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Get the Funk Out with an Eclectic Mix of Music at the 3rd Annual Brewster Music Festival - June 8

Rock into summer with a FREE family-friendly afternoon of music, food, fun and friends.



Attendees arrived early to enjoy all that the Brewster Music Festival had to offer.

Are you ready to rock into the summer of 2019? The 3rd Annual Brewster Music Festival is an afternoon filled with hot music including rock, soul, funk and blues from some of the finest local musicians. Put that together with local food vendors, beer, games, and family fun and you have the perfect way to kick off the summer!

The 3rd Annual Brewster Music Festival is set to rock out on June 8, 2019 from 12:00 - 6:00 PM at Wells Park at 98 Oak Street in Brewster. The rain date is June 9, 2019. Admission is FREE. Bring chairs and blankets to claim your space on the beautiful "great lawn" in the park.

The Cultural Arts Coalition, who is currently working towards restoring the Old Town Hall Theater on Main Street, is coordinating this annual fundraising event with the backline provided by Patterson Rotary. The media sponsor for the Cultural Arts Coalition and the Brewster Music Festival is Brewster HamletHub.

"Last year's music had patrons dancing on the lawn and singing along to some fantastic bands," explains Judy Marano, Cultural Arts Coalition President, "We are partnering with local businesses and organizations to provide more activities while offering a free concert that is open to anyone."

Bands include Riiza, Blue Alien Mystic, Special Sauce, Fishkill George & TFM and The Libertine Project with sound provided by K BAYS Sound Concepts. Acoustic Opener Brian Dallas Field will perform with solo artists Brian Larney, David Powers, Greg Jacquin, and David Kraii performing between sets.

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Bands rocked out all day long playing tunes the whole family could enjoy.



The Child Advocacy Center Welcomes Guest Speaker Mark Yarbrough at 3rd Annual Champions for Children Breakfast - April 3



Motivational Speaker Mark Yarbrough

In recognition of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month, the Child Advocacy Center of Putnam County and the Friends of Putnam CAC, Inc. are proud to present the 3rd annual Champions for Children Breakfast on Wednesday, April 3, 2019, from 8:00 - 10:00 AM at the Putnam County Golf Course located at 187 Hill St. in Mahopac.

Speaker, author, and former District Attorney Mark Yarbrough's personal story of burnout became the basis for his motivational presentation and book "Give 'em the F.I.N.G.E.R.!" He addresses the struggle of burnout offering powerful, practical, and hilarious insights to help people understand and re-engage in their lives. Mark's enthusiasm is infectious, his story is powerful, and his dynamic presentation and real-world tools are a must for anyone in a helping profession.

This year's Champion for Children honorees are Putnam County foster parents Dale and Dolores Bettcher who, since 1987, have opened their hearts and home to more than 60 foster children. "Dale and Dolores Bettcher are deeply committed to serving the children of Putnam County with sensitivity, compassion and professionalism,

and have worked tirelessly to aid our most vulnerable population," said Marla Behler, program coordinator of the Child Advocacy Center. "For more than 30 years Dale and Dolores have set the standard for excellence in this county and been an example of the tremendous impact that foster families have on the lives of many children."

"Child abuse is preventable," said Chris York, president of the Friends of the Putnam CAC, Inc, an independent non-profit whose mission is to support and promote The Child Advocacy Center of Putnam County. "Each day people make choices that will change the outcome of not only their lives, but the lives of others. Working together as a community we can do much to protect kids and give them the happy safe childhoods they deserve."

Tickets can be ordered online at www.friendsofputnamcac.org/champions-for-children/ for \$25.00 or purchased for \$30.00 at the door.

The Child Advocacy Center is a program of the Putnam County Department of Social Services and provides an immediate coordinated response to child abuse allegations while supporting child victims and their families. For more information on how you can help prevent child abuse, or on prevention and education programs offered by the Child Advocacy Center, please contact marybeth.ross@putnamcountyny.gov or call (845) 808-1400.

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THE STATE OF THE VILLAGE



Perhaps you will forget the kind words you said today but the recipient may cherish them over a lifetime.

In today's ever-more-hectic world we rarely find the time for a kind word, a common courtesy, a polite "How are you doing?" I am as guilty as the next person. Sometimes I can blame email or text but it is I who is busy doing too much to take the time to learn about the other person. Two incidents have come to light lately from simple e-mail queries I sent. The emails,

all business; here's the question, what's the answer; were responded to with introductory sentences such as; "Hi, good to hear from you. I hope your holidays were good and the family is well." Lesson learned. Take a few seconds to write an introductory sentence or two and a conclusion. Phrase your question (or answer) in between. Be civil. Will I be as productive? Probably more so. If people see that I invest in them then most will likely invest in me and the outcome will improve. All business is important and has its place when facing a crisis but when you can take a little time to be courteous I think it is well worth the investment.

When I am on the phone I rarely invest the time on pleasantries with the person on the other end of the line, instead cutting straight to business. Nothing but a cursory "Hi, how are you?" might fall from my lips but I know better. I have always known better. Now it's not always true. If I know someone better or longer than someone else I will invest more time with them outside the subject of the call.

My parents and those who mentored me during my career instilled polite behavior at all times even when the other person was disagreeable. I can honestly say when someone is unpleasant I make the effort to ease their burden much more so than if the person is being level-headed. I don't like to see other people out of sorts and will do everything within my power to bring them back in balance. I worked in sales for some decades and cold calls along with more productive calls were routine. I would always invest the time in those social pleasantries; weekend plans, golf, tennis, etc. because they paid off by developing a relationship you could build on.

In a heated situation it is imperative to bring down the temperature. Maintain a calm tone

and reason as best you can. Sometimes, on rare occasions, I failed to establish a rapport and that can result in my own off-kilter response which simply fuels the fire and makes things worse. But at times, when you have exhausted your ability to ease another person's burdens you may be driven to end your efforts and hope another opportunity might present itself in the future.

Meanwhile, you have failed. Failed to come to an agreeable outcome that will at least let you move on with your day without being burdened by not knowing what else you might have said or done to manage a better outcome.

At times, the other person does not want to discuss their position. They only want their outcome and will not listen to even your most eloquent reasoning. In this case there may be nothing you can do to generate a positive solution. Four or five "absolutely nots" are enough for you to know you will not resolve this conflict during this conversation. If it is not within your power or you do not think it is fair to make a concession being demanded then you won't likely yield. However, all is not yet lost. You may offer them an opportunity to present their case to your superiors who might be more receptive to their argument. At the very least you are providing an outlet instead of a stone wall which is a better outcome than a flat out "No."

Difficulties are a part of life and we deal with them daily. At the very least you can invest the time in your coworker, neighbor, customer, boss, or person on the street to see if there is anything you can do to lift their burden and lighten their day. Be kind. Pass it on. Pass it forward. Help make a better community and a better world.

-Peter B. Hansen, Village Clerk & Treasurer

A Trip Down Main Street

The Village of Brewster may only be about a square mile, but there is so much happening in our corner of Putnam County that you don't want to miss. There are many restaurants, shops, delis, grocery stores and salons with a Main Street address, some may even brag that they don't need to leave the Village at all to get what they need. In just over 137 acres of land, you could get a hot meal, mail your bills, check your bank account, get some legal advice, pick up some groceries and even buy a car, without having to leave the Village of Brewster. Having an office located on Main Street, we get to see a lot of the action that goes on within the Village of Brewster.

In September of 2018, residents and nonresidents of the Village of Brewster came out for the Fall Festival. There were many vendors sharing their craft and store owners of Main Street who were able to set up a tent right outside their shop to put their business on display. There were thousands of people from

all over the area, enjoying the day and participating in various contests and games.

In October of 2018, we had the Traveling Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall come through Main Street along with over 50 motorcyclists who had volunteered to escort the wall to its next destination, in Pennsylvania. The Village office employees, as well as many residents brought out their flags and waved them around as the motorcyclists and some of the local police officers drove by with the names of 58,318 men and women who lost their lives in Vietnam.

This coming April, Main Street will be the runway for the Brewster Little League, as they march from Veterans Park to Markel Park for their opening ceremony. Anyone who lives in Brewster

knows what it feels like to be a part of the parade, whether you are marching or just being a spectator. From T-Ball to Majors to All-Stars, all ages walk up North Main Street and smile and wave to all of the spectators as they are cheered on.

On May 27, 2019, VFW Post 672 will be organizing

Drone pictures of the Village of Brewster by Zoning Board Chairman, Todd Gianguzzi



the Memorial Day Parade that starts at the Brewster Fire House and will go down the end of North Main Street, to Railroad Avenue and end at Veterans Park. There will be a ceremony at Veterans Park to honor those who have served and are serving all over the world.

There are so many changes that are going to be happening with Main Street with the revitalization but we can find comfort in knowing that events like these will happen annually in the coming years. There is always something exciting that is happening in the Village, it's important to stop and take it in every once in a while. Whether it's buying a new car or catching up with some old friends over lunch, there's never a dull moment in the Village of Brewster. With exciting events happening every month, it's no wonder why you'll never see Main Street look like a ghost town.

