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## Byrne Promises 'Largest Tax Cut in Putnam History' *State of the County Highlights Improved Infrastructure, Better Services*

By Holly Crocco

"The state of Putnam County has never been stronger. The opportunities here are greater than ever. A future beckons wherein every resident has a place in this community and the potential to contribute his or her talents."

County Executive Kevin Byrne kicked off his State of the County address March 3 with the above statement, and by expressing pride in all his administration has accomplished over the past year and excitement for what's to come in 2025.

Byrne presented his address to a large crowd gathered at Ace Endico in Brewster, which recently completed a 60,000-square-foot,

multi-million-dollar expansion with the support of the county's Industrial Development Agency and Economic Development Corporation. It was the first time a county executive has presented their address publicly prior to delivering it to the County Legislature, which he did March 6 at the Historic Courthouse in Carmel.

Byrne touted his administration as being the most transparent in the county's history, by hosting annual constituent forums in each town, arranging for the live-streaming of public hearings, developing a new user-friendly website that is a go-to for residents looking for various information, and more.

"I have long felt that greater

transparency is one of the most effective ways to build greater confidence in the work of our elected leaders," he said. "Sunshine is the best disinfectant."

When it comes to spending, Byrne said his administration has made great strides in making Putnam more affordable.

"Reducing the cost of living helps everyone – from the weekend visitor to the young couple buying their first home, to retirees on fixed incomes," he said, noting the effects of inflation and high cost of living on residents. "The middle class is still paying too much for its necessities. We should not add to that burden, but must practice creative

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Putnam County Executive Kevin Byrne presents his State of the County address to the public March 3 at Ace Endico in Brewster.

## Hulkamania Comes to Carmel!



Wrestling legend Hulk Hogan stopped by ShopRite of Carmel on March 5 to promote his new Real American Beer. Putnam County Executive Kevin Byrne presented Hogan with a proclamation, declaring the day "Hulk Hogan Day" in Putnam County.



Fans and enthusiasts lined the aisles – and the outside of the store – waiting for their turn to meet the WWE superstar. Photos courtesy of the county executive.



Local volunteer firefighters and ambulance corps members with the Carmel School Board and district administrators.

## Carmel Schools Give Tax Break For Volunteer EMS

Carmel Central School District residents who volunteer with fire departments or ambulance corps will see a 10 percent reduction in their school taxes in return for their service.

The Carmel School Board voted unanimously Feb. 25 to give volunteers with at least two years of service a 10 percent cut in the property tax assessment of their primary residence.

"For example, the impact in the Town of Kent, which consists of about 46 percent of the tax base in the Carmel school district, would result in an \$800 savings for each person receiving the exemption," explained Assistant Superintendent of Business Ken Silver.

The reduction will cost the remaining taxpayers 1.2 cents on every \$1,000 of assessed value.

"If your home is assessed

at \$400,000, the property owner would be paying \$4.80 in addition each year for the volunteers who are risking their lives," said Silver.

More than 35 volunteer members of the EMS community attended the board meeting, where School Board President Melissa Orser thanked them for keeping the community safe.

"We are giving you a little bit back for giving us a lot," she said.

The volunteer tax break will help the whole community in the long run, said administrators.

"Anything we can do to assist with local fire companies' recruitment and retention benefits the entire community," said Trustee John Curzio II. "If we ever had to go to a paid fire service, town taxes would increase as much as 50 percent, which would result in a huge burden on our community."





## Working Mom By Holly Crocco

### Mr. Independent

There is a lot of independence happening at our house lately, and I like it.

Well, most of it.

For example, the 6-year-old is finally interested in showers, as opposed to baths, and even washes himself. That's right, we help set the temperature and desired shower head stream, and leave him to his own devices.

Like his mother, Mikey likes to sing in the shower, which is cute. My husband and I periodically check on him to make sure he's not getting too much water outside the stall and to keep him focused on washing. Eventually we'll hear the shower turn off and him call for help stepping out of the tub and wrapping in a towel.

After the first few solo shower experiences, we've learned that we can't let him go too far without doing what we call the "slippery soapy boy check," because he likes slathering the bar soap all over himself, but he never rinses it off thoroughly.

Almost every time, under duress, one of us is holding him under the spray and hosing him down while trying to wipe the residue off his body.

Another task he recently took

interest in is helping me wash the dishes. Mikey likes to pull the foot stool up to the kitchen sink, douse the sponge in about a gallon of dish soap, squeeze it till it gets real sudsy, and then wash the dishes. He leaves the water running, and I have to constantly tell him to turn it off.

After he's done with the chore, we're left with a drying rack full of dishes that – much like his body after a show – need a thorough rinse, a small flood with possible floorboard damage in the kitchen, and possibly a dry well. But at least the kid is interested in helping out in the kitchen!

More recently, Mikey asked if we could teach him to tie his shoes. I think it's a little early for that, as many of his classmates aren't tying their shoes yet, but if he wants to try, what's the harm. Right?

Oh, there's a lot of harm.

My husband spent a good hour trying to teach him to tie his shoes, during which I overheard a lot of frustrated grunts and groans from both of them, a few stomps, and maybe even some tears ... from which participant, I'm not entirely sure.

Finally, Mikey came to me and asked me to help. A glance at

my husband – who raised his hands and his eyebrows in defeat – told me he was frustrated.

No problem. I got this. "OK, buddy. First you make the X."

"Yep. I got that part."

"OK, good. Now, make a loop, and then pull the one lace around and push it through here."

"But what about the bunny ears?"

"What bunny ears?"

"Dad had me doing bunny ears."

"Forget the bunny ears. Try it this way."

Again I had him make one loop, and then pull the other lace around and push it "through here."

"Here?"

"No, not there. Here."

"Here?"

"No. Wait, yes. There."

He followed my direction and pulled, and the laces came apart.

I undid the mess and reset them. "OK, wait, maybe you had it right the first time."

"Mo-om!" He grunted in exasperation.

"Mikey, listen. Tying your shoes is something you don't usually do until you're closer to 8. You're barely 7, OK? So just, don't get so frustrated. We'll work on it a little bit each day."

He was unconvinced.

A half-hour later the three of us were arguing over which lace to push through where and which loop to pull – all of us nearly in tears. Eventually both my husband and I had to walk away, and let the child just cool off and take a break from his attempts.

And we decided that when it comes time to learn how to drive, we are hiring an instructor.

*Holly Crocco is editor of the Putnam County Times/Press and mother of a 6-year-old. She can be reached at [editorial@putnam-presstimes.com](mailto:editorial@putnam-presstimes.com).*

## Soup Kitchen Opens at Patterson Community Church



In addition to weekly worship services, the Patterson Community Church – which serves parishioners of all denominations – operates a food pantry and thrift shop. In January, it added soup kitchen to its offerings, and will continue to do so the fourth Sunday of every month from noon to 2 p.m., at 1059 Route 311, Patterson.



The initiative is a joint effort of the church, led by Pastor David Frost, as well as Patterson Rotary, Hudson Valley Food Bank, Second Chance Foods in Brewster, Cascade Farms, and local supermarkets – which all donate food, time, and manpower.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Lies from the Current Administration

Dear Editor:

Do you consider the following "wasteful?"

Support for educational programs in our schools to help our children succeed, especially those with special needs.

Social Security as a supplement to retirement income.

Privacy of your government financial records.

Medicare and Medicaid to support your health.

Access to local farms that support our towns and use organic means to produce food.

Cancer research to find cures and increase the quality of life for those affected.

Sharing medical and scientific discoveries with the world to eradicate disease.

Voting rights for all to ensure our democracy continues to be in the hands of the people.

Ensuring that billionaires pay their share of taxes instead of receiving tax breaks that average Americans will be paying for instead (especially through tariffs).

Involvement in financial competition and maintaining/creating partnerships with the countries of the world to stimulate and support our economy.

Having world allies and the belief that we are stronger working together than in isolation.

Environmental/conservation regulations and climate/weather research to protect our planet's natural resources, systems, and population.

There is so much in our county to be grateful for. Throwing the baby out with the bath water is an extreme way to move our country forward, yet this is exactly what the current administration is being allowed to do. Please continue to educate yourself, advocate, and be wary of misleading propaganda, lies, distractions, and lack of supportive evidence as democracy crumbles before our eyes.

In the words of Abraham Lincoln: "That is their argument, and this argument of the judge is the same old serpent that says 'you work and I eat, you toil and I will enjoy the fruits of it.' Turn in whatever way you will – whether it come from the mouth of a king, an excuse for enslaving the people of his country, or from the mouth of men of one race as a reason for enslaving the men of another race, it is all the same old serpent, and I hold if that course of argumentation that is made for the purpose of convincing the public mind that we should not care about this, should be granted, it does not stop with the negro.

"I should like to know if taking

this old Declaration of Independence, which declares that all men are equal upon principle and making exceptions to it, where will it stop." (Speech at Chicago, Ill., on July 10, 1858.)

*Patricia Zamperlin  
Putnam Valley*

### Legislature Should Follow Byrne's Lead

Dear Editor:

Putnam County Executive Kevin Byrne just delivered one of the best State of the County addresses I've ever heard. Finally, we have a real conservative leader at the local level – someone who actually walks the walk instead of just talking about it.

I think Byrne is Putnam's Trump – bold, fearless, and delivering on his promises. For the first time in 25 years, we're seeing real tax cuts. He's opening up county government, making it more transparent, and fighting to stop illegal migrants from being dumped into our communities. He's proving that conservative leadership works, and Putnam County is better for it.

The only thing I would've liked to hear was a Putnam County-style "drain the swamp" or DOGE (Department of Government Efficiency) moment. But honestly, I think Byrne is already doing it. His audits and spending reviews are rooting out waste and forcing accountability. The old establishment that's run this county like a private club is finally

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# Rotary B-Ball Challenge Surpasses \$70K Goal



The Rotary Club of Carmel and the Carmel High School Interact club hosted the 18th annual Community Basketball Challenge on March 1, where Putnam organizations and individuals scored baskets to raise funds for charitable organizations – surpassing its \$70,000 fundraising goal for 2025.

This year's event was dedicated to the memory of Eileen Kane Barrett, who was a Rotarian for more than 32 years and was a past president and Rotarian of the Year. Members of her family cut the ribbon to get the fundraiser underway.



Since its inception in 2008, more than \$550,000 has been raised to support charitable causes.

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being exposed.

And speaking of the establishment, let's talk about the RINOs (Republicans in name only) on the County Legislature who boycotted Byrne's speech like petulant children. Greg Ellner, Paul Jonke, Amy Sage, and Toni Addonizio – these career politicians are the Liz Cheneys, Mitt Romneys, and Mitch McConnells of Putnam County. They love the title, they love the perks, but when it comes to fighting for the taxpayers they'd rather line their own pockets.

While Byrne is cutting taxes, these frauds were busy voting to give themselves nearly \$50,000 a year for a couple of meetings a month. That's right, these so-called Republicans are cashing in on taxpayer money while we struggle with Biden's inflation. Shameful.

