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The Putnam County Youth Bureau hosted its annual youth-led 9/11 memorial service Sept. 11 at the Bureau of Emergency Services, where residents joined county employees and dignitaries in commemorating the anniversary of the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. Photos by Holly Crocco.

Putnam Never Forgets 9/11 Ceremonies Honor the Fallen



Members of the Putnam County Youth Bureau perform the national anthem at the recent ceremony. Additional photos are on page 9.



Members of Mahopac Volunteer Fire Department gathered Sept. 11 at the memorial located at its headquarters for a short ceremony to place a wreath and honor those who lost their lives due to the terrorist attacks on U.S. soil 22 years ago. Provided photo.

Carmel Schools Add Anti-Bullying Steps To Code of Conduct

By Lori Samuels

The Carmel School Board approved revisions to the district's Code of Conduct during its Sept. 5 meeting, incorporating New York State's Dignity for All Students Act, which enables parents, teachers and school personnel to report and document incidents of bullying and cyber-bullying to the district and the state.

Dr. Mary Foster, interim assistant superintendent for pupil personnel services, presented data depicting a three-year trend beginning in 2019. A series of graphs highlighted the number of bullying and cyber-bullying incidents

reported since DASA became law.

DASA seeks to provide the state's public elementary, middle and secondary school students with a safe and supportive environment, free from discrimination, intimidation, taunting, harassment and bullying on school property, a school bus and/or at a school function. Incidents can range from physical contact to verbal threats, as well as psychological and cyberbullying.

The data presented by Foster showed a relatively small number of incidents reported at the district, to which board members indicated that it seemed the actual numbers

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Court Kicks Stern Off the Ballot for Carmel Hwy. Super. Becomes Write-In Candidate

After four appellate judges in Brooklyn ruled against Michael Stern in his quest to get on the November ballot for Carmel highway superintendent, the "Concerned Taxpayers of Carmel" candidate vowed that he will press on with a write-in candidacy.

There is no Democratic candidate on the ballot in November, creating a head-to-head race between Stern, a 15-year employee of the Carmel Highway Department, and Gerard Ahler, who is on the Republican line.

"Politics is politics, and

political insiders never change," said Stern, claiming that both Putnam County elections commissioners are longtime party activists and political appointees. "Ultimately, the commissioners are beholden to the political bosses, and the bosses don't want an independent upsetting their cozy backroom deals."

Stern said the BOE earlier this year claimed that he was disqualified based on a mailing technicality, and threw out the nearly 1,700 petition signa-

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Patterson Faces Less Than 1% Budget Hike

By Holly Crocco

Patterson Town Supervisor Richard Williams recently presented a tentative 2024 town budget that he says is responsible and responsive to taxpayers.

"Even though the tentative budget proposes several large purchases and capital projects, such the new highway trucks and improvements to Veterans' Park, these improvements have been financially planned for over a number of years," he said at the Sept. 13 Town Board meeting. "As a result, we have been able to keep the overall increase to the tentative

budget to just under a 1 percent increase in spending this year."

Williams said the town faced a number of challenges in comparing this budget, as inflation is still high, at 3.2 percent, and the consumer price index rose last year to nearly 8 percent in the region. "While 2023 has been better, we are still seeing a significant increase to the cost of our operations," he said.

The supervisor noted that the largest hurdle in drafting the 2024 budget has to do with a decision made at the county level this year.

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Putnam County Brings Suicide Awareness Into the Light



Above: The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention Hudson Valley/Westchester chapter hosted the annual Putnam County Out of the Darkness Walk on Sept. 10 in Carmel. Here, members of the National Alliance on Mental Illness-Putnam County gather after participating in the event.



Right: Members of the Carmel Police Department joined the walk. Team Captain Sgt. Whitten was joined by Sgt. Macom, Sgt. McCabe, Officer Yeager and Chief Hoffmann, along with members of the Carmel Highway Department and Putnam County Department of Public Works, to bring awareness to, and show support for suicide prevention.

Patterson Man Accused of Killing Father

A Patterson man was charged with murder last week after allegedly killing his father.

According to New York State Police, Troop K, on Sept. 10, troopers were called to a fatal domestic incident on River Road in Patterson, where they discovered that James Cherry Jr., 56, had been bludgeoned by his son, James Cherry III.

The suspect was arrested and charged with second-degree murder, a class A-1 felony, and arraigned in Patterson Town Court and remanded to the Putnam County Correctional Facility without bail.

A Montrose man was arrested Aug. 24 by the Putnam County Sheriff's Office after investigators were assisted by the Putnam County Child Advocacy Center and the District Attorney's Office in determining that the man had engaged in sexual relations with a 15-year-old girl in Putnam County, but due to her age was unable to give consent.

Adrian Chomiw, 28, of Montrose, was charged with three counts of third-degree rape, a felony; and four counts of endangering the welfare of a child, a misdemeanor.

He was arraigned in Putnam Valley Town Court before the Hon. Robert Nachamie and was remanded to the Putnam County Correctional Facility in lieu of \$100,000 cash bail or \$150,000 bond.

A Putnam Valley man was recently arrested for offenses related to his status as a level three sex offender and failing to make proper notifications.

According to Sheriff Kevin McConville, in May, an investigator began a probe into Erick Santander, 26, who was required by law to verify his address every 90 days and appear for a photograph yearly, and had repeatedly failed to do so.

After missing appointments to appear at the sheriff's office, he presented himself Aug. 24 and was charged with two counts of failure to provide a photo, and for failing to appear and provide a photo for the last two years; as well as one count of failing to verify his address every 90 days, and failure to verify personal information to the Department of Criminal Justice Services' Sex Offender Registry. All of the charges are felonies.

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This Weekend

Breaking Heads

"I never wanted to break no heads."

A new play by Ron Hutchinson
with Anthony Patellis

Saturday, Sept. 23, 7:30 pm

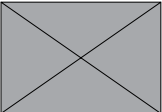
A Trio of Friends

The Music of Poulenc, Debussy and Brahms

Mitch Kriegler (Clarinet), Rob LaRue (Cello),
Anastasia Dedik (Piano)

Sunday, Sept. 24, 2:00 pm

These events are made possible by our supporters and in part through the Putnam Arts Council's Arts Link Grant Program with Public Funds provided from the Putnam County and through the New York State Council on the Arts with support from the Governor's office and the NY State Legislature.



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Slater Seeks to Crack Down on Drug Dealers

Americans and New Yorkers are drastically being affected by the opioid and fentanyl epidemic, according to Assemblyman Matt Slater, R-Yorktown. At the core of this crisis is a shocking rise in opioid-related deaths, as data has shown that 16 New Yorkers die every day of an overdose – that’s one person every three hours.

“Fentanyl is playing a key role in the staggering number of deaths we see in our communities and there needs to be a law put in place that holds those pedaling the poison accountable,” he said.

Where the law currently stands in New York, it is nearly impossible for local prosecutors to hold dealers accountable for the deaths they are causing, according to the assemblyman. At the federal level, dealers can be charged for this crime, but oftentimes federal prosecutors opt

out of going after lower-level dealers, which essentially cripples local officials and the justice system, he said.

However, Slater has proposed a bill would allow local officials the same ability as federal-level prosecutors to charge dealers for the death of an individual as a class A felony.

As the statistics are staggering, Slater has been working alongside Putnam County District Attorney Robert Tendy, Assistant District Attorney Breanne Smith and Putnam County Sheriff Kevin McConville to propose legislation that will crack down on the use and dealership of fentanyl in the Hudson Valley region.

“In 2021, fentanyl killed more than 70,000 people in America and nothing is being done about it,” said Tendy. “It is a tragedy of unbeliev-

able proportions and why I am in full support of Assemblyman Matt Slater’s piece of legislation. We have children, parents and grandparents dying from fentanyl every year and it has to stop.”

As an ADA, Smith works on these cases.

“We experience it every day in our office where family members reach out and ask what is being done to find their loved ones’ killer, but we currently have no legislation that allows us to hold these people responsible for causing those deaths,” she said.

Slater has been a partner with advocates and experts while crafting legislation and trying to come up with the right policy to save lives. Drug Crisis in Our Backyard of Mahopac has joined Slater on this mission to balance consequences and compassion toward this epidemic.

Nutrition Corner

By Allison J. Stowell
MS, RD, CDN



Back to the Routine

Once the excitement of back-to-school wanes, families are left with the reality of the school year routine. It’s back to sports, evening meetings and other commitments that make for busy afternoons and fast nights. Back-to-school means back to strategizing, meal planning, and menus that match your family’s busy week.

Make meals that work for you like the recipe below. Sheet pan dinners are perfect “hands free” meals for busy nights. They usually create versatile leftovers that can be used for a variety of meals that satisfy diverse tastes. With starch (potatoes, butternut squash, wraps, whole grain bread), protein (chicken, center cut pork, lean red meat, tofu, salmon), and vegetables (cauliflower, carrots, broccoli, bok choy, asparagus, beets) you can easily make a balanced meal.

Shop with the week in mind. While summer shopping may be about camp themes and the next barbecue, back to school shifts your grocery list. Your seasonal shopping list must highlight nutritious options to create balanced lunches, healthy convenient products for older children to prepare on their own, and foods to make fast meals on busy nights. If you’re looking for inspiration, I love the “builders” we have at Hannaford.com. This feature helps you build better mac and cheese, tacos, stir fries, and more.

