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Bob Trosset poses for a selfie in front of Christ the Redeemer.

thrilling because he was born and raised in

on [Loyola] campus, so we all kind of feel

attached to him in a way."

Baltimore," said Trosset. "He actually did a lot

of his training at our fitness and aquatic center

As a runner, Trosset had the opportunity

to meet Phelps and dozens of other athletes

competing in, or commentating on, the 2016

microphones and prepping them in the set's

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games while he was setting them up with

Closing ceremony at the renowned Maracana Stadium.

Photo courtesy of Bob Trosset

Photo courtesy of Bob Trosset **Broadcasting from Brazil**

Bethlehem native returns after working behind-the-scenes of NBC's Today show during the Rio Olympics

By ALI HIBBS

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He prepped Michael Phelps for his interview on NBC's Today Show at the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio, hiked for four hours up a Brazilian mountain to scout a potential filming location and fetched "huge orders" of coffee from Starbucks in downtown Rio.

"No task is too small when you're doing

ENTERTAINMENT

what you love," said 22-year-old Bob Trosset, back home in Bethlehem for a few days before returning for his senior year at Loyola University in Baltimore, Maryland, where he majors in both Spanish and broadcast journalism. "I was just happy to be there in the moment."

Trosset readily admits, however, that the moment that he got to meet uber-famous Olympic swimmer Michael Phelps definitely ranked among his favorites. "That was pretty

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Off on the right foot

Bethlehem girls soccer started the season off with a Opening Day win against Schenectady

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Kayak/canoe launch opens at Henry Hudson Park

By ALI HIBBS

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BETHLEHEM -Assemblymember Patricia Fahy (D-109) and Bethlehem Town Supervisor John Clarkson cut the ribbon on a new kayak and canoe launch at Henry Hudson Park in the hamlet of Selkirk on Tuesday, Aug. 30, preceding a weekly evening paddling excursion organized by the Albany chapter of the Adirondack Mountain Club.

Funded by part of a \$250,000 state capital grant secured by Fahy, the launch is part of Bethlehem's new Parks Master Plan initiative. "We've wanted a nonmotorized water craft launch for some time," said Clarkson, pointing out that the park already has

an official DEC motorized boat launch. "The vision that is being sketched for the town," he said, "by our local waterfront revitalization group includes a series of linked kayak launches. People who paddle don't just paddle here in Bethlehem, they paddle all over the region. Things like this help to create the Capital Region as a destination spot." In addition to being fun way to get exercise, said Clarkson, bringing paddlers to the town will be good for the local economy as well.

"A launching site for kayaks and canoes was identified as a short term priority," said Nan Lanaĥan, administrator for the Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department. "We will soon be developing a new master plan specifically for Henry Hudson Park in conjunction with our Local Waterfront Revitalization Initiative, providing direction for additional improvements." Lanahan thanked Fahy for making the funds available to "provide this long-desired amenity."

"Improving recreational and environmental facilities within municipalities in my district is a priority to help spur local economic development while promoting good health," said Fahy. "I'm pleased to have helped secure the needed funds to make the Town of Bethlehem's kayak and canoe launch a reality.

"It's been such a pleasure to work with the town to make this happen," she said, noting that Clarkson first came to her with the idea about



A new launching site for kayaks and canoes opened at Henry Hudson Park Ali Hibbs / Spotlight News

two years ago. "I really believe that when we take advantage of these types of outdoor activities, the better stewards we and

our children will be of the environment and of the Hudson River and this area in general." After Clarkson and

Fahy cut the ribbon with members of the Friends of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation, both officials got into kayaks and paddled out onto the river with approximately two dozen other paddlers in both kayaks and canoes. "I actually own a kayak," Fahy said. Then she laughed. "But I've only used it once. Maybe this will inspire me to get out on the river more often."

The same state grant is also funding a new playground being built at Elm Ave. Park on Sept. 17-volunteers can sign up to help on the town website-and new fitness equipment that will eventually be installed at the park as well.

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Elia angers parents, teachers with recent comments

State education commissioner says opting out of Common Core testing is 'unreasonable, unethical'

By ALI HIBBS *hibbsa@spotlightnews.com*

Last month, at an event hosted by the teacher advocacy group Educators4Excellence, New York State Education Commissioner MaryEllen Elia angered parents and teachers alike by calling parents who opt their children out of Common Core testing "unreasonable" and teachers who support opting out "unethical." Local State Senate candidate Sara Niccoli, a young mother who has made education reform a key plank of her campaign platform, responded to Elia's comments in a letter released on the first of September.

"By dismissing these families as 'unreasonable,' you are minimizing the legitimate concerns and real issues millions of New York families have with the botched roll-out and implementation of the Common Core standards," Niccoli wrote. "I saw my daughter go from being excited to go to school every day to anxious and miserable because of the restrictive focus on test preparation in her school. În a rural public school district already stressed by chronic underfunding, the introduction of highstakes testing and flawed rollout of Common Core just compounded our problems. That is why my family chose to opt-out of the tests for the past three years."

Elia's comments came after an unprecedented number of students

declined to take the state's English and math exams this past spring. Numbers released in August put the total at about one in five students statewide, though less students opted out in New York City. In the past, Elia has defended the tests as valuable tools that help educators develop lesson plans, track achievement gaps between student demographics and indicate when individual schools aren't succeeding. Opt Out advocates, however, say the tests don't provide useful information, encourage educators to narrow their curriculum and are inadequate tools for evaluating educator performance.

"There is little disagreement that my daughter and children across the state need the State Education Department to adopt high educational standards and performance measures to ensure students are getting what they need to succeed," wrote Niccoli. "The December recommendations of the Common Core Task Force provide a pathway to develop and implement these standards. Rather than steer resources toward forcing parents to participate in a flawed system, I respectfully ask you to focus the significant resources of the State Education Department on the root of the problem and work on improving the Common Core standards and performance measures."

Carol Burris, executive director for the nonprofit Network for Public

Education Fund and an award-winning New York education administrator, responded to Elia's comments in a post for The Answer Sheet, a Washington Post education blog. Burris, who has been a proponent of opting out, said that she takes umbrage at being called unethical. "It would have been unethical to not speak out after watching New York's achievement gaps grow, indicating that the tests and the standards on which they are based are not advancing the learning of the state's most vulnerable kids," she wrote.

"It would have been unethical to ignore watching the frustration of my teachers whose young children were coming home from school discouraged and sick from the stress of test prep designed to prepare them for impossible tests. It would have been unethical to not respond to the heartbreaking stories that I heard from friends who are elementary principals-stories of children crying, becoming sick to their stomach, and pulling out hair during the Pearson-created Common Core tests. And it would have been unethical to not push back against a system of teacher evaluation based on Grade 3-8 test scores that is not only demeaning and indefensible, but also incentivizes all the wrong values."

Elia, who replaced John King a few months after he quit in December of 2014, ran the school system in Hillsborough, Fla. for ten years and was

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named Florida's 2015 Superintendent of the Year before being fired by her school board during the first month of 2105without cause and two years before her contract was up. Members on the board are on record as being critical of her approach to high-stakes testing and failing to provide for special needs students. A vocal supporter of Common Core standards, Elia came to New York in the wake of a Common Core rollout generally perceived to have been dramatically fumbled by her predecessor. (King is now working as a senior adviser to Education Secretary Arne Duncan at the U.S. Department of Education.)

"First and foremost," wrote Richard Parsons, the chairman of the Common Core Task Force convened by Cuomo, in his introduction to the report released last December, "the Task Force unanimously affirms the importance of

adopting and maintaining high educational standards and rigorous performance measures to increase the competitive standing of, and therefore the opportunities for, all our students. Moreover, there was clear consensus that such standards should be designed to help our children to read, think and problem-solve in new, critical ways better adapted to this century than to the last.

"However," he continued, "in the press to implement the Common Core Standards in New York beginning in 2009, the Task Force found that numerous mistakes were made. Repeatedly, testimony and public comments to us focused on the fact that educators were inundated with confusing information and new material without having first been brought into the process of developing

how these new approaches were to be integrated into curricula and taught to students. And some of the new standards were simply inappropriate for certain student populations."

The task force-on which Elia sat, along with SUNY Chancellor Nancy Zimpher, Parsons and 12 other educators, administrators and officials-came back with a series of recommendations that parents like Niccoli say they would like to see implemented as soon as possible. More specifically, Niccoli has said she would like to see the State Education Department set a timeline for the rollout of the following recommendations: Establish New High

Establish New High Quality New York Standards

1: Adopt high quality New York education standards with input from local districts, educators,

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COUNTY GOVERNMENT Herrick appointed as public defender

By ALI HIBBS hibbsa@spotlightnews.com

ALBANY COUNTY-Albany County Executive Dan McCoy announced the appointment of Stephen W. Herrick to serve as Albany County public defender on Monday, August 29. A judge since 1995 and a County Court Judge since 2002, Herrick is known for his work with the Albany County Drug Court, a program that provides services and treatment options for offenders charged with nonviolent drug crimes. Graduated from Albany Law School, Herrick has also served as counsel to the Albany City School District and began his career in the law as an Assistant County Public Defender.

"Over the years Judge Herrick has become one of the most respected jurists on the bench and rightly so," said McCoy. "His stewardship of the Drug Court over the years has helped thousands of people battle addiction, find another way and avoid jail.



Deputy County Executive Phil Calderone, County Executive Dan McCoy, new Public Defender Stephen Herrick, County Majority Leader Frank Commisso and County Legislator Paul Burgdorf. Photo courtesy of the Albany County Executive's Office

We are honored that he will join us as public defender. He is keenly aware of the issues defendants face and challenges the county confronts in representing indigent defendants."

With Judge Herrick's appointment, Acting Public Defender Terry Kindlon will return to his role as senior counsel and director of training for the county. It is expected that Judge Herrick and Kindlon will work collaboratively on upgrading and modernizing the Public Defender's Office.

"I thank Albany County Executive Daniel McCoy for honoring me with this

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opportunity," said Herrick. "I look forward to working in partnership with him, his executive team, Acting Public Defender Terry Kindlon and the other attorneys and professional staff of the Albany County Public Defender's office to help make it the finest in New York state. I bring with me my many years of experience in the criminal justice system, in effective alternatives to incarceration, and in the greater Albany County community to create an office that will provide the best possible legal representation to those truly indigent defendants accused of crimes in our

local and state courts."

During the last two years, McCoy has worked to overhaul the county's public defender's office and advocated for key changes in the program. Following the appointment of former judge Larry Rosen, the county drafted legislation requiring a state takeover of funding for indigent defendants. This legislation was passed by both houses of the legislature during the 2015-16 legislative session and is awaiting action by Governor Andrew Cuomo. Earlier this year, McCoy appointed James Milstein to chair the Regional Immigration Assistance Center, the first such program in the state. More recently, in June McCoy appointed Kindlon to serve as director of training in the county.

"Indigent criminal defense has emerged as one of the most important civil rights issues of the 21st Century," Kindlon said last month."Equal protection of the law has meaning only when the least powerful among us are as zealously and effectively defended as the most powerful. We are beginning a process designed to upgrade and modernize the Albany County public defender's office to make it a powerful, respected force in the

"We are remaking the office and working to balance the scales of justice for defendants in the county," said McCoy. "This is not just a criminal justice issue. There are too many people who do not get the representation or justice they deserve and we're

From page 3 Elia angers parents, teachers

and parents through an open and transparent process.

2: Modify early grade standards so they are ageappropriate.

3: Ensure that standards accommodate flexibility that allows educators to meet the needs of unique student populations, including Students with Disabilities and English Language Learners.

4: Ensure standards do not lead to the narrowing of curriculum or diminish the love of reading and joy of learning.

5: Establish a transparent and open process by which New York standards are periodically reviewed by educators and content area experts.

Develop Better Curriculum Guidance and Resources

6: Ensure educators and local school districts have the flexibility to develop and tailor curriculum to the new standards.

7: Release updated and improved sample curriculum resources.

8: Launch a digital platform that enables teachers, including preservice teachers, and teacher educators, to share resources with other teachers across the state.

9: Create ongoing professional development opportunities for teachers, teacher educators, and administrators on the revised State standards.

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10: Involve educators, parents, and other education stakeholders

in the creation and periodic review of all State standards-aligned exams and other state assessments.

11: Gather student feedback on the quality of the new tests.

12: Provide ongoing transparency to parents, educators, and local districts on the quality and content of all tests, including, but not limited to publishing the test questions.

13: Reduce the number of days and shorten the duration for standardsaligned state standardized tests.

14: Provide teachers with the flexibility and support to use authentic formative assessments to measure student learning.

15: Undertake a formal review to determine whether to transition to untimed tests for existing and new State standardized tests aligned to the standards.

16: Provide flexibility for assessments of Students with Disabilities.

17: Protect and enforce testing accommodations for Students with Disabilities.

18: Explore alternative options to assess the most severely disabled students.

19: Prevent students from being mandated into Academic Intervention Services based on a single test.

20: Eliminate double testing for English Language Learners.

"After all," wrote Niccoli, "we all have the same goal – high quality education that allows every child in New York to achieve her full potential."



TRICE

Dr. Tricia Primomo was raised in Delmar and is a third generation dentist. She received her undergraduate degree from SUNY Albany and continued on to the State University at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine graduating with a Doctorate of Dental Surgery and minor in Pediatric Dentistry. After receiving her Doctorate she completed her residency at Ellis Hospital in Schenectady, NY.

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criminal justice system." issue; it is a civil rights

going to change that."



COPS, COURTS, AND EMERGENCY CALLS

Couple in stolen vehicle face multiple felony charges

GUILDERLAND — On Tuesday, August 30, at approximately 4:44 a.m., state police stopped a vehicle on I-90 for multiple traffic violations.

The driver of the vehicle, Jessica L. Fakess, 30, of Warrensburg, was reportedly found to be intoxicated while operating a stolen vehicle. Both Fakess and her passenger, William J. Rowell, Jr., 45, also of Warrensburg, were allegedly found to be in possession of crack-cocaine and glass smoking pipes containing residue. Both were taken into custody, transported, and processed at the state police barracks in Albany.

Fakess submitted to a breath test which determined her blood alcohol content to be 0.10 percent. She was subsequently charged with fourthdegree criminal possession of stolen property and first-degree aggravated



Jessica Fakess

unlicensed operation, both class E felonies; misdemeanor DWI; seventhdegree criminal possession of a controlled substance and second-degree criminally using drug paraphernalia, both class A misdemeanors; in addition to multiple vehicle and traffic violations.

She was arraigned before the Town of Guilderland court and remanded to the Albany County Jail in lieu of \$20,000 cash bail.

Rowell was not only charged with fourth-degree criminal possession of stolen property, a class E felony; but also seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance and second-degree criminally using drug paraphernalia, both class A misdemeanors.

He was arraigned before the Town of Guilderland Court and remanded to the Albany County Jail without bail.



