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National Night Out was celebrated across the country Aug. 4, with police departments and law enforcement agencies engaging with the public to promote better community relations. The Carmel Police Department and Town of Carmel Recreation Department hosted a family-friendly event full of food, music, bubbles, games, and more at Airport Park in Mahopac (pictured).

## Police Make Community Connections During National Night Out



The Brewster Police Department hosted their event at Wells Park, and the Kent P.D. invited the community to its headquarters at town center. Additional photos are on page 8. Photos by Chloe Wareham-Gordon.



## Money on the Way To County Agencies Fighting Hunger

By Holly Crocco

Money is on the way to local nonprofits that are helping to keep food on the table for area families in need.

The Putnam County Legislature voted unanimously during its Aug. 4 meeting to release \$150,000 from the county's sub-contingency budget and transfer it to Cornell Cooperative Extension-Putnam and Second Chance Foods, to fight food insecurity.

In 2025, the Legislature voted to dedicate the funds to support agencies that help feed the hungry, moving the money into subcontingency – which is where it has sat for several months. However, with last week's vote, CCE will soon get \$100,000 and Second Chance Foods will get \$50,000.

Legislator Toni Addonizio, R-Kent, noted that the funding will support not only the purchase of food, but packaging, storage and refrigeration, transportation, program coordination, meal preparation systems, and everything else involved.

"The funding will help implement strategies and make sure valuable resources meet those who need it most," she said. "I'm proud to support the \$150,000

funding, which will help our community build a more sustainable food assistance network."

Legislator Bill Gouldman, R-Putnam Valley, said he has seen firsthand how busy these agencies are and the demand they see.

"We do live in a very wealthy community, but there

**'Our neighbors who are struggling with hunger cannot afford to wait... We respectfully ask that you not keep hungry people waiting.'**

**Marsha Elder,  
Second Chance  
Foods**

are many of our neighbors and friends living in the shadows, and whatever we can do to get food to the food pantries... we really should do as a government," he said. "One-hundred-and-fifty-thousand is great, but I can tell you it's not going to go very far. But

it's what we have in front of us."

Legislator Erin Crowley, R-Mahopac, supported the idea, but said she was concerned about a "whereas" clause in the resolution that mentions the funding filling a gap for the loss of Meals on Main on the western side of the county.

"To me that sounds inequitable," she said. "I do not want to see this money sit in subcontingency. I want to see it move... I want this resolution to work for all who are suffering with food insecurity."

Legislator Nancy Montgomery  
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## Muddy Puddles Mess Fest a Sloppy Good Time!



The annual Muddy Puddles Project Mess Fest took place Aug. 1 at Camp Kiwi in Mahopac, where families from near and far got down and dirty. A color run, food fight, giant slip-and-slide, bubbles galore, and so much more had kids and adults enjoying the free-spirited day. Additional photos are on page 16.



The event is a fundraiser for the TLC Foundation of Carmel, which raises money for childhood cancer research. It is named in honor of Ty Louis Campbell, who passed away at 5 years old. Photos by Laurie Spens Photography.

# Letters to the Editor

## Support for County Seat Park

Dear Editor:

As a small business owner for nearly 40 years, my first instinct is to keep 34 Gleneida a retail location. As that, it does not fit anymore. Not with our county seat behind. Our seat needs to the center of the site.

A park dedicated to somebody who has been important to our area would be most fitting, in my opinion. A place where people can gather. A place where people can just sit and think, or pray, or simply reflect on the wonderful surroundings. This is a 250-year opportunity in the least.

I agree that there should be no more thought or studies or engineering to tear down a building that was purposed for the previous century.

*Joe Downey  
Patterson*

## What is Freedom of Speech?

Dear Editor:

This letter is in response to the recent desecration of a mock copy of the Declaration of Independence that was on display at the Putnam County Courthouse.

At our VFW on July 10 in Veterans Memorial Hall, where we are neighbors to the courthouse, we held our monthly meeting. It was standard stuff that are parts these meetings – old business and new

business intermixed with the pledge of Allegiance and several prayers. We noted members that were ill or in need. We paid bills, discussed veterans’ legislation, and the renovations of our building.

At the end of the meeting, the commander calls for “Good of the Order.” Typically, we can bring up anything we feel is important to the VFW or veterans.

Hands shot up. Everyone wanted to talk about the desecration.

Our commander, ignoring the raised hands, started. His daughter, who recently graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy and is now serving in the Navy, was home on leave and signed the document. She will not be home again in time to sign the (replacement) document that represents and founded the principles of the nation she proudly serves.

The commander was crestfallen. The rest of us looked at each other. We all made comments, but none had the impact of his family’s loss. Yes, it is a loss.

There were suggestions of a letter to the editor, and the commander asked me if I would write the letter.

Following that verbose introduction begs a question: what is freedom of speech? Apparently, few people know the answer and fewer people have risked their lives to protect freedom of speech.

The public was asked to sign a mockup of the Declaration of Independence in honor of America’s

250th birthday. The key word here is “honor.” It was a program set up to honor America. If you do not want to honor America’s 250th, don’t. You can ignore it or protest it, but why ruin the event for those of us who want to honor America’s 250th?

Our freedom of speech was stolen from us by a few inept individuals who feel they are more important than those who choose to honor America.

In the humble opinion of members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1374, our freedom of speech was taken away and those responsible for that should be punished.

Again, the purpose of the display was to honor America, not to disparage America – the country we, as veterans, fought for and died for. Let us forget...

*Karl Rohde  
Representing VFW Post 1374*

## Lawler Supports First Responders

Dear Editor:

Putnam County has a lot of open water and rugged ground, which is beautiful until someone goes missing on a lake or a trail – and every minute counts. Our sheriff’s department has been building out a program to respond faster in exactly those moments.

Congressman Mike Lawler secured \$469,000 for the county’s drone and marine public safety program, including a “drone as a first responder” effort. That means deputies can get eyes on an emergency and reach people on the water faster than ever before, which in a search-and-rescue is often the whole ballgame.

I like knowing our first responders are getting modern tools instead of being asked to do more with less. Thank you to Rep. Lawler for backing the people who keep Putnam County safe.

*Brian Garay  
Putnam Valley*

# Memorial Concert

Tompkins Corners Cultural Center will present folk singer-songwriter Kevin McKrell in a memorial concert honoring Theresa Joyce, longtime TCCC supporter and Putnam Valley resident, on Saturday, Aug. 15 at 6:30 p.m., at 729 Peekskill Hollow Road.

Known for blending Celtic, folk, and bluegrass traditions with heartfelt original songwriting, McKrell creates music that resonates across generations and musical boundaries.

In addition to his acclaimed solo career, McKrell was a founding member of the influential Celtic folk band Donnybrook Fair and the Celtic bluegrass group The McKrells. His songs – celebrated for their honesty, humor, and humanity – have been performed by artists around the world.

Joining him are bassist Arlin Greene, who has toured internationally with artists including Bill Keith, Dan Tyminski, James “D Train” Williams, and The McKrells; and Frank Orsini, one of upstate New York’s most respected acoustic performers, bringing his talents on fiddle, viola, mandolin, and guitar.

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

For more information, visit TompkinsCorners.org.



# Working Mom

By Holly Crocco



# ABCs ... And F-, H- & Sh-Words

“Mom, I have to tell you something.”

The statement came from the 8-year-old after I picked him up from flag football camp recently, and he was sitting in the back seat as I navigated us onto the main road. Many of our most fruitful conversations happen in the car – for whatever reason – so I didn’t think too much about it.

“What’s that, bud?”

“I don’t want you to get mad.”

His voice was a little shaky, which got my attention.

“Okay...”

A pause. “I said the F-word two times today.”

“Oh. Uh ... Well, how did you say it?”

“What do you mean?”

“Like in what context? Were you mad, or upset? Or maybe trying to be funny?”

Mikey explained to me that some other kid used the word in jest when talking to his brother, and Mikey repeated that word... twice.

“Did you get into trouble?”

“No. The coaches didn’t hear it.”

“Oh.” Taking to heart that this kid has such a guilty conscious that he will confess his curse words to me without having been caught, I decided not to make a big thing out of it. “Well, I don’t love that you said the F-word,” I told Mikey. “But I’m sure you’ve heard some adults say it, when they shouldn’t, either.”

“Oh, yeah. You and Dad say it all the time.” (For the record, I wouldn’t go so far as to say it leaves our lips “all the time,” but maybe on occasion.) “And the kids at camp swear a lot. And the coaches.”

“OK, well, let’s try not to copy anyone, when we know it’s not something we should be saying.”

“Nonno swears all the time, too.”

Truth.

“OK, OK. So we’re all going to try not to swear. Got it?”

“Got it.”

Great. Awesome. Crisis averted.

A week later we were camping at Jellystone Park just over the river, and – very long story short – Mikey thought someone had taken his bike when actually I had just moved it. When we found each other he was absolutely hysterical, thinking “some thief” had stolen it.

It broke my little heart.

By the time we got back to the cabin he calmed down, and as the adrenaline subsided, the familiar sentence reared its head. “Mom, I have to tell you something.”

“Hmm?”

“I swore when I thought my bike was stolen.”

I sighed. “Well, I get that. You were upset. What did you say?”

“The G-word.”

That one took me a minute.

“Like, the lord’s name?”

“Yeah.”

That surprised me, because Mikey recently completed his first communion and learned why that term is so offensive. “Honestly,” I told him. “I’d rather you say the F-word than the lord’s name, because that’s really bad.”

A quiet minute passed. “I also said the D-word. Twice.”

Another sigh. “Just go to bed.”

“Are you going to tell Dad?”

“No.” (Yes.)

We got back from Jellystone and Mikey had to finish out the week at another summer camp. After picking him up one day, his voice came from behind me in the car.

“Mom?”

“Yeah, bud?”

“I said the Sh-word today.”

Pulling into the first parking lot we came to, I turned around. “This has got to stop. Where are you hearing all these words this from?”

It semes that between me and my husband, Nonno, possibly some kids and counselors at camp, probably a show or two he shouldn’t be watching, and even some music on the radio, the kid has gained a robust vocabulary. So I told Mikey he had to make a swear jar when we got home and he would be putting his own money in – from birthdays, his communion gifts, etc. – each time he swears.

And Dad and I have to do the same.

That jar now sits proudly in the bay window, the sun shining through it and projecting little prisms on the wall.

And it’s possible that by the end of the year we’ll be able to use that money to afford a trip to Disney.

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# Community Celebrated at Lake Carmel Summer Fest



A record crowd of Lake Carmel residents and guests turned out for the 34th annual Lake Carmel Summer Festival on Aug. 2.



There were many winners of the swimming races, with Alex Berardi winning the annual lifeguard race – the first four-time winner in the history of the event.

The event was organized and managed by the Lake Carmel Park District Advisory Board, in coordination with the park district crew and lifeguards, and Town of Kent Highway Department, police department, and town board. It was sponsored by local merchants.



## We Will Miss

**Brewster**  
Domenica Ciminiello, 88, July 28. Beecher Funeral Home, Brewster, NY, (845) 279-3615.

**Carmel**  
Brittney Anne Mancusi, 31, July 30. Cargain Funeral Home, Carmel, (845) 225-3672.

**Putnam Valley**  
Joseph S. Petti, 56, July 24. Joseph J. Smith Funeral Home, Mahopac, (845) 621-1992.



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# New President Appointed at Putnam Hospital

Derek Anderson has been appointed president of Putnam Hospital in Carmel, assuming the role while continuing to serve as president of Northern Westchester Hospital, announced Northwell Health recently.

“Derek’s blend of strategic vision, operational expertise, and commitment to patient-centered care makes him exceptionally well-positioned to lead Putnam Hospital into its next phase of growth,” said Kevin Beiner, Northwell’s executive vice president and chief operating officer. “Derek’s expanded role will strengthen collaboration between our teams, accelerate the sharing of best practices, and ensure we continue providing outstanding care for patients throughout the region.”

