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No One Fights Cancer Alone

Honoring Cancer Survivors at Mahopac's Relay For Life

By Abby Luby

Cancer survival rates have grown by leaps and bounds because of breakthrough medical therapies, bolstering a growing community of support groups for those battling cancer and to nurture its survivors.

That ardent support was visible at the annual Relay For Life last Saturday at Mahopac High School. Marking their 21st year, the grass roots, community-based Relay group held its annual major fundraiser for the American Cancer Society attended by survivors, their families, friends, caregivers and medical professionals. Starting at 8 in the morning and lasting until 11:30 at night

there was someone always on the track be it a person, group or an entire Relay For Life team.

"That someone is always walking or jogging on the track symbolizes that cancer doesn't ever take a rest and neither will we as a community," said Tracy Walsh, cancer survivor and a staff partner with the American Cancer Society. Walsh started the first Relay For Life in Mahopac in 1999. "Back then the only other Relay for Life group was in Rhinebeck. A spin-off of 'Relays' spread throughout Putnam County and by 2015 there were Relays in Mahopac, Paterson and Brewster. In the past 20 years

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ABBY LUBY PHOTO

Always an inspiring sight, the survivor's lap celebrated and remembered those that have battled cancer.

Brewster Relay For Life Continues Steady Growth

By Neal Rentz

In hopes of eradicating cancer, Brewster area residents turned out in large numbers last Saturday at Brewster High School to show their support for the American Cancer Society.

The national event is a fundraiser for the ACS. Following the opening ceremonies cancer survivors took a lap around the outdoor high school track. Subsequently, a dinner was held for the cancer survivors and their caregivers. Teams of volunteers took their laps around the track. The third annual Brewster Relay For Life included the participation of several food vendors and a table that offered attendees

opportunities to take part in raffles for a wide variety of gift baskets. Some of the entertainment was provided by the Brewster High School Band.

Some of the participants in last week's event said they were either cancer survivors or had family members who had the disease, with some relatives succumbing to cancer.

Carmel resident and cancer survivor Tracey Walsh was the staff partner for this year's Brewster event.

"The Relay For Life is a day where the community comes together, united in the fight against cancer, raising awareness,

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NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

Cancer survivors took the first lap around the Brewster High School track on June 1 during the Brewster Relay For Life event to benefit the American Cancer Society.

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raising funds, bringing hope, providing comfort, surrounding each other with love for people who have lost someone," Walsh said.

The donated funds are used for such purposes as research, access to care and rides to treatment. Additionally, places to stay if a person is far from their home while receiving treatment is available and there is a toll-free telephone hotline (1-800-227-2345) for those diagnosed with cancer, which Walsh said she is very proud of.

"We have an 800 number that's open 365 days a year, 24 hours a day, seven days a week where you're going to get a person," she said.

For example, there was a woman who learned she had cancer called the hotline on a Christmas Eve explaining she did not want to tell her family about the recent diagnosis, Walsh said. "She needed somebody to talk to," Walsh said. "She spoke to someone on the hotline and then she went about making Christmas Eve for her family."

Walsh said people call the hotline for a variety of other purposes, including expressing concerns about unfair treatment from their insurance companies or if they need a wig, for



NEAL RENTZ PHOTO

Henry H. Wells Middle School student Toni-Anne Munoz holds the artwork she and her classmates created for the Brewster Relay For Life.

example.

"We're always there for them," she said.

Brewster's Relay has grown due to many volunteers in the community.

"I'm just getting to know the Brewster community. It is welcoming. It is fabulous," Walsh said. "I never walked into Brewster High School where a student didn't open the door for me."

"Our little county, with no big industry," is in the top five per capita for counties similar in size in fundraising through Relay for Life, Walsh noted.

One Brewster Relay team, ZACC Attack, is the seventh highest fundraiser in the nation for a new initiative called #GoldTogether, in which 100 percent of the proceeds go to pediatric cancer

research.

Following the teams taking turns walking around the track, a luminaria ceremony was conducted.

"We put candles out on the track in honor and memory of those we've lost," Walsh said. The high school's science students made telescopes that were used by the attendees for stargazing, she said.

Patterson resident Lorraine Calebrese has been a Relay for Life volunteer for 22 years and is one of the tri-leads for the Patterson Relay For Life coming up next week.

"I'm a survivor. I lost my first husband to cancer," she said. Her sister and her late mother, who died from another cause, were also cancer survivors, Calebrese said. "I got involved after my sister was diagnosed. And she's doing great," Calebrese said.

Henry H. Wells Middle School student Toni-Anne Munoz said she and many of her classmates created a drawing of a tree in honor of those who have been affected by cancer. "You sign the name of the person that you know that's been affected or has passed away," she said.

Munoz, who has family members who are cancer survivors, said why it is important for her to be part of Relay.

"It's just important to show people that they're not alone," she said.

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Top Fundraiser Readies for Patterson Relay For Life

By David Propper

Gina Sevigny knows Relay For Life is an event that can't be described.

"It is an experience you cannot explain until you're there," Sevigny, who is deeply involved in the upcoming Patterson Relay For Life, said. "There are happy moments, there are sad moments, it's truly a celebration even though it's sad."

This will be Sevigny's 20th year participating in Relay with her team, which she calls Earth Angels in memory of her late mother, Rose Marie Emerson, who succumbed to breast cancer 18 years ago. Patterson will have its Relay For Life this Saturday after Mahopac and Brewster held successful Relays this past weekend. The event kicks off at noon at the Patterson Fire Department.

The first year, mother and daughter went to a Relay in Dutchess County together just to see what it was like. The two eventually created a team and since Emerson worked for Scenic Hudson, family and friends called her an Earth Angel, which is the inspiration behind their Relay team name. Eventually, Sevigny began going to the Patterson Relay because she has roots in the community as a teacher at Mathew Paterson Elementary School for 25 years.

Sevigny has embraced everything Relay has to offer and what it stands for.



PROVIDED PHOTO

Gina Sevigny (third from right) and her team, Earth Angels, named after Sevigny's late mother who died of cancer, attends the Patterson Relay For Life every year, raising thousands in the process.

Her team is the leading fundraiser this year with close to \$14,000 raised so far.

Sevigny said she likes to show people all the ways fundraising from Relay has helped in the battle against cancer. There are better medication programs for those

diagnosed and support for those in the midst of treatment.

"My mom would be here now because of the (medical) breakthroughs that we've made," Sevigny said.

Sevigny said her team fundraises by

sending out a letter each year to family, friends and other acquaintances letting them know what's new in local programs and research in hopes of soliciting donations. A silent auction is held at Sevigny's school that raises money and tag sales are also held. A live music buff, Sevigny travels to shows around the Hudson Valley where she gets people to toss money in a purple bucket toward Relay.

A music festival being held in July will also register more money for Relay.

"People are so aware of our team and what we do," she said. "People are asking 'how can we help,' which is beautiful."

As a recruiter on the Relay committee, Sevigny, a Highland resident, will go to different spots in town and share how Relay makes a difference in the lives of cancer patients. The involvement can vary, which gives different businesses and residents flexible options to give back to the community.

"There is not one person, family, community or store that has not been affected by cancer," she said.

With her mother on her mind, Sevigny said her fight against cancer is personal. She believes in what Relay can offer people going through a tough time.

"Relay is a family," Sevigny said.



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Sheriff Deputy Stops Man From Killing Self

By David Propper

A suicidal man was given a new lease on life thanks to the heroics actions of a Putnam County Sheriff's deputy on Memorial Day.

At about 12:27 p.m. on May 27, the county's 911 center dispatched any available unit in the Town of Southeast to respond to a male subject who parked his car on the westbound side of Interstate 84 and was standing on the edge of the Veterans Memorial Bridge. With a piece of paper in his hand, the man had his arms raised, and appeared ready to jump off the bridge to a certain death when two law enforcement officers arrived.

Deputy Kevin Osika arrived at 12:29 p.m. and approached the subject cautiously from behind. When Osika was close enough, he grabbed the man,

36, from behind and wrestled him to the ground, preventing him from jumping off, the sheriff's office stated.

The bridge, which is known locally as the "high bridge" goes over Route 6 overseeing Southeast.

Sergeant Thomas Lee arrived on the scene just as Osika was handcuffing the individual, who was not identified by the sheriff's office. The man stated that he wanted to die and a suicide note was found in his possession, according to the sheriff's office.

"Deputy Osika went above and beyond the call of duty, placing his own life at risk of falling off the bridge while wrestling to save the life of this individual," Sgt. Lee said.

The suicidal man was transported to Putnam Hospital Center for a mental health evaluation.





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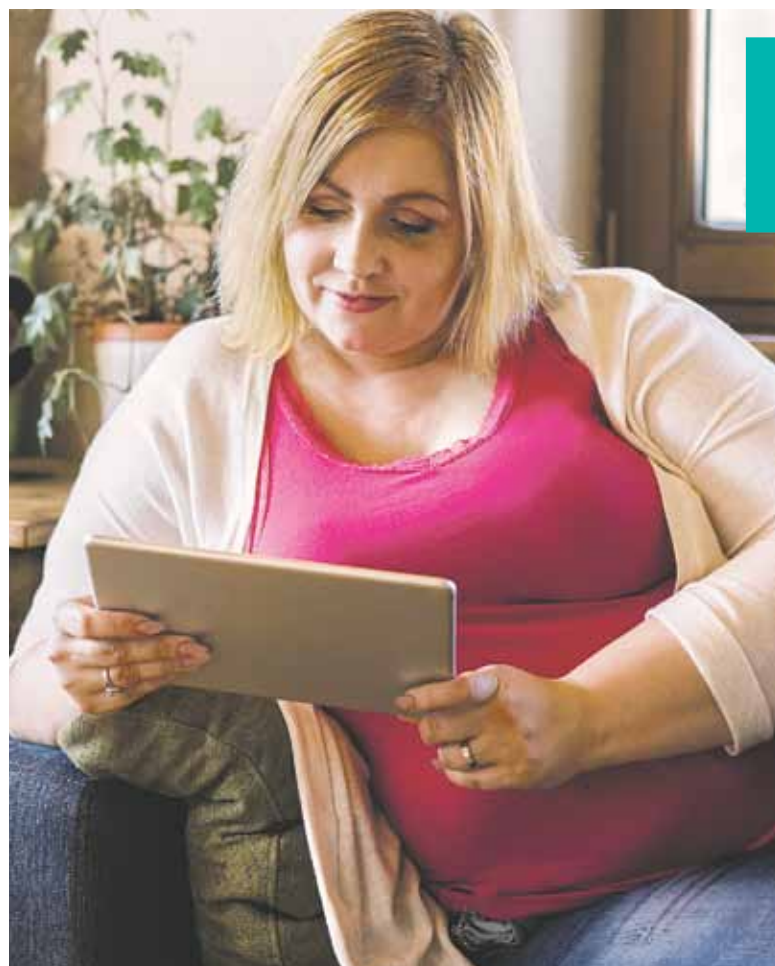


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Putnam County Relay for Life has raised \$4.7 million."

In a poignant address at the opening ceremony, cancer survivor Ellen Pryzmylski asked, "What is a survivor?" Answering her own question she named several difficult emotional states faced by cancer patients, survivors and their loved ones. Pointing to her husband in the audience she said, "He did not have cancer, but he is a survivor of my cancer."

Cancer survivors young and old wearing purple t-shirts walked the track for their 'victory lap' in a moving display of strength and courage and were cheered by over a hundred people in the bleachers.