William J. Rowell

Man threatens to kill officers upon being arrested

BETHLEHEM

— Town of Bethlehem police arrested Derek Quintero, 34, of Pittsfield, Mass. on Friday, Aug. 26 at 11:33 p.m. after he was reportedly observed swerving over lanes and driving erratically on Elsmere Avenue. After pulling him over, responding officers report that he smelled of marijuana and had red, glassy eyes. When asked about the odor, Quintero

allegedly responded, "I smoke weed all day, every day," before refusing to exit his vehicle. After a second unit arrived and Quintero got out of his car, officers on the scene report that he attempted to kick a cigarette pack that contained a bag of marijuana under one of the patrol cars. Officers also allegedly recovered both a glass pipe and a half empty can of Twisted Tea that was still cold.

Quintero reportedly became verbally abusive when being placed under arrest, screaming at officers, using profanities and racial epithets, as well as threatening their lives.

While a blood alcohol analysis came back negative, Quintero was deemed unfit to drive. After being processed and having blood samples taken, he was released to his brother.

Local man gets 'popped' for driving without license

BETHLEHEM — Town of Bethlehem police arrested Kevin Popp, 48, of Euclid Avenue in Delmar, at 10:36 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 24 after he was reportedly observed driving eastbound on Delaware Avenue with no front license plate.

According to the arrest report, it took Popp an excessive amount of time to respond to the lights of the patrol car and, during the initial interview, officers detected the odor of alcohol. Popp denied having consumed alcohol and reportedly pointed to several empty Molson Ice beer cans on the floor of his car and told officers that they were the cause of the smell. After officers administered field sobriety tests, which he reportedly failed, officers say that he also was positive on a blood alcohol screening device, but that he refused to submit to the chemical analysis. Popp was charged with operation of an unregistered vehicle, operating a vehicle without insurance, not having a license and not having a license plate—all violations. He was also charged with two misdemeanors — failure to deliver license or registration and operating a vehicle without an ignition interlock system— and two Class E felonies — DWI with a previous conviction and aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

He was remanded without bail to Albany County Jail and scheduled to return to Town of Bethlehem court on Aug. 29



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ethlehem Public Library's annual report for fiscal year 2015-16 is now available online at www. bethlehempubliclibrary. org. In it, you'll find an easy-to-read summary of the programs and services the library offered in the past fiscal year. Printed copies are available as a brochure in the literature rack at the Information Desk.

A card with cache

September is Library Card Sign-up Month, and we're celebrating all month long with a fun scavenger hunt, a Bad Kitty themed Creations Station and a visit from Bad Kitty herself on Wednesday, Sept. 21.

If you don't already have a library card, here's what you need to know: Bethlehem Public Library cards are free to Bethlehem Central School District residents and come with other advantages besides borrowing privileges for books, magazines and DVDS. With your library card, you can borrow passes to regional museums; check out fishing poles, telescopes, metal detectors and more; request and renew items online; download audiobooks and eBooks; use a public computer; and access library-purchased online reference tools and training tutorials. You also have access to materials at the 28 other libraries within the Upper Hudson Library System.

You can apply for a card at the library or, if vou are 14 or older and live in the Bethlehem Central School District, you can apply online. Children under 14 who would like a card can visit the library with a parent or guardian, who will



need to provide a picture ID and proof of current residence. Special kid cards featuring Snoopy are available. We also offer Braille library cards for the visually impaired. Find out more atwww. bethlehempubliclibrary. org; click on the library card quick link.

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Every year, Operation Gratitude sends more than 250,000 care packages to deployed troops, wounded heroes, veterans and new recruits. They include letters in each of these packages so they need a lot of them, and they could use your help!

Bethlehem Public Library is working in collaboration with the Guilderland Public Library in order to help them reach their goal of 250 letters. You are invited to drop by our activity station near the Information Desk to write a letter or draw a picture to thank our troops and veterans. We will collect them through Tuesday, Sept.13.

Reminders

• The free WiFi at the Elm Avenue Pool complex offered through a partnership with the library and the town is available year-round - not just when the pool is open. This summer, our IT department has expanded the signal so it includes the areas around the tennis courts and at the Parks and Rec building. The signal will appear on electronic devices as "Free Library WiFi" and is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.



Joyce Perry, right, and her assistant from Whispering Willow Wild Care dropped by Bethlehem Public Library Monday, Aug. 29, to give kids and families an up-close look at some feathered friends. Kristen Roberts

• Got books? The library is once again partnering with Grassroot Givers, a local nonprofit, to collect books for donation to local organizations and individuals in need. Collection day is Saturday, Sept. 17, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the library garage. Grassroot Givers will only accept books that are in good shape and are dropped off during the designated collection time.

• Regular Sunday hours resume this Sunday, Sept. 11. The library is open from noon until 5 p.m.

Upcoming events

All events are free and take place at Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar. For more information, call 439-9314 or visit bethlehem publiclibrary.org.

Friday, Sept. 9

Music & Movement Combining songs, instruments, dancing, learning and fun! Children age 3-6 attend by themselves in the Story Room, while babies and toddlers attend with a caregiver in the community room, 10 a.m. **Coffee and Conversation:**

To Life!

Celebrate the songs of optimism and hope from popular Broadway musical scores by Rodgers and Hammerstein, Stephen Sondheim, Cole Porter and more. Richard Feldman will present this heartwarming program, 1 to 3 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 12 **DayBooks**

Discuss "The Good House" by Ann Leary. Copies are available at the information desk. Audio and downloadable copies may be available. 1:30 p.m.

Tai Chi for Health Practice the ancient

Chinese art that promotes health and wellness while focusing on the core movements in the Tai Chi for Diabetes form, 4 p.m. All ages and abilities welcome.

Library Board meets The library's board of trustees meets; public is

welcome, 6 p.m. Fun and Games

for Grownups An adults-only gathering where you can

play games, color and socialize, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Snacks will be served. **Open Sewing**

The library's sewing machines will be available for independent projects. Bring your own supplies, 6 to 8 p.m. Sign up for one

or more two-hour sessions.

Wednesday, Sept. 14

AfterDinner Books Discuss "Euphoria" by Lily King. Copies are available at the information desk. Audio and downloadable copies may

Thursday, Sept. 15

be available. 7 p.m.

Paws to Read

Bring a book and read to a gentle dog who loves stories, 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. Grade 1-5.

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— Kristen Roberts

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This summer, the Y had more campers than ever before, which is truly a testament to the great job done by our YMCA staff and counselors who carefully planned and organized our program to maximize fun every week.

The Y received many positive comments about summer camp. Here are just a few unsolicited comments and yes, these are real comments from real parents of Bethlehem YMCA summer campers:

"I have a great granddaughter going to the Bethlehem Y and totally loving it. I think the program is well run, and the kids have freedom to choose activities with gentle and caring supervision."

"Yesterday, the whole camp went to the Great Escape for the day, and today, Emack and Bolio's ice cream truck will be there after lunch. Swimming every day, making new friends, plenty



of room to run, climb, play ball or do quiet activities, even just sit in the shade and read if you want."

"I would like to express my appreciation for the staff at the Bethlehem YMCA. My nephew attended six weeks of summer camp, and this has been by far the best experience he has ever had. The counselors and program director were all so amazing. He made amazing connections with everyone, but of course, he had two favorites — Preston and Nicole."

"The Bethlehem YMCA staff are all great. From the moment you walk in the building, everyone is so helpful and courteous. My personal experience has been great. Love the energy and staff. Thank you all for the amazing work you all do."

"Everyone was great; the counselors are amazing with the children. Not one single complaint."

We even received a great review from someone who saw Y campers — well behaved and having fun at Great Escape:

"I just wanted to get in touch with whoever runs your day camp program and commend them for what must be an incredible program. We were at Great Escape in Lake George

today and saw several groups from your camp. The kids were all well behaved and polite, and the counselors all seemed so engaged and fun. Not the typical teenager texting and taking selfies. They were singing and laughing, and making sure all the kids had fun. As a mom of two, it was a great thing to see. Just wanted to let you know that your counselors are great role models. Thanks."

The Bethlehem YMCA staff is already working hard to plan Y summer camp 2017 so it is even better than ever. Our camp is truly the best run, the most fun, the best for the kids, the best for the parents and the best value of any summer camp program in the Capital Region.

So next year, when spring is in the air and the end of school is around the corner, please check out and register for the summer camp program at the Bethlehem Y and guarantee your kids their best summer ever.

Membership Appreciation Picnic

Mark Friday, Sept. 16, on your calendar. It's the date of the annual Bethlehem YMCA Membership Appreciation Picnic. Food and fun are all free for Y members from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

— Mark Hansen



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New members are welcome to join the Bethlehem Grange. Meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of each month. For more information, call Caroline Wirth at 424-4953.

IN BRIEF

Bethlehem Grange seeks items for rummage sale

BETHLEHEM — The annual Fall Giant Rummage Sale will be held at the Bethlehem Grange No. 137, located at 24 Bridge St. in Selkirk, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sept. 9 and 10, and again the following weekend, Sept. 16 and 17.

Both indoors and outdoors, the sale boasts a large selection where you're likely to find just about anything you need.

Donations including furniture, crafts, tools, books, music, decorative items, glassware, linens, toys and more — with the exception of TVs and tires — are being accepted through Sept. 16. Items will be added daily to the sale.

Proceeds from this year's event will go towards the long list of repairs for the Grange Hall, including replacing the building's roof. The Bethlehem Grange has been in existence for 142 years, and the building is on the National Historic Register.

To arrange for delivery or pickup, call Caroline Wirth at 424-4953 or Carol Carpenter at 421-1384.

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oin us for a sightseeing trip to Thacher Park with dinner at Maple on the Lake on Tuesday, Sept. 13. Enjoy the beautiful Helderberg Escarpment and a panoramic view of the Hudson and Mohawk valleys, as well as the Adirondack and Green Mountains. Dinner cost is on your own. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

Learn about the history of tea at the Bethlehem Library on Friday, Sept. 16. Teatime Tutor Cheryl Hurd will discuss the history of afternoon tea and provide information on how to host your own party. We will have lunch at Roux in Slingerlands, cost on your own. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

Tour the Albany Rural Cemetery with us on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 10 a.m. and have lunch at Druthers Brewing Company. Bob Mulligan will guide us at the cemetery, telling the history of Albanians who lived through the Civil War and the impact of the war on their lives. The tour is about a mile long. Wear appropriate clothing and shoes. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176.



Town of Bethlehem

Are you caring for a loved one who has a chronic and or terminal illness? Join others in similar situations for support and information on Wednesday, Sept. 14, from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

Go shopping with us at Walmart and Glenmont Plaza on Monday, Sept. 12. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

Are you turning 65 this year? Learn about Medicare, EPIC, (NYS Senior Perscription Plan), and Medicare Part D on Wednesday, Sept. 14, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

We are doing outdoor nature walks this fall. Join us for a guided walk on the Bethlehem Rail Trail on Thursday, Sept. 29, from 10 a.m. to noon. Wear sturdy shoes or hiking boots, and bring a bottle of water and a bag lunch. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to make your reservation.

Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc. is sponsoring a Boscov's fundraiser.

Purchase a \$5 shopping pass and receive a 25 percent discount on most purchases at Boscov's on Tuesday, Oct. 18. Passes may be purchased in advance at the Senior Services Office in Town Hall.

Books to People is a free library program that delivers books to those who are unable to visit the library. Request books, magazines, DVD's, CD's and audiobooks. Call 439-9314, and press 2.

The Food Pantry is in need of cleaning supplies, deodorant, toilet paper, mustard, and canned vegetables and fruit. Bring your items to the pantry at Town Hall. If you would like to access the food pantry, call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to make an appointment.

The Bethlehem Senior Citizens Club meets weekly on Thursdays for an enjoyable afternoon of games and socializing at the Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bring a lunch and play pinochle, bingo or mah jongg. Or just come for a chat with friends. Call Yvonne Mendleson at 472-0202 for more information.

— Wilma DeLucco

STEAM storytime special

ome explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math through the wonderful

At 10:15 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 10, we will have fun reading some great animalthemed books during storytime, then explore STEAM stations including building a bridge for 21 elephants, mixed-up animal art, penguin science, and Lego animal measuring. Ages 2–5 with caregiver; please register.

Excel Basics

Instructor Linda Zell will hold two classes for



Excel beginners, both on Monday, Sept. 12. The morning class will be held from 10 a.m. to noon, and the evening class will run from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Space is extremely limited, so please register early for either of these hands-on classes.

Linda will cover the basics of Microsoft Excel, including how to input data into spreadsheets and format that data. The workshops will end with a 30-minute question and answer session.

Thomas Merton's Journey

The library welcomes Dennis Sullivan on Tuesday, Sept. 20, at 6:30 p.m., for a historical presentation of the life and work of Thomas Merton, a Trappist monk considered by many as the most important spiritual writer of the 20th century. Dennis' paper, "The Courage 'To Be That Self One Truly Is': Thomas Merton's Unrelenting Journey To Recover Paradise On Earth," will be available at the library for prior reading to facilitate discussion. Please register.

— Lynn Kohler

Spotlight News and participating businesses are adding some excitement this season with Spotlight News Football Challenge. Connect with readers and local VIP guest pickers as they (and you) play for bragging rights and a chance to win some awesome

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TAYLOR JONES

First baseman Taylor Jones is the final Spotlight Tri-City ValleyCats Player of the Week. Jones drove in the winning run with a bases-clearing double in the bottom of the ninth inning to give the ValleyCats a 4-3 victory over the Staten Island Yankees Sept. 1.



Showdown

The Bethlehem boys soccer team hosts Shaker in an early-season Suburban Council test Thursday, Sept. 8. The Eagles started their season strong with a 3-1 victory over Schenectady Thursday, Sept. 1.



GIRLS SOCCER



Bethlehem's Shannon Russo (4) tries to get past a Schenectady defender during the Lady Eagles' home opener Thursday, Sept. 1. Russo scored the first goal of the game.

Bethlehem's Brianna Price tracks down the ball along the sideline. Rob Jonas/Spotlight

Lady Eagles soar in opener

BETHLEHEM — The Bethlehem girls soccer team scored seven goals in the second half to defeat Schenectady 9-0 in its home opener Thursday, Sept. 1.

Shannon Russo got the Lady Eagles (1-0 Suburban Council, 1-1 overall) on the scoreboard with a goal early in the first half. Bethlehem tacked on another goal before halftime, and then used a big second half to put away the Patriots.

Kacie Oliver led a balanced Bethlehem attack with a pair of goals. Beatrice Jones, Sophia Calabrese and Katie Hotaling all contributed a goal and an assist.

— Rob Jonas



COMMUNITY Get your Medicare questions answered

ill you soon be 65? Come learn how Medicare works at an informational meeting Oct. 27 at 10:30 a.m.

You will be informed of all the factors that you should consider when making your choices. Are you already in Medicare but still having questions about your coverage options? There are Medicare counselors trained to help you understand your choices and options. Attend a presentation designed to provide you with an understanding of Medicare and the choices available to you.

Having trouble paying your Medicare premium or related medical expenses? Find out if you may qualify for federal assistance with your medical expenses.

Please register by Oct. 23 by calling the office at 356-1980.

Town of Guilderland SENIOR CALENDAR

Meals on Wheels needs drivers

If you are interested in volunteering "once in a while" for about 90 minutes, this is an opportunity for you. Meals are delivered to Guilderland and Altamont residents weekdays. Please call MaryAnn at 356-1980, ext. 1095 for more information.