Anderson, a fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives, has led NWH since 2019, where he has driven clinical and operational advancements. Under his leadership, the hospital earned a prestigious five-star rating from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services for three consecutive years and achieved Magnet® recertification with distinction.

Anderson has overseen several key initiatives, including the introduction of cardiac cath-



Derek Anderson has been named president of Putnam Hospital.

terization and electrophysiology services, the launch of graduate medical education programs, and the implementation of the Epic electronic medical record system.

Anderson began his career with Northwell Health in 2009 as a financial and strategic planning analyst and later held progres-

sive leadership roles at North Shore University Hospital, where he contributed to major capital and strategic projects.

“Putnam Hospital has a strong history of serving its community with excellence and compassion,” said Anderson. “I look forward to listening, learning, and working alongside our teams to strengthen services, expand access to care, and ensure we continue meeting the evolving needs of the patients and communities we serve.”

Putnam Hospital is a 164-bed acute care hospital in Carmel providing medical, surgical, psychiatric, and 24-hour emergency services. It was established in 1964 and is the only hospital in Putnam County, serving Putnam, northern Westchester, and southern Dutchess counties.

Anderson succeeds Dr. Mark Hirko, who recently retired following nine years of service to the organization.

## ‘Fixers’ Needed

Sustainable Putnam needs volunteer “fixers” with skills in either sewing, gluing, basic electrical, or mechanical work to help at its Repair Cafes which are held around the county. These “repair coaches” work together to diagnose and repair

a wide array of household items. Volunteers are provided with snacks and lunch – as well as camaraderie . Email [volunteer@sustainableputnam.org](mailto:volunteer@sustainableputnam.org) or call 646-598-6560.

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# Building Healthy Habits With Nutrition Education

This summer, students in Brewster Central School District’s special education and Career Skills summer program are discovering that healthy eating can be both fun and delicious.

Through Harvest NY’s Rooted in Learning Farm-to-School Initiative, Jo from Cornell Cooperative Extension-Putnam County has been leading hands-on nutrition education with multiple student groups from second grade through high school. The six-session series combines interactive cooking experiences, food exploration, and nutrition lessons that help students build confidence in the kitchen while developing lifelong healthy habits.

Each week, students learn culinary skills paired with nutrition concepts and tastings. Students kicked off the program by practicing knife skills while preparing a colorful fruit salad and learning the benefits of “eating the rainbow.” Then, they explored the spectrum of whole to processed foods by transforming fresh cucumbers into homemade pickles.

Another session focused on whole grains as students examined food packaging to identify whole grain ingredients before preparing cranberry oatmeal balls. Most recently, students created yogurt parfaits while



Brewster students work with CCE members to learn about healthy eating.

learning about the importance of calcium and vitamin D in building strong bones.

Although the summer program is still underway, its impact is already evident. Students,

teachers, and classroom aides alike have shared that they’ve recreated many of the recipes at home, and teachers are already asking to expand the program into the school year.

## Nutrition Corner

By Allison J. Stowell  
MS, RD, CDN



## Gut-Friendly Summer Eats

There are many reasons to engage in good habits for gut health. Almost 80% of our immune system is found in our gut lining, which means that gut health is key to supporting a strong immune system. Additionally, good gut health improves digestion and reduces occasional discomfort and other symptoms. Here are some tips for getting you on the right track for a happy, healthy gut.

### Fiber

Consume adequate fiber to promote digestive regularity (along with lasting fullness, balanced blood sugar, and better cholesterol levels). Seek a variety of fiber sources from whole grains, vegetables, and fruit. If you live with constipation, then aim for foods high in insoluble fiber like wheat bran, brown rice, nuts, seeds, and produce (particularly skins). Remember to also focus on hydration. Consuming fiber without adequate hydration increases potential for constipation instead of relieving it.

Most of us don’t meet our daily fiber goals. The following guidelines are recommended:

Women under age 50, 21 grams/day, increasing to 25 grams/day over age 50

Men under age 50, 30 grams/day, increasing to 38 grams per/day over age 50

If you struggle to meet the daily guideline, adding a supplement is helpful.

### Probiotics

Probiotics are helpful bacteria found in our gut microbiome that help maintain good gut health. Consuming additional probiotics help our microbiome flourish, which leads to a healthier gut. You will find probiotics in fermented foods, probiotic yogurts, kimchi, kombucha and other enhanced products (like teas). If an illness or infection requires antibiotics, add daily probiotics to prevent negative side effects.

### Prebiotics

Think of prebiotics as “food” for probiotics. When we consume prebiotic-rich fibers, we’re helping our gut microbiome flourish, which improves gut health. Many fiber-rich foods are prebiotic, in-

cluding bananas (slightly unripe), raspberries, blackberries, onions, garlic, cabbage, whole grain wheat, and almonds. You will also find prebiotic “functional” sodas on today’s supermarket shelves. These are helpful but may contain added sugar or other additives you are seeking to limit. Review nutrition facts carefully and go for Guiding Stars-earning options.

Allison Stowell MS, RD, CDN is a registered dietitian for Hannaford Supermarket. For more information about free, virtual nutrition classes and more, visit [Hannaford.com/dietitians](http://Hannaford.com/dietitians). To learn more about the Guiding Stars nutrition guidance program, visit [GuidingStars.com](http://GuidingStars.com).

### Artichoke Potato Salad (2 Guiding Stars)

This recipe supports gut health with probiotics found in yogurt and prebiotics found in the artichokes and garlic. For additional prebiotics, try adding chopped onion. Cold potatoes are high in resistant starch, which also supports gut health.

#### Ingredients:

- 1 (1.5 lb.) bag “steam in bag” fingerling potatoes
- 1 (14 oz.) can quartered artichoke hearts, drained and rinsed
- 1 lemon
- 1 tsp. garlic powder
- 3 Tbsp. stone ground mustard
- 1 cup plain probiotic yogurt
- 1/4 cup fresh parsley, chopped
- 1/2 cup fresh mint, chopped
- 1 1/2 tsp. ground black pepper

#### Directions:

Cook potatoes according to package directions. Transfer to a large bowl and cool in an ice bath or under cold running water.

Once potatoes have cooled completely, cut into 1”-sized disks, return to bowl and add artichokes.

Use lemon to make 2 teaspoons of lemon zest and 2 tablespoons of lemon juice. Combine in a small bowl with remaining ingredients.

Add yogurt mixture to potatoes and artichokes and gently toss until well combined. Chill in refrigerator for up to an hour. Serve cold.

## Pulled Pork Sandwiches

(Family Features)

**Pulled Pork Sandwiches with Pickled Celery and Jalapenos**

#### Ingredients:

- 4 1/2 pounds pork shoulder or Boston butt
- 26 ounces sweet and spicy barbecue sauce
- 1/2 tablespoon garlic
- 1/2 tablespoon fresh cracked black pepper
- fresh sandwich buns
- Dandy Celery, cut & pickled jalapenos
- coleslaw (optional)
- potato salad (optional)
- baked beans (optional)

#### Directions:

Place pork in slow cooker. Mix barbecue sauce, gar-



lic and pepper. Pour over pork shoulder.

Cook on low 8 1/2-10 hours or high 6-7 hours.

Shred meat and serve on buns with pickled celery and jalapenos. Top with coleslaw, if desired. Serve with potato salad or baked beans, if desired.

Source: Dandy Farm Fresh Foods

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# New Tech Helps SPCA Fight Animal Cruelty

The Putnam County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals is set to deploy its computer-aided dispatch, records management system, and OnScene mobile app to modernize dispatch, incident reporting, case management, investigations, and field operations, through Mark43 – a cloud-native public safety operations platform.

Working alongside Putnam County 911, the Putnam County Sheriff's Office, local police departments, New York State Police, and NYS Environmental Conservation Police, the Putnam County SPCA leads investigations into animal cruelty and related criminal offenses including domestic violence, protects vulnerable animals and people, and helps hold offenders accountable under state law.

"Mark43 is lightyears ahead," said Putnam County SPCA Chief Ken Ross. "For years we've been working around the limitations of legacy technology, manually moving information between systems and spending time trying to piece together details that should already be there. With Mark43, our people won't be flying blind. They can help animals in need, do their job safely, and get home."

Putnam County SPCA receives calls around the clock from residents, surrounding agencies, and public safety partners, ranging from reports of neglected or injured animals, to active cruelty investigations where officers must respond with accurate information immediately.

For the first time, the agency will have real-time visibility into unit locations. The live map within Mark43 CAD shows dispatchers and officers the location of nearby units, resources, and details for smarter response and better officer safety.

"We don't have a way to see where our units are or quickly pull information while a call is unfolding," said Ross. "With Mark43, we'll have better information from the moment the call comes in. Everything will carry through into the investigation without losing details so we can stop wasting time chasing down information we should already have."

In 2025, Putnam County SPCA responded to and investigated near-

ly 2,600 blotter entries – a 9 percent increase from 2024. In 2026, the agency is tracking and expecting another 10 percent increase in activity. Ross estimates the new system will eliminate up to 20 minutes of administrative work per call, freeing officers to get back in the field.

As a certified 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, Putnam County SPCA must demonstrate the breadth of its work to county leaders while documenting investigations that often involve multiple agencies and jurisdictions. With Mark43, it can analyze and generate reports to support operational planning and funding decisions.

"Every year we're asked to show what we're doing," said Ross. "Today that means sorting through reports one by one – manually. With Mark43, we'll be able to clearly show where we're responding, what cases we're handling, and the impact we're making. That transparency will help us advocate for the funding we need to advance our mission."

Animal cruelty calls often signal larger public safety concerns. Officers responding to reports of neglect, abuse, or abandoned animals regularly encounter domestic violence, child welfare issues, elder abuse, or illegal weapons. Access to accurate information before arriving on scene will help officers prepare and respond with greater awareness.

Using Mark43 OnScene, officers can securely access CAD and RMS information from mobile phones, review address history, and begin documenting investigations directly in the field.

"Nine times out of 10, we don't know exactly what we're walking into," said Ross. "Having location history, previous incidents, and important safety information at our fingertips will give our officers a much clearer picture of the situation. It will help us respond smarter, faster, and stay safer."

As Putnam County SPCA modernizes its operations with Mark43, community support remains essential to its mission. Community members can support by donating, volunteering, reporting suspected animal cruelty, or helping raise awareness of its work. To learn more, visit [www.spcaputnam.org](http://www.spcaputnam.org).

# Stabbing Suspect Charged With Attempted Murder

The Carmel Police Department has released the name of the suspect involved in a stabbing at the U.S. Post Office in the Carmel on July 30.

Howard McNiff, 38, of Nanuet, was taken into custody at the scene and has been charged with second-degree attempted murder and two counts of second-degree assault, felonies; as well as fourth-degree criminal possession of a weapon, a misdemeanor.

Shortly before 3 p.m. July 30, Putnam County 911 received a report of a disturbance at the location. McNiff is alleged to have entered the post office armed with a knife and stabbed a postal employee – a 61-year-old Carmel man – multiple times in the upper torso. A second postal employee was cut on the arm while attempting to stop the attack.

A Putnam County sheriff's deputy who arrived first on the

scene deployed a Taser on the suspect, who was still chasing the victim, before taking him into custody.

The victim was transported by private vehicle to a local hospital, where he was treated for non-life-threatening injuries and released the same day. The second employee declined medical attention.

Preliminary investigation indicates the defendant was known to the victim, making it an isolated incident with no further threat to the community.

McNiff was arraigned July 30 in Carmel Town Court, temporary orders of protection were issued, and he was remanded to the Putnam County Correctional Facility with a future court date.

Anyone with additional information is asked to contact the Carmel Police Department at 845-628-1300.