Walking the track was 22-year old Michael Dacey and his team Mighty Mike's Trail Blazers. In 2014, then 16-year old Dacey, a Mahopac High School sophomore, found out he had testicular cancer which later spread to his lymph nodes. Dacey's community service had always been raising funds for Relay, but when diagnosed he found himself on the receiving side of the support group. Shortly after treatment he started his Relay team with family and friends.

"For me, Relay For Life celebrates those of us who are cancer survivors, our caregivers and those we have lost," said Dacey. "It raises awareness to those who know people with cancer. Over the years my team raised about \$20,000 and in one year we raised almost \$7,000."

Dacey has been cancer free for six years and just graduated from the University of Hartford. He plans to pursue a career in mental health.

After completing their victory lap,

survivors were served a full luncheon catered by Four Brothers. The rest of the day included dance performances, a special march of the Mahopac High School Color Guard, a show by a magician a silent auction and the selling of raffle Tickets for chance to dine out locally. The Vendor Fair had over 60 local businesses who supported the event. At dusk the traditional Luminaria Ceremony put lights in bags bearing the names of loved ones lost to cancer are placed around the track while accompanied by bag pipe music.

The Relay For Life movement was founded by Dr. Gordy Klatt in Washington in 1985 and today is the world's largest fundraising event to save lives from cancer. Last year, 2 million participants in the U.S. raised more than \$230 million at more than 3,500 events worldwide to help the American Cancer Society aid research and help those with cancer.

"We expect to raise about \$150,000 from this event," said Walsh. "And by the end of the fundraising period we hope to surpass the \$200,000 mark. In the last 20 years we raised \$4.7 million and that put us at the top ten Relay for Life in the country and the top five in Putnam County."

Walsh said there has been a significant change over the years in how people deal with having cancer and the general perception about the illness.

"Before, [Relay For Life] nobody talked about cancer," she went on to say. "But today, because of conscious raising events like Relay for Life, at least in Putnam County, nobody fights cancer alone and people feel supported."



ABBY LUBY PHOTOS

Mahopac resident Michael Dacey and his team Mighty Mike's Trail Blazers.



Local dancers performed during Relay For Life in Mahopac, making the day jam packed with fun and hope.



Cancer survivor Ellen Pryzmylski spoke at the opening ceremony.

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After Resignation, Nelsonville Trustees to Select New Mayor

By David Propper

The new mayor of Nelsonville is now the former mayor of the small village in Putnam County after Chris Caccamise stepped down from his post last week.

Caccamise, who had been mayor for less than two months, said he has left village government because of a personal family decision. He informed trustees of his decision soon before a meeting two weeks ago and then conveyed his intentions to the rest of the village on May 20. On Monday, he confirmed to The Putnam Examiner that he has stepped down.

"It was just a changing circumstance in my life, that's all I can say," Caccamise said in an interview. "It really is unfortunate."

Later during the interview, Caccamise said he was moving from the village to Garrison, which meant he could no longer be in Nelsonville government. He stressed he had to do what's best for his family.

Caccamise beat former mayor Bill O'Neill in March in a nasty election fight with Dove Pedlowsky and Lisa Mechaley also earning trustee seats. The three winners ran as a unit.

"It really is a huge amount of work I did for nothing, which is really sad," Caccamise said of his campaign for the post. "I'm disappointed that I have to step down."



Former mayor Chris Caccamise (center) will no longer be presiding over meetings in the Village of Nelsonville as the four trustees will have to select a new mayor for a year.

Now the four remaining village board members will decide who the next mayor is before an election is held next March. Caccamise said either Deputy Mayor Michael Bowman or Trustee David Moroney should assume the role because they have the most experience. He stressed any of the four trustees would

do a great job, but Bowman and Moroney have been around longer.

Bowman, who has been on the board for a little more than a year, said Caccamise called him prior to the May 20 meeting to tell him he was stepping down.

The hope is to appoint a new mayor by June 12, Bowman said.

He said if the other trustees think he's capable of leading the village, he would agree to serve as mayor. There has yet to be a conversation about who will follow in Caccamise's footsteps though, Bowman said.

"We were all kind of surprised by Chris' decision so we haven't had a chance to really process it," Bowman said last week.

O'Neill, when reached for comment, said Caccamise and the team he ran with were dishonest and betrayed public trust. The former mayor, who served one term, found it dubious that Caccamise decided to suddenly put his house up for sale.

"These people deemed me as not transparent, while I think it's self-evident that these people are incapable of being honest and forthright," O'Neill said. "You don't run for office and under two months say, 'my house is being sold.'"

Caccamise said it was "just silly" for his critics to think that he campaigned knowing he might leave the village.

"What could I possibly gain," Caccamise said, adding. "So much of my life has changed in the last two months that I could not have foreseen."

While Caccamise has maintained this was a sudden turn of events, O'Neill isn't buying it.

"I think if I believed that then I would buy a bridge over the East River," O'Neill quipped.

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Letters to the Editor

Why The Use of 'Hate' Only Perpetuates Division

The Webster dictionary defines "hate" as "an intense aversion, malignity". Too often the opposition to President Trump uses this word "hate" as their mode of operation with all of their reactions to the President's words and policies. The few pundits in the media who may support President Trump have often called Trump's opposition as "Trump haters." They have often been heard to say "How deep is the hatred for Donald Trump?"

When both sides use the word "hate" in their responses it only galvanizes each. When you hate someone or something, the emotion is so strong and intense that relegates one's intellect to a minimal role in working towards accommodation and

possible acceptance of the other's position.

When hate is part of the vocabulary the opposition can easily frame their narrative to fit their facts and can easily persuade their audience for political gain, rather than the truth. When you hate, you want to avoid contact and therefore you become susceptible to any narrative that will release this emotion and give you a false comfort, even though you may not be given the truth. This only separates us from working together for appropriate solutions to our problems.

I believe the vast majority of the American electorate would rather see accommodation and compromise from our political leaders. It is not too late to reverse this strategy of

"exciting hate" and begin to deal with the real issues that Americans want addressed, such as, infrastructure improvements, lower health costs, addressing entitlements for our future workforce that will give solvency to the Medicare and Social Security system, proper education of our children and so many more.

If our political leaders continue to spew hateful rhetoric in the back and forth responses to the issues of the day, there is no doubt in my mind that our cherished institutions of government will soon become treasures of the past.

Frank Del Campo
Mahopac

Putnam Leg. Should Approve Climate Smart Pledge

Putnam County has an opportunity to take a positive step to address climate change ("Putnam Nears Becoming Climate Smart Community", May 21, 2019). The storm damage, power outages, and flooding we've experienced in recent years will become more violent, costly, and frequent in the future. But the Putnam County Legislature can address climate change by voting "Yes" on the "Climate Smart Communities" Pledge at its June 4 meeting.

The discussion at the Economic Development Committee meeting on May 16 made clear that taking the pledge won't

cost the county a single cent, doesn't commit the county to any additional actions, and will save the County time, effort, and money.

The pledge will result in several benefits. Participation will help us to reduce CO2 emissions, the most significant contributor to climate change. The pledge also opens the door to the expertise of NYS agencies that have already worked with counties in our region. And the Climate Smart program also opens the door to NYS funding — speeding up the return on our investment. Finally, Climate Smart will also help us improve county services and infrastructure

and expand economic development on a sustainable basis.

In short, Climate Smart is about accessing the roadmap and available expertise to help our county and residents save money and energy, reduce waste, and improve our county's infrastructure. It's a win-win. Please urge your County legislator to take this small, cost-free step on June 4.

Joseph Montuori
Mahopac

Putnam Residents Should Ready for Tick Season

More than a dozen tickborne illnesses have been identified by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Prevention, including five that infect residents in the Hudson Valley. While Lyme disease is the most common and the most well-known, anaplasmosis, ehrlichiosis and babesiosis are increasing as well. Powassan disease, a rarer and potentially deadly infection, is also carried by the same black-legged tick, or "deer tick," that transmits Lyme disease, anaplasmosis and babesiosis.

"We treasure the natural splendor and lush landscape of Putnam County and encourage our residents and visitors to enjoy the parks and trails, and to take in the outdoor beauty of Putnam County. We also urge people to learn about and take precautions to prevent tickborne illnesses," said Putnam County Executive MaryEllen Odell.

"Though tick populations vary each season, we know that reducing exposure to ticks is the best defense against Lyme disease and other tick-borne illnesses," said Health Commissioner Michael J. Nesheiwat, MD. "While the incidence of these diseases has been on the rise, the advice remains the same: Be vigilant about personal protection and make it a habit to check your clothing, your gear,

and your body for ticks."

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends the use of Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-registered insect repellents such as those containing DEET, picaridin, IR3535, and Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus (OLE). "People frequently spending time in grassy, brushy, or wooded areas should consider treating clothing and gear with products containing 0.5% permethrin," added Dr. Nesheiwat. Permethrin can be used to treat boots, clothing, and camping gear and remains protective through several washings. Alternatively, you can buy permethrin-treated clothing and gear. To find the repellent that is right for you, search the Environmental Protection Agency database <https://www.epa.gov/insect-repellents/find-repellent-right-you>.

The Putnam County Department of Health works closely with healthcare providers to share the most up-to-date recommendations and best practices for diagnosing and reporting tickborne illnesses. A physician makes the final diagnosis based on a combination of available tests, observation of the patient, and the patient history and description of symptoms.

The most common symptoms of Lyme disease include fever/chills, aches and pains, and a bulls-eye rash. Due to the prevalence of Lyme disease in this area, residents who have been bitten by a tick and develop any of these symptoms within 30 days should visit their healthcare provider. Providers will evaluate symptoms and order diagnostic tests if indicated. For more details regarding the symptoms and guidelines for other tickborne illnesses, visit the CDC's webpage <https://www.cdc.gov/ticks/symptoms.html>.

The mission of the Putnam County Department of Health, nationally accredited by the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB), is to improve and protect the health of the Putnam County community, composed of nearly 100,000 residents. Core services include community health assessment, disease surveillance and control, emergency preparedness, environmental health protection, family health promotion and health education. For more information, please visit our County website at www.putnamcountyny.com; or visit our social media sites on Facebook at www.facebook.com/putnamhealth and Twitter @PutnamHealthNY.

Business of the Week

Iron and Win Patterson

By David Propper

Chef Tommy Stevens loves to see patrons come into his restaurant and share small plates and good times.

When a group of friends or a family come into Iron and Wine, Stevens, the owner, will encourage them to share their meals and try as much food as possible at the versatile restaurant. For him, there is nothing better than hearing people talk about the different food and what it reminds them of.

Iron and Wine opened in November 2016 after Stevens had been looking for a location for about a year. Living around the corner in Brewster, it was a convenient spot for him to open and offer the county a new cuisine. The menu is essentially New American, Stevens said, predominantly offering Mediterranean food with some Spanish dishes, as well.

"We do funky flips on traditional recipes," Stevens said. "I like to take the roots of the recipes from the Mediterranean."

Before he opened his own place, he ran a kitchen at a tapas restaurant in Dutchess County. While he enjoyed his experience, he wanted to do his own thing.

He figured why put all his energy and effort into another person's restaurant



Chef and owner Tommy Stevens with girlfriend Marianne Stetzelberg and Matthew Hubert, who works in the kitchen with Stevens.

when he could be doing it for himself.

"Why am I not doing this for myself," he asked himself before he took out a loan and took a chance.

He's traveled to different countries like Spain and Italy to pick up new tricks of his trade and recently traveled to Jamaica because he won an award for his jerk

sauce.

Stevens had plenty of restaurant experience long before he was ever working with stoves and ovens. He grew up in a family restaurant, Kelties Bum Steer, that was located in Brewster and owned by his father. He was a bus boy and waiter; basically the "anything guy."

But a fire from a propane explosion

that claimed two lives in the 1997 shut the family business down. Since that fire, Stevens' family hadn't all worked together at another food establishment until Iron and Wine opened.