Volunteer recognition luncheon

A volunteer luncheon will be held Friday, Sept. 23, at Mallozzi's Clubhouse at the Western Turnpike Golf Course. This lunch is to express gratitude to all volunteers for giving their time to

help others. The groups to be honored:

The Guilderland Interfaith Food Pantry-Monday through Friday volunteers accepts donations and distributes food to those who do not have enough food to eat.

The Home Delivered Meals—Monday through Friday volunteers deliver daily meals to home bound senior citizens in the community to help them live independently in their homes. Adequate nutrition is critical in maintaining health, functioning, and management of disease. Your friendly hello and shared moments together help reduce isolation and provides the senior with a sense of being checked-inon each day.

AARP Tax Aide Program-Number-savvy volunteers spend many hours training and getting certified in cooperation with the IRS to prepare

personal federal and state income tax returns for taxpayers of all ages with low and moderate incomes.

Guilderland Volunteers—Senior Citizens who give their time generously offering a variety of services.

Many members of our needlecraft group knit/ crochet hats and scarves, blankets, baby layettes and lap robes for those in need of warmth. These items are collected and distributed to hospitals, nursing homes and shelters.

Our Strong Bones+ osteoporosis prevention class leaders offer their time two days a week leading this important exercise class. This class is not limited to exercise; many friendships have been made in these classes that have lasted throughout the years.

Our Tuesday lunch program has their share of volunteers willing to

help; consisting of meal servers, bingo caller/ assistants, raffle volunteers and a registered nurse to provide blood pressure readings. This program is a nutritious social day out that many enjoy and hate to miss.

Weekly schedule Wednesday, Sept. 7

Scheduled shopping 9 a.m. — Senior Strength & Balance

10:30 a.m. — Strong Bones +

1 p.m. — Needlecraft 1:30 p.m. — Strong Bones +

Thursday, Sept. 8

Scheduled shopping 9 a.m. — Silver Sneakers 9 a.m. - Strong Bones + 12:30 p.m. — Mahjong 12:30 p.m. — Pinochle

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The club returns on

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and 28, at 4 p.m. No

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jumpstart the development

Friday, Sept. 9

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Scheduled shopping 10 a.m. — Painting 12:30 p.m. — Intermediate Bridge 1 p.m. — Quilting

Monday, Sept. 12

Scheduled shopping 9 a.m. — Aerobics 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. -AARP Defensive Driving class 10:30 a.m. — Strong Bones + 10:30 a.m. — Senior Fitness 1:30 p.m. — Strong Bones + Tuesday, Sept. 13

9 a.m. - Strong Bones + 11:30 a.m. — Luncheon: sloppy joe or cold plate Noon — Food Pantry Raffle 12:30 p.m. — Bingo/ Rummikub

From tragedy to transcendence

n Sunday, Sept. 18, at 2 p.m., virtuoso guitarist, musicologist and author Steven Hancoff will give a very special multimedia presentation on Johann Sebastian Bach entitled "From Tragedy to Transcendence: Bach, Casals, and the Six Suites for Cello Solo."

Using music, video, and hundreds of historic images and spectacular contemporary art, Hancoff presents a concert-length story about the life of Bach, the creation of his masterful "Cello Suites," the role of Felix Mendelssohn in resurrecting the music, and cellist Pablo Casals' rediscovery and recording of the suites.

A reviewer in Classical Guitar Magazine writes that

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Hancoff's program "blends music, videos, and well over a thousand still images—like a Ken Burns documentary gone wild—into a vivid and compelling tapestry of history, stories, ruminations and fascinating tangents that grow like vines off the main Bach saga.'

Other reviewers are equally effusive in their praise of Mr. Hancoff's work:

"Deeply insightful, eloquent and musically formidable, Steven Hancoff has created a timeless work-timeless like the music of Bach itself." — J. Reilly Lewis, Music Director, Washington Bach Consort

"Hancoff must have often wondered if the ghost of Bach was not sitting on his shoulder inspiring him." — Janet Mawdesly, Blue Wolf Reviews

We are very lucky to be a site for Mr. Hancoff's current tour. This moving, mesmerizing story of one of music's great geniuses is a very special program you will not want to miss.

This is a ticketed event. Tickets are free; limit of four per person. Please pick up tickets at the library's Adult Reference Desk. For more information, please visit www.guilpl.org/ bachtranscendence.

— Mark Curiale

oung and quirky Louisa "Lou" Clark's cheerful attitude is put to the test when she becomes

a caregiver for Will Traynor, a wealthy young banker left paralyzed from an accident two years earlier. See it on our big screen this Friday, Sept. 9, at 2 p.m. We'll provide the popcorn and

Library storytimes

the tissues.

Raise your children to be lifelong readers by bringing them to storytime at the library.

IN BRIEF

Q.U.I.L.T. Inc. montly meeting Sept. 9

BETHLEHEM — Q.U.I.L.T. Inc. holds its monthly meeting Friday, Sept. 9, at 9:45 a.m. at the Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave. Meet the members and take part in a giant show and share. For more information, call 393-2284.

Crochet for charity — this summer, a group has worked on making the squares to create lap blankets for the Evergreen Commons Nursing Home. We are meeting to see how many squares we have, and how many our Oct. 1 deadline. Come in on Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 6:30 p.m., or Thursday, Sept. 15, at 1 challenge? Join us! Yarn and patterns are available at the library.

— Carol Melewski

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Friday Flicks: 'Me Before You' **Granny square**

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State of New York **County of Albany** Office of the Board of Elections

Notice is hereby given, Pursuant to Section 4-118 of the New York State Election Law, that a Primary Election will be held in and for the County of Albany, on Tuesday, September 13, 2016, between the hours of twelve o'clock noon and nine o'clock in the evening.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY PRIMARIES

That at such Primary Election all the enrolled vot-ers of the Democratic Party residing in the State of New York, County of Albany, City of Albany may lawfully nominate one (1) Candidate for the Public Office of City Court Judge.

That at such Primary Election all the enrolled voters of the Democratic Party residing in the County of Albany, City of Albany, Ward 1 District 3 may lawfully nominate two (2) Candidates for the Party Positions of Member of County Committee.

That at such Primary Election all the enrolled vot-ers of the Democratic Party residing in the County of Albany, City of Albany, Ward 1 District 4 may lawfully nominate two (2) Candidates for the Party Positions of Member of County Committee.

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That at such Primary Election all the enrolled voters of the Democratic Party residing in the County of Albany, City of Albany, Ward 3 District 6 may lawfully nominate two (2) Candidates for the Party Positions of Member of County Committee.

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That at such Primary Election all the enrolled voters of the Conservative Party residing in the County of Albany, Town of New Scotland may lawfully nominate one (1) Candidate for the Public office of Town Council Member.

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green room prior to their interviews. "Most athletes never come back," he said. "They usually just leave directly from the set." Trosset, who didn't have time to chat with Phelps while preparing him for his interview, said he was surprised when the most decorated Olympian of all time returned to the green room and began making himself a cup of coffee. "He came back! And I had my Loyola shirt on and so I went up to him and talked to him about that for a minute or two and took a photo with him."

Having already completed internships at FOX 45 Sports in Baltimore and Monumental Sports and Entertainment out of Washington, D.C., Trosset had nearly given up hope of ever scoring an internship at the long-coveted NBC. "I've been reaching out to them and applied for various programs throughout my time at school," he said. "They receive a ton of applications, as I'm sure you know, so sometimes I wouldn't even hear back from them. Then, finally, this opportunity came up around this time last year—the 2016 Rio Olympics." There were openings at NBC Universal in Connecticut, Trosset said, but he chose to pursue a position on the ground in Rio with NBC Sports. When he was denied, he took it hard.

'Then," he said, "a few weeks later, The Today Show reached out. Obviously, they're not usually very focused on sports but of course a big part of the show was going to be focused on sports in Rio, I knew that going in. Even though it wasn't my number one choice, I jumped at the opportunity to interview." He was accepted in March and landed in Rio on July 21.

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Bob Trosset meets one of his idols, sports broadcaster Mike Tirico. Trosset takes a selfie with Olympic champion swimmer, Michael Phelps. Photos courtesy of Bob Trosset

"We just kind of jumped right in," he said of himself and his fellow runners, a diverse group from Rio, the U.S., Australia and London. "We were there to make the lives of athletes easier when they were coming on the show, provide a support and lifeline to our on-air talent, whatever that might be, get the green room ready, make sure things ran smoothly. We need to know where everything was, memorize travel routes, know when traffic was going to cause delays so that we could be sure athletes got picked up and delivered on time. It got pretty hectic, even with the

designated Olympic lanes, which were incredibly helpful."

On days off, Trosset explored the country with co-workers and new-found friends. His appreciation of Brazilian culture and the pride of its people, he said, "was just a huge takeaway for me. I was lucky enough to be partnered with seven Brazilians from Rio who were also on our runner team. They had such pride for their city and it was so cool to see. There was so much bad press leading up to the games and some of it was warranted and some of it wasn't, in my opinion, but to see such



pride in the people there really impressed me." One week after he arrived in Rio, Trosset's new Brazilian friends took him out to a bar on the Copacabana beach, near where they were staying, to celebrate his 22nd birthday. Now, he said, he may be returning to attend a wedding in the near future.

During the fall of 2015, Trosset spent time abroad in Madrid as part of an exchange program. "That experience absolutely helped me in terms of adjusting **Continues on page 15**

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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK



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No name calling, please

S ara Niccoli is running for New York State Senate and she opts her daughter out of Common Core testing. That act alone labels the political hopeful as "unreasonable" in the eyes of New York State Education Commissioner MaryEllen Elia. And, if anything else, it flies in the face of Governor Andrew Cuomo, perhaps the strongest proponent to using the exams as a means of measuring the effectiveness of respective school districts. All the while, school-aged children are caught in the middle.

Common Core has fallen under tough scrutiny over the years. For one, it called for a dramatic shift to curriculum, altering the way educators teach, and that has precipitated down to parents who help their children with homework. Therein lies the beginning of the frustration for parents, but not where it ended. The state exams have created anxious environments, forcing elementary students to hours of testing.

The time leading up to these exams requires exercises and practice tests.

WHAT HAPPENED IN 2001

Educators start treating their kids like prized athletes, encouraging them to rest and eat healthy — nothing wrong with that, at all — to prepare their young minds for something akin to the Hunger Games.

The Common Core Task Force committee, however, says there is a need for "rigorous performance measures" to prepare our children for the future. Which, is not far off from the same comments that drove school districts to push the importance of math and science during the Space Race of the 1950s and 1960s. How our education standards measure up to the rest of the world is still a concern, considering our self-perception of our country as a superpower. According to Pearson's Global Education Index, the United States ranks 14th in the world in education, behind a Top 10 of South Korea, Japan, Singapore, Hong Kong, Finland, United Kingdom, Canada, Netherlands, Ireland and Poland. Germany falls between there, as does Russia. So, yes, there is a need for improvement.

There are brilliant individuals who do not perform well under examinations. Placing young children under a rigorous test environment is not always a fair assessment of that child's retention of knowledge, let alone the effectiveness of his or her teacher. And, though these exams are said to not carry any ramifications on a child's everyday schooling, school districts have responded by placing children in remedial courses despite favorable classroom performances.

The parents who choose to opt their children out of this kind of environment, after fairly enduring the process in the past, are far from "unreasonable," nor can they be associated with anything remotely "unethical." Having blind faith in a system shows a level of hubris that on this level will continue to harm our children's education. If there is something that requires fixing in a system where the Common Core Task Force has already recognized the need, it's unethical to continue on without doing something about it. There are brilliant individuals who do not perform well under examinations. Placing young children under a rigorous test environment is not always a fair assessment of that child's retention of knowledge, let alone the effectiveness of his or her teacher. And, though these exams are said to not carry any ramifications on a child's everyday schooling, school districts have responded by placing children in remedial courses despite favorable classroom performances.

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CAPITAL DISTRICT — People on the East Coast woke up to an azure blue sky, in stark contrast to the events that would unfold at approximately 8:45 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

The United States was hit by an unprecedented terrorist attack on the morning of Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2001, when four commercial airliners were hijacked and ultimately flown as guided missiles — one in each of New York City's Twin Towers, another into Washington D.C.'s Pentagon building, and a fourth whose hijackers were overrun by the planes passengers before it dove down into an

15 years ago: 9/11

empty field in Pennsylvania.

The total tally on those who died that day stands at 2,996 people, with 2,606 from the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center, and more than 6,000 others were injured.

Flags at public buildings flew at half staff the following day, by order of Gov. George Pataki.

The immediate impact of the tragedy was felt in different ways. A halt on airline traffic stranded Bethlehem town employees Joyce Becker and Caroline Worth, who were visiting Kentucky and Germany, respectively.

Firefighters from the Elsmere Fire Department heeded the call to New York City. Fire Captain Jim Reagan, firefighter Eric Bettinger, Chief Ned Costigan and Frank Wickham, joined a contingent that included Slingerlands' Walter Eck, Dave Eck and Dave Rook; Delmar's Chris and Greg Gould, and Selkirk's Kevin Craft.

"I've been a firefighter for 30 years," said Costigan, "and if I were to add up all the major events I've been to over the last 30 years, it would never add up to the devastation or impact of that incident

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Reagan, who would eventually follow Costigan as Elsmere Fire Chief, described the scene as "incredible."

"Paper everywhere, dust everywhere," said Reagan. "Incredible."

The Spotlight's Donna J. Bell reported how Ella Ruff, owner of the Delmar Mr. Subb, made a spur-of-the-moment decision to drive to New York City to deliver food to rescue workers.

"Not one person didn't stop and looks us in the eye and say, 'Thank you," she said.

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Bob Trosset does a newscast read for his broadcast reel from the International Broadcast Centre in Rio. Photos courtesy of Bob Trosset

and adapting to foreign culture," he said. Even though the primary language in Brazil is Portuguese and not his familiar Spanish, he said that he still found he was able to communicate effectively in the South American country. "I love the pace in Rio. The pace is incredible. I tend to live a fast-paced life, as a lot of us do, and I'm a highly active college student and just to be able to kind of slow down and enrich myself in their culture and get to know the Brazilians was really rewarding.

"I've been lucky, I really have. But I also feel like I worked for it," he said. "I spent the entire summer of 2015 saving up for my semester abroad. Then I spent two and a half months prior to Rio busting my hump here and doing a landscaping business." This is the seventh year that Trosset and a childhood friend have run Pat & Bob's Lawn Care as a summer business in Delmar.

That work seems to have paid off. During his time in Rio, Trosset was able to gain new experiences, but also had the chance to meet and learn from accomplished industry professionals. "One really cool moment was meeting Mike Tirico," he said of the well-known sportscaster. "He just recently switched over to NBC, he had been at ESPN for I think the last 20 years and, being that I want to do play-by-play, he's the guy. I'm a big fan of his and so being able to meet with him and chat for a while was a special moment."

And, even though he only spent a few short minutes with each, Trosset

was able to meet and speak with Jim Bell, the executive producer of NBC Olympics, and former ESPN sportscaster Dan Patrick, host of The Dan Patrick Show. "Those were humbling moments for me because they took the time out of their busy, busy, busy schedules in Rio. I hope to meet those two guys again in the future and I hope sometime during senior year to send them my broadcast reel and see if they're willing to share some tips or feedback."

