



New Sheriff, Incumbent County Legislators Sworn In

By David Propper

Newly minted Putnam County Sheriff Robert Langley took his oath of office last Friday and vowed to revitalize the sheriff's department as the Democrat takes the baton from former longtime Republican sheriff Don Smith.

Immediately after taking his oath, Langley received a thunderous standing ovation inside the historic county courthouse, including from his Republican colleagues. He said he's now in a position that he once dreamt about when he was a young deputy in the department more than two decades ago.

In his short remarks, Langley said he's looking forward to working closely with the county Legislature and County Executive MaryEllen Odell and vowed to keep his campaign promises.

"I'm proud to stand here in front of everyone and say I'm truly thankful and blessed to be your sheriff of Putnam County," Langley said. "It is our job to do the best that we can for each and every resident throughout Putnam County."

Langley beat Smith in November's close election.

Langley said he brought a new command staff in to reinvigorate the sheriff's office. He said the rank and file are "outstanding people" and the fresh leadership he brings with him will energize the department.

"We have goals to meet for everyone," Langley said.

Being sworn in to second terms were county lawmakers Bill Gouldman and Toni Addonizio.



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New Sheriff Robert Langley was sworn in by New York State Supreme Court Judge Christi Acker with his wife Lydia by his side.

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Mahopac Schools Shaping Classroom of the Future

By David Propper

With the field of education and how students learn always changing, the Mahopac Central School District is trying its best to stay ahead of the curve and even lead from the front.

For the Mahopac school system, the time for classrooms of the future is now. With assistant superintendent for curriculum, instruction and professional development Dr. Adam Pease and assistant superintendent for pupil and educational services Dr. Greg Stowell spearheading the efforts, Mahopac is creating Breakthrough Classrooms meant to expand student learning through technology and forward thinking approaches to instruction.

By focusing on the whole student, Mahopac schools wants students to be engaged in a community-oriented classroom that includes mindfulness and technology in a creative space conducive



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A room in the Mahopac school system where administrators and teachers experiment with different furniture and technology.

to learning.

Pease and Stowell don't want school to be "hard" per say, but instead would like

to see students tackle rigorous studies with critically thinking. Pease noted while it might be "hard" to memorize

the preamble of the Gettysburg address, it's something they can easily find on a computer. By offering rigorous learning, it works the students' brains and prepares them for college and a career. The technology, like Chromebooks, has allowed teachers to expand their reach in the classroom, Pease said, and students are able to work at their pace, either faster or slower.

By using resources online like YouTube, Pease said students can hear from an actual astronaut or explorer rather than just reading about it in a book. The entire world can be at a student's fingertips. Most students in the district have access to Chromebooks during the day.

"Technology has totally changed the game of instruction," Pease said. "All of sudden there's just not one teacher in the room, there can be a whole bunch."

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Hearing to be Held to Remove Carmel BOE Member

By David Propper

A hearing will be held later this month that could lead to the ouster of a Carmel Board of Education member.

During a Dec. 19 meeting, the school board voted 5-2 to hold a hearing that could lead to school board member John Curzio's removal from the school governing body. Board president Greg Riley said before the vote Curzio was being accused of two official misconduct charges. Once the hearing is complete, the board will weigh the facts and the conclusion reached by the hearing officer before they decide what action to take against Curzio, who is a college student and lives in Stormville. Curzio, a Carmel High School alum, actually was the top vote-getter when he ran two years ago, ousting an incumbent board member in the process.

Curzio (who was told by Superintendent of Schools Andy Irvin he was allowed to vote on a matter involving him) and school board member James Reese were the two members to vote against holding a hearing.

In a Dec. 19 letter from Riley to the district clerk, he requested two official misconduct charges be brought against Curzio. Riley claimed at a Nov. 21 meeting, Curzio used district resources and acted in neglect of his official duties because he encouraged voters to turn



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Carmel Board of Education member John Curzio at a recent meeting.

down the Dec. 11 bond proposals during the meeting. The other charge comes from a Dec. 5 meeting where Curzio read a letter to the editor published in a local newspaper written by a Kent resident against the capital projects and said he agreed with the letter writer's statement.

Curzio has retained Michael Sussman as his attorney to represent him.

"On December 19, the Board of Education propounded two charges which claim that Mr. Curzio used public resources to support his position, more

specifically, claiming that his speech at two Board meetings violated Article VIII(1) of the New York Constitution," Sussman said in a statement. "We strongly disagree. Mr. Curzio's advocacy was squarely protected by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, did not violate the New York State Constitution, did not represent any form of official misconduct and must be protected lest our democracy

will be imperiled."

In a follow up interview, Sussman called the action against Curzio "outrageous overreach." Whether or not a person agrees with Curzio's position against the bond, Sussman said he behaved in a professional matter when informing the public about his thoughts on the bonds.

"It's really shocking that this is what we've come to here and I'm very disturbed by it," Sussman said.

The hearing is scheduled for Jan. 17

tentatively and is open to the public.

Curzio also defended himself at the Dec. 19 meeting. When telling residents to vote against the bond propositions last month, Curzio said he was solely speaking for himself and not the rest of the board when he made those comments. Before talking about the bond vote, he said he prefixed by stressing his statements were his own opinion.

"The comments were my own comments, obviously my own personal comments," Curzio said during the Dec. 19 meeting.

Curzio, whose term ends June 30, 2019, has been at odds with most of the board during his tenure. The arguing was ratcheted up after the school bond vote worth \$85 million was voted down, with Curzio one of the most vocal opponents to the capital plan. Leading up to the vote, he said it was too much money for taxpayers to shoulder.

Riley, when approached after the meeting, said he couldn't discuss the action taken against Curzio on advice of legal counsel. Vice president Richard Kreps also declined comment on advice of legal counsel.

Kreps, who is the longest serving member of the board, said this is the first time in his tenure a hearing has been held that could lead to a board member's removal.



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Collins Calls it a Career as Kent Town Justice

By David Propper

For the final time last week, Peter Collins dressed in his black robe and presided as a Town of Kent justice. After 17 years as a town judge, Collins retired at the end of 2017 as he begins another chapter of life.

Judge Collins began his tenure as a town justice when he was appointed in 2001 after a former judge decided to step down and asked Collins to fill his seat. Before he was approached, Collins said he never gave much thought about it, but ultimately when the opportunity presented itself, he decided it was a good way to give back to the community.

Since then, Collins has established himself as a respected judge in town.

"I think it's been a rewarding experience for me," Collins, a Republican, said.

That rewarding experience concluded last Thursday and it was filled with mostly traffic court. Taking his place is local attorney Tim Curtiss, a Republican, who won his election in November. Judge Kevin Douchkoff is the other Kent town justice.

Collins, who has had a successful legal career, almost didn't get into law school. While he was a good student, he never did well on standardized tests, including the GRE and LSATs. He applied to four law schools and didn't get into a single one. Finally, he "cornered" the dean of

the University of Cincinnati College of Law about admittance. The dean told him he met the requirements and he finally landed at a law school.

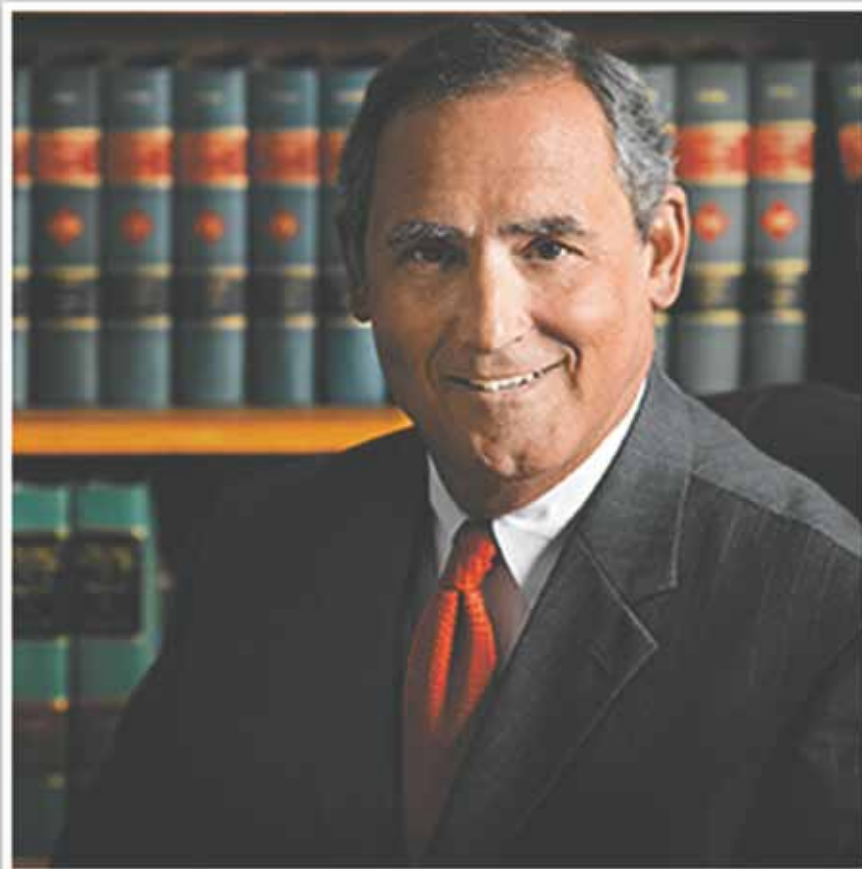
"I think perseverance and persistence is wonderful," Collins said. "Anyone that has a dream should pursue it."

