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Wagoner and Coffey denied Dem line; Wiggand claims Dems broke law

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**BETHLEHEM** — The election season has gotten off to a rough start for the Bethlehem Democratic Committee. BDC leadership has come under fire by members of both political parties and the resulting discourse, much of it on social media, appears to be undermining what might have been a civil and democratic process.

After a state Appellate Court denied an appeal on Thursday, Aug. 24, a small handful of insurgent Democrats have succeeded in ejecting the committee's endorsed candidates from the party's ballot line in November — and avoiding a primary contest altogether. Citing case law, appellate justices upheld the state Supreme Court's finding that an error on certificates substituting two candidates — Giles Wagoner for Brent Meredith in the race for Highway Superintendent and Dan Coffey for Giles Wagoner in the race for Town Board — rendered the certificates invalid and made Wagoner and Coffey ineligible to run on the Democratic line. The finding states that a lack of signatures on the affidavit portion of the certificate was tantamount to not submitting any affidavit, which is required by law.

An Opportunity to Ballot, which would have forced a primary in which voters could have written in the names of the deposed candidates, was also denied. "What the appellate court ruled is, because there in fact will be candidates on the Democratic line in November, Harder and Morin, Democrats are not 'left without a candidate," Coffey said, "and therefore they declined to give me and Giles an OTB."

An appeal for Coffey said he disagrees with the decision, "because, as you know, Harder and Morin are not supported by most of the BDC and we felt we should at least be afforded an opportunity to wage a write-in campaign."

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BDC Chairman Jeff Kuhn points out the timeline events that resulted in what was ultimately viewed as an improperly completed certificate that named its endorsed candidates.

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Fall scholastic sports is coming back into form, gearing up for the upcoming season.

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# Cutting the cord

Bethlehem library considers pulling public access programming

#### **By ALI HIBBS**

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**BETHLEHEM** — During the monthly meeting of the Bethlehem Public Library Board of Trustees on Monday, Aug. 21, Library Director Geoff Kirkpatrick proposed making changes to the free BCN-TV programming that appears on channel 18 for Charter/ Spectrum customers and channel 28 for Verizon FiOS customers. Ideally, he said he would like to eliminate the public access programming for those channels altogether.

While no decisions were made that evening, board members listened to Kirkpatrick's proposal and then to comments made by several community members, as well as Town Supervisor John Clarkson and Bethlehem Central School District Chief Financial Officer Judi Kehoe.

Under Kirkpatrick's proposal, which he would like to begin implementing as early as this fall, the channels would still air town government and school district programming; however, independently produced public access programs would no longer be viewable on cable television. While program producers would still be able to use library equipment to create their various programs — which include religious programming, outreach and educational shows, hyperlocal interest programs, informative broadcasts and more — for distribution online, those programs would no longer appear on the cable channels provided for PEG (Public, Education and Government) programming purposes in Bethlehem.

Community members who spoke at the meeting — most of whom represented programs that would no longer be hosted on the cable channels under the proposed plan — voiced concerns about the loss of an established community resource and about population segments, primarily the elderly, who may not have the same access to online media and represent a large portion of BCN-TV viewership.

According to Kirkpatrick, the proposal

was motivated by challenges currently facing the library's production department — located just inside the building's main entrance, in two small rooms that house the actual studio and an office/workspace

for studio staff. The limited space is one reason he cited for making changes. Another was the resignation of a part-time studio employee, leaving only one full-time studio manager. Rather than replace that employee, which would still leave the studio understaffed, he has suggested implementing a certification program — similar to the 3D printer certification program — that would train library users to operate the available equipment themselves, and allow them to digitally publish their content anywhere online.

"Training classes to educate people about using software and hardware is right in the wheelhouse of the library," said Kirkpatrick. "Increasing technology literacy is a core mission."

Meanwhile, the cable connections, cable-casting equipment and staff office would be moved to another location within the library. The connections and equipment would still be used to broadcast content sent to the library from the town and school district, as well as a community bulletin board produced by the library, on the cable network channels.

Kirkpatrick also cited a lack of funding for maintenance and operation of the equipment necessary to maintain current studio services. While the library currently receives PEG funding (a small fraction of subscriber fees paid to the town as a result of franchise contracts negotiated with cable service providers, \$22,000 to \$24,000 annually, that is apportioned between the library, school district and town to cover equipment costs for the production and delivery of programming), Kirkpatrick said it is not enough to update "critically outdated equipment," nor is it available to use for the maintenance of that equipment, the staff personnel to run it or the utilities to keep it running. He also stated that the "equipment and software support needs are outside the expertise and scope of the IT



Frank DeSorbo, far right, urges members of the Bethlehem Public Library Board of Directors to continue producing his public access program, 'Veterans Next Door.' Photo by Ali Hibbs / Spotlight News

department to maintain appropriately." Marc Gronich, a board member at

Alliance for Community Media NY and the vice-chair of the Albany PEG Oversight Board, spoke at the meeting. "I don't think you've worked hard enough," he said, "and I don't think that you have worked collaboratively with your neighbors here in Colonie, Guilderland and Albany to figure out whether we can have synergy of services.