**-Michelle E. Chiudina
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer**



MAYOR'S CORNER



Keeping Our Corner of Putnam County Clean

As winter comes to a close, spring brings along the warmth, sunshine and outdoor activities that we have been missing for the last few months. One of the more important spring activities, whether we love it or dread it, is spring cleaning. Although it is important to clear out the winter clutter and give your home a thorough cleaning, it is just as important to do so in your community. Earth Day began on April 22, 1970 before there was an Environmental Protection Agency or even a Clean Air and Water Act. We have made great strides in environmental protection but we still have a long way to go and everything we do today locally will affect the future generations globally.

The annual Earth Day clean up weekend, will be taking place April 27 and 28, 2019, as a friendly reminder to all that we share this Earth and it is important to keep it clean and do our part in that process. There will be garbage bags, litter "grabbers", and safety vests available outside of the Town of Southeast Museum at 67 Main Street and you can sign up for a specific location to clean up to ensure that no part of Brewster goes uncleaned. Once you and your group have a full trash bag, you can leave the bag in a designated area near your clean up location and the Southeast Highway Department and the Village of Brewster Department of Public Works will be around to pick up the bags and dispose of them properly. We appreciate all of the volunteers who come out and make this weekend successful and enjoy working with the Town of Southeast to keep Brewster debris free.

Last year, we had beautiful weather and enjoyed a BBQ celebration at Veterans Park, thanks to Judy Callahan and Putnam CAP. During this time, children of all ages were able to enjoy Earth Day-themed puppet shows called "The Lost Polar Bear" and "Beez" which featured oversized handmade puppets made from recycled items. We hope to have another amazing turn out again this year.

Along with Earth Day clean ups, I am proud to say the Village of Brewster residents have been working with us and the garbage pickup crews to ensure that weekly garbage and recycling pick

up is done quickly and smoothly with minimal problems and we appreciate that the residents of the Village have been more than willing to comply. We take pride in knowing that everyone is doing their part to keep the Village looking pristine. We all can agree that the Village of Brewster can be described as a walkable living area and it is important we keep our area tidy, just like you would your own home.

The Village of Brewster is a home to all of us and it is important we all work hard to keep our corner of Putnam County clean. Every year, the Village Trustees and myself look forward to seeing the community come together and dedicate a day to cleaning up the Village. I appreciate all of the Village residents who work hard to keep our community litter free and comply with our garbage and recycling rules and regulations; you are what keeps Brewster looking beautiful and make non-residents want to come back for another visit.

-Mayor James J. Schoenig



Drone picture by Zoning Board Chairman, Todd Gianguzzi showcasing a clean, well maintained Downtown Village of Brewster.

Legislative Update

On January 16, 2019, after a nearly year long process to amend Village Code Chapter 263 Zoning Article IV in the PB District (Professional Business District), the Board of Trustees voted 4-1 to approve the first request for a Special Exception Use Permit to construct a multifamily residential building on the southeast corner of North Main and Wells Streets. Deputy Mayor Christine Piccini indicated she would not be voting in favor of the application because she preferred that parking accommodations be located in the rear of the structure not in the front of the building. Trustee George Gaspar stated that he believed the front parking lot was the only viable option at this particular location. Trustee Mary Bryde concurred and the Board of Trustees voted accordingly. The application was submitted to the Planning Board for site plan review which began at the meeting held on February 19. The Planning Board set a Public Hearing for March 19 to hear comments on the site plan to construct the new 12 dwelling unit residential structure at 530 North Main Street. The review is expected to continue during the April Planning Board meeting.

Village Code Chapter 250 Vehicles and Traffic is being reviewed and amended as

necessary to include enforceable provisions. The accompanying Vehicle and Traffic Fine Schedule Section 250-32 is also being revised to increase some fines and remove reference to those fines that are set by New York State. On February 6, 2019, the Board of Trustees held a Public Hearing about increasing the fine for the violation of time limits on meters. There were no comments received and during the regular meeting Resolution 020619-1 was approved 5-0. Another Public Hearing was held at the meeting on March 6, 2019, to increase the fine for illegally parking in a handicap spot. After receiving no public comment, the Board passed Resolution 030619-2 unanimously. This review of Village Code Chapter 250 Vehicles and Traffic will continue over the course of the next months.

The non-exclusive Comcast franchise agreement was reviewed by the Board of Trustees on February 20, 2019. A Public Hearing was set for March 6 to hear comments on the proposed renewal agreement prior to approving that contract. During the regular meeting that same evening, the Board of Trustees unanimously passed a resolution to approve the Comcast Franchise Renewal Agreement. The terms of this agreement remain consistent with the



current contract, set to expire in April, and will remain in force for 10 years with the possibility of an additional 5 year period. As this is a non-exclusive agreement, the Village of Brewster can enter into an agreement with any other provider that might be available in our locale. Unfortunately, there is no other entity currently offering cable service to our residents.

**-Deputy Mayor Christine Piccini,
Legislative Coordinator**

LIFE IN BREWSTER

Time to Share

A few years back, I was asked to join this little group of people that were doing fantastic things for people in need. We know that little group as Habitat Putnam. Now I know that we have all heard of what this group does but they do so much more. Those that know me know that I am an architect and those that know my background also know that I used to be a carpenter after college.

Putnam Habitat was looking to follow up with a new project in Patterson after completing one in Kent, NY. The property that was chosen was a small house that was in the Putnam Lake area of Patterson. The structure on the property had trees growing through it and poison ivy growing everywhere. After a couple of meetings on site with Habitat's executive committee it was decided to take the structure down and start fresh. There is where the fun began. A fresh design on a nice small lot that could not support more than a two-bedroom house. Challenge on. With help from Insite Engineers in Carmel we jointly came up with a floor plan that was reasonably easy to construct and, of course, was functional. That was the easy part.

The next, and hard part, was to put a team in place to help build the house and provide suppliers to supply the necessary building materials. Habitat relies on volunteers to help build and finish the house. I, along with all the dedicated volunteers, put up the walls, insulated the daylighters out of the place, put in windows, hung sheetrock and painted the structure. Of course, there are portions of construction that do rely on professional builders to perform functions such as excavation for foundations and carpentry.

As the old house was taken apart and hauled away permits for construction were obtained as well as permits for a new septic system.

As I noted earlier, Habitat relies on volunteers for the construction process, but I was unaware how many volunteers arrived to work week after week, for months on end, for the sole purpose of putting a new family in a safe and clean environment. Each week when volunteers showed up to work, they were given a short lesson as to what was to take place and given safety lessons as well.

Now there is a lot of behind the scenes activity, not unlike the shows we see on HGTV. The volunteers arrive, do what they must and then leave. During the week the 'pros' arrive and complete unfinished work, making sure that what was performed during the week is proper and ready for the next week.

All this up-front work for a family just starting out. All parties have a stake in the result. The future homeowners must put in a time of sweat equity in



order to have this structure called their own.

After completion of the Patterson House, Habitat moved to another project in Putnam Valley. This time the house was stable enough to remain intact. However there were complete interior renovations and exterior updates; and the house was brought up to the latest energy conservation codes.

All this just means so much. The volunteers have the satisfaction of completing something for someone they have never met, at least initially. For me, it was to have been part of something fabulous.

As the liaison between the Village Board and the Planning Board, I am grateful to have the opportunity to help establish the agenda that the Village Board, along with the people of the Village, wanted in the new comprehensive plan and to move the Village into the next era of growth. This is an exciting time for our residents. We are moving to a redevelopment of the Village that is long overdue. The village must take advantage of the natural features that are at our doorstep as well as transportation and education.

**-Trustee George Gaspar
Liaison to Planning and Zoning Board**

Life's Journey

I was always an extremely busy and active person, therefore, retirement was difficult and for a time I certainly struggled with it not to mention my friends' concern for me.

The company I was with for many years dismantled and I continued to stay with one of the partners but after a 2 year struggle it all came to an abrupt end. My friends were concerned for me when they discovered within a few weeks time I had frenetically knitted at least 25 scarves for no particular reason other than I was simply at a loss as to what to do with myself. And just how many books could I read in between my obsessive knitting. One friend finally insisted I get up every morning, immediately dress and go out even if it was simply going to the grocery store or to the post office. Well, I followed her advice which took care of my mornings but then there was the rest of the day. Bemoaning my fate was going to put me in a depression. What should I do? I was at a loss.

I had always been fortunate to have many friends. The good part was having those friends; the bad part was they all wanted to do lunch, separately. One of my friends suggested I join a gym which I did, of course, going on a daily basis. I met some pretty wonderful women who often arrived the same time as I did between 7:30 and 8:00 each morning. We were

strangers to each other in the beginning but by the time the facility closed a few years later we were dear friends, sharing our thoughts, life's experiences, the difficult times, the sad times and the good times. We have continued getting together periodically but instead of exercise we do lunch.

During that beginning retirement phase a very close friend of mine had a health crisis and asked me to be her patient advocate. I drove to her home in Westchester. We then walked to the nearby railroad station taking the train to the city to go to her various appointments at Sloan Kettering. I kept a very complete journal with dates, doctors' appointments, questions asked and answered. I felt privileged for having the opportunity to help my friend and her family through a difficult time in addition to filling a void in my life. I believe it was their secret plan in helping my friend to help me too and it certainly worked.