It's time to call them out and vote them out. We need Republicans who actually govern like Republicans, not self-serving politicians who sell us out the second they get into office. Kevin Byrne is leading the way. The rest of the GOP in Putnam needs to get on board, or get out.

Mark Lacerra  
Brewster

### County Government Becomes More Transparent

Dear Editor:

Tuesday night's Putnam County Legislature meeting marked a long-overdue milestone – it was live-streamed for the first time. When I first proposed live-stream-

ing in 2020, committee chairpersons refused to include discussion of the item on the agenda, and the Legislature's chairperson dismissed it as unnecessary since it wasn't mandated by New York State.

For years, the Legislature outright rejected my proposals and requests for this service to the public. Now, we have finally taken a simple but crucial step toward government transparency.

Until recently, the only way for the public to follow county government was to attend meetings in person or wait days for an audio recording. Every town, village, and school board in Putnam County records and, in most cases, live-streams their meetings. The Legislature should be no exception.

Achieving this took five years

of persistent advocacy. While it shouldn't have been a battle, I'm proud we got here. I want to thank my colleagues Bill Gouldman, Erin Crowley, Laura Russo, and County Executive Kevin Byrne for rejecting obstruction and supporting this commonsense reform. Transparency isn't a partisan issue – it's a fundamental responsibility.

But there's still more work to do. Chairwoman Amy Sayegh must stop playing games and formally adopt our proposed changes to the legislative rules to ensure live-streaming and public comment are protected. There's no excuse not to do it. The people of Putnam County deserve an open and accessible government, free from political maneuvering.

This victory belongs to the

people of Putnam County, who deserve an open and accessible government. I will continue fighting for even greater accountability.

Nancy Montgomery  
Putnam County Legislator,  
District 1  
Philipstown

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# Mahopac Library Seeks Board Candidates

Mahopac Public Library will hold elections in June for three open seats on its Board of Trustees. The candidates will each serve a three-year term, beginning July 1.

Individuals interested in running for election to the board must be residents of the Mahopac Cen-

tral School District.

Petitions for the nomination of candidates are available at the library and must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the district, state the name and residence of each signer, state the name and residence of the candidate, and be

filed with the election clerk of the library no later than 5 p.m. Friday, April 4.

The election will be held at Mahopac Public Library on Tuesday, June 3, from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

For more information, call 845-628-2009, ext. 100.

## Passport Saturday Returns in April

The Putnam County Clerk's Office will host another Passport Saturday on April 12, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at 40 Gleneida Ave., Carmel, to provide passport information to U.S. citizens and to accept passport applications.

Putnam County Clerk Michael Bartolotti is holding this event by appointment only.

Information on the cost and how to apply for a U.S. passport, as well as a link to make the necessary appointment, is available at [www.putnamcountyny.com/county-clerk](http://www.putnamcountyny.com/county-clerk). Only the applicants and necessary guardians will be permitted to enter the office for the appointment.

U.S. citizens must present a valid passport book when enter-

ing or re-entering the U.S. by air. Citizens entering from Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Bermuda at land borders and sea ports of entry must present a passport book, passport card, or other travel documents approved by the U.S. government.

For more information, call 845-808-1142, ext. 49301.

## Nutrition Corner

By Allison J. Stowell  
MS, RD, CDN



### Nourishing Choices on GLP-1 Medications

When administered and utilized correctly, weight loss medications (often referred to as GLP-1 medication) can be a very effective part of a regimen to manage diabetes and reverse obesity. However, important nutritional needs and other factors must be considered.

#### Diet needs

Seek nutrient dense foods when utilizing GLP-1 medication. It's essential to focus on lean protein to reduce potential for muscle wasting. Additionally, choose colorful vegetables, greens, and 1-2 servings of fruit for essential vitamins, minerals, and filling fiber. While it may be tempting to minimize carbohydrates, remember that limiting whole grains means missing out on essential nutrients (and increasing potential for constipation). Lastly, while they can be difficult to digest, heart-healthy fats improve outcomes and help absorb important fat-soluble vitamins.

#### Managing side effects

Nausea and gastrointestinal distress are common side effects, along with low appetite. If side effects impact your daily living and limit your intake, they must be addressed. Work with your clinical team to reduce side effects and lower potential for additional issues or malnutrition.

#### Other considerations

Consider other necessary lifestyle modifications while on GLP-1. Manage stress, engage in regular exercise, and ensure you're maintaining good sleep hygiene. Meeting these goals will help with weight loss, support muscle growth and maintenance, and help with hormonal control to improve blood sugar levels.

#### Learn more

Beginning this March, our team will be hosting a FREE online class, Nourishing Success with GLP-1: A Guide to Balanced Eating. Join to learn how to follow a nourishing diet while using a weight loss medication. To register, visit [Hannaford.com/dietitians](http://Hannaford.com/dietitians) (click on "View Clas Schedule").

Allison J Stowell MS RD CDN serves as the online dietitian for Hannaford Supermarket. To learn about FREE, virtual nutrition classes and more, visit Hannaford.

*com/dietitians. For more on the Guiding Stars nutrition guidance program, visit [GuidingStars.com](http://GuidingStars.com).*

#### Chicken and Bean Stew with Arugula (3 Guiding Stars) Hannaford.com

Arugula wilts beautifully in soups, adding a pop of color and pepperiness to this comforting stew.

#### Ingredients:

- 1 1/4 lbs. chicken drumsticks
- 2 Tbsp. olive oil
- 2 (32-oz.) boxes no-salt-added chicken broth, divided
- 1 red bell pepper, seeded and chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 Tbsp. paprika
- 2 Tbsp. white balsamic vinegar, divided
- 1 cup pearled barley, rinsed
- 1 (15.5-oz) cannellini beans, drained and rinsed
- 1/2 (5-oz.) package baby arugula

#### Directions:

Pat chicken dry with a paper towel. Season each drumstick with salt and pepper. In a Dutch oven or large pot, heat oil over medium-high. Add chicken and cook until skin is browned, about 5 to 6 minutes per side. Remove chicken to a plate and set aside.

To pot, add 2 tablespoons chicken broth. Deglaze, scraping the browned bits from the bottom of pan with a wooden spoon. Add bell pepper and cook until softened, 7 to 8 minutes. Add garlic and paprika and cook until fragrant, 30 seconds to 1 minute. Add vinegar and deglaze bottom of pan again.

To pot, add remaining chicken broth, barley and seared drumsticks. Stir to combine and bring to a boil. Reduce to a simmer, cover and cook 30 minutes, until barley is tender and chicken is cooked through. Uncover and stir in beans and arugula. Simmer, uncovered, until beans are warmed through and arugula is wilted. Season stew with salt and pepper to taste. Break apart chicken and discard skin. Remove bones, if desired.

### Irish Sweet Soda Bread

(Family Features)  
Irish Sweet Soda Bread

#### Ingredients:

- 4 tablespoons butter, melted
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 1/2 cups buttermilk
- 4 cups self-rising flour
- 1 cup currants
- 2 tablespoons sanding sugar (optional)
- coffee or tea, for serving (optional)

#### Directions:

Heat oven to 375 F. Mix melted butter and sugar then add buttermilk. Mix in flour and currants.

Flour hands and counter. Add sanding sugar to dough, if desired,



and knead into ball.

Grease small Dutch oven or pie plate and bake 40 minutes. Serve with coffee or tea, if desired, or as a dessert.

Substitutions: Raisins can be used in place of currants.

Servings: 4-6

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# Brewster's Business History on Display at Southeast Museum



Miners at the Mammoth General Store.



Above: The Borden's Condensed Milk plant with horses-drawn wagons.



Left: This postcard shows the Dinosaur Gift & Mineral Shoppe.

Below: A postcard featuring the Brady-Stannard Motor Co.



Below: A parade makes its way down Main Street "back in the day."

The Southeast Museum, Brewster Chamber of Commerce, Putnam County Historian's Office, and Brewster Public Library are collaborating to present "The History of Business of Brewster" beginning Wednesday, March 19 at the Southeast Museum, 67 Main St.

said Oswald. "Their recollections were so specific that they painted a picture for me of what Main Street in Brewster looked like over 60 years ago."

A ribbon cutting ceremony is scheduled at 4:30 p.m., followed by the chamber's monthly meeting.

Brewster Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Paula Hernandez said the chamber is honored to have been involved in the initial planning stages for the exhibit.

More than a year in the making, this exhibit will include memories shared by lifelong residents of the village during interviews conducted by Deborah Oswald, executive director of the Southeast Museum.

"We extend our sincere gratitude to all the individuals who generously shared their stories and to the dedicated team who worked tirelessly to bring this exhibit to life," she said. "It stands as a testament to the enduring spirit and invaluable contributions of the Brewster business community."

"Through planning for this exhibit, I discovered a passion for interviewing people who remember patronizing businesses such as Hope's Drug Store, the Cameo Theater, and Benny's,"

The museum is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. For more information, visit [www.southeastmuseum.org](http://www.southeastmuseum.org).

- ### We Will Miss
- Brewster**  
Maryann LaPorte, 79, Feb. 24. Beecher Funeral Home, Brewster, NY, (845) 279-3615.
  - Carmel**  
Patrick J. Joyce Sr., 89, Feb. 25. Cargain Funeral Home, Carmel, (845) 225-3672.  
Warren M. Carroll, 85, Feb. 28. Cargain Funeral Home, Carmel, (845) 225-3672.
  - Mahopac**  
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# Sheriff's Office Police Reports

A Southeast woman was recently arrested for allegedly promoting child pornography online.

According to Putnam County Sheriff Kevin McConville, in July, investigators were alerted by the New York State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force of a cyber tip related to sexually explicit videos and images that were being transmitted from a residence in Putnam County.

An investigation was initiated, which included gathering computer forensic evidence through subpoenas. On Feb. 18, a search warrant was executed at the residence of 32-year-old Danielle Sawicki, who was interviewed and subsequently charged with three counts of promoting a sexual performance by a child under the age of 17, a class D felony. She was arraigned in Southeast Town Court and released on her own recognizance with a future court date.

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On March 1, members of the Putnam County Sheriff's Office

assisted Suffolk County police detectives with the arrest of a subject who was staying at a residence in the Village of Brewster, who was wanted for a homicide in Central Islip in February. At about 7:30 p.m., Braylan Heredia Escobar, 19, was taken into custody without incident. He was transported back to Suffolk County by detectives and was charged with second-degree murder.

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A Connecticut man was recently arrested by Putnam County sheriff's deputies after allegedly committing multiple larcenies in the eastern part of the county over the last year.

According to Sheriff Kevin McConville, on March 2, 2024, a deputy took a report from a Southeast businessman claiming that his work truck was broken into overnight and approximately \$15,000 worth of tools were taken.

In January 2025, an investigator was advised of another

break-in of a storage container in the Town of Patterson and the larceny of numerous tools.

Then in February, a deputy took a similar report from a different Southeast business, claiming that approximately \$12,000 of tires and rims were taken from another storage container overnight.

Investigators were able to develop a suspect and conducted surveillance of him.