"Before you go ahead and cut the cord here," said Gronich, "you should really try a little harder to save this Bethlehem cable network TV station. This is worth it."

Joyce Tompkins, of Glenmont, stood up to oppose discontinuing public access programs, saying that many residents stay updated via that channel and, moreover, the religious programming is an important consideration for elderly residents who may be less mobile.

Frank DeSorbo, producer of the program 'Veterans Next Door,' said he didn't understand how the board passed a budget in mid-May, presumably with funds to continue the program, and is now considering eschewing the part-time position altogether, as well as passing up the PEG funding that will be lost if the board votes to implement Kirkpatrick's proposal. (The library would still receive a nominal amount for cable-casting and to produce the community bulletin board.)

"There is a longer term financial issue," Kirkpatrick told *Spotlight* in an email. "Capital costs are fixed expenses. Staff costs are ongoing and ever increasing. New York State has enacted a levy limit on government entities like the library. The board directed me to examine every staff vacancy as they became available. If the workload created by the service is greater than the current staffing levels can meet,

those services require a) greater resources b) efficiencies c) decrease in workload."

The work the studio staff (currently just Janice Irwin) does to compile and prepare the media, then develop, implement and publish the schedule of programming, said Kirkpatrick, is not insubstantial. He said the process is not as streamlined as one might think.

Clarkson stood up and, sympathizing with the board for its difficult job of balancing progress with preservation and limited resources, said that the town would be willing to help if the library needs any assistance going forward. That help, however, is unlikely to extend to taking over the public access production, according to Town Comptroller Michael Cohen, who said the costs would likely be prohibitive.

BCSD's Judi Kehoe spoke as well. Noting that the school district produces its own programming, mostly school board meetings, that it regularly posts online, she said that she knew some district residents still go to BCN-TV for that information, although she was unsure how many. She asked that the library board do some research to understand how many people still rely on the channel before making any irreversible decisions.

"The three main issues relative to the studio are space, cost of production, and cost of scheduling," BPL Board of Trustees President Mary Redmond told *Spotlight* later in an email. "In addition to what was discussed [last] Monday evening, the Board would also like to investigate possible methods to streamline or automate the scheduling process. That discussion is just beginning. As part of the Board's oversight responsibility," she explained, "we are constantly looking for ways to do more with less."



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### No more free rides

Delmar-Bethlehem EMS to begin charging town residents for ambulance services Sept. 1

#### **By ALI HIBBS** *hibbsa@spotlightnews.com*

#### BETHLEHEM

- Starting Sept. 1, the town will begin charging residents for ambulance services provided by Delmar-Bethlehem EMS (DBEMS). Until now, Bethlehem has been the only municipality in the region to waive co-pays and deductibles for residents who use town-contracted ambulance services. Now, say town officials, extra revenue is needed to offset rising costs and the debt service on a recently purchased building on

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Adams Street that will house DBEMS and the Department of Public Works.

The town will still waive costs in excess of \$100 per call, according to the amended contract. A memo sent to the Town Board by Bethlehem Comptroller Michael Cohen stated that the change is expected to net an additional \$46,000 in annual revenue.

Because town residents pay property taxes that support DBEMS, the town has previously waived the collection of all co-pays and deductibles from those residents on the grounds

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that they are already subsidizing those services. When that provision was included in the contract between the town and DBEMS, ambulance rides typically cost \$25 to (in rare cases) \$100, according to Bethlehem Board of Ambulance and EMS Commissioner Terry Hannigan. In recent years, those costs have risen significantly and, in some cases, are in excess of \$1,000. As part of the contract, the town is obligated to compensate DBEMS annually for those waived payments - currently, just under \$200,000 a year.

To mitigate those rising costs, and help cover debt service cost for the bond issues relating to the work on the Adams Street building, approximately \$235,000 annually, the Board of Ambulance Commissioners, along with DBEMS and the Town Comptroller's Office, requested that the Town Board approve an amendment to allow the collection of up to \$100 from residents who utilize DBEMS ambulance services. During the Aug. 23 Town Board meeting, Supervisor John Clarkson,



Taking a ride in one of these will no longer be free for Bethlehem residents beginning Sept. 1.

Facebook photo

along with board members Giles Wagoner, Julie Sasso and Joyce Becker, approved that request after Hannigan and Cohen answered several questions put to them by Becker.

Regarding how the fees will be collected, Hannigan explained that the payments would be pursued and collected, by DBEMS, following protocols established within the contract. "I don't foresee this as opening up a run on bill collectors throughout the town." He explained that there are a variety of payment options already in place, including a hardship option should a resident be unable to pay.

Hannigan acknowledged



that the change could create difficulties for some residents. "It's not as beneficent to residents as a complete waiver," he said. "But, it does address a problem that did not exist when we introduced the complete waiver."