# On-Demand Transit Service Expands to Philipstown & Putnam Valley

The county's app-based public transportation service Putnam On-Demand is expanding into the towns of Philipstown and Putnam Valley, marking the program's first service expansion since its launch in May 2025.

The expansion is among the first recommendations to be implemented from the county's comprehensive transit study, which evaluated transportation needs across Putnam and identified opportunities to modernize and improve mobility. The full study will be sent to the County Legislature for review and consideration.

Since debuting, Putnam On-Demand has provided affordable, app-based transportation throughout Patterson and portions of Southeast and Carmel, allowing riders to request trips on demand rather than relying solely on traditional fixed-route bus schedules.

The expansion into Philipstown and Putnam Valley addresses a challenge that has existed for decades, according to County Executive Kevin Byrne. The hilly terrain, winding roads, and lower-density development patterns in western Putnam have made traditional bus service difficult to provide efficiently. The flexibility of Putnam On-Demand offers a better solution, connecting residents to employment, healthcare, shopping, recreation, and other essential destinations.

"From day one, we said Putnam On-Demand was just the beginning – not the finish line," said Byrne during a recent press conference in Cold Spring. "This expansion is another example of Putnam County embracing innovation to improve quality of life while being responsible stewards of taxpayer dollars. Traditional bus service simply wasn't designed for communities like Putnam Valley and Philipstown. Demand-re-



Clive Cronin of Putnam Valley praises the county for providing better transit services.

sponsive transit gives residents the flexibility they deserve while making our public transportation system more efficient and more accessible."

A number of residents who've been advocating for public transit in their town also attended the press conference.

"My son is on the autism spectrum and he'll be 20 years of age this coming week," said Clive Cronin of Putnam Valley. "This system is very important to people with special needs in our community. It gives them independence that they can go through their lives, go shopping, go to the movies. My son goes to the gym in Jefferson Valley... Yes this will be wonderful for him – for all of us."

The county's transit study concluded that expanding microtransit into western Putnam, allowing for rides just outside the county to places like Jefferson Valley, Somers Commons, and Shrub Oak Shopping Center would provide more reliable and cost-effective service than extending conventional fixed-route buses into areas where geography has historically limited transit options.

"Putnam On-Demand is going to be a game changer for Putnam Valley," said Legislator Bill Gouldman, who represents that town. "Our community has unique transportation challenges and traditional bus routes have never fully met those needs. Putnam On-Demand is a practical, common-sense solution that will give residents greater independence and better access to services throughout the county."

Legislator Nancy Montgomery, who represents Philipstown, called the initiative "a long time coming."

"I am very happy that Putnam County is expanding Putnam On-Demand microtransit service to the western side of the county," she said. "Congratulations to Commissioner (Barbara) Barosa and the entire planning department. I have witnessed your hard work and commitment to the people of Putnam County for decades, and this may be one of your finest achievements yet. I'm truly excited to see it happen."

Byrne will ask the County Legislature to fund the program as part of his 2027 budget proposal.



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# Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Targeted on the Taconic

The New York State Police are highlighting vehicle enforcement detail along the Taconic State Parkway in a recent television commercial, calling it an important step in ongoing efforts to improve safety on one of the Hudson Valley's busiest roadways.

In June, following reports from constituents regarding a growing number of commercial vehicles traveling on the Taconic despite longstanding restrictions, Assemblyman Matt Slater, R-Yorktown, requested action from both the Department of Transportation and the State Police. His request also asked DOT to include an analysis of commercial vehicle traffic and its potential impact on roadway safety as part of its ongoing comprehensive safety assessment of the Taconic.

"The safety of everyone who travels the Taconic State Parkway must remain a top priority," said Slater. "I appreciate the New York State Police responding to these concerns with increased

enforcement."

The lawmaker said restrictions on commercial vehicles exist for a reason on the Taconic, which was never designed to accommodate large trucks. "Keeping



prohibited vehicles off the roadway helps make travel safer for the thousands of Hudson Valley residents who rely on it every day," he said.

The recent enforcement detail targeted commercial vehicles operating on the Taconic in violation of parkway restrictions, resulting in numerous enforcement actions and the removal of prohibited

vehicles from the roadway.

While welcoming the enforcement effort, Slater emphasized that additional work remains.

"This is an important step, but it is only one part of the broader conversation," he said. "We are still awaiting DOT's comprehensive safety assessment of the Taconic State Parkway and remain in communication with the department as that review continues. I look forward to reviewing its findings and working with our state agencies to identify additional opportunities to improve safety for everyone who travels the Taconic."

On July 27 and 28, NYSP conducted a commercial vehicle enforcement detail on the Taconic, issuing a total of 158 uniform traffic tickets, including 114 violations for commercial vehicles operating on the parkway; 11 violations for vehicles with painted or displayed signs, names, or insignia operating on the roadway; and 33 other NYS vehicle and traffic law violations.

# New Admin Appointments at Mahopac Schools



**Anthony Muia has been named the middle school principal.**



**Tom Cozzocrea has been named executive director of technology and Falls School operations.**

Superintendent Vincent DiGrandi continues building on Mahopac Central School District's leadership team, with two administrative appointments designed to strengthen student opportunities from the earliest years of learning through middle school.

At a special meeting July 30, the board of education approved the appointment of longtime Ma-

hopac Middle School Principal Tom Cozzocrea to the position of executive director of technology and Falls School operations, a newly expanded role that will also include oversight of the district's universal pre-kindergarten program.

Assistant Principal Anthony Muia has been appointed principal of the middle school, succeeding Cozzocrea after his nearly decade of leadership.

The addition of universal pre-K to Cozzocrea's responsibilities reflects one of DiGrandi's highest priorities: strengthening early childhood education and building a strong foundation in literacy.

"Tom has a unique ability to bring people together, improve systems, and keep student success at the center of every decision," said DiGrandi. "As we continue building on Mahopac's tradition of excellence, I know Tom's leadership will strengthen the work happening across our schools."

Cozzocrea said he looks forward to partnering with the district's experienced technology team to continue enhancing the systems that support teaching and learning while helping prepare students for the opportunities and careers of tomorrow.

"I'm incredibly grateful for the opportunity to continue serving Mahopac in this new role," he said. "The relationships I've built with our students, staff, and families over the past nine years have been the most rewarding part of my career. I'm excited to support every school in the district while helping ensure our students have outstanding learning environments and access to the technology and resources that will prepare them for the future."

Cozzocrea's appointment creates an opportunity for Muia to lead the middle school after serving as assistant principal. As principal, he said he looks forward to building on the school's strong foundation by fostering a culture of high expectations, meaningful relationships, and opportunities for every student to grow academically, socially, and emotionally.

"It is truly an honor to serve as principal of Mahopac Middle School," said Muia. "I'm grateful for the trust and confidence Superintendent DiGrandi and the district have placed in me. We have exceptional teachers, dedicated staff, supportive families, and incredible students. I look forward to building on the great work already happening here while ensuring every student feels supported and inspired to achieve their personal best."

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# Putnam County Community Events

### Book Sale Donations

Donations to the Patterson Fire Department book sale may be dropped off through Sept. 18, at the fire department grounds, 13 Burdick Road, in the designated POD storage container near the picnic pavilion. Books, Anime, DVDs, Blue-Rays, CDs, LPs, and trading cards. Only books in good condition. Fiction, non-fiction, and children’s books should be packaged in separate, labeled bags or boxes. Book sale is Sept. 26 to Oct. 4.

### Free School Meals

The Putnam Valley Central School District and Garrison Union Free School District will serve meals at no charge for children, under the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Program, for the 2026-27 school year. For additional information contact Joseph Jimick, school business official at GUFSS; or Dr. Grace Chan, assistant superintendent of business administration at PVCSD.

### Committee

#### Members Sought

The Kent Conservation Advisory Committee is accepting applications to the volunteer organization that provides recommendations on environmental issues and promotes the enjoyment and protection of local natural areas. Visit [www.townofkentny.gov/committees](http://www.townofkentny.gov/committees). Send resume and Kent Town Clerk Yolanda Cappelli, 25 Sybil’s Crossing, Kent Lakes, NY 10512; or [lcappelli@townofkentny.gov](mailto:lcappelli@townofkentny.gov).

## Tuesday, Aug. 11

### Agritourism

#### Webinar Series

Cornell Cooperative Extension’s Agritourism Program Work Team will host a monthly webinar series designed to support both new and established agritourism operators from noon to 1 p.m. on the following Tuesdays: Aug. 11, Sept. 8, Oct. 13, Nov. 10, and Dec. 8. This educational series provides practical guidance, timely tools, and real-world strategies to help farms strengthen agritourism operations, manage risk, enhance visitor experiences, and improve long-term business sustainability. Free. Register online.

### Senior Services

The Putnam County Office for Senior Resources will host an open hour Aug. 11 from noon to 1 p.m., at Butterfield Library, 10 Morris Ave, Cold Spring.

### Wolves of North America

Join a Wolf Conservation Center expert for an engaging and informative program Aug. 11 from 5 to 6 p.m., at Reed Memorial Library in Carmel, exploring the biology, behavior, and ecological importance of wolves. Registration is required at [carmellibrary.org/calendar](http://carmellibrary.org/calendar).

## Wednesday, Aug. 12

### Carmel Town Board

The Carmel Town Board will meet at 7 p.m. the following Wednesdays, at Carmel Town Hall: Aug. 12; Sept. 2, 9 and 16; Oct. 7, 14 and 21; Nov. 4, 10 and 18; and Dec. 2, 9 and 16.

### Marine Corps League

The Marine Corps League Putnam County Detachment meets the second Wednesday each month

at noon at George’s Place on Gleneida Avenue in Carmel. For membership, email [MCLPutnam-CountyNY242@gmail.com](mailto:MCLPutnam-CountyNY242@gmail.com).

## Thursday, Aug. 13

### Bible Seminar

Saint James the Apostle Parish will present a summer Bible seminar “The New Testament Witness to Family Life” on four Thursdays from 7 to 9 p.m., in Doherty Hall, 14 Gleneida Ave., Carmel. Aug. 13, 20, and 27, and Sept. 3. Free. All welcome. Bring your own Bible.

### Tai Chi in the Park

Looking for a serene way to relax and recharge? Join certified instructor Victoria Gentile for an introduction to Tai Chi and Qigong at Patterson Library Park on Thursdays, Aug. 13 and 20, at 10:30 p.m. Learn the basic flowing movements designed to help balance energy, improve flexibility, and calm your mind. Adults 18 and older. Bring a yoga mat or blanket, and water. To register, call 845-878-6121 or go to [www.pattersonlibrary.org](http://www.pattersonlibrary.org).

### Summer Concert

Putnam Valley Parks & Recreation Department will present its Thursday night summer concerts from 7 to 9 p.m., at Johnson Field. Aug. 13, Mike Risko Band; Aug. 20-Family Day, Elysian & CJ the DJ (5 to 7 p.m.), and Loose Wheel Band (7 to 9 p.m.). Food for sale.

### End-of-Summer

#### Celebration

Reed Memorial Library in Carmel will hold an end-of-summer program with the Animal Embassy on Thursday, Aug. 13 at 11 a.m., for children and families age 2 and older. Learn about the evolution and diversity of animals. Ice Cream from Normby Creamery will be served. Registration is required online.

## Friday, Aug. 14

### Music in the Park

Music in the Park continues at Patterson Veteran Memorial Town Park, 65 Maple Ave., on Friday, Aug. 14 at 6 p.m., with Jamie Cairney Acoustics. Bring a blanket or lawn chair. food and ice cream truck on-site.

## Saturday, Aug. 15

### Book Sales

Friends of Kent Library will hold “third Saturday” Book Cellar sales in August, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### Library Gathering

Join Reed Memorial Library in Carmel on Aug. 15 from 1 to 2:30 p.m., for an afternoon of gratitude, friendship, and community with light refreshments and celebrate another summer reading session with the Friends of Reed Memorial Library. Concludes with the drawing of a raffle basket winner.