During law school, Collins admits he wasn't enamored by his coursework. It wasn't until he became a clerk for a law firm in Cincinnati that he began to enjoy the law profession. During his legal career, he worked in White Plains and then opened a practice in Carmel in the early 2000s. Currently, he works at Feldman, Kleidman, Coffey, Sappe, and Regenbaum LLP in Fishkill where he is a personal injury and medical malpractice attorney.

As a judge, one aspect Collins focused on was helping young adults lead productive lives when they were entangled in criminality. Collins said if justice was served and there was also a chance to steer a young person in the right direction, he thought it worth trying.

Unfortunately, many young adults that visited Collins' court ended up getting into trouble again, but it was gratifying for him to see the few cases where a young adult turned their life around. He was happy to hear about those success stories

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The now former Judge Collins of the Town of Kent.

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Dog Protection Legislation Moving Forward in Southeast

By Neal Rentz

The Southeast town board is moving closer to passing legislation to protect dogs that could go into effect in February.

The proposed law would place restrictions on tethering dogs. The

legislation would allow tethering of dogs only if the dog was six months of age or older; the tether must be at least five times the length of the dog; the tether must be specifically designed for dogs; the tether would be required to be attached to a proper collar or harness;

the tether would need to weigh no more than one-eighth of the dog's weight; the tether would have to allow the dog to move around; tethering would not be allowed between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.; a dog could only be tethered for no more than one hour when the temperature is below 40 degrees and above 85 degrees; tethering would not be allowed in extreme weather such as snow storms, heavy wind or heavy rain unless the animal could have access to a shelter; and tethered animals must have access to non-frozen water and nutritious food in sufficient quantities.

If the proposed law was violated, a dog owner would be issued a town court appearance ticket by a dog control officer, code enforcement officer, or a police or peace officer, including one from the SPCA.

The penalties for violating the proposed law would be a fine of between \$25 and \$100 for the first violation; a fine of between \$50 and \$200 for the second violation; and fines of between \$75 and \$300 for subsequent violations.

Resident Eileen McDermott expressed her support for the legislation during the Dec. 21 public hearing. She told the town board she began the effort to pass the legislation a year ago because she witnessed the mistreatment of a dog in her neighborhood "that, to my knowledge, remains ongoing."

Without the legislation, a dog owner in town can keep a dog chained day and night and in all types of weather, McDermott said. After she posted her concern on social media other residents came out in support of dog protection laws in town, she said.

"I'd like to thank the board for recognizing tethering as a critical issue, with impacts both on animal welfare and human health and safety," McDermott told the town board.

The board voted unanimously to close the public hearing. Supervisor Tony Hay said the town board could vote on the legislation on Jan. 4 and it would take affect 30 days after it was filed by the town to New York State.



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Resident Eileen McDermott supported legislation before the Southeast Town Board to protect dogs during the Dec. 21 public hearing.

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Byrne Announces \$100K Grant for a Southeast Water Treatment Plant



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New York State Assemblyman Kevin Byrne announced at the Dec. 21 Southeast Town Board meeting that he had secured a \$100,000 state grant toward the cost of construction for the water treatment plant located at the Peaceable Hill Water District. The project was approved by the town board later in the meeting. Byrne also noted that he recently moved his district office to 3 Starr Ridge Rd. in Brewster. A ribbon cutting ceremony for the new office will be held in the near future, he said.

Southeast Compressor Station Could Pose Health Risks

By Anna Young

Environmental activists held an informational forum on Dec. 11 to bring awareness to the health and safety issues caused by the release of hazardous chemicals from the Algonquin gas compressor station in Southeast.

Scientists from the Southwest Pennsylvania Environmental Health Project, a non-profit organization of public health professionals, led the forum at North Salem Middle/High School presenting data from their recently released report on chemical and particulate emissions of natural gas compressor stations in New York.

Data revealed that up to 10 tons of toxic chemicals and hundreds of tons of regulated air contaminants and greenhouse gasses are emitted every year by the compressor station located on Tulip Road.

With the compressor station in a commercial and residential area, researchers believe more than 40,000 residents in both Putnam and Westchester County could be susceptible to disease with the station emitting over 70 types of chemicals every year. The most toxic chemicals include nitrogen oxide, carbon monoxide, volatile organic compounds and formaldehyde.

Researchers added that exposure to toxic chemicals could lead to respiratory, circulatory, neurological and cardiac conditions, reproductive disorders and cancer.

"Nitrogen oxide can obviously affect many systems, as can carbon monoxide, volatile organic compounds and any one system can be affected by numerous chemicals that are being emitted at the site," Dr. Celia Lewis said. "That makes for a very complex and complicated job for physicians and medical specialists who are trying to tease out what health symptoms are being caused by what chemicals when you have mixtures like this."

With the controversial Algonquin Pipeline Expansion (AIM) project increasing the horsepower of the Southeast compressor station from 40,000 to 50,000. Grassroots Environmental Education sponsored the public forum to educate residents on the potential consequences of the project.

The AIM project, controlled by Enbridge Energy, includes the replacement of an existing 26-inch pipe, which was installed in 1954, with a 42-inch pipe, which is meant to increase the demand for natural gas. The pipeline will pass through communities in Putnam, Westchester and Rockland counties, and run north from Pennsylvania to Canada.

Ellen Weininger, director of educational outreach with Grassroots, said the project will lead to the expansion of six existing compressor stations, construction of three new metering/regulating stations and the expansion of 24 existing metering/

regulations stations.

Dr. David Brown said the primary release of chemical compounds stems from the venting of gas from the pipeline, emissions from metering devices, and emissions from burning natural gas to fuel engines. He said health risks are determined by distance, wind direction and topography.

"We know what those chemicals do, there is no mystery about that," Brown said. "The question is how much exposure will possibly occur."

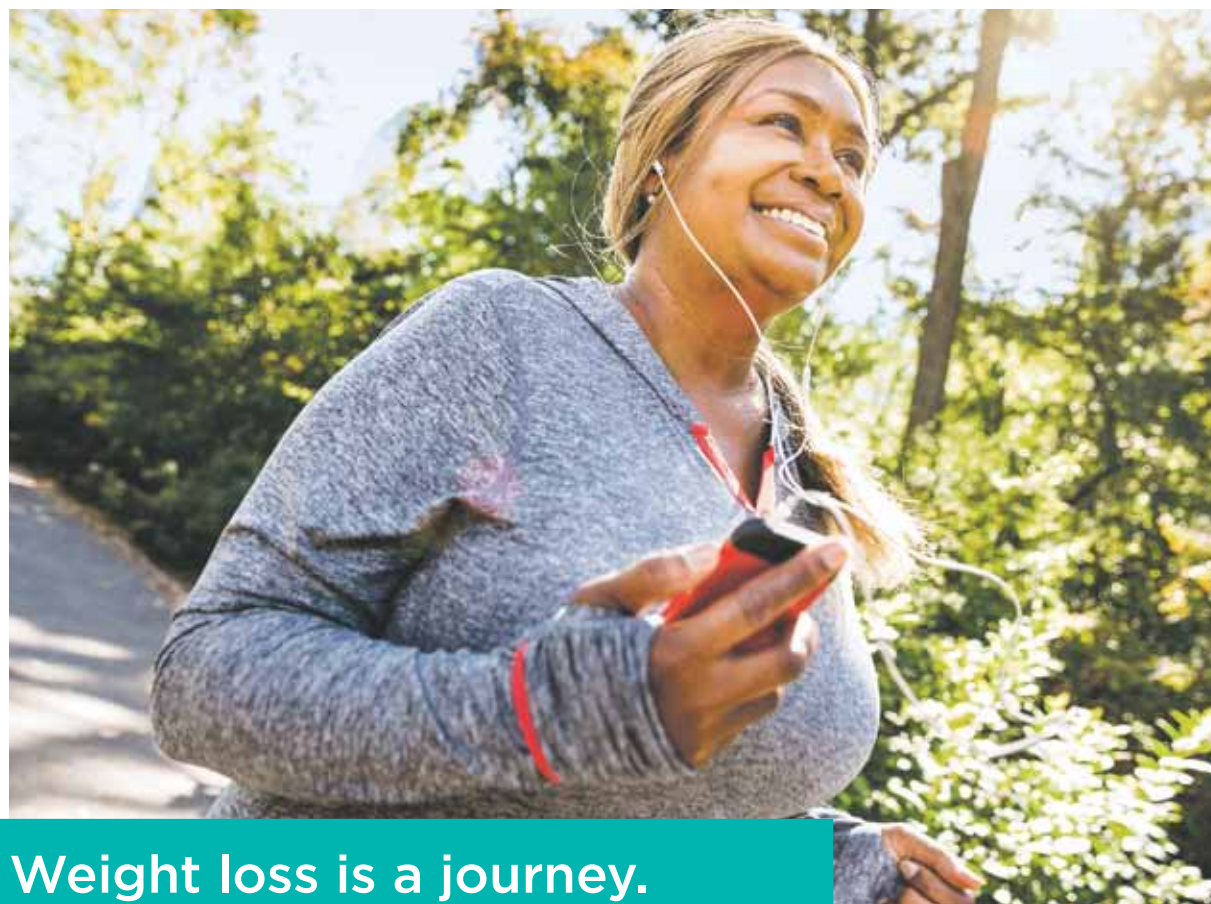
Of the 60 compressor stations in

the state, Lewis said the report ranked Southeast at nine, stating that it released upwards of 1.6 million pounds of toxic pollutants from 2008 to 2014.

"At least 75 percent of what's in the pipeline is methane. It can be as much as 95 percent, but that means 5 percent or 20 percent is something else and that is what we're worried about from a toxicology standpoint," Brown said.