"We considered a number of different options," Hannigan said, noting that DBEMS and the comptroller's office were involved in the various conversations that took place to determine how to address the issue of the lost revenue. "We came to the conclusion that an equitable way to initially address the problem would be to get rid of the waiver of co-pays for the first \$100."

He added that another consideration had been to do away with the waiver altogether.

"It's not a thrilling prospect," he said, "because it's going to cost town residents who use the service if they have a copay or a deductible, but it doesn't create the hardship that [it would] if we eliminate it in its entirety... So it's an effort to address a burgeoning problem that did not exist at the inception of our contractual relationship with Delmar-Bethlehem EMS. It seems to be a fair compromise for all the parties concerned." The Board of

Ambulance and EMS Commissioners will continue to monitor the new system, said Hannigan, to appraise whether projected revenues are accurate and identify any issues that may arise.



#### Thruway traffic stop leads to drug possession arrest

BETHLEHEM -

On Saturday, Aug. 26, at approximately 4:50 a.m., State Police reportedly stopped a vehicle on I-87, in the City of Albany for a speeding violation. During the trooper's interview of the driver and several occupants, probable cause to search the vehicle and its occupants was allegedly established. One of the passengers, Kunta K. Mason, age 40, of Kingston, was reportedly found to be in possession of approximately 6.7 grams of crack-cocaine. He was taken into custody and subsequently charged with criminal possession of a controlled substance in the fourth degree; a class C felony.

Mason was arraigned in the Town of Bethlehem Court the same day, and remanded to Albany County jail without bail. A return court date was set for Wednesday, Aug. 30 at 12:30 p.m.



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### **From page 1 ...** Dems da breaks

"We are disappointed in the decision," said BDC Chairman Jeff Kuhn. "A technical irregularity with respect to the location of signatures on a piece of paper has resulted in Democratic voters being deprived of their right to determine our party's nominees for Town Board and highway superintendent. That the two default Democratic candidates, Mr. Morin and Mr. Harder, are supported by and (at least in Mr. Morin's case) apparently cooperating with rightwing elements in our community is especially troubling."

What Kuhn was referring to is a video taken by Morin during an Aug. 10 committee meeting convened to discuss the series of events leading to the suit, filed by Morin and Harder, that ultimately expelled the party's committee-endorsed candidates from its ballot line.

Almost two weeks after that meeting, Keith Wiggand, a former Bethlehem Republican Committee Chair, posted a portion of the video on Facebook and announced he was calling for an investigation into potential criminally fraudulent behavior by BDC leadership. The video shows Kuhn attempting to explain to committee members the sequence of events leading up to that moment. The committee had been under pressure to select substitutions with expediency, he said, because one of the committee members, Pam Skripak, "was going to be out of

the country for a very significant portion of the time between July 11 and July 21."

Because the committee filed notarized documents dated July 11 and bore Skripak's signature, Wiggand took Kuhn's statement to mean that Skripak was not in the country on July 11 and, therefore, that the documents were forged or illegally notarized. While he filed a complaint with the Albany County Board of Elections, elections commissioners declined to investigate the matter, saying that it could easily be handled by State Police. Wiggand told Spotlight he intends to go to them as well. "I'm hoping somebody gets arrested and maybe a couple of lawyers get disbarred," he said.

Kuhn maintains that he meant Skripak would be out of town for some of the time between July 11 and July 21 (which is when filing deadlines fell), not the entire time. Several committee members have confirmed that they saw her on July 11 at Joanne Cunningham and Brent Meredith's home, where she signed the documents in question. Skripak herself has said she will happily provide proof of her travel arrangements. Unmoved, Wiggand said he will let investigators decide if there was any wrongdoing.

Presiding over the Facebook page 'Bethlehem Resident News,' Wiggand has been ruffling the feathers of the town's Democratic leadership for months, posting incendiary diatribes about the actions of town government and, more recently, targeting the committee's internal turmoil.

When committee members composed a Facebook rebuttal criticizing Wiggand as an "internet troll" and urging residents not to confuse his page for legitimate or official news, he accused them of treading on his first amendment rights. He was upset that they referenced his departure from the town's Republican Committee in 2004, when he resigned his chairmanship and state-appointed job at the same time that the inspector general's office was investigating him for misusing state resources. (Thirteen years later, Wiggand said that he left both positions without being asked to leave, claiming, "I had just had enough of the politics and got out." It was reported at the time that, under the threat of termination, he refused to return a stateowned computer and resigned five days later before being fired.)

Wiggand told Spotlight that the committee's Facebook post, in part, spurred him to charge its members with criminal fraudulence when and how he did. "They made a big mistake by going after a private citizen personally. I have a constitutional right to have my opinions on political matters," he said, implying that the committee's post on Facebook was intended to stifle his freedom of speech.