His mother is a hostess on the weekends and cousins will occasionally pop in and out of the eatery, including to help with contracting and maintenance. Stevens' girlfriend of three years helps run the front of the restaurant while Stevens is focused in the kitchen.

"I enjoy cooking and creating recipes, that's the best part of the job," he said.

The name Iron and Wine (a Brewster Chamber of Commerce member) comes from Stevens' love of cooking with cast iron skillets and the restaurant's offering of a simple wine bar. It makes incorporating shareable items into every dish easy, he said. (The restaurant has a 56-item menu.)

When Stevens is preparing food, flavor comes first.

"Cook with some soul, don't read recipe books," he said. "Cook with flavor, cook with taste. It's an art form. You're supposed to operate with a little bit of passion."

Iron and Wine is located at 3191 Route 22 in Patterson and its phone number is 845-878-8600. It is open everyday but Tuesdays.



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Obituaries

Blanche L. Gagnon

Blanche L. Gagnon of Brewster, died on May 20, peacefully with her family by her side. Her journey of 101 years has touched the hearts and souls of many. Blanche will be remembered by her beauty, strength, elegance and most of all her pleasant spirit. Blanche was born on Aug. 1, 1917 in Salem, Massachusetts to Joseph and Mathilda Landry. In her teen years, her family set out for a big adventure and moved to the New York City. There in a New York State of mind, she met the love of her life Gerard (Jerry) Gagnon. They married on September 22, 1940. Gerard sadly died on March 12, 1975, and since that day a piece of her heart was taken to heaven. Her greatest passion in life was her family. She always found the energy to be the best teacher, nurse and nurturer. Blanche was truly an angel sent by God to bless their lives. She was the best testament to what living a life full of love and family truly means. Her unconditional love and kind spirit is what have made her family their hero. Now Blanche is at home, free and reunited with her beloved husband, parents, siblings and loved ones. She has left a lasting legacy with her family that they will forever treasure in her hearts. Life will not be the same without her presence. Blanche is survived by her 3 loving sons, Jerry, Norman, and Dennis. Her daughter in-laws Maria, Bette and Cindy. Grandchildren Paul, Debbie, Steven, Nicole, Jeffrey, Rachel, Felicia and their spouses and 15 great grandchildren and many other family members. Visiting hours will be on June 10 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Beecher Funeral Home, 1 Putnam Ave in Brewster. A mass will be celebrated on June 11, at St. Lawrence O'Toole Church in Brewster, at 10 a.m. The burial will follow at Holy Mount Cemetery in Eastchester.

Alexander Reda

Alexander Reda, age 37, died on May 26, at his home in Holmes. He was born on July 21, 1981 in Yonkers. He graduated from Pawling High School, attended Springfield College, owned his own moving business AAA Moving, Inc. and worked at IBM of Poughkeepsie for 15 years. Alex had a radiant smile that would light up the room. Not only did he have a great love for family, he was an incredible father and husband; and was the foundation to their strength and success. He was an avid sports advocate, truly brilliant-- a star football, baseball and basketball player. His love and passion for sports was able to shine through in his coaching and mentoring. He found joy in sharing his knowledge with not only his children, but countless other kids throughout the community. Alex had a deep love of children, his own and any and all that came into his path. He treated every child as if they were his

own and gladly welcomed them into his home and life. He loved to fish and golf. He was selfless, generous, hardworking and a kind human being, who was loved by all. Alex leaves behind his beloved wife, Lisa, his soulmate and partner, his two beautiful children; Alex and Arielle whom he loved and adored with all his heart. He also leaves behind his dearly loved parents, John and Christine, his grandmother, MaryLou Reda, his two incredible brothers, Phil and Anthony along with their wives Meagan and Lundy Reda, and his nephew Zane; his Father and Mother-In-Law Joseph and Dolly Busolt, brothers and sister-in-laws, James and Tina Bascone, Peter and Christie Zaborski, Joseph and Marilyn Busolt and his nieces and nephews; Giovana, Jimmy, Ryan, Ava, Nina, Joseph and Colton. Alex will be remembered as a bright and shining light by all who were lucky enough to cross his path. His legacy he left behind will live on though his children.

Diane J. Connally

Diane J. Connally, of Carmel, died peacefully at Calvary Hospital on Monday May 27. She was 79 years old. Born on May 17, 1940 in Troy, daughter of the late Frederick and Ruth (Bailey) Jarvis. She graduated from Lansingburgh High School and became a registered nurse through Samaritan Nursing School in Troy, NY. On August 13, 1961 she married the love of her life Terence Connally at St. Mary's Church in Waterford. Terence predeceased his wife on February 15, 2000. Diane was a registered nurse with Mt. Kisco Medical group in Mt. Kisco, for over 35 years before retiring in 2012. Mrs. Connally was an active parishioner of St. James the Apostle Church in Carmel, NY. Mrs. Connally is survived by her loving daughters; Sarah Noonan and her husband Gary of Hyde Park, NY and Abigail DelGrosso and her husband Gerard of Pelham Manor, her nine grandchildren; Sean, Patrick, Ryan, Samantha, Henry, Emily, David, Charles, Diana and her sister; Nancy Shade and her husband John of Dover, DE. She was predeceased by her daughter Nancy Connally in 2014. It is with great sadness and heavy hearts that the family of JoAnne Nolan must announce her untimely passing on May 25. She was born an only child to Lorayne and Joseph Nolan on January 2, 1948, in New Rochelle, NY. She grew up in Brewster, and belonged to the Brewster High School graduating class of 1965. She lived a fulfilling, yet far too short, 71 years. She was predeceased by her beloved parents, Joseph in 1980, and Lorayne last spring. She is survived by her two sons, James and Kevin Hay, along with James's wife Jennifer, their children, Breanna, Jacob and Ashlyn, and Kevin's daughter, Taylor. She was a former resident of New Fairfield, CT and

Brookfield, CT. Her family and friends will miss her dearly.

Rose DiGiacomo

Rose DiGiacomo, age 93, of Mahopac died peacefully on May 27, and took a piece of her family's heart with her to heaven. Born December 1, 1925 in the Bronx, to the late Angelina (Colangelo) and Vincent Turiello, she would go on to marry the love of her life Anthony and they would be blessed with three loving children Evelyn, Vincent and Mark. Rose was a devoted Catholic and her faithfulness was an inspiration to family and friends. She had all the qualities that make up the very best of people. She was a New Yorker through and through, she loved the Yankees and cheering for them every baseball season. Mrs. DiGiacomo was a phenomenal cook and her Sunday dinners were a loved family tradition. She knew how to bring everyone together and brought out the very best in everyone. Reading kept her mind as young as her spirit and even into her 90's she was hard to keep up with, she lived a very social life. Above all her family was her pride and joy. She loved her grandchildren and great-grandchildren beyond compare, spoiling them with her attention and love. Although, loving and giving your undivided attention to 6 grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren would seem like an impossible task Rose made it look easy. If you were loved by her you felt like you were the only person she loved. Family and friends will miss her greatly but her warmth and loving spirit will live on in those she cared for. Rose is survived by her adoring children, her daughter Evelyn and son in law Bill D'Eletto of Katonah, her son Vincent and daughter in law Joanne DiGiacomo of Mahopac, and her son Mark and daughter in law Josephine DiGiacomo of Carmel. As well she is survived by her six beloved grandchildren Stephen, Craig, Melissa, Anthony, Kristin and Victoria Rose. In addition she is survived by her ten precious great grandchildren Isabella, Sofia, Jayden, Joely, Joseph, Grace, Leo, John, Lilly and Nolan who each held a special place within her heart. She is also survived by her three sisters Martha DeNatale, Antoinette Louzan and Mary DeCandido.

Ann Maiello

Ann Maiello, a longtime resident of Mahopac, died peacefully at Rosary Hill Home on Wednesday, May 29. Ann celebrated her 80th birthday on May 26, just three days before her death. She was born in the Bronx on May 26, 1939 and was the daughter of Charles and Frances (Putignani) Scrocca. Ann was a retired billing clerk at Westchester Square Hospital in the Bronx. She loved children and taught CCD for over 30 years at St.

John the Evangelist Church in Mahopac where she was a parishioner. She was a thoughtful and caring woman and her family meant everything to her. She always looked after her brother, Jack, and cared for her mother before she passed in 2011. Ann was very social and loved being with her family and friends. In addition to her brother Jack of Mahopac, she is survived by her nephew, John and his wife, Karin of Poughquag, and their children, Taylor, Madison and Christopher, her niece, Jacqueline Scrocca of Poughkeepsie, as well as her dear friend, Annette Durr who helped Ann care for her mother during her final illness and Ann, during her final illness.

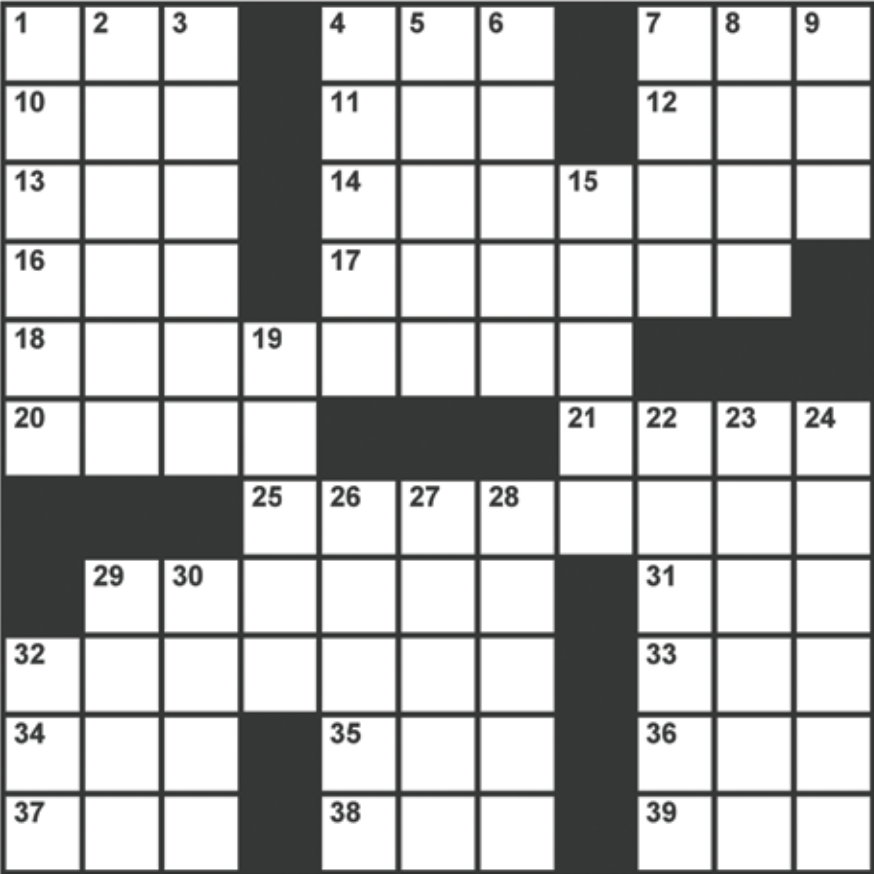
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Crossword Puzzle



Crossword by Myles Mellor

Answers on page 18

- Across
1. D.J's stack

4. Kind of dance

7. Casual attire

10. Expanse of water

11. Be indebted to

12. Hunter's prize, perhaps

13. Cloth edging

14. Breakfast item

16. Fanfare

17. Rogue or scoundrel

18. Fended off

20. Brandy flavor

21. ____ fixe

25. Treating with antiseptic

29. When daylight fades or new

White Plains restaurant bar

31. Prefix for tourism

32. Related atomic element #5

33. Fish

34. Currency exchange board abbr.

35. Cry in Bonn

36. Snaky letter

37. "She loves __, yeah yeah yeah"

The Beatles

38. Spanish king

39. No longer working, abbr.
- Mt. Kisco Bakery
5. Expect
6. Copper coins
7. Zip
8. Nevada county
9. Scratch (out)
15. Spanish port
19. Olympic figure skater Slutskaya
22. South Beach follower
23. Crate
24. Selfish person
26. Actor award
27. Un-frost
28. "The Simpsons" mouse
29. Not too good
30. Pakistani language
32. Real bargain

- Down
1. Black key

2. Bridgewater of jazz

3. Small turnover

4. Baseball card manufacturer or new



Local Golf Great to be Featured at Putnam Service Dogs' Tourney

Jake Jacobson is proof that physical disabilities can afflict anyone. A passionate, accomplished golfer since he was 12, he first noticed his drive distances were becoming oddly shorter and shorter in 2008. He was officially diagnosed with Primary Progressive MS in 2011, at age 48. Jake's deep knowledge of the game, and his passion for golf are obvious when he talks about it. His MS has progressed so rapidly that he now uses a wheelchair, can only play golf with the aid of a Paramobile to support him to stand, and only his right arm can still swing a club. Jake describes his fast progressing MS as an opportunity to relearn the game of golf each year to adjust to his current physical abilities.