On Feb. 27, Michael Petro, 53, of Waterbury, was brought in for an interview during which he admitted to all three instances and said he sold most of the stolen items for cash. Some of the tools were able to be recovered and will be returned to their owners.

Detectives from the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office also interviewed the suspect for crimes in their county.

Petro was arraigned in Southeast Town Court and remanded to the Putnam County Correctional Facility pending a future court hearing.



## Elder Law Advice Alan D. Feller, Esq.

# Great Moments. Important Moments.

What are your great moments? Is it a graduation? The birth of a child? Completing the Lake Placid IronMan? A killer Karaoke performance of "Lucky Star"? The 1.6 seconds it took Craig MacTavish to block Pavel Bure's path on the final faceoff to secure the Stanley Cup?

The answers depend on your life story. Great moments tend to be categorically larger and louder. They are amazing conclusions or exciting beginnings. There may be an actual finish line and medal. Memories of great moments trigger wide smiles and the good type of goosebumps.

Important moments are different. They can be subtle. Quieter. A few words from your dad during a routine phone call influenced a career decision. Taking a chance on a blind date turned out well. Placing a home in Trust years before a health issue emerged was the right thing to do.

Estate planning definitely falls under the category of important moments. Often there is an ordinariness surrounding it. Going to an office and signing papers feels like a routine process. The results that emerge from intelligent estate planning can be life-changing. A home that is protected may produce financial and living benefits that propels the next generation forward. Maybe, a lack of school debt will allow a loved one to pursue their dream.

Many important moments operate as sliding-doors situations. A path not taken, like a failure to plan your estate, may lead to a more difficult life. Setting up a Power of Attorney, Health Care Proxy, and Living Trust is one positive path that organizes and preserves your resources and empowers your loved ones for your protection.

Important moments are often conversations leading to action. A little initiative goes a long way. An adult child casually mentions estate planning to a parent. That parent, a few hours later, thinking about those words, has a short talk with a neighbor about Trusts. From there, an appointment is made and a family is on the right path.

Subtle. Quiet. But moving forward and incredibly important.

Important moments lead to great moments. The estate planning of a parent or grandparent may be directly responsible for a child's graduate school graduation. A series of sound decisions may strengthen a family's financial life, allowing for its continued growth. We know for a fact that long-term health care costs can remove many thousands of dollars from a family's bank account.

Prevention of this type of loss is the goal an elder law attorney.

We love to revisit our great moments. Pulling up a photo or video takes you back to that exact time. You may even experience some of the emotions tied to that event. Great moments are reminders that life presents a few wonderful surprises to cherish.

Unless you are a Jets fan. Joe Namath aside – the world has been cruel to you.

Your next great moment may be around the corner, but right now is an important moment.

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# Putnam County Community Events

## Board Members Sought

The Town of Kent is accepting resumes for the Lake Carmel Park District Advisory Board. Submit an application or resume to the Kent town clerk at 25 Sybil's Crossing, Kent Lakes, NY 10512 or [lcappelli@townofkentny.gov](mailto:lcappelli@townofkentny.gov).

## Tuesday, March 11

### Table Talk Tuesdays

CoveCare Center will host Table Talk Tuesdays to promote resiliency and family connections, including complementary pizza, soda and light dessert, March 11 at 6 p.m. at Cacciatori Pizza in Mahopac, March 18 at 6 p.m. at Gaetano Pizza & Café in Brewster, and March 25 at 6 p.m. at Cold Spring Pizza. Reservations are required at [prevention@covecarecenter.org](mailto:prevention@covecarecenter.org) or 845-225-2700, ext. 117. Include name, email and phone number, date/location, and the number of people attending.

## Wednesday, March 12

### Carmel Town Board

The Carmel Town Board will meet at 7 p.m. the following Wednesdays at Town Hall: March 12 and 19; April 2, 9 and 16; May 7, 14 and 21; June 4, 11 and 18; July 2 and 9; Aug. 6 and 13; Sept. 3, 10 and 17; Oct. 1, 8 and 15; Nov. 5, 12 and 19; and Dec. 3 and 10.

### College Prep

Reed Memorial Library in Carmel will present "Getting Started with the College Process" on March 12 at 6:30 p.m. Registration is required at [carmellibrary.org/calendar](http://carmellibrary.org/calendar).

### Marine Corps League

The Marine Corps League Putnam County Detachment meets the second Wednesday each month. For membership, email [MCLPutnam-CountyNY242@gmail.com](mailto:MCLPutnam-CountyNY242@gmail.com).

### Greatest Sitcoms

Mahopac Public Library will present "The Greatest Sitcoms of All-Time" on Wednesday, March 12 at 6 p.m. Join award winning author Martin Gitlin for a look into how sitcoms have evolved over the generations in presentation and content. Ages 18 and older. Register at [www.mahopaclibrary.org](http://www.mahopaclibrary.org) or call 845-628-2009, ext. 100.

## Thursday, March 13

### Life Insurance Presentation

Kevin Tunney, a financial services professional at New York Life specializing in life insurance, disability, and long-term care planning, will dispel common myths about insurance, educate on its importance, and provide actionable information for planning Thursday, March 13 at 5 p.m., at Brewster Public Library. Learn about available options, determining appropriate coverage levels, and designing personal plans. Ages 18 and older. Registration recommended.

### 'It Ends With Us'

Watch "It Ends With Us" on Thursday, March 13 at 1 p.m. at Patterson Library. Lily Bloom's life takes an unexpected turn when she meets Ryle Kincaid, a charming neurosurgeon. But as their relationship deepens, shadows from Lily's past and Ryle's secrets challenge her strength and choices. A gripping story about breaking cycles and finding the courage to move forward, this film explores the complexities of love and the power

of self-worth. Rated PG-13. Adults only.

### Meditation

Reed Memorial Library in Carmel will present the Mindful Meditation Series on March 13 at 6 p.m. Registration is required at [carmellibrary.org/calendar](http://carmellibrary.org/calendar).

### Social Security Seminar

Mahopac Public Library will present a Social Security educational seminar Thursday, March 13 at 6 p.m. Join Wayne Quint from Quint Investments and Insurance Services to understand your options to make the best choice for your specific situation. Ages 18 and older. Register at [www.mahopaclibrary.org](http://www.mahopaclibrary.org) or call 845-628-2009, ext. 100.

## Friday, March 14

### 'Frozen Jr.'

Mahopac Middle School Theater Company will present Disney's "Frozen Jr." on Friday, March 14 at 7 p.m., and Saturday, March 15 at 2 and 7 p.m., at MMS. Tickets are \$7 and sold at the door. Students must be accompanied by an adult.

### Women Have Their Say

Tompkins Corners Cultural Center will present "Take Our Words For It," a collection of short plays written by local women exploring loss, infertility, the objectification of women, pageants, and refugees, Friday, March 14 at 7:30 p.m., at 729 Peekskill Hollow Road. Tickets are \$20 at Eventbrite.com.

### Dungeons & Dragons

Reed Memorial Library in Carmel will present a Dungeons & Dragons program March 14 at 12:30 p.m. Registration is required at [carmellibrary.org/calendar](http://carmellibrary.org/calendar).

### 'Gladiator II'

Brewster Public Library will screen "Gladiator II" on Friday, March 14 at 1 p.m. Years after Maximus's death, Lucius enters the Colosseum following the Roman emperors' conquest of his home. Fueled by rage and a desire to restore Rome's glory, he seeks strength and honor from the past. Rate PG-13. Registration recommended.

## Saturday, March 15

### Irish Dinner

A St. Patrick's Day dinner will be offered Saturday, March 15 from 3 to 6 p.m. at Patterson Community Church (dine in or take out), 1059 Route 311. Corned Beef, cabbage, Irish soda bread and more. Adults \$17, seniors (65 and older) \$15, children (younger than 12) \$5. Email [pattersoncommunitychurch.org](mailto:pattersoncommunitychurch.org) or call 845-878-3961.

### Make Slime

Kids age 4 to 6 may celebrate St. Patrick's Day on Saturday, March 15 at 1:30 p.m. at Brewster Public Library by making green, glittery slime. Registration required.

### Music at St. Mary's

Tara O'Grady's Black Velvet Band will perform Saturday, March 15 at 2 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Cold Spring.

## Sunday, March 16

### Homemade Wine Contest

The Italian American Club of Mahopac will hold its ninth annual Homemade Wine Tasting Festival & Competition on Sunday, March 16 at 3 p.m. at 141 Buckshollow Road. Admission is \$40 and includes dinner and music. Top

three scorers will be declared winners and the top winemaker will be crowned Mastro del Vino. Guests will select a Taster's Choice winner. Only IAC members can compete but everyone is invited to attend. RSVP to Linda Cefaloni at 914-582-4373 or Sandra Cefaloni Henderson at 845-745-0762.

### Bowling Fundraiser

CoveCare Center will hold a bowling fundraiser Sunday, March 16 at Spin's Bowl Carmel from 1 to 3 p.m. All ages. Raffles and prizes. \$25 per person, includes shoe rental. Max of six players per lane. Register at [www.covecarecenter.org/community-bowling-day-2025](http://www.covecarecenter.org/community-bowling-day-2025).

### Celtic Harp

Join Erika the Harpist for an afternoon of music and history Sunday, March 16 at 2 p.m. at Mahopac Public Library as she plays and explains the importance of the harp in Celtic culture. Ages 18 and older. Register at [www.mahopaclibrary.org](http://www.mahopaclibrary.org) or call 845-628-2009, ext. 100.

## Monday, March 17

### St. Patrick's Storytime

Kids age 4 to 8 may join Miss Audra for a special St. Patrick's Day storytime Monday, March 17 at 4:45 p.m. at Brewster Public Library. Afterward, create a themed craft. Registration required.

### 'The Quiet Man'

Reed Memorial Library in Carmel will present "The Quiet Man" on March 17 at 1 p.m. Refreshments served. No registration required.

### Storytime With Teachers

A special storytime with teachers from Matthew Paterson Elementary School, for kids in kindergarten through fourth-grade, will take place at Kent Public Library on Monday, March 17 at 4:30 p.m. Register online.

## Tuesday, March 18

### IDA Meeting

The Putnam County Industrial Development Agency will meet Tuesday, March 18 at 6 p.m., at 2 Route 164, Patterson. View the meeting at [www.facebook.com/putnamida](http://www.facebook.com/putnamida). The minutes and a recording will be posted at [www.putnamida.com](http://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 Town Hall: March 18, April 1 and 15, May 6 and 20, June 3 and 17, July 1 and 15, Aug. 5 and 19 (day-times), Sept. 2 and 16, Oct. 7 and 21, Nov. 18 and 25, and Dec. 2 and 16.

### Kids Craft Club

Kids in kindergarten through grade four are invited to the Kent Public Library on Tuesdays, March 18 and April 22 at 4:30 p.m. to read a book and make a seasonal craft. Registration is required.

### Library Meetings

The Kent Public Library Board of Trustees will meet at 7 p.m. in the library on the following Tuesdays: March 18, April 15, May 20, June 17, July 15, Aug. 19, Sept. 16, Oct. 21, Nov. 18 and Dec. 16. The Patterson Library Board of Trustees will meet March 18 at 6:30 p.m. at the library.