"He clearly doesn't understand the first amendment," said Kuhn, pointing out that the post did not have the effect of silencing Wiggand, but essentially returned fire using the same social media platform he so often wields. When Wiggand initially released the video segment, Morin denied providing him with the recording. In a text message exchange at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 21, after being asked whether he had sent the video to Wiggand, Morin responded, "What? And

what video?" Morin repeatedly denied that it was his recording over the course of another text message exchange around 8:30 p.m. last Monday, saying, "No it was not me," and implying he could produce a different recording taken from his phone. He was invited to do so.

On Tuesday night, Morin sent the following email to *Spotlight* (and asked that it be reported in its entirety, without edits):

"When you recently texted me, I was half asleep. Of course, I shared the video with Keith. When I found out that what Dan Coffey and Jeff Kuhn did with the certificates of substitution was criminal, I provided the video to my lifelong friend whom I knew would ensure that the criminality would be properly investigated instead of swept under the rug. I may have acted out of annoyance and spoke rashly to you via text, and for that I apologize to you, the Democratic Committee, Democratic voters and all of Bethlehem's citizens. I am not perfect, but if the citizens of Bethlehem elect me as their highway superintendent, I will work with David Van Luven and the new Democratic Town Board to restore the quality of service in the highway department that we all have missed during the past four years."

Morin was passed over for endorsement in the last election cycle and

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again earlier this year. He has voiced dissatisfaction with the way the Highway Department, where he has worked for 13 years, is currently run. After he declined to re-submit his name in the wake of Meredith's declination, he and Harder worked with Elections Commissioner Matt Clyne to file the suit that got Wagoner and Coffey tossed off the ballot line. Clyne, who lost leadership of the committee to Kuhn several years ago, told Spotlight that he alerted Morin and Harder to the mistake on the filed certificates but neglected to tell Wagoner, Coffey or any BDC member, which may have given them an opportunity to fix the error. "I didn't have to tell

"I didn't have to tell them," said Clyne. "It was a judgment call." He said he disapproved of the way committee leadership had selected substitute candidates.

Wiggand, so often at odds with Bethlehem Democrats, has seemingly crossed party lines to take up the cause of Morin and Harder, men he characterizes as victims of a party leadership intent on silencing any voices of dissent.

BDC members argue that, contrary to silencing anyone, each potential candidate was given the opportunity to make his case before the committee voted on which one they would support in May. In that vote, and another one in August, the committee overwhelmingly chose not to support Morin or Harder.

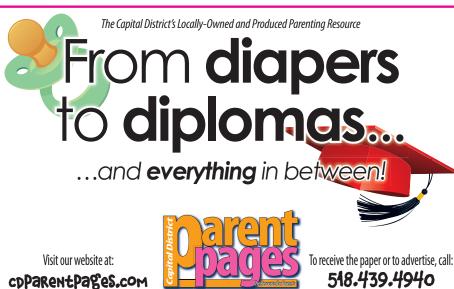
"While Giles and I are disappointed the Democratic voters of Bethlehem are denied the opportunity to vote at a Sept. 12 primary, we remain on the November ballot on the Working Families line," said Coffey after the hearing the appellate court's decision. We will continue to campaign hard, as we feel we are the best candidates for these two positions and the voters of Bethlehem will ultimately choose the best persons for the jobs regardless of where the names happen to appear on the ballot."

The full Bethlehem Democratic Committee will meet on Thursday, Sept. 14 to discuss how to approach the impending general election and decide whether to support Wagoner and Coffey on the WFP line, and risk splitting votes, or support the candidates who will appear on their party's line, which seems unlikely in light of recent events.

"In the meantime," said Coffey, "I will continue to go door-to-door and discuss issues of concern to Bethlehem's citizens."

As of Friday, Aug. 25, Kuhn said he had heard nothing about a possible BCI investigation regarding the statements he made on Morin's video — and didn't expect that he would. On Sunday, Wiggand stated that he filed the complaints on the week of Aug. 21, but was informed it could take a while before he receives a response.

"We look forward to working with the presumptive new town supervisor, David VanLuven, the new town council, responsible Democratic committee members and rank-and-file voters," said Morin and Harder in a joint press release on Saturday, Aug. 26, "to ensure quality of life in Bethlehem by restoring competence and integrity to Democratic town government.





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#### OBITUARIES

#### Flanigan, John H., Jr.

**SLINGERLANDS** - John H. Flanigan Jr., 83, passed away peacefully on Monday, August 21, 2017. He was born in Albany and spent his life in Slingerlands. John was an active member of the Slingerlands Fire Department, since 1954, serving as a chief and a commissioner, warmly known as "Father" to his fellow members. He retired as building inspector for the Town of Bethlehem. John was an active member of many Fire and Building Organizations in New York and represented New York well through out the United States. John also served in the United States Army. John enjoyed his many rounds of golf, the New York Yankees, weekly outings, listening to military bands, and most importantly, spending time with family and friends, especially "Sunday dinners."