### Evening in the Piazza

The Italian American Club of Mahopac invites the community to enjoy a Taste of Italy and Italian traditions under the stars during “Ferragosto – An Evening in the Piazza,” on Saturday, Aug. 15 from 2 to 9 p.m., at Mahopac Chamber Park. Live music, food, kids rides, face painting, crafts, performances, demonstrations, raffles, and more. Free admission.

### Medicare Program

A Medicare educational seminar is scheduled Aug. 15 from 10:30 a.m. to noon at Butterfield Library, 10 Morris Ave, Cold Spring.

### Memorial Concert

Tompkins Corners Cultural Center will present acclaimed folk singer-songwriter Kevin McKrell in a memorial concert honoring Theresa Joyce, longtime TCCC supporter and Putnam Valley resident, Saturday, Aug. 15, at 6:30 p.m., at 729 Peekskill Hollow Road, Putnam Valley. Tickets are \$25 and may be purchased at [Eventbrite.com](http://Eventbrite.com) or at the door.

### Arturo O’Farril

#### in Concert

Pianist Arturo O’Farrill of Putnam Valley and Taiwanese bassist Vincent Hsu will present their first U.S. performance together Saturday, Aug. 15 at 8 p.m., when they bring “Spirits from Both Sides: Arturo O’Farrill x Vincent Hsu” to Flushing Town Hall for a one-night-only concert. Following the performance, they will participate in a conversation moderated by Tracy Hyter-Suffern, former executive director of the National Jazz Museum in Harlem. For tickets, visit [www.flushingtownhall.org](http://www.flushingtownhall.org).

## Sunday, Aug. 16

### Corn Festival

The Beacon Sloop Club Corn Festival is scheduled Sunday, Aug. 16 from noon to 5 p.m., at The River Pool at Pete And Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park, 2 Red Flynn Drive, Beacon. Free. Enjoy sweet Hudson Valley corn, boiled and served with a choice of butter and special toppings, along with watermelon and lemonade. The festival will also feature two stages of live music, craft vendors, river history, children’s activities, and sails on the Woodie Guthrie.

## Monday, Aug. 17

### NY Chapter of Eckankar

A discussion with the NY Chapter of Eckankar is scheduled Aug. 17, and 24 from 7 to 8:30 p.m., at Butterfield Library, 10 Morris Ave, Cold Spring.

### Vacation Bible School

Journey through Ireland in “Emerald Crossing,” where Psalm 23 comes to life. Kids will explore God as Shepherd, Guide, Comforter, Provider, and King through David’s story, hands-on activities, and apologetics. Monday through Friday, Aug. 17 to 21, from 9 a.m. to noon, at MCB Church, 76 Gleneida Ave., Carmel. Ages 4 to 12 (must be potty trained). Adults and teenagers are welcome to sign up as volunteers. To register, visit [mcb-churchvbs2026.myanswers.com/emerald-crossing](http://mcb-churchvbs2026.myanswers.com/emerald-crossing). \$25 per attendee.

## Tuesday, Aug. 18

### Kent Town Board

The Kent Town Board will meet at Kent Town Hall at 7 p.m. (unless otherwise noted) on: Aug. 18, Sept. 8 and 15, Oct. 6 and 20, Nov. 10 and 17, and Dec. 1 and 15.

### Campfire Storytime

Join Ms. Cindy, Ms. Dayna, and Ms. Erika at Mahopac Public Library for a campfire storytime Tuesday, Aug. 18 at 4:30 p.m. There will be songs, stories, nature activities, and imaginative fun for families with kids ages 3 and older.

S’mores will be served. Register at [www.mahopaclibrary.org](http://www.mahopaclibrary.org) or call 845-628-2009, ext. 139.

### Library Board Meetings

The Patterson Library Board will meet Aug. 18 at 6:30 p.m., at the library.

### Business Development

#### & Marketing

Join Cornell Cooperative Extension for a business development and marketing Zoom series from noon to 1 p.m. to following Tuesdays: Aug. 18, Sept. 15, Oct. 20, Nov. 17, and Dec. 15. These monthly webinars focus on a variety of business development and marketing topics. All sessions will be led by content experts across the CCE system, organizations and businesses which support agricultural operations across New York State. Free. Register online.

### Watercolor Workshop

Local artist Sarah Miller Totten and participants will explore watercolor techniques while creating their own finished pieces Aug. 18 from 5 to 6 p.m., at Reed Memorial Library in Carmel. Suitable for beginners and those with some experience. All materials provided. Registration is required at [carmellibrary.org/calendar](http://carmellibrary.org/calendar).

## Wednesday, Aug. 19

### Cut Flower

#### Webinar Series

CCE’s Cut Flower Program Work Team invites cut flower growers to join a free monthly webinar series focused on practical, research-based strategies to support successful production. From noon to 1 p.m., on Aug. 19, Sept. 16, Oct. 21, Nov. 18, and Dec. 16. Free. Register at <https://cceputnamcounty.org>.

## Thursday, Aug. 20

### Women’s GOP Club

The Putnam County Republican Women’s Club meets every third Thursday of the month. Consider joining in discussion about Republican programs, policies, and issues affecting the county. Email the president at [putnamwomensgop@gmail.com](mailto:putnamwomensgop@gmail.com) for more information, including time and location.

## Friday, Aug. 21

### Designer Bag Bingo

ShopRite of Carmel will host a designer bag bingo at the Carmel VFW, 32 Gleneida Ave., on Friday, Aug. 21, beginning at 6 p.m. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. \$40 in advance, \$45 at the door. Includes 10 bingo cards, dauber, and door raffle ticket. Additional cards are three for \$10. Refreshments sold. BYBO and outside snacks welcome.

### Flower Show

The Brewster-Carmel Garden Club flower show titled “America the Beautiful – 250 Years” will be held Friday, Aug. 21 from 2 to 4 p.m., and Saturday, Aug. 22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Trinity Lutheran Church, 2103 Route 6, Brewster. (Enter on Old Route 6 and turn on Husted Road.)

### ‘Down by the Riverside’

Tompkins Corners Cultural Center will present the documentary film “Down by the Riverside” on Friday, Aug. 21 at 7:30 p.m., at 729 Peekskill Hollow Road, Putnam Valley. In the 1960s, legendary folk singer Pete Seeger launched

an audacious plan to build a sailboat to save the polluted Hudson River. But the Clearwater was not just a beautiful wooden vessel, it was also a movement, intersecting environmentalism, civil rights, and antiwar activism. \$10 at the door; students admitted free.

## Saturday, Aug. 22

### Hike

Friends of the Great Swamp will host a hike at Gordon Douglas Reserve-West on Saturday, Aug. 22 at 8:30 a.m., beginning at the Metro-North Appalachian Trail station. This challenging, 4.5-mile hike will last about 3 hours. Most of the hike will be off trail and includes steep terrain, crossing the AT boardwalk and departing the trail to hike along the west side of the Swamp River. Bring your own lunch or snacks, and plenty of fluids. No dogs. Email Ken Luhman at [frogspaddle22@gmail.com](mailto:frogspaddle22@gmail.com) if you plan to attend. \$5 per person.

### ‘Unearthing Woodstock’

Mahopac Public Library will present “Unearthing Woodstock” on Saturday, Aug. 22 at noon. Woodstock was more than a symbol of 1960s culture, anti-war protest, and iconic music captured in film. Discarded items and festival debris have become artifacts, offering insight into the behaviors and experiences of hundreds of thousands of attendees. Register at [www.mahopaclibrary.org](http://www.mahopaclibrary.org) or call 845-628-2009, ext. 100.

### Veterans Services Info.

Marine Corps veteran and accredited national veterans service officer Richard Buck will host an informative session designed to help veterans and their families better understand the VA benefits and resources available to them Saturday, Aug. 22 at 2 p.m., at Putnam Valley Library. RSVP to 845-528-3242.

### Puzzle Night

The Carmel VFW Post 1374 ladies auxiliary will hold a puzzle night, when teams of four can compete for prizes, Saturday, Aug. 22 from 6 to 8 p.m., at 32 Gleneida Ave. Free. Reservations required by Aug. 8. Call Irene at 845-661-6169.

### Folk Picnic

Clearwater’s third annual Folk Picnic is scheduled Saturday, Aug. 22 from noon to 6 p.m., at USC Park Theater, 724 Wolcott Ave., Beacon. In the 1960s, when Pete and Toshi Seeger and their co-founders set out to build Clearwater, they organized community folk picnic fundraisers using music as a tool to unite people behind a shared goal of restoring and protecting the Hudson River. Nearly 60 years later, this continues with a free, community-centered day of music, celebration, family activities, and advocacy.

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# A NIGHT OUT WITH CARMEL POLICE



National Night Out was celebrated across the country Aug. 4, with police departments and law enforcement agencies engaging with the public to promote better community relations. The Carmel Police Department and Town of Carmel Recreation Department hosted a family-friendly event full of food, music, bubbles, games, and more at Airport Park in Mahopac. Photos by Chloe Wareham-Gordon.



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# Explore Interconnected Ecosystems at GAC



"The Mother Tree" by Lawre Stone.



"Brains 1914" by Julie Harrison



"Forest Walk" by Katharine Dufault.

Garrison Art Center will present two new exhibits in its galleries beginning Aug. 15.

"Rising Tide," a solo exhibition of 12 works on paper made over the past four years by visual artist and educator Julie Harrison, is driven by curiosity and adventure.

Harrison has spent her career investigating materials to mine their visual and physical attributes, playing with changing forms of expression and experimenting with the new. This process has guided the evolution of her work over the years, moving from early video art and performance into drawing.

"My work explores invisible structures that shape organic life and ecological systems," said the artist. "I visually interpret this through layered, abstract lines and shapes that map energetic exchanges to construct fragments of an imagined biology. My drawings combine graphite and ink with digitally-sourced imagery of microscopic organisms, maps, brain activity, and my own cutout shapes."

The resulting compositions are improvisational, intuitive, and process-driven as Harrison crops, pastes, and draws onto paper.

"The finished works are abstract and only partly recognizable," she said. "They reflect the fluidity of biology and the entanglement of nature, imagination, and human intervention."

Harrison is a New York City-based visual artist whose work probes science and technology to explore the dualities of nature and artifice. For 18 years, she was a professor of art at Stevens Institute of Technology, where she founded the art and technology bachelor of arts program.

"Phytophilia: The Love of Plants" is a group exhibition by artists Lawre Stone, Janis Stemmermann, and Katharine Dufault that brings together three individuals working with the vegetal world as subject, refuge, and inspiration, exploring distinct ways of thinking and relating to both human and non-human beings.

Employing landscape imagery, plant life, trees, and a feeling

for spiritual phenomena, the artists present a vision of a sentient, animate vegetal world, flourishing, communicating, nourishing, and thriving in a post-human existence. Ultimately, their work reveals the deep vulnerability brought to the surface through human interactions with nature.

Stone, from Ghent, makes paintings and works on paper that bring together imagery from nature and the language of abstraction in otherworldly landscapes focused on environmental issues.

Stemmermann is a visual artist and designer whose interdisciplinary practice spans sculpture installation, ceramics, textiles, and printmaking. She divides her time between Williamsburg, Brooklyn, and Sharon, Conn., where she currently has a studio.

Dufault is a British-born artist and curator working in painting and works on paper. Her work draws on landscape, experience, and memory, informed by the landscapes of England and the Berkshires, and is shaped by

a personal gestural language. She lives and works in southern Berkshire County, Massachusetts.

Though distinct in approach, "Rising Tide" and "Phytophilia: The Love of Plants" are united by a shared fascination with the unseen connections that sustain life. Together, they invite viewers to reflect on the complex, interconnected ecosystems that surround us, and our place within them.

