

World Acclaimed Scientist Visits Putnam County Students

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Dozens of area students experienced a once in a lifetime opportunity last week when Dr. Mats Larsson visited Carmel Brewster High School, Camp Herrlich in Patterson. The member of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences and Professor of Physics at Stockholm University in Sweden was a member of the 2013 Nobel committee that selected the Nobel Prize awardee in Physics and Chemistry.

Dr. Larsson met with students in a group setting to discuss with them "How to win a Nobel Prize."

His message was simple: "You must be nominated and you cannot nominate yourself. You must have been alive when nominated and you will never know that you were nominated unless you win—that's because the names of the nominees are kept secret for 50 years."

Dr. Larsson also urged the students to "become inspired in your natural science studies. I am always enthused to talk with an audience of young people be it here in Putnam County, the Soviet Union, Great Britain or my home Sweden. Become interested in science and never be afraid to ask questions."

The Putnam County Land Trust is hosting a community and family skating event on Sunday, November 22, at the Brewster Ice Arena at 63 Fields Lane, Brewster, from 4-7 p.m.

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to the public. More trails are planned in the near future. Entertainment will include music during the skating session, a 50/50 drawing, and raffle items. A suggested donation of \$10 per adult and \$5 per child (12 and under) includes skate rentals. For more information or to make a reservation, please call 845-278-2808 or email events@pcilt.net.

Dr. Mats Larsson discusses scientific theory with small groups of high school seniors during his visit to Putnam County last week.

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