I had regularly been attending Town Board and Village Board meetings and certainly continued to do so after I stopped working. At some point the Mayor of the Village asked me to consider running for an elected trustee position. I had often thought about getting involved in the community but not to the degree of a trustee yet I felt capable of assuming the responsibility and

it was certainly the right time. Accepting the challenge to be a candidate, I campaigned and won the election. How proud and excited I was to represent a village that I grew up in. Ironically, at the same time I had applied for a part time retail position in a store in Connecticut and was hired to start immediately. I truly believe that being a Village Trustee has kept my brain from atrophying and working for hours on my feet in a large store has kept me physically healthy.

It took me a couple of years to consider whether these were chapters in my life or a continuation of my life's journey. In retrospect I learned that through the help of others and my own initiative I have been able to continually utilize my business skills. I am an elected official, working part time, participating in various organizations and committees, increasing my volunteer work and spending more time helping others. Oh, and yes, I do still knit but only occasionally, still enjoy reading, exercise on my own and, most importantly, lunch often with friends.

So, to my friends, I no longer look at myself as a retired woman or that I went into another chapter of my life. I simply now know my journey continues.

**Mary Bryde, Village Trustee
Commissioner of Public and Cultural Affairs**

LIFE IN BREWSTER

Heart Disease Survivors to be Honored at the Putnam Heart Walk



Landon Perez

Heart disease, the leading killer of Americans, can strike men and women at any age. Six year old Landon Perez, from Brewster, was diagnosed with a serious congenital heart defect at one month old. Patrick Barrett of Pawling had sudden cardiac arrest while working out at the gym. He was only 45 years old at the time. Jennifer Garcia, of Peekskill, was only 40 when she had chest pain while dancing at a party. All three survivors will be honored at the American Heart Association's Putnam Heart Walk.

The Putnam Heart Walk will be held on Sunday, April 28, 2019 and is a 3-mile noncompetitive walk held outdoors at Brewster High School. The Heart Walk raises awareness and funds to fight heart disease.

Heart disease claims the lives of 1 in 3 Americans, more than all forms of cancer combined. Yet 80% is preventable. Physical activity is one proven way to reduce your risk; walking is good for your heart, and walking for the American Heart Association helps fight cardiovascular disease.

The Heart Walk is part of the American Heart Association's Healthy For Good movement designed to help Americans create lasting change in their health and life, one small step at a time. Learn more at healthyforgood.heart.org.

Funds raised by walkers support the American Heart Association's critical research and awareness programs that save lives from cardiovascular diseases and stroke, the number one and five killers in the United States. The AHA's funding for pediatric cardiac

research is second only to the federal government. Thanks to American Heart Association advocacy, a law was passed in New York State ensuring every baby born receives pulse-oximetry testing, which helps to identify heart defects immediately after birth. The American Heart Association also establishes guidelines and trains parents, caregivers, and medical professionals in infant and child CPR.

Participants can join the Heart Walk as individuals or as a team of friends, co-workers, or family. Organizations and companies are invited to join the Heart Walk by registering teams online for free at

www.putnamheartwalk.org or by contacting Megan Lucas at megan.lucas@heart.org, or call 203-984-9128. For additional event details such as time, location, etc., check out the events calendar on pages 6 & 7.

The 40th Annual Sybil Ludington Historical Run April 13

The 40th Annual Sybil Ludington Historical Run will be held on Saturday, April 13, 2019. Both the 50k and the brand new 25k race start at 8:00 AM. This is a NY Ultra Running Grand Prix Event. Registration ends April 12.

CHECK-IN & START/FINISH: **New location** at Putnam County Veterans Memorial Park (Upper Park/4-H Fairgrounds) 201 Gypsy Trail Road, Carmel Hamlet, NY 10512. Check-in begins at 7:15 AM.

TRAIN: Metro-North (Harlem Line) from Grand Central, NYC to Brewster station. Confirm schedule prior to the race day. Schedules change in April. Taxis are available at the station. It is about a 10-15 minute drive to Putnam County Memorial Park.

RACE SUPPORT: Water, Energy drink and snacks will be provided at four locations along the 25k course. 50k runners will see these stations twice because it is a double-loop course.

50k runners will pass the start/finish area at halfway and will have access to a drop bag there.

THE COURSE: Runners travel a single loop (25km) or two loops (50km) which follows some of the same roads ridden by Sybil on the night of April 26, 1777, as she rode to rouse her father's militia against the British. The route comprises country roads - some poor surfaces - and some dirt roads.

TIME LIMIT: 7 hour time limit. T-Shirts are included with the race entry. To register or for additional information, visit: <https://runsignup.com/Race/NY/Carmel/AnnualSybilLudington50kandTwoPersonRelay>.

Sponsors include: Dr. Patrick W. Thomas and Mrs. Johanna D. Thomas, PCSB Bank, Putnam Hospital Center, Tompkins Mahopac Bank, Always An Angel Homecare, Marshall & Sterling, Park Ford, Unilock, and Volz Auto.

By Megan Lucas



Jennifer Garcia West



Patrick Barrett

Pegasus Therapeutic Riding Presents An Evening With Bernie Traurig April 27

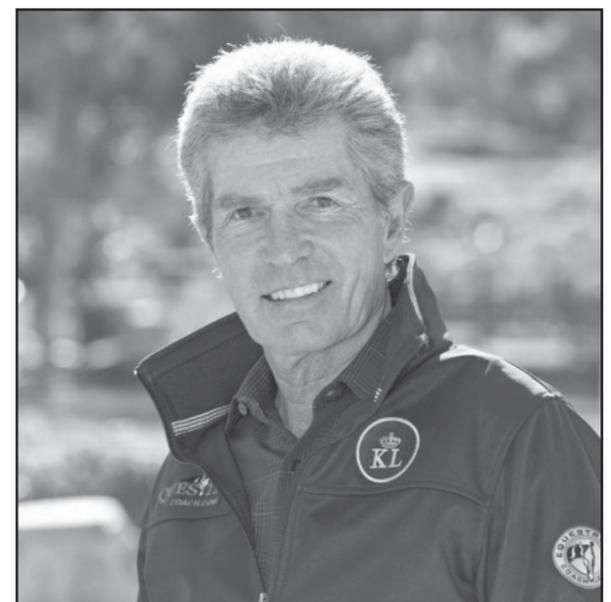
Saturday, April 27 at 7:00 PM ~ Pegasus Farm, Brewster, NY!

Join us for a presentation by renowned equestrian Bernie Traurig, followed by a light dinner and reception. Tickets are \$35 each, payable in advance or at the door.

Bernie will also conduct a riding clinic at Coker Farm in Bedford, NY, on April 27-28. For clinic details, contact Betsy Medinger at (203) 947-1761 (text) or betsymedinger@aol.com. You do not need to participate in Bernie's riding clinic to attend the dinner.

As a horseman, Bernie Traurig is renowned for not only his riding talents but for his teaching and coaching gifts. As a competitor, Bernie has represented the United States Equestrian Team both at home and abroad on many occasions and reached the top of the sport in all three of the International Equestrian Olympic disciplines: Show Jumping, Dressage and Eventing.

In 2009 Bernie was inducted into the National Show Hunter Hall of Fame. In 2010 the California Professional Horsemen's Association honored him with their Lifetime Achievement Award. In 2012 he was awarded the USHJA President's Distinguished Service Award. He is



Bernie Traurig

recognized as a legend in the sport. As a teacher and trainer, he is one of the most sought-after clinicians in the country.

RSVP to Betsy Medinger: Text (203) 947-1761 or email betsymedinger@aol.com.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

For additional information on all upcoming events among other things, visit the **Village of Brewster** Facebook page @[brewstervillageny](#).

The Hudson Valley Regional Farmers' Market in Brewster

Every Sunday from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at 15 Mt Ebo Rd S, Brewster, New York 10509. For more information call (845) 878-9078 or check out the Facebook page @[HVRRegionalFarmersMarket](#).

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Events at Green Chimneys

Green Chimneys Brewster Campus at 400 Doansburg Road, Brewster, NY 10509:

Hillside Summer Camp Open House

- Sunday, April 7, 2019 - 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM
Ages 4-15

Birds of Prey Day

- Sunday, June 2, 2019 - 10:00 AM - 4:30 PM

2019 Hillside Camp Session Dates

- Session I: July 1 - July 19
- Session II: July 22 - August 9
- Session III: August 12 - August 30
- Flexible weekly session options also available

Green Chimneys Clearpool Campus at 33 Clearpool Road, Carmel, NY 10512:

Spring Break Camp

- Monday, April 15 - 19, 2019 - 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM daily for children and teens ages 5-14

Mother-Daughter Weekend

- Saturday, April 27 - 28, 2019 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Family Camp

- Sunday, May 5, 2019 - 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

For more information, visit Green Chimneys' facebook page @[greenchimneysorg](#) or their events section on their website at: <https://www.greenchimneys.org>.

Putnam Heart Walk April 28

Location: Brewster High School, 50 Foggintown Road, Brewster, NY 10509.

Schedule: 9:00 AM - Registration Opens, 9:45 AM - Opening Ceremony, 10:00 AM - Walk Begins, 11:30 AM - Event Concludes. Additionally, the event is outdoors & takes place rain or shine (please dress for the weather). Dogs on leashes are welcome.

Community Easter Egg Hunt at Pegasus April 7

Easter is just a hop, skip and a jump away and the whole herd is excited!

Pegasus Therapeutic Riding would love to invite everyone to join us for an Easter Egg Hunt on the farm on Sunday, April 7 from 12:00 to 2:00 PM. There will also be a Bake Sale, Crafts and Photo Ops. This is a FREE event and all ages are welcome!