He is survived by his daughters, Reenie Kleinke (Edward), Slingerlands, Kristi Malsan (Stephen),

Slingerlands and Kelli Flanigan-Sargent, Taunton, Mass.; grandchildren, Kendra Mesko (Ryan), Jonathan Malsan, Brian Malsan, Mitchell Payne and Mikayla Payne; his love, and long time partner and friend, Barbara Asprion; and his brother Michael (Linda), Canandaigua. John also leaves behind many great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. John was predeceased by his parents, Maurie and John Flanigan, Slingerlands; and his brothers, Richard and Robert. Relatives and friends were invited to call on Friday, August 25, from 4 to 8 p.m. at St. Thomas the Åpostle Church, 35 Adams Pl., Delmar. A funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, August 26, at the church. Burial followed in St. Agnes Cemetery, Menands. In lieu of flowers, contributions in John's memory may be made to Slingerlands Fire Department, P.O. Box 99, Slingerlands, NY 12159.

#### Lornell, Betty Jane

SANDWICH, Mass. — Betty Jane "BJ" Lornell, 93, of Sandwich and formerly of Yarmouth Port, died Friday August 18, 2017, at the Decatur House in Sandwich.

She was the wife of the late Wallace "Wally" M. Lornell, who died in 2011. Together they moved to Heatherwood in Yarmouth Port in 2007 from Delmar, N.Y. She attended Northside Methodist Church in

#### Wright, William Edgar, Jr.

LEANDER, Texas - William Edgar Wright Jr. recently celebrated his 85th birthday and passed away peacefully on August 21, 2017. He was born on August 16, 1932, in Albany, to the late Zilpha and William Edgar Wright Sr. William was born and raised in Delmar. In 2007, William and his wife, Maureen, relocated to Leander, Texas. He is survived by his loving wife of 48 years, Maureen Elizabeth Wright; father of, Rhonda Lynn Farley, David Wright, Stephen Wright; father to, Debora Elizabeth Wright, Jeffrey Leonard Blodgett, Ronald Scott Blodgett; as well as many grandchildren and greatgrandchildren. William was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Clifford Francis Wright. He had 54 total years of volunteer fire fighting and rescue squad service. William

Brewster until 2013, when she moved to Sandwich to live at the Decatur House.

BJ was born into a farming family in Chaska, Minn. She had a profound commitment to the cause of social justice. A lifelong member of Planned Parenthood, BJ had a long career in social work. During her retirement, she devoted herself to the hospice movement as a volunteer. She is survived by her three children, Gretchen Precey of London, England, Kip of Silver Spring, Md., and Eric of Sandwich. She is also survived by seven grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

A memorial service to celebrate BJ's life will be held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, September 30, 2017 in the Decatur House, 176 Main St., Sandwich, MA 02563.

served 19 years as first assistant chief and exempt firefighter in the Elsmere Fire Department. He served 35 years in the Delmar Fire Department, serving as past chief and chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners. He served on the board of Fire Commissioners for 12 years. He resigned as president when he moved to Texas. William was also the past president of the Albany County Volunteer Fireman's Association and life member, Albany County representative for the New York Fire Chiefs Association (10 years), financial secretary for the Hudson Mohawk Volunteer Firefighters Association and held title of financial secretary emeritus (23 years) and life member of Hudson Mohawk and past member of Hudson Valley Volunteer Firefighter Association.

William retired in 1988 after 38 years (Quarter Century Club) with Capital Newspapers as the circulation branch manager, as well as retiring in 1998 from Bethlehem Central School as a bus driver. He volunteered as a Coach for Tri-Village Little League and Bowling Coach at Del Lanes for 16 years. Memorial services were held on Saturday, August 26, at Christ Episcopal Church, Cedar Park, Texas, with Reverend Dr. Trawin Malone officiating. In lieu of flowers, contributions in memory of William Edgar Wright Jr., may be sent to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation at JDRF.com. Arrangements under the direction of Beck Funeral Home, 1700 E. Whitestone, Cedar Park, Texas 78613 (512) 259-1610. Online guest registry at beckchapels.com









### HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

# Fall athletic season kicks off

Teams from across the Capital District are prepping for the fall sports season which kicks off within the next week or so depending on which team is taking the field.

The Bethlehem Eagles football team hosted a scrimmage on Saturday, Aug. 26 against CBA. While the teams were hitting hard, there was no score kept and each squad swapped offense and defense for a set number of plays.

It was an opportunity for the players (and coaches, refs and photographers) to get back into the feel of real game time speed and action.

The high school football season kicks off on Friday, Sept. 1 with Bethlehem hosting Colonie and CBA travelling to Shaker.

On Friday, Aug. 25, the Bethlehem boys soccer squad scrimmaged Ichabod Crane, while the girls soccer and field hockey teams held practices earlier in the day.

The Bethlehem boys soccer team kicked off its season with a trip to Ballston Spa on Tuesday, Aug. 29, while the girls hosted Ballston Spa on the same day.

The field hockey team played Queensbury on Monday, Aug. 28 in a non-league match up at home, and will play the season's first league game at Columbia today.