While Trosset would like to find a job as a playby-play sports announcer after graduation, he also said that he is making sure to remain versatile. When he had the chance to practice reading on-air in Brazil from a teleprompter being operated in New York, he was happy to be given the opportunity. "It was general news," he said. "I kind of wished I was doing sports, but everyone told me along the way that I should really be able to do it all, I should be able to do news and sports and so I took it as it was and it was very cool moment.

"Professionally," said Trosset, "it's so important to not burn bridges and to connect with anyone at any possible time. You just never know who or what will be the difference going forward."

For more photos and a more detailed account of his Rio experience, including the (not Zika) virus that felled him for a week during his trip, check out Trosset's blog at http://bobtrosset.com/ blog/category/2016-rioolympics/

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR Honor those who fell on 9/11 by donating blood at Town Hall Monday, 9/12

Editor, Spotlight Newspapers:

This year marks the 15th anniversary of the attacks on September 11, 2001. This time of year has a special meaning for all Americans and leaves us with a feeling of wanting to help. The goal of 9/11 Day is to rekindle the spirit of unity and compassion that arose in the aftermath of the attacks, provide a positive and helpful way for people to remember and pay tribute to the victims and honor the heroes who rose in service. Sept. 11 is the nation's largest day of charitable engagement and each year, tens of millions of people observe this day by performing good deeds to help others.

The American Red Cross and 9/11 Day have formed a partnership encouraging people across the country to give blood or host a blood drive as their way to remember and pay tribute. Join the 9/11 Day movement by donating blood on Monday, September 12 from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium. As an added bonus, all presenting donors will receive a coupon for a free haircut.

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SCHENECTADY FESTIVALS

Press 510 cities PICK OF **THE WEEK**

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Bryan Adams

Iconic Canadian pop rocker, Bryan Adams plays in front of a Saratoga Performing Arts Center crowd on Sunday, Sept. 11 at 7:30 p.m.

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Fests for the eyes

Block parties define this upcoming weekend in the City that Lights and Moves the World

By MICHAEL HALLISEY

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Submitted photos

• 1pm Shotgun Start

• 5:30pm Dinner

& Awards

• 12pm Lunch

SCHENECTADY — There's a tinge of irony that follows the constant act to preserve tradition: The act itself thus becomes a tradition.

"Well, after 41 years, it's become a bit of a tradition," said Olga Delorey, spokesperson for St. George Greek Orthodox's 41st Annual Greek Festival. "I think everyone looks forward

to the Greek festival the weekend after Labor Day."

In Schenectady, the weekend after Labor Day is something of a full blown party. This year, the festivities kick off on Friday at 5 :30 p.m. with a Battle of the Bands, hosted by WEQX, at the corner

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- 18 holes of golf
 - Cart
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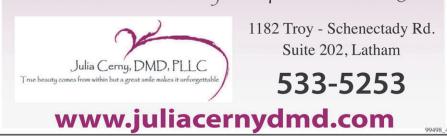
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— Doreen Ditoro Owner of Ditoro Funeral Home

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— Adam Zaranko Executive Director of Albany County Land Bank



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Twiddle in the New Year

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The Palace offers a jam band cornucopia with special guests Aqueous and Soule Monde

ALBANY — The Palace Theatre plans another New Years Eve party by inviting some of the best jam bands in the region to usher in 2017.

Twiddle, Aqueous and Soule Monde fill out the bill for the special event, Tuesday, Dec. 31 at 7 p.m.

Twiddle, a Vermont-based quartet, dismantles most preconceived notions of jam band culture. Their fresh multigenre approach conjures up rock, jazz, and bluegrass, but above all, masterfully blends reggae and funk.

for fans of the local After whimsically jamming in the jam band scene. fall of 2004, the founding members of Twiddle immediately recognized Submitted photo creative chemistry. By their second semester at Castleton State University, Mihali Savoulidis and Ryan Dempsey were carefully intertwining harmony and fantasy, birthing band staples like "Frankenfoote" and " Gatsby the Great."

2007 manifested Twiddle's debut release, "The

Natural Evolution of Consciousness." This breakout album showcased the band's eclectic inspirations, imaginative lyrical abilities and superb instrumentation. Twiddle's sophomore production, "Somewhere on the Mountain," delves into the human spirit, speaking to our ambition, grief and love.

Its latest production, "Live at Nectar's," is a doubledisc live album recorded at the revered Burlington,

Vt. venue back in August 2013. Currently Twiddle is shooting up the rows of festival lineups and packing prominent theaters.

Sharing the bill is Aqueous, a high-energy groove quartet out of Buffalo. The band launched its Random Company Tour on Aug. 3, with a planned stop at Saratoga's Putnam Den on Saturday, Oct. 8.

Soule Monde is a funk duo out of Burlington, Vt. who most recently played at the Disc Jam Festival in Stephentown in

All tickets are on sale at the Palace Theatre Box Office, Ticketmaster Charge-by-Phone at 800-745-3000 or online at ticketmaster.com.

– Michael Hallisey

R. Kelly brings The Buffet Tour



Grammy-winning artist to stop in Albany

ALBANY — Lauded as an R&B legend, R. Kelly is one of the most successful artists of all time with over 40 million albums sold, three Grammy Awards, six American Music Awards, six Billboard Awards and eight Soul Train Awards.

And, he's to perform at the Albany Palace Theatre on Thursday, Sept. 29.

His chart-topping hits range from "Bump N' Grind" and "Your Body's Callin" to Grammy Award winning "I Believe I Can Fly" and everything in between. In addition to recent collaborations with Lady Gaga ("Do What U Want"), Justin Bieber ("PYD"), Phoenix ("Trying To Be Cool" remix) and Bruno Mars ("Gorilla" remix), R. Kelly has scored hit songs for Michael Jackson ("You Are Not Alone"), Celine Dion ("I'm Your Angel"), Maxwell ("Fortunate") and countless others.

With a music career spanning over 25 years, R. Kelly has proven time and time again he's the "King of R&B."

ll tickets are on sale at the Palace Theatre Box Office, Ticketmaster Charge-by-Phone at 800-745-3000 or online at ticketmaster.com.

NUTHIN' WRONG

Bumpin' and grindin' in store for The Palace later this month. Submitted photo





RECENTLY ANNOUNCED **The GrooveBarbers** to perform at Vapor

SARATOGA SPRINGS — Opera Saratoga has announced that internationally-renowned singing group The GrooveBarbers will return to Saratoga Springs for a concert titled "Audacious A Cappella" in the Vapor nightclub at Saratoga Casino Hotel on Sunday, Sept. 25 at 4:00 p.m. Two of Skidmore College's a cappella groups, The Barnsnatchers and The Dynamics, will open for The GrooveBarbers. Proceeds from the concert will provide financial assistance for Opera Saratoga's community programs during the 2016-17 season.

The Village Voice calls The GrooveBarbers, "a cappella rock and soul royalty." Each member of this all-vocal powerhouse quartet is a bona fide star in his own right: Sean Altman, Charlie Evett and Steve Keyes are former members of the pioneering modern a cappella group Rockapella, while. Kevin Weist is a renowned bald vocal guru. The GrooveBarbers have established themselves as the go-to vocal group for rock, doo-wop, jazz and barbershop. The performance will also feature guest soprano Inna Dukach, a former Opera Saratoga young artist who has gone on to grace the stages of the world including The Royal Opera House Covent Garden. In addition to beloved a cappella favorites and whimsical new arrangements, together they will also perform their signature specialty: "doowopera!"

"We are very excited to welcome back The GrooveBarbers, after their first appearance in Saratoga Springs in 2014," said Lawrence Edelson, artistic and general director of Opera Saratoga. "Great singing comes in many forms, and The GrooveBarbers bring great singing to a completely new level - not only with their incredible arrangements of popular songs past and present, but also with their hilarious "doowopera" renditions of beloved arias. Programs that will be supported by this concert include our Saratoga Sings! events starting at the end of October and running through April; and Opera-to-Go, which brings live opera to over 20,000 young students every year."

General admission tickets are \$50, while student/youth (under 21) cost \$25. VIP reserved seating tickets, which include a personally signed GrooveBarbers CD, cost \$100. Tickets will be \$60 at the door, subject to availability.

Tickets may be reserved online at http://www.operasaratoga.org/ groovebarbers/

Botti returns to Troy

TROY — Grammy Award-winning jazz trumpeter Chris Botti will return to the famed Troy Savings Bank Music Hall for a live performance on Saturday, Dec. 3 at 8 p.m.

Since the release of his 2004 critically acclaimed CD "When I Fall In Love," Botti has become the largest-selling American instrumental artist. His success has crossed over to audiences usually reserved for pop music and his ongoing association with PBS has led to four No. 1 jazz albums, as well as multiple Gold, Platinum and Grammy Awards. His last album, "Impressions" won the Grammy for Best Pop Instrumental Album at the 55th Grammy Awards. Performing worldwide and selling more than four million albums, he has found a form of creative expression that begins in jazz and expands beyond the limits of any single genre.

Over the past three decades, Botti has recorded and performed with the best in music, including Barbra Streisand, Tony Bennett, even Frank Sinatra. Hitting the road for as many as 300 days per year, the



performed with the finest symphonies and at

of the world's most prestigious venues, from Carnegie Hall and the Hollywood Bowl, to the Sydney Opera House and the Real Teatro di San Carlo in Italy.

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With his impressive recording record and his critically acclaimed live performances, Botti has established himself as one of the important and innovative figures of the jazz and contemporary music world.

Starting prices for tickets range from \$29 to \$79 depending on seat location. For more information or to purchase tickets, call (518) 273-0038, in person at the Box Office, or online at www. troymusichall.org. The Troy Savings Bank Music Hall Box Office, located at 30 Second Street in Troy, is open weekdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.





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Albany Jazz Festival Washington Park— Saturday, Sept..10

ALBANY — The City of Albany presents its 15th annual Jazz Festival Saturday, Sept. 10, in Washington Park.

Headlining this year's event is the Ellis Marsalis Quintet featuring the man regarded by many as the premier modern jazz pianist in New Orleans. Also on the bill are Cliff Brucker & Full Circle, Jazz Caravan, KJ Denhert and Lucky Chops.

The music begins at 1 p.m. In case of rain, the show will be moved to the Corning Preserve Boat Launch. For more information, visit www.albanyevents.org.

Restaurant and Craft Beer Week Downtown Troy — Monday, Sept. 12 to Sunday, Sept. 18

TROY— Two city-wide events have merged into this year's Troy Craft Beer Week.

Troy's Restaurant Week is included with Craft Beer Week, as a dozen downtown venues offer food specials and other events during this year's celebration of beer.

Other highlights include the first Collar City Beer Invitational on Sept. 16, where 30 selected breweries from around the world will compete, and The Ruck and Hoosick Street Beverage Golf Invitational Sept. 12 at Mohawk Golf Club in Niskayuna.

For more information, visit www.troycraftbeerweek.com.

COMING UP

Saratoga Wine & Food Festival Saratoga Performing Arts Center — Friday, Sept. 9 to Sunday, Sept. 11

SARATOGA SPRINGS — Get ready for three days of food, wine and more at this year's Saratoga Wine & Food Festival in Saratoga Spa State Park.

Headlining this year's festival are Food Network stars Anne Burrell and Marc Murphy, New York chef Josh Capon and wine expert Joshua Wesson.

The festival starts with the Adirondack Road Tour and Gourmet Luncheon Friday, Sept. 9, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. This 90-minute professionally-led road rally for auto collectors winds through Adirondack roads before finishing at the Lake George Club, where a gourmet lunch awaits. The Fired Up! Grill Competition takes place Sept. 9 from 7 to 10 p.m. Local cheds will compete in a grilling event, with guests sampling the dishes and helping the judges to pick a winner. Other events include the Grand Tasting and Concours D'Elegance Saturday, Sept. 10, at noon, and the In the Groove Jazz Brunch Sunday, Sept. 11, at 11:30 a.m.

For tickets, call 584-9330 or purchase in person at the SPAC box office.

Hispanic Heritage Celebration Empire State Plaza Convention Center — Saturday, Sept. 10

ALBANY — Celebrate Latin culture at the annual Hispanic Heritage Celebration Saturday, Sept. 10, at 5 p.m. at the Empire State Plaza Convention Center.

Salsa singer Michael Stuart headlines the list of musical acts, which also includes Judy Torres, Luis Damon and DJ Boy Boy. There will also be dancing, food and family friendly activities at this free event.

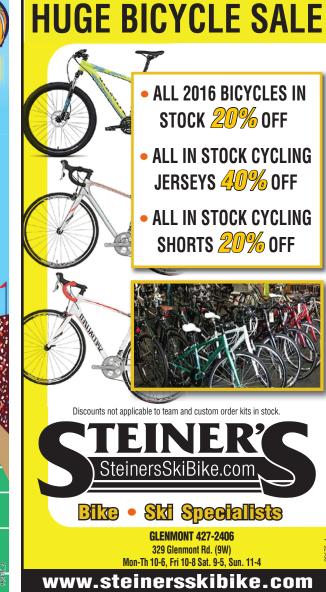
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STATE BUSINESS

Shared economy honest threat to NYS tourism

Advocacy group's new president sees need for state legislation to "level playing" field

By MICHAEL HALLISEY halliseym@spotlightnews.com

ALBANY — The New York State Hospitality and Tourism Association works as an advocacy group for the fourth largest industry in the Empire State. Ask its newly appointed president what season his staff is at its busiest winter, spring, summer or fall — and he'll answer: the legislative season.

The Board of Directors for the New York State Hospitality and Tourism Association (NYSH&TA) recently appointed Mark Dorr as president of the not-for-profit trade organization which represents businesses and individuals in the lodging and attraction industry

throughout the state. "I think the biggest challenge for any nonprofit association is remaining relevant, as far as issues legislatively and making sure the membership sees value," said Dorr. "... they're looking for a return in that investment."

The association is currently pushing for legislation that addresses the current sharing economy trend negatively impacting the lodging industry. For example, Airbnb allows peerto-peer exchanges of rental properties. Whether it is a homeowner willing to rent out a spare room to travelers, or someone offering a week's stay at the family's summer home at the Cape — this online marketplace boasts more than 1,500,000 listings in 34,000 around the world. By simply providing such a platform by means of a service fee, Wired.com recently reported Airbnb's at \$10 billion. And its reach with consumers have market analysts predicting

market analysts predicting Airbnb business will surpass the world's largest hotel chains, without owning a hotel. "We're looking to put forth legislation... to level the playing field with those

the playing field with those type of establishments and the hotel industry," said Dorr. Such a bill would call for shared lodging to at least abide by the same rules and regulations as a bed and breakfast, with proper tax reporting and following health code standards.

Prior to his promotion, Dorr served as vice-president and communications manager for the organization, which has been in existence since 1887, making it the oldest state lodging association in the nation.

"Mark served as the interim president of our organization, and during that time showed tremendous talent and dedication to the success of the NYSH&TA," said Kathy Muncil, Chairman of the board. "Mark has already had a significant effect on NYSH&TA's ability to succeed in our mission which is to lead



and protect our industry with the implementation of many positive changes, including the fostering of key industry relationships,"

NYSH&TA's represents nearly 1,000 lodging properties, totaling over 122,000 guest rooms, or 70 percent of the total guest room inventory in the state. Association membership is also comprised of approximately 50 parks and attractions, over 100 industry suppliers, and more than 200 cooperating organizations, tourism educators, students and individuals combined.