This will be the 3rd year Jake has been the featured golfer at Putnam Service Dogs' golf tournament. He golfs with the assistance of a Paramobile, and will be featured at the hole nearest Centennial's clubhouse. He'll give golfing tips to each player as their foursome passes through his featured hole, and hits a shot they can play if they choose, rather than the ball they drove. Jake says the most frequent tip he gives the golfers is club selection.

Before his MS, Jake had been an active player, earning a spot as a professional tour player on the Space Coast Mini-Tour, and was a fixture for more than 20 years at the Ridgefield Golf Club. Now



Former pro golfer Jake Jacobson.

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he is a golf teacher, and a fundraiser. He has raised over \$110K for the National MS Foundation, and after joining the Stand Up and Play Foundation in 2015, has helped place 6 paramobiles in NE golf courses. A paramobile costs \$35,000.

The Stand Up and Play Foundation grants \$10,000 towards the purchase of a paramobile, and Jake has helped the interested golf course fundraiser the remaining \$25,000. He teaches golfers with disabilities how to use the paramobile. Additionally, with his work with the Star Foundation in Norwalk, Ct., he teaches golfers with intellectual disabilities how to golf. He also raises money for the Star Foundation.

The golf bug bit Jake at age 12, when he was a caddy at Wellesley Country Club outside of Boston. His younger brother began caddying there the next year, and the 2 brothers shared their love, and learning of golf. By the time Jake reached high school he was Caddy Master, overseeing about 50 caddies. He had full access to the golf course and practice area. He won some golf tournaments as a Massachusetts Junior Golfer. Williams College, the #1 Liberal Arts ranked college in the US, recruited

Jake for both their golf and hockey teams. Golfweek ranks Ephs' Taconic Golf Club (William's course) as the #2 college course in the US. Jake spent his college summers on the Williams' campus, working on his game, and playing major amateur golf tournaments around the eastern US. He finished 2nd to Brad Faxon in the New England Amateur. He made the NCAA DIII All-American Team when he was a Junior. After graduation he turned pro and earned a spot on the Space Coast Mini Tour. He was a PGA member and taught at Belmont Country Club in the summer and Indian Creek Country Club in the winter. At Indian Creek he worked on his game with Masters Champion, Ray Floyd, who was a member there. Jake has shot 4 hole-in-ones.

Putnam Service Dogs is honored to have Jake Jacobson as their featured golfer at their 3rd Annual Golf Tournament, Friday, June 7, at Centennial Golf Club in Carmel. Check in of golfers is 11 a.m. - noon. For non-golfers who wish to attend the event, Jake will be at the dinner. Single golfers are welcome - you'll be matched to a foursome.

Registration for the golf tournament, or cocktails and dinner only, is available on Putnam Service Dogs' website; putnamservicedogs.org. For more information, please call John Schlick, Golf Tournament Chairman, 845-490-0096.

Night of the Arts Fashion Show Showcases Students' Talent

It was an evening filled with fashion, food and fun. The Night of the Arts Fashion Show, held on the Putnam | Northern Westchester BOCES campus on May 22, cast a bright spotlight on the Tech Center's Fashion Design and Merchandising and Culinary and Pastry Arts programs.

Fashion Design and Merchandising students presented a year's worth of work on the runway, showcasing their unique designs on student models. Audience members cheered as each model confidently strode the catwalk, took a few turns and struck some classic modeling poses.

Before the show, Culinary and Pastry Arts students wove their way through the audience, passing delicious hors d'oeuvres they had prepared, such as shrimp tostados and mashed potato puffs. Afterward, they displayed and served luscious decorative three-tiered wedding cakes inspired by the young fashion designers.

The annual show is a major production and a true collaboration among BOCES' various Career and Technical Education programs. Lighting was handled by Construction Electricity students; sound and video was provided by Digital Film, Video & Audio Production students; and the show's poster, program, ticket design and photography were the work



Young fashion designers step out on the catwalk for a bow at the conclusion of the Night of the Arts fashion show at Putnam | Northern Westchester BOCES.

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of Computer Graphics students. Law Enforcement students lent a hand with security and parking duties.

Juliette Sanchez from Mahopac was applying makeup to Antoine Rodriguez, also from Mahopac, minutes before the

show began. "I was inspired by outer space for some of my designs," Sanchez said. "I really like eccentric fabrics, and each of my outfits is completely different."

Kimberly Bates of Brewster said that her designs were a culmination of "things I've always wanted to be able to try or wear."

All of the young designers thanked their teacher, Lisa Tobin, for providing them with a wealth of knowledge about the fashion industry. Many are planning to pursue careers in fashion, with a number of students looking forward to attending FIT in Manhattan.

Students in the Fashion Design and Merchandising program learn all aspects of fashion design, including fashion illustration, patternmaking, hand sewing, and machine sewing. They also learn the business aspect of the industry, including marketing strategies used to develop, distribute and showcase today's fashion.

Cakes on display were provided by Gabe Aguilar (Fox Lane), Khadijah Amos (Mahopac), Lillie Giacomelli (Carmel), Hailey Hernandez (Carmel), Robert Hildrew (Mahopac), Angel Nieves (Lakeland) and Ke'Ajahnai Ridenhour (Hendrick Hudson).

"The fashion students were our 'clients,'" said Nieves. "We had very professional consultations with them and then designed the cakes they asked for."

Ace Endico Marketplace to Host Customer Appreciation Day

Ace Endico Marketplace, the public retail arm to Ace Endico, the largest food distributor in Westchester and Putnam Counties, will host their annual Customer Appreciation Day on Friday, June 7, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. at their on-campus store at 80 International Boulevard in Brewster. Local media partners I-95 and 101.5 WPDH Radio will be broadcasting live. Customers can enjoy food sampling, product giveaways, and 10 percent off purchases throughout the day.

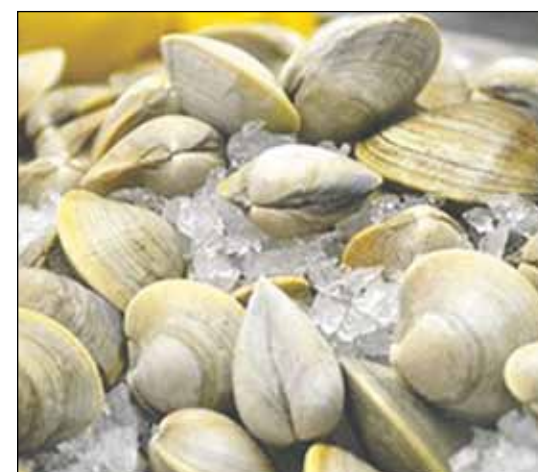
The Marketplace, unlike your typical grocery store, offers a wide range of food items that are offered through a

commercial distributor, in addition to carrying some of the most renowned national brands in the food industry.

Marketplace highlights include Ace Endico's extensive inventory of premium Italian food products such as dried, fresh, and frozen pasta, domestic and imported canned tomatoes, marinated vegetables, cured meats, cheese, and Italian desserts and sweets. Fresh, cut on premise fish, prime meat and organic poultry, deli meats, dairy, and seasonal (often local) produce are among the marketplace staples, as are a variety of bulk frozen food items such as chicken wings, appetizers,

bakery items, and soup stocks. Prepared food items are made fresh daily by Ace Endico's in-house chefs who will be on-hand during Customer Appreciation Day.

Ace Endico invites you to experience their family-owned and operated neighborhood marketplace and enjoy a sneak peek into the world of this premium food distribution company which services over 5,000 restaurants and food service establishments throughout the tri-state area.



Happy Birthday Putnam County!

Putnam County Executive MaryEllen Odell and County Clerk Michael C. Bartolotti, invite the public to celebrate Putnam County's 207th birthday on Flag Day, Friday, June 14, at the Historic Courthouse, 44 Gleneida Avenue, Carmel, NY, from 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. In addition to local history awards, a special presentation honoring today's local historians along with a centennial commemoration of the homecoming stories from World War I will be featured.

"100 years ago, New York Governor Alfred E. Smith established the role of local historians to help record the stories of returning service members following World War I," said Odell, "Since that time, our local government historians have been preserving, interpreting and presenting local history. We are thrilled to honor the role they have played, and continue to play, for the towns and villages throughout Putnam County."

The current municipal historians include Jim Meyer of Carmel; Jackie Rohrig of Kent; Dr. Larry A. Maxwell of Patterson; Mark Forlow for Philipstown and the Village of Cold Spring; Dan Ricci of Putnam Valley; John E. "Jack" Duncan of Southeast; Danielle Cylich for the Village of Brewster; and Jonathan Bradley for Nelsonville.

A number of 2019 awards share a common theme: remembering Putnam County's role in World War I. "It's quite fitting that we'll celebrate the County's birthday on Flag Day this year," said Odell of the scheduling change from the County's actual birthday June 12th to the 14th, "We will be commemorating a time in our County's history that was at the peak of patriotism as the citizens of Putnam County welcomed home its brave men and women who served in the Great War."

"Our Row of Honor along the shore of Lake Gleneida serves as a great reminder of what a privilege it is to celebrate Putnam County's history, pledge our allegiance and show our continued gratitude for all those who serve."

As with tradition, the Historian's Office will honor individuals and organizations for their outstanding contributions to local history. According to Michael Bartolotti, County Clerk and Records Management Officer responsible for the County Archives, "The Archives and Historian's Office continue to be a great resource not just for research but for the arts as well. Over the past year, elements from our records and collection have been developed into works of both nonfiction and fiction." Over seven different books and transcriptions will receive 2019 Local History awards.



PUTNAM COUNTY HISTORIAN'S OFFICE (E811), FROM THE COLLECTION OF DANIEL DOYLE, DDS
The 1919 Homecoming at the Courthouse in Carmel.