Be sure to bring a basket, grab some friends and come to Pegasus farm for a fun-filled afternoon.

If you have any questions please contact Candice Sciarrillo at csciarrillo@pegasustr.org or 845-669-8235 x110.

Easter Brunch at Tilly's Table April 21

EASTER BRUNCH with THE EASTER BUNNY! Bring Your Camera to take Photos with the Easter Bunny!

Join us on Sunday, April 21, 2019, for an Easter Brunch Buffet at Tilly's Table. Carving station, omelette station, deliciously prepared foods buffet style, fresh bread, muffins, danishes, all of your brunch favorites with unlimited mimosas, coffee, tea, and soft drinks.

Seatings between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM (1 1/2 hour seatings) at \$35.00 per adult & \$20.00 per child from 5 to 12 years of age, Plus Tax & Gratuity. (Children 4 and under are FREE). Visit the event on Tilly's Facebook @[tillystablerestaurant](#).

Men Who Cook April 27

Saturday, April 27, 2019 at 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM at Starr Ridge Banquet Center located on 38 Starr Ridge Road, Brewster, New York

Email all inquiries for seat reservations and sponsorship to: pattersonrotaryny@gmail.com.

Lego Mindstorms! April 6 - April 27

Create your own Lego Robotics! In this hands-on, enrichment program, children will be learning the basics of programming through LEGO Mindstorms which is a programmable robotics construction set that gives you the power to build, program and command your own Lego robots. Children will work in teams to design, build, program and enjoy their very own robots. Saturdays, April 6, 13, & 27 from 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM at The Studio Around the Corner; 67 Main St, Ste 101, Brewster, NY.

Sponsored by the The Kathryn W. Davis Global Community Scholarship Fund at Westchester Community College.

This program is FREE and open to any Putnam County Youth, Ages 10-12 Years Old. Limited to 12 Youth on a first come, first serve basis.

ONLINE REGISTRATION REQUIRED:

<http://putnam.cce.cornell.edu/events>

For additional information about the 4-H Youth Development Programs, please call Cornell Cooperative Extension of Putnam County (845) 278-6738 or visit putnam.cce.cornell.edu, email dla25@cornell.edu.

Upcoming Events at Brewster Library

- **Author Visit:** Saturday, April 6 from 10:30 to 11:30 AM. Author Jason Carter Eaton, who is best known for his books "How to Train a Train", "Great, Now We've Got Barbarians!" and "How to Track a Truck," as well as writing the story for the movie "Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs," will be coming by to read his stories and talk with kids of all ages!
- **Celebrate National Library Week with us! April 8 - 12:** Design a Bookmark, Be Creative! K-4th, 5-8th, 9-12th graders are all welcome to come and design a bookmark. One winner per age group will be chosen to have their bookmark featured at our library, as well as their picture and bookmark on our Facebook page!
- **Jellybeans Contest:** From April 15- 19, stop by the library and try to guess how many Jellybeans are in our container. The winner will be featured on our Facebook page, as well as get to keep the container with all of the Jellybeans! For kids ages 3 and up.
- **Basic ESL:** Thursdays through June 6, 5:15 PM - 6:45 PM. This class will focus on practical communication skills and is aimed at helping anyone who has limited English, but wants help improving their spoken and written English. This course will be taught by Steve Rome, a certified TEFL instructor.
- **Introduction to Babysitting:** Saturday, May 11, 10:30 AM - 2:30 PM. Amanda Tucker, a first grade teacher who holds three teacher certifications including Early Childhood, General Education and Special Education, and a Master's Degree in Literacy, will be teaching an Introduction to Babysitting class for teens and tweens who are looking to start babysitting this summer. A simple test as well as a certificate of completion will be awarded to those who complete this class. For ages 10-16; registration is required.
- **Defensive Driving Course:** Saturday, June 1, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Those who complete this class will be eligible for a 10% discount on your motor vehicle collision and liability insurance as well as up to a four-point reduction on your driving record. The fee for this course is \$40, a portion of which will benefit the library. Registration is required.

To register for any of these events or to see what else the library has to offer please visit our website at www.brewsterlibrary.org or call 845-279-6421.

Putnam Symphony Orchestra Spring Concert April 28

The April 28 Journey Through American Music performance will feature music of Americana. Scheduled repertoire for this concert includes "Variations on a Shaker Melody" by Aaron Copeland, "Largo" from Dvorak's New World Symphony, "Simple Song" by Leonard Bernstein, "Disney Spectacular" arranged by John Moss, "Moondust" by Glenn Miller and Richard Rodgers, "Gershwin by George" arranged by Jerry Brubaker, "Prairie Song" by Carl Strommen, "West Side Story" selections by Leonard Bernstein, "Great Movie Adventures" by John Williams, and "Minnie the Moocher" by Cab Calloway and Irving Mills.

Sunday, April 28, 2019 at 3:00 PM at the Brewster High School Performing Arts Center (50 Foggintown Rd, Brewster, NY).

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Town of Southeast Recreation

CSA- Developmental Soccer Clinics

Location: Brewster Sports Center at 19 Sutton Place, Brewster, NY.

- **Little Feet (4-5yrs)** Cost \$180. 14 Players Max, Wednesdays 5:00 - 6:00 PM April 10, 17, 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 June 5, 12
- **Young Kickers (6-9yrs)** Cost \$180. 16 Players Max, Wednesdays 5:00 - 6:00 PM April 10, 17, 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 June 5, 12

Depending on number of YK players registered, Players may stay together as a group or be divided into two groups (6-7yrs) & (8-9yrs).

Spring Tennis 2019

Location: Tonetta Lake Tennis Courts, 140 Pumphouse Road, Brewster, NY.

- **Pee Wee Tennis** (Grades K, 1 and 2) \$85. Thursday, 4:00 - 5:00 PM, April 25, May 2, 9, 16, & 23 (Rain date/schedule changes TBA)
- **Topspins Jrs. Tennis** (Grades 3 and 4) \$115. Thursday, 5:00 - 6:30 PM April 25, May 2, 9, 16, & 23 (Rain date/schedule changes TBA)
- **Topspins Tennis** (Grades 5 - 8) \$135. Tuesdays, 4:00 - 6:00 PM April 23, 30, May 7, 14, & 21 (Rain date/ schedule changes TBA)

For more information and program details, please visit our website: www.southeast-ny.gov or call Town of Southeast Rec Dept: at 845-279-3915.

Mother's Day Brunch at Tilly's Table May 12

Celebrate Mom this Mother's Day with a Champagne Brunch at Tilly's Table on Sunday, May 12. We have seatings between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM (1 1/2 hour seatings).

- Carving Action Station: Watch our chef carve from a delicious display of freshly prepared meats right at the buffet.
- Omelet Station: Enjoy the chef-to-guest experience with prepared to order omelets with a variety of fillings.
- Waffle Station: Satisfy Your Appetite with one of our Belgium Waffles with your choice of toppings!
- The Day's Specials: Our flaming chafing dishes which include seafood, chicken, rice, beef entrée, pasta and potatoes as well as breakfast sausage, crispy bacon, scrambled eggs, fresh fruits, cheese and an assortment of bread and more!
- Beverages: Champagne, Mimosas, Coffee, Tea, Orange Juice & Soda (Bloody Mary's and all other mixed drinks are extra) Desserts for the "Sweet Tooth": a fabulously large display of desserts and sweets.

\$35.00 per adult & \$20.00 per child 5 to 12 years of age, Plus Tax and Gratuity. (Children 4 and under are FREE). Visit Tilly's on Facebook [@tillystablerrestaurant](https://www.facebook.com/tillystablerrestaurant) to make reservations.



Master Gardener Plant Sale May 18

Our Plant Sale is Rain or Shine!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 18, 2019, 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM. Prepare to be there for the opening bell, because this is one plant sale where the plants move faster than you ever imagined! Located at Cornell Cooperative Extension of Putnam County on 1 Geneva Rd, Brewster, New York 10509.

The sale features heirloom and hybrid vegetables selected by Master Gardeners for Putnam County gardens. Our carefully chosen tomatoes, peppers, eggplants and other popular vegetable seedlings are available singly or in two packs so you can try a few varieties.

You'll also find garden favorites like annuals and herbs. And we've selected some great greens, our newest and oldest favorites for your table. Master Gardener volunteers offer tough perennials and beautiful shrubs chosen to thrive in Putnam County. A selection of unusual summer-flowering bulbs will round out your colorful garden.

What makes our plant sale different? Master Gardeners are on hand to answer your questions about planning, nurturing, and harvesting, so you'll be sure to have a successful gardening season. Free soil pH tests will get you off to a good start: bring a half-cup sample of your garden soil in a clean container.

For more information on how to take a sample of your garden soil. Watch the video from the University of Illinois Cooperative Extension.

Master Gardeners go native! Come find out why native plants are so important: visit Beauty and the Bees, our native plant information booth, and find out how you can make our ecosystem healthier. Learn about native plants and their importance to bees, butterflies and other pollinators. Bring the kids!

See our website for more information: <http://putnam.cce.cornell.edu/events/2018/05/19/master-gardener-plant-sale-rain-or-shine>.