"New York DEC (Department of Environmental Conservation) hasn't looked at this data," Lewis said. "We feel it's important that they do so."

'New York DEC hasn't looked at this data. We feel it's important that they do so.'- Dr. Celia Lewis



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The challenge for administrators is how are to make sure teachers are supported financially, logistically and technically, Stowell said.

Over the summer of 2016, the district took a small group of the most forward thinking teachers and held a focus group on what should the most innovative classrooms look like.

Administrators have also read books on the topic about the future of education, Pease said and more professional development for about 20 teachers was offered in fall 2016. Right now there are 23 "break through" classrooms in Mahopac,

Pease said.

Some of the ideas gathered included not having a "front" of the classroom and not lecturing to students. Students no longer do work just for the teachers' eyes, but for a "global audience."

Stowell said the district is doing professional development on how to teach students to acquire skills that have a multi-disciplinary approach rather than just read and write and do math. Clinicians are brought in to explain to teachers how they can help students' emotional wellbeing and Information Technology workers help teachers integrate technology into lesson plans, Stowell said.

"We have a good road map and we're learning everyday better and better," Stowell said.

While major additions and changes are important, Pease noted little details also matter. Pease said administrators and teachers look at paint color, lighting, furniture and even the smell of a room to foster the best learning experience. A classroom layout can include some students standing while they work at high stop tables and other students sitting together at a round table or on bean bags.

Stowell wants to see future classrooms all have spaces and outlets where students can be creative. Rather than going to one room for a special engineering project, the point is to have creative offerings in

each classroom consistently.

"That classroom doesn't just produce kids that learn, but kids that are happy to learn," Stowell said.

The hope is to steadily multiply these pockets of innovation taking place in some classrooms and years from now sees it occur in every classroom in every building.

Pease and Stowell have developed a system to test and vet different classroom equipment and teaching approaches. Some of it is trial and error and some slight mistakes are made, Pease conceded, but it allows the district to move forward.

"We're just not winging it," Pease said.

Of course, New York State assessments need to be considered when cultivating an approach. While Pease knows strong tests scores are important, other measurements not shown in a grade also matter like how willing a student is to learn more outside of the classroom and being prepared for life after Mahopac.

"It'll take a little time before we see the proof in the pudding with the data of test results," Pease said.

During a meeting between teachers, parents and administrators recently earlier

this year, one teacher noted his second grade students are writing better now than he's ever seen before in his 20 years in education. Stowell added if students are properly instructed and taught to think critically, questions they face on state tests are no longer as difficult.

With Mahopac reaching deep into the 21st century, Stowell knows traditional teaching and learning also has a place in the district.

"There are some things that still have value today, but they don't become front and center of a classroom," Stowell said.

Pease noted there is never an end to exploring new ways to get students to learn and think. Education is always changing across the United States and even across the world, Pease said and Mahopac doesn't want to just keep up, but stay ahead of the pack.

"The simple answer is we are about students and student learning and students being successful as adults," Pease said. "So ultimately what are we hoping to gain? More powerful educational experiences for kids that will better allow them to function well in this new environment of work and home."

Collins Calls it a Career as Kent Town Justice

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where that person had a job and a family.

One case that always stood out to Collins was when he had to dismiss animal cruelty charges in the interest of justice because there was misconduct by the law enforcement agency that investigated the allegations. After he dismissed the charges, he even got hate mail from animal advocates, but he knew he did the right thing.

He stressed that was the only time in his lengthy career as a judge where he suspected abuse of police power.

"They have all acted honorably," Collins said of police departments. "Except that one instance."

Turning 74-years-old in March, Collins is ready to move onto to something new,

even though he's uncertain what the next steps might be. He's considered starting a legal clinic that offers affordable legal representation or volunteer in another forum after he retires from the law firm he works for.

Collins' philosophy on the bench was to ensure the government proved its case and the individual on trial had a presumption of innocence. As a judge, Collins made sure to insulate himself from the prosecutor and defense counsel and simply adhere to the rules. Regardless of the final verdict, he stressed fairness is the most important focus.

"I think the law profession is a great profession, it's been very good to me," he said. "I think I have a good reputation in the law profession."



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Collins who was active in the community, with Assemblywoman Sandy Galef and resident Joyce Mitchell.

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Burke Rehabilitation Hospital Helps Man Walk Again

By Neal Rentz

Dec. 20 was a special day for 39-year-old Carmel resident Rusty Chmelovsky.

After months of rehabilitation Chmelovsky was able to be discharged from Burke Rehabilitation Hospital in White Plains and is able to walk for the first time since 2008 with the assistance of technology.

Chmelovsky, a 39-year-old Slovakian-born patient, was doing construction work nine years ago when he fell from the roof of a house approximately 32-feet high. The fall caused a spinal cord

injury that left him paralyzed from the waist down. It just feels great to stand again and just move around and walk.”

Following his walk through the lobby Chmelovsky said he was not in pain. “Since using ReWalk I can say that I don’t feel the pain but I feel more like a muscle ache, like when you’re going to the gym and working out and you’re starting to feel the muscles (ache). So for me it’s like a kind of good pain. It’s like more sensations coming in. I’m using some muscles I wasn’t using in a sitting position.”

Chmelovsky said he has been coming

two or three times a week since July to work with the ReWalk technology as an outpatient.

Chmelovsky praised the staff at the hospital. “They are all professional, great. I love them,” he said. “They really know how to work out with you and they are helpful.”

Chmelovsky’s therapist, Glenda Rosado, was able to identify that he was a candidate for robotics. She worked on developing his upper body strength, flexibility and ability to stand upright.

“Working with Rusty over the past two

years has been a transforming experience for both of us,” Rosado said. “We were able to improve his quality of life by changing his perspective from sitting in a chair looking up at the world to once again being able to stand and see it on his own two feet, something he had not been able to do in the last nine years”

“Rusty’s rehabilitation journey exemplifies Burke’s goal of getting patients back to their maximum level of recovery and independence,” Jeffrey Menkes, Burke’s president and CEO, said.



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Carmel resident Rusty Chmelovsky, paralyzed since 2008, was discharged from the Burke Rehabilitation Hospital in White Plains on Dec. 20 with the help of a robotic device. He demonstrated how he has learned to walk with the ReWalk technology in the lobby of the hospital.

injury that left him paralyzed from the waist down. Following his accident Chmelovsky underwent various therapies, interventions and treatments at Burke Rehabilitation Hospital.

The work of Chmelovsky and the staff at Burke Rehabilitation received a boost from a ReWalk robotic exoskeleton device. He was the first patient discharged home in the region with the robotic device, according to the hospital.

ReWalk is a wearable exoskeleton that provides powered hip and knee motion to enable a person to stand upright, walk and turn. Chmelovsky demonstrated how the device helped him to walk again during a demonstration in the main lobby of the hospital’s Wood Building on Dec. 20.

In an interview Chmelovsky said, “I always thought there would be some way for me to walk again. This is amazing

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Gouldman touted Putnam and said the county has a bright future. He said he takes his legislative duties seriously and was looking forward to another great year.

"Putnam may be a small county but it doesn't mean we can't do great things," Gouldman said.

Addonizio called it an honor and privilege to serve the county and thanked her constituents for their confidence in her. As a lawmaker, Addonizio said she has a responsibility to the residents she represents and has a bold vision for Kent and the rest of the county going onward.

"Honesty, compassion, integrity,"

Addonizio said. "To always do what is right."

Legislator Amy Sayegh, taking over for Dini LoBue, was not in attendance because of a prior family commitment. She will be sworn in on Jan. 2 during the legislature's organizational meeting.

Also speaking at the swearing-in ceremony were county Clerk Michael Bartolotti and Odell, who gave closing remarks.

"The job is about serving this beautiful county," Odell told the other election officials on hand. "This patriotic, historic county and serving the families in it."



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Legislator Toni Addonizio took her oath of office with husband Robert and with Judge James Reitz doing the honors.



Legislator Bill Gouldman was sworn in by Judge James Reitz with his wife Ilene by his side.



Sheriff Langley with his command staff.



Legislators, Judge James Reitz, personell director Paul Eldridge, and County Executive MaryEllen Odell after the ceremony.

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Business of the Week

Trailside Café Mahopac

By Neal Rentz

Those looking for healthier alternatives to typical breakfasts and lunches can visit Trailside Café in Yorktown.

"Our main focus is the juices and the smoothies. We're trying to implement and encourage customers to eat a healthier diet," Trailside Café manager Jill Carney of Pleasantville said recently.

There are seven types of juices sold, or customers can ask for their choice of fruits and vegetables. The menu also includes 10 kinds of smoothies, or patrons can make up their own.

Another signature item served at the restaurant are the Acai bowls, which feature frozen Acai, almond and coconut milks, bananas, blueberries, plus a choice of four additional toppings, Carney said. "They're extremely popular now with the young crowd," she said. "It's like a really thick smoothie bowl."

Trailside Café also offers gluten-free baked goods, coconut Chai pudding and yogurt, which are made at the eatery and are also gluten-free and organic, Carney noted, adding that she bakes many of the items offered at the eatery. The restaurant also offers sandwiches and wraps.

A specialty served in the cold weather



NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

Pleasantville resident Jill Carney is the manager of Trailside Café in Yorktown.

months are Hale & Hardy brand soups. Ice cream may be offered when the weather warms up, Carney said.

While not everything on the menu is

organic, "We do our best to buy as much as we can that's organic as far as our fruits and vegetables go," Carney said.

The Café's all-day breakfast menu

includes three varieties of frittatas, wraps and oatmeal bowls.