A little bit of prep is all you need. An organized kitchen doesn’t have to mean you have a fridge full of tiny boxes with brightly colored, perfectly prepared food. It does, however, mean that you need some colorful, prepared fruits and veggies along with sliced cheese, Greek yogurt, eggs, frozen whole grain breakfast options and lean proteins. Pair these options along with microwavable grain pouches and other quick sides in your pantry and you’re on your way to quick, “half scratch” and deconstructed meals. If deconstructed meals are

new to you, check out my posts that explain this “must try” approach on GuidingStars.com.

Allison Stowell is a registered dietitian for Hannaford Supermarkets. For more information on free, virtual nutrition classes and more, email: astowell@hannaford.com.

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

Double (or triple) this recipe and use or freeze leftovers for quesadillas, Tex-Mex pizza, “loaded” nachos or dice and add to rice for a warm school lunch. Give it a nutrition boost by replacing flour tortillas with whole wheat and use non-fat, plain Greek yogurt in place of sour cream.

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

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

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

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

Spiced Chickpea Arugula Couscous with Grapes

(Family Features)
Spiced Chickpea Arugula Couscous with Grapes

Ingredients:
2 tbsp extra-virgin olive oil
1 small onion, chopped
1 1/2 teaspoons ground cumin
1/2 tsp kosher salt, divided
1/8 teaspoon ground allspice
1 cup Israeli pearl couscous
3/4 teaspoon ground turmeric
1 1/2 cups water
1 can (15 ounces) no-salt-added chickpeas, drained
1 cup red Grapes, halved
2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro or parsley
freshly ground black pepper
4 cups lightly packed baby arugula
lemon wedges

Directions:
In large saucepan over medium heat, heat oil. Add onion, cumin, 1/2 teaspoon salt and allspice; cook,



stirring, until onion is softened, about 3 minutes. Add couscous and stir 1 minute to toast lightly. Add turmeric and water; bring to boil. Reduce heat, cover and simmer until couscous is tender, about 15 minutes.

Stir chickpeas, grapes and cilantro into couscous then season with salt and pepper, to taste. Transfer couscous-grape mixture to large bowl, add arugula and toss well. Serve warm or at room temperature with lemon wedges.

Servings: 4
Source: Family Features

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Ron Hutchinson’s ‘Breaking Heads’ Comes to AotL

Following up on “Ghosts of the Titanic” at Arts on the Lake a few months ago, Ron Hutchinson brings “Breaking Heads,” a new tale of the waterfront, to the arts center Saturday, Sept. 23 at 7:30 p.m.

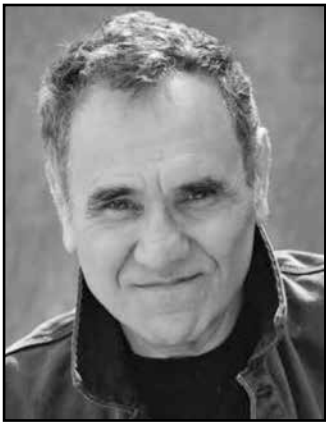
Although working on the idea for “Breaking Heads” when Hutchinson was researching waterfront labor while writing “Perfect Witness” for HBO in the early 1990s, it wasn’t until this spring, while adapting Arthur Miller’s heretofore unproduced film script “The Hook” for production at the Barge Theatre in Brooklyn, that he felt he had found the right actor in Anthony Patellis.

The two have since been preparing the script for its premiere this Saturday.

As a boss on the Brooklyn waterfront at the beginning of containerization, the lead character makes decisions that affect his union, his family and his life.

Known for the film “Team Marco” (2019), the series “Tulsa King” (2022) and “Law & Order: Special Victims Unit” (1999), Patellis has also sung in “West Side Story” at La Scala in Milan and, as one of the producers, he leaves after the reading at AotL to inaugurate the Italian production of “Tony n’ Tina’s Wedding.”

Perhaps best known for the play “Moonlight and Magnolias,”



Actor Anthony Patellis.

Emmy Award-winning writer Hutchinson is also known for the mini-series “Traffic” and the screenplays “The Simon Wiesenthal Story” with Ben Kinsley, “Against the Wall” with Samuel L. Jackson, and his re-write of “The Island of Doctor Moreau” with Marlon Brando.

Tickets are by donation, ranging from \$5 to \$35, and should be secured in advance at www.artsonthelake.org or by calling 845-228-2685.

Arts on the Lake is located at 640 Route 52, Kent Lakes.

Help Kent Move Forward

Gov. Kathy Hochul recently announced the availability of a second round of funding through the NY Forward program, to invigorate and enliven downtowns in new York’s smaller and rural communities. Each of the state’s 10 Regional Economic Development Councils will have the option of recommending two communities for \$4.5 million in NY Forward awards, or three communities – one of which will receive \$4.5 million and two will be awarded \$2.25 million.

The Town of Kent hopes to be one of those towns.

The Kent Town Board is applying for funds to benefit a target area surrounding Lake Carmel. The western boundary is a segment of Route 52 spanning from Towners Road to Route 311, and the northern boundary is a section of Route 311 from the Route 52 intersection to just past Ludington Court in the east. The southern border of the area is defined by Towners Road, and the eastern boundary includes the existing walking path in the Lake Carmel Park District.

If awarded, the funding will

include support for project planning and development. Potential improvements include the addition of sidewalks and parking areas, inviting public spaces, new wayfinding signage, improvements to Arts on the Lake, and business development and housing projects that are in keeping with Kent’s “small town” feel and existing small businesses.

Demonstration of community support in advance of the deadline will improve Kent’s chances of being funded, in addition to helping

the town determine community priorities. If you live in Kent, consider visiting www.townofkentny.gov to complete the survey and provide your vision for Kent’s future.

Residents can also attend the Tuesday, Sept. 19 Kent Town Board meeting at 7 p.m. at Town Hall, 25 Sybil’s Crossing, Kent Lakes, which will begin with an NY Forward “listening session.”

For more information, email Councilwoman Anne Campbell at acampbell@townofkentny.gov.

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Columbus Day Ceremony

In commemoration of Columbus Day and Italian Heritage Month, the Italian American Club of Mahopac will host a ceremony at the Christopher Columbus Statue at Carmel Town Hall on Sunday, Oct. 8 at 11:30 a.m. Community members are invited to attend this outdoor event.

Refreshments will follow.

The Italian American Club of Mahopac also invites the public to a presentation titled “Hollywood’s Reshaping of the Italian People” on Wednesday, Oct. 11 at 6:30 p.m. at Mahopac Public Library.

Award-winning author, actor and lecturer Michael DeLucia – whose novels and screenplays feature depictions of Italians, Italian Americans, their family life and their culture growing up in the Bronx during the 1960s and 70s – will be the presenter.

Refreshments will be served.

For more information about either event, contact Giulio Cefaloni at 845-745-2655, or visit Italianamericanclubofmahopac.org or Facebook.

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8:30am-12:30pm



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Putnam, Get Ready to ‘Fall for Dance’



Abra Cohen of Dances By Isadora/NYC. Photo by Lesy/Luther.



Jeff Lyon and Erin Jennings perform. Photo by Steven Pisano.



Melisa Chilo and Putnam County Dance Project dancers. Photo by Mike Kimberling.

Arts on the Lake will showcase dancers on the Boyd Family Concert Lawn dance stage for the first Putnam Fall for Dance event, featuring two unique performances.

A Saturday, Oct. 7 matinee presents established companies Putnam County Dance Project, Dances by Isadora/NYC and the Erick Hawkins Dance Company. The rain date is Oct. 8 at 3 p.m. Admission to the performance is \$25, with an additional cost to attend the reception afterward.

A free Monday, Oct. 9 performance will feature new and in-progress works by a variety of regional choreographers followed by conversation and commentary.

PCDP invites two celebrated companies to present a Saturday evening dedicated to modern dance and the legacy of pioneers Isadora Duncan and Hawkins. PCDP founders Marie Carstens and Erin Hunter Jennings are each, respectively, members of these dance companies.

Dances by Isadora/NYC, directed by Catherine Gallant, will perform pieces created by “Mother of Modern Dance” Duncan. Gallant, herself, will perform the short solo “Prelude.”

“Grande March,” created by Duncan after the tragic deaths of her children in 1913, will be danced by Faith Kimberling as the central figure, and the chorus, comprised of Natalia Alonzo-Brillante, Marie Carstens, Charlotte Hendrickson, Anne Parichon-Buoncore, Megan Minturn and Jasmine Oton, surrounding her and mourning with somber strength.

In contrast, the vibrant Valse-Brillante (Chopin) brings dancers Amelia Sanders and Jessie King into a quartet with Kimberling and Parichon-Buoncore for a powerful new generation of dancers.

“Dance is for everyone,” said Gallant. “Our priorities emphasize the unique, powerful movement qualities of each performer as they relate to the technique and repertoire. Our practice is led by ongoing inquiry, consistent and probing feedback, and an openness to new ideas and approaches that will engage our expanding audience.”

The Erick Hawkins Dance Company will perform three works: “Show Me” by Jeff Lyon and Erin Jennings, wrestling with the feelings of love; the solo “Blood in my Ears” by Katherine Duke as an ephemeral prayer in response to our excessive commoditization and addiction to convenience; and “Elusive Pierce,” (excerpts) performed to an original string quartet composed by founding composer Lucia Dlugoszewski.