2019 Local History Awards include:

Exemplary Public History in Schools: Southeast Museum & Brewster High School for the stage production of "The Letters: Voices from the Great War"

Exemplary Public History – Lecture Series: Michael Bennett & Putnam Valley Historical Society

Preserving Local History: Mary Ann Smith for "Carmel Country Club"; Bernadette Brandon & the Brandon Family for "Sgt. Daniel Brandon's Diary"

Local History Publication: Patriot Hero of the Hudson Valley by Vincent T. Dacquino; Sybil Rides by Larry Maxwell; The Girls of Haviland and Beyond Haviland by Deborah Rafferty Oswald; Putnam County Veterans of World War I by Roderick J. Cassidy; The South Precinct of Dutchess County New York, 1740-1799 by Pamela Riccardi Paschke

Archival Sources Publication: Chip Rowe, transcription of "Putnam County, New York, Clerk Receipt Book, 1821-1827", The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record, Volume 149, Number 2, April 2018 and Number 3, July 2018

Lifetime Achievement Local History: Marjorie Nichols Keith, Cornell Cooperative Extension

Following the ceremony, attendees are invited to join the historians and honorees in the lobby of the David D. Bruen County Office Building for the traditional County birthday cake and refreshments. The public is welcome, no RSVP required. For more information about the event, please contact the Historian's Office at 845-808-1420 or historian@putnamcountyny.gov



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A page and portrait from Sgt. Daniel Brandon's diary kept during his 1918 imprisonment at Rastatt, one of three German POW camps he was detained in until his release following the Armistice.

Steps on How to Attract Neighbors Who 'Tweet'

While our POTUS has given new significance to the practice of tweeting, this column deals with another source: those who chirp and have wings to fly.

Between a childhood in South Philadelphia and an early adulthood spent in Boston and Brooklyn Heights, I never had much exposure to birds or birdwatching – unless you count sharing the sidewalk with flocks of pigeons. Now, after decades of living in a leafy suburb, the birds of our region have become a regular part of my life.

Our life with birds began in storybook fashion when my wife Margaret developed a friendship with a cardinal who would scrape its beak against our bedroom window screen every morning until she greeted it. The chickadees of the winter would make way for the robins and blue jays of spring, and autumn would not be complete without spotting at least one procession of wild turkeys crossing the road.

At the time I began to ask family members, some real ornitho-enthusiasts, especially my mother-in-law, what the



By Bill Primavera

average homeowner could do to help out local birds. Their advice is condensed here.

First, birds need food. The big sack of wild bird seed you can get at the supermarket may disappoint you if you are hoping to see a variety of species. House sparrows, a species non-native to this area, are attracted to the millet in most seed mixes, and they will usually crowd out other birds at the feeder to get to it. They are cute in their own right, but if you want to support other types of birds, the millet has got to go.

Finches like thistle and Nyjer in special vertical feeders, crows and jays enjoy peanuts and many other birds like striped shell sunflower seeds.

Once your food is laid out, you need to protect it from squirrels. You have to expect the squirrels to come at your birdseed from every conceivable direction. What seems to work best is to put cone-shaped baffles above and below your feeder, and then position it far enough away from any surface from which a squirrel can launch itself laterally.

If this doesn't work, wild bird supply

stores sell a hot pepper oil specially designed to be mixed into bird seed, such as Cole's Flaming Squirrel Seed Sauce. The birds can't taste the spice at all, but squirrels hate it.

A few kind souls even set up special squirrel feeders in the hopes of keeping them well-fed enough to leave the seed alone, but I would fear a squirrel invasion if I encouraged them.

Now that your birds are fed, you can offer them shelter. There are many birdhouse-shaped garden accessories available. But to truly help the birds, you will want to research the needs of the species you want to attract. Purple Martins, for example, want to live close together, and their birdhouses look like apartment buildings. Bluebirds, on the other hand, prefer a single birdhouse on a pole in a sunny field, preferably with a horizontal slit for an entrance. Once again, house sparrows crowd other species, but you can discourage them by looking for entrance holes no bigger than one-and-a-half inches in diameter.

For all birds, select houses with at least one ventilation hole to let heat out, another one on the bottom for drainage and a rough-surfaced interior to help the birds climb out. An overhang over the entrance gives them shelter from rain and

sun, but avoid a perch in front of the hole which can help a predator gain access.

If you have cats, keep them indoors. Cat predation causes the deaths of millions of birds a year, and an indoor lifestyle is much safer for the cat as well. Hawks and owls need food, too, but if you don't want them eating your guests, you can help by keeping your feeders under the shelter of a tree or deck.

Finally, think about protecting birds from flying into your glass windows or doors. One of the less visually obtrusive products I have found are window alert decals and UV liquid window markers. The decals and liquid are nearly transparent to us, but birds can see them clearly with their UV vision. They do have to be replaced every six months.

These tips are barely an introduction to all you can learn when you start noticing birds. Eventually the interest can grow into a most rewarding way to reconnect with nature.

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The Heady Adventures of a Hudson Valley Locavore



By Nick Antonaccio

In last week's column we explored the changing landscape of the farm-to-table diet in the United States. As I've roamed the Pleasantville Farmers Market

each week, I've been observing the changing season's bounty, especially in the fare offered by Hudson Valley farmers.

More and more local produce, meats, cheeses, baked goods, spices and herbs are coming to market as the growing season advances. And, of course, there is always a Hudson Valley wine producer on the scene, completing the cycle of farm-to-dining repast.

Local products paired with local wines. If it grows together it goes together.

This was the theme of last week's column.

Over millennia, denizens of small communities experimented with producing compatible food and wine. The ancient Romans perfected this marriage of Mother Nature with man's nature, coexisting in a symbiotic relationship, introducing the farm-to-table concept. What grows best together goes best together.

Fast forward to the late 20th century when global trading upset the concept of farm to table. Pairings of food and wine were expanded. Now Americans were able to enjoy their Hudson Valley sparkling wine with fresh strawberries from Central America in the deepest winter months and their Hudson Valley Vidal Blanc from Whitecliff Vineyard with fresh tomato-based salads from Mexico year-round.

In the last 10 years, Americans have experienced a return to basics in many parts of the country. Consumers vigorously seek out local fruits and vegetables as alternatives to those imported from other countries, even from other regions of the United States. Farm to table has gained a strong foothold in the diets and preferences of American consumers.

But in this 10-year period, I've also noticed a new take on the concept of pairing local ingredients and wine: if it goes together it can grow together.

American farmers and wine producers are experimenting with food and grapes rarely produced locally. As a result, Americans are able to expand

You Heard It Through the Grapevine

their quest for local sources of food and wine.

Gourmet vegetables such as kale and arugula abound in local markets. Varieties of grapes previously grown exclusively in foreign soil now flourish in American

vineyards.

I present two examples of the changing landscape of Hudson Valley wine production that enables pairings previously not available.

A grape previously grown primarily in France, Cabernet Franc, is now successfully produced by several vintners in the Hudson Valley.

An excellent, traditional pairing of Cabernet Franc has been with grilled meat. The combination goes very well together. But growing together? It had been difficult to find a top pairing within the confines of the Hudson Valley. No longer. The award-winning Cabernet Franc from Robibero Winery in New Paltz and the hormone-free, antibiotic-free, grass-fed cattle from Kiernan Farm are a locavore's dream come true.

If it goes together it can grow together.

A grape previously grown exclusively in a small area of Northwestern Spain, Albarino, is produced to high acclaim in Marlboro, a short drive from Westchester County.

Another traditional pairing is a crisp, high minerality wine with a gazpacho

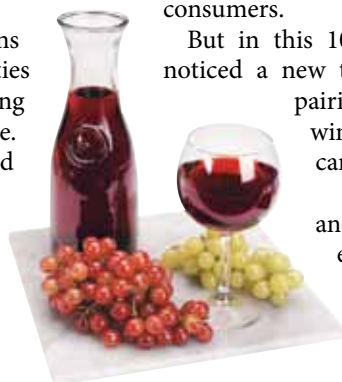
'Americans are able to expand their quest for local sources of food and wine.'

produced from the abundance of local highly desirable tomatoes, many of which are heirloom varieties. Such a pairing was not considered feasible due to the difficult environment in which to produce such a wine. But no longer.

The Albarino wine from Fjord Vineyard (one of only a handful available in the United States) and the tomatoes from the sustainable farm of Morgiewicz Produce in Warwick create a new flavor profile not previously available to local-centric gourmands.

Everywhere I venture in the Hudson Valley I am impressed with its growing diversity and the passion of those who work the land to create a local, self-sustaining economy for all of us to enjoy.

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Happenings

We're happy to help spread the word about your community event. Please submit your information at least three weeks prior to your event and include the words "Happenings Calendar Submission" in your email subject line. Entries should be sent to Nikki Gallagher at nikki@theexaminernews.com

Tuesday, June 4

Sybil Ludington, Patriot Hero of the Hudson Valley A talk by Vincent T. Dacquino. 7 p.m. Mahopac Public Library

The Reads at Reed Book Club: 7 p.m. "The Stars are Fire" by Anita Shreve. The meeting will be held at Reed Memorial Library, 1733 Route 6, Carmel. Contact 845-225-2439 with any questions.

Wednesday, June 5

The Friends of MPL Invite You to the Annual Meeting: 6 p.m. Kindly contact Karen Kellogg at mahopaclibraryfriends@gmail.com with any questions.

Smartphone Basics Class: June 12, 19 and 26 at 6 p.m. join Don Fitzmahan at the Kent Library as he answers your questions, and explores the different ways to get the most out of your smartphone. In these four sessions, participants will be able to make changes to their phones, and practice the topic of the day with guided support from Don. Please see our calendar, stop by, or call for details on each individual class session. This class is for adults. The Kent Library is located at 17 Sybil's Crossing off Route 52 and can be reached at (845) 225-8585 or www.kentlibrary.org.

Tuneful Tykes: 10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. Enhance your child's love of music, while igniting all areas of child development. Music encourages movement, helping with muscle development, strength, and balance. Children will have fun as they sing and dance with Miss Tara. For children ages 2-4. *Caregivers must remain in program. For more information or to register, contact the Patterson Library at 845-878-6121 x10 or go to www.pattersonlibrary.org and click Calendar.

Thursday, June 6

Farmers Market returns to Putnam Hospital Center: Offering a bigger selection of fresh, affordable produce to the community. The seasonal market is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Thursday through October on the hospital campus. The market is located around the flagpole near the front entrance to the hospital. For more information, please contact Public and Community Affairs Manager Marcela Rojas 845-230-4773

Koehler Center Computer Classes Genealogy/Basic Computer/Tablets/Phones. 9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. Registration is held at the William Koehler Senior Center, 180 Route 6 in Mahopac. In all, we offer 13 different computer classes. A free drop in session is offered every Friday afternoon from 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. for help with phones and tablets. A description of the classes can be found at: www.putnamrsvp.com/clc/ Registration must be in person. FMI, call Judy Kolt (845)-277-5422

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Friday, June 7

Cold Spring First Fridays Are Blooming: Special events to delight and entertain the community. Restaurant specials, wine and cheese tasting, gallery openings to mention a few. Come and shop Cold Spring Main Street. Look for the Orange Flags. First Friday, Cold Spring June 7th- The Gift Hut will host Kat and Steven who will be performing Jazz tunes for you. Event starts at 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Come enjoy the music. The Gift Hut 86 Main St Cold Spring.

Hebrew Congregation of Somers Shabbat Service and Dinner Please join us for a Shabbat service at 6:30pm, followed by a potluck dinner. Hebrew Congregation of Somers is a small, informal and friendly synagogue affiliated with the Reconstructionist movement. First-year membership is free and includes High Holiday tickets. Email info@hebrewcongregationofsomers.org or call 914-248-9532 for more information

Teen Paint Night: 6 p.m. We'll be hosting a teen paint night event where you and your friends can come in and create your own version of a beautiful work of art! Snacks and drinks will be provided! For ages 13 to 18. For more information or to register, contact the Patterson Library at 845-878-6121 x10 or go to www.pattersonlibrary.org and click Calendar.