In addition, Trailside offers juice cleanses. A person drinks six vegetable and fruit juices a day to cleanse without food, Carney said. "It's just a great way to flush out your system," she said.

Though most of the Café's customers reside in Yorktown, other patrons come from many other locales, Carney said. "Our busier season is in the spring and the summer and early fall" when the nearby bike path is used by bikers from around the area, Carney said. "That's the purpose of calling it Trailside, we're right near the North County Trailway," she said.

Bikers who patronize the Café come from as far south as New York City, she noted.

Carney stressed Trailside Café offers choices not found at many other establishments elsewhere in the local area. "It's definitely a healthier alternative to other delis and certainly to fast food," she said.

Trailside Café is located at 1807 Commerce St. in Yorktown. For more information, call 914-302-7331 or visit trailside-cafe.com.

Queens and Kings Celebration to Offer Something for Everyone

Courtesy of Eric Gross

Putnam County's Queens and Kings Celebration will offer something for everyone.

The Studio around the Corner will be the location of Saturday's gathering that will welcome guests of all ages, from all walks of life and all religious backgrounds to celebrate the return of Santa to the North Pole.

For thousands of Latin American children the gift-giving and receiving doesn't officially end until the 12th day of Christmas known as the "Feast of the Epiphany" or "Three Kings' Day".

Festival organizer Norma Pereira explained the festival is being held to "celebrate the queen and king in all of us. Each person has his or her own majesty and we hope to acknowledge that everyone has a gift to give."

The year's Queens and Kings Day celebration will include family activities, music and traditional Rosca. Pereira stressed: "We will be sharing the warmth with Puerto Rican families who recently relocated to Putnam in the wake of the devastating hurricanes. The Parranda will also be performed consisting of music from various Caribbean countries



Norma Pereira and Paula Mora enjoyed last year's Queens and Kings Celebration.

including Puerto Rico, Cuba, Trinidad, and Venezuela. The Parranda is performed with acoustic guitars, drums, scrapers, shakers and turtle shell percussion in coastal villages of Belize, Honduras, and Guatemala."

This Saturday's festival takes place from 5-8 pm at the studio located at 67 Main Street in Brewster at the rear of the Southeast Museum and adjacent to the Brewster Public Library.



Paula Rosann attended last year's festival with her daughter Emily.

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Letter to the Editor

County Exec. Thanks Healy Family for Contribution to Community

The recent closing of Healy's Corner Bar and Restaurant was a loss to the Carmel/Kent community. Over the past seven years, Eileen, Tim and the rest of the Healy family have welcomed many into their establishment. They have warmed their bellies, soothed their thirst and extended a hand of friendship. It truly was a place "where everybody knew your name."

I want to thank the Healy's for opening their restaurant to numerous charitable events and an assortment of local musicians. They allowed their place to be used as a platform for others to rise from.

I wish the Healy family much success in their future endeavors.

MaryEllen Odell
Putnam County Executive



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Obituaries

Karen L. Reichert

Karen L. Reichert, of Brewster, died peacefully on December 22, at Putnam Hospital Center. She was 52 years old. Born on June 15, 1965 in Greenwich, CT, daughter to Jerry and Carol (DePauw) Turcan. She was a 1983 Rye High School graduate and continued her education to receive her LPN. On September 5, 1987 she married the love of her life Jeffrey Reichert in Rye. Together they moved to Brewster in 1991 and raised their two daughters. Karen was a nurse as well as the office manager for Dr. Robert Reiffel in White Plains until she retired in 2016. She loved to travel, especially cruising. She was an active volunteer with the Brewster VFW. Her family, especially her children (and the children of those closest to her) were her greatest joy in life. Mrs. Reichert is not only survived by her parents and her husband Jeff but also her two daughters; Nicole A. Reichert and her fiancé Richard Desmurs of Astoria and Ryann E. Reichert of Brewster, her sisters; Maryellen Lehman of Warwick, RI, Jennifer Lyons of Brookfield, CT and Allison Turcan of Mamaroneck.

Eileen C. McBride

Eileen C. McBride, a 45-year resident of Brewster, died peacefully at Putnam Hospital Center on December 22. She was 89-years-old. Eileen was born on December 10, 1928 in Manhattan, daughter to the late Michael and Katie (O'Leary) Cummings. On August 28, 1948 she married the love of her life Christopher P. McBride. Christopher predeceased his wife on June 13, 1992. Mrs. McBride was an active parishioner of St. Lawrence O' Toole Church, Brewster, and a member of the Catholic Daughters. She was also a member of the Southeast Seniors. She was very caring and social, whether in person or on the phone she made sure to check in. Eileen loved to window shopping as well as bargain shopping. Her loved for shopping led her to work at Caldor's in Brookfield, CT. Eileen is survived by her three children; Christopher McBride of Lake Carmel, Michael McBride of Mahopac, and Kathleen McBride of Brewster, her five grandchildren; Heather, Michael, April,

Christopher and Dana and her three great grandchildren; Chloe, Tyler and Abby.

Christopher W. Scully

Christopher W. Scully of Brewster, died unexpectedly on December 22. Christopher was born September 10, 1987 in Yonkers, to Karen Scully and Christopher Campion. Christopher worked as a ceramic tile setter at GNR Tile, owned by his Stepfather, Eugene Dollinger. In addition, Christopher also worked as a mover, alongside one of his childhood friends, Scott Lampert, owner/operator of Champ Movers. Christopher ("Lil' Man") was truly one-of-a-kind. Good-hearted, with an infectious smile combined with a fun and loving, outgoing personality. He could always put a smile on anyone's face. Christopher enjoyed working on cars but his real passion in life was his family, especially his nephew, AJ, who he wholeheartedly adored the most. Christopher is survived by his loving Mother; Karen Scully Dollinger, his Sister; Kerryann Scully, Nephew; Anthony J. Rivera, his Father; Christopher Campion, Stepfather; Eugene Dollinger, as well as Stepbrothers and Stepsisters; Jessica Dollinger, Raymond Cable, Melissa Dollinger, and Joseph Dollinger.

Jeanne Gallinger

Jeanne Gallinger died on December 23, surrounded by loved ones. Jeanne was born to Fred and Eve Gross, on January 13th, 1946, in North Tarrytown. As a young woman she spent eighteen years in Hawaii, and loved returning there to visit. As a long time resident of Lake Peekskill, Jeanne loved youngsters and was active in after school activities, Lake Peekskill Youth committee, and in the organizing of community family day events. She is survived by her loving husband George, her daughter Kehaulani Kekoa, her three stepchildren George Gallinger, Thomas Gallinger, Leslie Marx, nine beloved grandchildren, her brothers Fred Gross of Tarrytown & Richard Gross of Sleepy Hollow. Jeanne's funny & witty personality will be missed by all.

Mary Ellen DeToma

Mary Ellen DeToma, a longtime

resident of Mahopac, died on Saturday December 23, at the age of 82. She was born in the Bronx on August 13, 1935, the daughter of James and Mary Neary Mullarkey. Mary Ellen worked for many years in the telecommunications field, including NY Telephone, NYNEX and eventually retiring from Verizon in White Plains. Mary Ellen was a devout catholic and a longtime parishioner at St. John the Evangelist Church in Mahopac. She was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Mahopac Falls Volunteer Fire Department and was an ex-president of the auxiliary. She was also an ex-president of the Lake Secor Property Owners Association. She is survived by her sons, Brian of Danbury, CT and James and his wife Melaina of Mahopac; her brother Daniel Mullarkey of Florida and her sister Belinda Troncone, also of Florida as well as her beloved grandson, Dominic. She was predeceased by her husband Dominic and her daughter, Marianne.

Jerry D. Vignogna

Jerry D. Vignogna, 64, of Mahopac, died suddenly on December 26, at Hudson Valley Hospital. Jerry was born on June 3, 1953 to George and Carmela (DeFilippis) Vignogna in the Bronx. He worked for 40 years as owner of Supper Scissors in Mahopac. Jerry was an avid outdoorsman. He enjoyed fishing, hunting and hiking. His true passion was his race-car where he competed in NHRA races with the Vignogna racing team. He also

loved spending time with his family and friends. He is survived by his three loving children; Victoria Hansen of Newburgh, Joseph Vignogna of Park City, Utah and Jenna Vignogna of Park City Utah and his three cherished grandchildren; Carter, Christian and Kira, all of whom he adored. He is also survived by his brothers George Vignogna and Ray Vignogna, his sister Donna Palmiero, as well as numerous nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his beloved son Anthony who passed in 2012, and his brother Louis who passed in 2009.

Janet C. Fallon

Janet C. Fallon, 90, of Carmel, died on December 27, at Putnam Hospital. Mrs. Fallon was born on May 9, 1927 to Timothy and Janet (Wilson) Hopkin in New York City. On April 29, 1951, she married the love of her life, John Fallon in Yonkers, NY and together they were blessed with three children; Bernadette, Tim and Maureen. In 1965, they moved from Yonkers to Carmel to raise their family. Janet was a devoted wife, loving mother, grandmother and a friend to many. She will be dearly missed by all who had known and loved her. She is survived by her three loving children; Bernadette Fallon, Tim Fallon and Maureen (Steve) Herbert and three cherished grandchildren; of whom she adored and child held a very special place in her heart. She is predeceased by her beloved husband John.