Hawkins was an iconic American modern choreographer and dancer who danced with George Balanchine and Martha Graham before starting his own company in 1952. In a similar direction that abstract painters at the time were exploring, Hawkins’ aesthetic was detached from realistic psychology, plot, social or political agenda and included important influences such as the dances of Native Americans, Japanese and Zen philosophies, Greek classics, and the exploration of the relationship between sound and choreography.

Putnam County Dance Project was created in 2018 when Carstens and Jennings joined forces after leaving NYC for the beauty of the Hudson Valley. Having both danced professionally in the city and beyond, they co-created PCDP to bring quality dance performance and events to surrounding communities.

For this show, PCDP members will present dance repertory to classical music of Brahms, Nevins and Sibelius, and to more current music of The Lovin Spoonful and local-global musician Pierre de Gaillande/Body Kite.

Members of the company will also show works-in-progress at the 3 p.m. Monday, Oct. 9 matinee. Other choreographers registered to present their works at that time include Hannah Albin, Meg Brooker and Christy Walsh.

Arts on the Lake is located at 640 Route 52, Kent Lakes. More information can be found at <https://artsonthelake.org>.

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Book Barn

Buy ten or more books at the Friends of the Mahopac Public Library Book Barn and receive one free book (excluding collectibles) or one free tote bag. Hours are Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Wednesday from 10 a.m. to noon, Thursday from 4 to 6:45 p.m., and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the library.

Support-A-Walk

Support Connection’s annual Support-A-Walk for Breast and Ovarian Cancer is scheduled Sunday, Oct. 1 at FDR State Park in Yorktown Heights – or virtually. Register at <https://supportconnection.org/support-a-walk>.

Tuesday, Sept. 19

IDA Meeting

The Putnam County Industrial Development Agency will meet Tuesday, Sept. 19 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.

Kent Town Board

The Kent Town Board will meet the following Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at Kent Town Hall: Sept 19, Oct. 3 and 17, Nov. 6 (Monday) and 21, and Dec. 5 and 19.

Bingo

Kids age 6 and older are invited to Back-to-School Bingo and craft-making Sept. 19 at 4:30 p.m. at Reed Memorial Library of Carmel. Celebrate the return to school with games, crafts and snacks. Registration online is required.

Stress Management

Learn how to relate to stress and anxiety differently, and use them to your advantage at Reed Memorial Library in Carmel on Sept. 19 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. with local musician, educator and speaker Kristen Gygi. Registration is required at carmellibrary.org/calendar.

Wednesday, Sept. 20

Carmel Town Board

Residents, business owners and members of local and community organizations are invited to attend the Carmel Town Board work session Wednesday, Sept. 20 at 7 p.m. at town hall to comment on planned infrastructure, traffic and pedestrian safety improvements, increased business and housing opportunities.

Preparing for Retirement

On Wednesday, Sept. 20 at 5:30 p.m., Kevin Tunney will present “Preparing for Retirement” at the Kent Public Library. Learn about the retirement environment risks you might face and possible ways that solutions can help you throughout retirement. Includes an informational and educational seminar on insurance and investments products and services.

Impressionism

Art historian Dr. Michael Norris will be at Reed Memorial Library in Carmel on Sept. 20 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. to discuss the life and work of American Impressionist Mary Stevenson Cassatt. Registration is required at carmellibrary.org/calendar.

Thursday, Sept. 21

Bilingual Storytime

Join Miss Jen and celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with a special storytime and craft Thursday, Sept. 21 from 10 to 10:30 a.m. at Brewster Public Library. Geared for kids age 2 to 4 years old. Registration is required at brewsterlibrary.org or 845-279-6421.

ArtEast Reception

Mingle and meet the artists from ArtEast at an artist reception and panel discussion, where the artists will discuss their creative processes, Thursday, Sept. 21 at 6 p.m. at Patterson Library. To register, call 845-878-6121 or go to www.pattersonlibrary.org.

Adult Craft

This month’s adult craft at Reed Memorial Library in Carmel is painting bookends that the library will use year-round, Sept. 21 from 2 to 3 p.m. Registration is required at carmellibrary.org/calendar.

Friday, Sept. 22

Rummage Sale

First Presbyterian Church of Mahopac located at 411 Route 6N (at Secor Road) will hold a fall rummage sale Friday, Sept. 22 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday, Sept. 23 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday is Bag Day – \$8 per bag. Donation accepted from noon to 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 18 and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 19. Accepting clean, gently-used household items, clothing, sporting goods, small furniture and toys. For information call 914-215-0437 or email Office@MahopacChurch.org.

Outdoor Movies

The Carmel Recreation & Parks Department will host “Movies in the Meadow” on Friday, Sept. 22 at dusk at Paul A. Camarda Park. Free; pre-registration required.

Playwrights Festival

The Brewster Theater Company will present its third annual Playwrights Festival on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 22 and 23 at 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday, Sept. 24 at 2 p.m., at The Theater at Drew Methodist Church, 28 Gleneida Ave., Carmel. Tickets are available at www.brewstertheater.org and at the door.

Saturday, Sept. 23

‘Breaking Heads’

Following up on “Ghosts of the Titanic” at Arts on the Lake in Kent a few months ago, Ron Hutchinson brings “Breaking Heads,” a new tale of the waterfront, to the arts center Saturday, Sept. 23 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are by donation, ranging from \$5 to \$35, and should be secured in advance at www.artsonthelake.org or by calling 845-228-2685.

Swamp Paddle

Join FrOGS on Saturday, Sept. 23 for a paddle on the north flow, launching at 10 a.m. from the DEC launch area on wheeler Road in Wingdale – rain or shine. Arrive at

least 15 minutes early for check-in. The paddle will last approximately two hours. Be aware that there may be a need to haul canoes over downed trees. No children younger than 16. Bring drinks and snacks. The cost is \$12 for FrOGS members and \$22 for non-members, and includes canoes, paddles and life vests, insurance and a donation. To register, email Ken Luhman at frogspaddle22@gmail.com.

‘Songs, Stories & Art’

Tompkins Corners Cultural Center will present “Songs, Stories & Art – Lessons from Strangers,” a multi-media show by John John Brown, on Saturday, Sept. 23 at 7:30 p.m., at 729 Peekskill Hollow Road, Putnam Valley. Tickets are \$20 at Eventbrite.com.

Porchfest

The Cold Spring Chamber of Commerce will present Cold Spring Porchfest 2023 on Sept. 23 from 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., featuring many musical acts around the village. View the full schedule at www.coldspringnychamber.com.

Charity Poker Tourney

The Italian American Club of Mahopac will host a charity poker tournament Saturday, Sept. 23 at 141 Buckshollow Road, to raise money for IAC scholarships. Registration begins at 6 p.m., with dinner at 7 p.m. and the tournament starting at 8 p.m. Admission is \$120 and includes 5,000 chips and dinner. Re-buys offered during the first six rounds at \$100 for 5,000 chips – only if you’re out of chips. To register, call Steve Levy at 917-670-9337, Joe Fierro at 914-584-9641 or Giulio Cefaloni at 845-745-2655, or visit italianamericanclubofmahopac.org. Age 21 and older.

Fishing Tourney

The Lake Carmel Park District will hold a black bass fishing tournament Saturday, Sept. 23 beginning at 8 a.m. sharp in Beach 3 (Lake Shore Drive East and Mohansic Road). Teams of up to three people with a least one LCPD resident per boat. Proof of residency and valid boat registration required; no fishing license needed. All teams must return by 2 p.m. Catch the largest weight total. First-, second- and third-place winners, and smallest fish. Scale needed. Obtain registration form by emailing lcpdclerk@townofkentny.gov.

Pet Food Drive

A pet food drive is scheduled Saturday, Sept. 23 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Feed Barn, 1515 Route 22, Brewster, to benefit Patterson Community Food Pantry. For information, call 845-721-4762.

Solutions to Food Waste

Sustainable Putnam invites the public to a panel discussion including Martha Elder of Second Chance Foods, Jen Lerner of CCE-Putnam and Karen Ertl of the Philipstown Food Waste Advisory Committee, on Saturday, Sept. 23 at 12:30 p.m. at Mahopac Public Library. Submit questions as the panelists share local solutions and opportunities to participate. Registration is recommended at <https://bit.ly/3Kz00Eg>.

‘Mappy Hour’

Putnam History Museum will host Mappy Hour on Sept. 23 at 5:30 p.m. View American Revolution-

ary War maps and other original historic Putnam County maps. Enjoy beer, wine and small bites. Tickets are \$20 for early birds and members, and \$25 for non-members. Register at www.putnamhistorymuseum.org.

Sunday, Sept. 24

Carmel Cruisers

Carmel Cruisers meet every Sunday from 9 a.m. to noon through Oct. 1, as well as every other Saturday from 3 to 8 p.m. through Sept. 30, at the Wendy’s parking lot in the Putnam Plaza Shopping Center, 1894 Route 6, Carmel. Visit the Carmel Cruisers Facebook page for details.

Gold Star Mothers

A ceremony to commemorate Gold Star Mothers’ Day is scheduled Sept. 24 at 1 p.m. at Veterans’ Memorial Park in Gipsy Trail Road in Carmel/Kent.