Green Chimney's Spring Gala May 23



Thursday, May 23, 2019, 5:30 PM - 10:00 PM
Brae Burn Country Club, 39 Brae Burn Drive
Purchase, NY

Experience the power of healing through the senses. Mark your calendar and plan to join one of our most celebratory events to support the children and animals of Green Chimneys. The annual gala raises funds for innovative education and animal-assisted therapy programs for children with special needs as well as for the care of our animal partners.

For additional information please contact Meg Slavin at events@greenchimneys.org or 845.279.2995 x108.

R&G farmers' Market Starting June 1

Saturdays from June 1, 2019 through November 23 from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Follow R&G Farmstand on Facebook [@rgfarmstandbrewster](https://www.facebook.com/rgfarmstandbrewster) for additional information and location details.

2019 Brewster Music Festival June 8

Enjoy an afternoon of FREE entertainment!

Are you ready to rock into the summer of 2019? The 3rd Annual Brewster Music Festival is an afternoon filled with hot music including rock, soul, funk and blues from some of the finest local musicians. Put that together with local food vendors, beer, wine, games and family fun and you have the perfect way to kick off the summer!

The 3rd Annual Brewster Music Festival is set to rock out on June 8, 2019, at Wells Park at 98 Oak Street in Brewster. Admission is FREE. Bring chairs and blankets to claim your space on the beautiful "great lawn" in the park.

Bands will be announced in the spring. hosts for the event will be co-producers Paul Toscano, host of PorkChop's Blues Time on Pawling Public Radio 103.7FM, Margaret Carey of HamletHub and Judy Marano.

4-H Fishing Clinic June 8

FREE but pre-registration is required. Learn to Fish at the Putnam County Veteran's Memorial Park. Members from the Oasis Sportsmen's club will be on hand to teach Putnam County youth ages 7-14 how to fish. All participants will receive a FREE rod, reel, tackle kit, fishing directory & hat. Space is limited to 150 youth.

Advanced ONLINE Registration required. Space is limited & accepted through online Registration ONLY on a first come first serve basis. Visit our Facebook page to register on the event [@CCEPutnam](https://www.facebook.com/CCEPutnam).

Check-in will be held from 10:00 to 10:45 AM ONLY. Availability of rod and fishing gear not guaranteed after 10:45 AM. Educational Program begins promptly at 11:00 AM. WALK-INS not permitted. Parents MUST REMAIN with their child for the duration of the event. This event is RAIN or SHINE.

Summer Science at the Southeast Museum

Is your child interested in science? Join us for experiment based hands-on science workshops. Weekly topics include Rocks, Trains and Reservoirs. Learn about the magnetic properties in the rocks in your backyard, the science of steam engines, make your own reservoir and much more! Ideal for children between 7 and 11 years of age.

- Rocks: Tuesday July 9 and Wednesday July 10
- Trains: Tuesday July 16 and Wednesday July 17
- Reservoirs: Tuesday July 23 and Wednesday July 24

All workshops are from 9:00am-10:30am at the Southeast Museum, 67 Main Street, Brewster. For more information call us at 845-279-7500 or email director@southeastmuseum.org.

GOOD TO KNOW

Annual Earth Day Clean-up

It has become an annual activity for the Village of Brewster (VOB) and the Town of Southeast (TOSE) to join forces for a community wide clean-up as an observation of Earth Day. This year's rain or shine event is scheduled for Saturday, April 27 and Sunday, April 28 with supplies available in front of Southeast Old Town Hall in the Village of Brewster between 8:00 AM and 12 Noon each day. Safety vests and gloves will be provided, once again, by Suburban Carting Company supplemented by the TOSE Highway Department and the VOB Department of Public Works. After the volunteer efforts are completed and the rubbish is bagged, it can be placed on the side of the streets in the Village for our Department of Public Works and roadside in the TOSE for their Highway Department to collect.

Town of Southeast Councilwoman Lynne Eckardt, who is once again spearheading the Earth Day clean-up, reports that students in

NYAPRS Putnam/Westchester Regional Forum Held at CoveCare Center

Individuals served by and representatives from agencies in Putnam, Westchester and surrounding counties participated in a special forum hosted by CoveCare Center in Carmel, NY. "The Power of Grassroots Advocacy" and "The Promise of Pioneering Service Innovations" were the main topics presented and discussed throughout the afternoon.

The forum began with a presentation by Harvey Rosenthal, Executive Director, New York Association of Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services, Inc. (NYAPRS). NYAPRS is a statewide coalition of people who use and/or provide recovery-oriented community-based mental health services. NYAPRS is dedicated to improving services and social conditions for people with mental health and/or trauma-related challenges by promoting their recovery, rehabilitation and rights.

"It is so exciting to be able to bring a nationally-known figure, such as Harvey Rosenthal, to Putnam to discuss with individuals and providers in the mental health system the legislative advocacy efforts that are being brought forth on our behalf. It is equally exciting to hear from peer agencies what new and innovative projects they are bringing to us," stated Alison Carroll, CoveCare Center Vice President of Strategic Initiatives and member of the Board of Directors for NYAPRS.

Following Mr. Rosenthal's presentation, Raquelle Bender from The Mental Health Association of Westchester presented on the

the "7th and 8th Grade, under the fantastic guidance of art teacher Irene Othmer, will be entering our annual Art Show and contest. The theme is 'Community and Neighborhood'. The art work will be displayed in the lobby of Studio Around the Corner. Many thanks to the Town of Southeast Cultural Arts Coalition for judging the show and lending us the space. Awards will be handed out at a May Southeast Town Board meeting."

Regular participant Norma Pereira invited families, clubs, teams and individuals to "celebrate Earth Day together. Meet us at the table in front of 67 Main Street to collect your supplies." This is an opportunity to come together as a community, put our best foot forward and welcome spring with open arms.

**-Deputy Mayor Christine Piccini
Town of Southeast Liaison**

agency's Intensive and Sustained Engagement and Treatment (INSET) program. A pilot program, INSET is available to Hudson Valley residents ages 18 years or older who have been diagnosed with a mental health condition, have experienced multiple hospitalizations, and/or have a history of incarceration or substance abuse. The INSET team, which focuses on providing mobile support by meeting people at community locations of their choice, offers integrated peer and professional services and referrals when they are needed.

Lastly, Bryan Cranna from Independent Living, Inc. in Newburgh offered insight into the agency's Self Directed Care Services initiative. Also a pilot program, Self Directed Care Services is person-centered, allowing individuals to exercise greater control over the funding used for their care. Individuals are helped to pursue specific opportunities once thought out of their reach as they take control of their lives and work toward recovery. In order to be eligible for this program, individuals must be enrolled in a Health and Recovery Plan (HARP) and be eligible to receive Home and Community Based Services (HCBS).

CoveCare Center thanks the representatives from NYAPRS, The Mental Health Association in Westchester, and Independent Living, Inc.

Wells Park

We are happy to report that the community has continued using and enjoying the benefits of Wells Park in the Village of Brewster. In 2018, we held many events, including a Music Festival hosted by the Town of Southeast Cultural Arts Coalition, as well as a movie fundraiser hosted by the JFK PTA. There were graduations, BBQs, and many other fun-filled community and family events.

Also added in 2018 was a new exercise loop. As his Eagle Scout Project, Peter Arnold created a one mile loop around the inside perimeter of the park. Wells Park is surrounded by a fence, offering a contained space for individuals and families to walk, run and play. The Park has three play areas, tennis courts and a large open field that can provide hours of entertainment for children of all ages. Additionally, Wells Park offers a covered pavilion complete with picnic tables and BBQ grills, which is great for family reunions, birthday parties and many other community events.

In 2019, Wells Park is slated to be connected to the Bike Trail. This will enable bikers, walkers and joggers to visit Wells Park. The Park will be open Memorial Day weekend through October. We are looking forward to another fun-filled season at Wells Park.

**-Trustee Tom Boissonnault
Commissioner of Parks and Recreation**



for their engaging and thought-provoking presentations.

For more information about CoveCare Center and its services, please visit www.CoveCareCenter.org or Facebook @CoveCareCenter or call 845.225.2700.

By Jacqueline Stefanak

Anita M. Minella Joins Covecare Center Board Of Directors

CoveCare Center is pleased to welcome Anita M. Minella to its Board of Directors. Ms. Minella is the most recent addition to the governing body of the Carmel-based non-profit that addresses mental health needs, substance use, and social and emotional issues.

Ms. Minella brings extensive experience and knowledge to CoveCare Center. Board Chairperson Sal Gambino stated, "We are very fortunate to have Anita joining us as a board member. Her expertise, talent, and energy will allow us to continue to uphold our mission to foster healing, recovery and wellness throughout the community."

After 40 years of service, Ms. Minella retired as the Executive Director of the Putnam Hospital Center Foundation in 2017. Her efforts focused on fundraising, capital campaigns, community outreach, special event coordination and interior design. A resident of Putnam County since 1972, Ms. Minella has volunteered for such organizations as the American Heart Association, the Cystic Fibrosis Association, the Boy Scouts of America, the Girl Scouts of America, Autism Speaks, the March of Dimes, Project Linus, and multiple children's reading programs. She is a member of the Putnam Hospital Center Auxiliary and a former Director of the Young Colonials Jr. Ancient Fyfe and Drum Corps. Ms. Minella is also a former owner

and president of a local catering company and an interior design consulting service.