### College Prep

Mahopac Public Library will present "Getting Started with the College Process" on Tuesday, March

18 at 6:30 p.m., via Zoom. Are you a high school sophomore or junior or the parent of one who is feeling overwhelmed by starting the college application process? Mollie Reznick from The College Connection will discuss the essential steps to kickstart the journey to higher education. Register at [www.mahopaclibrary.org](http://www.mahopaclibrary.org) or call 845-628-2009, ext. 115.

## Wednesday, March 19

### Balloon

### Twisting Workshop

An interactive balloon twisting class designed for teens will take place Wednesday, March 19 at 5 p.m. at Kent Public Library. Learn the basics and how to create a variety of animals and shapes. After completing the class, have the opportunity to earn community service hours by volunteering at events where you can put your balloon talents to use. Register online.

### Italian Mass

The Italian American Club of Mahopac is sponsoring a mass in Italian and English in honor of the Feast of San Giuseppe (St. Joseph) on Wednesday, March 19 at 7:30 p.m. at St. John's The Evangelist Church, 221 East Lake Blvd., Mahopac. All are welcome. Hospitality served in the Social Hall afterward. For information call Linda Cefaloni at 914 582-4373.

## Thursday, March 20

### Southeast Town Board

The Southeast Town Board will meet at 7 p.m. the following Thursdays at Town Hall: March 20, April 3 and 17, May 1 and 15, June 5 and 26, July 10 and 24, Aug. 7 and 21, Sept. 11 and 25, Oct. 9 and 23, Nov. 6 and 20, and Dec. 4 and 18.

## Friday, March 21

### 'Red One'

Watch "Red One" on the big screen at Brewster Public Library on Friday, March 21 at 1 p.m. When a villain abducts Santa Claus from the North Pole, an E.L.F. (extremely large and formidable) operative teams up with the world's top tracker to locate him and rescue Christmas. Registration is recommended. Rated PG-13.

### 'Little Shop of Horrors'

Carmel High School Music Production Workshop will present the Broadway and Hollywood sci-fi smash musical "Little Shop of Horrors" on Friday, March 21 at 7 p.m., and Saturday, March 22 at 1 and 6 p.m., in the George Fischer Middle School auditorium on Fair Street. Tickets are on sale at [chsperform.booktix.com](http://chsperform.booktix.com).

### Movie Night for Adults

Mahopac Public Library will show a film for adults Friday, March 21 at 6 p.m., featuring a more grown up, sophisticated film selection – or maybe just something wild and fun. Register at [www.mahopaclibrary.org](http://www.mahopaclibrary.org) or call 845-628-2009, ext. 100.

### Appalachian Music

Tompkins Corners Cultural Center will welcome Martha Spencer and the Wonderland Country Band on Friday, March 21 at 7:30 p.m., at 729 Peekskill Hollow Road, Putnam Valley. Spencer is a singer-songwriter, multi-instrumentalist, and dancer from the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia. Tickets are

\$25 at Eventbrite.com.

### Nutty Scientist

Colorful Reactions with the Nutty Scientist meets March 21 at 11 a.m. for children 6 and older at Reed Memorial Library in Carmel. Registration is required at [carmellibrary.org](http://carmellibrary.org) or at 845-225-2439.

## Saturday, March 22

### Introduction to Medicare

On Saturday, March 22 at 10:30 a.m., a representative from Medicare Resource Group will be at the Kent Public Library for an informational presentation. Learn how and when to enroll, when you can make changes, and the different plan options available. For adults and seniors. Register at [kentpl.librarycalendar.com](http://kentpl.librarycalendar.com).

### Rabies Vaccine Clinic

Putnam residents may bring dogs, cats, and ferrets to a free rabies vaccination clinic Saturday, March 22 from 10 a.m. to noon at Veterans Memorial Park (upper park), 201 Gypsy Trail Road, Carmel. Bring photo ID, as well as proof of prior vaccination. Tags not acceptable. If you do not have proof of prior vaccination, your pet will receive a one-year vaccine. Pets must be at least 12 weeks old. All dogs must be leashed. Cats and ferrets must be in carriers.

### Reiki

Reed Memorial Library in Carmel will present "Spring Awakening: Spring Equinox Reiki & Meditation" on March 22 at 10:30 a.m. Registration is required at [carmellibrary.org/calendar](http://carmellibrary.org/calendar).

### Mahopac History Talk

Join Mahopac Public Library on Saturday, March 22 at 12:30 p.m. for a presentation by Brian Vangor, a member of the Town of Carmel Historical Society and the Putnam County Historian's Office, for a look at the Mahopac history collection left by the late Gregory J. Amato – a beloved figure in the community. Uncover the history of Lake Mahopac, from its iconic hotels to the unique life of Mahopac Falls and the surrounding town.

## Sunday, March 23

### FrOGS Hikes

Friends Of the Great Swamp will host winter hikes on the following Sundays at 10 a.m.: March 23 at Pawling Nature Preserve, April 6 at Laurel Ledges. On Sunday, April 27 at 9 a.m. there will be a hike and trail cam class at the Gordon Douglas Reserve West. \$5 registration; email Ken Luhman at [frogspaddle22@gmail.com](mailto:frogspaddle22@gmail.com).

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# Lake Carmel Artist Featured at Kent Library



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Kent Public Library presents “Diversity in Color” through March 31, featuring the work of artist Pamela Hallisey, also known as Aries. This self-taught artist from Lake Carmel blends pyrography and watercolor in a unique “fire and water” technique, bringing local wildlife and imaginative creations to life.

Born in 1971, Aries says she remembers always having access to pencils, paper and crayons – even when times were tough – and thus began her love of creating. Spending time with her “Poppy” in his basement workshop as he created things like dollhouses and personal plaques for loved ones further inspired her.

With all forms of nature as her inspiration, Aries creates fun and fine art in multiple mediums, from vibrant and cute cryptids created with POSCA markers, to realistic birds with watercolor. She also incorporates the use of her pyrography (commonly known as woodburning) tool in as much of her work as

possible.

In recent years, Aries has invested much of her time into figuring out how to bring pyrography and watercolor together, learning the proper temperatures to burn on paper and finding a style that enhanced the beauty of both mediums. She refers to the combining of these two mediums as her “fire and water” technique.

Having always loved everything outdoors, spending time in the woods as a teen in Queens and now enjoying every moment of wildlife she gets to experience around Lake Carmel, Aries brings her love of local wildlife and the outdoors into her current works. Her “Birds of Prey,” “Backyard Birds,” and “Nocturnal” collections feature all the local wildlife she’s surrounded by every day.

Kent Public Library hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday to Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

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# Mr. Brewster Crowned



Sixteen contestants competed in Mr. Brewster.

Ryan Martin was named Mr. Brewster on Feb. 28 at Brewster High School, having raised \$7,105 for cystic fibrosis research.

In total, 16 contestants raised \$32,000 for the cause. Throughout the 14-year tradition, the event has raised more than \$505,000.

Marco Parrello came in second place, having raised \$3,630, and Jacob Ercole came in third place, having raised \$3,040.

The pageant is framed like a traditional beauty pageant, with an emcee, trivia questions, a group dance, individual talent acts, and judges.

Best dressed was awarded to Kevin Cantoral, best dancing went to Nolan Strahley, and cutest baby picture was awarded to Sharif Franklin.

Advisor Marla Egan or-



ganized the show, helped the boys find their talents, wrote the interview and trivia questions, arranged the awards, recruited the emcee and judges and prepared them with scripts, and prepared the contestants for months.

# A Collaboration That Warms the Heart, and Head

Youngsters at Over the Rainbow Learning Center recently colored pictures of hats, which were sent over to the knitting club at the Carmel Friendship Center, where seniors involved with the Putnam County Office for Senior Resources turned those designs into the real thing. Last week, seniors took a road trip to present the final products to the kids.



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# Kingdom Faire Returns to Putnam Valley

Kingdom Faire – a Renaissance festival with a theatrical twist – is officially returning to its roots in Putnam Valley. After a season in Huguenot, Kingdom Faire has found its permanent home at Camp Combe, 684 Peekskill Hollow Road, where it will continue to bring fantasy, adventure, and family-friendly fun to the region.

The third season of Kingdom Faire will kick off May 31 and run each weekend through June 8, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. This unique festival features an immersive, interactive experi-

ence where guests can witness “The Pirate Queen,” a five-act musical performed throughout the day, blending Renaissance revelry with epic storytelling.

In addition to thrilling performances, Kingdom Faire will host more than 40 artisan vendors, showcasing handcrafted goods, period-inspired wares, and treats. Guests can also enjoy archery, zip-lining, and variety acts.

This year, Kingdom Faire will introduce its newest addition: The Fan and Dagger, a pub featuring an open mic session

where locals and visitors can share their music and talents with festival guests.

“We are so excited to bring Kingdom Faire back to Putnam Valley, where it all began,” said Christopher Francia, president of Kingdom Faire. “With Camp Combe as our new permanent home, we have the perfect setting to grow, expand, and continue delivering a one-of-a-kind experience for our guests.”

For tickets and more information, visit <https://kingdomfaire.com> or follow the attraction on social media.



Enjoy a Renaissance festival with a theatrical twist this summer at Camp Combe.

# Local Governments May Face Budget Challenges

The expiration of one-time federal pandemic aid combined with state aid that has not kept pace with inflation and slower growth in local revenue may push some local governments closer to the edge of a fiscal cliff, according to a report released recently by New York State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli.

“With pandemic aid coming to an end and uncertainty coming out of Washington, local governments need to shore up their fiscal foundations,” he said. “By focusing on ensuring structural budget balance, using realistic revenue projections and multiyear planning, local governments will be better positioned to weather whatever financial challenges lay ahead. My office continues to support

local governments by offering resources to help with financial planning and management.”

## Federal Stimulus Aid

Local governments received federal pandemic aid through a variety of programs in 2020, 2021 and 2022. The federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief & Economic Security Act of 2020 provided nearly \$1 billion in targeted aid to five counties and one town in New York, and another \$1.5 billion to New York City at the start of the pandemic.

Local governments outside NYC received a total of \$4.8 billion in financial relief from the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, which they were required to obligate by the end of 2024 and spend by the end of 2026.

Although federal aid traditionally represents the smallest portion of overall revenue for local governments, it was the fastest growing source of revenue during the pandemic – increasing more than 50 percent between 2019 and 2023, from \$2.8 billion to \$4.4 billion.

Outside NYC, counties received the most federal stimulus funds in terms of overall dollars, while ARPA funds represented 14.4 percent of total 2019 (pre-pandemic) revenues for cities, 5.3 percent for towns, 4.5 percent for counties and 3.2 percent for villages.

With these federal funds ending, some cities are taking measures to close structural budget deficits, including overriding the property tax cap to

increase their tax levies. Local governments are at a greater risk of having a structural budget imbalance if the one-time aid was used for recurring costs, such as paying for personnel expenses or ongoing programs.