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#### TOWN OF BETHLEHEM Albany County -New York ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS Notice of Public

#### HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem. Albanv County, New York will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, September 6, 2017 at 7:00 PM, at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Del-mar, New York, to take action on an application submitted by Daniel Lucarelli for an area variance located at 44 Mc-Cormack Road, Slinger-

Applicant is The proposing construction of a shed located in the front yard Under Article V, Section 128-30 C. an accessory structure may not be located in the front yard of the proper-

David Devaprasad Chairman Board of Appeals D-161165

62 SPRING ST., LLC Articles of Org. filed NY State (SSNY) of Sec. 8/2/17. Office in Albany Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to c/o Ignatius Calabria, 471 State St., Al-bany, NY 12203. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

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D-159870 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#### TOWN OF BETHLEHEM ALBANY COUNTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 6:00pm, at Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY to solicit comment on the application to rezone 657 Delaware Ave. from Core Residential to Hamlet District. All parties in interest

and citizens will have an opportunity to be heard at the said hearing. BY ORDER OF TH TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM THE

Nanci Moguin TOWN CLĖRK Date: 08/24/2017 C-161781

LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Formation 83 COLUMBIA ST., LLC. Art. of org. filed Secy. of State NY (SSNY) 8/14/16. Off. loc. in Al-bany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of pro-cess to: The LLC, PO Box 8781, Albany, NY 12208. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

#### D-161160 NOTICE OF FORMATION

**OF LIMITED LIABILITY** COMPANY. NAME: NAME: 96 Kenwood, LLC. Articles of Organi-zation were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on August 7, 2017. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been desig-nated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the LLC c/o Michelle H. Wildgrube, Esq., Cioffi Slezak Wildgrube P.C., 1473 Erie Boulevard, 1st Floor, Schenectady, New York 12305. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. D-160252

#### Notice of Formation of CMQ CONSULTING,

LLC. a Domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/14/2017. Office location: County Albany. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 51 Honey-suckle Way, Glenmont, NY 12077. Purpose: any

lawful purpose. D-159085

Notice of Formation of DAVCO MASONRY, LLC, a Domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York

LEGALS (SSNY) on 10/16/2013. Office location: County Albany. SSNY is of designated as agent of LLC upon whom pro-cess may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 2107 4<sup>th</sup> Av-Watervliet, NY Purpose: any enue, 12189. lawful purpose. D-160649

NOTICE OF FILING OF **ARTICLES OF** ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK **BY A LIMITED** 

LIABILITY COMPANY Name: E.F. Williams L.L.C. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 7/21/17. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of pro-cess. SOS shall mail copy of process to 1072 Troy-Schenectady Rd, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. D-158731

#### Notice of Formation of **EXPERTPOWER BY** SATEC, LLC.

Arts. of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 07.14.17. Office location, County of Albany. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o SATEC, Inc., 10 Milltown Court, Union, NJ 07083. Purpose: any lawful act. D-158452

#### FLINT MINE SOLAR, LLC Foreign LLC Notice of

**NY Publication** Pursuant to Section 802 of the Limited Liability

Company Law Flint Mine Solar, LLC App. For Auth. filed NY Dept of State on 7/11/17. Juris and date of org: DE 5/10/17. County of loc: Albany County Cty. Princ. bus. loc. 2021 Western Ave. Ste. 105A, Albany, NY 12203. Sec. of State designated as agent of foreign LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The Sec. of State shall mail a copy of process to the LLC 2021 Western Ave., Ste 105A, Albany, NY 12203. Addr. of Foreign LLC in DE is 850 New Burton Road, Ste. 201 Dover, DF 19904, Auth Officer in DE where Cert of Form. filed: Jeffrey W Bullock, Sec. of State of the State of DE, Division

of Corporations, P.O. Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. Purpose: All legal purposes. Filer: Lavelle & Finn, LLP, 29 British American Bl., Latham, NY 12110 D-158336

#### **NOTICE OF FORMATION** TY COMPANY

Froggie LLC, filed with Secy, Of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/24/17. Office in Albany Co. SSNY designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 6 Archibald St. Watervliet. NY 12189. Purpose: Rental Property D-161951

#### LEGALS NOTICE OF FILING OF **ARTICLES OF** ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK **BY A LIMITED** LIABILITY COMPANY Name: General Control Systems Operations,

LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 7/28/17. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of pro-cess. SOS shall mail copy of process to 60 Cohoes Avenue, Green Island, NY 12183. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. D-159407 **NOTICE OF FILING** 

#### **OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW** YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Name: General Controls, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 7/24/17. Office location: SOS Albany County. is designated as agent of LLC for service process. SOS shall of mail copy of process to 60 Cohoes Avenue, Green Island, NY 12183. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity D-158929

#### **NOTICE OF FORMATION** OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

The name of the LLC is Grady Van Wormer Con-tracting, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on 8/10/2017. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 213 Street Watervliet, 21st NY 12189 D-160562

