amount sufficient to pay the principal and interest on said bonds as the same become due, but if not paid from such source, all the taxable real property in said Town shall be subject to the levy of ad valorem taxes without limitation as to rate or amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same shall become due.

Section 3. This Order is hereby adopted subject to permissive referendum and the Town Clerk shall publish a notice of adoption thereof, together with the full text, including Exhibit A hereof, within 10 days of the date hereof in the official newspaper of the Town and post same on the official signboard and website of the Town within said 10 days hereof.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Order was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Eric Cyprus voting Aye
Eric Larca voting Aye
Wendy Lewis voting Aye
Alex Mazzotta voting Aye

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Nick Durante v o t -
ing Aye

The Order was thereupon declared duly adopted.

EXHIBIT A

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Putnam

Public Consultation Session Revised DBE Program Plan and FFY 2026-2028 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Triennial Goal Methodology for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Funded Projects

Putnam County Department of Planning, Development & Public Transportation has established a Proposed Overall Triennial Disadvantaged Business Goal of 8.79% for Federal Fiscal Years (FFYs) 2026-2028 and a revised DBE Program Plan. Putnam County's DBE Goal Methodology and its rationale and the revised DBE Program Plan are available for inspection and public review for 45 days from June 15, 2024 through July 30, 2024 during normal business hours at the Putnam County Department of Planning, Development & Public Transportation office located at 841 Fair Street, Carmel, New York 10512. The revised DBE Program Plan is also available for review and comment on the internet at www.putnamcountyny.com/civil-rights/. Individuals who do not have the use of a computer are encouraged to visit their local public library for access to the internet. If preferred, you may call 845- 878-3480 to request a copy of the revised DBE Program Plan. Written comments about the revised DBE Program Plan or Goal Methodology should be directed to: Sean Bennett, DBE Program Officer, Putnam County Department of Planning, Development & Public Transportation 841 Fair Street, Carmel, NY 10512, Planning@putnamcountyny.gov. Putnam County Department of Planning, Development & Public Transportation will be holding a DBE Public Consultation meeting to facilitate receiving input from business and community members, as well as to inform and engage with the public on the proposed DBE Program Plan and Federal Fiscal Years 2026-2028 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Triennial Goal Methodology. The consultation session will be held at the Putnam County Transit Facility conference room at 841 Fair Street, Carmel, NY 10512 on Wednesday, June 26, 2024 from 2pm to 4 p.m. The public consultation session will be conducted in an open house format. Staff members from the Department of Planning, Development & Public Transportation will be in attendance and available to review documents, answer questions and receive public comments. Public comments on Putnam County's revised DBE Program Plan or the FFY 2026-2028 DBE Goal Methodology must be received on or before July 30, 2024.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Legal Notice Pursuant to the provisions of section 4-118 of the state of New York Election Law, official notice of the Primary Election publication by the Putnam County Board of Elections is hereby given:

Primary Election, Tuesday, June 25, 2024
Polls are open from 6:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M.

PLEASE NOTE - This Primary is ONLY for Working Families Voters (Countywide) and Town of Patterson Republican Voters FOR THIS PRIMARY ELECTION ONLY: WORKING FAMILIES PARTY VOTERS residing in the Towns of: Carmel, Kent, Philipstown, Putnam Valley, & Southeast (Patterson - see below) will have one polling location at:
Putnam County Board of Elec-

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tions, 25 Old Route 6, Carmel, NY 10512

WORKING FAMILIES PARTY

Offices to be voted on: Representative in Congress, 17th District (Vote for one)

FOR PATTERSON VOTERS ONLY

REPUBLICAN & WORKING FAMILIES PARTY VOTERS residing in the Town of Patterson

will vote at their regularly assigned polling sites located at: Patterson Recreation Center, 65 Front St., Patterson, NY 12563

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REPUBLICAN PARTY

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Patterson Council Member (unexpired term) (Vote for one)

Putnam County Republican Committee

Town of Patterson, Election District 1 (Vote for up to four)