Monday, Sept. 25

Flu Clinics

The Putnam County Department of Health is offering flu vaccine clinics for residents 18 and older Monday, Sept. 25 at the DOH, 1 Geneva Road, Brewster (drive-through; rain date is Sept. 28); Wednesday, Oct. 11 at the Garrison Fire Department (not a drive-through); and Monday, Oct. 23 at the DOH (drive-through). Each takes place from 2 to 6:30 p.m. Appointment required; visit www.putnamcountyny.com/flu-clinic. The consent form, available online, must be completed and presented at the time of the vaccination, along with proof of residency (such as a driver’s license).

Teen Craft

Teens, get creative with polymer clay Monday, Sept. 25 from 5 to 6 p.m. at Brewster Public Library. Design your own mini food charm and attach the finished project to a keychain or necklace cord. For ages 13 to 18. Registration is required at brewsterlibrary.org or 845-279-6421.

Square Dancing

Friendly Squares Dance Club will host free square dancing nights Mondays, Sept. 25 and Oct. 2 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at Katonah Methodist Church Parish Hall, 44 Edgemont Road, Katonah. Open to singles, couples and families. www.friendlysquares.org.

Tuesday, Sept. 26

Blood Drive

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

Open Mic Night

All ages are invited to attend Reed Memorial Library of Carmel’s monthly open mic night Sept. 26 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Share your writing, song or comedy set, or just listen. Register to perform at carmellibrary.org/calendar.

Wednesday, Sept. 27

‘Somewhere in Queens’

Patterson Library’s will screen “Somewhere in Queens” on Wednesday, Sept. 27 at 1 p.m. A heartfelt story of relationships as a

blue-collar Italian-American family is torn apart while the father tries to make his son’s chance at a life-changing basketball scholarship happen. Rated R. To register, call 845-878-6121 or go to www.pattersonlibrary.org.

Plein Air Painting

Artists, leave your studios behind and bring your cameras, pencils, paints, canvases and easels to set up for another plein air event at the Patterson Library Park on Wednesday, Sept. 27 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Great Swamp, the gazebo and gardens, and distant vistas are just a few subjects that may inspire your work.

Thursday, Sept. 28

Southeast Town Board

The Southeast Town Board will meet at 7 p.m. at Town Hall, 1360 Route 22, Brewster on Sept. 28, Oct. 12 and 26, Nov. 9 and 30, and Dec. 21.

Beyond Plastics

Head to Reed Memorial Library of Carmel to learn about the basics of plastic pollution from Jim Sullivan, a speaker from the national organization Beyond Plastics, on Sept. 28 from 11 a.m. to noon. Registration is required at carmellibrary.org/calendar.

Saturday, Sept. 30

Craft Fair

Garrison Craft, one of the leading craft fairs in the Hudson Valley and an annual event for 53 years, will feature craft designers, independent artists and makers Saturday, Sept. 30 and Sunday, Oct. 1, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Garrison Art Center at Garrison’s Landing. Admission is \$10 per visitor, and free for children younger than 12. For more information, visit www.garrisonartcenter.org/garrison-craftfair.

Pegasus Gala

Pegasus Therapeutic Riding will hold its third annual “Denim and Diamonds Dance” on Saturday, Sept. 30 at the farm. For more information or to support Pegasus’ mission, contact Sciarriello at csciarriello@pegasustr.org or 845-669-8235, ext. 110.

Book Sale

The Friends of Mahopac Library will be selling a selection of books from the Book Barn at the Mahopac street fair Saturday, Sept. 30 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Stop by and pick up a free goodie bag, including a coupon for one free book (excluding collectibles) from the Book Barn.

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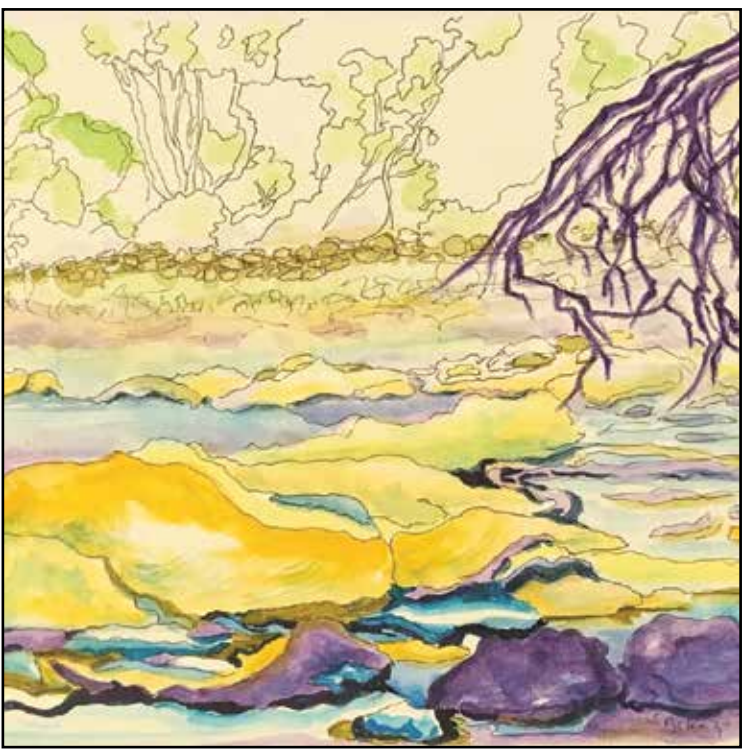
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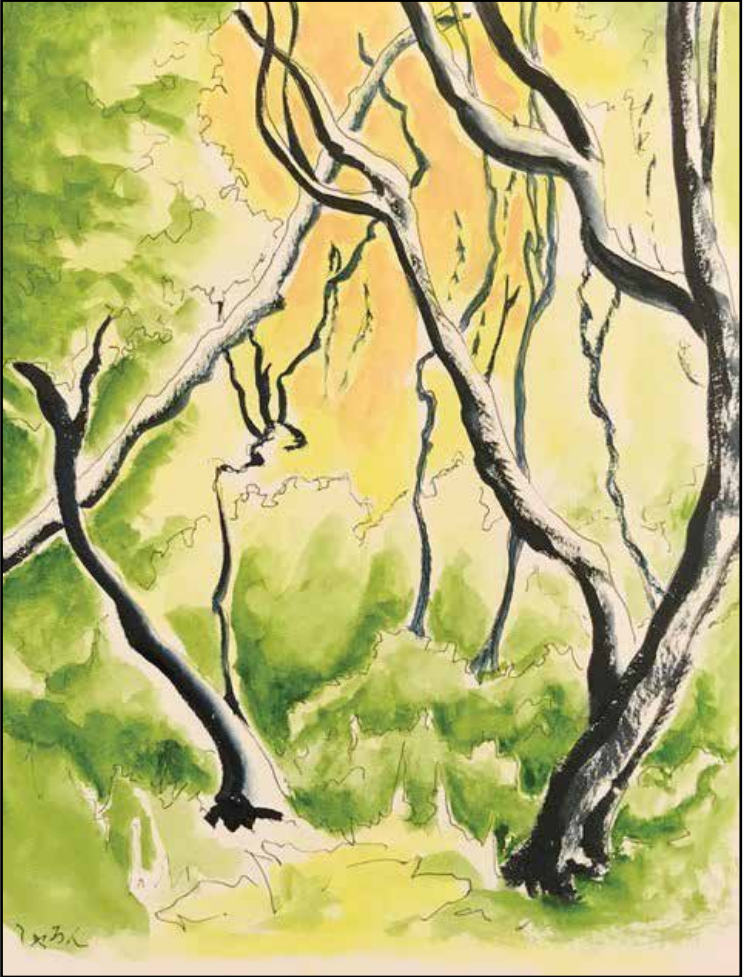
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“Light in the Woods at Deer Pond Farm” by Sharon Nakazato.

A new show titled “Light and Lines” featuring watercolor paintings by Sharon Nakazato is on display at LAND Gallery in Pawling through Oct. 1.

Trained in Japanese calligraphy, her paintings have a sense of space and form, and sensitivity to line – and underlying spirituality based on a deep desire to touch and express love in the natural world.

Nakazato can be found outdoors, weather permitting, with her palette and canvas. She incorporates her Asian calligraphy background with her drawing in Eastern brush, ink, line and space.

“All my work contains a joyous reference to the world around and in me,” she said. “My wish is that you will feel that joy and carry it with you into your days.”

Years of living in Japan and years of intensive training with a master in Asian brush calligraphy infuse the varied works of the bi-cultural artist-writer-teacher, evident in her quality of line, spatial choices and inherent spirituality.

Nakazato has a bachelor of arts degree and master’s degree from the University of Michigan, with minors in art history plus graduate work in Japan (Tokyo and Sophia universities).

She was co-founder and for 10 years director of Yasuragi Japan Arts Center and former head of the arts program at Longview School.

Nakazato is currently active with Art East, Putnam Arts Council in Mahopac, and Peekskill Arts Alliance, and leads many Friends of the Great Swamp plein air events and the annual FroGS juried art competition.

LAND Gallery is located at 30 Charles Colman Boulevard, Pawling (across from the Pawling stop on the Metro-North Harlem line). Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, or by appointment. For more information, visit www.landgalleryonline.com or Facebook, or call 845-490-2281.