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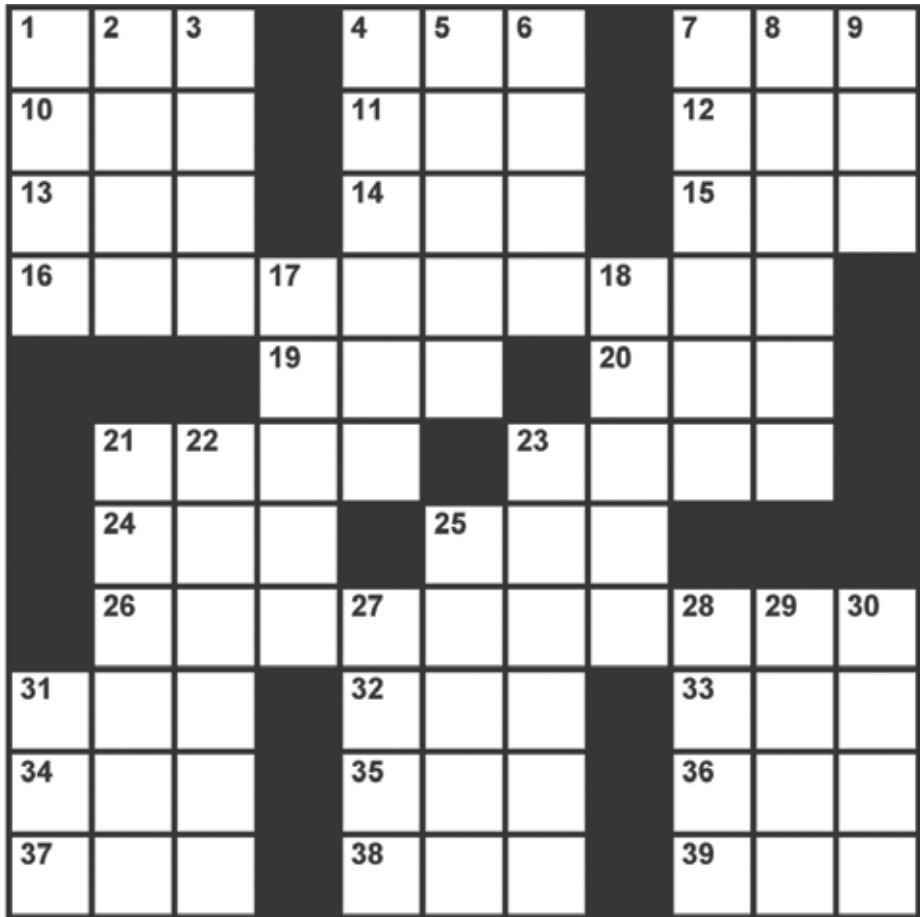
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Nurses at PHC Vote to Join the NYS Nurses Association

The New York State Nurses Association (NYSNA) announced that the registered nurses at Putnam Hospital Center in Carmel have voted by an overwhelming majority to be represented by NYSNA.

Ballots were cast by the 266 nurses who were eligible to vote in the election, which was administered by the National Labor Relations Board. The ballots were counted on Thursday, December 14. A bargaining committee of nurses will be elected immediately to start contract negotiations with hospital management.

Putnam Hospital Center in Carmel is part of the Health Quest network of hospitals, which includes Vassar Brothers Medical Center, Northern Dutchess Hospital in Rhinebeck, NY, and Sharon Hospital in Sharon, CT. Approximately 800 nurses at Vassar Brothers Medical Center are already represented by NYSNA.

“We have many nurses who have devoted many years of their nursing careers to Putnam Hospital. We also have many newer, younger nurses who will hopefully do the same. As the Health Quest corporation continues to grow and expand its ability to deliver high quality patient care to the community, it’s only fair that nurses have the ability to unite

together and negotiate in the decisions that will impact our future,” said Colleen Leo, RN, Intensive Care Unit.

“We have a great group of nurses at Putnam Hospital and it’s about time we had a voice in our own future. We work hard and deserve a seat at the table where decisions are made that will affect patient care, as well as how we are able to provide for our families,” said Mike Chitty, RN, Behavior Health Unit.

The vote regarding representation comes on the heels of NYSNA members ratifying dozens of contracts at hospitals across the state over the last two years. Those contract ratifications include upstate hospitals such as Nathan Littauer in Gloversville, Samaritan Medical Center in Watertown and St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Utica as well as downstate hospitals such as New York Presbyterian Hospital, Mount Sinai Hospital, and Maimonides Medical Center.

The New York State Nurses Association (NYSNA) represents more than 40,000 members in New York State. We are New York’s largest union and professional association for registered nurses. For more information, please visit our website at www.nysna.org.

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29. “Raiders of the Lost Ark” extra

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Message of Gratitude From Former Sheriff Don Smith

As my time as your Sheriff comes to a close, I take this opportunity to thank all of the people of Putnam County for all of your great support, hard work and faithful encouragement in helping the law enforcement and emergency services community in keeping Putnam County a great and safe place to live, work and raise a family.

I take this opportunity to also thank all of our fellow team members in the law enforcement and emergency services community for all of their support of our Sheriff’s Deputies, Correction Officers and our Support Staff during my tenure as Sheriff. Our members of law enforcement, our fire departments and our ambulance corps are truly the most hard working and dedicated professionals I know. Let me take this opportunity to say, Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

It has been my great honor and privilege to have served with you these past 19 years as your Deputy County Executive and as your Sheriff. In remembering the words of the great Lou Gehrig, “Today I consider myself the luckiest man on the face of this earth” - having been given the opportunity to serve in two of the most noble professions, the United States

Military and in the Office of Sheriff.

Thank you again for all your great support, encouragement and your prayers. It truly has been one of the greatest honors and privileges of my life to have served with you over these many years.

May God bless you and your families with good health, great success and much happiness today and always.

With my best wishes and deepest respect,

Don Smith
Former Putnam County Sheriff



Photos of China By Mahopac Student on Display

Mahopac Public Library is delighted to display a series of new photographs by Jean Tock entitled, "Wild China, a photographic journey through the remote central mountains of China....with a few urban stops along the way." Sixteen photographs, representing Tock's recent trip to China, are currently on display on the second floor of the Library. These remarkable images provide a glimpse into the culture, the people, and the indigenous wildlife of this distant country.

Among Jean's subjects is the Giant Panda, which is considered the national treasure of China. Tock explained, "despite their exalted status and relative lack of natural predators, pandas are still at risk. Severe threats from humans have left just over 1,800 pandas in the wild. A newborn panda is the size of a stick of butter, but an adult can weigh more than 300 pounds. The bears subsist almost entirely on bamboo, eating anywhere



A giant panda, photograph by Jean Tock, (c) 2017.

from 25-80 pounds of it each day."

The show features other native creatures

including the Red Panda, also known as the Lesser Panda, which is just slightly

larger than a domestic cat. Almost 50% of the Red Panda's habitat is in the Eastern Himalayas. Deforestation threatens the habitat of these tree-dwelling bears.

Golden Snub-nosed monkeys spend almost their entire lives in trees and are native to just four provinces in central China. This vegetarian monkey that feeds solely on lichen, leaves, fruit, bark, and flowers is a highly social primate, forming units of 20 to 30 individuals in winter, which often come together into larger troops of up to 200 in the summer.

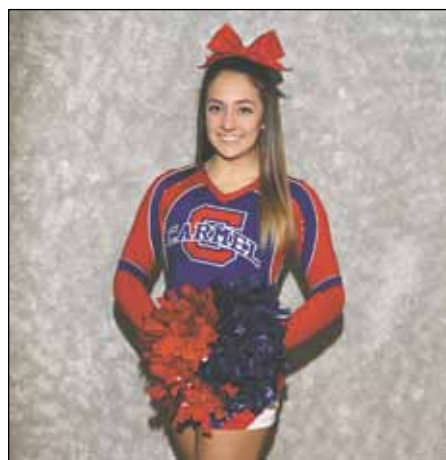
Additional images of a shadow dancer, a costumed performer, Chinese soldiers, a woman playing Mah Jongg, and a model posing for an advertising agency photo shoot, are just some of the fascinating prints in Tock's China series. The photos will remain on view through February 2018. For more information about displays at the Library, call 845-628-2009, ext. 108.

Carmel Cheerleader to Perform in London New Year's Parade

Jessica Kamalsky from Carmel High School in Carmel is one of more than 650 high school cheerleaders and dancers from across the U.S. who will be representing Varsity Spirit in the world famous London New Year's Day Parade.

The individuals invited to perform in the parade qualified for the trip after being selected as an All-American at a summer camp hosted by one of the Varsity Spirit camp brands, which include Universal Cheerleaders Association (UCA), Universal Dance Association (UDA), National Cheerleaders Association (NCA), National Dance Alliance (NDA) and United Spirit Association (USA).

All-Americans are selected to try out based on superior cheerleading, dancing and leadership skills at camps across the country. Only the top 10 percent of the more than 325,000 cheerleaders and dancers who attend the 5,000 Varsity Spirit summer camp sessions earn the chance to march in the holiday spectacular.



Jessica Kamalsky will be among parade performers from all over the world. The theme of this year's parade is "Showtime!" and will celebrate the greatest shows on earth. Cheerleaders, dancers, marching bands, acrobats and more will make up the 10,000 performers representing 20 countries worldwide in the 2018 parade.

Established as one of London's biggest events, the parade is seen by nearly 300 million people around the world. In addition to cheering in the parade, All-Americans will be able to celebrate the holidays European style with the chance to tour some of London's most historic sites during their seven-day stay.

"It is an amazing opportunity to be recognized as an All American Cheerleader and to be given this honor of representing the USA in London. I can't wait to meet new friends and tour London with the other All American Cheerleaders from across the US. I will make my small town of Carmel, New York proud," Kamalsky said.

"This is the 30th year we've been able to bring these talented cheerleaders and dancers to London, where they can showcase their skills to a very enthusiastic international audience, and explore the rich cultural heritage of this great city," says Mike Fultz, the International Event

Coordinator for Varsity Spirit.