## Other Revenues Impacting Local Governments

- **Sales Tax** – For most of 2021 and in part of 2022, local governments outside NYC saw double-digit year-over-year percentage increases in local sales tax collections after experiencing a 19 percent decline during the height of the pandemic. Local government sales tax collections outside NYC totaled \$2.85 billion in the fourth quarter of 2024, a decrease of over \$21 million compared to the same quarter in 2023.

This decrease marks a stark contrast to the post-pandemic surge in local sales tax collections. As seen throughout 2023 and 2024, sales tax revenue growth has returned to levels of growth typical of the pre-pandemic period, with moderate year-over-year increases. Local sales tax revenue outside NYC grew 7.5 percent from 2021 to 2022, but just 2.3 percent from 2022 to 2023.

- **State Aid** – The Aid & Incentives for Municipalities program represents the largest amount of unrestricted state aid to local governments. The 2024-25 budget provides \$715 million in AIM funding for all cities, towns and villages outside NYC, or approximately the same amount that was appropriated in 2011-12.

When adjusting for inflation, AIM funding has declined nearly 30 percent over that same period, and is now worth less to local governments than what they received in unrestricted aid in 2004-05, the year before the AIM program started.

In addition, \$50 million in Temporary Municipal Assistance allocated in the 2024-25 budget for all AIM recipients is proposed in the 2025-26 budget to continue for just one more year.

- **Property Taxes** – For localities, property taxes continue to be one of the largest and most reliable sources of revenue, totaling \$13.6 billion in local fiscal year 2023. However, there are statutory limits to how much a local government can raise in property tax revenue.

Under the property tax cap, local governments are gener-

ally required to limit the growth of property tax levies to the lesser of 2 percent or the rate of inflation. In addition, counties, cities and villages are limited in the overall revenue that can be raised through the property tax in any one year by the constitutional tax limit.

After receiving federal ARPA aid, some local governments reduced the amount of property taxes they levied. Overall, counties reduced their property tax levy by 1.2 percent or \$75.7 million from 2022 to 2023, while cities outside NYC raised their levy by 0.3 percent or \$4.1 million during this same period. Towns and villages maintained a steady increase in their property tax revenue before and throughout the pandemic.

## Taxpayers Left in the Dark

The number of local governments that have failed to file timely annual financial reports has been increasing in recent years. For the local fiscal year ending in 2019, 142 (9 percent) of more than 1,575 counties, cities, towns and villages failed to file AFRs on time.

If a local government does not prepare and submit complete and accurate AFRs in a timely manner, it may call into question the effectiveness of the financial management and standing of a municipality, as well as reduces transparency and diminishes accountability for how funds were spent.

Without a timely-filed AFR, the comptroller’s office is unable to issue a Fiscal Stress Monitoring System score to assess a local government’s financial condition.

## Recommendations

DiNapoli recommends local governments: ensure any ARPA funds are spent before the 2026 deadline, identify one-time revenues that were used for recurring purposes and find alternative revenue where needed, communicate with taxpayers regarding the use of additional aid over the past few years, engage in multi-year planning to better understand the implications of current revenue and expenditure actions for out-year budgets, monitor the current budget and adjust as needed, and access the comptroller’s Division of Local Government & School Accountability webinars, management guides, and other publications to assist in developing a budget and maintaining proper accounting records.



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# Community Foundations Provides Grants to College Students

Channeling the philanthropic mission of the John T. Sloper Fund, Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley has recently awarded a total of \$40,000 to Dutchess Community College students to support the costs of their paramedic certification.

John Sloper was the founding partner of the Sloper-Wilen Ambulatory Service, the leading rescue vehicle in Dutchess County, and one of the first in the area to promote the installation and use of automated external

defibrillators at local nonprofit organizations.

In 2005, after the ambulatory service was sold, the John T. Sloper Committee established a permanent endowment with CFHV in his honor with \$1 million, with the intent of supporting and enhancing the emergency medical services field in the region and encouraging residents to enter into the field.

Over the past 20 years, the John T. Sloper Community Fund has awarded more than \$700,000

to support more than 130 local organizations in the installation of AEDs, training, and the acquisition of critical lifesaving medical equipment in Dutchess and Putnam counties. Thanks to CFHV's stewardship, the fund has grown larger than it was at its inception in 2005 and is well-positioned to continue supporting the training of EMS providers.

"To honor Mr. John T. Sloper and his legacy to the local EMS that continue to faithfully serve our communities, our board of

directors is thrilled to support these students as they pursue their education and certifications to become practicing paramedics," said David O'Brien, fund representative. "Our board of directors applauds their hard work in becoming the next generation of EMS professionals. We can't wait to see them succeed in their careers."

Any student or nonprofit organization based in, performing work in, or attending school in Dutchess or Putnam County

is eligible to apply for a scholarship to support their education in the EMS field or for a grant to purchase an AED in Sloper's memory.

To apply, visit [CommunityFoundationsHV.org](http://CommunityFoundationsHV.org).

Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley is partner in philanthropy, empowering individuals, families, businesses, and organizations to establish charitable funds that address the needs of Dutchess, Putnam, and Ulster counties.

## Byrne Promises 'Largest Tax Cut in Putnam History'

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problem solving without breaking the bank."

Byrne said the county currently has \$7.5 million in its property tax stabilization fund, while continuing to reduce its property tax collection and borrowing less.

"Under my leadership, Putnam County has never raised taxes," he said of his past two budgets. "We have consistently cut taxes, driving the property tax rate down to its lowest level in 18 years."

But lawmakers can still do better, he said.

"That's why the county government needs sustainable sources of reliable revenue," noted Byrne. "County sales tax revenue assists counties in funding critical services, including many that are mandated by state government – enabling us to finance our current and future obligations while relying less on property taxes."

While the County Legislature is considering reducing the additional sales tax collection allowed by the state from 2 percent to 1 percent, Putnam is still bringing in more revenue than has been budgeted the past several years.

"In my budget, I intend to propose the largest tax cut in Putnam County's history, providing more meaningful relief to our residents," continued Byrne. This, he said, will make the county "more inviting and more competitive."

According to the county executive, New Yorkers pay the highest property taxes in the country – right behind New Jersey. "That's not fair," he said.

When it comes to facilities and infrastructure, Byrne noted that the Putnam County Youth Bureau is moving from the government campus on Old Route 6 to Tilly Foster Farm in Brewster. "This is a move that just makes sense," he said. "There is already some great youth programs located at the farm, like BOCES."

In addition, a new training facility for emergency services personnel is almost complete. "I'm ecstatic to report that later this year we will cut the ribbon on our new Lt. Michael Neuner Fire & EMS Training Center," announced Byrne.

Also, Peekskill Hollow Road is in the last phase of its years-long improvement project, and is expected to be completed by Mother's Day; and the county office building has been made more Americans-With-Disabilities-Act-accessible, with a new front (side) entrance ramp.

Byrne thanked Deputy County Executive Jim Burpoe, and Director of Compliance and Intergovernmental Relations Jennifer Caruso of the planning department, for leading a committee tasked with reviewing how the county would use its American Recovery Plan Act funding and ensuring no federal funding was wasted.

"As of Dec. 31 of last year, all of Putnam County's federal stimulus ARPA money – \$19 million in total – has been committed," he said. "All dollars have been accounted for and are being spent to benefit you (the taxpayers)."

While the County Legislature opted not to use ARPA money to fund the renovation of Schweiger Hall at Camp Herrlich, lawmakers do acknowledge that that project needs to be addressed. Byrne noted that the camp provides valuable services for working parents, such as after-school programming and summer camp.

"I am committed to securing the funding needed to support this magnificent children's campus," said Byrne. "At a minimum, know that I will include this project as part of next year's capital plan. I hope we can rely on the Legislature's support... It's time we repaid their generosity, honored our obligation, and did more to support their mission."

The county is also working on a new preschool special education program.

"At the moment, we spend millions of dollars transporting and educating many children outside the county to obtain critical services and schooling," explained Byrne. "We have special-needs children below the age of 6 sitting on buses multiple hours a day just to get to a facility that can properly meet their needs."

An executive team lead by Valerie Kurtz, supervisor of early intervention and preschool programs at the health department, is developing a "braided model" with school districts, to provide pre-kindergarten services to families.

"If enacted, this program will save taxpayer dollars, cut transportation times, and produce better education outcomes," said the county executive.

In addition, Putnam intends to partner with community-based services, as well as the Brewster and Carmel school districts, to create a ThinkDIFFERENTLY Pre-K Campus at Hudson Valley InterArts in Pattenon.

"This administration believes in developing an inclusive and comprehensive early learning facility, and this facility will support preschool special education at no extra cost to taxpayers," said Byrne. "For this project to succeed we need all stakeholders involved to come together. That means our school districts, the Town of Pattenon, and the County Legislature. We need

their help."

Another project that has long been in the making is a ride-on-demand pilot program that will explore better ways to serve residents, including paratransit. It is being spearheaded by Planning Commissioner Barbara Barosa.


"Putnam On-Demand is an app-based public transit system where residents can book rides for the price of a regular cup of coffee and get door-to-door service Monday through Saturday," explained Byrne.

The county is also continuing to work with People USA to bring a stabilization center to fruition.

"While this facility will be open 24/7, let me be clear, it is not an inpatient facility like Arms Acres," said Byrne. "It is designed to be a calm, relaxing place for those who need mental health support. We are providing options for individuals and families, allowing people to rely less on the costly and overburdened health care and criminal justice systems for their needs."


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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Kent

**LEGAL NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUATION BY THE KENT PLANNING BOARD #2 2025 FOR THE GUYLAZACA-MAYET PROPERTY 24 SOL DRIVE KENT, NY 10512 TAX MAP: 33.17-1-48**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a Public Hearing pertaining to the property noted above was held before the Town of Kent Planning Board on Thursday, February 13, 2025 and was adjourned to be continued on Thursday March 13, 2025 at 7:30 P.M. at the Kent Town Hall, 25 Sybil's Crossing, Kent, NY 10512 or as soon thereafter as the matter may come to be heard.

This Public Hearing pertains to an application from:

Daniel Mayet  
24 Sol Dr.  
Kent, NY 10512  
Tax Map: 33.17-1-48

This application proposes to alter and a two car garage addition which will be 40,511 square feet on a single-family residence on the property.

The subject property is located at 24 Sol Drive in the R-40 Zoning district.

At this hearing all persons speaking in favor of or in opposition shall be heard. If there are any questions or comments pertaining to this project, please send them to: [planningkent@townofkentny.gov](mailto:planningkent@townofkentny.gov). The telephone number for the Kent Planning Board is: 845-306-5612.