"[The] industry needs a strong voice to make sure its interests are protected," said Dorr. "Advocates at NYSH&TA work hard each and every legislative session and throughout the year to ensure that voice is heard and acted upon. As president I look forward to creating successful outcomes for businesses, for the industry at large and for the many tourists who visit our cities and towns."

The association provides benefits in three major categories: advocacy on behalf of the industry before state lawmakers and regulatory agencies; educational offerings that help members best serve their customers; resources in the form of money-saving

programs, networking opportunities and online marketing exposure.

"I will continue to be a tireless advocate on behalf of the state's tourism industry, and most especially the lodging community. New York State has a wealth of attractions, historical landmarks, and world-class hotels and resorts. We aim to be a destination for travelers throughout the world. We will continue to excite tourists and deliver experiences they can cherish for a lifetime," said Dorr.

Dorr has a strong communications background which he brings to this new position. He graduated from the College of Saint Rose with a degree in public communications and received his master's degree in journalism and public communications from Murray State University, Murray, KY.

After graduating from college, Dorr worked as an editor and feature writer for a trade magazine publishing company and was the editor an awardwinning, weekly newspaper in the Catskills. He also spent three years as an editor of a daily newspaper based in Troy.

Dorr lives in Niskayuna, just outside of Albany, with his wife Amanda and two children, Lauryn and Sydney..

ARTS

Art transcends life in the inner city

'Breathing Lights' project bringing life into 300 blighted homes

By MICHAEL HALLISEY halliseym@spotlightnews.com

CAPITAL DISTRICT — A year later, a creative project to help combat urban blight is taking flight.

"I think it's exciting," said Adam Zaranko, as he stood inside a gutted, two-story row house on Albany's Clinton Avenue. It's one of many foreclosed properties owned by the Albany County Land Bank Corporation, of which he is executive director. It's the organization's mission to rescue such properties from abandonment and decay. But, last Tuesday, Aug. 30, Zaranko joined all three mayors from the Tri-City area to see progress on what will be a part of "Breathing Lights," a creative engineering concept to illuminate 300 abandoned properties into pieces of art

for two months this fall.

Last year, Bloomberg Philanthropies invited mayors of U.S. cities with 30,000 residents or more to submit proposals for innovative temporary public art projects that address a civic issue, and demonstrate close collaboration between artists or arts organizations and city government. Proposals covered a range of issues, such as the revitalization of decayed downtown areas, underutilized waterfronts and vacant neighborhoods. They also addressed social themes including neighborhood safety, environmental sustainability and promoting city identity. More than 230 cities submitted proposals for consideration in the Public Art Challenge, representing 68 million residents across the United States.

Bloomberg Philanthropies named



Breathing Lights, a concept born between Adam Frelin and Barbara Nelson in a joint submission to represent the three Capital District cities, as one of four areas from across the United States to receive up to \$1 million as part of its Public Art Challenge.

"I realize the magnitude for this grant award, especially for this region," said Zaranko. "I like that it's going to create conversation, maybe on the national level, about the scale and scope of the blight."

The artwork entails the use of LED lighting, applied in strips upon the Adam Frelin happy to windows of a chosen vacant building. The lights will have a special effect applied to them, something developed through the help of the

Lighting Research Center and engineers at General Electric.

We've come along way since [last year]," said Frelin. "It's in motion. It's completely in motion.... In general, this is the project I've been waiting to do for my whole life... It's wildly rewarding.'

Frelin, Nelson, the Lighting Research Center at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, and more than 25 community and private sector partners, have worked together, tasked to regenerate interest in once-vibrant neighborhoods that now have high vacancy rates. The project will culminate in a regional summit on vacant homes and neighborhood revitalization that will engage local residents, prospective buyers and investors and policy makers.

The project has a way of "humanizing"

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Barbara Nelson and

see project running.

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SARATOGA SPRINGS -After months of waiting, one of the season's most anticipated shows, "The Rock Hall Three for All," is set to take the Saratoga Performing Arts Center stage Thursday, Sept. 8 at 6:30 p.m.

The one-night, triple bill features performances by Heart, Joan Jett & The Blackhearts and Cheap Trick.

Cheap Trick was inducted into The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame just this year. Featured on both the soundtrack for and in the cult-classic film "Fast Times at Ridgemont High," this power pop band from Rockford, Illinois, garnered a hyper-amount of popularity in Japan, earning the moniker of the "American Beatles" from its press, as captured on the single "I Want You to Want Me."

Joan Jett & The Blackhearts, inducted into the Hall in 2015, are known for 80s hits including Billboard topper "I Love Rock & Roll," a cover of "Crimson and



Clover," "I Hate Myself for Loving You," and "Do You Wanna Touch Me." Bad Reputation," Jett's rock anthem for the defiant, was named as the 29th best hard rock song of all time by

VH1 in 2009. Heart, Joan Jett & The Blackhearts and Cheap Trick

Saratoga Performing Arts Center Thurs. Sept. 8 @ 6:30 p.m. Tickets: \$25.50 - \$95.50

Photo courtesy of SPAC

Nancy Wilson, better known collectively as Heart, helped set the stage for Jett and other female rock and roll artists, by shattering misconceptions that women could

Sisters Anne and

not excel simultaneously at writing songs, playing

instruments and fronting a rock band. Heart has not only demonstrated an aptitude for all three, but has also earned four Grammy nominations and a lifetime achievement award. Heart was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2013

Tickets for lawn and select amphitheater seats are still available. For more details about or to purchase



WATERFORD — Head up to the Waterford Harbor Visitors Center and the Erie Canal Lock 2 for three days of family maritime fun, Friday, Sept. 9 through Sunday, Sept. 11!

For one weekend each year, Waterford's historic waterfront is transformed back into a rendering of its commercial heyday. Tugs both new and old moor stem to stern for adulation and education, enchanting the young and reminding the young at heart of days gone by.

The 17th annual

Wateford Tugboat Roundup begins Friday afternoon as the tugboats, including the Tugboat of The Year, Frances, owned by Troy-based New York State Marine Highway, make their way up the Hudson River from the Port of Albany to Waterford for the annual opening parade. Friday's festivities at the Waterford Harbor run from approximately 3 to 9 p.m., with the tugboats arriving around 5 p.m.

Head on back to the Harbor Saturday



and Sunday for a variety of activities, including boat tours and rides, linesplicing seminars, and live music. There will be plenty to do at Lock

17th Annual

Wateford

Tugboat Roundup

Waterford Harbor Visitor's

Center and Erie Canal Lock 2

Friday, Sept. 9 through

Sunday, Sept. 11 • FREE

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2 as well, including a boat show, children's activities (beginning at noon), and the Farmers' Market.

Saturday's activities will be capped off with a fireworks display at dusk. The festival concludes Sunday afternoon with an

award's program in front of the Visitor's Center at 3:30 p.m.

The annual event is produced by the Town of Waterford and supported by a host of generous corporate sponsors.

While admission to the roundup is free, there may be a nominal fee for boat rides and other activities.

For additional details about the event, including a detailed daily schedule and parking information, visit www. tugboatroundup.com

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CLUBS

9 Maple Avenue 9 Maple Ave., Saratoga Springs. www.9mapleave.com Fri: Rick Rosoff Quartet | 9 p.m. Sat: Pete Sweeney Quartet | 9 p.m.

Arthur's Market 35 N. Ferry St., Schenectady. 382-1938 Every Thur: Edith's Amazing Jam 6 p.m.

Athos 1814 Western Ave., Albany. 608-6400 Fri: Fresh | 7 p.m.

Cafe NOLA 617 Union St., Schenectady. 357-8628 Sat: **2Late** | 6:30 p.m.

Caffe Lena 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs. 225-0882 Sat: The Steel Wheels | 7 p.m.

Carney's Tavern 17 Main Street, Ballston Lake. 280-7959 Every Thur: **Matty Finn** | 6 p.m. Fri: Matt Evans | 7:30 p.m. Sat: Craig Todd | 7:30 p.m.

Castle Street Café 10 Castle St., Great Barrington, Mass. 413-528-5244 Fri: The Lucky Five Swing Band 8 p.m.

Sat: Jill Connolly Trio with Andy Jaffe | 8 p.m.

City Beer Hall 42 Howard St., Albany. 449-2337 Every Sat: 90s Dance Party | 11 p.m.

Club Helsinki 405 Columbia St., Hudson. 828-4800 or helsinkihudson com

Fri: Justin Townes Earle | 9 p.m. **Diamond Club Grill** Embassy Suites, 88 Congress St., Saratoga Springs. 886-1111 Sat: Phil Drum | 7:30 p.m.

Dolce Vita

1727 State St., Schenectady. 357-3324

ARTSCALENDAR



Ukulele master in Voorheesville

Axo Bell is performing and conducting a ukulele workshop Friday, Sept. 9, at 7:30 p.m. at Old Songs Community Arts Center, 37 South Main St. in Voorheesville. Submitted photo

Eden Cafe

269 Osborne Road, Loudonville. 977-3771 Fri: Lewis & Campbell | 7:30 p.m. Sat: The Campbells | 7:30 p.m. Emack & Bolio's 366 Delaware Ave., Albany. 512-5100

Every Tue: **Open Mic** | 7 p.m. The Fountain Restaurant 283 New Scotland Ave., Albany. 482-9898 Fri & Sat: Skip Parsons' Riverboat

Jazz Band 9:30 p.m. **Fuze Box**

DJ Mercy, PJ Katz, BenWah, Mista Pigz, JB!!!, Shyste | 9 p.m. Sat: 80s Night | 9 p.m.

16 Caroline St., Saratoga Springs. 587-7359

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Answers on Pg. B27

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Hamlet and Ghost

24 Caroline St, Saratoga Springs. 450-7287 Wed: Hot Club of Saratoga Trio 8 p.m

The Happy Cappuccino

1 Crossgates Mall Rd., Albany. 313-7423 Fri: Jeff Nania & Lecco Morris | noon The Hollow Bar + Kitchen

79 N. Pearl St., Albany. 426-8550 Thur: G-Nome Project | 8 p.m. Fri: Formula 5 | 8 p.m.

Lanie's Café 471 Albany-Shaker Road, Loudonville, 438-5005 Every Tue: **Dan Sherwin** | 6 p.m.

The Low Beat

335 Central Ave., Albany. 432-6572 Every Wed: The Deadbeats | 10 p.m. Fri: Cymbals Eat Guitars | 7:30 p.m. Sat: Ha, Boy Go Fast, Bad Mothers, Alenni | 8 p.m.

Sun: New Red Scare, American Pinup, Freakabout, Sun Natives | 7:30 p.m.

Lucas Confectionary and Wine Bar 12 2nd St., Troy. 326-3450 Mon: **Le Trio Vino** | 7 & 8:45 p.m.

Madison Theater 1036 Madison Ave., Albany. 438-2094 Sat: The Whiskey Treaty | 8 p.m.

McGeary's 4 Clinton Square, Albany. 463-1455 Every Wed: Best Damn Open Mic Ever with MotherJudge | 7:30 p.m. Every Sun: Blues Jam | 7:30 p.m.

Moon & River Café 115 S. Ferry St., Schenectady. 377-5100 Every Sun: Open Mic | 7:30 p.m.

Mouzon House 1 York St., Saratoga Springs. 226-0014 Thur: Hot Club of Saratoga Trio

7 p.m. Fri: Brass & Blues | 7 p.m. Sat: Joe Gitto & Dan Wancyk 6:30 p.m.

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More human than human

Shock rocker and movie director Rob Zombie performs Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 8 p.m. at Albany's Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave. Tickets range in price from \$39.75 to \$79.75.

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Oh Bar 304 Lark St., Albany. 463-9004

Thur: **Karaoke** | 10 p.m. **One Caroline Street** 1 Caroline St., Saratoga Springs. 587-2026 Wed: **The Masters of Nostalgia** |

8:30 p.m. Parish Public House 388 Broadway, Albany. 365-0444

Fri: The Deadbeats | 8 p.m. Tue: Silver Arrow Band Showcase | 7 p.m. Panza's

510 NY Rte. 9P (on Saratoga Lake), Saratoga Springs. 584-6882 Wed: **Artie Mozeik** | 6 p.m. Fri: **Charles Cornell** | 7 p.m. Sat: **Colleen Pratt with Peg & Bill Delaney** | 7 p.m.

The Parting Glass 40 Lake Ave, Saratoga Springs. 583-1916 Wed & Thur: Irish Celtic Session

7 p.m. Sat: **Forthlin Road** | 9 p.m.

Pauly's Hotel 337 Central Ave., Albany. paulyshotel.com Fri: Stranger at Home | 8 p.m. Sat: Key Bump | 8 p.m. Mon: Blue Monday Blues Jam | 8 p.m.

Platinum Pub 795 3rd Ave., Watervliet. 270-9907 Every Tue: Open Mic

Provence Stuyvesant Plaza, 1475 Western Ave., Albany. 689-7777 Sat: Linda Harrison Trio | 7 p.m. Prime at Saratoga National

458 Union Ave., Saratoga Springs. 583-4653 Sun: **Joe Sorrentino Trio** (jazz brunch) | 10:30 a.m. Putnam Den 63a Putnam St., Saratoga Springs.

584-8066 Thur: Half Step | 9 p.m. Fri: Memory of Me, More Than Human, Realation, more | 8 p.m.

Roux 10-01 Vista Blvd., Slingerlands. 487-4358 Wed: Sonny & Perley | 6 p.m.

Fri: **Stephanie Robinson Trio** | 6 p.m. **Rustic Barn Pub** 150 Speigletown Rd., Troy. 235-5858

Every Thur: Open Mic | 8 p.m. Fri: Not Rightt | 8 p.m. Sat: tophenjamin, Open Jam | 4 p.m. Savoy Taproom

301 Lark St., Albany. 599-5140 Thur: **Phil Allen's Concert** Jazz Band | 7 p.m.

Sat: Victory Soul Orchestra | 8 p.m. Speakeasy 518

42 Howard St., Albany. 449-2332 Wed: Chris Carballeira | 8 p.m. Thur: Bryan Brundige Duo | 9 p.m. Fri: Nate Giroux Trio | 9 p.m. Sat: Jeanine Ouderkirk Trio | 9 p.m. Mon: Joe Finn | 8 p.m.

Tue: **Swing Night** | 8 p.m. **Stockade Inn** 1 North Church St., Schenectady. 346-3400

Fri: George Krakat | 7 p.m. Twisted Vine 384 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. 439-3241 Thur: Skip Parsons | 8 p.m.

Upstate Concert Hall 1208 New York 146, Clifton Park. 371-0012 or upstateconcerthall.com Sat: Blackberry Smoke | 7 p.m. Waterworks Pub

76 Central Ave., Albany. 465-9079 Thur: **DJ Shawn Gillie** | 11 p.m. Fri: **Karaoke** | 10 p.m. Sat: **DJ David Barna** | 10 p.m. Mon: **Karaoke** | 10 p.m.