Putnam County Republican Committee

Town of Patterson, Election District 6 (Vote for up to three)

WORKING FAMILIES PARTY

Offices to be voted on: Representative in Congress, 17th District (Vote for One)

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Supreme Court NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF PUTNAM
Nationstar Mortgage LLC, Plaintiff
AGAINST
Sabrina Morrone; et al., Defendant(s)

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered November 30, 2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Putnam County Courthouse, Courtroom 209, 20 County Center, Carmel, NY 10512 on July 1, 2024 at 10:30AM, premises known as 5 Grove Street, Putnam Valley, NY 10579. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Roaring Brook area, of the Town of Putnam Valley, County of Putnam, State of NY, Section 41.14 Block 1 Lot 5. Approximate amount of judgment \$523,672.41 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 800067/2021 f/k/a 1678-2009. The auction will be conducted pursuant to the COVID-19 Policies Concerning Public Auctions of Foreclosed Property established by the 9th Judicial District.

Anthony Maccarini, Esq., Referee

LOGS Legal Group LLP f/k/a Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff
175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 430-4792

Dated: May 10, 2024

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF PUTNAM FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff AGAINST ROBERT JACOB AS ADMINISTRATOR AND AS HEIR OF THE ESTATE OF AMBROSE A. JACOB, III A/K/A AMBROSE A. JACOB, ET AL., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered April 18, 2024, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Supreme Court in Courtroom 209 of the Putnam Supreme Court, 20 County Center, Carmel, NY 10512 on July 8, 2024 at 3:30PM, premises known as 55 Anna Street, Carmel, NY 10512. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of Ken, County of Putnam, and State of New York, Section 33.5 Block 1 Lot 24. Approximate amount of judgment \$239,313.85 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #500312/2022. The aforementioned auction will be conducted in accordance with the PUTNAM County 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. Charles A. D'Agostino, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC 1775 Wehrle Drive Williamsville, NY 14221 22-001710 80876

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF PUTNAM

NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING,

Plaintiff,
Against

UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF GAIL A. LATAS, ET AL.

Defendant(s)

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, duly entered 02/07/2024, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction, Putnam Supreme Courthouse, 20 County Center, Carmel, NY 10512 on 7/8/2024 at 11:30AM, premises known as 77 Friendly Road, Mahopac, NY 10541, And Described As Follows:

ALL that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Being Town Of Carmel In The County Of Putnam And State Of New York.

Section 85.8 Block 2 Lot 26
The approximate amount of the current Judgment lien is \$505,273.61 plus interest and costs. The Premises will be sold subject to provisions of the aforesaid Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale; Index # 501451/2022
Christopher York, Esq., Referee.

Leopold & Associates, PLLC, 80 Business Park Drive, Suite 110, Armonk, NY 10504

Dated: 5/7/24 File Number: 10598685 SH

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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF PUTNAM

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR PFCA HOME EQUITY INVESTMENT TRUST CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2002-IFC2,

Plaintiff,

Against

Summer Backpack Program

United Way of Westchester & Putnam is collaborating with the Food Bank of the Hudson Valley, Putnam Valley Free Library and Kent Public Library to provide supplementary shelf-stable food, books and activities to low-

income families with school-aged children every week from July 11 to Aug. 22.

At the start of the program, school-aged children in households that qualify for free or reduced lunch will receive a

backpack with school supplies. It is limited to 100 Putnam households, and participants must be county residents.

The deadline for sign-ups is Wednesday, July 3. For more information, visit www.uwvp.org.

Animal Abandonment Charges

A Dutchess County resident was arrested earlier this month by members of the Putnam County SPCA Law Enforcement Division after reportedly abandoning two dogs in the Town of Kent.

According to Chief Ken Ross, on June 6, the Putnam County SPCA received a call

from Kent Dog Control Officer Mary Madsen, who had taken custody of two dachshund mix dogs the day prior, from a good Samaritan who found them on Longfellow Drive in the Lake Carmel area.

Madsen had also received information that the dogs belonged

to a resident of Wappingers Falls.