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Green Kulture, LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/04/2017. Office: Albany County. designated as SSNY agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of pro-cess to the LLC, NORTHWEST RETERED AGENT LLC REGIS-90 STATE STREET SUITE 700, OFFICE 40 ALBANY, NY 12207 Purpose: Any lawful purpose

#### D-161004

NOTICE OF FORMATION of HEAD HEART HANDS CONSULTING LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the SSNY on 05/22/2017. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 33 Balboa Drive, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: Any lawful purpose D-158340

#### To place your Legal Notice: Call 439-4949

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Limited Liability **Company (LLC)** 1. The name of the LLC is: HELPSCO, LLC The date of the filing of the Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State of the State of

New York (SSNY) is: 08/18/2017 3. The office within New York State the LLC is located in is Albany County. 4. The SSNY is desig nated as agent of the

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LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him or her is: Helpsco, LLC

P.O. Box 612 Slingerlands, New York 12159 5. The specific date upon which the LLC is to dissolve is: NONE

6. The purpose of the business of the LLC is: any lawful business of purpose. D-161447 HUDSON ENERGY

ENTERPRISES, LLC Foreign LLC Notice of **NY Publication** Pursuant to Section 802 of the Limited Liability

Company Law Hudson Energy Enter-prises, LLC App. For Auth. filed NY Dept of State on 7/11/17. Juris and date of org: DE 5/10/17. County of loc: County Albany Cty Princ. bus. loc. 2021 Western Ave., Ste. 105A, Albany, NY 12203. Sec. of State designated as agent of foreign LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The Sec. of State shall mail a copy of process to the LLC 2021 Western Ave., Ste. 105A, Al-bany, NY 12203. Addr. of Foreign LLC in DE is 850 New Burton Road Ste. 201, Dover, DE 19904. Auth. Officer in DE where Cert of Form. filed: Jeffrey W. Bullock, Sec. of State of the State of DE, Division of Corporations, P.O. Box 898, Dover. DE 19903. Purpose: All legal purposes. Filer: Lavelle & Finn,

Bl., Latham, NY 12110 D-158335 Notice of formation of Integrative Studio, LLC. Arts. of Org. were filed with the SSNY on 07/20/2017. Office: Albany County. SSNY has designated as been agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process served to: The LLC, 18 Dumbarton Drive, Del-mar, NY 12054. Purpose: any lawful act.

OF LIMITED LIABILITY **COMPANY (LLC)** The name of the LLC is J P COLE, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on July 26, 2017. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any law-ful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany Coun-The Secretary of ty.

State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 829 Lancaster Street, #1, Albany, New York 12203. D-159301

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#### NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

The name of the Limited Liability Company is JC & PF, LLC 2. The Articles of orga-

nization of the Limited

D-160575

Notice of formation of

MIRACLE MAX HOME

SOLUTIONS, LLC.

Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/05/17.

Office: Albany County.

SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon

whom process against it

may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of pro-cess to the LLC, 24 Pinewood Ave FI 2, Al-bany, NY 12208. Pur-page Apy lawful accord

pose: Any lawful pur-

NOTICE OF FORMATION

OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY.

NAME: MURPHY ROSE,

LLC. Articles of Organi-

zation were filed with the

Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on Au-

gust 9, 2017. Office lo-

cation: Albany County.

SSNY has been desig-nated as agent of the

LLC upon whom pro-

cess against it may be served. SSNY shall mail

a copy of process to the

LLC, 26 Longmeadow Drive, Delmar, New York

12054. Purpose: Real

Notice of Formation

of N Train Productions

LLC, a Domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC).

Articles of Organization

filed with the Secretary of State of New York

(SSNY) on 12/9/2016.

Office location: County of Albany. SSNY is des-ignated as agent of LLC

upon whom process

may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of pro-

cess to: 90 State Street

STE 700 Office 40 Al-bany, NY 12207. Pur-pose: any lawful pur-

**OTACOS EAST** 

VILLAGE, LLC

Any lawful purpose.

PEPIN'S

PROPERTIES LLC

Articles of Org. filed NY

Sec. of State (SSNY)

8/1/17. Office in Albany

Co. SSNY desig. agent

of LLC upon whom pro-

cess may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of

process to 2533 Þítkin

Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11208, which is also the

principal business loca-

tion. Purpose: Any law-

NOTICE OF FORMATION

**OF LIMITED LIABILITY** 

COMPANY.

Name: R&B1 ENTER-PRISES LLC. Articles of

ful purpose.