Yono's

25 Chapel St., Albany. 436-7747 Fri and Sat: **Hamilton Street** Jazz Duo | 6:30 p.m.

MUSIC

Heart, Joan Jett & The Blackhearts, Cheap Trick

The blacknearts, cheap Trick Three hard-rocking bands touring together. Sept. 8, 6:30 p.m., Saratoga Performing Arts Center, 108 Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Springs. Information: www.spac.org.

Skip Parsons' Clarinet

Marmalade Trio Local Dixieland jazz group. Sept. 8, 7 p.m., East Greenbush Library, 10 Community Way, East Greenbush. Free. Information: 477-7476.

Azo Bell

Performance and ukulele workshop. Sept. 9, 7:30 p.m., Old Songs Community Arts Center, 37 South Main St., Voorheesville. Tickets: adults \$15, children 12 and under \$5. Information: 765-2815 or oldsongs.org.

City of Albany Jazz Festival

An afternoon of jazz music featuring Ellis Marsalis, Lucky Chops, KJ Denhert, Jazz Caravan and Cliff Brucker & Full Circle. Sept. 10, 1 p.m., Washington Park, Albany. Free. Information: 434-2032 or www.albanyevents.org.



School of Rock Albany presents "A Tribute to Lollapalooza"

Annual fall showcase of School of Rock's students. Sept. 10 and 11, 1 p.m., Jupiter Hall, Lucky Strike Social, Crossgates Mall, Guilderland, Tickets: advance \$10, at the door \$12. Reservations and information: School of Rock, 783-7625.

Bryan Adams

Canadian rock icon. Sept. 11, 7:30 p.m., Saratoga Performing Arts Center, 108 Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Springs. Information: www.spac.org.

Donovan

1960s psychedelic-folk rock musician tours on the 50th anniversary of his hit album, "Sunshine Superman." Sept. 14, 7:30 p.m., Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 Second St., Troy. Tickets: \$36 and \$42. Information: 273-0038 or troymusichall.org.

Rob Zombie

Modern-day shock rocker, with special guest DJ Ginger Fish. Sept. 14, 8 p.m., Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. Tickets: \$39.75-\$79.75. Information: palacealbany.com.

Irish 2000 Music & Arts Festival Two days of Celtic music featuring Gaelic Storm, Screaming Orphans, Hair

of the Dog, the McKrells and many more, plus the Schenectady Pipe Band, Irish dancers and kids activities. Sept. 16 and 17, Saratoga County Fairgrounds, Ballston Spa. Information: irish2000fest.com.

FreshGrass

Three-day festival featuring the best in bluegrass and folk, including Glen Hansard, Ricky Scaggs & Kentucky Thunder,

Roseanne Cash, Infamous Stringdusters and more. Sept. 16-18, MASS MoCA, North Adams, Mass. Information: (413) 662, 2111, ext. 1 or www.freshgrass.com.

Bach and the Baroque

Delmar native David Schulenberg performs rarely heard 17th century classical music, along with two wellknown works by Johann Sebastian Bach. Sept. 16, 7 p.m., University at Albany Performing Arts Center, uptown campus, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany. Tickets: general public \$8, students/ seniors/staff \$4. Information: 442-3997 or www.albany.edu/pac.

John Mayall

"The Godfather of British Blues" continues to tour into his 80s. Sept. 16, 8 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Tickets: \$38. Information: 473-1845 or www.theegg.org.

3 Doors Down

Multi-platinum recording band tours in support of its latest album, "Us And The Night," with special guests Pop Evil and Red Sun Rising. Sept. 16, 8 p.m., Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. Tickets: \$39.75-\$79.75. Information: palacealbany.com.

The Midtown Men

Former "Jersey Boys" cast members Christian Hoff, Michael Longoria, Daniel Reichard and J. Robert Spencer perform their favorite 1960s hits. Sept. 16, 8 p.m., Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: \$20-\$60. Information: 346-6204 or www.proctors.org

Lake George Jazz Weekend The Lake George Arts Project's season-

ending show featuring The Brubeck Brothers, Charanee Wade, the Lao Tizer Quintet with Karen Briggs, the Diva Jazz

Orchestra, the Edmar Castenda Trio and more. Sept. 17 and 18, Shepard Park, Canada Street, Lake George. Information: 668-2616 or www.lakegeorgearts.org.

Hawaiian Slack Key Summer's End Concert with Jim "Kimo" West

Best known for his guitar work in "Weird Al" Yankovic's band, West is also regarded as one of the world's foremost Hawaiian "slack key" guitar artists. Sept. 17, 2 p.m., Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: advance \$15, day of show \$20. Information: 346-6204 or www.proctors.org.

Voices of the Past

University at Albany faculty member Richard Albagli leads a group of young musicians in a percussion program. Sept. 17, 7 p.m., UAlbany Performing Arts Center, uptown campus, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany. Tickets: general public \$6, students/seniors/staff \$3. Information: 442-3997 or www.albany.edu/pac.

Quique Sinsei

Considered to be one of the most important guitarists from Argentina. Sept. 17, 8 p.m., The Linda: WAMC's Performing Arts Studio, 339 Central Ave., Albany. Tickets: \$15. Information: 465-5233 or thelinda.org.

"Weird Al" Yankovic:

The Mandatory World Tour Everybody's favorite parody artist returns to the region on his never-ending quest for world music dominance. Sept. 17, 8 p.m., Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: \$30 and up. Information: 346-6204 or www.proctors.org. **Elvin Bishop Band**

American bluesman touring in support

of his new album, "Can't Even Do Wrong Right." Sept. 18, 7:30 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Tickets: \$38. Information: 473-1845 or www.theegg.org.

THEATER

The Best Man Gore Vidal's satirical political drama about two presidential candidates seeking the endorsement of an aging ex-President. Presented by Albany Civic Theater, 235 Second Ave., Albany, through Sept. 18. Shows: Friday and Saturday 7:30 p.m., Sunday 3 p.m. Information: 462-1297 or www.albanycivictheater.org.

Kinky Boots

Tony Award-winning Broadway musical about a man trying to save his family's shoemaking business featuring songs written by Cyndi Lauper. Sept. 10 and 11, Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Shows: Saturday 2 and 8 p.m., Sunday 1:30 and 6:30 p.m. Information: 346-6204 or www.proctors.org.

Time Stands Still

Donald Margulies' play about a photojournalist who returns from Iraq to find things have changed back home. Presented by Curtain Call Theatre, 210 Old Loudon Road, Latham, Sept. 16 through Oct. 15. Shows: Thursday 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday 8 p.m., Sunday 3 p.m. Tickets: \$24. Information: 877-7529 or www.curtaincalltheatre.com

Word Plays: How Are Things in Glocca Morra

A group of performers tell rarely heard contemporary and traditional stories celebrating the human spirit. Sept. 18, 2 p.m., Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: \$8 per person, \$12 for groups of eight or more. Information: 346-6204 or www.proctors.org.

COMEDY

The Funny Bone Chicks Are Funny, Sept. 8, 7:30 p.m. Lavell Crawford, Sept. 9, 7:30 and 10 p.m., Sept. 10, 7 and 10 p.m. Liza Treyger, Sept. 11, 7 p.m. Crossgates Mall, Western Avenue, Guilderland. Information: 313-7484 or Albany.funnybone.com.

The Comedy Works

Jim Mendrinos headlines, Sept. 7 and 8, 8 p.m.; Sept. 9, 8 and 10 p.m.; Sept. 10, 10 p.m. "Funny for Jodi — A Comedy Benefit for Jodi Weiner," Sept. 10, 8 p.m. 388 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information: 275-6897 or thecomedyworks.com.

Pretty Much the

Best Comedy Show Liz Miele headlines this month's showcase. Sept. 10, 8 p.m., Proctors Underground, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: advance \$15, day of show \$20. Information: 346-6204 or www.proctors.org.

Jim Breuer

"Saturday Night Live" alumnus and huge New York Mets fan performs stand-up. Sept. 16, 8 p.m., Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 Second St., Troy. Tickets: \$27. Information: 273-0038 or troymusichall.org.

FAMILY/YOUTH Peter Pan Jr.

The tale of the boy who never grew up. Presented by Staging Youths' Future's Inc., Sept. 9 and 10, Cohoes Music Hall,

58 Remsen St., Cohoes, Tickets: \$12. Information: palacealbany.com.

FILM

Deja View

See Disney/Pixar's "Up." Sept. 8, 7:45 p.m., Tricentennial Park, Broadway, Albany. Free. Information: Downtown Albany Business Improvement District, 465-2143.

Nick Cave & the Bad Seeds:

One More Time with Feeling It Came From Schenectady presents the documentary film being released the same day as the band's new album of the same name. Sept. 9, 7 p.m., Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: adults \$9, students with ID \$6. Information: 346-6204 or www.proctors.org

The Big Lebowski

"The Dude" abides in this cult classic by the Cohn Brothers. Presented by It Came From Schenectady, Sept. 10, 7 p.m., Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: adults \$9, students with ID \$6. Information: 346-6204 or www.proctors.org.

The Reel Women in Film Series

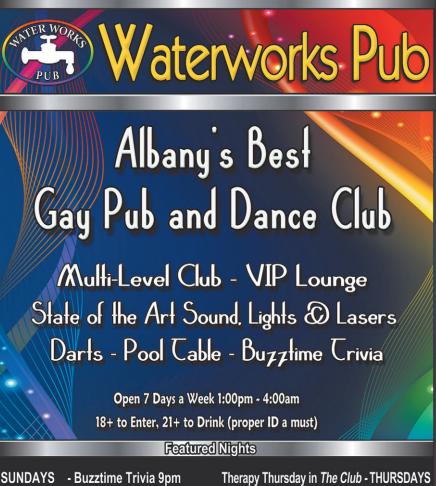
See the documentary "Everybody Knows ... Elizabeth Murray." Sept. 10, 8 p.m., The Linda: WAMC's Performing Arts Studio, 339 Central Ave., Albany. Information: thelinda.org.

Food for Thought:

Peter and the Farm A documentary about a Vermont man

and his trials and tribulations while working on his 187-acre farm. Sept. 15, 7 p.m., The Linda: WAMC's Performing

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MONDAYS - Karaoke 10pm TUESDAYS - Game Night w/Mitch WEDNESDAYS - Wacky Weds. Drag Show (Su, Mo, Tu, Weds in The Pub)

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Arts Studio, 339 Central Ave., Albany. Information: thelinda.org. **New York State Writers**

Institute Classic Film Series See Orson Welles'"Chimes at Midnight." Sept. 16, 7:30 p.m., Page Hall, University at Albany downtown campus, 135 Western Ave., Albany. Free. Information: 442-5620 or www.albany.edu/ writers-inst.

Jewish Film Festival

See "Dough," a warmhearted and gently humorous story about a widower trying to save his bake shop with the help of a young refugee from Darfur, who assists with the daily chores and sells cannabis on the side. Sept. 18, 3 p.m., Schenectady Jewish Community Center, 2565 Balltown Road, Niskayuna. Tickets: JCC members \$5, general public \$10, students with school ID free. Festival passes: \$35 JCC members, \$70 general public. Information: 377-8803.

LITERARY

Gossamer Stone Poets

Poetry group will read from their works as part of Caffé Lena's open poetry night. Sept. 7, 6:30 p.m., Northshire Bookstore, 424 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Free. Information: 682-4200 or www.northshire.com.

John Briggs

Author of "Leaping Lemmings" will be on hand to sign copies of his picture book. Sept. 10, 1 p.m., The Open Door Bookstore and Gift Gallery, 128 Jay St., Schenectady. Information: 346-2719.

Radical Happiness

Teachers Phakchok Rimpoche and Erric Solomon will share their lessons on balancing life with finding personal growth. Sept. 14, 6 p.m., Northshire Bookstore, 424 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information: 682-4200 or www.northshire.com.

EDUCATION

Herbology 101

Create your own Mohawk Valley tea or tincture. Sept. 17, 11 a.m., Mabee Farm Historic Site, 1100 Main St. (Route 5S),

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MISCELLANEOUS

Aging Gracefully using Medical QiGong, Breathing and Meditation

A complimentary workshop about using simple movements, breathing techniques and meditation to help people feel stronger, more grounded and more peaceful, led by Ben McLellan. Sept. 7, 7 p.m., Delmar Wellness Center, 323 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Information: email Dr. Joseph Olejak at dr.joseph.olejak@gmail.com.

Saratoga Wine & Food Festival

and Concours D'Elegance A three-day event featuring food, automobiles and wine. Must be 21 or older to enter all events. Sept. 9-11, Saratoga Spa State Park. Information: Saratoga Automobile Museum, 587-1935.

Hispanic Heritage Celebration

A tribute to Latin culture featuring dance, food, activities and performances by Michael Stuart, Judy Torres, Luis Damon and DJ Boy Boy. Sept. 10, 5 p.m., Empire State Plaza Convention Center, Albany. Free. Information: 474-4759 or www.empirestateplaza.org.

Carrot Festival

Annual event features music from Flame, the Albany Drum Circle, Die Shaine Maidelach und Die Schmendriks and more, a classic car show, a pet adoption clinic, food, crafts, children's activities and vendors. Sept. 11, 10 a.m., Congregation Agudat Achim, 2117 Union St., Schenectady. Information: 393-9211 or www.agudatachim.com.

Harvest Fest

A free community celebration with music, crafts and activities, plus food and craft vendors. Sept. 11, 11 a.m., The Crossings of Colonie, Albany Shaker Road. Free. Information: 456-2136 or www.colonie.org.

EXHIBITS

Albany Center Gallery "If This, Then That," an exhibition

representing three different takes on the artistic process by Kyle Avery, Jenny Hutchinson and Christine Snyder, through Sept. 23. 39 Columbia St., Albany. Information: 462-4775 or

www.albanycentergallery.org. Albany Institute of

History and Art

"Spotlight: Alexander Hamilton," through Dec. 31; plus "A Gather of Glass: Selections from the Museum's Collection,""Ancient Egypt" and more. 125 Washington Ave., Albany. Info: 463-4478 or www.albanyinstitute.org.

Albany Public Library — Pine Hills Branch

"Too Many Words," featuring works by Emily Armstrong, Michael Conlin, Shea Lord-Farmer, Mark Ouija, Erik Savage and Larissa Tapler, through Oct. 2. 517 Western Ave., Albany. Information: www.albanypubliclibrary.org.

The Hyde Collection

"Camp Iris," a site-specific, interactive work by Victoria Palermo, through Labor Day; "Dürer & Rembrandt: Master Prints from the Collection of Dr. Dorrance Kelly" and "The Hydes & Rembrandt," through Oct. 2. 161 Warren St., Glens Falls. Information: 792-1761 or www. hydecollection.org.

Mabee Farm Historic Site

"In Whom We Trust: At the Crossroads of Faith & Community," a photography exhibit by Michael Diana. 1100 Main St. (Route 55), Rotterdam Junction. Information: schenectadyhistorical.org/ exhibits.

miSci

"Return of the Dinosaurs," through Sept. 18. Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady. Info: 382-7890 or www.miSci.org.