Saturday, June 8

The Ladies Auxiliary hosts Nite at the Races: Knights of Columbus, 10 Fair Street. Admission is \$10 Doors open 6 p.m., Watch the Belmont Stakes and Our Races begin at 7pm. Derby Contest. Hamburgers & Hotdogs for sale. Bring an Item for Putnam Humane Society for an Extra Door Prize Ticket. Questions email Ladieskofc@gmail.com

Fine Garden Tour : Brewster Carmel Garden Club will host a fine garden tour featuring the opportunity to visit and enjoy beautiful local gardens 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. Tickets are \$20 in advance by mail to Brewster-Carmel Garden Club, PO Box 446, Brewster NY 10509 or in person at Salinger's Orchard, 230 Guinea Rd., Brewster. Day of event sales are \$25 at the Brewster Library 70 Main Street Brewster.

Directories will be available for pick-up only on Saturday, June 8 at the library from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Sunday, June 9

Carmel Farmers Market: Sundays until August 25 Carmel Town Hall. 60 Mcalpin Ave, Mahopac. www.carmelny.org/recreation for more info.

Biographer of Jonathan Sturges, 19th Century Entrepreneur, to Speak at Desmond-Fish Public Library Visit the tumultuous years of mid-nineteenth century America through a talk by the biographer of Jonathan Sturges: Merchant of Old New York. Author Robin McPhillips. Refreshments will be served at this free event and everyone is invited to attend. The Desmond-Fish Public Library is located at 472 Route 403 (at the corner of 9D) in Garrison. visit www.desmondfishlibrary.org.

Monday June 10

Take An SAT Practice Test: 3 p.m. - 7 p.m. Mahopac Public Library Take a free, proctored SAT exam and get a better feel for the question type and content of this test. Taking a practice exam is the best way to prepare for the real test. Bring a #2 pencil and a calculator to this practice test. This test is proctored by Princeton Review. Register here For information call 845-628-2009, ext 139.

Tuesday, June 11

Treasure Hunting at Reed Library. 6:30 p.m. Experienced Treasurer Hunters share over 30 years of metal detecting experience. Their program features an interactive discussion prompted by a slide presentation and a hands-on experience

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Putnam Pride: LGBTQ Talk: 6:30 p.m. Putnam Libraries will celebrate pride month with a series of programs and events across the county. Join us for a panel discussion with GLSEN (Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network) and members of the LGBTQ community. Learn where you can get support, ask any questions you want and become educated on LGBTQ rights. Please visit the websites of the other Putnam County Libraries for information on their events. For age 13 and up. For more information or to register, contact the Patterson Library at 845-878-6121 x10 or go to www.pattersonlibrary.org and click Calendar.

Thursday, June 13

Living Simply: 10:30 a.m. to noon at Reed Library. Embrace the simplicity of natural living! Each class we will share recipes and create a product to take home. Registration required, please call the library to register 845-225-2439.

Mass In Honor Of St. Anthony & St. Padre Pio (In Italian) 7:30 p.m. St. John the Evangelist Church, Mahopac Celebrant Fr. Caruso. All are invited to join us for an Italian Mass and reception following Mass. For additional information visit italianamericanclubofmahopac.org or contact Giulio Cefaloni at 845-745-2655

Saturday, June 15

Papier-Mache Bowls at Reed Library also June 22, 10:30 a.m. - Noon. Transform ordinary bowls into vessels of art. Registration required, please call the library to register 845-225-2439.

Blue Bag Book Sale at Kent Library

On Saturday, June 8, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Friends of Kent Library will be holding a "Blue Bag Book Sale" in the Book Cellar of the Kent Library. For just \$5, shoppers can buy a big blue fabric bag with all of the books, CD's, DVD's, and other items, which it can hold. This special end of the spring season sale follows after the Friends' successful Memorial Weekend book sale as a way to clear space for more donated books. For just \$5 you can create a small library for a child, stock up on books for beach reading, travel books you can leave in a hotel room without guilt, etc. There are still lovely coffee table books, which make fine gifts available. Don't miss the biggest bargains of the summer! For more information, go to kentlibrary.org



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process to **Ashish Parikh, 100 Menlo Park Mall, Ste. 500, Edison, NJ 08837. Purpose: Any lawful activity.**

APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY OF THE TAILORY, LLC filed with the Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/25/19. Formed in PA 2/18/14. Office loc.: Westchester County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC on whom process against it may be served. The address SSNY shall mail copy of process to Anthony Lopes, 3901A Main St., Ste. 203A, Philadelphia, PA 19127. The office address in PA is 1105 Tyson Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19111. Cert. of formation filed with **Kathy Boockvar, Acting Secy. of State, 302 N. Office Bldg., 401 North St., Harrisburg, PA 17120. Purpose: Any lawful activity.**

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is: Nate The Dog Man, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) office on: 02/14/2019. The County in which the Office is to be located: Westchester. The SSNY is designated

as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: **415 South St, Apt 4A, Peekskill, NY 10566. Purpose: any lawful activity.**

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF UNDERPINNED LLC. Art. Of Org. file with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/16/19. Office location: Westchester. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon who process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to **118. N. Bedford Rd., Suite 100, Mt. Kisco, NY 10549. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.**

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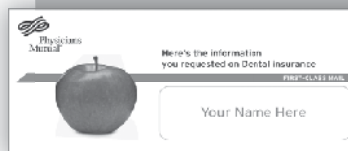
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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIT SPORTS LOUNGE & GRILL LLC Art. of Org. filed with Sec. of State 04/11/2019. Off. loc.in Westchester CO. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process **Tracy Arce and Carlos Reyes, 234 North Ave New Rochelle, NY 10801. PURPOSE: Any lawful business.**

Town of Putnam Valley Special Meeting June 5, 2019 1)Resolved that the Putnam Valley Town Board does hereby approve and endorse the Hudson Highlands Land Trust, Inc. in their application for a grant under Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993 for a park project

known as Canopus Creek Preserve within the Town of Putnam Valley. 2)Authorize the Supervisor to sign a letter of support for the Hudson Highland Land Trust's CFA Application #90325, entitled Canopus Creek Preserve for the acquisition of the Cimarron Ranch Property. 3)Continued discussion on the de-icer ordinance 4)Continued discussion on revisions to our noise ordinance 5)Continued discussion on Airbnbs.

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No.3 Putnam Valley ‘s Prayers Go
Unanswered in Class B Title Loss to No.1

Despite having enjoyed one of the best seasons in program history and seeking just the second Section 1 Class B Softball title in school history (2005), dejected Putnam Valley captains, including an emotional Sophia Lord, Keiko Waters and Alex Waters, along with PV Coach Rena Finsmith, begrudgingly accept Class B runner-up plaque after the state-ranked (No.15) Tigers (16-8) 16-5 championship setback to the state-ranked (No.4), two-time defending champion Panthers (20-3) last Saturday at North Rockland High School... see Softball Notebook

Sports

Softball Notebook

No.10 Panas Stuns No.1 Lakeland for 1st Title Since 1983

By Tony Pinciario

When the Section 1 Class A Softball Championship seeds were released, an 11-9 **WALTER PANAS** team was seeded 10th.

Based upon the difficult schedule the Panthers played, the record was deceiving, as was their seed. Although, in order for Panas to win the title, the Panthers would have to beat No. 7 Nanuet to start. Then, if the seeds held true, Panas would have to beat No. 2 Hen Hud, No. 3 Pearl River and then top-seeded and undefeated Lakeland.

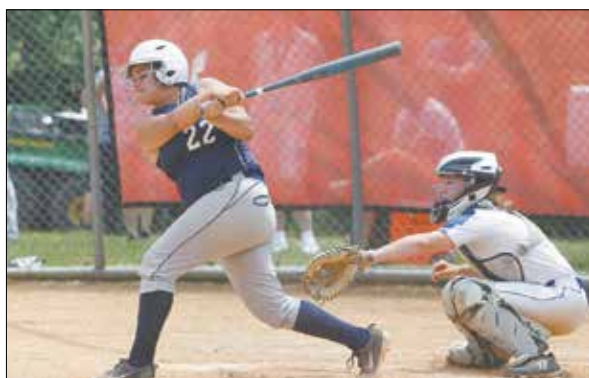
A daunting task that would challenge any team, but the Panthers went 4 for 4, punctuating their phenomenal run to the title with a 7-3 victory over intra-district rival, **LAKELAND** last Saturday at North Rockland High School.

It was Panas' first sectional title since 1983. As a result of its win, Panas earns a bye into the regional final, Saturday, June 8. Panas will play the Vestal (Section 4)-Minisink Valley (Section 9) winner, Saturday, at either Union-Endicott (Section 4), 2 p.m., or Rhinebeck (Section 9), 1 p.m.

"We went into every game knowing we had a chance even though everyone thought we were going to never make it this far and we just went into every game and played to win with confidence," said Panas pitcher Olivia Bordenaro, who had three hits, two RBI and seven strikeouts against Lakeland.

Lakeland swept the regular-season set from Panas, 5-1 and 4-2, but that didn't deter the Panthers. With the score even at 1-1 after the first inning, Panas scored single runs in the third, fourth and fifth innings and then a three spot in the sixth to take a 7-1 lead.

"After playing Lakeland in the regular season and only losing by two runs we knew that we had to come out scoring in the first few innings," Bordenaro said. "We had to play tight defense and keep going the whole game in order to get a lead against them and that's what we did in the championship game."



Put Valley SS Frankie Reyes cracks an RBI single in Tigers' Section 1 Class B title loss to Ardsley Saturday.



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Members of the Walter Panas Softball team pose with 1st Section 1 championship plaque since 1983 after 7-3 Class A title win over Lakeland Saturday.

Bella Feraca had three hits and two RBI against Lakeland. Rae Valt homered and Gianna Servedio and Jamie Cardello each singled and drove in a run.

"I knew we had the talent to compete this year, but we never seemed to put it all together consistently," Panas Coach Dale Chappelle said. "Heading into sectionals, morale was low but in the first round, something clicked and it's been magical ever since. I'm super happy for these seniors and all of the Panas supporters. It's been a long time coming and it has been sweeter than I imagined."

Bordenaro and her teammates savored the ecstasy and euphoria when the final out was registered and the realization was Panas was sectional champions.

"After the final out, it felt like the best feeling the whole team has ever experienced," Bordenaro said. "It was just an overall happy moment and we were jumping up and down, screaming and hugging each other."

Panas now has to wait a week before it plays again, which Bordenaro said can be a positive, but also a negative.

"Having a bye in the regionals is a positive because we get almost a week worth of a break to relax and just have practice the whole week," she said. "But, it's also a negative since we been doing so great that we want to keep playing and not have this break."

In the four sectional games, Panas outscored Nanuet (6-0), Hen Hud (4-1), Pearl River (3-1) and Lakeland (7-3), 20-5. And all four wins were on the road.

Lakeland, ranked No.4 in NYS, was the premier team in Section 1 Class A this season,

going 22-0, winning the Conference II League C title for a fourth consecutive year and earning the No.1 seed in the Section 1 Class A Championships.

Lakeland earned a berth in the final with a 5-3 win over fifth-seeded Tappan Zee in a semifinal.

"I think we had one of the most



10th-seeded Walter Panas Panthers had plenty to celebrate during storybook run to 1st Section 1 Class A title in history last Saturday.

successful seasons in school history," veteran Coach Steve Fallo said. "This team had the first undefeated regular season (19-0) and the longest winning streak (22 games) in school history for softball. Also, winning the Conference II C league title for the fourth year in a row is a terrific accomplishment."