After a short investigation by SPCA detectives, as well as additional information provided by the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office, a 64-year-old Wappingers Falls resident was located and charged with two counts of animal abandonment.

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<p>PALOKA ULIA A/K/A PALOK ULIC A/K/A PALOK ULAJ; DRANE ULIC; ET AL</p> <p>Defendant(s)</p> <p>Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, duly entered 04/22/2024, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction, courtroom 209 in the Putnam Supreme Courthouse, 20 County Center, Carmel, NY 10512 on 7/15/2024 at 10:30AM, premises known as 24 James Court, Mahopac, NY 10541, And Described As Follows:</p> <p>ALL that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Town Of Carmel, County Of Putnam And State Of New York.</p> <p>Section 53. Block 1 Lot 83</p> <p>The approximate amount of the current Judgment lien is \$950,495.55 plus interest and costs. The Premises will be sold subject to provisions of the aforesaid Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale; Index # 500301/2017</p> <p>Maureen Fleming, Esq., Referee.</p> <p>MCCABE, WEISBERG & CONWAY, LLC, 10 Midland Avenue, Suite 205, Port Chester NY 10573</p> <p>Dated: 5/16/2024 File Number: 16-303764 CA</p> <p>P. 6/12, 6/19, 6/26, 7/3 - 58</p>	<p>at the foreclosure sale.</p> <p>Paul C. Brite, Esq, Referee</p> <p>Knuckles & Manfro, LLP, 120 White Plains Road, Suite 215, Tarrytown, New York 10591, Attorneys for Plaintiff</p> <p>P. 6/19, 6/26, 7/3, 7/10 - 48</p> <p>NOTICE OF SALE</p> <p>SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF PUTNAM, WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS OWNER TRUSTEE OF THE RESIDENTIAL CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES TRUST VIII-A, Plaintiff, vs. SANDRA HESS, Defendant(s).</p> <p>Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on May 1, 2024, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at courtroom 209 of the Putnam Supreme Courthouse 20 County Center, Carmel, NY 10512 on July 22, 2024 at 10:30 a.m., premises known as 29 Cedar Ledges a/k/a 68 Columbus Avenue, Putnam Valley, NY 10579. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of Putnam Valley, County of Putnam and State of New York, Section 62.18, Block 1 and Lot 19. Approximate amount of judgment is \$145,317.47 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #500917/2022. COVID-19 safety protocols will be followed at the foreclosure sale.</p> <p>Anthony Carlini, Esq., Referee</p> <p>Friedman Vartolo LLP, 85 Broad Street, Suite 501, New York, New York 10004, Attorneys for Plaintiff. Firm File No. 240282-1</p> <p>P. 6/19, 6/26, 7/3, 7/10 - 51</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF PUTNAM</p> <p>-----X</p> <p>WALLKILL VALLEY FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,</p> <p>Index No. 500966/2022</p> <p>-against-</p>	<p>LIAPERRYMAN RAUBER, as Administrator Ad Litem of the Estate of Benjamin J. Olson,</p> <p>Deceased, JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.; HOFFMAN FUEL CO. OF DANBURY, INC.; AARON OLSON;</p> <p>Defendants.</p> <p>-----X</p> <p>In pursuance of a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly granted in the above entitled mortgage foreclosure proceeding and entered in the Office of the Clerk of Putnam County on June 3, 2024, I, JOSEPH A. RUGGIERO, ESQ., the Referee named in said Judgment, will sell at public auction at the Putnam County Courthouse, Courtroom 209, 20 County Center, Carmel, New York, on Monday, July 22, 2024, at 3:30 p.m., the premises directed by said Judgment to be sold (which consist of a residential dwelling) located at 27 Cedar Drive, Putnam Valley, Town of Putnam Valley, County of Putnam and State of New York (Town of Putnam Valley tax map No. 73.5-2-13). The approximate amount of Judgment is \$332,299.45, plus attorneys' fees, interest, costs and disbursements. The above premises are sold subject to all of the terms and conditions set forth in the aforementioned Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale and in the Referee's Terms of Sale. COVID-19 safety protocols will be followed at the foreclosure sale.</p> <p>All persons attending the auction must comply with and observe social distancing, wearing of masks/face coverings and screening practices in effect at the time of this foreclosure sale.