National Museum of Dance

"50 Years at SPAC," celebrating the golden anniversary of the venerable performance venue; "The Dancing Athlete," an exhibit that explores the connection between dance and sports; "Gen," a life-sized sculpture of former New York City Ballet principal dancer Gen Horiuchi; plus "A Tribute to Dancers in Film," "Making Art Dance" and "2015 Hall of Fame Inductees Mark Morris and Rudolf Nureyev." 99 South Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information: 584-2225 or www.dancemuseum.org.

New York State Museum

"Best of SUNY Student Art Exhibition 2016," through Oct. 23; plus "Hudson Valley Ruins," "Art for the People" Decorated Stoneware from the Weitsman Collection," "Beneath the City: An Archeaological Perspective of Albany" and more. Empire State Plaza, 222 Madison Ave., Albany. Info: 474-5877 or www.nysm.nysed.gov.

Saratoga Arts Center

"30th Anniversary Invitational," featuring 30 artists who have previously exhibited their works at the gallery, through Oct. 29, 320 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information: 584-4132 or www.saratoga-arts.org.

Saratoga Clay Arts Center

"Convergence," featuring works by Shoji Satake and Jenn Allen, through Oct. 15. 167 Hayes Road, Schuylerville. Information: saratogaclayarts.org.

Shirt Factory Gallery

"The Colors of Fall," featuring works in all media by local and regional artists that celebrate autumn in the Adirondacks. Sept. 9 through Oct. 29; opening reception Sept. 9, 6 p.m. 71 Lawrence

St., Glens Falls. Information: www. northcountryartscenter.org.

Thomas Cole National Historic Site

"Open House: Contemporary Art in Conversation with Cole," a new series of art projects starting with Jason Middlebrook, through Oct. 30; plus "Thomas Cole: The Artist as Architect," through Oct. 30. 218 Spring St., Catskill. Information: 943-7465 or thomascole.org.

Union College

"Slippery Slope by Georgie Friedman," Peter Irving Wold Center, College Atrium, second floor, through Nov. 30. Information: 388-6318 or www.union.edu/gallery.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

Theater Voices

Holding auditions for "The Birthday Party" by Harold Pinter. Sept. 8, 7 to 9:30 p.m., Steamer No. 10 Theatre, 500 Western Ave., Albany. Be advised that the characters speak with British accents. Information: www.theatervoices.org.

Mendelssohn Club of Albany

60-voice men's chorus performs a mix of classical, traditional and popular music. New members are welcome. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m. at New Covenant Presbyterian Church 916 Western Ave., Albany. Auditions take place Sept. 28. Information: 549-0429 or Mendelssohn.org.

Spotlighter's Theatre Troupe Holding auditions for its production of "A Fairytale Christmas Carol," Sept. 11 and 12 at the Malta Community Center, 1 Bayberry Drive. Information: 899-4411, ext. 305. Schenectady Civic Players Holding open auditions for "Star Quality," Noel Coward's final comedy. Roles for four men (play ages 25-60s) and three women (play ages 40-60s). Sept. 13 and 15, 7:30 p.m., Schenectady Civic Playhouse, 12 South Church St., Schenectady. Information: www.civicplayers.com.

Saratoga Arts

Seeking artists to submit works for its Art in the Park 2016 day Sept. 17 in Congress Park. Artists can submit up to five images of their original works for review. Information: 584-4132 or saratoga-arts.org.

Community Voices

Seeking singers in all voice parts for its December concert, "All is Calm, All is Bright — Celebrating the Christmas Truce of 1914." Rehearsals are Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in East Greenbush, beginning Sept. 13. Information: 370-5434.

Albany Pine Bush Preserve

Commission Seeking submissions for the "Pine Bush Perspectives" juries photo exhibit. Photos must be submitted by the original photographer and must have been taken in the Albany Pine Bush Preserve. Minors must have parental permission to submit photos. Each photographer may submit up to three photos. Deadline is Oct. 18. Information: 456-0655 or www. AlbanyPineBush.org/photo-exhibit.

Thursday Musical Club

All women's chorus seeks new members. Rehearsals are Wednesdays 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at First United Methodist Church, 603 State St., Schenectady. Information: email mlekd@verizon.net.







PPER OOM

New exhibit

"If This, Then That" recently opened at Albany Center Gallery. It features three different takes on the artistic process as envisioned by artists Kyle Avery, Jenny Hutchinson and Christine Snyder. The exhibit continues through Sept. 23 at the gallery, 39 Columbia St. in Albany.

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Food & Vino

Lamb with Spinach Avgolemono

By THOMAS SPELVIN news@spotlightnews.com

CULINARY ARTS

Ingredients — Serves six

1/4 cup butter
3 tb olive oil
2 1/2 lb boneless lamb; cut in uniform pieces
2 onions; coarsely chopped
1 ts salt
1/4 ts pepper
1 cup boiling water
2 lb fresh spinach
1 ts dill
2 eggs
Juice of 1 lemon

Instructions

Heat butter and oil in a large pot. Add lamb pieces and brown on all sides.

Add onions and saute until soft. Stirring, add salt, pepper and boiling water. Simmer covered, for one hour, adding water when necessary. While meat is simmering, wash spinach thoroughly and tear leaves into small pieces. In a separate pot, steam spinach until leaves are wilted, about three minutes. Remove and drain. Add spinach and dill to meat mixture. Stir and simmer for 15 minutes. Remove pot from heat. Beat eggs until frothy. Slowly add lemon juice, beating constantly. Add 1 cup of liquid from meat mixture, at first slowly and then increasing the flow, beating constantly. Pour avgolemono sauce into the lamb and spinach and stir gently to combine. Serve hot with crusty bread for soaking.

Note: If you wish, you may substitute romaine lettuce for the spinach.

Pairing

Charles de Cazanove Brut Rose Champagne — France — with well-meshed acidity providing a backbone for delicate flavors of dried currant, graphite, green plum, meringue and grapefruit zest. Fresh, smoke-tinged finish.







IN BRIEF

Friends of Chamber Music announces 2016-17 season

TROY— From the opening concert with violinist Rachel Barton Pine and the Trio Settecento playing French baroque music, to the closing concert with the Julliard String Quartet celebrating its 70th year, this year's Friends of Chamber Music season includes several world-renowned ensembles.

The Friends of Chamber Music's 68th season features two early music ensembles, a wind ensemble and three string quartets filling Emma Willard School's Kiggins Hall with harmonies.

The schedule is as follows:

Saturday, Oct. 1 — Trio Settecento, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 12 — Cecilia String Quartet, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 8 — The Aulos Ensemble, 3 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 3 — Calidore String Quartet, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 11 — Pentaedre, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 2 — Julliard String Quartet, 3 p.m.

All concerts are held in Kiggins Hall at Emma Willard, 285 Pawling Ave. in Troy. Season tickets are \$120 for adults and \$60 for students. Single tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for students. Mini subscriptions (three shows) are also available for \$70 (adults) and \$40 (students). For more information, call 833-1874 or visit www.friendsofchambermusic.org.

Los Lobos rolls into The Egg in January

ALBANY — Los Lobos will play The Egg at Albany's Empire State Plaza Sunday, Jan. 29, at 7:30 p.m., as part of the hall's "American Roots & Branches" concert series.

Using musical molds built on the blues, rockabilly, jazz, Latin and their own Mexican-American heritage, Los Lobos is recognized as one of the world's foremost contemporary roots-rock bands.

Tickets are on sale now and are priced at \$34.50, \$39.50 and \$49.50. For more information, call 473-1845 or visit www. theegg.org.

Chris Botti plays Troy Music Hall

TROY—The Troy Savings Bank Music Hall welcomes back jazz trumpeter Chris Botti for a performance on Saturday, Dec. 3, at 8 p.m.

Since the release of his 2004 album "When I Fall in Love," Botti has become the largest-selling American instrumental artist, as well as a Grammy Award-winner. His last record was 2012's "Impressions," which won the Grammy for Best Pop Instrumental Album.

Tickets range in price from \$29 to \$79. Tickets may be purchased at the box office at 30 Second St. in Troy, by phone at 273-0038 or online at www.troymusichall.org.



IN BRIEF

John Briggs appears at The Open Door Bookstore

SCHENECTADY — Author John Briggs will be signing copies of his first picture book, "Leaping Lemmings," Saturday, Sept. 10, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at The Open Door Bookstore and Gift Gallery, 128 Jay St.

"Leaping Lemmings" is the story of an independent lemming who won't jump off cliffs with his friends. Larry the Lemming becomes a hero when he shows others how to think for themselves.

Briggs is a veteran author and editor who has written several biographies. A Pennsylvania native, he has lived in the Capital District for 20 years.

Three Fantastic Events ...

For more information, call The Open Door Bookstore at 346-2719.

Chris Smither to play Saratoga Arts Center

SARATOGA SPRINGS — Veteran songwriter Chris Smither will play a show Oct. 27 at 7 p.m. at the Saratoga Arts Center, 320 Broadway, Saratoga Springs.

Smither's latest release, "Still on the Levee," provides a showcase of his music — from his earliest songs to his most recent. He reconnected with his New Orleans roots by recording at The Music Shed, where guests such as Allen Toussaint, Loudon Wainwright III, Kris Delmhorst and Bonnie Raitt dropped by to lend their talents. This show is produced in conjunction with Caffè Lena. Tickets are \$25 for Caffè Lena members and \$28 for the general public. For more information, call Caffè Lena at 583-0022 or visit www.caffelena.org.

Pearl Palooza strikes downtown Albany

ALBANY — Now we know who'll be playing at Pearl Palooza next month in downtown Albany.

Local and regional bands, Rechorduroys, The Greeting Committee, Bassh, Maybird and Warpaint round out the bill, with New Orleans-based funk band Galactic headlining the evening with a two-hour set.

Pearl Palooza is an all-day musical event

supported by WEQX, Downtown Albany BID and Pearl Street pubs and restaurants. In addition to the music, there will be a variety of food and art vendors from the area.

It all happens Saturday, Sept. 17, between 1 and 8 p.m. throughout Albany's Pearl Street. The event is free and open to all ages. For more information, visit pearlpalooza.com.

Graham Nash visits Troy Music Hall

TROY— Legendary singersongwriter Graham Nash plays the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall Sunday, Oct. 9. Tickets are on sale at the Box Office, by phone at 273-0038 or online at troymusichall.org.



COMING UP...

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy in Troy

TROY - Put on your dancing shoes and join us! Big Bad Voodoo Daddy returns to the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall on Thursday, Nov. 3 at 7:30 p.m.

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy's efforts to promote and revitalize swing music have taken shape as much more than a simple tribute. Taking inspiration from the creators of this

uniquely American art form, the band's original horn-infused music and legendary high energy show introduces the genre to a new and younger generation while remaining cognizant and respectful of the music's rich legacy. Big Bad Voodoo Daddy's first phase of stardom featured an appearance in the 1996 indie film "Swingers."

The band's music has appeared in countless films

for three U.S. Presidents. Big Bad Voodoo Daddy is showing no signs of slowing down, and is looking forward to celebrating its 25th anniversary in 2018.

Single tickets are on sale to the general public via phone, 273-0038, in person, or online at troymusichall.org. More information on the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall and upcoming programs

By JULIA CHRISTOPHER news@spotlightnews.com adies, have you ever stepped out

onto the gym floor, looked at the weights and said to yourself, "I have no idea what to do with all of those?" Or if you are brave enough and pick them up do look around and have that feeling that everyone is staring at you? Or that people are judging you?

Weight lifting has a bad

reputation, and this fitness

trainer explains why it's all unfair

HEALTH & FITNESS

Trust me, I've been there.

The gym floor, especially the weight area, is extremely intimidating. Treadmills and elliptical machines are easy to use and more comfortable for us to work out on so we prefer to stay on those. But ladies, let me tell you, the 30 minutes you will spend today, running the same routine that you have been since the day you joined the gym is the same reason your results have plateaued. Stop frustrating yourself and living in fear!

Four common fears

You're uncomfortable because you're not your "pretty-self", walking around with hair done and make up on.

There are mostly men on the gym floor.

If you don't know how to use weights it makes it more frightening to go up there and try it.

We think, "If I lift heavy weights, I'll get big and bulky."

I was terrified to lift weights when I first joined a gym. But I wasn't getting results anymore from my 30-45 minutes on the treadmill 5 days a week. I knew I needed to bump it to the next level. So what did I do to get over my fear? I worked out with a trainer. He taught

me everything I needed to know about proper form and how to utilize the weight area to its full potential. Also working out with someone makes it more fun because you have someone there to help motivate you. Once I started to feel more comfortable, I ventured off into the scary weight area... alone. But now I feel like I own that gym. This is my place to workout and I don't care if anyone's watching me, because I know I'm kicking my butt and doing a killer workout properly.

My advice to you

Utilize a trainer.

Get toned, lift heavy

Find a workout partner to come with you.

Plan out your workouts so you feel like you're already rehearsed and know exactly where to go and do in the gym.

Face your fear

Another misconception women have about weight training is we will "get big and bulky" instead of a "toned" look. The secret to getting toned is lifting heavy, girlfriends. This is where I found the best results. When you are lifting weights you are utilizing more muscles then if you were just to use a treadmill. Utilizing all of those muscles actually burns more calories and fat. To get to that bulky muscle capacity, you would need to be consuming an overload of excess calories for a long period of time. Plus, women have less testosterone then men, so it's harder for us to grow muscle. You have nothing to worry about! You will start to feel very hungry but that's a good thing! The more you feel hungry the better. This means your metabolism is pumping and working. I like to describe it to my clients as the engine of a car. The more gas you put in your tank, the more it can burn.

Here's to stepping off that treadmill and to getting the results you want!

Julia Christopher is a personal fitness trainer at VENT Fitness in Guilderland.



CONCERT REVIEW No cowboy hat required

Florida Georgia Line comes up to SPAC

By WES VIRGINIA

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SARATOGA SPRINGS - When Florida Georgia Line took the stage at Saratoga Performing Center, it was an entrance that could have made Gene Simmons of Kiss jealous! As the flames rose from the stage and the smoke billowed, Tyler Hubbard and Brian Kelly, who together make up Florida Georgia Line, are lowered down on individual floating stages while belting out their hit "This Is How We Roll." Now don't get me wrong, I totally appreciate the grand "arena" type shows with all of the pyrotechnics, video montages and elaborate lighting you can put together but it's not the mental image I have in my head when I'm going to get my country on. It really made me realize that the genre lines are blurring more than I knew. After all, this is the "new country" which is drawing more rock, pop and rap influences than ever before.

FGL rolled through a trio of hits with "It's Just What We Do," "Round Here," and "Anything Goes" before hitting the crowd with "Dig Your Roots," the title track off its latest release. This was my favorite song of the night with a heartwarming introduction by both Hubbard and Kelly. Okay. Perhaps it was a little sappy, but it worked.

The current radio hit from "Dig Your Roots," "H.O.L.Y." had every fan in the house swaying

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and singing. It was the great moment of the show. At one point FGL played a shortened version of Bob Marley's "Three Little Birds" which was the perfect segue to its party anthem "Sun Dazed" followed by "Get Your Shine On" to finish the set.

The encore brought a special treat of a medley made up of Hubbard and Kelly's nostalgic favorites from the 90s — "Ride Wit Me," Everybody (Backstreets Back), "This Is How We Do It," and "Jump Around" — that deviated a little more away from the Nashville norm. It was a really fun medley that the crowd ate up!