Both exhibits will be on display Aug. 15 through Sept. 6 at 23 Garrison's Landing, with opening an reception Saturday, Aug. 15 from 5 to 7 p.m. The galleries at GAC are open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For information about exhibitions, classes, and other programs at Garrison Art Center, visit [garrisonartcenter.org](http://garrisonartcenter.org).



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Aquaflyer swimmers and coaches celebrate a great season.

# Aquaflyers Hang Up their Towels for Long Course

The Aquaflyers – featuring swimmers from Patterson, Brewster, and Carmel – celebrated an end to a fantastic long course swim season at the New Fairfield Town Beach recently, honoring swimmers and thanking coaches with fun at the beach, a picnic dinner, and awards ceremony.

Connor, Jhandel, and Ari are long-course senior champions –

a title reserved for older, faster swimmers who meet senior-level time standards. The 2026 CT Long Course Senior Championships were held at Wesleyan University.

Connor competed in the 50-, 100-, and 200-meter breaststroke, and 100-meter backstroke from July 9 through 12.

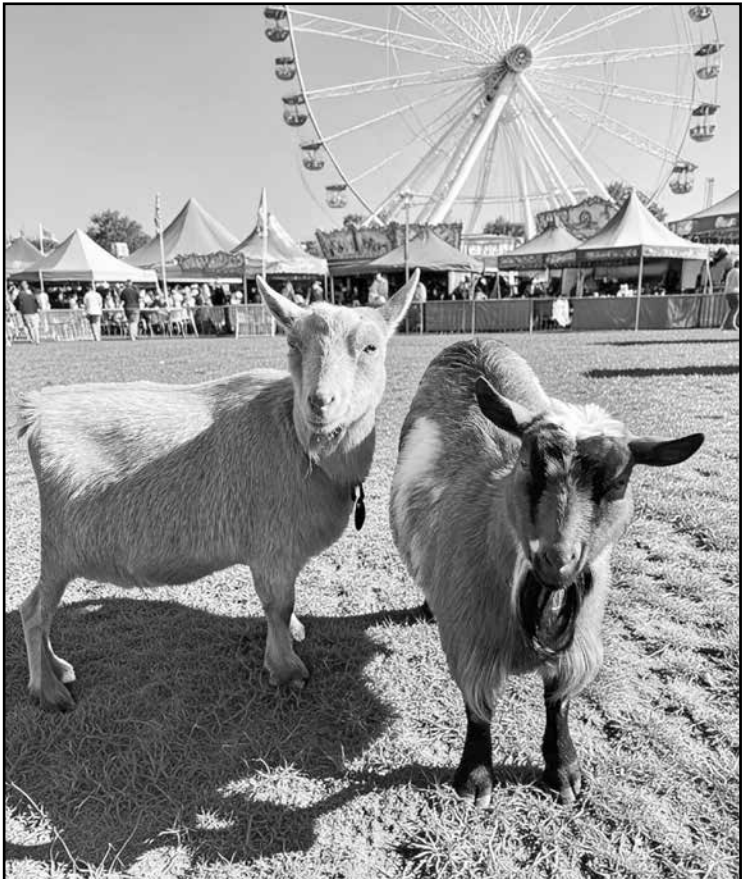
Anastasia Kozlenko and Sam DiNichilo are long-course

age group champions. The Connecticut Swimming Age Group Championships are the official state-level age group championship. DiNichilo competed in the 50-meter breaststroke and 200-meter freestyle at the 2026 CT Long Course Age Group Championships at Wesleyan University from July 16 to 19.

The USA Swimming Independent Medley Ready award honors athletes for versatility by scoring a set of five shorter-distance events and is comprised of a series of five events at shorter distances. Recipients include Anastasia, Kailyn, Quinn, Jackson, Sebastian, and Marcos.

The USA Swimming IM Xtreme is comprised of a series of five or six events at longer distances. Winners include Marcos and Kailyn.

Lastly, Andrew McGowan, Kyleigh Janecek, Madison Juarbe, Kate Frederick, Analia Garcia, and Alivia Mino earned the coach’s most improved swimmer honor.



Belle, the Yorktown Grange Fair mascot, left, poses with a pal in front of the fair.

# Yorktown Grange Fair Returns Sept. 11-13

This year’s Yorktown Grange Fair theme, “Goats, Games & Good Times,” captures the magic and uniqueness of Westchester’s only agriculturally-based country fair. The event was founded as a way to recognize the local farming community, and for more than 100 years it has been a celebrated event and family tradition.

This year, the celebration continues Sept. 11 to 13 at the Yorktown Grange Fairgrounds, 99 Moseman Road, Yorktown Heights. Admission is \$15 per carload.

Now is the time to get the family planning for the blue ribbon contests, in which community residents of all ages compete to show off their home-grown or homemade goods, including flowers, produce, livestock, baking, needlework, art, photography,

woodworking and Lego building. Take a peek at the contest information online.

Featured on the blacktop stage Friday night is the Mike Risko Band playing rock anthems, pop favorites, and crowd-pleasers. The fan-favorite Whiskey’s Edge Band returns to the stage Saturday afternoon with a mix of today’s new country and some of yesterday’s best hits. Get ready to boot-scoot boogie with line dancing lessons, too.

The headliner band on Saturday night is Jokerz Wild, fronted by Alex Nikki, blending classic rock influences with a modern edge. Returning to the stage Sunday afternoon is local favorite No Options, who brings it all to the stage with fun rock-n-roll that will keep the audience dancing.

Back by popular demand this year for kid-focused fun are two seasoned musical acts: Kurt Gallagher whose songs for children always delight, and Annie and the Natural Wonder Band who plays Americana songs designed to teach kids about the natural world. Also returning is Wacky Chad, performing on the blacktop with his interactive stunt comedy show featuring extreme pogo stick stunts, tall unicycle feats, and “dangerous” juggling.

New to the fair this year is a mechanical bull ride.

Old-school country fair experiences not to be missed include a mile-long tractor parade, hay rides, audience participation contests such as bubble gum blowing and watermelon eating, a horse show, midway rides, and more.

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George Lombard Jr., who used to play for the Renegades, got called up to the Yankees. Photo courtesy of Marist College.

# A Home Run for Renegades Brothers Called Up for Debuts

NEW YORK – Unbelievable. Hollywood script writers might even think twice before writing something so outlandish. But it happened. Former Hudson Valley Renegades player George Lombard Jr. made his Major League debut with the New York Yankees last week and hit a home run in his second at-bat. He plays shortstop and is considered the top prospect in the organization. Lombard played for Hudson Valley in parts of the 2024 and 25 seasons, then began a meteoric rise through the organization.

But the story doesn't end there. On the same night he hit his dinger for the Yankees, his brother Jacob made his professional debut with the Low-Class A Marlins franchise. Jacob was just drafted two weeks ago and signed his professional contract. Guess what? Jacob hit a home run in his debut as well. In fact, the home runs hit by the brothers were the exact same launch angle and within a couple of miles per hour in exit velocity. You can't make this stuff up. Or script it.



## Scribbles on a Notebook By Rich Thomaselli

# You're Going to Miss This

My two sons are now 26 and 22 and live in Florida. When visiting a while ago, we happened to drive past a high school when the football team was outside practicing. My youngest son started to say something, and I expected it to be about the heat. Instead, he became wistful. "I miss it," he said. "Sean was right." Sean is Sean Keenan, his old coach at Millbrook High School and a childhood friend of mine. Sean used to tell the kids to appreciate every moment, even at practice, because someday they were going to miss it. That's my message to the players of today – in all sports and activities. Enjoy it. Appreciate it. Seize the moment. Because one day, it's not going to be there.

Embrace every practice. Enjoy the camaraderie of your friends and teammates. Listen to your coaches and mentors for valuable life lessons. Soak it all in – yes, even the playful moments. The memories will stick with you forever. Sure, practice can sometimes seem like a chore. It can seem repetitive. Some might even think it's boring and wasteful. It's not. Because one day you're going to drive by a bunch of kids practicing in triple-digit heat or playing in snow, and you're going to wish you were still out there. Rich Thomaselli is a long-time sports reporter in the Hudson Valley, and currently covers Putnam County. He can be reached at rich.thomaselli@gmail.com.

# Haldane Hyped Up for Football Season



Haldane High School football players have started "unofficial" training. Photos by Coach Ryan McConville.

COLD SPRING – The Haldane High School football team is getting ready for this season – in more ways than one. Not only are the Blue Devils going through unofficial workouts, conditioning, and weight training, but coach Ryan McConville found time in his busy schedule to create a slick hype video for the team for the 2026 season. The social media production

includes a poppin' soundtrack, but McConville downplays his efforts. "The video was just my work using some free tools on my iPhone, nothing fancy," he said. We beg to differ. But with official practice starting in less than three weeks, the focus is on football. That includes the annual Never Surrender football camp – a camp held just before the start of the season and usually includes local

schools like Brewster, Carmel, and Mahopac. "We work together using high-level coaching, cutting-edge drills, and a competitive environment," said McConville. "We refine the fundamentals of tackling, enhance offensive and defensive techniques, and instill the core values of discipline, teamwork, and leadership." Somebody needs to get that on video.

## Money on the Way To County Agencies Fighting Hunger Continued from Page 1

ery, D-Philipstown, who wrote the resolution, said the reason the loss of Meals on Main on the western side of the county was referenced in the resolution is because the program wasn't lost on the eastern side. "In addition to the lack of services to the western side of the county, for example, what exists on the eastern side of the county is all of our mental health resources, all of our senior resources – with the exception of a senior center, all of our DMV resources," she said. "We can go on and on about all the resources that exist on the eastern side of the county and the lack of resources on the western side of the county." However, the resolution also clearly states, throughout, that resources should be distributed in a manner that reflects documented community need, including geographic accessibility, she said. Legislator Amy Sayegh, R-Mahopac Falls, said she's not concerned about how the agencies will identify need, since a stated priority in the resolution is on underserved geographic areas and communities with a lack of food assistance. "These are the resources in Putnam County who serve the people who need it," she said. "They know exactly where the food needs to go, they are the boots on the ground – more so than any of us legislators... I have no problem with that. I'm not stuck on (the loss of) Meals on Main because I also see that it's going to be a focus on seniors and residents." Legislator Dan Birmingham, R-Brewster, voiced full support for the resolution. He noted that, amid national rankings, Putnam is named as one of the top 25 wealthiest counties in

America. However, there is still hunger and food insecurity in each district. "This is a county issue," he said. "We should realize that just because we all may be doing well, it doesn't mean others are not." He also said he'd like to see the funding continue in the 2027 budget, and maybe even develop a mechanism for the county to work with the food pantries directly – and provide even more support. "It's not nothing," he said of the \$150,000. "But it's a drop int the bucket when people are hungry and need food." Crowley asked if there's a way to assure the funding is strictly helping Putnam residents. "I get it – people are hungry, they come in and get food," she said. "We're trying to do this for Putnam County residents. How do you just do this for Putnam County residents when Second Chance Foods serves Putnam, Dutchess, Westchester? How do you make sure it's only going to Putnam." Birmingham replied, in short, that the funding may not be helping strictly Putnam residents. "We're not going to turn hungry people away in Putnam County if they're here to get food," he said. "If we're going to limit this to Putnam County residents, I'm not sure how we'd do that as a practical matter. We're not going to start asking for IDs." Legislator Tommy Regan, R-Southeast, said the agencies need to be able to spend the funding as they see fit. While the county likes to have fiscal oversight, "unshackled dollars is often the best way to get sandwiches on plates and accomplish some other goals that we've spoken about before," he said. Montgomery expressed frustration over the hurdles being faced in getting food to agencies that fight hunger. She said the resolution was written to try and hit every obstacle that would arise. "I knew full well that I would have difficulty releasing

money to feed the hungry based on politics, so with that I wrote a very detailed resolution, and I regret that," she said. "There is greater need in different areas of the county because of loss of programs due to the federal government, so it may not be distributed 'evenly.'" Marsha Elder, executive director of Second Chance Foods and a Kent resident, agreed with that sentiment. "We're focused on equity. We want to make sure we serve people who need to be served," she said during the public comment portion of last week's meeting. Elder said the agency has a \$2.3 million yearly budget, and about 70 percent of services are provided to Putnam residents. As for food pantries at the libraries, she noted that, while it's not impossible that someone from Peekskill would go to Putnam Valley to get a meal, they can't get a library card there, so they likely wouldn't. Likewise, senior centers check residency, so it's unlikely that non-county residents would pick up food there. "Thank you for recognizing that food insecurity continues to effect many of our neighbors, and it's only worsening with rising food costs and changes to the SNAP program," she said. "This resolution builds on systems that already exist, instead of building something from scratch... Most importantly, our neighbors who are struggling with hunger cannot afford to wait. We stand ready to begin this work as soon as you authorize this, and respectfully ask that you not keep hungry people waiting." Scott Seaman, a trustee on the Brewster School Board and a Brewster resident, agreed. "The need is now," he said. "We have groups in the high school, what they do is collect food and give it out to people in need." Seaman noted that Brewster has the highest percentage of students qualifying for free lunches, and the greatest demographic of people in need. "People are starving already," he said. "We should do this all the time" – including in future years.