For more information, visit www.varsity.com or contact Mike Fultz at (800) 238-0286 or mfultz@varsity.com

About Varsity Spirit

Memphis-based Varsity Spirit has been a driving force behind cheerleading's dynamic transformation into the high-energy, athletic activity it is today, and the leading global source for all things cheerleading and dance. A division of Varsity Brands, Varsity Spirit is a leader in uniform innovation and educational camps, clinics and competitions, impacting nearly a million athletes each year. Focused on safety, entertainment and traditional school leadership, Varsity Spirit's 5,000 employees have been helping raise cheerleading's influence and profile since 1974. For more information about Varsity Spirit or Varsity Brands, please visit www.varsity.com or www.varsitybrands.com.

Pride in PV Awarded for Creation of Outdoor Classroom

A true team effort culminated in the creation of an outdoor classroom at Putnam Valley Elementary School and the Board of Education recently recognized all those who had a part in it. At a recent meeting of the Board of Education, Dr. Fran Wills,



Superintendent of Schools and Ms. Margaret Podesta, Putnam Valley Elementary School Principal, thanked everyone who helped make the outdoor classroom a reality. Special thanks was offered to Patrick Bellino, Director of Facilities, Putnam Valley High School teachers Bruce Ludovicy (Physics) and Ryan Odell (Band), Katie Odell, Fourth Grade Teacher at Putnam Valley Elementary School and her father, Marty Costello. "We are so lucky to have so many innovative learning spaces and this one was truly a labor of love. The end result is absolutely gorgeous and it is very special to all of us," shared Principal Podesta.



In the photo above are fourth grade teacher, Katie Odell and her father, Marty Costello.

Local Olympic Hopeful Slides to Bronze in International Debut

Jeffrey Sichler, a 7th grader in George Fischer Middle School made his international debut at the Olympic Luge track in Lake Placid against a tough Canadian Team where he finished with a bronze medal only one half of a second from gold.

Jeffrey, who raced as a 12-year-old (and is set to turn 13 years old in December) had his best ever performance against competitors who were 14 and 15 years old. Jeffrey was named to the United States Junior National Luge Team in 2014 and at the time was the youngest member of Team USA. He is now competing in his 3rd year as a member of the Junior National Team and is working

hard for his first shot at Olympic glory in 2022 in Beijing.

In the 2016-17 season, Jeffrey placed 4th at the Empire State Games and 5th at the Junior National Championships, both in Lake Placid. Jeffrey resides at the Olympic Training Center in Lake Placid where he balances both his athletic and scholastic endeavors.

Jeffrey got his Luge start at a Slider Challenge at Thunder Ridge Ski Area in Patterson. There he met Dan Joye a former Carmel High School student and Olympic Luger from the 2006 (Torino) and 2010 (Vancouver) Olympic Games.



Children's Services Brings Holiday Cheer to Putnam Kids

A community partnership brought Putnam County youth and their families together for a night filled with food, fun and festivities. As members of the Children's Coordinated Services Initiative (CCSI), CoveCare Center, Green Chimneys Community Based Services, and the Department of Mental Health's Putnam County Youth Bureau came together on December 14th to host their annual children's holiday party--a tradition started in 2001 by Dawn Mullins, CCSI Coordinator for the Putnam County Youth Bureau. Close to 150 people--children, parents, and caretakers--gathered at the Carmel Fire Department to celebrate the holiday season.

"It's an annual event of fun, fellowship and celebration allowing families with common bonds to meet and realize they are not alone. Families tell us it is the highlight of their holiday season and attendance has grown exponentially...we will need an even larger venue next year," stated Mullins.

CoveCare Center's Brandon Lillard, CCSI Team Coordinator, added, "This was my first experience with the CCSI holiday party. It was a great thing to behold. As a provider, it's amazing to have



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Dawn Mullins, Brandon Lillard and Christina McGuigan.

all the families we encounter throughout the year together for the holidays. This party is a testament to the work that we do here in this community."

In cooperation with the Toys for Tots Foundation, a program run by the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, gifts were distributed to all children in attendance,

brightening their holidays and putting smiles on their faces. The holiday craft table was a big hit again this year as children created holiday gifts for friends and family.

CCSI sends thanks to the Carmel Rotary for contributing to the buffet dinner, and to the Brewster Rotary for the delicious desserts.

The CCSI team includes Christina McGuigan, Brandon Lillard, Jennifer Murman, Simone Peart, Connie Chin, Stephanie Gomme, Anna Corbi, Wanda Crowley, Suleiska Richardson, Raleigh Williams and Sandra Sodano from CoveCare Center; Dawn Mullins from the Putnam County Department of Mental Health; and Eva Zegarra, Erin Dommermuth, Patrick Kearns, and Julia Bennett from Green Chimneys.

Diane E. Russo, Chief Executive Officer of CoveCare Center, and Janeen Cunningham, Executive Director of the Putnam County Youth Bureau were also in attendance.

About Children's Coordinated Services Initiative (CCSI)

CCSI is a partnership between family members and service providers designed to assist families whose children have mental health needs. The goal is to

keep families together by creating linkages to community based services. Call 845.808.1600 x46139 for more information.

About CoveCare Center

CoveCare Center, formerly known as Putnam Family and Community Services, Inc., is the only private non-profit agency providing recovery-based mental health and substance use treatment and prevention services in Putnam County. CoveCare Center offers hope and healing to people of all ages through a comprehensive range of services including individual and group counseling, care coordination, family advocacy, parenting education, community outreach, and medication management. CoveCare Center is a member of Coordinated Behavioral Health Services (CBHS), a non-profit 501(3) membership organization of forward-thinking, community behavioral health and disability service providers in the Hudson Valley Region whose shared goal is to promote recovery-oriented and outcome-based services designed to ensure high quality and low costs. More information is available at: www.CoveCareCenter.org.



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A group photo of CCSI members.

The Makings of a Great Guest Room

The holiday season is a time when many of us receive overnight guests, and the experience can be wonderful one if their sleeping quarters are properly considered. Sleeping overnight in another person's home can be delightful or a real drag, depending on the planning or lack of it that goes into the guest's accommodations. I've experienced both situations.

The first time I was an overnight guest was as a senior in college when I was invited to join my roommate for a weekend in New York City where we were scheduled to stay with one of his best buddies.

Being from a small southern town, I had never been in a Manhattan apartment, but my expectations ran high because I had just seen a movie that showed the city digs of Doris Day as the very height of sophistication.

What I found instead was a five story walk up in the East Village, long before it was chic, arriving breathlessly to a cold water flat, long since outlawed. My sleeping arrangements were on the floor



By Bill Primavera

in the space where the coffee table had been pushed away. I had only a blanket under me to prevent my bones from getting bruised on the hard floor. My buddy was luckier the first night because he got to sleep on the sofa, which our host proudly announced had been retrieved from the sidewalk. The second night, I got the sofa, but it was actually more uncomfortable than the floor.

To bathe, there was no shower, but rather a claw-footed bathtub, elevated on a platform across from a galley kitchen. When it was not in use, the tub was covered with

a wooden top that served as the kitchen table. There's nothing to compare with my memory of bathing in the tub while our host prepared scrambled eggs 18 inches away from me, and then to eat breakfast on top of the tub where I had just bathed. It wasn't quite pooping where you eat, but not far off. Doris Day, where were you to the rescue?

I vowed that someday I would have my own place in the city and invite all my out-of-town friends to visit me with a stay over they would remember. After

I married, my wife and I couldn't afford to have an extra bedroom in our first apartment, at least we were able to offer a comfortable Castro Convertible in the living room. It wasn't until we moved to the country that we were able to realize our dream of having a nice guest room.

I like visiting my retired brother- and sister-in-law is that in both their large homes, one in Florida and the other in Asheville, there is a separate guest suite. To stay with them is truly like a fabulous vacation. Not all of us can have a separate suite for guests, but we can compensate for it by providing other amenities that speak of comfort, convenience and luxury. For that, I consult with my wife Margaret who's the ultimate homemaker and hostess. Her advice:

- Fluffy new guest towels neatly folded on a corner of the bed or on a chair can make guests forget that they don't have a private bathroom.
- It's nice to have some totally empty drawers in the room, if not an entire chest of drawers. Also there should be at least half a closet for hanging clothes. My wife likes to put attractive hangers in that space.
- A comfortable easy chair with a reading light positioned for reading is always welcomed, along with an

interesting selection of magazines and books. Guests are unlikely to read a whole novel while staying over, but they might enjoy the coffee table book variety that can be just scanned through for interest.

- A bedside, lighted clock will be especially appreciated by guests in that, sometimes, you feel that time is altered when you're not surrounded by the familiar trappings of home.
- And like a hotel, you might add a couple of bottles of water and some packaged snacks, healthy and otherwise.
- Of course, a television set or even a laptop on a desk is a great way to have your guests entertain themselves at least part of the time they're with you.

Consider the advice above, but also keep in mind that too special a guest room may encourage guests to stay longer than you want. Remember Benjamin Franklin's advice that: "Guests, like fish, begin to smell after three days."

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Analyzing the Sensory Experience in Your Glass of Wine



By Nick Antonaccio

Several readers have told me that they are confused by descriptive terms used to characterize wines. This week's column will take you down the path of understanding, and developing, a wine glossary. Now you can dazzle each other with a wine syntax that will help you better appreciate the true nuances of wine tasting.

