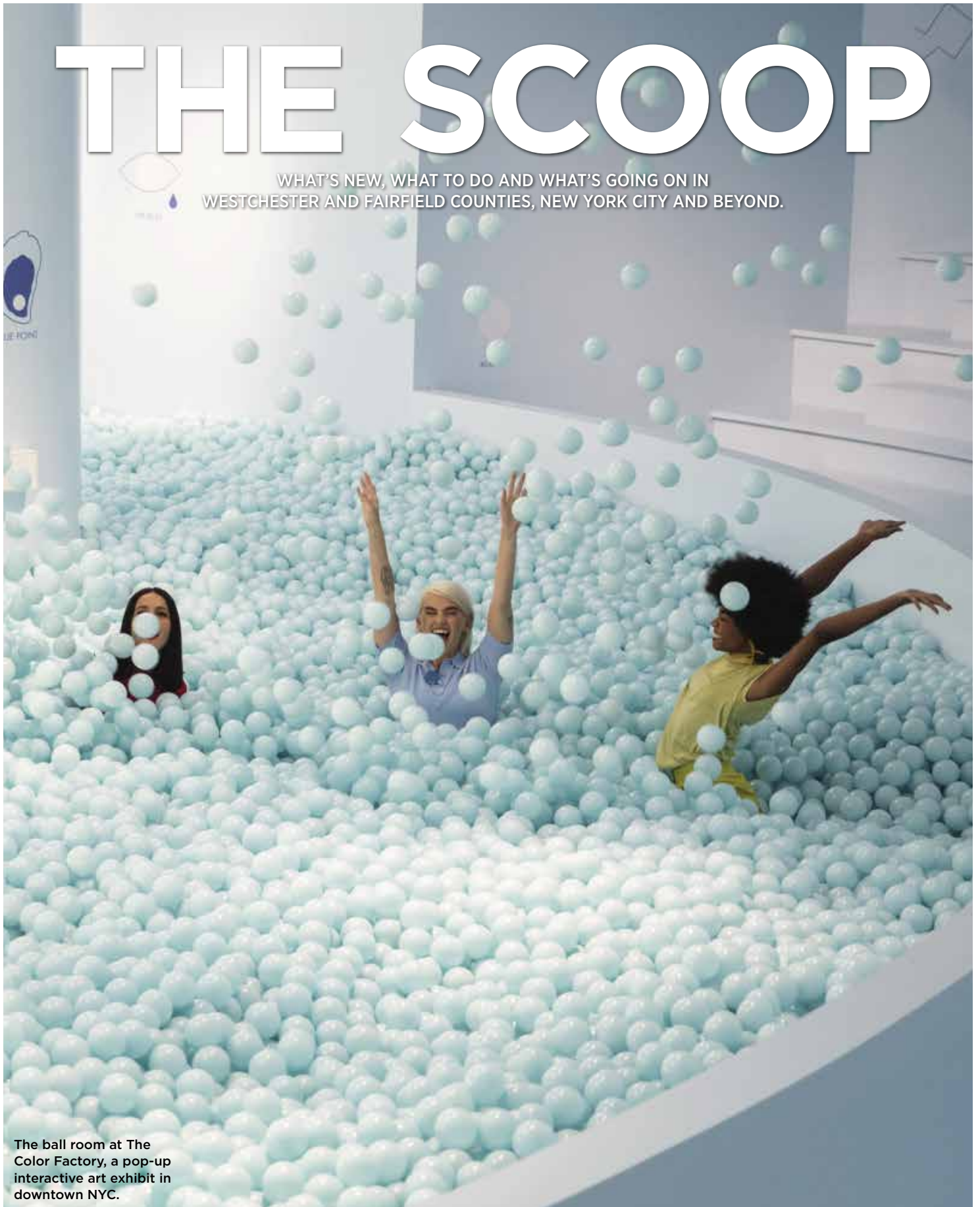


THE SCOOP

WHAT'S NEW, WHAT TO DO AND WHAT'S GOING ON IN
WESTCHESTER AND FAIRFIELD COUNTIES, NEW YORK CITY AND BEYOND.



The ball room at The Color Factory, a pop-up interactive art exhibit in downtown NYC.