Finally their huge hit Cruise to finishes off the night with a true crowd pleaser. I have to say that these guys gave the audience what they came for and then some! Truly an entertaining show that did it's best to give everyone their money's worth!

There was a moment during this great show that I wasn't thrilled with. When they were introducing their song Smooth, they began to plug their new whiskey by FGL. It might not have bothered me if they didn't

plug it a second time later on. Now I like to support entrepreneurs, but let me find it at the merch table! Other noteworthy observations.....Almost NO

cowboy hats! This really is the new country!

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From page B1 ... Fests for the eyes

of Liberty and Broadway. At the same time, Behind City Hall, you have the aforementioned Greek festival. Now that goes on for three days, accompanied nicely down Jay Street, by Little Italy's annual Italian Festival on that Saturday. Also on Saturday, down in the city's historic Stockade District is the neighborhood's annual art show.

Greek Festival

"We are excited," said Parish Council President Athena Pagnotti. "We have prepared a wonderful venue for your entertainment. Whether it's lamb in the dining room, or souvlaki under the big tent, we have your favorite Greek delicacies."

Live music, folk dancing, arts, crafts, church tours, raffles and authentic Greek food will all be featured throughout the free event.

festival-goers a bit

of Greek tradition.

Festival-goers will find foods and imported goods at the Greek Imports Store and Pastry Booth. It's where to find baklava and galaktoboureko, a popular custard dessert. Even more food has been prepared by parishioners of St. George Greek Orthodox Church, showcased inside the Hellenic Center. Moussaka, chicken souvlaki, lamb shanks yiouvetsi, spanakopita are on the menu.

The St. George Youth Dancers are to perform traditional folk dances throughout the festival. The talented dancing troupe, guided by dance instructor Georgia Tsakopiakos, will perform 40 different dances in costumes representing the homeland. Dancers comprise of different age groups, from as young as 3-years old to 17 and older.

"We perform because we love our church, we love to dance and it is important that we keep our Greek traditions alive," said Tsakopiakos. "Performing at the annual St.

George Greek Festival is our gift to the community at large."

Prometheus is to perform live music starting at 5 p.m. on Friday, and all day Saturday and Sunday. Tours of the century old church, featuring Byzantine iconography and architecture, are scheduled

for the public to view. And, the Agora Marketplace will have on display arts, crafts and religious items available for purchase.

St. George Greek Orthodox holds its 41st Annual Greek Festival Friday, Sept. 9 to Sunday, Sept. 11. Festival hours are 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

The Hellenic Center at 510 Liberty Street hosts the festival directly opposite of the Schenectady County Public Library. The church, itself, is located at 107 "We have prepared a wonderful venue for your entertainment. Whether it's lamb in the dining room, or souvlaki under the big tent, we have your favorite Greek delicacies."

> – Athena Pagnotti St. George Parish Council President

Clinton Street, directly across from the rear entrance of City Hall.

For directions and more information, visit the St. George Greek Orthodox website at www.saintgeorgegoc.com.

"What impresses me is the desire of the parish community to maintain their ethnic heritage," said Delory. "I think it's particularly strong in the Greek community to teach their children the language, their food, the dance, the music. It's very, very strong... I think you can find that in any of the ethnic groups in this area."

Italian Festival

Doreen Ditoro agrees. The owner of Ditoro Funeral Home, at the corner of Schenectady's Little Italy, sees it often. The funeral home has been in the neighborhood for a century, formerly known as the Rossi Funeral Home when Eddie Rossi opened it in 1907. He died nearly 40 years ago, at the age of 102.





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Families researching their family lineage call her on a near regular basis.

"I tell my daughters, I don't care who you date or who you marry, just make sure their family lineage is as important to them as it is to you," said Ditoro.

On Saturday, her tent focuses on the topic of Italian culture and heritage. Genealogists, or the mere curious, won't be disappointed with information from the Italian Heritage Museum and a visits from the Sons of Italy.

But, what would the day be without food?

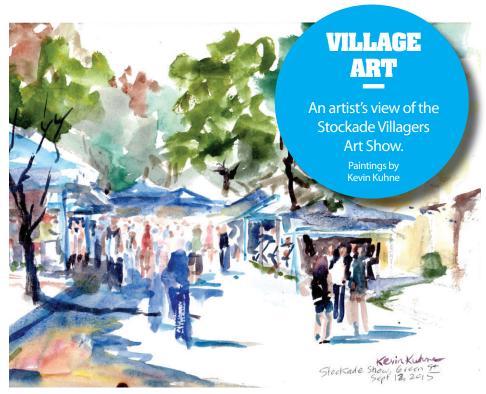
The *festa* includes authentic Italian food from zuppa to arancini; music on two stages, wine, Italian beer, Italian novelties, a homemade wine contest, children's activities and more.

Several restaurants have a collective hand in this year's event, including Babcia's Kitchen at JoJo's with its sausage and peppers, hot dogs and hamburgers. Perreca's Bakery's famous Italian bread, panini, cupcakes and tomato pie will be up for purchase. Civitello's will serve its famous Italian lemon-ice – a recipe that has remained a secret for nearly a century. Cornell's calamari, minestra, and rigatoni Bolognese will be on hand. Saw Mill Tavern will have its bar menu available.

"There's a lot that goes into it," said Ditoro, who chairs the festival's committee. "Everyone on the street has something to do. ... 100 percent involvement.

Stockade Arts Show

The 65th Stockade Arts Show will be



Saturday, Sept. 10, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Front, Green and North Ferry Streets in the historic Schenectady Stockade.

This show in New York State's first historic district was the creation of neighbors 65 years ago got together to create artwork. After a while, they began to show their art annually. Prizes for the show still bear the names of these families: Colangelo (new artist to the show) and Cohen (Best of the Stockade) and are donated by their relatives. Today, artists from all over the region are invited to participate – and may register up to the day of the event. Additional artists are always welcome. There is a separately judged category and special prizes for young artists 8 to 18 years old.

Artwork is for sale and the show is a great place to begin an art collection and meet the artists. The rain date is Sunday, Sept. 11 from noon to 4 p.m.

Original works of fine art (including: drawings, paintings, sculpture, graphics, non-utilitarian textile wall hanging and photography) may be displayed and compete for \$1,200 in cash prizes. Student artists, 8 to 18, will be judged separately for cash prizes.

For information call (518) 952-0946 or visit StockadeArtShow on Facebook.

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Stockade Music Live! shines light on local talent

SCHENECTADY — Stockade Music Live! a new series at Proctors, shines a light on native Schenectady talent, focusing on three intertwined acts at the cutting edge of the region's music scene. Stockade Music Live! will veer from chamber pop to rap to rock/hiphop/jazz fusion and back again.

Justin Friello kicked off the series Aug. 19, with the debut of a new EP and short film, both titled "Jack & Jill."

Scottie Monaco follows Friello on Nov. 4 with the Scottie's Back Tour. Monaco and special guests, including vocalist Alexandra, will mix voices and beats, showcasing Monaco's sophomore release, Jackie, a song cycle dedicated to the performer's recently deceased mother.

The series concludes Jan. 20 with Stockade Kids' Only for a Moment. The popular band of Schenectady High School graduates (which includes Friello and Monaco) has toured across the state; opened for acts like Gin Blossoms and Village People; and took top honors in the 2014 Schenectady County Battle of the Bands.

Only for a Moment will find the group offering new material in preparation for an EP of its own.

All performances take place 7:30 p.m. Fridays at the GE Theatre at Proctors, 432 State Street, Schenectady. Tickets, \$15, are available at the Box Office at Proctors; by phone at (518) 346-6204; and online at proctors.org.









Summer is gone, now it's time to plot out fun activities for fall

By TRESA ERICKSON news@spotlightnews.com

ith the cool breezes and changing colors of fall come many fun outings. From the East Coast to the West Coast, big towns to small, there are a variety of activities and attractions that take place in the fall. Here is general list of some fall outings you might find near you.

Cemetery Tours

With the fall

in temperatures

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We distract you From the coming Fall with a cute and and

some by bus and some by trolley. The tours are usually guided and some may even feature theatrical presentations at gravesites of prominent citizens. Actors may take great pains to provide an accurate portrayal of the citizen they have been assigned.

Corn Mazes

With the fall harvest often comes corn mazes. Some are more complex than others and may provide clues at various junctures to help visitors find their way out. Corn mazes may be part of an orchard's offerings or an annual feature at a nearby farm.

Fairs & Festivals

Fall is the perfect time for fairs and festivals. The weather is nicer, making for greater attendance numbers. Fall festival themes may run the gamut from harvest fruit and ables to historical figures alloween. Offerings may from the typical rides ames to food, contests,

live entertainment and more.

Fall Foliage Tours

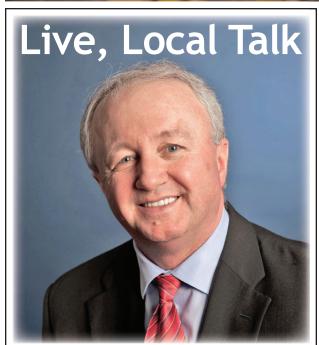
Whether by foot, bike, car, bus or train, hundreds of people take time out of their busy schedules every year to take in the nation's changing color palette. The myriad of reds, yellows, purples, oranges and browns is just too breathtaking not to see. Tours may be guided or self-guided, long or short.

Haunted Houses

Halloween does not come until the end of October, but to get folks in the mood for the holiday, haunted houses may spring up a few weeks before then. Special effects will vary from house to house, community to community, but spectators are sure to get a fright!

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From page B7 ... Art transcends life

how blight impacts the people within the neighborhood, said Albany Mayor Kathy Sheehen.

"There are people living in this neighborhood, and the fact they have to walk by these buildings every day," said Sheehan. "It impacts, in many cases, their attitudes and outlook for the day, not much less than the challenges that these buildings face. They are magnets for problems."

While the downtown areas of Albany, Schenectady and Troy continue to see a revitalization of residential properties in recent years, like many cities throughout the United States, the outlining poorer neighborhoods suffer. Decaying homes are left empty, sometimes becoming havens for criminal activities. "This is about more than just a building," said Sheehan, "this is about the fabric of our cities and our neighborhoods."

The Capital District's work on the Public Art Challenge is in alignment with the work of the Regional Alliance for a Creative Economy's Capital Region Creative Economy Project. The joint application also reflects the growing trend toward collaboration between local cities, municipalities, businesses and nonprofit organizations to encourage projects and initiatives that benefit the entire region.

The Regional Alliance for a Creative Economy is a community-selected assembly of Capital District leaders working on behalf of the region's creative economy. This project operates under the leadership of the Center for Economic Growth and the Community Foundation for the Greater Capital Region.

The Creative Economy of New York's Capital Region encompasses the enterprises and people involved in the origination, production, and distribution of goods and services in which artistic and cultural content gives the product or service value in the marketplace.

"The unintended consequence of this grant is the level of excitement, the level of engagement, that I don't think any one of us [anticipated]," said Schenectady Mayor Gary McCarthy. "Though we were very pleased to get it. It was a big win for the three cities in a national competition, to see the activity going on around here, to see the different groups come together, people who are adding their perspective around the base that's been created, it's great for everyone."

It's hoped that each of the 300 homes targeted for the Breathing Lights project ultimately are turned into vital pieces of an improved community, but the land bank executive understands neighborhoods are challenged by its own problems.

"The way I look at it is, as a land

"This is about more than just a building, this is about the fabric of our cities and our neighborhoods."

— Albany Mayor Kathy Sheehan

bank by ourselves, are we going to solve all the challenges in a community? No," said Zaranko. "But, we are a powerful part of the solution because we can create stable homes and stable neighborhoods, one home at a time. ... We're doing it every day." Coincidentally, Zaranko was approached by the owner of a former land bank home, just three doors down. "The purchaser came running out to show us what he's done. It's really exciting. Each of these homes has a story."















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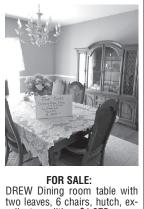
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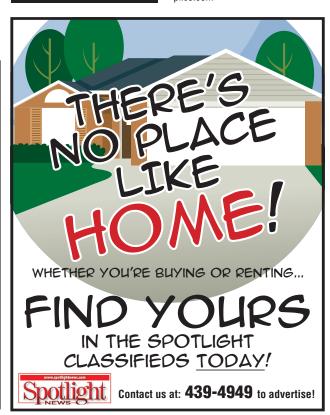
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offerings or an attraction of their own. Some park districts, for example, may offer havrides in conjunction with a mini campout. Families attending could receive a long hayride around the park, followed by hot dogs, marshmallows and ghost stories around the campfire.

Nature Walks

Many towns have nature centers that offer a variety of hands-on displays and animal exhibits indoors, along with nature walks throughout the seasons. Walks may be guided or self-guided. Either way, fall is a great time to take a nature walk and explore the local habitat. Not only are the leaves changing, making for a beautiful backdrop, but wildlife are out and about, preparing for the cold weather to come.

Orchards

Many orchards do not open until the fall when the



pickings are ripe. While some just offer u-pick produce, others provide the complete package, with restaurants, playgrounds, rides, games, corn mazes, petting zoos and more! Visitors may pick apples and then have a mug of hot cider and a slice of warm apple pie from the onsite bakery.

These are just some of the typical fall attractions and activities you might find near you. Be open to the possibilities. You never know what else you might uncover from trolley tours to art shows to theatrical productions.

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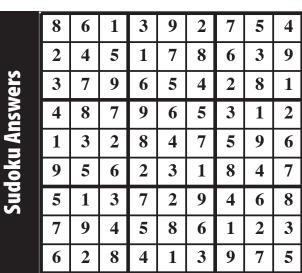
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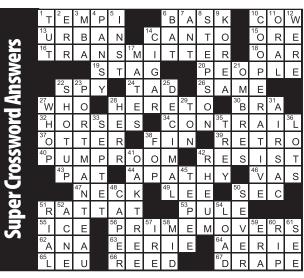
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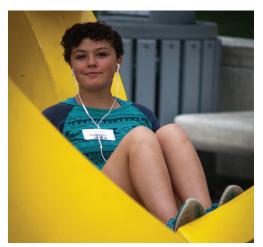
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IN BRIEF

Open house of historic 19 Dove

ALBANY — 19 Dove, the historic former Harmanus Bleecker Library building, will host an open house and art exhibition on Wednesday, Sept. 7 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The event, which is free to attend, will feature a pop-up gallery exhibition curated by the Albany Center Gallery, which is celebrating its fortieth anniversary. Catered food options and carefully crafted local beer, wine, and cider will be available, in addition to a spirits tasting by the Albany Distilling Company. Guided tours will also be available by request.

The 1923-built landmark is home to professional organizations, businesses, and firms and is distinguished in appearance through its mixed Georgian and classical revival architectural style. For the majority of the building's existence, it had served as the main location for the Albany Public Library. In 2002, the building underwent a major renovation that brought it up to twenty-first century standards.

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The 7th annual Pearl Palooza is an all-

day musical event supported by WEQX, Downtown Albany BID and Pearl Street pubs and restaurants.

It all happens Saturday, Sept. 17, between 1 and 8 p.m. throughout Albany's Pearl Street. The event is free and open to all ages. For more information, visit pearlpalooza.com.

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