# DEC Releases New Hudson River Estuary Action Agenda

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation recently released the “Hudson River Estuary Action Agenda 2026-2030,” a five-year blueprint for conserving and restoring the Hudson River estuary and its watershed.

The plan builds on the successes of the previous action agenda while incorporating new scientific findings and addressing emerging challenges. The eight priority goals focus on creating a strong and vibrant ecosystem that benefits both nature and people, with special emphasis on environmental justice, equity, and inclusion, as well as meaningful Indigenous engagement.

“This action agenda establishes goals that address complex environmental challenges including climate change, while ensuring that communities throughout the Hudson Valley have clean water, resilient shorelines, and equitable access to the river,” said DEC Commissioner Amanda Lefton. “We are grateful to our many partners and stakeholders for providing input on this plan and working collaboratively with DEC to ensure a healthy and thriving estuary ecosystem.”

The action agenda is updated every five years to address current trends and opportunities and sets objectives that can be achieved through collective action and collaboration among government and nongovernmental partners.

It includes specific, measurable outcomes that are achievable by 2030 and identifies strategies for state agencies and partners to implement between 2026 and 2030.

Highlights of the 2026-30 action agenda include: strategies to ensure robust fish populations, protect river habitats, and maintain clean water suitable for swimming, recreation, and drinking water; actions to maintain healthy tributaries, support climate-adaptive communities, and conserve priority natural areas; and programs to inform and engage the public, and ensure accessible Hudson River experiences for all.

The Hudson River Estuary Management Program, created in 1987, helps protect, conserve, restore, and enhance the Hudson River estuary and its watershed. Implementation of the program is funded through the NYS Environmental Protection Fund and carried out through grants, restoration projects, education, research, training, and community planning assistance, in coordination with state and federal agencies and public-private partnerships.

The 2026-27 state budget also reaffirms New York’s commitment to environmental leadership by appropriating \$425 million to the Environmental Protection Fund, using \$25 million from the Sustainable Future Program to provide a record \$450 million for environmental programs.

# Southeast Fugitive Captured in Maryland

A Southeast man has been arrested and charged with domestic violence following a weeks-long, multi-state investigation led by the Putnam County Sheriff’s Office Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Selvin Martinez Quim, 34, is facing felony charges.

The investigation began during the early morning hours of June 14, when deputies responded to a reported domestic violence incident in Southeast. Deputies located the victim after she fled to a nearby gas station with visible injuries. When they attempted to take Martinez Quim into custody at the residence, he jumped from

a window and fled on foot into a nearby wooded area, according to the police report.

Despite an extensive search by responding deputies, he was able to evade capture.

The investigation was then turned over to the Bureau of Criminal Investigation, which developed information indicating Martinez Quim had fled to Maryland. Working in partnership with the Montgomery County Police Department, the Maryland Coordination & Analysis Center, and the U.S. Marshals Service, investigators tracked Martinez Quim’s whereabouts, ultimately

leading to his arrest in Maryland on July 16.

On July 30, members of the Putnam County Sheriff’s Office BCI traveled to Maryland, took custody of Martinez Quim, and transported him back to Putnam to face the charges against him. These include second-degree strangulation, criminal obstruction of breathing or blood circulation, and third-degree assault.

Martinez Quim was arraigned in Southeast Town Court, where bail was set at \$10,000 cash bail or \$20,000 bond. A full stay-away order of protection was also issued on behalf of the victim.

# Five Utilities Hit With \$50M in Penalties Fail to Meet Customer Service Standards

The New York State Public Service Commission recently announced a combined \$50.1 million in penalties against five utilities that failed to meet their 2025 customer service standards. The action came as the commission received an update from Department of Public Service staff on multiple New York electric, gas, and water utilities’ annual customer service performances for 2025.

“Utilities provide services which are vital to public health, welfare, and New York’s economy,” said PSC Chairperson Rory Christian. “By approving incentives and enforcing consequences for utilities to meet customer service performance targets, the

commission ensures utilities uphold customer experience as a priority by design.”

New York State Electric & Gas, Rochester Gas & Electric, Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation, National Grid, and Liberty Utilities failed to meet their minimum performance standards. These deficiencies result in negative revenue adjustments, which are designed to incentivize better customer service performance by reducing a utility’s shareholder earnings.

Negative revenue adjustments are either automatically credited to customers under each utility’s respective rate plan, or deferred until the next rate case as regulatory liabilities that the commission can use to offset a portion of the utility’s revenue requirement during some future period for the benefit of customers.

The commission-adopted rate plans for each utility specify the metrics against which the utility’s performance will be assessed, the thresholds at which the utility would incur a negative revenue adjustment, and the accounting treatment for any incurred adjustments.

NYSEG failed to meet its

customer satisfaction survey metric, resulting in negative revenue adjustment of approximately \$6.65 million. Given that NYSEG had failed this metric in 2024, in accordance with the adopted rate agreement, the 2025 metric adjustment will be doubled, or approximately \$13.3 million.

Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation failed its customer satisfaction index, PSC complaint rate, and call answer rate metrics, incurring negative revenue adjustments totaling about \$4.7 million.

NYSEG has filed a petition with the commission requesting waiver of the negative revenue adjustments for its 2025 customer satisfaction survey metric performances, attributing the underperformance to external influences, such as economic conditions, storm severity, and post-COVID recovery, and argued in favor of categorizing neutral responses as satisfied for the purposes of calculating customer satisfaction scores.

This approach would not be consistent with the process specified in the applicable rate plan.

The petition is pending before the commission for consideration.

# SEE SOMETHING? SEND SOMETHING.

We’ve made reporting animal cruelty quicker and easier!

## JOIN PUTNAM COUNTY SPCA’S ANIMAL CRUELTY WATCH AND HELP PROTECT ANIMALS IN OUR COMMUNITY FROM ALL FORMS OF CRUELTY.

1

### DOWNLOAD THE FREE APP

Visit [SaferWatchApp.com/download](https://saferwatchapp.com/download) to get the SaferWatch App for your iPhone or Android, or simply search “SaferWatch” in the Apple App Store or Google Play Store.

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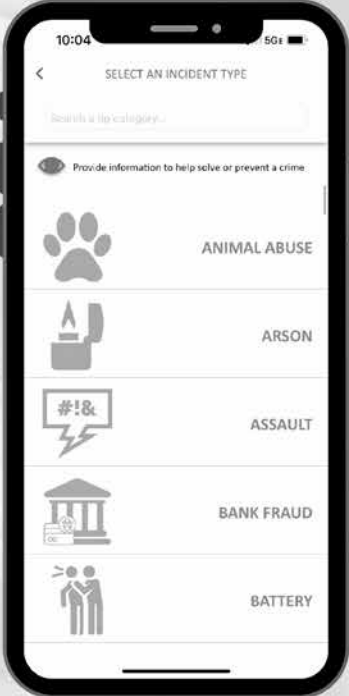
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### REPORT A TIP

Report a tip by uploading text, photos, videos, or audio—with the option to remain anonymous.



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[spcaputnam.org](https://spcaputnam.org)



## Putnam County Youth Bureau Invites You to Attend the Annual Youth-Led 9/11 Memorial



**LOCATION:**  
The Bureau of Emergency Services  
112 Old Route 6  
Carmel, NY 10512  
(CEREMONY WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE PARKING LOT)



**DATE:**  
**Friday, September 11, 2026**  
Arrival Time: 8:30 am  
Program Begins: 8:45 am

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**  
[youthbureauemployees@putnamcountyny.gov](mailto:youthbureauemployees@putnamcountyny.gov)  
845-808-1600, x 46113



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PUBLIC NOTICE

**Kent**  
**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**  
**25 Sybil’s Crossing**  
**Kent Lakes, NY 10512**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Kent will hold a Public Hearing on **Monday, August 17th, 2026** at the Kent Town Hall, 25 Sybil’s Crossing, Kent Lakes, NY at 7:00 p.m. to review the following applications

1. Robert D’Ascoli  
12 Brayton Road  
Carmel, NY 10512

ZBA-26-007 - Requests: Area variance for 9 foot front for above ground swimming pool. Tax Map # 33.73-1-47.

2. Christopher Greco  
12 Schuylkill Court  
Carmel, NY 10512

ZBA-26-008 - Requests: Special use permit renewal for accessory apartment. Tax Map # 12.18-1-1.

3. Wladyslaw Woloszyn  
153 Kentview Drive  
Carmel, NY 10512

ZBA-26-009 - Requests: Area variance for existing sheds within the required side-yard setback, sheds are one foot from the side property line. Tax Map # 20.8-1-27.

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**  
**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**  
**Town of Patterson**  
**Town Hall**  
**P.O. Box 470**  
**1142 Route 311**  
**Patterson, New York 12563**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Patterson will be accepting sealed bids for resurfacing of the Patterson Town Hall/Justice Court/EMS parking lot with asphalt concrete. Bids will be received by the Town Clerk of the Town of Patterson at the Office of the Town Clerk, Town Hall, P.O. Box 470, 1142 Route 311, Patterson, New York 12563 until 10:00 a.m. o’clock local prevailing time on August 20, 2026 and then at said office shall be publicly opened and read aloud.

Copies of information for bidders, instruction for bidders, bidder’s qualifications, general requirements, Scope of Work, non-collusive bidding certification, and bid proposals may be obtained at the Office of the Town Clerk, Town Hall, P.O. Box 470, 1142 Route 311, Patterson, New York, or by emailing the Town Clerk at TownClerk@pattersonny.org and providing the appropriate contact information.

The Town of Patterson, hereinafter called the “Town”, reserves the right to reject any or all bids

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and to waive any formality or technicality in any bid in the interest of the Town.

**STATEMENT OF NON-COLLUSION:**

Bidders on the Contract are required to execute a non-collusion bidding certificate pursuant to Section 103(d) of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York.

STATEMENT OF EQUALITY

The Town of Patterson hereby notifies all Bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in regard to any Contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

BY ORDER OF THE SUPERVISOR  
TOWN OF PATTERSON

DONNA RAMOS, TOWN CLERK  
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**TOWN OF PATTERSON PLANNING & ZONING OFFICE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE TOWN OF PATTERSON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS** of the following public hearings to be held on **Wednesday, August 19, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Patterson Town Hall, 1142 Route 311, Patterson, Putnam County, New York to consider the following applications:

1. **Mark & Angela Gonzalez: Case #10-26 –Area Variance (Held Over Since July 15, 2026 Meeting):** Applicant is requesting one area variance pursuant to §154-7: Schedule of regulations, in order to construct a 12 ft. x 20 ft. shed. Town Code §154-7 requires accessory structures in the R-4 Zoning District to meet a minimum rear yard setback of 25 ft. Proposed shed will be 5 ft. from the rear property line; **variance requested is for 20 ft.** This property is located at 69 Somerset Drive. Tax Map 23.-1-46 (R-4 Zoning District).