"CoveCare Center is an organization filled with integrity, skill, and compassion for others. My goals are to enhance CoveCare Center's efforts through community outreach and to help the agency continue to meet the growing needs of our community," stated Ms. Minella.

For more information about CoveCare Center and its services, please call 845.225.2700 or visit us on Facebook @CoveCareCenter or our website at www.CoveCareCenter.org.

By Jacqueline Stefanak

CULTURAL ARTS

The 3rd Annual Brewster Music Festival *continued from cover page...*

Hosts for the event will be co-producers Paul Toscano, Judy Marano and Margaret Carey. Village of Brewster Police Department and DPW will be on hand to lend their assistance.

Special announcements will be made on social media leading up to the event. Find The Brewster Music Festival on Facebook, Twitter [@BrewMusicFest](#) and Instagram

[@brewstermusicfestival](#). Make sure you share the excitement with hashtags #GetTheFunkOut and #BMFNY2019.

For more information, call (845) 363 - 8330, email BrewsterMusicFestival@gmail.com or www.BrewsterMusicFestival.com.

By Margaret Carey

SPACE on Ryder Farm Announces it will Assume Organic Farming Operation At Ryder Farm Launching Sliding Scale CSA Membership

- **Betsey Ryder Retires After 40 Years of Stewardship**
- **Jason McCartney and Doug DeCandia Join SPACE as Inaugural Farmers**
- **Community Supported Art + Agriculture Membership will provide produce and art for NYC and Westchester/Putnam County Families**

SPACE on Ryder Farm, the acclaimed residency program for artists and activists, announced that it has begun managing the organic farming operations at Ryder Farm as of 2019, and launched its inaugural sliding scale CSA (community supported agriculture) membership. SPACE is succeeding Betsey Ryder of Ryder Farm Cottage Industries, who retired at the end of the 2018 growing season after 40 years of farming.

Located on Starr Ridge Road in Brewster, New York, Ryder Farm is one of the oldest family farms in the Northeast, first established by Eleazer Ryder in 1795. Ryder Farm was an early adopter in the organic movement, and one of the founding farms to participate in the Union Square Greenmarket. Betsey Ryder has been growing organic vegetables, herbs and flowers on Ryder Farm since 1978, following in the footsteps of her cousin Hall Gibson and five generations of Ryders before her. Betsey maintained Ryder Farm's presence at the Greenmarket and local Brewster markets as well as a robust community-supported agriculture program, and worked diligently to keep the farm's 127 acres from being sold for development.

Emily Simoness, a 7th generation Ryder, became involved with Ryder Farm upon recognizing that her own artistic community could both benefit from and reinvigorate the aging family farm. In 2011, she co-founded SPACE with the two-fold mission of providing time and space for artists and innovators to develop new work, while contributing to the sustainability and resourceful preservation of Ryder Farm.

SPACE welcomes nearly 150 residents to Ryder Farm each year for fully subsidized residencies of one to five weeks, in programs supporting playwrights, filmmakers, activists and working artists-parents, among others. Over the past nine years, SPACE has facilitated the restoration and management of many of the farm's historic buildings, including the 1795 farmhouse from which the organization operates. Produce grown on Ryder Farm is incorporated into the three farm-fresh, communal meals shared by residents each day, and SPACE hosts farm-to-table dinners and performance events throughout the season for the public.

"Since SPACE's founding, art and agriculture have been in concert on Ryder Farm," said Simoness, Executive Director of SPACE. "At a time when family farms are being lost across the country due to economic pressures and the lack of succession plans, SPACE is deeply committed to ensuring Ryder Farm is still

farming in another 224 years. In taking on the agricultural operation, we see enormous opportunity for increased reciprocity among the creative processes of our artist and activist residents, the meal planning and preparation of our resident chefs and the sweat, ingenuity and skills of our farmers and their team."

"Emily arrived to the farm and saw the inspiration inherent in this land and created a vehicle for others to engage in the nurturing and cultivation of their craft," said Betsey Ryder. "I am lifted by the enthusiasm of SPACE for taking on our agricultural legacy. I am confident that SPACE will grow upon the agricultural base and carry Ryder Farm to new heights."

SPACE honored Betsey Ryder at its annual Farm in the City Gala on November 12, 2018, and released a video commemorating Ryder's 40 years of stewardship of Ryder Farm, which can be viewed at <https://vimeo.com/300606526>.

Farmers Jason McCartney and Doug DeCandia will lead the farm operations at SPACE. As Director of Farming, McCartney brings nearly a decade of experience from farms across the East Coast including Brookwood Community Farm in Massachusetts and Matunuck Farm in Rhode Island. Farm Manager DeCandia has worked extensively with the Food Bank for Westchester (now known as Feeding Westchester) as both a farmer and food access and food justice activist. He also previously worked at Ryder Farm in 2010, and is happy to be returning now to work with SPACE.

In addition to stocking SPACE's residency kitchen, produce from Ryder Farm will be available via sliding scale CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) memberships launching today, providing weekly installments of vegetables and herbs for pickup at Ryder Farm and in NYC from June to October. Taking advantage of SPACE's network of over 1,300 resident alumni, CSA members can also expect to find samplings of the artistic projects cultivated at Ryder Farm among their weekly allotment of kale and tomatoes. Aligned with SPACE's commitment to equity and inclusion, CSA shares are offered on a sliding scale.

To sign up for a 2019 CSA membership, visit spaceonryderfarm.org/farm (en Español: spaceonryderfarm.org/granja).

SPACE also plans to sell produce weekly at a to-be-announced NYC farmers' market location and at Ryder Farm's roadside stand on Starr Ridge Road in Brewster.

By Manda Martin

Musicians Stand for Peace

It was standing room only at the Cultural Arts Coalition's annual New Year's Day Concert for Peace, with the musicians gladly giving up their chairs so more audience members could be seated!

The 2:00 PM event at the Studio Around the Corner began with cellist and guitarist Eliot Bailen leading the audience in a sing-along of the Beatles hit, "Across the Universe," followed by the Cultural Arts Coalition's President, Judy Marano, reading resilience by Jack Kornfield.

Chamber music for flute and strings was featured, including Mozart's elegant and buoyant "Quartet in D Major" and Ginastera's evocative "Impresiones de la Puna," which transported listeners to the grassy plains high in the Andes Mountains. We were delighted to have the flutist Susan Rotholz join us.

Robert Zubrycki, violinist and Director of Concerts Around the Corner, led the ensemble of strings: Laura Bald, violin; Adria Benjamin, viola; and Eliot Bailen, cello. The musicians are members of Broadway Orchestras, the Stamford Symphony Orchestra, the American Symphony Orchestra and many of the region's top ensembles, performing regularly at Lincoln Center and Carnegie Hall.



(l to r) Susan Rotholz, flute; Laura Bald, violin; Robert Zubrycki, violin; Adria Benjamin, viola; Eliot Bailen, cello

The theme of resilience was woven throughout, featuring works by Vivaldi, the Danish String Quartet, Cole Porter, Gershwin and selections from Rodgers and Hammerstein's "The Sound of Music." Poems by Whittier, Henley, and Norton were read by community members and Cultural Arts Coalition volunteers Phyllis Polonkay, Alyson Denny and Peter Budd.

The concert came to a close with another sing-along, Pete Seeger's "Turn! Turn! Turn!" followed by "Auld Lang Syne." It was indeed a joyful and peaceful New Year's celebration, and a truly special way to begin 2019.

Concerts Around the Corner are made possible in part by the NYS Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the NYS Legislature. In Putnam County, this grant program is administered and monitored by the Putnam Arts Council, Mahopac, NY.

By Margaret Carey

TRANSPORTATION SCHEDULES

BUS SCHEDULE PART 1 - Brewster & Putnam Lake

Putnam Plaza to Putnam Plaza MONDAY - FRIDAY (Sat. 8 AM - 6 PM ONLY, Last run from Plaza 4:00 PM)