Putnam Youth Lead 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony



The Putnam County Youth Bureau hosted its annual youth-led 911 memorial service Sept. 11 at the Bureau of Emergency Services, where residents joined county employees and dignitaries in commemorating the anniversary of the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. Photos by Holly Crocco.



Patterson Faces Less Than 1% Budget Hike.

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“The single greatest issue facing the town’s budget involves our EMS service,” he said.

Williams explained that this year, the county approved a contract with a new advanced life support provider that required it to complete ALS billing agreements with volunteer basic life support transporting ambulance services operating in Putnam County. That new ALS provider sought to charge the town a much higher rate, according to the supervisor. While the town negotiated the cost to the town down for the remainder of 2023, the increase will go into effect in 2024.

Therefore, the town is taking matters into its own hands. “Included in this budget is funding to pay to convert our BLS ambulance service to an ALS service, which we believe will be more cost effective than paying the high ALS rate,” said Williams. “What the current ALS provider is requesting... we can do it for a lot less.”

Another challenge in drafting the 2024 budget is that next year is a leap year, so the town has to budget for 26.2 payrolls. “When reviewing the budget, it gives the impression that salaries have been increased higher than they actually have,” said the supervisor.

He explained that while a 1 percent increase for his position and for town board members is included in the proposed budget, most other full-time officials and employees will receive a 2 percent

pay increase. Part-timers at the recreation center will see a 3.5 percent pay increase, per the tentative budget, to bring them more in-line with the state’s minimum wage.

The proposed budget includes a new lifeguard manager position in the recreation department. “It is my hope that with this new position we will address the deficit we saw this year in the number of lifeguards,” he said.

Williams said the town is anticipating a significant increase in insurance costs, so the budget includes a 10 percent increase for general insurance and a 19.8 percent increase in the town’s medical insurance rates.

The proposed budget also includes an increase for the highway department, which seeks to purchase two plow trucks at a cost of \$400,000, which is part of the town’s vehicle replacement schedule, in addition to a new trailer and pickup truck.

A significant investment is being made in Veterans’ Memorial Park, including funding for playground equipment and updates to existing facilities.

The tentative budget includes an increase for the Putnam Lake Fire District, which is less than what was requested by the department. “I believe we need to meet with the Putnam Lake Fire District to get further clarification on what they are seeking,” said Williams.

Two projects the town has been working on for years – bringing a public water supply to Front Street and construction of a new EMS building – are also funded in the proposed budget. “It is my fervent hope that these projects will move forward to completion in 2024,” said the supervisor.

A public hearing on the budget is scheduled Oct. 11 at 7 p.m. at town hall.



Julia L. Butterfield Memorial Library Director Johanna Reinhardt and library board trustees with Assemblywoman Dana Levenberg. Photo provided by Levenberg’s office.

State Funds Headed to Putnam Library & School District

Two Putnam County entities are among a list of grantees receiving funding through Assemblywoman Dana Levenberg’s office for projects around the 95th Assembly District.

Each member of the Assembly received \$250,000 in

the 2023-24 state budget to help them support nonprofits, municipalities and school districts with services and activities that benefit the public. Levenberg has distributed this allotment to 10 grantees, including the Garrison School District for its cultural arts program (\$35,000), and the Julia L. Butterfield Memorial Library in Cold Spring for its Book Bike program (\$15,000).

“The Julia L. Butterfield Memorial Library is excited to ‘get the wheels in motion’ and bring our Book Bike concept to life through the funding provided by Assemblywoman Levenberg,” said Johanna Reinhardt, library director. “We can’t wait to ‘hit the road’ with our new bike, which will bring the library’s many resources – from books and movies to programs, tech help and so much more – to all corners of our community in a fun, unique and eco-conscious way.”

Levenberg, a member of the Libraries & Educational Technology Committee in the Assembly, is touring each of the libraries receiving funding to view firsthand how the funded projects will improve program

offerings.

“At this moment in time, libraries provide so many different types of support,” she said. “Beyond just promoting literacy, which is valuable in and of itself, our libraries have truly become community centers, and we are fortunate to have so many great ones in Assembly District 95... It is a pleasure to support innovative programming that will improve the lives of my constituents. These grants will help 10 worthy organizations contribute even more to our communities.”

The grants are intended to help defray the cost of one-time operational expenses associated with projects that will help grantees better serve their surrounding communities. Levenberg’s office is currently reviewing applications for a second, larger round of funding to be used for capital expenses.

Municipalities, school districts and not-for-profits that have been pre-qualified through the state’s Grants Gateway can visit <https://grantsmanagement.ny.gov/resources-grant-applicants> to review the guidelines and apply by 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 29.

Court Kicks Stern Off the Ballot for Carmel Hwy. Super.

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tures he submitted. He initially prevailed in the State Supreme Court last month, when Justice Hal Greenwald wrote a 17-page decision in Stern’s favor, ordering that he be placed on the November ballot.

However, that decision was overturned in a two-page deci-

sion by four appellate judges in Brooklyn last week. Stern claims that decision did not address the merits of his candidacy, instead throwing him off the ballot on a timing technicality after his original case was delayed when three Putnam County judges recused themselves and the case was transferred to Westchester.

“Carmel voters should not have the next highway superintendent chosen by political appointees in a backroom,” said Stern. “I intend to campaign hard from now to Election Day, and will give Carmel voters a real choice to vote for an experienced superintendent.”

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Putnam Youth Bureau's Pegasus Program Returns

The Putnam County Youth Bureau's free Pegasus Program will return Thursdays, Oct. 12 through Dec. 7, from 6 to 7:30 p.m., at the Youth Bureau office on the Donald B. Smith governmental campus, 110 Old Route 6, Carmel.

Pegasus is a confidential educational program for children age 5 through 14, accompanied by an adult, who have a parent or family member suffering from alcoholism or other drug dependency. The goal of the program is to provide youth with a knowledge of addiction, coping skills and emotional alternatives, and show

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were underreported. However, at three of the schools, there were no incidents reported before DASA was enacted; after DASA, incident reporting increased.

For example, prior to DASA, at Carmel High School there had been no reported bullying incidents, and after DASA, there were eight. At George Fischer Middle School, two incidents were reported prior to DASA, and four were reported after; at Matthew Patterson Elementary School, no incidents had been reported prior to the law, and two were reported afterward. No records were available for Kent Elementary or Kent Primary School.

DASA incidents by bias category revealed that the areas where bullying occurred began with race (the highest percentage), then focused on ethnicity, color and disability, followed by gender, sexual orientation and weight. These incidents occurred most often during school hours on site, as well as on buses.

Board member James Wise expressed concern that the data does not represent the actual number of incidents that likely occurred. "If we submit this data to Albany, we are doing a great disservice to the community," he said. "We need to know: Are there incidents not being reported?"

Wise said he believes the board needs more information relative to district-size and the actual number of incidents. "Do you believe this data is accurate? That only four times in a school year students feared for their safety?" he asked. "These numbers are a slap in the face to every parent whose child was discriminated against."

This led to further discussion about the data, which several board members said did not demonstrate the full picture of incidents that are actually occurring.

One parent at the meeting indicated that on the bus, her child, during the first three days of school, had been called the "N-word."

"My child was affected by the

them they are not alone and that other children have similar family circumstances and feelings.

The parent group is made up of both those in recovery and codependents. Some are in recovery and want their children to understand their disease, and know they are at a higher risk of becoming addicted.

Pegasus is offered twice a year in eight-week sessions, and pizza is provided at each meeting.

Pre-registration is required by contacting Sheila Hanley at 845-808-1600, ext. 46126; or sheilah.j.hanley@putnamcountyny.gov.

incident,” she said. “Under New York State law, the bus driver has a legal obligation to report the incident.”

Foster said the district plans to hold DASA training session, to educate teachers and staff, as well as parents and community members, about reporting incidents.

"This is hard work that we are doing for our children," said Interim Superintendent Joseph McGrath. "DASA is not only about culture – it's also about the law."

Foster said professional development activities have included an administrative retreat and bias awareness training for administrators, teachers and teaching assistants, and future training will include custodial and cafeteria workers. In addition, informative programs for students have been held, as well.

The board indicated that age-appropriate DASA training would be needed in all Carmel schools so that every student has an understanding of their rights.

The Dignity for All Students Board of Education Policy that was approved includes protections for incidents that occur off school grounds, and cyberbullying, prevention, intervention, training, reporting and investigation, confidentiality and non-retaliation. For details, parents can refer to the full policy on the district's website.

“This is a policy the board wanted to move to the top of the list,” said board Vice President Valerie Crocco. “We have a lot to be proud about this policy.”

Board member John Curzio II indicated that eliminating bullying is not just a need in Carmel, and is "the start of an arduous journey. We have a great opportunity to be a lighthouse for this issue, which cannot be downplayed," he said. "We can be that place where other communities ask, 'How did Carmel do it?'"

Wise said his hope is for the board to define a unified policy across all the district's schools. "It is important for everyone to see the data," he said. "This has been a very robust conversation. A lot of questions were raised in the meeting to define what reporting actually looks like in the district."

Crocco added that the board is still working on a more comprehensive Code of Conduct policy, "which is still a work in progress."