Date: February 17, 2025  
By order of:  
Vera Patterson, Secretary for The Town of Kent Planning Board  
County of Putnam  
[planningkent@townofkentny.gov](mailto:planningkent@townofkentny.gov)  
Kent Planning Board Public Hearing Notice #7 2025

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

25 Sybil's Crossing  
Kent Lakes, NY 10512

Agenda March 17, 2025

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Kent will hold a Public Hearing on **March 17, 2025** at the Kent Town Hall, 25 Sybil's Crossing, Kent Lakes, NY at 7:00 p.m. to review the following applications

1. Paul Harness  
193 Tibet Drive  
Kent, NY 10512

ZBA-25-002: Requesting a variance for an accessory apartment.  
TM# 30.16-1-36

2. Asad Mufti  
Dean Road  
Kent, NY 10512

ZBA-25-003: Requesting a variance for 27,737 sq. ft. to build a house. Minimal lot size 80,000. Existing lot size is 52,263.  
TM# 10.-2-14

3. Andrea Gutierrez  
21 Sedgewick Road  
Kent, NY 10512

ZBA-25-004: Requesting a variance for a pool. Need 4 ft. variance from property line (back of house), 3 ft. 6 in. variance from shed and 2 ft. 6 in. variance from corner of house.

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TM# 33.48-1-36

4. Great Blue Heron  
47 Route 311  
Carmel, NY 10512

ZBA-25-005: Requesting a variance of 1 ft. distance from property line for a covered roof over patio.  
TM# 22.82-1-58

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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### Patterson

TOWN OF PATTERSON PLANNING & ZONING OFFICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE TOWN OF PATTERSON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS** of a public hearing to be held on **Wednesday, March 19, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Patterson Town Hall, 1142 Route 311, Patterson, Putnam County, New York to consider the following applications:

1. **Joseph Plaskett, Jr.: Case #11-24 – Special Use Permit – Accessory Residential Building & Area Variances (Held Over since February 19, 2025):** Applicant is requesting to obtain a special use permit and two area variances pursuant to §154-106 of the Patterson Town Code to legalize an existing accessory building with a three-car garage below. Patterson Town Code §154-106 requires applicants to obtain a special use permit in order to construct an accessory building for residential occupancy. Town Code §154-106(D) limits the garage space of accessory buildings to a maximum of 500 sq. ft. Existing garage is 972 sq. ft.; **variance requested is for 472 sq. ft.** Town Code §154-106(H) limits the height of accessory buildings to a maximum of 80% of the height of the principal dwelling. Existing principal dwelling is 26 ft. in height and existing garage is 21 ft. in height; **variance requested is for 5 ft. in height over the 20.5 ft. permitted.** This property is located at 938 Route 311. Tax Map 13.7-1-35 (R-1 Zoning District).

2. **Fredy Beltran & Doris Vasquez: Case #20-24– Area Variances (Held Over since February 19, 2025):** Applicant is requesting three area variances pursuant to §154-7 and §154-27A(12)(a) of the Patterson Town Code in order to legalize a 4 ft. x 6 ft. shed for garbage receptacle storage forward of the principal dwelling. Town Code §154-7 requires accessory structures in the R-1 Zoning District to meet a minimum front yard setback of 35 ft. and a minimum side yard setback of 15 ft. Structure exists 10 ft. from the front property line and 13 ft. from the side property line; **variances requested are for 25 ft. and 2 ft. respectively.** Town Code §154-27A(12)(a) forbids accessory structures from being located in the front yard; **variance requested is to allow the structure to be located in the front yard.** This property is located at 155 Route 164. Tax Map 23.11-1-45 (R-1 Zoning District).

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3. **Patrick Cassidy: Case #03-25 – Accessory Apartment (Held Over since February 19, 2025):** Applicant is requesting a special use permit pursuant to §154-105 of the Patterson Town Code in order to continue the previously granted use of an accessory apartment within a single-family dwelling. This property is located at 10 Jennifer Ln. Tax Map 33.-2-35 (R-1 Zoning District).

4. **Taras Borovyk: Case #04-25 – Area Variance:** Applicant is requesting an area variance pursuant to §154-7 of the Patterson Town Code in order to construct an addition to a pre-existing, nonconforming dwelling located on a nonconforming lot. Town Code §154-7 requires principal structures to meet a minimum front yard setback of 40 ft. Proposed addition will be 27 ft. from the front property line; **variance requested is for 13 ft.** This property is located at 146 Bullet Hole Rd. Tax Map 34.-3-7 (R-4 Zoning District).

5. **Christina Partap: Case #05-25 – Area Variance:** Applicant is requesting one area variance pursuant to §154-7 in order to legalize an aboveground swimming pool located on a nonconforming lot. Town Code §154-27A(12)(b) forbids accessory structures from being located nearer than 15 ft. to the principal building. Pool exists 10 ft. from the dwelling; **variance requested is for 5 ft.** This property is located at 4 Club Ct. Tax Map 25.63-2-42 (RPL-10 Zoning District).

6. **J.A.S. Property, LLC: Case #06-25 – Area Variances:** Applicant is requesting two area variances pursuant to §154-7 and §154-58 of the Patterson Town Code in order to construct an 8 ft. x 26 ft. front deck attached to a pre-existing, nonconforming dwelling located on a nonconforming lot. Town Code §154-7 requires principal structures to meet a minimum front yard setback of 15 ft. Proposed deck will be roughly 6.8 ft. from the front property line; **variance requested is for 8.5 ft.** Town Code also requires principal structures to meet a minimum side yard setback of 15 ft. Proposed deck will be 11.6 ft. from the side property line; **variance requested is to enlarge a nonconforming building.** This property is located at 18 Waterford Rd. Tax Map 36.23-1-32.-104 (RPL-10 Zoning District).

By Order of the ZBA  
Robert Schmitt, Chairman

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Carmel

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel will conduct a Public Hearing at the Town Hall, 60 McAlpin Ave, Mahopac, New York 10541 on Wednesday, March 19, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter that evening as possible on a proposed Local Law amending Chapter 55 of the Code of the Town of Carmel, entitled "Boats, Waterways and Water-Related Activities" as follows:

**TOWN OF CARMEL PROPOSED LOCAL LAW # OF 2025 A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 55 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF CARMEL, ENTITLED "BOATS, WATERWAYS AND WATER-RELATED ACTIVITIES"**

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of Car-

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mel, County of Putnam, State of New York as follows:

### SECTION 1:

This chapter is adopted pursuant to the authority, of Article 2, § 10 of the New York State Municipal Home Rule Law.

### SECTION 2: AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 55: §55-17

§55-17 of the Town Code of the Town of Carmel entitled "Boats, Waterways and Water-Related Activities" is hereby enacted as follows"

### §55-17 MOTOR VEHICLES ON FROZEN WATER BODIES

No person shall operate or permit to be operated any motor vehicle on any frozen lake or body of water in the Town of Carmel before the hour of 10:00 a.m. or after the hour 4:00 p.m. on any day of the week. This prohibition shall not prevent the operation of a motor vehicle while actually engaged in plowing snow off of an area of such lake or body of water for recreational purposes.

### SECTION 3 – HOME RULE

Nothing in this Local Law is intended, or shall be construed (a) to limit the home rule authority of the Town under State Law to limit the Town's discretion in setting fees and charges in connection with any applications requiring Town approval.

### SECTION 4 – SEVERABILITY

If any part or provision of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person or circumstance be adjudged invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the part or provision or application directly involved in the controversy in which judgment shall have been rendered and shall not affect or impair the validity of the remainder of this Local Law or the application thereof to other persons or circumstances, and the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby declares that it would have passed this Local Law or the remainder thereof had such invalid application or invalid provision been apparent.

### SECTION 5 – EFFECTIVE DATE

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the office of the Secretary of State in accordance with 28-6 herein.

At said Public Hearing, all interested persons shall be heard on the subject thereof. The Town Board will make every effort to assure that the Public Hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone requiring special assistance and/or reasonable accommodations should contact the Town Clerk.

By Order of the Town Board of the Town of Carmel  
Alice Daly, Town Clerk  
March 5, 2025

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Southeast

**SOUTHEAST PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**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, March 24, 2025 at 7:00 p.m., at

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Southeast Town Offices, 1360 Route 22, Brewster, New York to consider the following:

**HONORS FIELD** – Application is being made for Site Plan Amendment and Wetland Permit for a proposal to amend a previously approved site plan to relocate the batting cages and concession stand, introduce a mini golf area in the place of the original batting cages, modify the stormwater management system, add landscaping, increase parking, and add lighting to an approved recreational facility on a +/- 6-acre lot in the ED Zoning District. The property is located at 573 North Main Street, Brewster, NY, and identified as Tax Map Numbers 56.19-1-40.1.

Thomas LaPerch, Chairman  
Town of Southeast Planning Board  
Dated: March 5, 2025

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Brewster Schools

**Brewster Central School District Attention Parents:**

In compliance with §3635 of the New York State Education Law, a parent or guardian of children residing within the Brewster Central School District who are attending a non-public school must request transportation services prior to **April 1st, 2025**, proceeding the next school year, or within 30 days of residence within the district.

To obtain an application, please visit [www.brewsterschools.org/transportation](http://www.brewsterschools.org/transportation)

Each year all new and existing students are required to register and provide proof of residency documents for these services. If you have any questions, please email us at: [transportation@brewsterschools.org](mailto:transportation@brewsterschools.org).

**BY: Mary E. Smith**  
Supervisor of Transportation  
Brewster Central School District  
40 Farm to Market Road  
Brewster, NY 10509  
845 279-4700

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### INVITATION TO BID

Sealed Proposals for the:

**BREWSTER HIGH SCHOOL WELLNESS CENTER ADDITION, INTERIOR RENOVATIONS & RELATED WORK**

Will be received by:

**BREWSTER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
30 Farm to Market Road  
Brewster, New York, 10509

Proposals must be received on or before **2:00 PM**, local time on **04/9/2025** and must be in accordance with the requirements of the Bidding Documents to receive consideration.

Bidding Documents, including drawings and specifications, will be available beginning on 03/11/2025.

The Contract Documents may be examined at the Office of the Architect, Fuller & D'Angelo Architects and Planners, P.C., 45 Knollwood Road, Elmsford, NY (914) 592-4444; however, complete digital sets of Bidding Documents, drawings and specifications, may be obtained online

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The bids will be opened and read aloud immediately following the bid receipt at the BREWSTER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Business Office Board Room, 30 Farm to Market Road, Brewster, New York, 10509.

Proposals must be submitted on the Form provided by the Architect with all blanks appropriately filled in. They must be submitted in a sealed envelope bearing on the outside the name and address of the bidder and title of the Project as noted above.

All bid prices shall be filled in, both in words and figures. Signatures shall be in ink and in longhand. Proposals which are incomplete, conditional, or obscure may be rejected as informal. Additional copies of the Proposal Form will be furnished by the Architect upon request.

No oral or telephonic proposals or modifications of proposals will be considered.

A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held on **03/25/2025, at 2:30 PM**. Bidders are requested to meet at the front entrance of Brewster High School located at 50 Foggintown Road, Brewster, NY 10509.