Carmel	C	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A
*Putnam Plaza	~	5:30	6:30	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	12:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00
Office of Senior Resources/Donald Smith Building	~	5:32	6:32	7:02	8:02	9:02	10:02	11:02	12:02	1:02	2:02	3:02	4:02	5:02	6:02
Hughson Commons	~	~	~	7:05	8:05	9:05	10:05	11:05	12:05	1:05	2:05	3:05	4:05	5:05	6:05
*Putnam Hosp./Stoneleigh Ave.	~	~	~	7:12	8:12	9:12	10:12	11:12	12:12	1:12	2:12	3:12	4:12	5:12	6:12
Brewster															
*Rte. 6 & Rte. 312	~	~	~	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
*Rte. 6 & Drewville Rd.	~	~	~	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
Brewster Heights	~	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C
*Brewster Village (MTA Station)	~	5:38	6:38	7:23	8:27	9:27	10:27	11:27	12:27	1:27	2:27	3:27	4:27	5:27	6:27
Rte. 6 & Argonne Rd.	~	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C
Rte. 6 & Peaceable Hill Rd.	~	~	~	7:25	8:29	9:29	10:29	11:29	12:29	1:29	2:29	3:29	4:29	5:29	6:29
Peaceable Hill Rd. & North Brewster Rd.	~	~	~	~	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C
*North Brewster Rd. & Rte. 312	~	~	~	7:35	8:38	9:38	10:38	11:38	12:38	1:38	2:38	3:38	4:38	5:38	6:38
*Rte. 312 & Rte. 22	~	~	~	~	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C
*Lakeview Plaza (ACME)	~	~	~	7:40	8:43	9:43	10:43	11:43	12:43	1:43	2:43	3:43	4:43	5:43	6:43
Clocktower Commons	~	~	~	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C
*Town Center (Value Village)	~	~	~	7:42	8:45	9:45	10:45	11:45	12:45	1:45	2:45	3:45	4:45	5:45	6:45
*Rte. 22 & Putnam Lake Rd.	~	~	~	~	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C
Putnam Lake															
Putnam Ridge/Stonecrest	~	5:45	6:45	7:45	8:48	9:48	10:48	11:48	12:48	1:48	2:48	3:48	4:48	5:48	6:48
*Putnam Lake Market	4:50	5:50	6:50	7:50	8:55	9:55	10:55	11:55	12:55	1:55	2:55	3:55	4:55	5:55	6:55
*Fairfield Dr. & Haviland Dr.	~	~	~	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
Fairfield Dr. & Rhinecliff Rd.	~	~	~	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
Academy Rd. & Lake Shore Dr.	~	~	~	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
*Lake Shore Dr. & Haviland Dr.	~	~	~	v	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C
Sacred Heart Church	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:05	10:05	11:05	12:05	1:05	2:05	3:05	4:05	5:05	6:05	7:05
Haviland Dr. & Saginaw Rd.	~	~	~	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
Java Rd. & Manchester Dr.	~	~	~	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
Vesper Rd. & Lakeport Dr.	~	~	~	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
Warren Dr. & Wallace Place	~	~	~	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
Wallace Place & Sharon Rd.	~	~	~	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
*Sharon Rd. & Haviland Dr.	~	~	~	v	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C
*Putnam Lake Market	5:06	6:06	7:06	8:06	9:13	10:13	11:13	12:13	1:13	2:13	3:13	4:13	5:13	6:13	7:13
Stonecrest	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C
*Putnam Lake Rd. & Rte. 22	5:10	6:10	7:10	8:10	9:17	10:17	11:17	12:17	1:17	2:17	3:17	4:17	5:17	6:17	7:17
Brewster															
*Lakeview Plaza (ACME)	~	~	~	8:12	9:21	10:21	11:21	12:21	1:21	2:21	3:21	4:21	5:21	6:21	7:21
Clocktower Commons	~	~	~	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C
*Town Center (Value Village)	~	~	~	8:14	9:23	10:23	11:23	12:23	1:23	2:23	3:23	4:23	5:23	6:23	7:23
*Rte. 312 & North Brewster Rd.	~	~	~	v	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C
North Brewster Rd. & Peaceable Hill	~	~	~	v	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C
Peaceable Hill Rd. & Rte. 6	~	~	~	v	9:35	10:35	11:35	12:35	1:35	2:35	3:35	4:35	5:35	6:35	7:35
Rte. 6 & Argonne Rd.	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C
*Brewster Village (Across from MTA Station)	5:35	6:35	7:35	8:35	9:43	10:43	11:43	12:43	1:43	2:43	3:43	4:43	5:43	6:43	7:43
*Rte. 6 & Drewville Rd.	~	~	~	v	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C
Brewster Heights	~	~	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C
*Rte. 6 & Rte. 312	5:37	6:37	7:37	8:37	9:48	10:48	11:48	12:48	1:48	2:48	3:48	4:48	5:48	6:48	7:48
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Hughson Commons	~	~	7:40	8:40	9:51	10:51	11:51	12:51	1:51	2:51	3:51	4:51	5:51	6:51	7:51
*Putnam Hospital/Stoneleigh Ave.	~	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C	O/C
Office of Senior Resources/Donald Smith Building	~	6:50	7:50	8:50	10:00	11:00	12:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00
*Putnam Plaza	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:10	11:10	12:10	1:10	2:10	3:10	4:10	5:10	6:10	7:10	8:10

MONDAY-FRIDAY MTA TRAIN SCHEDULE

TO NEW YORK		AM PEAK (SENIOR/DISABLED/MEDICARE FARES NOT VALID ON INBOUND PEAK TRAINS)																							
53 Southeast Ar.	Ar.																								
53 Southeast Lv.	Lv.	4 24	4 47	5 17	5 40	5 51	6 02	6 12	6 17	6 26	6 42	6 57	7 09	7 21	7 29	7 51	8 07	8 26	8 52						
52 Brewster		4 27	4 50	5 20	5 43	5 55	6 05	6 15	6 20		6 45	7 00	7 13	7 24	7 33	7 54	8 10	8 29	8 55						
		OFF-PEAK																							
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52 Brewster		6 05	H 6 14	H 6 32	H 6 44	6 55	H 6 59	H 7 22	7 33	H 7 48	H 8 15	H 8 39	9 18	9 41	10 21	10 41	11 21	11 41	12 28						
53 Southeast Ar.	Ar.	6 13	6 22	H 6 37	6 52		7 08	H 7 26		7 55	8 22	8 46	9 24	9 49	10 29	10 50	11 29	11 50	12 36						
53 Southeast Lv.	Lv.										C 8 25		C 9 27		C 10 32		C 11 37		CH 1 49						

VILLAGE MUNICIPALITY DETAILS

2019 Village of Brewster Meeting Schedule

Start time: 7:30PM.

All official public notices appear at least 5 days in advance of the scheduled meeting in the Official Newspapers: The Putnam County Press, aka Putnam County Times, aka Brewster Times, and on The **Village of Brewster, NY** facebook Page. Pre-scheduled meetings are published in the Village Matters Newspaper. Zoning Board of Appeals meeting dates are called as needed and published at least 5 days in advance. Notices also appear on our website: www.brewstervillage-ny.gov and on the

Office: 845.279.3760 Fax: 845.278.7653
Court: 845.279.4020

Village Hall Bulletin Board. The Village Clerk maintains an email distribution list for important notices and press releases. If you would like your email added please send a request to phansen@brewstervillage-ny.gov.

If you did not receive a copy of The Village Matters Quarterly Newspaper in the Mail: you may pick up a free copy at the Village Hall lobby after April 1, 2019.

Village Office Hours Are:
8:30AM to 4:00PM Mon-Fri.
50 Main Street (Village Hall),
Brewster, NY 10509

Village of Brewster Residential Bulk Pick-Up

April 1, 2019

RESTRICTIONS:

- DO NOT put out prior to Saturday prior to pick-up date.
- DO NOT put out any appliance containing FREON (i.e. refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, etc.). Freon must be removed by an authorized Freon Recovery Dealer and a sticker from the dealer must be attached to the appliance or it WILL NOT be picked up.
- DO NOT put out any propane tanks including those from barbeque grills. They WILL NOT be picked up.
- DO NOT put out any air tanks including those from scuba gear or with helium. They WILL NOT be picked up.
- Water base paint cans must be open and dried up (full cans WILL NOT be picked up). Oil base paint and cans WILL NOT be picked up.
- DO NOT put out flammable liquids or hazardous materials (i.e. car batteries, gasoline, oil, etc.). You can contact Putnam County Recycling to determine date to dispose of these.
- DO NOT put out gas powered equipment (i.e. lawn mowers, weed whackers, tractors, etc.) without removing gas, or they WILL NOT be picked up.
- DO NOT put out more than two major appliances of the same type for pick-up. (i.e. two refrigerators, two stoves, two sinks, two water heaters, etc.). Refrigerators/ freezers must have doors removed.
- DO NOT put out any construction materials (i.e. insulation, drywall, treated or untreated lumber & composites, roofing and gutters, fencing, siding, ceiling, wall or flooring tiles, studs, beams, plaster board, cement, cement blocks, landscape timbers, wood pallets or other building materials.)
- DO NOT put out any tires.
- DO NOT put out any brush, leaves or logs. If mixed in with bulk, your bulk WILL NOT be picked up.
- DO NOT put out any ELECTRONIC DEVICES. Electronics WILL NOT be picked up.
- DO NOT put out mattresses or box springs with your bulk, mattresses or box springs WILL NOT be picked up.
- Items put out that are NOT PICKED UP must be arranged to be discarded by the tenant or landlord. Violations for non-compliance, up to and including fines and jail time may result. If it is on your sidewalk it is considered your property. Stop violators from "dumping" on your property as you will be held responsible. Brewster Police may be contacted as needed to catch violators in the act.

ANY RESTRICTED ITEMS AS IDENTIFIED ABOVE NOT PICKED UP BY CARTER MUST BE REMOVED BY 8PM ON THE DAY OF BULK PICK-UP. VIOLATORS WILL BE TICKETED AND CHARGED

FOR REMOVAL IF THE VILLAGE IS REQUIRED TO REMOVE THE ITEMS.

LANDLORDS PLEASE NOTIFY ALL TENANTS. SUMMONSES WILL BE ISSUED TO ANY PROPERTY OWNER WHO VIOLATES THESE RESTRICTIONS.