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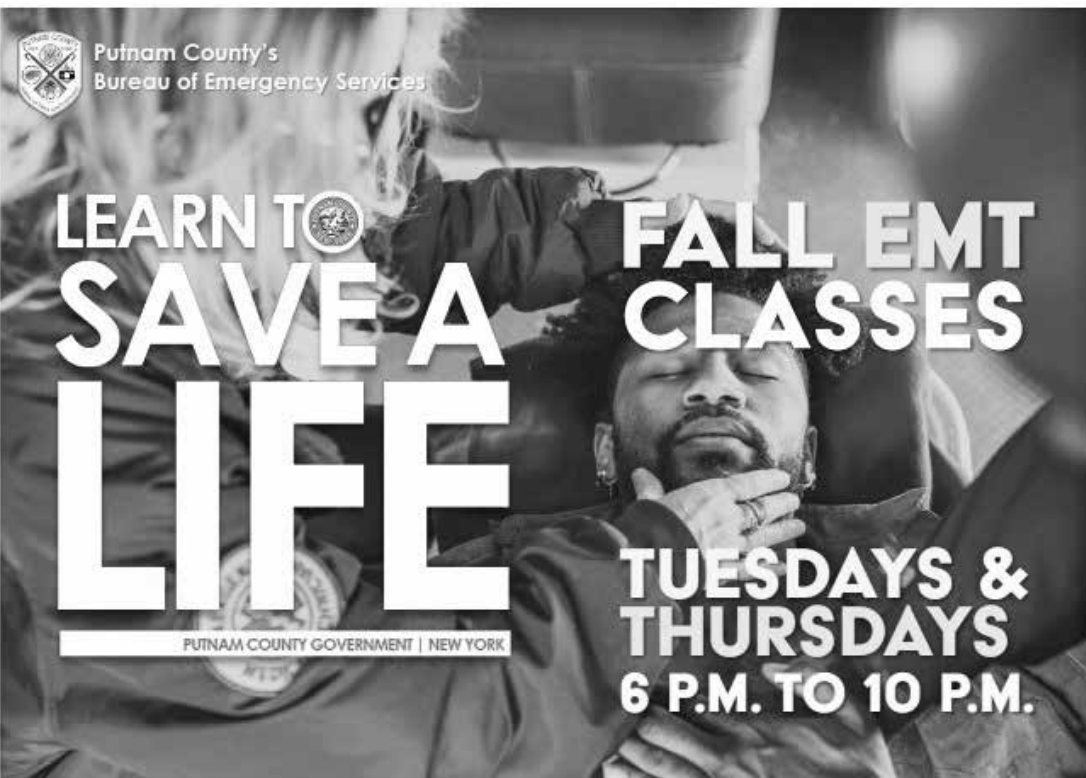


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Students examine the fake crime scene at Brewster High School.

Brewster High-Schoolers are Crime Scene Investigators

Mixing deduction and classroom drama, “CSI Brewster High School” – or Principles of Biomedical Science – is a new yearlong Project Lead the Way class for juniors and seniors at Brewster Central School District.

Students are presented with a crime scene and physical evidence on the first day of school and over the course of the year, will take a deep dive into forensics and analyze blood, hair, fingerprints and polygraph evidence to solve the unexplained and sudden death of a fictional victim.

The classroom is set up like any science classroom with lab tables and sinks, but on the floor in the back is crime scene tape sectioning off a 5-by-8-foot area in which there is a body in a lab coat splayed out face down, with blood splatter, a tipped over stool, large plastic blow flies, a graduated cylinder, a note and clumps of hair.

The facts presented to students on the first day are the name of the victim (Anna Garcia), what time she was found (10 a.m.), who discovered her body (Taylor Diaz), and the victim’s height and weight (5 feet, 6 inches, and 135 pounds).

The assignment is for students to sketch out the scene and record observations.

“Why are those flies at the scene so big?” asked Monica Serafin.

“Those are blowflies,” explained science teacher Sarah Iacovelli. “They are bigger and slower than normal flies and can be found once a body starts to decay.”

“How long does it take before blowflies show up after someone dies?” asked Jordan Niles.

“That’s a great question,” said Iacovelli. “Think about the ambient temperature; it would make a difference if it was hot or cold or if the body was inside or outside.”

“I think Anna Garcia was sitting on her stool and Tyler Diaz strangled her from behind – that’s why she is face down,” said James Perez Melendez. “He was jealous.”

Monica Serafin posited, “I think she might have gotten hit with a bat, and that’s why there is blood splatter in two different areas.”

“But there is a graduated cylinder with blood near her wrist,” pointed out Laura Kuri-lenko. “Maybe it was the chemicals that killed her. There are just so many possibilities.”

To date, the crime is still an open investigation.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received at the office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Carmel, Town Hall, 60 McAlpin Avenue, Mahopac, New York, 10541, until 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, the 26th day of October, 2023 at which time all bids will be opened and publicly read and recorded by the Town Clerk not less than five (5) days subsequent to publication of this notice in the official newspapers of the Town of Carmel for the following:

**Sand
Guide Rail
Winter Mix**

All bidders shall 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.

Specifications may be obtained at the office of the Town Clerk at the above address, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Bid envelopes shall be marked “BID” plus item bid. All bids must be submitted on bid form furnished by the Town of Carmel.

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 for new bids at a future date.

By Order of the Town Board
of the Town of Carmel
Ann Spofford, Town Clerk

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**Date: September 11, 2023
TAX MAP #76.5-1-28**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR A WETLAND PERMIT**

Pursuant to the Town of Carmel Wetland Ordinance, Chapter 89-5.

Applicant: **Warren & Angela Messner**

Address: **44 Sycamore Road, Mahopac, NY 10541**

Has filed an application with the Clerk of the Town of Carmel where the application and associated documents and maps along with published rules and regulations are available for public inspection.

The applicant requests that a permit be issued to:

Repair/replace “in place and in kind” existing boathouse, dock, deck and stonewall due to storm and age-related damage.

The property is located: **44 Sycamore Road, Mahopac, NY 10541**

Situated within the periphery of a fresh water wetland and the “adjacent areas”. (100 feet of the wetlands associated with) **Lake Mahopac, Mahopac, NY 10541**

In the Town of Carmel, Putnam County, New York.

Any person interested in this application who wishes to become a “party in interest” in this proceeding must file a statement of the precise grounds of support of, or opposition to, or interest in the application, with the undersigned no later than **Wednesday, October 4, 2023**. Any party in interest will be eligible to be heard if a

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public hearing is ultimately held in connection with application.

Robert Laga,

Chairman, Environmental Conservation Board

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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:

**SEPTEMBER 28, 2023 –
7:30 P.M.**

To hear the following applications:

**HOLD OVER
APPLICATIONS:**

1. Application of **LIZ & PAT MARTIN** for a Variation of Section 156-15 seeking a Variance for permission to relocate accessory apartment (no setback variance needed). The property is located at 151 Secor Road, Mahopac NY and is known as Tax Map #74.12-2-56.

**Code Requires/Allows Provided Variance Required
Single Family House w/ accessory apt can be detached if existing prior to 1998. Separate cottage as an accessory apartment being relocated To relocate accessory apt./cottage, therefore, not existing prior to 1998.**

2. Application of **JOHN CHANG** for a Variation of Section 156-15 seeking a Variance for permission to retain church on 2nd floor. The property is located at 716 Route 6, Mahopac NY and is known as Tax Map #76.30-1-26.

**Code Requires/Allows Provided Variance Required
23 parking spaces 20 spaces 3 spaces
10’ wide x 20’ long
Per parking space 9’ wide x 20’ long
Per parking space 1’ wide
Per parking space**

3. Application of **CARL & ANITA ALBANO** for a Variation of Section 156-45.2B(3) seeking a Variance for permission to allow 1,640 square foot accessory apartment where 900 square foot maximum is allowed. The property is located at 7 Albano Ridge, Carmel NY and is known as Tax Map #55.14-1-26.324.

**Code Requires/Allows Provided Variance Required
Apartment should be between 400 s.f. & 900 s.f. 1,640 s.f. 740 s.f.**

4. 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 #53.12-1-17

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

5. Application of **FRANK GIORDANO** for an Interpretation of Section 156-15. Applicant seeks Interpretation that the apartment above garage is legally pre-dated, or in the alternative, a Use Variance to permit same to continue. The property is located

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at 23 Seminary Hill Road, Carmel NY and is known as Tax Map #55.6-1-68.

6. Application of **BORE COTAJ** for an Interpretation of Section 156-15. Applicant owns the parcel upon which the temporary dock is located and a parcel improved by at least one residential dwelling unit which is directly across the street but separated by a road (i.e. East Lake Blvd.). Applicant seeks an Interpretation that the intent of the statute (i.e. a dock when not located on a parcel improved by at least one residential unit) is met under the circumstances set forth herein or, in the alternative, the following area variances (table below). The property is located at 148 East Lake Blvd., Mahopac NY and is known as Tax Map #76.30-1-5.

**Code Requires/Allows Provided Variance Required
Dock:
Lake frontage 50’ 6’ 44’
Minimum Depth 30’ 4’ 26’
Minimum Area 3000 96 2904**

NEW APPLICATIONS:

7. Application of **JOHN & DONNA CAPPELLI** seeking a Variance for permission to restore property to original property lines; Lot 5 & Lot 6 with intention to build on Lot 6. The property is located at 16 Brook Street, Mahopac NY and is known as Tax Map #64.7-1-16.