2. **Putnam Engineering, PLLC (John D’Alessandro): Case #12-26– Area Variances:** Applicant is requesting four area variances pursuant to §154-7: Schedule of regulations, in order to construct a three-bedroom, single-family residence on a vacant parcel. Town Code §154-7 requires lots in the R-4 Zoning District to meet a minimum lot size of 174, 240 sq. ft. Existing lot is 104, 587 sq. ft.; **variance requested is for 69, 653 sq. ft.** Town Code §154-7 also requires lots in the R-4 Zoning District to have an average lot width of 250 ft. Existing lot has an average lot width of 181.57 ft.; **variance requested is for 68.43 ft.** Town Code §154-7 also requires lots in the R-4 Zoning District to have a minimum of 225 ft. of road frontage. Existing lot has 206.33 ft.; **variance requested is for 18.67 ft. of road frontage.** Town Code §154-7 also requires principal structures in the R-4 Zoning District to meet a minimum side yard setback of 40 ft. Proposed residence is 33 ft. from the side property line; **variance requested is for 7 ft.** This property is located at Tammany Hall Road. Tax Map 34.-4-50 (R-4 Zoning District).

By Order of the ZBA  
Robert Schmitt, Chairman

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**Philipstown**

The Philipstown Planning Board will not meet in the month of August. The next meeting will be Thursday, September 24th, 2025 at 7:30 p.m. at the Philipstown Town Hall, 238 Main St., Cold Spring, NY 10516.  
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**Putnam**  
**COUNTY OF PUTNAM**  
**NOTICE FOR BEST VALUE BID**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by the Director of Purchasing of Putnam County for the following commodities and/or service:**

**RFB-28-26 BV – TWO (2) FORD XL HIGH ROOF TRANSIT VANS (OR EQUAL)** Detailed specifications may be secured at the office of the Director of Purchasing, Putnam County Office Building, 40 Gleneida Avenue, Room 105, Carmel, New York 10512 between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday or you may download from the Empire State Bid System’s website [www.empirestatebidsystem.com](http://www.empirestatebidsystem.com). Sealed bids must be filed in the above office on or before **1:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2026, dated: Carmel, New York, August 6, 2026, Sgd/John Tully, Director, Putnam County Purchasing Dept**  
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**Putnam Valley**  
**LEGAL NOTICE**

**TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY PUTNAM COUNTY, NEW YORK**

**ZERO EMISSIONS VEHICLE CHARGING STATION PROJECT**

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received at the Office of the Town Clerk, Town of Putnam Valley, 265 Oscawana Lake Road, Putnam Valley, New York 10579, until 11:00 A.M. on August 26th, 2026, immediately after which the bids will be opened publicly and read.

The work under this Contract comprises the furnishing of all tools, equipment, materials and labor for the construction of the Zero Emissions Vehicle Charging Station Project located in the Town of Putnam Valley, New York, complete, in place and ready for use in accordance with the Contract Documents.

The principal features of the Work to be performed under this project are defined in the Contract Documents and include: installation of two Level 2 Commercial Dual Charging Stations including concrete footings, electric meter installation, four concrete-filled steel bollards and all electrical appurtenances required to meet all local, state and federal permitting agency requirements, specified and required to complete the project. Excavation work to be completed by others.

The foregoing is a general description only and shall not be construed as a complete description of the work to be performed for this project. Prospective Bidders shall refer to the Contract Documents including Contract Drawings for additional project work information.

Prospective bidder’s requests for mailing of Contract Docu-

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ments will be filled by Federal Express or United Parcel Service. Prospective bidders shall furnish a prepaid Air Bill or Account Number. Neither OWNER nor ENGINEER shall be responsible for any delay in such shipment. Prospective bidders shall make such request and provide such air bill a minimum of one (1) week prior to the mandatory pre-bid conference.

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

A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at 10 a.m. on August 19th, 2026 at the Town Hall, 265 Oscawana Lake Road, Putnam Valley, New York 10579. The purpose of the pre-bid conference is to afford the prospective Bidders and interested parties an opportunity to raise questions pertaining to the Bidding and Contract Documents, and for the OWNER or its representatives to clarify matters related to the Project.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Non-Discrimination in Employment:

It is the policy of the Town that their Contractors shall comply with all Federal, State, and local law, policy orders, rules and regulations which prohibit unlawful discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment because of race creed, color, or national origin, and will take affirmative action to ensure that they are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color or national origin.

Provisions concerning this requirement are detailed in the Supplementary Conditions.

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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, August 24, 2026 at 7:00 p.m., at Southeast Town Offices, 1360 Route 22, Brewster, New York to consider the following:

**141-145 STARR RIDGE CUP** –Application is being made for A Conditional Use Permit to board 8 horses for compensation on a 20.69-acre property located at 141-145 Starr Ridge Road, Brewster, NY, in the R-160 Zoning District, and identified as Tax Map Numbers 68.13-1-1.2. The horses would be kept in an existing 8-stall barn, and no improvements to the property are proposed.

Thomas LaPerch, Chairman  
Town of Southeast Planning Board  
Dated: July 29, 2026

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**Town of Southeast Lakeview Manor HVAC Project**

The Town of Southeast will be accepting bids for the supply and installation of a new HVAC system at the Lakeview Manor Community and Senior Center. Furthermore, information and project specifications can be found in the complete bid package which can be obtained from the Office of the Town Clerk, Town of Southeast, 1360 Route 22, Brewster, NY 10509, via our website at [www.southeast-ny.gov](http://www.southeast-ny.gov) (on the Town Clerk’s page) or via Bidnet at [www.bidnetdirect.com](http://www.bidnetdirect.com).

The Town will accept bids on or before September 2, 2026 at 11:00 AM at the Town Clerk’s Office. Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope marked with “Bid for Lakeview Manor HVAC Project” and company name on the front. A digital copy of your bid stored on a USB thumb drive must be submitted along with the paper copy. Proposals will be opened at 11:01 AM or soon thereafter, proposers will be notified of the results.

For additional information or with questions concerning this bid request, please contact the Town Clerk, Kathleen Chiudina, at 845-279-2196 or [kchiudina@southeast-ny.gov](mailto:kchiudina@southeast-ny.gov).

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PUBLIC NOTICE

**Misc.**  
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The Peter and Henry Block Foundation will award charitable grants to selected nonprofits with 501(c)(3) status. Applicants must provide education, shelter, food, health or mental health services in Putnam County, NY.

Grant applications will be accepted from August 28th 2026 to September 4th, 2026. Applications will be available at - [petrandhenryblockfoundation.org](http://petrandhenryblockfoundation.org). Grant awardees will be notified on September 7th 2026.

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**Supreme Court**

**NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF PUTNAM U.S. BANK TRUST**

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCAF ACQUISITION TRUST, Plaintiff AGAINST **CHRISTINE VYCITAL** INDIVIDUALLY AND AS SURVIVING SPOUSE OF RONALD A. VYCITAL, ET AL., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered June 9, 2026, 1, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at Courtroom 209 of the Putnam Supreme Court, 20 County Center, Carmel, NY 10512 on August 24, 2026 at 9:30 AM, premises known as 35 Salem Road, Carmel, NY 10512. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of Kent, County of Putnam and State of New York, Section 33.42 Block 1 Lot 27. Approximate amount of judgment \$198,753.31 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #501816/2024. Maureen Fleming, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC 1775 Wehrle Drive Williamsville, NY 14221 25-001610 90711

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PUBLIC NOTICE

INDEX NO.: 501885/2025  
Date Filed: 7/22/2026  
**SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS WITH NOTICE**  
**MORTGAGED PREMISES:** 212 Fox Run Lane, Carmel, NY 10512

SBL #: 34-3-17-.207  
Plaintiff designates PUTNAM County as the place of trial; venue is based upon the county in which the mortgaged premises is situate.  
STATE OF NEW YORK  
SUPREME COURT: COUNTY OF PUTNAM  
**M&T Bank,**

Plaintiff,

vs.

Putnam County Commissioner of Finance, as Administrator of the Estate of **Kieran O'Hagan** a/k/a Kieran J. O'Hagan a/k/a Kieran J. Ohagan a/k/a Kieran Ohagan; Unknown Heirs of the Estate of Kieran O'Hagan a/k/a Kieran J. O'Hagan a/k/a Kieran Ohagan, and all the heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, devisees, grantees, trustees, lienors, creditors, assignees and successors in interest of any of the aforesaid defendants, next of kin, distributees, devisees, grantees, trustees, lienors, creditors, assignees and successors in interest of any of the aforesaid classes of person, if they or any of them be dead, and their respective husbands, wives or widows, if any, and all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to plaintiff, except as herein stated; Kimberly Venedam Dancy as Heir to the Estate of Kieran O'Hagan a/k/a Kieran J. O'Hagan a/k/a Kieran J. Ohagan a/k/a Kieran Ohagan; John Venedam as Heir to The Estate of Kieran O'Hagan a/k/a Kieran J. O'Hagan a/k/a Kieran J. Ohagan a/k/a Kieran Ohagan; New York State Department of Taxation and Finance; United States of America o/b/o Internal Revenue Service; Board of Managers of Fox Run Condominium; Fox Run Homeowners Association, Inc.; John Doe #1 through #6, and Jane Doe #1 through #6, the last twelve names being fictitious, it being the intention of Plaintiff to designate any and all occupants, tenants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises being foreclosed herein.  
**TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:**  
**YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED** to answer the

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Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the attorneys for the Plaintiff within 20 days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York). In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Amended Complaint.  
**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 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.**  
**THE OBJECT** of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure \$129,900.00 and interest, recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Putnam on January 6, 2006, in Book 4764, Page 386, covering premises known as 212 Fox Run Lane, Carmel, NY 10512, SBL #: 34-3-17-.207.  
The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above. The Plaintiff also seeks a deficiency judgment against the Defendants and for any debt secured by said Mortgage which is not satisfied by the proceeds of the sale of said premises.  
**TO** the Defendants, Unknown Heirs of the Estate of Kieran O'Hagan a/k/a Kieran J. O'Hagan a/k/a Kieran J. Ohagan a/k/a Kieran Ohagan, and all the heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, devisees, grantees, trustees, lienors, creditors, assignees and successors in interest of any of the aforesaid classes of person, if they or any of them be dead, and their respective husbands, wives or widows, if any, and all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to plaintiff, except as herein stated the foregoing Supplemental Summons with Notice is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Hon. Victor G. Grossman, J.S.C. of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Erie, dated and filed June 10, 2026.  
Dated: July 22, 2026  
/s/ Kyra Mercadier  
Kyra Mercadier, Esq.  
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLP  
420 Lexington Avenue, Suite 840  
New York, New York 10170  
Phone: 347.286.7409  
Fax: 347-286-7414  
Attorneys for Plaintiff,  
M&T Bank  
**HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN FORECLOSURE**  
**NEW YORK STATE LAW**

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**REQUIRES THAT WE SEND YOU THIS NOTICE ABOUT THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.**  
**SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT**  
**YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME. IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND TO THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT IN THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION, YOU MAY LOSE YOUR HOME. PLEASE READ THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT CAREFULLY. YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT AN ATTORNEY OR YOUR LOCAL LEGAL AID OFFICE TO OBTAIN ADVICE ON HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF.**  
  
**SOURCES OF INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE.**  
The State encourages you to become informed about your options in foreclosure.  
In addition to seeking assistance from an attorney or legal aid office, there are government agencies and non-profit organizations that you may contact for information about possible options, including trying to work with your lender during this process.  
To locate an entity near you, you may call the toll-free helpline maintained by the New York State Banking Department of Financial Services at 1-800-342-3736 or visit the Department's website at www.dfs.ny.gov.  
**FORECLOSURE RESCUE SCAMS**  
Be careful of people who approach you with offers to "save" your home. There are individuals who watch for notices of foreclosure actions in order to unfairly profit from a homeowner's distress. You should be extremely careful about any such promises and any suggestions that you pay them a fee or sign over your deed. State law requires anyone offering such services for profit to enter into a contract which fully describes the services they will perform and fees they will charge, and which prohibits them from taking any money from you until they have completed all such promised services.