RESTRICCIONES:

- NO coloque la basura antes del sábado antes de la fecha de recogida.
- No coloque ningún aparato que contiene el gas FREÓN (ejemplo: refrigeradores, congeladores, aires acondicionados, etc.) Freón debe ser quitado por un comerciante autorizado de la Recuperación de Freón y una pegatina del comerciante debe ser conectado al aparato o no se recogerá.
- No coloque tanques de propano, inclusive éstos que se usan para parrillas. Estos no serán recogidos.
- No coloque ningún tanque de oxígeno, inclusive éstos tanques de gas helio. Estos no serán recogidos.
- Las latas de pinturas de base de agua deben ser abiertas para que se evapore la pintura. Las latas llenas no serán recogidas. La pintura a base de petróleo no será recogida.
- No coloque líquidos inflamables ni materiales peligrosos (EJEMPLO: baterías de coche, gasolina, aceite, etc.) Usted puede contactar al Reciclaje del Condado de Putnam para determinar la fecha para deshacerse de éstos.
- No coloque máquinas a gasolina sin sacarle la gasolina primero. (EJEMPLO: cortacéspedes, vapedores de hierba, tractores, etc.)
- No coloque más de dos (2) aparatos del hogar a la misma vez. (EJEMPLOS: dos refrigeradores, dos estufas, dos fregaderos, dos calentadores, etc.) Los refrigeradores/ los congeladores deben tener puertas quitadas.
- No apagar cualquier material de construcción (es decir, aislamiento; paneles de yeso, tratados o sin tratar la madera y materiales compuestos, techos y canalones, esgrima, apartadero, techo, azulejos de la pared o de suelo, espárragos, vigas, tablero de yeso, cemento, bloques de cemento, paisaje maderas, paletas de madera u otros materiales de construcción.
- No coloque ninguna llanta/ gomas de carros.
- No coloque hojas, ramas de árboles ni los troncos. Si usted mezcla estos materiales con otras cosas, su bulto no se recogerá.
- No ponga ningún dispositivo electrónico. NO se recogerá la electrónica.
- no ponga los colchones o los resortes de la caja con su bulto, los colchones o los resortes de la caja no serán recogidos.
- Los artículos que no son recogidos deben ser ordenados para ser desechados por

Board Meetings

Month		Meeting Type
April	3	Regular Board Meetingg
April	16	Planning Board Meeting
April	17	Regular Board Meetingg
May	1	Regular Board Meeting
May	14	Planning Boardr Meeting
May	15	Regular Board Meeting
June	5	Regular Board Meetingg
June	18	Planning Boardar Meeting
June	19	Regular Board Meetingg

THE VILLAGE OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS:

Monday May 27 Memorial Day
Thursday July 4 Independence Day

Trash Pick-up

BULK PICKUP APRIL 1

TRASH	HOLIDAY	TRASH/RECYCLE
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APRIL 2019

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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MAY 2019

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JUNE 2019

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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el inquilino o el arrendador. Pueden producirse infracciones por incumplimiento, incluso multas y tiempo de cárcel. Si está en su acera se considera su propiedad. Detenga a los infractores de "dumping" en su propiedad, ya que se le responsabilizará. La policía de Brewster puede ser contactado según sea necesario para atrapar a los infractores en el acto.

CUALQUIER ARTÍCULO RESTRICTIVO COMO IDENTIFICADO ANTERIORMENTE QUE NO HAN PERMITIDO A SER RECOGIDO POR CÁRTER DEBE SER RETIRADO ANTES DE LAS 8PM EL DÍA DE LA RECOLECCIÓN A GRANEL. LOS INFRACTORES SERÁN MULTADOS Y CARGADOS SI ES REQUERIDO QUE LA ALDEA RETIRE LOS ARTÍCULOS.

PROPIETARIOS POR FAVOR NOTIFIQUE SUS INQUILINOS DE ESTAS REGULACIONES. SI HAY VIOLACIONES DE ESTAS RESTRICCIONES, LOS DUEÑOS DE LAS PROPIEDADES SERÁN MULTADOS Y CARGADOS.

WORK & PLAY IN BREWSTER

Patterson Rotary's 24th Annual Men Who Cook - April 27

MEN WHO COOK is returning for its 24th year, featuring over 35 chef stations and restaurants. Great cooks will once again impress the room with a tasting, buffet style, of their specialties ranging from appetizers to entrees, side dishes, and, of course, great desserts. The event will be on Saturday, April 27, at the Starr Ridge Banquet Hall in Brewster, New York from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

Besides the wonderful selection of food, guests enjoy the "bring your own bottle" policy that has become a staple of this event. Guests are also encouraged to bring stemware to better enjoy the libation of their choice. Bottled water is supplied. The dress code is very casual so you can enjoy the evening without the hassle of what to wear. And, there is no check, tax or tip at the end of the evening.

There will be unique live and silent auction prizes. In addition there will also be penny social type packages that can be won by dropping a ticket in a basket. At the end of the evening, a lucky ticket holder in the audience will be the winner of a \$1,000.00 grand prize (raffle & grand prize tickets must be purchased at the event as they are never pre-sold).

What's the Brewster Chamber all about?

If you're a business owner big or small you may be wondering why you should try to cram more into your already chaotic schedule. A membership to your local chamber of commerce offers not only networking opportunities but keeps you a part of the ever-changing trends and activities within your community.

Here are just a few reasons to join the Brewster Chamber of Commerce, which is run by individuals like you, who are invested in the community we all work in.

1. You're building new relationships. The chamber isn't only about networking, it gives you an opportunity to interact and work with individuals outside your normal business or routine. The networking opportunities allow you to build your business with the community at large, it expands your network of people who know all about what your business does.
2. Increase your visibility in your community. Your membership to the chamber comes with many perks you might not even be aware of! Events and specials listed in the chamber newsletter, on social media, on community calendars and the opportunity to be highlighted at other events.
3. Obtain customer referrals. The chamber provides a resource to the community at large providing referrals to individuals and businesses and chamber members typically endorse fellow members. Even if the people you meet don't need your services word of mouth is a powerful tool. As a Chamber member continuing to utilize the chamber to continuously spread the word about your business is extremely helpful!
4. Attend Chamber Events. We know how busy your schedule is but showing up even a few times a year is a wonderful way to get your name out there and to meet other members. Also, events aren't only open to business owners so feel free to send staff and co-workers in your place. Get to know the Executive Director and Board of Directors; they are here to help your business grow.



Men Who Cook has been known to reach "Sold Out" status by attracting as many as 350 people.

Email all inquiries for seats and sponsorship to: pattersonrotaryny@gmail.com.

All monies raised at this event go to local not-for-profits and worthy organizations in the tri-county area as well as scholarships and aide for hands on events we participate in.

By Paula Hernandez

Putnam Symphony Orchestra has Openings for Interested Musicians

The Putnam Symphony Orchestra is looking for qualified musicians for a performance on Sunday, April 28, 2019 at 3:00 PM at the Brewster High School Performing Arts Center (50 Foggintown Rd, Brewster, NY). Rehearsals begin on Wednesday, January 30, 2019 and are weekly from 7:00 to 9:00 PM at the Brewster High School.

Musicians who are interested in this opportunity to perform with the Putnam Symphony Orchestra should contact the conductor, Christine Smith, at 845-228-4167 or putnamsymphony@verizon.net.



The Putnam Symphony Orchestra performs a broad spectrum of music utilizing various ensembles as well as the full complement of musicians. Performances have included the classics of Beethoven, Mozart, Handel, and Salieri as well as more contemporary works by such composers as Vaughn, Williams and Copland. Please visit our website at <https://putnamsymphonyorchestra.weebly.com>.

The April 28 performance will feature music of Americana. Scheduled repertoire for this concert includes "Variations on a Shaker Melody" by Aaron Copeland, "Largo" from Dvorak's New World Symphony, "Simple Song" by Leonard Bernstein, "Disney Spectacular" arranged by John Moss, "Moondust" by Glenn Miller and Richard Rodgers, "Gershwin by George" arranged by Jerry Brubaker, "Prairie Song" by Carl Strommen, "West Side Story" selections by Leonard Bernstein, "Great Movie Adventures" by John Williams, and "Minnie the Moocher" by Cab Calloway and Irving Mills.

By Sara Baio

5. Interact with us on Social Media. We can only promote what we know about, so tag us in your posts, and share your pictures and flyers. We're active on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram and if you tag us in a photo or post we will definitely help spread the news.
 6. Reach Out. If there is an area of your business where you need support let us help or make a connection for you. Maybe you're looking for some creative marketing ideas or want to form partnerships with other business professionals in town.
- "Local love and support are what comes to mind when I think of the Brewster Chamber of Commerce. Schech's has been a long time member and I have been an active member of the Chamber for about 4 years. Through the Chamber, I have met so many wonderful people that are fellow local business people, and many have become friends. This is a group of people who understand and support one another. We shop at each other's businesses and we support each other in milestones and achievements. We recommend each other because we all know how important it is to support and shop locally. Brewster Chamber has made these relationships possible by bringing the Brewster business community together. Special thanks to Rose who is a friend, a mentor, and someone who pushes me to always strive for more!"* Kate Corsitto, Schech's Pool Spa and Patio

Want to learn more? Here's some food for thought: Research indicates that chamber membership inspires business-to-business commerce in the local community. Other businesses in town are more likely to do business with you and your company if you are a member of the local chamber. New Members are always welcome. Our meetings are on the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

To find out more about membership, visit the Brewster Chamber online at www.Brewsterchamber.com or email info@brewsterchamber.com or call Rose at 845 279 2477 Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram to stay up to date with Chamber happenings.

By Rose Aglieco