First, the biology lesson. (You thought ninth-grade science would never be relevant later in life!) One of the reasons that experiencing wines is so complex and yet so simple is that we are able to employ several of our five senses in a singular, focused moment. Of these senses, taste and smell are the critical components.

For taste, think flavor. It is our taste buds that distinguish the overall experience of the wine at hand. The tongue is where the five elements of taste reside: sweet, sour, bitter, salty, umami. As we sip our wine, there are specific areas on the

surface of the tongue and the side of the mouth that impact our perception of wine. Sweet receptors reside on the front of the tongue, salty on the front sides, umami in the middle, sour on the rear sides and bitter on the rear. The next time you sip a wine, or taste any food for that matter, take special note of this road map in your mouth.

Let's translate several of these senses of taste. If your tongue senses sweetness, the term "residual sugar" is usually applied. Sour is often described in terms such as flinty, citrus, lemon grass, musty and is primarily dependant on the level of acidity in a wine. Low acidity may be described as fruity, buttery, soft or flabby (not much structure) whereas high acidity may evoke terms like crisp or pineapple. Bitter has many connotations, from soft to astringent,

that relate mainly to acidic elements, including tannin, finish, peppery, spicy, earthy, green and minerally.

On to our sense of smell. Think elements of fragrance, bouquet and aroma. This is where our

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senses are most refined and complex – and unique to each individual. Whereas there are five elements of our sense of taste, our olfactory receptors number over 10,000.

By far, our experience of wines comes from the sense of smell. This is predominantly why we each have different preferences, likes and dislikes in wine; one person's "chocolatey" may be the next person's "barnyard." Typical nuanced expressions include 1) fruit terms like apple, lemon, grapefruit, melon (white wine) to blackberries, cherries, strawberries, currants, jammy (red wine); 2) floral terms like violets, roses, honeysuckle; 3) vegetative/herbal terms like licorice, black pepper, woody, grassy; and 4) terms associated with processed products like chocolate, coffee, molasses, vanilla, honey.

Of course, the combination of the senses of taste and smell result in the total wine experience. Here, a few examples of pairing taste (flavor) and smell (fragrance/bouquet). The charred taste and the earthy aroma of steak pair well with an oaky, earthy, tannic Cabernet Sauvignon or Zinfandel. The fresh taste and buttery flavor of a white fish pair well with a crisp, grassy Sauvignon Blanc.

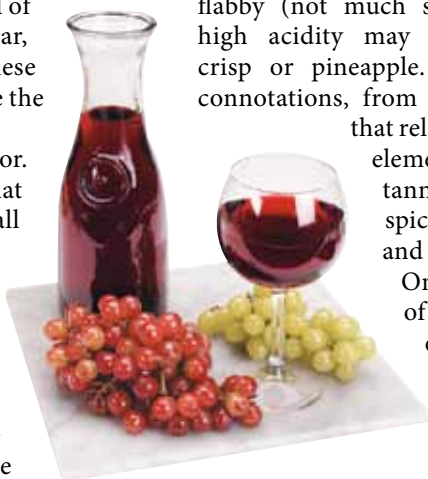
Note: This week's column is a reprise

of one from 2007.

The counterpoint to the conventional wisdom in pairing fish is that many fish dishes are served with sauces that are in direct contrast to the underlying sensory elements of the fish. Serving a Sauvignon Blanc with an unadorned white fish may be the perfect pairing, but the same fish embraced by mango and papaya chutney will overwhelm any traditional wine paired with it. Instead try the fruity flavors and tropical bouquet of a lightly oaked Chardonnay or the soft, low-acid, slightly jammy bouquet of a French Pinot Noir. Memorize two simple rules: first, seek balance between wine and food; and second, match the wine to the sauce, not to the protein.

So there you have it. Now it's up to you to refine your palate. Soon, not only will you appreciate the descriptive terms of wine aficionados, but you will be well on your way to becoming a sophisticated oenophile yourself.

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Ongoing:
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Spotlight Family Support Group: Mahopac Library, 3rd floor, 6:45 p.m.-8 p.m.. January 2, 16, 30. This is a guided recurring support group for family and friends suffering with the effects of a friend or loved one that has a problem with drugs or alcohol. For more information contact Drug Crisis in our Backyard. 845-842-1212 No registration required.

Wednesdays:

Short & Sweet, A Short Story Book Club at Reed Library. Meeting Alternating Wednesdays at 1 p.m. Join for a lively discussion of short stories, a different story each meeting. Registration required, please call the library to register 845-225-2439.

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Thursdays:

The Putnam County Computer Learning Center for seniors holds registration the first Thursday of every month at the William Koehler Senior Center, 180 Route 6 in Mahopac and at the Putnam Valley Senior Center, 117 Town Park Lane, Putnam Valley. Registration hours in Mahopac are from 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. Putnam Valley registration is from 10 a.m. –Noon. In addition to a variety of

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Brewster American Legion Meetings - The American Legion Argonne Post 71 holds its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at the Brewster Elks Club. If you are interested in joining or would like more info, call Bill Miller at 845-406-2533.

Tuesday, January 2

The Reads at Reed Book Club: 7 p.m. to discuss the book "Pillars of the Earth" by Ken Follett. The meeting will be held at Reed Memorial Library, 1733 Route 6, Carmel. Contact 845-225-2439 with any questions.

Wednesday, January 3

Mahopac Library's Teen Library Council Meeting: 2:30 p.m. If you are a teen in grades 6 and up, join the TLC and have a say in what happens at YOUR library! Planning meetings take place once a month. Earn Community Service hours during the planning and double community service when working special library events throughout the year. Registration requested; drop-ins welcome. Register online at www.mahopaclibrary.org.

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Friday, January 5

Flo Brandon Book Group @ Mahopac Library. 11 a.m., Join us for a discussion of Shakespeare's Julius Caesar. Drop-in group; no registration needed.

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Saturday, January 6

Food As Medicine: How Nutrition Impacts Your Health: 1 p.m. Start the New Year right and keep those dieting resolutions! Michael Dubin, MD and Jamie Casey, RD CDN of Health Quest/ Health Quest Medical Practice will explain how different foods affect your body and how a good diet can be the best medicine of all. For more information or to register, contact the Patterson Library at 845-878-6121 x10 or go to www.pattersonlibrary.org and click Calendar.

Monday, January 8

Minecraft: Kent Public Library. 5 p.m., -5:45 p.m. Program is for those ages 7-12. Registration is required for each session. First registration opens at 10:00 am on Tuesday, January 2nd. You may register for the program by going to www.kentlibrary.org or calling the Kent Public Library at 845-225-8585. The library is located at 17 Sybil's Crossing, Kent Lakes

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Mahopac Public Library will host a public reception and wellness fair for "Resilient Children through Art", an exhibit of artwork from the Mental Health Association's "What Every Child Needs for Good Mental Health" poster contest. 4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. Join us for presentations from Anne Tuite, Health Education – Mahopac Middle School, and Barbara Garbarino, Project Liaison, Community Resilience Coalition – Putnam. Meet representatives from organizations that serve children in Putnam and neighboring communities. The exhibit of posters will be on display in the Third Floor Gallery from January 3 -28.

Monday Evening Book Group @ Mahopac Public Library. 7:30 p.m. At this meeting the group will discuss The Sisters Brother by Patrick Dewitt. New members always welcome.

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Tuesday, January 9

Kent Library hosts Percy Jackson & the Olympians Monthly Book Club: 5 p.m., -6 p.m. - dive into the series, by Rich Riordan, with the first book, The Lightning Thief. The book club is for ages 8-11. We'll discuss the book, learn about Greek mythology, and make a fun craft! Please have the book read for the first meeting. Registration is required. You may register for the program by going to www.kentlibrary.org or calling the Kent Public Library at 845-225-8585. The library is located at 17 Sybil's Crossing, Kent Lakes

January 10

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**Upset-Minded
Carmel Foiled in
Loss to Newburgh**



RAY GALLAGHER PHOTOS

Carmel F Shane McNerney (R) dropped a career-high 26 points and the gutty, vastly-improved Rams played their best game in a few years under first-year Coach Paul Brennan but came out on the short end of a 78-67 come-from-behind win by visiting Section 9 powerhouse Newburgh last Friday... see Boys' Hoops Notebook

Sports

Girls' Hoops Notebook

Brewster Wins Hastings Tourney, Ossining Streak Snapped

By Tony Pinciario

Coaches always tend to be cautiously optimistic entering a new season and **BREWSTER** girls' basketball Coach Mike Castaldo is no different.

Even though he was positive and looking forward to what his team could achieve, he is pleasantly surprised after the Bears won the John Costello (Hastings) Holiday Tournament, improving to 8-3.

"As for the start, I couldn't be happier," Castaldo said. "I didn't expect that we would be playing this well in November, but now we need to elevate our play even more and push each other to get better."

Brewster closed out the calendar year with a 68-53 victory over Hastings in the

title game, preceded by a 60-36 triumph over Sleepy Hollow in the first round.

Bears G Maggie DePaoli was named tournament most valuable player and Meagan Beal was selected to the all-tournament team. This is the second consecutive year Brewster won the Hastings Tournament.

Castaldo pointed to captains Taylor Riccardi and DePaoli as the prime reason the Bears have won eight of their first 11 games.

"Taylor and Maggie are phenomenal leaders who lead by example," Castaldo said. "They always play hard and hold their teammates accountable. Also, Meagan Beal has been huge for us from the day she was

moved up as a freshman two years ago. She is a coach's dream, super smart on the court and will outwork her opponents with tremendous heart and desire."

Beal registered 31 points, including 13 of 15 from the free-throw line, and 14 rebounds in the final DePaoli added 21 points, four assists and four steals.