Lump Sum Bids will be received for four (4) Prime Contracts:

- Contract #1 General Construction.
- Contract #2 Plumbing
- Contract #3 HVAC
- Contract #4 Electrical

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

## Mahopac Public Library

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING, ELECTION AND REGISTRATION OF VOTERS OF THE MAHOPAC PUBLIC LIBRARY

**NOTICE IS GIVEN** that the Annual Meeting of the qualified voters of Mahopac Public Library, being the qualified voters of the Mahopac Central School District, Towns of Carmel and Putnam Valley, New York ("School District"), will be held at Mahopac Public Library, 668 Route 6, Mahopac, New York, on Monday, the 2nd day of June, 2025, at 7:00 pm.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN**

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that the annual Election of Trustees and Budget Vote will be held at Mahopac Public Library, 668 Route 6, Mahopac, New York, on Tuesday, the 3rd day of June, 2025, between the hours of 7:00 am and 9:00 pm for the purpose of:

- (1) voting on the statement of estimated expenses for the 2025-2026 fiscal year (the Budget);
- (2) electing three (3) members to the Board of Trustees.

Petitions for the nomination of candidates must be directed to the Election Clerk of Mahopac Public Library, must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the School District, shall state the name and the residence of each signer and state the name and residence of the candidate, and must be filed with the Election Clerk in the Library at 668 Route 6 no later than 5:00 pm on Friday, April 4, 2025.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that a copy of the statement of amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for Library purposes, exclusive of public monies, may be obtained by any

qualified voter during the seven (7) days immediately preceding the Annual Meeting, except Sunday or holidays, at the Library address above between the hours of 10:00 am and 5:00 pm.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that those residents of the School District who registered at the 2024 Annual Meeting and Election of the School District or who previously registered or voted in any annual or special district meeting or election during the four (4) calendar years prior to this year need not re-register. Also, any resident of the Mahopac Central School District, otherwise qualified to vote, who is currently registered with the Board of Elections of Putnam County under the provisions of the Election Law, shall be entitled to vote without further registration.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN**, that personal registration of voters is required pursuant to §2014 of the Education Law. Qualified voters may register for said Annual Meeting, Election of Trustees and Budget Vote of the Mahopac Public Library at the School District Clerk's Office, 100 Myrtle Ave. Mahopac, New York on weekdays between the hours of 9:00 o'clock A.M. to 4:00 o'clock P.M. (Pre-vailing Time) up to and including Thursday, May 29, 2025.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that the Register prepared pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law will be filed in the office of the Election Clerk of Mahopac Public Library and that same will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the School District between the hours of 10:00 am and 5:00 pm on each of the five (5) days prior to and the day set for the meeting or election, except Sunday, or holidays.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that a qualified military voter who is not currently registered can request a military personal registration form during the same times and at the same locations as listed above. Additionally, qualified military voters can contact the Election Clerk to indicate their preference to receive a personal registration application via mail, facsimile or electronic mail.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that qualified military voters may request a military absentee ballot application from the Election Clerk via email and may indicate their preference to receive a military absentee ballot application via mail, facsimile or electronic mail. Absentee ballots for military voters shall be administered in accordance with the provisions of Section 2018-d of the Education Law and Part 122 of the Commissioner's Regulations.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that applications for

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absentee ballots for the Annual Meeting, Election of Trustees and Budget Vote may be applied for at the office of the Election Clerk at the Mahopac Public Library. If the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, the completed application must be received by the Election Clerk no later than Tuesday, May 27, 2025. If the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter, the completed application must be received by the Election Clerk no later than 5:00 pm on Monday, June 2, 2025. Also, that a list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued will be available at said office of the Election Clerk of the Mahopac Public Library on each of five (5) days prior to the election, except Sunday, or holidays, and that such list will also be posted at the polling place at the election of Trustees.

**By order of the Board of Trustees of THE MAHOPAC PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
668 Route 6  
Mahopac, New York 10541  
**Michele Capozzella, Election Clerk**

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## Supreme Court

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF PUTNAM.

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE CWABS INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-BC2, Plaintiff -against- **BIBIANA HALAGA; PETER HALAGA**, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale dated January 6, 2025 and entered on January 7, 2025, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction will sell at public auction in the courtroom 209 of the Putnam Supreme Courthouse located at 20 County Center, Carmel, NY on March 24, 2025 at 2:30 p.m. premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Caramel, County of Putnam and State of New York; known and designated as Section 86.40 Block 1 Lot 1.

Said premises known as 18 SUMMIT DRIVE, MAHOPAC, NY 10541

Approximate amount of lien \$780,515.32 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale.

Index Number 500826/2022. **CHRISTOPHER A. MONTALTO, ESQ.**, Referee  
Pincus Law Group, PLLC  
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff  
425 RXR Plaza, Uniondale, NY 11556

{\* PUTNAM CO3\*}

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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF PUTNAM **M&T Bank**, Plaintiff AGAINST **Kristen Sullivan**; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered September 9, 2024, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at Courtroom 209 of the Putnam Supreme Court, 20 County Center, Carmel, NY 10512 on March 31, 2025 at 10:30AM, premises known as 181 Topland Road, Mahopac, NY 10541. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being at Lake Secor, in the Town of Carmel, County of Putnam, New York, Section: 74.26 Block: 1 Lot: 28. Approximate amount of judgment \$237,579.65 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #500953/2022. **Anthony C. Carlini, Jr., Esq.**,

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Referee McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC 420 Lexington Avenue-Suite 840 New York, NY 10170 22-12236NY 84373

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SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF PUTNAM.

ELIZON MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST I, U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS OWNER TRUSTEE, Plaintiff -against- **FRANCO C. FLOREZINO A/K/A FRANCO FLOREZINO AKA FRANK FLOREZINO**, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein and dated November 18, 2024, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction will sell at public auction in the courtroom 209 of the Putnam Supreme Courthouse located at 20 County Center, Carmel, NY on April 7, 2025 at 2:30 p.m. premises situate, lying and being a part of a condominium in the Town of Southeast, County of Putnam and State of New York, known and designated as Unit 4-705A together with .9870% percent undivided interest in the common elements. Section: 78 Block: 1 Lot: 20.705

Said premises known as 705 AUTUMN LANE, BREWSTER, NY 10509

Approximate amount of lien \$342,010.79 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale.

Index Number 500839/2022. **RALPH D. AMICUCCI, ESQ.**, Referee  
Kosterich & Skeete, LLC  
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff  
707 Westchester Ave, Suite 302, White Plains, NY 10604

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SUMMONS Supreme Court of New York, Putnam County. **U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION**, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE OF THE TRUMAN 2021 SC9 TITLE TRUST, Plaintiff, -against- **UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTUTES OF THE ESTATE OF KATHLEEN DUKE SANTIAGO A/K/A KATHLEEN SANTIAGO; BRENDA SANTIAGO A/K/A BRENDA SANTIAGO-AKIN AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF KATHLEEN DUKE SANTIAGO A/K/A KATHLEEN SANTIAGO; FRANCIS SANTIAGO A/K/A FRANKIE SANTIAGO AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF KATHLEEN DUKE SANTIAGO A/K/A KAHTLEEN SANTIAGO; TERENCE JOHN DUKE A/K/A TERRY DUKE AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF KATHLEEN DUKE SANTIAGO A/K/A KATHLEEN SANTIAGO; KATHLEEN CONNOLLY A/K/A KATHLEEN SANTIAGO AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF KATHLEEN DUKE SANTIAGO A/K/A KATHLEEN SANTIAGO; CHRISTINE FONTANEZ AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF KATHLEEN DUKE SANTIAGO A/K/A KATHLEEN SANTIAGO; THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE EAGLE RIDGE III CONDOMINIUM; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (SOUTHERN DISTRICT); "JOHN DOE" AND "JANE DOE" said names being fictitious, it being the intention of Plaintiff to designate any and all occupants of premises being**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

foreclosed herein Defendants Index No. 500851/2024 Mortgaged Premises: 1404 Eagles Ridge Road Brewster, NY 10509 Section: 56.14 Block: 3 Lot: 50.1404 TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above captioned action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the Plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after completion of service where service is made in any other manner than by personal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a Defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service hereof. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECTIVE of the above captioned action is to foreclose on a Mortgage to secure \$201,175.00 and interest, recorded in the Putnam County Clerk's Office on September 26, 2008, in Liber Book 5347, Page 369, Document Number 1604610, covering the premises known as 1404 Eagles Ridge Road, Brewster, NY 10509. The relief sought herein is a final judgment directing sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the mortgage described above. Plaintiff designates Putnam County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgaged premises is located. NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. **FRIEDMAN VARTOLO, LLP** 1325 Franklin Avenue, Suite 160 Garden City, NY 11530, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

### NOTICE OF LEGAL POSTPONEMENT OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF PUTNAM, **LONGBRIDGE FINANCIAL, LLC**, Plaintiff, vs. **DEREK DONLEY AKA DEREK GLENN DONLEY, AS HEIR AND ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF JOAN S. DONLEY, ET AL.**, Defendant(s).

Pursuant to an Order Confirming Referee Report and Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on October 28, 2024, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Putnam Supreme Courthouse, courtroom 209, 20 County Center, Carmel, NY 10512 on March 17, 2025 at 2:30 p.m., premises known as 357 Tonetta Lake Road, 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 56.12, Block 3 and Lot 50. Approximate amount of judgment is \$520,316.33 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment

# PUTNAM COUNTY AND TOWN NOTICES

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ment Index #501655/2021. The original sale was scheduled for February 24, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. at the same location.

Justin L. Sweet, Esq., Referee

Greenspoon Marder, 1345 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 2200, New York, NY 10105, Attorneys for Plaintiff

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF PUTNAM

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**HUDSON VALLEY CREDIT UNION F/K/A HUDSON VALLEY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, NOTICE OF SALE**

Plaintiff, -against- **Index No. 501616/2023**

**WADE WILLIAMS, PUTNAM COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OF WANDA JOY WILLIAMS AND ANY OF HER SUCCESSORS IN RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST, "JOHN DOES" and "JANE DOES",** said names being fictitious parties intended being possible tenants or occupants of premises, corporations, other entities or persons who claim, or may claim, a lien against the premises.

**Assigned Judge: Hon. Gina C. Capone Justice of the Supreme Court**

Defendants.

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In pursuance of a Second Amended Order Confirming Referee's Report And Judgment of Foreclosure And Sale duly entered the 4th day of February 2025, I, the undersigned, Referee appointed by said Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at the Putnam County Courthouse, Courtroom 209, 20 County Center, Carmel, New York 10512, on the 14th day of April, 2025 at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon of that day the premises known as 6 Dean Road, Carmel, New York 10512-3116. ALL THAT PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN THE TOWN OF KENT, PUTNAM COUNTY, STATE OF NEW YORK, (TAX MAP ID #10.-2-15) BEING KNOWN AND DES-

### PUBLIC NOTICE

IGNATED AS A METES AND BOUNDS PROPERTY, directed by said Judgment to be sold. APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF JUDGMENT \$106,889.06 PLUS INTEREST AND COSTS.

The premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment of Foreclosure And Sale

and Terms of Sale.