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**NOTICE OF SALE**  
  
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, PUTNAM COUNTY, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FAIRWAYS OF HILL & DALE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION ON BEHALF OF ALL UNIT OWNERS, Plaintiff v. FRANK REDENDO AND VICKI A. CAROLEO, Defendants, Index no. 501947-2025. Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale dated July 10, 2026, and entered by the Putnam County Clerk on July 10, 2026 (the "Judgment"), I the undersigned Referee in said Judgment named, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at the Lobby of the Putnam County Courthouse, 20 County Center, 2nd Floor, Carmel, New York the premises directed by said Judgment to be sold. The premises will be offered for sale, as one parcel, on **September 14, 2026, at 3:30 p.m.** The premises therein is described as being in the County of PUTNAM and State of New York, and designated as Tax Lot no. 70, Section 44.7, Lot 3-11, on the Official Tax Map of the Town of Kent, County of Putnam, State of New York and commonly known as 171 Fairway Drive, Carmel, New York 10512. The premises is more particularly described as follows:

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THE land area of the Property is described as follows:  
  
ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the building and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of Kent, County of Putnam, State of New York, being known and designated as Lot No. 70 on a certain map entitled "Final Subdivision Plat of Property Prepared for Hill and Dale Associates" dated April 23, 1987, and filed in the Putnam County Clerk's Office (Division of Land Records) on August 28, 1987 as Map No. 2159B.  
  
The Premises will be sold subject to the provisions of the filed Judgment Index # 501947-2025, the Terms of Sale, any taxes due and owing at the time of the sale as well as any other judgments properly docketed against the Premises at the time of the sale.  
  
The approximate amount of the Judgment, for the property referred to therein, is \$10,009.36, plus interest and costs, as provided in the Judgment. The successful bidder will be required to deposit 10% of the bid by certified or official bank check, unendorsed, made payable to the Referee in accordance with the terms of sale.  
  
Christopher Montalto, Esquire, Referee. (845) 871-2013.  
  
Ansell Grimm & Aaron, P.C., Attorneys for Plaintiff, 365 Rifle Camp Road, Woodland Park, New Jersey 07424 (973) 925-7343, Attention: Stacey R. Patterson, Esq.

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**Liquor License**  
Notice is hereby given that a license, number NA-0340-26-222142 for liquor, wine, beer and cider, has been applied for by the undersigned to sell liquor, wine, beer and cider at retail in a restaurant under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 954 Route 6, Mahopac, NY 10541 for On Premises consumption. **WICS HOSPITALITY LLC**

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**LLC**  
**DANNY'S PROPERTY 2 LLC.** Filed with SSNY on 06/23/2026. Office: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 313 ROUTE 6N, MAHOPAC, NY 10541. Purpose: Any Lawful

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PUBLIC NOTICE

**GRM CONSULTING SERVICES LLC** Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 9/4/25. Office in Putnam Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 1511 NY 22, Ste. 118, Brewster, NY 10509, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of formation of **Pine View Farm I LLC.** Articles of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/29/26. Office Location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o George Whipple, 250 Old Stone Road, Garrison, NY 10524. Purpose: any lawful purpose or activity.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of formation of **Pine View Farm II LLC.** Articles of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/29/26. Office Location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o George Whipple, 250 Old Stone Road, Garrison, NY 10524. Purpose: any lawful purpose or activity.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Formation of **LJB Inspections, LLC**. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on June 20, 2026. Office Location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 549 Peekskill Hollow Rd., Putnam Valley, NY 10579. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Formation of **30 Milan Road LLC.** Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 6/23/26. Office location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o DelBello Donnellan Weingarten Wise & Wiederkehr, LLP, 360 Hamilton Ave, White Plains, NY 10601. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Formation of **POST ROAD HOUSE LLC**. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/30/26. Office Location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Post Road House LLC, PO Box 16, Garrison NY 10524. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Formation of **Jodi Carlson Art LLC.** Articles of Org filed with SSNY on 6/23/2026. Office Location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Jodi Carlson Art LLC. Purpose: any lawful purpose or activity.

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**PROVEN 1926 LLC.** Filed with SSNY on 06/17/2026. Office: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 859 FAIR ST, CARMEL, NY 10512. Purpose: Any Lawful

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Notice of Formation of **CK3 Enterprises LLC.** Articles of Org filed with SSNY on 5/1/2026. Office Location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: CK3 Enterprises LLC Purpose, 336 Horseman Blvd, Sleepy Hollow, NY 10591. Purpose: any lawful purpose or activity.

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Notice of Formation of **JJA Silva Property Group LLC.**

# PUTNAM COUNTY AND TOWN NOTICES

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

PUBLIC NOTICE

Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York on July 7, 2026. Office location: Putnam County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process to: 12 Main Street, Unit 2186, Brewster, NY 10509. Purpose: To engage in any lawful act or activity for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of New York.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

165 FAIRFIELD LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/08/26.  
Office: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 6 Hawk Ridge Lane, Brewster, NY 10509. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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Notice of Formation of **Third Track Home Services, LLC**. Articles of Org filed with SSNY on 5/13/2026. Office Location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Third Track Home Services, LLC, 2 Miller Rd, Putnam Valley, NY 10579. Purpose: any lawful purpose or activity.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of formation of **23 GATTO DRIVE LLC**. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect’y of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/24/26. Office in Putnam County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 8 BIANCA CT CARMEL, NY, 10512. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

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**Voices by Allan Brown LLC** Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/21/26 Office loc: Putnam County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 301 Cornwall Meadows Lane, Patterson, NY 12563. Purpose: any lawful act.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of formation of **Phoenix Foods LLC**. Articles of Org. filed with SSNY on 7/06/2026. Office Location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Phoenix Foods LLC, 138 Tanglewylde Road, Lake Peekskill, NY 10537. Purpose: any lawful purpose or activity.

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Notice of formation of **Otto Ranch, LLC**. Articles of Org. filed with SSNY on 07/15/2026. Office Location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Otto Ranch, LLC 31 Knollwood Lane, Cold Spring, NY 19516 Purpose: anylawful purpose or activity.

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Notice of Formation of **Dry-Dwelling Waterproofing LLC**. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on July 7, 2026. Office location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o DryDwelling Waterproofing LLC, 62 Fair St Apt 1, Carmel, NY 10512. Purpose: any lawful purpose or activity.

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Notice of Formation of **Truk-it Cargo & Logistics Services, LLC**. Articles of Org filed with SSNY on [3/11/2026]. Office Location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Truk-It Cargo & Logistics Services, LLC, 12 main st. Unit #2107, Brewster, NY 10509 Purpose: any lawful purpose or activity.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Formation of **White Eagle Residential Services, LLC**. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/04/20216 Office location: Putnam County, New York. SSNY has been designated as the LLC’s agent upon whom process against it may be served.  
Purpose: To engage in any lawful act or activity for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of New York.”

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Notice of Formation of **Carmel Animal Hospital LLC**. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 7/15/26. Office location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 235 Route 52, Carmel, NY 10512. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Formation of **CHURCH 20 LLC**. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 7/10/26. Office location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as

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agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: PO Box 117, Carmel, NY 10512. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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Notice of Formation of **RT6 1773 LLC**. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 7/10/26. Office location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: PO Box 117, Carmel, NY 10512. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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Notice of Formation of **CHURCH 18 LLC**. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 7/10/26. Office location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: PO Box 117, Carmel, NY 10512. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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Notice of Formation of **ADV Real Estate Holding Company LLC**. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State (SSNY) on 7/10/26. Office location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: PO Box 117, Carmel, NY 10512. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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**ML GAB HOLDINGS LLC**, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/22/2026. 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, 53 E Forest Trail, Holmes, NY 12531. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

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**ML GAB REALTY LLC**, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/22/2026. 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, 53 E Forest Trail, Holmes, NY 12531. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

**GAA GAB REALTY LLC**, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/22/2026. Office loc: Putnam

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County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 53 E Forest Trail, Holmes, NY 12531. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

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Notice of formation of **Desert Designer, LLC**. Articles of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/1/2026. Office Location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o DESSERT DESIGNER, LLC 252 RT 292, HOLMES, NY, 12531, USA Purpose: any lawful purpose or activity.

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Notice of Formation of **Laura Twist MD PLLC**. Articles of Org filed with SSNY on 6/17/2026. Office Location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Laura Twist: 4 Cameo Court, Carmel, NY 10512. Purpose: any lawful purpose or activity.

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Notice of Formation of **Midnight Detailing New York, LLC**. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/17/2026. Office location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Midnight Detailing New York, LLC, 852 Peekskill Hollow Rd, Putnam Valley, NY 10579. Purpose: any lawful purpose or activity.

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Notice of Formation of **Merryham LLC**. Articles of Org filed with SSNY on 7/30/2026. Office Location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Merryham LLC PO BOX 1621 JOHNS ISLAND, SC, 29455, USA. Purpose: any lawful purpose or activity.

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Notice of Formation of **ZETTATEN, LLC**. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/29/2026. Office location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: ZETTATEN, LLC, 1145 RT. 9D, UNIT 350, GARRISON, NY 10524. Purpose: any lawful activities.

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**HIGHLANDS RE HOLDING COMPANY, LLC**. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/29/16. Office: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Robert Hayes, 52 Old Manitou Road, Garrison, NY 10524. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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Notice of Formation of **MC BUILDS LLC**. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/11/2026. Office location: Putnam County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 19 Split Rock Rd, Putnam Valley, NY 10579. Legalzoom Usca, Inc. desig. as agent for SOP 45 Main Street, Suite 238, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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CLASSIFIEDS

WANTED

WANTED – Private collector buying firemen’s helmets, fishing, hunting items, rods, reels, lures, all types old or new, paintings of fishing, hunting, wildlife art, bows and arrows, no compound bows. Call 845-878-3665 or 845-661-9059. 9/30

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

Exam Title & No: Police Officer/Deputy Sheriff (Spanish Speaking) 60-064-330 OC  
Exam Date: 10/17/2026  
Salary: Salaries for police agencies within Putnam County for 2026 are: County Deputy Sheriff: \$60,383  
Town of Carmel: \$54,438  
Town of Kent: \$57,097  
Last Filing Date: September 4, 2026  
Exam Filing Fee: \$60

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.munisselfservice.com/employmentopportunities/default.aspx> or call Putnam County Personnel Department (845) 808-1650 X46105. EEO/AA 7/29, 8/5, 8/12,8/19

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

Exam Title & No: Athletic Trainer 60-068-270 OC T&E  
Exam Date: There is no exam date. This is a training & experience examination  
Salary: Mahopac Central School District: \$80,000 to \$85,000  
Haldane Central School District: \$45,283 – \$61,398  
Salary may vary in other school districts  
Last Filing Date: October 15, 2026  
Exam Filing Fee: \$45

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

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# Making Memories While Making a Mess



The annual Muddy Puddles Project Mess Fest took place Aug. 1 at Camp Kiwi in Mahopac, where families from near and far got down and dirty. A color run, food fight, giant slip-and-slide, bubbles galore, and so much more had kids and adults enjoying the free-spirited day. The event is a fundraiser for the TLC Foundation of Carmel, which raises money for childhood cancer research. It is named in honor of Ty Louis Campbell, who passed away at 5 years old. Photos by Laurie Spens Photography.





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