"After the first quarter, it was the Meagan Beal show," Castaldo said. "She was all over the place, whether it was offensive rebounds, steals against the press or getting to the line she was the best player on the floor."

"We did a great job of getting the lead and maintaining our composure when we weren't playing well. Every time Hastings

cut into the lead we responded with a run of our own. I am so proud and happy for Meagan Beal. She has worked so hard. This was a great team win."

Kristen Stefanick added 11 points, including three 3s.

In Brewster's first-round game, the Bears limited Sleepy Hollow to 11 first-half points.

"We did a nice job of pressing them, causing a lot of turnovers and bad shots, and we capitalized on them," Castaldo said. "We played great team defense, controlled the boards on both ends and took good shots."

OSSINING made its annual December trip to the Westchester County Center for the Slam Dunk Tournament. The Pride were upset by Penfield (Section 5), 83-78, in overtime, but rebounded to dominate North Rockland, 84-46. This could very well be the Section 1 Class AA championship game in early March.

Penfield forced the extra period with a strong fourth quarter. The loss ended Ossining's 88-game winning streak against New York State Public High School Athletic Association teams.

"What we took away from the Penfield game was that the team that works harder will benefit in the end and defense wins games," said senior Kelsey Quain, "so we wanted to apply a higher level of intensity on the defensive end for the next game."

Ossining accomplished this, especially in the second quarter as the Pride held North Rockland to seven points. As a result, Ossining went into halftime with a 44-24 lead.

Aubrey Griffin led Ossining with 34 points and 10 rebounds. Quain poured in 28 points and Julia Iorio added 14 points.

"We got the chance to redeem ourselves the next day," Quain said of the North Rockland game. "We had to take away what we learned from the loss, but not dwell on it, because of the short amount of time."

Griffin also had 34 points and 10 rebounds against Penfield. Kailah Harris finished with 14 points and eight rebounds and Quain added 12 points.

SOMERS went 1-1 in the Slam Dunk Tournament, dropping a 49-46 decision to Susquehanna Valley, currently ranked second in New York in Class B, before bouncing back with a 55-49 win over The Masters School.

"They had a 6-foot-4 center who really hurt us," said Somers' Coach Marc Hatten of Susquehanna Valley. "Dani (DiCintio) had a great game against Masters and Dani Cucchariella had a great weekend, going 6 for 6 from the field."

"The bench really contributed in the Masters game, also. We got great hustle and defense from junior Nikki Florino and freshman Taylor Penzo."

DiCintio had 21 points, four assists and four steals against Masters to conclude a brilliant tourney effort.

NWE/PUTNAM Examiner Super 7 Boys' Hoops Poll

(Poll reflects games played through Friday, Jan. 29th)

No.1 HEN HUD – Sailors (4-1) didn't play this week but still have to find a way to measure up to state-ranked (No.15) Saunders, (No.23) Rye, (No.18) Tappan Zee and unranked Byram Hills and Poughkeepsie in the end if the Sailors want to end this Final 4 drought dating back to 1991 (yeah, I harp on things).

No.1A SOMERS – Class AA Pine Bush,

in mix of Class A Final 4 hopefuls. Not sure if either Somers or Hen Hud can run with Saunders and G Keyshawn Miller.

No.3 OSSINING – Closed with a 13-3 run against rival Sleepy in a 50-26 win at County Center: Is it me or is there some juice to Coach Casey's Pride (7-1) this season? Remember who got on board early if so.

No.4 PUT VALLEY – With recent 55-46 loss to Valhalla in Dobbs Ferry tourney final, one can safely add the Vikings to the list of legitimate Class B obstacles standing before PV and the Final 4, including state-ranked No.14 Briarcliff, No.25 Irvington and defending Class C champ North Salem. Charges

No.5 PANAS – Can't wait to take photos of the Panthers under the new LED lights I've been begging for; for many years! Tip of the cap to A.D. Belfi. Hope to get there before Jan.29 tourney finale against Mahopac.

No.6 MAHOPAC – Road to Class AA playoffs will run through a collective, five-at-a-time, grunt-like path.

No.7 LAKELAND – Yorktown, Brewster, Magnus and John Jay CR out of the break: Hornets best go 2-2 or better.



RAY GALLAGHER/RICK KUPERBERG PHOTOS

Yorktown wing Mike Broder was draining and painin Peekskill despite a run from George Bridle.

HM YORKTOWN – 65-60 win over Peekskill gets Huskers (3-4) a mention but we've come to expect much more in 2nd half: Roni Brucaj (21 points) and Michael Broder (18 points) need more of the same.

HM CARMEL – If the Rams play like they did in 1st half of 78-67 loss to Newburgh on Friday, which was their best effort in a couple of years, this well-coached, hard-nosed unit will make serious headway in this poll and Class AA in the days ahead.



Carmel G Peyton Cayea drives to rim in Rams' 78-67 loss to Newburgh Friday.

ranked No.14 in NYS, was too much to handle but the Tuskers (4-3) showed well by reaching finals of Slam Dunk tourney at County Center. Tuskers remain firmly

Sports

Ice Hockey Notebook

BrewTown Squanders Lead, Falls to Suffern, 4-3

By Ray Gallagher
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Last Wednesday's puck-drop against Suffern at the Brewster Ice Arena was going to be the biggest test of the year for the combined Brewster/Yorktown CornCubs... win, lose or draw. Anytime a Section 1 hockey team faces the mighty Mounties, they'd best bring their A-game or be sent packing and BrewTown knew that going in.

The suddenly-surging Mounties overcame deficits of 1-0 and 2-1 to defeat BrewTown and came away with a 4-3 victory. That makes four wins in a row for Suffern (5-3), which has outscored its last four opponents by a whopping 18-3 margin and appears to be hitting its traditional stride at the halfway point of the season.

Connor Sullivan, who scored two goals

Brewster/Yorktown (5-2, 1-0), spotted the CornCubs a 1-0 lead when he barreled to the crease and rattled a rip off the pipes, onto the shoulder of Mounties G Mike Halper and behind the goal line with 9:32 to go in the second. But it was one of only 13 shots the CornCubs would put on goal.

BrewTown D Connor Henderson gave the CornCubs another short-lived 2-1 lead with a power-play blast from the point with 11:27 to play. But a gassed unit would play on its heels from that point forward and eventually succumb.

"I thought after we got that power play goal we would keep bringing it to them," BrewTown junior F Colin Dineen said. "I guess the lack of practice over the Christmas break showed because everyone was tired. We definitely want another shot at them."

Previously, at the Ice Time Sports Complex in Newburgh, the CornCubs destroyed host Monroe-Woodbury, 9-4, getting their fifth-straight win. The Bear Cubs blew open a 4-4 game with five unanswered in the third. Connor Sullivan had three goals and two assists and Colin Dineen had two goals and two assists to lead the CornCubs. Sullivan, Dineen, Justin Groux, Mike Isola, Chris Froessel and Kevin Moroney each have found the net often as BrewTown has stated its case for section-wide recognition.

"There are a lot of kids from different high-level travel teams, and we set a fast pace from the start," Dineen said. "When we move the puck, there aren't many people that can stop us, so we're excited to get a chance to play against the better teams in the section."

Brew/Town also defeated White Plains, 6-4 behind Chris Froessel (2G, 2A)...

Quinten Evangelou (4G, 3A) and Brett Hanson (3G, 3A) were huge for the **CORTLAND** (4-3-1, 3-0-1) in their 10-2 win over Fox Lane...

MAHOPAC ended the 2017 portion of its schedule with a 6-3 victory over White Plains behind a monster effort



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Brewster junior F Colin Dineen makes his way up ice in 4-3 loss to Suffern last Wednesday at BIA.



Brewster D Connor Henderson gave CornCubs a short-lived 2-1 lead in eventual 4-3 loss to surging Suffern Wednesday at BIA.



Yorktown's Justin Groux sets up scoring attempt in 4-3 loss to Suffern last Wednesday at BIA.



Yorktown F Connor Sullivan rips shot in 4-3 loss to Suffern last Wednesday at BIA where he scored twice and fueled hope for the would-be upset.



Brewster's Thomas Mark lays a hit on Suffern player in CornCubs' 4-3 loss to Mounties.

from Brian O'Shea (3G, 2A) and John Dignam (1G, 2A)... Save the date for the Indians vs. **CARMEL** game on Friday,

Jan.26th when Hockey Fights Cancer drops at 9 p.m. at the BIA. It's the only time these rivals will face each other this season and all proceeds will benefit @CommunityCares. Hats off to these two programs for doing so...

Overall Records:
Mahopac 6-2, 2-1;
Somers/North Salem 2-4, 0-1; Carmel 3-3-1, 1-0.

Scoring Leaders:
Mahopac -- Brian O'Shea 11G, 8A,
Gianfranco Pulice 7G, 7A; Cortlandt -- Hansen 14G, 8A,

Evangelou 11G, 7A, Joseph Jimenez 3G, 13A; BrewTown -- Sullivan 10G, 6A, Dineen 6G, 9A.



Brewster D Rory McLaughlin puts a hip into a Suffern player in CornCubs' 4-3 loss last Wednesday at BIA.



Suffern Succotash!

BrewTown Squanders Lead, Falls to Mighty Mounties, 4-3

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BrewTown forwards Chris Froessel and Michael Isola of Brewster High put the squeeze on a Suffern players as he advances against the CornCubs, who suffered a tough 4-3 loss to visiting Suffern last Wednesday at the Brewster Ice Arena where the combined Brewster/Yorktown hockey team squandered a 2-1 third-period lead against the Section 1 perennial powerhouse Mounties... see Ice Hockey Notebook