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IN LIVING COLOR

The Color Factory, an interactive pop-up art exhibit in NYC, is a red-hot family attraction. Highlights include ombré balloons, a palette of colorful treats and a walkable infographic leading visitors to their “secret color.” Tickets are \$38. colorfactory.co



Cruising into the Weekend

The Maritime Aquarium of Norwalk is making it easier to get your weekends started with its **TGIF Cruises**. The cruises—which run through September 6—leave at 6:30 on Friday evenings and take cruisers out on the sound for 90 relaxing minutes, to take in some of Norwalk’s scenic islands and picturesque lighthouses. Feel free to bring along your favorite drink (no glass bottles allowed) and appetizers to enjoy along with the cool ocean breezes. Guests under age 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. TGIF Cruises are just one of three casual evening cruises the aquarium operates in the summertime—it also offers Norwalk Islands Cruises on Thursdays and Saturday Sunset Cruises. Tickets are \$32. maritimeaquarium.org

OKO’s Sticky Ribs with smoked maple, sesame gomasio and gochuchang



OKO Expands to Rye

Westport residents have enjoyed **OKO**, Chef Brian Lewis’ Japanese-influenced restaurant, for more than a year. Now it’s Westchester’s turn to see what the fuss is about: the James Beard-nominated chef is opening OKO at 29 Purchase St. in Rye, NY, this summer. The restaurant will feature Lewis’ take on traditional Japanese cuisine and Nigiri sushi, seasonal salads and vegetable dishes, homemade tofu and more. The restaurant represents a homecoming of sorts for Lewis: “Westchester has a special place in my heart, having grown up in Somers, NY, and fallen in love with cooking during my early restaurant experiences working in high school,” he says. okokitchen.com

RIBS: MELISSA HAN FOR OKO; CONVEYOR BELT: HEATHER MOORE



Surf's Up

This "Drippy Heart" surfboard is the result of a collaboration between Westport artist and interior designer **Kerri Rosenthal** and popular West Coast interior designer **Ralli Clasen**. \$1,950, at the Kerri Rosenthal shop in Westport, CT, or kerrirosenthal.com.



Fashion Mashup

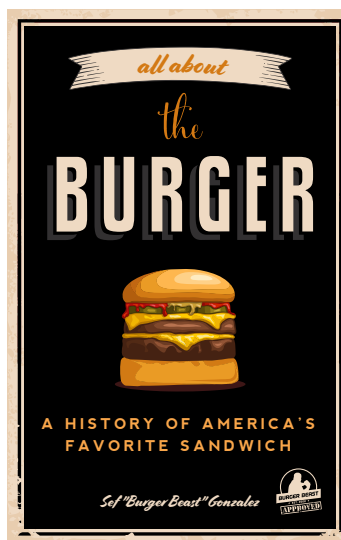
Tommy Hilfiger recently launched **TommyXMercedes-Benz**, a capsule collection of menswear that matches the famed car company's sporty aesthetic. The line features staples including jeans, a chino and a bomber jacket designed with functional elements such as climate-control finishes and crease-resistant yarn. You'll still find Tommy's signature stripe in places like zipper pulls and trim details. Available at Mercedes-Benz dealerships, at select Tommy Hilfiger stores and wholesale partners, and at tommy.com.

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So Cool

“Dessert shouldn’t hurt”—that’s the motto of **Wink Frozen Desserts**, the first plant-based alternative to ice cream that’s free of the top eight food allergens, naturally sugar free and just 100 calories. It’s available in 12 flavors, from cake batter to cinnamon bun, and found in most NYC-area grocery stores for about \$5 per pint. Or order it online (\$8 per pint including dry ice) at winkfrozendesserts.com.



A Sizzling Read

How did burgers become so popular? It’s a whopper of a tale told in **All About the Burger: A History of America’s Favorite Sandwich**. The book takes you from the very first hamburger stand (a White Castle, which was actually a remodeled street car) up to the present day, examining the factors that have made the burger a cultural touchstone. Author Sef Gonzalez runs the only Burger Museum, located in Miami, FL. \$17; mango.bz

BURGER BOOK: MIKE LUGO