Bruce Bozeman, Esq., Referee

HANDEL & CARLINI, LLP 1984 New Hackensack Road Poughkeepsie, New York 12603

Tel. No. (845) 454-2221

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF PUTNAM

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**HUDSON VALLEY CREDIT UNION, NOTICE OF SALE**

Plaintiff, -against- **Index No. 500808/2024**

**CHARLES W. DEPAOLO, LISA J. EVITTS-DEPAOLO, NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE and MARIE BATTEASE,**

**Hon. Victor G. Grossman Justice of the Supreme Court**

Defendants.

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In pursuance of an Order Confirming Referee's Report And Judgment of Foreclosure And Sale duly entered the 27th day of January, 2025, I, the undersigned, Referee appointed in said Judgment of Foreclosure And Sale, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at the Putnam County Courthouse, Courtroom 209, 20 County Center, Carmel, New York 10512, on the 7th day of April, 2025 at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon of that day the premises known as 62 Warwick Road, Carmel, New York 10512. ALL THAT PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN THE TOWN OF KENT, PUTNAM COUNTY, STATE OF NEW YORK, (TAX MAP ID #22.50-2-36 and 22.50-2-40) BEING KNOWN AND DES-

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IGNATED AS A METES AND BOUNDS PROPERTY, directed by said Judgment to be sold. APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF JUDGMENT \$307,049.84 PLUS INTEREST AND COSTS.

The premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment of Foreclosure And Sale

and Terms of Sale.

Maureen Fleming, Esq., Referee

HANDEL & CARLINI, LLP 1984 New Hackensack Road Poughkeepsie, New York 12603

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF PUTNAM, **NEW RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2017-4**, Plaintiff, vs. **JOHN MILLIGAN, ET AL.**, Defendant(s).

Pursuant to a Decision, Order, & Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on February 5, 2025 and an Order Vacating Referee Appointment and Appointing Substitute Referee in Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on March 5, 2025, 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 April 14, 2025 at 9:30 a.m., premises known as 19 Mega Lane, Carmel, NY 10512. 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, Section 65., Block 1 and Lot 13. Approximate amount of judgment is \$488,645.91 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #501151/2023.

Frank D. Lombardi, Esq., Referee

Friedman Vartolo LLP, 85 Broad Street, Suite 501, New York, New York 10004, Attorneys for Plaintiff. Firm File No.: 224258-1

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF PUTNAM

**DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE UNDER THE POOLING AND SERVICING AGREEMENT DATED AS OF MAY 1, 2003 MORGAN STANLEY ABS CAPITAL I INC. TRUST 2003-NC5,**

Plaintiff,

Against

**COSMO TASSONE; CARMELA TASSONE;**

Defendant(s)

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, duly entered 12/12/2024, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction, at courtroom 209 in the Putnam Supreme Courthouse, 20 County Center, Carmel, NY 10512 on 4/14/2025 at 10:30AM, premises known as 9 Fieldstone Road, Putnam Valley, NY 10579, 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 Town of Putnam Valley and

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State of New York.

Section 74.17 Block 1 Lot 77

The approximate amount of the current Judgment lien is \$753,109.40 plus interest and costs. The Premises will be sold subject to provisions of the aforesaid Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale; Index # 500043/2023

Kevin L. Wright, Esq., Referee.

MCCABE, WEISBERG & CONWAY, LLC, 10 MIDLAND AVENUE, SUITE 205, PORT CHESTER, NY 10573

Dated: 2/24/25 File Number: 18-301543 MB

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#### LLC

Notice of Formation of **Healing Minds Therapy LLC**. Articles of Org filed with SSNY on 12/07/2024. Office Location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Healing Minds Therapy LLC, 113 Old Road, Brewster, NY 10509. Purpose: any lawful purpose or activity.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Formation of **36 KLD LLC**. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/14/2025. Office location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 44 Gramercy Park N, Apt. 4B, New York, NY 10010. Purpose: any lawful activities.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Formation of **DAV Properties, LLC**. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on January 23, 2025. Office location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 3402 Danbury Road, Brewster, New York 10509. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

**DDCDL, LLC** Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 1/30/25. Office in Putnam Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 470 Gage Rd., Brewster, NY 10509, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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**MFS REAL ESTATE HOLDINGS, LLC** Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 1/31/25. Office in Putnam Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC/who/process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 8-10 Tilly Foster Rd., Brewster, NY 10509. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

**MOONDISCO PRODUCTIONS, LLC** Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 1/9/25. Office in Putnam Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 913 Gipsy Trail Rd., Carmel, NY 10512, which is also the principal busi-

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ness location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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**TFM PROPERTIES, LLC** Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 1/30/25. Office in Putnam Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 8-10 Tilly Foster Rd., Brewster, NY 10509, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

**AERIAL VIEW ESTATES LLC**, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/24/2025. 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, 31 Hillside Trail, Mahopac, NY 10541. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Formation of **CATSKILLS OH 25, LLC**. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/17/2025. Office location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: ANDERSON REGISTERED AGENTS, 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 210, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: any lawful activities.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Formation of **Mid Hudson Electrolysis, LLC**. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on February 11, 2025. Office location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 29 Indian Hill Road, Brewster, New York 10509. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Formation of **Upstate Makers LLC**. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 2/10/25. Office location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 183 Fairway Dr, Carmel NY 10512. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

**LUMBER COMPANY BASEBALL LLC**, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/03/2025. 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, 901 Kensington Court, Brewster, NY 10509. Reg Agent: Michael Subin, 901 Kensington Court, Brewster, NY 10509. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

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**CF KISCONA, LLC** Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 1/29/25. Office in Putnam Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 435 Union Valley Rd., Mahopac, NY 10541, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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# Banjo Music Comes to Put Valley

Tompkins Corners Cultural Center will welcome Martha Spencer and the Wonderland Country Band to its stage Friday, March 21 at 7:30 p.m., at 729 Peekskill Hollow Road, Putnam Valley.

Spencer is a singer-songwriter, multi-instrumentalist, and dancer from the Blue Ridge

Mountains of Virginia. Raised in a well-known musical family, she mastered guitar, fiddle, banjo, bass, dulcimer, and mandolin from a young age, along with flatfooting and clogging.

She has performed at festivals, concerts, and workshops throughout the U.S., UK, Canada, Europe, and Australia, and ap-

peared in the documentary "Fiddlin."

Lead by Spencer, the Wonderland Country Band features Jamie Collins on bass and vocals; Lucas Pasley on fiddle, banjo and vocals; and Jake Dwyer on percussion and washboard – as well as dancing.

Tickets are \$25 and may be purchased at Eventbrite or at the door.

Tompkins Corners Cultural Center is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization. For more information about upcoming events, visit TompkinsCorners.org or Facebook, or email info@tompkinscorners.org.

## PUTNAM COUNTY PERSONNEL ISSUES CIVIL SERVICE EXAM PLEASE VISIT WEBSITE FOR DETAILS

Exam Title & No: Public Health Data and Informatics Specialist 88-121-010  
Exam Date: May 17, 2025  
Salary: \$80,000-\$85,000  
Last Filing Date: March 14, 2025  
Exam Filing Fee: \$55

To apply and for information about minimum requirements, job duties, and subject of the exam, as well as the exam announcement, please visit: <https://putnam.munisselselfservice.com/employmentopportunities/default.aspx> or call Putnam County Personnel Department (845) 808-1650 X46105. EEO/AA 3/5, 3/12

## PUTNAM COUNTY PERSONNEL ISSUES CIVIL SERVICE EXAM PLEASE VISIT WEBSITE FOR DETAILS

Exam Title & No: Nutrition Services Manager 88-807-010  
Exam Date: May 17, 2025  
Salary: \$73,800-\$82,000  
Last Filing Date: March 14, 2025  
Exam Filing Fee: \$45

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## PUTNAM COUNTY PERSONNEL ISSUES CIVIL SERVICE EXAM PLEASE VISIT WEBSITE FOR DETAILS

Exam Title & No: Residency Officer (Spanish Speaking) 60-000-180  
Exam Date: May 3, 2025  
Salary: \$30,000-\$35,000 (Brewster School District, part-time position); Salaries vary according to school district  
Last Filing Date: March 14, 2025  
Exam Filing Fee: \$25

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## PUTNAM COUNTY PERSONNEL ISSUES CIVIL SERVICE EXAM PLEASE VISIT WEBSITE FOR DETAILS

Exam Title & No: School Lunch Director II 89-326-010  
Exam Date: May 3, 2025  
Salary: \$90,000-\$115,000 (Carmel Central School District)  
Last Filing Date: March 14, 2025  
Exam Filing Fee: \$55

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## PUTNAM COUNTY PERSONNEL ISSUES CIVIL SERVICE EXAM PLEASE VISIT WEBSITE FOR DETAILS

Exam Title & No: Principal Library Clerk 88-559-010  
Exam Date: May 3, 2025  
Salary: \$19.00-\$20.00 per hour (Mahopac Public Library); varies with other libraries  
Last Filing Date: March 14, 2025  
Exam Filing Fee: \$25

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## PUTNAM COUNTY PERSONNEL ISSUES CIVIL SERVICE EXAM PLEASE VISIT WEBSITE FOR DETAILS

Exam Title & No: Library Director I 60-028-090 T&E  
Exam Date: There is no exam date. This is a training & experience examination  
Salary: \$65,000-\$75,000 (Reed Library); salary may vary according to library  
Last Filing Date: March 15, 2025  
Exam Filing Fee: \$45

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## PUTNAM COUNTY PERSONNEL ISSUES CIVIL SERVICE EXAM PLEASE VISIT WEBSITE FOR DETAILS

Exam Title & No: Quality Improvement/Program Evaluation Manager 60-003-150  
Exam Date: May 17, 2025  
Salary: \$80,000-\$85,000  
Last Filing Date: March 14, 2025  
Exam Filing Fee: \$55

To apply and for information about minimum requirements, job duties, and subject of the exam, as well as the exam announcement, please visit: <https://putnam.munisselselfservice.com/employmentopportunities/default.aspx> or call Putnam County Personnel Department (845) 808-1650 X46105. EEO/AA 3/5, 3/12

## PUTNAM COUNTY PERSONNEL ISSUES CIVIL SERVICE EXAM PLEASE VISIT WEBSITE FOR DETAILS

Exam Title & No: Compliance Enforcement Officer 60-023-870  
Exam Date: May 3, 2025  
Salary: \$20.00-\$25.00 per hour  
Last Filing Date: March 14, 2025  
Exam Filing Fee: \$35

To apply and for information about minimum requirements, job duties, and subject of the exam, as well as the exam announcement, please visit: <https://putnam.munisselselfservice.com/employmentopportunities/default.aspx> or call Putnam County Personnel Department (845) 808-1650 X46105. EEO/AA 3/5, 3/12

## PUTNAM COUNTY PERSONNEL ISSUES CIVIL SERVICE EXAM PLEASE VISIT WEBSITE FOR DETAILS

Exam Title & No: Dietary Technician 87-996-010  
Exam Date: May 17, 2025  
Salary: \$50,576-\$61,500 (2023 Salary)  
Last Filing Date: March 14, 2025  
Exam Filing Fee: \$45

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