Lakeland hit .359 as a team, smashed 27 home runs and scored 198 runs. Senior P Claire Fon became the first New York State high school softball player to finish her career with more than 40 home runs and 40 wins. Fon hit .540 this season

with 16 home runs and 45 RBI. In the circle, Fon was 17-1 with a 1.21 earned run average. She struck out 133, in 116 innings, allowed 95 hits, only 14 walks and 20 earned runs.

Seniors Amber Lopez (who hit .359), Emily McGrath and Fon will graduate later this month, but the trio leaves with a sectional title (2017) on their resume.

"Our seniors, led by Claire, have just continued the tradition of going out and competing every game and understanding what it takes to win not only in our league but in Section 1 Class A softball," Fallo said. "They did an outstanding job for our program."

"It is an unbelievable accomplishment for Claire to be able to win 40 games on the mound, where the spotlight and pressure are always on you, and then offensively to hit 40 home runs. Her hard work, dedication, true love for the game and being so humble as a person has put Claire in the elite class of softball players of all-time. It has been a pleasure to have coached Claire over the last five years."

Fon hit and pitched Lakeland into the final with three hits, including her 16th home run, and three RBI against Tappan Zee. Freshman Stella Bale had two hits

and a RBI and Sabrina Reichelt singled and scored twice. Fon will pass the torch to Bale, who has the potential for a brilliant three-year run in the circle.

PUTNAM VALLEY had the most successful season in coach Rena Finsmith's seven-year tenure as the Tigers won 16 games, their first league title since 2009 and played for the Section 1 Class B title Saturday at North Rockland.

Despite the final result of the title game, a 16-5 loss to top-seeded Ardsley, which

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Despite the Section 1 Class A title loss to rival Walter Panas, Lakeland senior P Claire Fon had an incredible season.

won the 2018 Section 1 Class A title, it does not take away from what Putnam Valley accomplished.

Putnam Valley, which was seeded third, advanced to the championship game with a 9-3 win over second-seeded Rye Neck. Putnam Valley lost to Rye Neck, 5-4, in the regular season.



Put Valley 2B Kathleen Gallelo makes great stab in Tigers' Class B title loss to Ardsley.

Finsmith also had three players – Alex and Keiko Waters and Emily McKenna -- register their 100th varsity hit.

"This is the farthest any Putnam Valley softball team has gotten since 2005 (PV's only championship season)," said Finsmith, a former Pleasantville and Oneonta standout. "While the season

didn't end with a Section 1 title, the girls and their parents have much to be proud of.

"We were invited to the James 'Ace' Morabito Tournament, where we held our own against a future D1 pitcher and Gatorade NY state player of the year, scoring three runs (the only runs she has let up all year thus far). We won the league title for the first time since 2009 and we saw three players achieve 100 career hits, saw Alex and Keiko score 100 career

runs scored and Emily achieved 100 career RBI.

"What I am most proud of is that every single member of our team, at one point or another in this season, stepped up at different times to help us get to the finals. I want to personally thank them all for giving me the opportunity as their coach to coach them in the championship game. The memories of that moment standing on that field with them will stay with me forever."

Finsmith will bid goodbye to eight seniors at graduation, but their impact will never go unnoticed.

"To our eight seniors, Sophia Lord,



Put Valley 1B Sabrina Cross awaits throw in Class B title loss to Ardsley.

Gianna D'Addona, Sonya Garcia, Alex Moore, Samantha Palmo, Jillian Mirabal, Selina Seeram and Gianna San Lucas, thank you for all your hard work and dedication to the team and our program. Your legacy will forever be stamped upon our program."

In the semifinal win over Rye Neck, Alex Waters doubled and tripled among her three hits, scored twice and drove in a run. Frankie Reyes and Keiko Waters each had two hits and drove in three runs. Keiko Waters scored her 100th varsity run on a

base hit by Alex Waters.

Reyes doubled twice among her three hits and had two RBI against Ardsley. Sabrina Cross drove in two runs and McKenna rang up her 100th varsity RBI.

MAHOPAC and pitcher Shannon Becker had one of the best seasons in program history, advancing to the Section 1 Class AA semifinals, where it dropped a 4-3 decision to eventual champion John Jay-East Fishkill. It was the third time this season John Jay

defeated Mahopac, which finished 19-4, but squandered a late 3-1 lead.

Becker, who led the team with a .420 average and 29 hits, was dominant in the circle. In 163 innings, she struck out 369, threw a perfect, perfect game (21 strikeouts), allowed 50 hits and only nine earned runs.

Kailey Zecca had a team-best 19 RBI and Carolyn Galizia finished with 18 RBI. Lauren Zecca smashed four home runs and Becker scored 18 runs.



Dejected Put Valley captains Keiko Water, Alex Waters and Sophia Lord, plus Coach Rena Finsmith, begrudgingly accept Class B runner-up plaque after loss to Ardsley.



Panas infielders -- Rae Valt and Bella Feraca (R) -- rally around SS Julia Petrovich after diving stab snared Lakeland runner at 1B in Panthers' 7-3 win.

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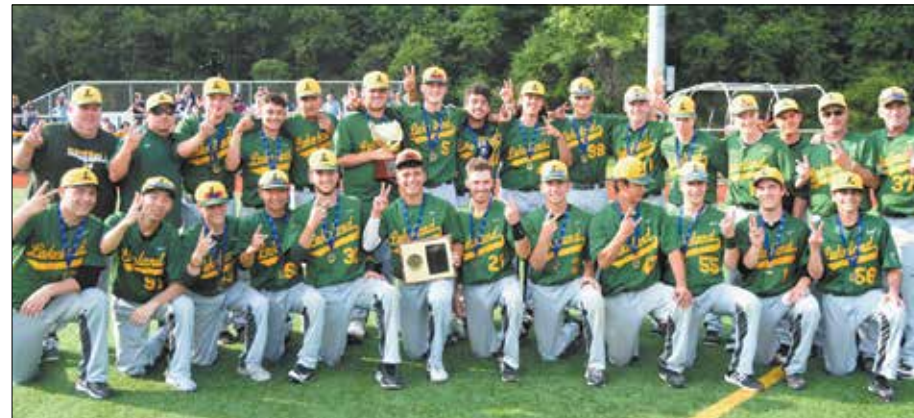
Hornets Knock off Nyack, Will Face Section 4's Maine-Endwell in State Regional

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PLEASANTVILLE -- Lakeland junior P Evan Berta appeared to be running out of gas in the fourth frame of the Section 1 Class A championship last Sunday afternoon at Pace University's Finnerty Field. But the lefty dug deep, seemed to get stronger over the final three frames and waited for Joe Vetrano, the NYS Gatorade Player of the Year, to rap a two-out, game-winning single to right in the sixth as top-seeded Lakeland beat No. 4 Nyack, 5-4, to repeat as Class A champions for the first time in program history. It was the fifth Section 1 title overall in Lakeland history (1993, 2002-10-18).

Berta survived early trouble and went the distance for the win, allowing eight hits and four runs, but left the tying run on second with a game-ending strikeout. He retired 10 of the last 11 batters he faced and whiffed 11 Indians on the night, including Nyack bopper Miles Massay to end the game.

"I'm really glad coach left me in and had confidence in me to finish this out," the



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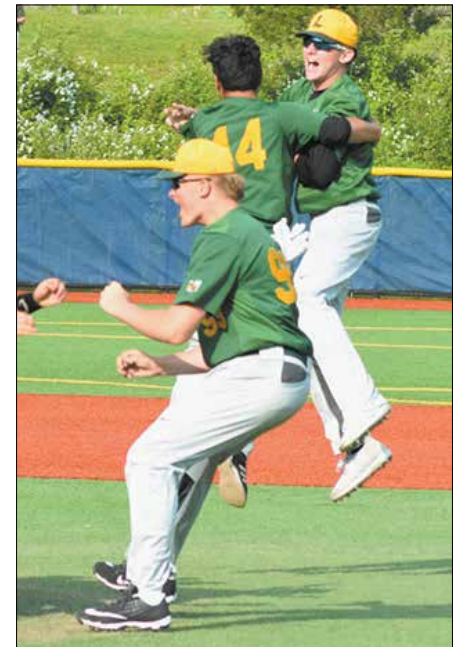
Lakeland players bask in the glow of becoming the first Hornet team to repeat as Section 1 Class A champions after 5-4 win over Nyack Sunday at Pace.

unassuming Berta said. "Once I got my rhythm back I felt really good. My defense played really well behind me, including that double play early on to get us through the second. It's an amazing feeling to be a part of this, especially for the four seniors who mean so much to me and I'm sure the rest of this team. I'll do anything for them and I wanted this win for them."

Hornet Coach Bill Casey, who is

becoming the stuff of legend at Lakeland (24-2), contemplated yanking Berta, going as far as warming up two relievers in the fourth, but Lakeland C Zach Lerman told him Berta had made the necessary tweaks and could push through the rough patch.

"From the fourth inning on, I was ready to take him out," Casey said of Berta, who reached 125 pitches in the seventh and would've been finished had

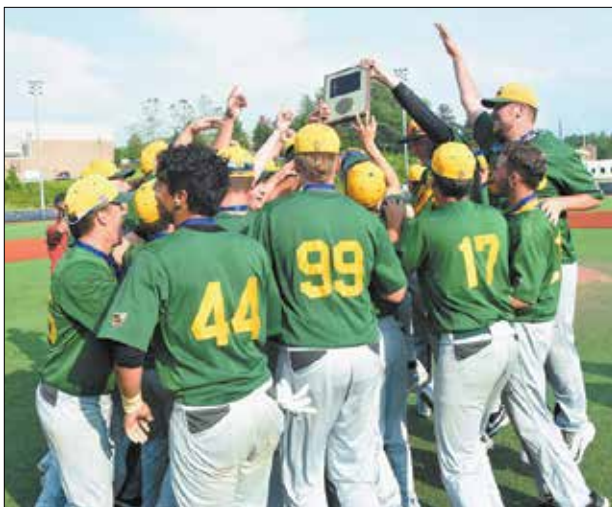


Lakeland's Jason Green, Nick Badillo and Andrew Croce celebrate Hornets' 5-4 Section 1 Class A title win over Nyack.

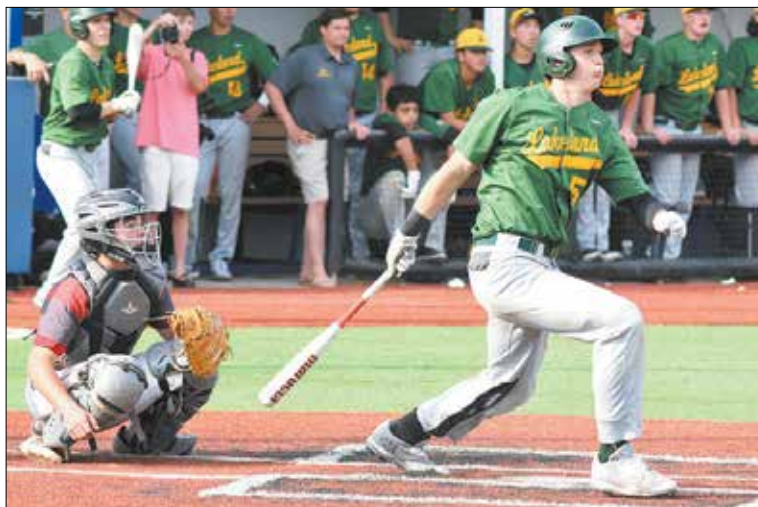
he not got the final out. "We were talking about it and then he just kept on getting stronger. Lerman was like, 'nope, he's getting better.' I trusted them, and it led to an unbelievably gutsy performance. I hated playing that team. Nyack is good, really good. They do everything the right way and when they came back to tie 4-4, I have to admit I had my doubts, but I don't know why I would doubt this group. They never let me down, they just step up when they need to step up. For us to go back-to-back with the target on our back, to do it when everyone now expects it, that's hard to do. I'm just ridiculously proud of them."