</p> <p>Dated: Chappaqua, NY June 13, 2024</p> <p>JOSEPH A. RUGGIERO, ESQ.,</p> <p>MacVEAN, LEWIS, SHERWIN & McDERMOTT, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff 34 Grove Street, P.O. Box 310 Middletown, New York 10940 (845) 343-3000</p> <p>P. 6/19, 6/26, 7/3, 7/10 - 89</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>LLC.</p> <p>Notice of Formation of PUGA'S PAINTING & SERVICES, LLC. Articles of Org filed</p>	<p>with SSNY on 8/31/2021. Office Location:Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o PUGA'S PAINTING & SERVICES, LLC, 19 Eastview Ave, Brewster, NY 105609. Purpose: any lawful purpose or activity.</p> <p>P. 5/15, 5/22, 5/29, 6/5, 6/12, 6/19</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>Notice of Formation of Angell Landscape Architecture, PLLC. Articles of Org filed with SSNY on 3/19/2024. Office Location:Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 801 Second Avenue, 15th Floor, New York, NY 10017. Purpose: any lawful purpose or activity.</p> <p>P. 5/15, 5/22, 5/29, 6/5, 6/12, 6/19</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>CONYUGO LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/14/2024. Office loc: Putnam County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 33 Waring Dr, Carmel, NY 10512. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.</p> <p>P. 5/22, 5/29, 6/5, 6/12, 6/19, 6/26</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>PUTNAM WHOLESALE LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/30/2024. Office loc: Putnam County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Grant Amato, 2022 Route 22, Suite 101, Brewster, NY 10509. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.</p> <p>P. 6/5, 6/12, 6/19, 6/26, 7/3, 7/10</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>PUTNAM COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY</p> <p>NOTICE OF FORMATION OF REINMAKER FARM EAST LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Sec. of State (SSNY) on 5/21/2024 Office Location: Putnam County, NY. SSNY designated as Agent upon whom process may be served. SSNY will mail process to: c/o Stephens Law Firm, 50 Federal Hill Road, PO Box 408, Brewster, NY 10509. Purpose is any lawful</p>	<p>activity.</p> <p>P. 6/5, 6/12, 6/19, 6/26, 7/3, 7/10</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>JC DIESEL LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 6/5/24. Office in Putnam Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 43 Sabrina Ct., Holmes, NY 12531, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.</p> <p>P. 6/12, 6/19, 6/26, 7/3, 7/10, 7/17</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>ADD MORE MAGIC, LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/21/2024. Office loc: Putnam County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 6 Garfield Drive, Patterson, NY 12563. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.</p> <p>P. 6/12, 6/19, 6/26, 7/3, 7/10, 7/17</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>Notice of Qualification of THE GLOBAL DOG NEEDS, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/23/24. Office location: Putnam County. LLC formed in Wyoming (WY) on 01/22/24. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 3 Fischer Lane, Brewster, NY 10509, also the address of the principal office. Arts of Org. filed with the Secy. of State, 122 West 25th St., Suite 101, Cheyenne, WY 82002. Purpose: any lawful activities.</p> <p>P. 6/12, 6/19, 6/26, 7/3, 7/10, 7/17</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>Notice of the Formation of Heart to Heart Talk, LLC. Article of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/14/2024. City: Putnam. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 185 Overlook Drive, Brewster NY, 10509. Any lawful purpose.</p> <p>P. 6/19, 6/26, 7/3, 7/10, 7/17, 7/24</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>Notice of formation of RM Hotel Consulting, LLC. Articles of Org filed with SSNY on 4/16/2024. Office Location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o RM Hotel Consulting, LLC, 66 Anna Street, Carmel, NY. 10512.</p> <p>P. 6/19, 6/26, 7/3, 7/10, 7/17, 7/24</p>

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