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Power of Few" where she played a CIA operative.

Blacklock is no shrinking violet, standing at 6-feet, 7 inches, and billing herself as the World's Tallest Female Comic. Guinness Book of World Records has classified Kim as the 7th tallest woman in the world.

Blacklock attributed her height to her multi-ethnic heritage consisting of French, Irish and Samoan. She jokes: "Having a father who was 6 feet, 6 inches tall and played defensive tackle for the San Francisco 49'ers didn't hurt either."

Blacklock recalled during her childhood her mother brought her to a local playground. "Some of the other children's parents came over to my mom since they were upset over my behavior. They queried: 'Why can't Kim play as nicely as the other six year olds?' My mom replied: 'Because she is only two!'"

In 1991, Kim joined the Screen Actors Guild when residing in New Mexico and was featured in Robert Ward's movie, "Brotherhood and the Gun" before moving onto playing a female trucker in "Revenge of the Highway."

Kim next decided to take a break from motion pictures to care for a family of

Native American siblings aged 6, 8 and 9 and their quadriplegic aunt. She did a fantastic job since the elementary age kids are now adults with families and children of their own.

Kim has a 22-year-old biological son who is a Carmel High School graduate and senior at RPI who has been living and working in Germany since the end of last July.

Blacklock is also one of America's funniest comedians: "I make my height and multi-ethnic identity a central part of my comedic persona."

She compares her stage presence to Sarah Silverman and Margaret Cho and has performed on the grand stage at comedy clubs throughout the U.S. including the famed Caroline's on Broadway.

Blacklock believes that "creativity can be applied to enhance the outcomes of any job. When you live and work in the creative fields themselves, the sky is the limit."

Blacklock said the mission of her Fairfield Arts was to "promote arts, culture, environmental stewardship and economic development. We help create spaces and places where anyone can pursue his or her

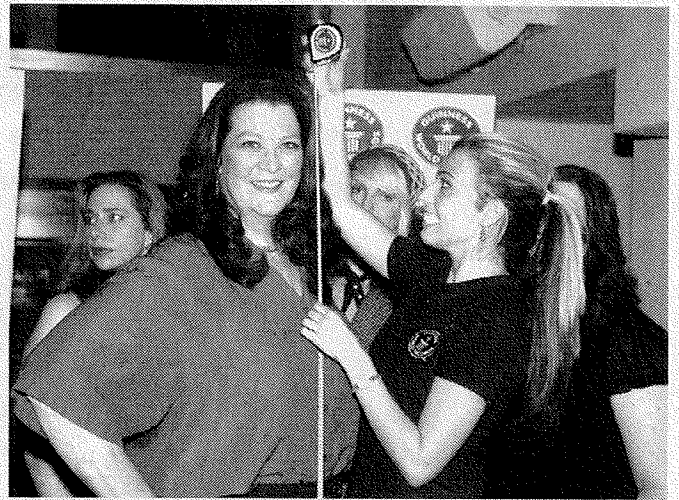


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Kim Blacklock of Kent is one of the world's tallest women, according to the Guinness Book of World Records

passions and reach for their true potential."

Thanks to Blacklock, students in both the Brewster and Carmel School Districts are learning about filmmaking, media production and science technology.

This summer, Arts at Camp will be offered at Camp Herrlich in Patterson thanks to a special artists in residence program created by Fairfield Arts.

Blacklock said that by her involvement in making arts come to life, "our local residents will have the opportunity to realize that creative choices exist and by perseverance and flexibility, dreams come true. I am just a big girl with big dreams and big outcomes."

Blacklock remembered a story her mom told her years ago about the day she was born—15 minutes off the elevator at Vassar Brothers Hospital in Poughkeepsie.

"Mom figured I was in a hurry to get started. Now at 82, mom reminded me the other day of what I told her when I was 10 years old while we were driving in the family car—that I wanted to be in every home in America. The other day mom reminded me about the story and with a mother's love said: 'Kimmy, 'The Congressman' is going to take you into every home in America just like you said.'"

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On Tuesday, after an email to Gov. Andrew Cuomo seek-

in crashes at the intersection.

Chestnut said while her son was in high school his school bus was struck with the offending car winding up beneath the larger vehicle.

Her daughter's best friend was also involved in a crash at the intersection when Chestnut served on the Putnam Valley Volunteer Ambulance

scene. The poor girl suffered a broken pelvis and broken collar bone and was taken by a medivac helicopter to the hospital."

Supervisor Oliverio was adamant when calling on Governor Cuomo to "act now. When I first joined the Putnam Legislature in 1998 this intersection was discussed.

must put politics aside. The health, safety and welfare of our children and countless others using the Taconic every day are at stake. Governor Cuomo: Do something now before blood spills on this road again."

A State DOT community public forum related to the project is being planned for