After a rare rough patch of his own, in which he was lunging at pitches out of the strike zone, Vetrano finished 2 for 4 with two RBI and a run scored. He pitched a

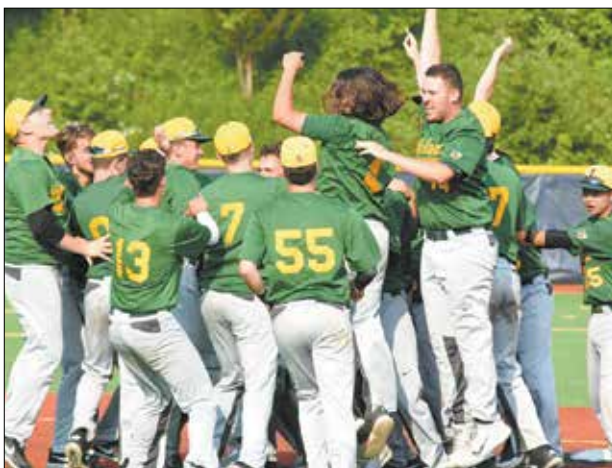
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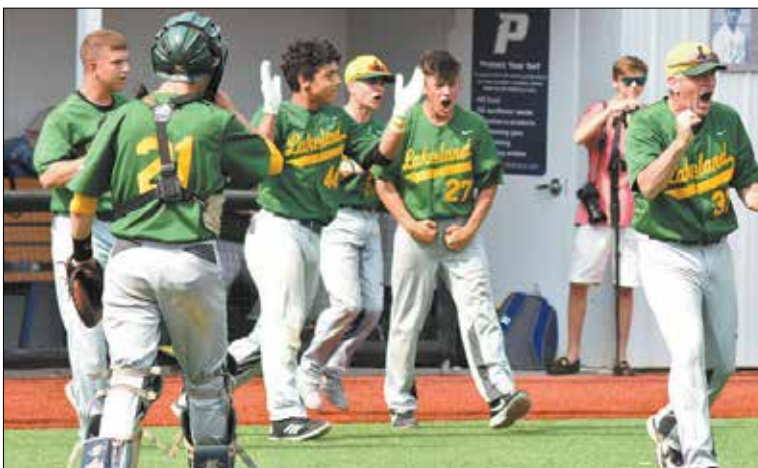
Lakeland players hoist the Section 1 title plaque after 5-4 Class A win over Nyack Sunday at Pace Univ.



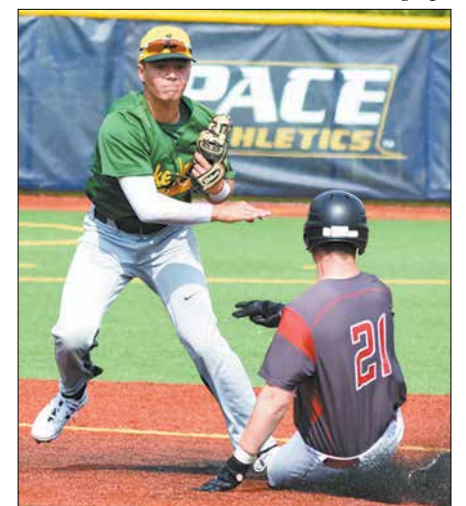
Lakeland MVP Joey Vetrano and the Hornet dugout track his game-winning single to RF in Hornets' 5-4 Section 1 Class A title win over Nyack.



Lakeland players celebrate back-to-back Section 1 baseball titles for 1st time in school history after 5-4 win over Nyack Saturday.



Engaged Lakeland players and coaches react to key 4-6-3 DP in Hornets' 5-4 Class A title win over Nyack Sunday.



Lakeland SS Leo Cummings turns a pivotal 4-6-3 DP to get Hornets out of bases-loaded jam in 5-4 Class A title win over Nyack.

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Pint-Sized Panas Pitcher, Bordenaro, is All Heart



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Heart is not quantifiable. It doesn't come with a set degree of measurement. Heart is will. Heart is perseverance. Heart is what's packed in to all 5-foot of Panas P Olivia Bordenaro, the pint-sized windmill who willed 10th-seeded Walter Panas to its first Section 1 Class A title since 1983.

The lefty sophomore may not have been the biggest player on the field, but the stage belonged to her and she was sensational on the mound and drove in two HUGE runs at the plate in Panas' 7-3 title victory over top-seeded rival Lakeland last Saturday at North Rockland High School.

Prior to knocking off state-ranked (No.4) Lakeland, Bordenaro also delivered clutch performances in road victories over state-ranked No.20 Hen Hud and No.12 Pearl River.

State-ranked (No.30) Panas (15-9) will certainly be climbing the charts this week, largely on the heart of Bordenaro. Teammate Julia Petrovich, an All-Section SS, has one of the best seats in the house, just over her shoulder.

"I trust her and her game and she trusts me behind her," Petrovich said of Bordenaro. "When playoffs started we all got more fire in us and wanted to win it all so bad. Throughout each game in playoffs she has been pounding the plate and giving it all she has."

What she has was enough for a Goliath-like slaying of Lakeland, the sister school that drew statewide attention while going 21-0.

"Although she is little in size, that does not represent the amount of fight she has in her," Petrovich said of Bordenaro. "She wants to win each and every pitch and beat every batter that steps up to the plate."

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complete game in Saturday's 2-0 loss to Nyack, allowing just three hits and one earned run. Vetrano, Berta, who was on deck, and everyone on the park expected Nyack would walk Vetrano or pitch around him before his go-ahead hit. But Nyack reliever Matt Gonzalez had way too much plate and Vetrano yanked the first pitch he saw to plate pinch-runner Anthony Zeccola, who came on to relieve Lerman, who started the rally with a well-mashed double to left. Vetrano's 100th and 101st career hits each went for an RBI in a championship setting, thus the MVP nod, which could have gone to Berta just

You can see it in her eyes how bad she wanted to win when we huddled in the circle in the start of each inning. There's always competitiveness and she wants to sit down each batter with a K in the books. In playoffs, whenever we made eye contact I always tell her 'Deep breath... one pitch right here,' and, of course, she always fires back with a strike the next pitch."

The little engine that could pulls out of town next Saturday when Panas will play the Section 4/Section 9 champion in the state regional championship at either Rhinebeck High School (1 p.m.) or Union-Endicott High School (2 p.m.)...

"Senior Moment" has two meanings as far as I'm concerned. There's the senior moment I seem to be having more of these days when I forget what we ate for dinner an hour earlier, and there's the senior moment when the coach pleads with his senior leader to

come through and they do. Such was the case for a pair Lakeland seniors, SS Leo Cummings and C Zach Lerman, in the top-seeded Hornets' palpitating 5-4 Section 1 Class A title triumph of No.4 Nyack last Sunday at Pace University. Cummings turned a gem of a 4-6-3 double play to help get the Hornets out of a serious jam while preserving a three-run lead in the after two frames. Lerman stoked the game-winning rally with double to left field in the bottom of the sixth and Joey Vetrano soon followed the game-winning single to RF, allowing the 2019 Hornets to become the first team to repeat as section champs in program history. Had to feel good for those seniors, who are often in the shadow of Vetrano and fellow junior Evan Berta...

CARMEL senior Joe Mascetta has been a blast to watch and follow in both football and track and field. His personal best score of 3,076 in the pentathlon was the best in the Section 1 state quals last weekend, and the powerful speedster will be on the state stage this weekend at the NYSPHSAA meet in Middletown High

as easily.

"I was just looking for something good to hit," Vetrano said of the game-winning RBI. "I was shocked to see such a good pitch, to be honest. Coach was saying they'll probably intentionally walk you or try to pitch around you, but I was like if anything comes to me, I'm going to get him in. I was lucky enough to do my job and lucky enough to have Zach Lerman get that double to get us going. He's a phenomenal player, such a big part of our success. It feels amazing to repeat as champs for the first time ever, it really does. We work so hard for it, and Evan did



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At the plate and on the mound, Panas P Olivia Bordenaro had the most heart, pound for pound, in Panthers' title-clinching win over Lakeland.



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Track star Nya Givan (R), shown here with teammate Angie Anzano, is one of the purest athletes in Putnam Valley history.



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Carmel senior Joe Mascetta was crowned Section 1 pentathlon champion last Saturday at White Plains.

representing Section 1 as its pentathlon champion. Other Carmel Rams with solid efforts included Katie Turk (2nd in the 1500 in a personal best 4:42), Caroline Douglas (2nd in the 200 in 26.27) and the girls' 4x800 relay team of Emily Alps, Miah Lee, Rebecca Monge and Turk (5th overall)...

PUTNAM VALLEY freshman Nia Givan may well be the finest female athlete in school history by the time she's wrapped up in 2022, and with D-I darlings like Kristi Dini, Kim Kastuk having gone before her; that's saying something. Givan,

who easily won the D2 girls 100-meter sprint last Friday with a school record 12.37, also cruised to victory Saturday in the D2 girls 200 at White Plains High School with a time of 25.83, which would have been good for second in D-I, after setting the school record a week prior (25.54). Her performances will put her into the state meet in both events this weekend at Middletown High

School... Did I mention she's just a freshman, who, I'll bet ya, is even faster than her older brother Marcus, who happens to be quite the funny comic.

such a fantastic job to finish the game."

Lakeland SS Leo Cummings, who turned a nifty 6-4-3 DP in the second to snuff an Indian rally, and RF Jason Green each drew a bases-loaded walk in the first to give the Hornets a 2-0 lead.

"I've been waiting and working for this moment my whole entire life," the slick-picking Cummings said. "I've dreamed of this my whole life, winning another title my senior year, there's nothing like it. Zach Lerman is a stud. He catches the best game I've ever seen and gets big hits, that's all he does."

Lakeland will play Section 4 champ

Maine-Endwell Thursday in the Class A state regional semifinals. The game will be played at 4:30 p.m. at NYSEG Stadium in Binghamton — home of the Binghamton Mets.

"The goal was always to win sectionals first, but now that that's out of the way the goal is to win states," Berta said. "We're excited to be back and here and expect to win this time around."

Nyack, which Lakeland defeated earlier in the season, snapped the state-ranked No.1 Hornets' 22-game winning streak and became the first team to solve Vetrano in two years.

Seventh Evan!



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Lakeland Hurler Delivers Eternal Bliss; No.1 Hornets Repeat as Section 1 Champs for 1st Time



Members of the state-ranked (No.1) Lakeland baseball team bum-rush starting pitcher Evan Berta (R) after the crafty lefty whiffed the game's final batter in the bottom of the seventh to strand the tying run at 2B in the top-seeded Hornets' 5-4 Section 1 Class A title triumph over No.4 Nyack last Sunday at Pace University where coach Bill Casey's (inset) five-time sectional champion Hornets won consecutive crowns for the first time in school history... Members of the 2019 Lakeland team includes, Nick Badillo, Evan Berta, Kevin Burke, Mike Casale, Zach Cohen, Andrew Croce, Leo Cummings, Jace Deiulio, Jake DiFede, Jason Green, Sean Hickey, Zach Lerman, Chris Ling, Mike Mauro, Alex Mendel, Andrew Frobese, Joe Phillips, Mike Scotto, Nick Torres, Joe Vetrano, Anthony Zeccola, Anthony Mannarino, Tyler Ling, Coach Bill Casey, Asst. Coach Steve Sterlacci, Asst. Coach Justin McCarthy, Asst. Coach Mike McCarthy and Asst. Coach John McKenna. see Baseball Notebook