8. Application of **ERIN HADDELAND** for a Variation of Section 156-15 seeking a Variance for permission to retain pool & shed/garage. The property is located at 108 Shear Hill Road, Mahopac NY and is known as Tax Map #65.15-2-15.

**Code Requires/Allows Provided Variance Required
Pool: rear – 10’ 1.2’ 8.8’
Garage: rear 15’ 0’ 15’**

9. Application of **JAIME A. DAVILA** for a Variation of Section 156-15 seeking a Variance for permission to keep existing pool deck. The property is located at 35 Stuart Road, Mahopac NY and is known as Tax Map #65.15-1-77

**Code Requires/Allows Provided Variance Required
Pool Deck: 20’ side 12.4’ 7.6’
Pool (attached)
20’ side 15’ 5’**

10. Application of **HOWARD PEARLE** for a Variation of Section 156-15 seeking a Variance for permission to get relief from setback regulations, accessory building (carport) - front & side. The property is located at 49 Traveled Way, Mahopac NY and is known as Tax Map #64.11-2-32.

**Code Requires/Allows Provided Variance Required
15’ side 0’ 15’
40’ front 19.5’ 20.5’**

11. Application of **AHARON & NAVIT YEHUDA** for a Variation of Section 156-15 seeking a Variance for permission to get relief from setback regulations, accessory, front & side. The property is located at 51 Traveled Way, Mahopac NY and is known as Tax Map #64.11-2-33.

**Code Requires/Allows Provided Variance Required
Carport 1: 40’ front 17’ 23’
Carport 1: 15’ side 10’ 5’
Carport 2: 15’ side 0’ 15’
Carport 2: 40’ front 19.5’ 20.5’**

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12. Application of **B&V REALTY GROUP** for a Variation of Sections 156-15 & 156-47A(1) seeking a Variance for permission to expand 4 Curry Road & future project at 6 Curry Road; expansion of pre-existing, non-conforming use (156-47A(1)). The property is located at 695 Long Pond Road, Mahopac NY and is known as Tax Map #53.12-1-3

**Code Requires/Allows Provided Variance Required
Rear 30’ (6 Curry) 20’ & 16.6’ 10’ & 13.4’**

13. Application of **BURIM SYLAJ** for a Variation of Section 156-15 seeking a Variance for permission to build 2 car detached garage (20’x24’). The property is located at 16 Rosemarie Lane, Mahopac NY and is known as Tax Map #53.16-1-15.

**Code Requires/Allows Provided Variance Required
10’ Side 5’ 5’
10’ Rear 5’ 5’**

By Order of the Chairman,

John Maxwell

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Putnam

**County of Putnam
Local Law # 7 of 2023**

LOCAL LAW #7 TO AMEND ARTICLE 9 OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY CHARTER ENTITLED “DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND FACILITIES”

ABSTRACT PROVISION:
This Local Law amends the Charter of the County of Putnam, as approved and adopted by the Putnam County Legislature on June 6, 2023, by resolution #132, by renaming the Department of Highways and Facilities to the Department of Public Works.

PLEASE NOTE:
A copy of the Local Law can be found on the Putnam County Website on the Legislature Page and is also available at the office of the Clerk of the Putnam County Legislature.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Budget and Finance Committee of the Legislature of the County of Putnam will hold a Public Hearing on the Tentative Budget for the year 2024 on Thursday, October 5, 2023, at 8:00 P.M., or immediately following the County Executive’s Budget Presentation to the Committee, whichever occurs first, at the Historic Courthouse, Gleneida Avenue, Carmel, New York.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that any interested persons may review a copy of the Tentative Budget for the year 2024 at the Office of the Clerk of the Putnam County Legislature, Room 321, 40 Gleneida Avenue, Carmel, New York, any time during regular business hours after October 2, 2023, or on the Putnam County Finance Department’s website by close of business day October 3, 2023.

**BY ORDER OF THE
PUTNAM COUNTY
LEGISLATURE**

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**Diane Schonfeld
Clerk of the Legislature**

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Patterson

**TOWN OF PATTERSON
PLANNING &
ZONING OFFICE**

Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Town of Patterson Planning Board of a public hearing to be held on October 5, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as may be heard, at the Patterson Town Hall, 1142 Route 311, Patterson, Putnam County, New York to consider an application entitled **“Tri-Line Properties, LLC Site Plan Application” for construction of a office and warehouse building and a contractor’s storage yard.** The 36,000 sq.ft. building consists of a 24,000sq.ft. first floor warehouse and a 12,000 sq.ft. second floor for offices. The site previously received conditional site plan approval for a warehouse for Eastern Jungle Gym on January 11, 2022. The 5.53± acre site is located at 120 Commerce Drive (I Zoning District). All interested parties and citizens will be given an opportunity to be heard in respect to such application.

By Order of the Planning Board
Ron Taylor, Chairman

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**TOWN OF PATTERSON
NOTICE OF HEARING**

**SPECIAL DISTRICTS
ASSESSMENT ROLE
AND
ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES
AND REVENUES**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that Notice is hereby given that Special Districts Assessment Role, and the annual estimate of expenses and revenues for Special Districts has been prepared and is available for review at the Office of the Assessor at Town Hall, 1142 Route 311, Patterson, New York. PURSUANT to Town Law, Section 202-a, the Town Board of the Town of Patterson, New York will hold a public hearing on the aforesaid Special Districts Assessment Role, and the annual estimate of expenses and revenues at the Town Offices, 1142 Route 311, Patterson, New York, on September 27, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the evening of that day, or as soon thereafter as may be held, at which time all persons interested therein shall be heard. The Town Board will make every effort to assure that the hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone requiring special assistance and/or reasonable accommodations should contact the Town Clerk. Dated: September 13, 2023

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF PATTERSON

EILEEN FITZPATRICK,
TOWN CLERK

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Southeast

**SOUTHEAST
PLANNING BOARD
NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING**

PUTNAM COUNTY AND TOWN NOTICES

To Place Legal Notices, Email (legals@putnampresstimes.com) or Call 845-628-8400

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Planning Board/Architectural Review Board of the Town of Southeast, New York, in accordance with Chapters 78 and 138 of the Code of the Town of Southeast, and NYCRR Part 617 of the Environmental Conservation Law (as applicable), will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 2, 2023 at 7:00 p.m., at Southeast Town Offices, 1360 Route 22, Brewster, New York to consider the following:

SPLASH CAR WASH—Application is being made for Site Plan Amendment for a proposal to renovate an existing car wash, remove the existing canopy over the customer vacuums, reconfigure the vacuum area to add 16 parking spaces, add landscaping, and replace the existing signage on a 3.74-acre lot located at 1559 Route 22, Brewster, NY, in the SR-22 Zoning District, and identified as Tax Map Number 46.-1-6.

SALINGER’S ORCHARDS, LLC—Application is being made for Site Plan, Subdivision and Conditional Use Permit for a proposal to expand a farm use, add new accessory non-farm buildings, and a lot line adjustment on a 63.371-acre agricultural property located at 220 and 200-202 Guinea Road, Brewster, NY, in the RC Zoning District and identified as Tax Map Numbers 78.-1-88 & 87. The lot line adjustment is proposed to ensure all commercial uses are located on Tax Lot 78.-1-88. The Applicant proposes to construct a new 6,530 sq. ft. event building, a 2,884 sq. ft. addition to the existing farm store, a 1,200 sq. ft. structure for agriculture storage, to convert an existing building to a 1,225 sq. ft. cidery, and to reconfigure the parking lot.

Thomas LaPerch, Chairman
Town of Southeast Planning Board
Dated: September 13, 2023

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Reed Memorial Library

LEGAL NOTICE

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE REED MEMORIAL PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Chapter 299 of the Laws of 2013 of the State of New York, to all voters qualified to vote in a general election and resident within the Town of Carmel, County of Putnam, State of New York (except that portion of the Town located within the Mahopac Central School District), that an election for Trustees of the Reed Memorial Public Library District will be held on Monday, October 2, 2023, between the hours of 12 noon and 6:00 P.M. at the Gilead Church, 9 Church Street, Carmel, New York, at which time the polls will be opened to vote upon:

1. The election of one (1) trustee of the Reed Memorial Public Library District for a three-year term.

2. The following proposition: Shall the sum of \$342,396 be raised by annual levy of a tax upon the taxable real property within the Reed Memorial Library District for the purpose of funding the operating budget of the Reed Memorial Library?

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the following individuals are running for the one (1) available trustee position of the Reed Memorial Public Library District:

Linda Meltzner

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that application for absentee

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ballots for the Vote may be applied for at the Reed Memorial Library during its regular hours. Such application must be received at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. The Board of Trustees shall make a list of all persons to whom absentee voter ballots have been issued, and have it available at the Library during regular office hours until the day of election. Such list will be posted at the polling place during the election. No absentee voter ballot shall be canvassed unless it is received not later than 6:00 P.M. on the day of the Election.

Dated: Carmel, New York BY
ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES September 8, 2023
REED MEMORIAL PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

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Kent

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

25 Sybil’s Crossing
Kent Lakes, NY 10512
Agenda September 18th. 2023

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Kent will hold a Public Hearing on Monday **September 18th, 2023** at the Kent Town Hall, 25 Sybil’s Crossing, Kent Lakes, NY at 7:30 p.m. to review the following applications

1. Donald Alvarange
6 Hampton Dr.
Carmel NY

ZBA-23-020 Area Variance for 1 2ft. rear and 1 ft. side for a green house.
Tax Map 22.58-1-57

2. Jorge Enriquez
6 Ridgeway Rd.
Carmel NY 10512

ZBA-23-025 Area Variance for 4 ft. rear, 60 ft long for 5 ft. to 2 ft. retaining wall.
Tax Map 33.27-2-17

The Zoning Board of Appeals will entertain any other business, which is properly presented to the Board.

SITE INSPECTIONS ARE THE 2nd. SUNDAY OF THE MONTH. Between 9am & 10:00am
CC: Town Clerk
Town Board
Zoning Board of Appeals Members
Planning Board Clerk
Wm. Walters, Building Inspector

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Supreme Court

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF PUTNAM

PEPE/BERARD CAPITAL, LLC, Plaintiff -against- **YOCASTA DASS** and **SURENDRA DASS**, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein and dated July 24, 2023, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction in the courtroom 209 of the Putnam Supreme Courthouse located at 20 County Center, Carmel, NY on October 2, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Carmel, County of Putnam, State of New York, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at an iron

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pipe set in the ground on the easterly side of Ridge Drive, which point is the southwest corner of Lot No. 11, as shown on a map of “Part of Raymond Hill Park”; being a plot 80.00 feet by 275.00 feet by 82.00 feet by 302.05 feet. Section: 44.13 Block: 2 Lot: 27

All bidders must wear a face mask/shield at all times and social distancing must be observed by all bidders at all times. Bidders who do not comply with the face mask and/or the social distancing mandate will be removed from the auction.

Said premises known as 12-16 RIDGE ROAD, CARMEL, NY

Approximate amount of lien \$531,472.73 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale.

Index Number 500896/2022. PATRICK THOMAS GARTLAND, ESQ., Referee
WARREN COHEN
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff
107 Lake Avenue, Tuckahoe, NY 10707

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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT PUTNAM COUNTY

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR WAMU MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2004-PR2 TRUST, Plaintiff against

NANCY MARINACCIO A/K/A NANCY A. MARINACCIO, et al Defendant(s)

Attorney for Plaintiff(s) Fein Such & Crane, LLP, 28 East Main Street, Suite 1800, Rochester, NY 14614.

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered July 14, 2023, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at the Putnam County Courthouse, Courtroom 209, 20 County Center, Carmel, NY 10512 on October 2, 2023 at 11:30 AM. Premises known as 2 Mountain Brook Drive, Brewster, NY 10509. Sec 58.5 Block 1 Lot 1. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Town of Southeast, County of Putnam and State of New York. Approximate Amount of Judgment is \$426,579.49 plus interest, fees, and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index No 500967/2022.

The foreclosure sale will be conducted in accordance with 9th Judicial District’s Covid-19 Policies and foreclosure auction rules. The Referee shall enforce any rules in place regarding facial coverings and social distancing.

Andrew Walter Szczesniak, Esq., Referee SPSNY667

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NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF PUTNAM, **CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC**, Plaintiff, vs. **ELIZABETH FELLER VILLETTO AKA ELIZABETH VILLETTO**, IF LIVING, AND IF SHE BE DEAD, ANY AND ALL PERSONS UNKNOWN TO PLAINTIFF, ET AL., Defendant(s).

Pursuant to an Order Confirming Referee Report, Amend the Caption, and Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on June 8, 2023, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Putnam Supreme Courthouse, Courtroom 209, 20 County

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Center, Carmel, NY 10512 on October 2, 2023 at 10:30 a.m., premises known as 49 Foreman Road, Cold Spring, NY 10516. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of Philipstown, County of Putnam and State of New York, Section 27.11, Block 1 and Lot 41. Approximate amount of judgment is \$333,583.25 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #501586/2021. COVID-19 safety protocols will be followed at the foreclosure sale.

Raymond A. Cote, Esq., Referee

Greenspoon Marder, 590 Madison Avenue, Suite 1800, New York, NY 10022, Attorneys for Plaintiff

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF PUTNAM

INDEX NO.: 500374/2023
DATE FILED: 8/22/2023

SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS

Plaintiff designates Putnam County as the Place of Trial.

Designation of Venue is based upon the situs of the Subject Property.

Subject Property: 64 Floradan Road, Putnam Valley, NY 10579

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for Park Place Securities, Inc. Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005-WHQ2, Plaintiff,

-against-

Julie A. **Farrell**, if she be living or if she be dead, their spouses, heirs, devisees, distributees and successors in interest, all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to Plaintiff; State of New York

“JOHN DOE #1” through “JOHN DOE #12,” the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the Subject Property described in the Complaint,

Defendants.

To The Above-Named Defendants:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the Plaintiff’s Attorney within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within thirty (30) days after the service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York) in the even the United States of America is made a party defendant, the time to answer for the said United States of America shall not expire until sixty (60) days after service of the Summons; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Hon. Victor G. Grossman, a Justice of the Supreme Court, Putnam County, entered Aug. 21,

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2023 and filed with the complaint and other papers in the Putnam County Clerk’s Office.

NOTICE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose a mortgage recorded in the Public Records of the County of Putnam on Feb. 1, 2005 in Liber 4458 of Mortgages, page 20, covering premises known as 64 Floradan Road, Putnam Valley, NY 10579 a/k/a Section 83.12, Block 2, Lot 64.

NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME IF YOU DO NOT RESPOND TO THIS SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE MORTGAGE COMPANY WHO FILED THIS FORECLOSURE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT, A DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED AND YOU CAN LOSE YOUR HOME. SPEAK TO AN ATTORNEY OR GO TO THE COURT WHERE YOUR CASE IS PENDING FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON HOW TO ANSWER THE SUMMONS AND PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY. SENDING A PAYMENT TO YOUR MORTGAGE COMPANY WILL NOT STOP THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.

Dated: June 30, 2023
Rochester, NY
LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP
By: Frank M. Cassara, Esq.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
175 Mile Crossing Boulevard
Rochester, New York 14624
Telephone: (585) 247-9000
Our File No. 22-090252
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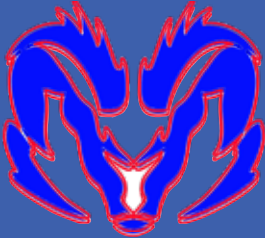
SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF PUTNAM, **21ST MORTGAGE CORPORATION**, AS MORTGAGE LOAN SERVICER TO WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, A FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, A DIVISION OF WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS TRUSTEE FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE KNOXVILLE 2012 TRUST, Plaintiff, vs. STEVEN E. **MATREJEK**, ET AL., Defendant(s).

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on August 11, 2023, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at court room 209 of the Putnam Supreme Courthouse, 20 County Center, Carmel, NY 10512 on October 16, 2023 at 10:30 a.m., premises known as 4 Townsend Lane, Brewster, NY 10509. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of Southeast, County of Putnam and State of New York, Section 35, Block 2 and Lot 51. Approximate amount of judgment is \$1,838,443.48 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 800032/2020. COVID-19 safety protocols will be followed at the foreclosure sale.

Carmel Rams Shut Out White Plains Tigers



Jared Navidad goes in for a kick.



Right: Leo Venables scores a touchdown.



The Carmel Rams opened their football season Sept. 8 with a home game against the White Plains Tigers. Carmel struck first with a touchdown by Tamba Kassoh, pictured. With 9 minutes left in the second quarter, the game had to be stopped due to bad weather, with Carmel leading 14-0. The game resumed the next day, but the coaches and referees called the game with 6 minutes left when bad weather returned, with Carmel shutting out the Tigers 28-0. Photos by Robin Hawks.

Carmel KOC Hosts Oktoberfest

The Carmel Knights of Columbus will present Oktoberfest, a family-friendly day of fun, immediately after the Carmel High School homecoming football game, Saturday, Oct. 7, at 10 Fair St. The lounge will open at noon and remain open during the game and afterward. Oktoberfest starts at 5:30 p.m.

The event will include authentic German cuisine, German beer, and live German music from the famous Austrian Boys Band.

A \$35 prepaid donation includes appetizers beginning at 5:30 p.m., a buffet dinner at 6:30 p.m., dessert, live music and one draft German beer. Additional beer and other beverages will be available for purchase. Walk-ins pay \$40 at the door. The cost for children age 12 and younger is \$20.

Seating will be limited, so save your spot by prepaying by Oct. 1. Seating for walk-ins is not guaranteed.

The buffet dinner will feature authentic wiener schnitzel and grilled bratwurst, with sides including red cabbage, mashed potatoes, green beans amandine, home-style sauerkraut, German potato salad and garden salad. Fresh-baked apple strudel with ice cream will be served along with coffee and tea for dessert.

The popular stein-lifting contest for ladies and gents will be back, as well as raffles and door prizes.



For tickets, call or text Tim McDonald at 914-589-3508.

Like to Take Photos?

Send pictures from your Putnam event to editorial@putnampress-times.com with a description of the event and your name and checkout future editions to see if your photo was published!



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AND THEY'RE
BACK



SCHOOL'S OPEN. DRIVE CAREFULLY.