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D-160744

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D-158993

Liability Company were filed on 7/20/2017 with the New York Secretary of State. 3. The office of the Limited Liability Company is located in Albany Coun-

4. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the Limited Liability Company upon whom process against it may be served. 5. The Secretary of

State shall mail a copy of process served to the Limited Liability Compa-ny to P.O. Box 326, Slingerlands, NY 12159. 6. The latest date to dissolve is indefinite. The purpose of the

Limited Liability Company is to conduct all lawful activity. D-159379

#### NOTICE OF FORMATION **OF LIMITED LIABILITY** COMPANY.

NAME: Kenwood Oakwood, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York of New State (SSNY) on August 7, 2017. Office location: Al-(SSNY) bany County. SSNY has designated as been agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the LLC c/o Michelle H. Wildgrube, Esq., Cioffi Slezak Wildgrube P.C., 1473 Erie Boulevard, 1st Floor, Schenectady, New York 12305. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. D-160260

Notice of Formation of La Luce Boutique, LLC, a Domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/31/2017. Office location: County of Albany. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of pro-cess to: 248 Lark Street Albany, NY 12210. Purpose: any lawful pur-

NOTICE OF FORMATION Lodgings Lemonade LLC, a domestic LLC, Articles of Organization filed with the SSNY on 6/20/2017. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 50 Traditional Lane, Loudonville, New York, 12211. General Purposes. C-159778

#### www.spotlightnews.com

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#### Notice of Formation

Resolute Tattoo. ot LLC, a Domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/19/2017. Office location: County Albany. SSNY is of designated as agent of LLC upon whom pro-cess may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 234 Ken-wood Ave, Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: any lawful purpose. D-159651

#### Notice of Formation Of Limited Liability

Company Pursuant to Section 206 of the New York Limited Liability Law

a. The name of the Limited Liability Company is RW Property Management LLC.

b. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State in June 17, 2016.

c. The Office of the Limited Liability Compa-ny will be located in Albany County.

d. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the Limited Liability Company upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Limited Liability Company served upon him or her: William Pfeiffer

20 Corporate Woods Blvd. Albany, NY 12211

e. The Limited Liability Company is formed for any lawful business purpose or purposes. D-158334

#### NOTICE OF FORMATION **OF SeerNova Comics LLC**

Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 8/18/2017. Office in Al-Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law bany Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon First, the name of the limited liability com-pany is SeerNova whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail Comics LLC. copy of process to 638 Nostrand Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11216. Purpose:

Second, the articles of organization were filed with the New York Department of State on August 11, 2017.

Third, the County in which the limited liability company is located is Schenectady County. New York.

Fourth, The Secretary of State of the State of New York has been designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The principal address of the limited liability company is 1009 Bruce Lane, Schenec-

tady, New York 12303. Fifth, the purpose of the company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited

pose. D-159491 D-159081 NOTICE OF FORMATION

LLP, 29 British American

#### COMMUNITY

#### Time running out to apply for state trooper entrance exam

ALBANY — The New York State Police remind the public that there are only two days remaining to apply for the new state trooper entrance examination, which will be held this fall. Online applications for the exam must be submitted before Friday, Sept. 1; interested candidates can sign up at www. nytrooper.com. Applicants must be between the ages of 20 and 29 (with the exception of applicants who have been active in the federal military); a New York resident with a valid driver's license; be able to pass a physical ability test; possess a high school degree and have completed 60 college accredited hours (with some exceptions); and successfully complete a medical examination.



upon graduation from NYSP Academy in Albany.

The entrance exam will be held on four consecutive Saturdays: Oct. 7, Oct. 14, Oct. 21, and Oct. 28, at several convenient locations around the state. Candidates man choose which date they wish to test on.

Opportunities with NYSP include training and membership in specialized units, as well as advancement through the State Police ranks. Some of the specialized areas of expertise include positions such as crime

scene evidence technicians, K-9 handlers, and firearms instructors. Troopers are also eligible for assignments to specialized details and units including: the Aviation Unit; the Dive Team; the Special Operations Response Team; the Community Narcotics Enforcement Team; and the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit. Troopers may also choose to pursue assignments as investigators in the Bureau of

Results from the examination will establish an eligibility list that may remain in effect for a minimum of four years.

Criminal Investigation.

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ignated as the place of

mortgaged premises.

Dated: May 12, 2017

Mark K. Broyles, Esq

LLP

Rochester,

232-7400

Block: 3

Lot: 37

herein.

TO THE DEFENDANT, the plaintiff makes no

personal claim against you in this action.

To the above named de-

fendants: The foregoing

upon you by publication

pursuant to an order of HON. DAVID A. WEIN-

STEIN, Justice of the

Supreme Court of the State of New York, dated

July 20, 2017 and filed

along with the support-

ing papers in the AL-BANY County Clerk<sup>II</sup>s

Office. This is an action

to foreclose a Mortgage.

ALL that piece or parcel of land, together with

the buildings and im-

provements thereon. sit-

uated in the City of Al-

served

summons is

Telephone No.

Section: 65.21

14614

Prospective applicants may apply online or obtain additional information about becoming a New York State Trooper by calling 1-866-NYSP-EXAM.

#### **Donations sought for Grange sale**

**BETHLEHEM** — The Bethlehem Grange No. 137 seeks gently used or new items to be donated to the organization's upcoming Giant Sale on Fri., Sept. 8, and Sat., Sept. 9, at The Grange. Items sought include:

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•Tools	
• Toys	

- Small
- furniture
- Collectibles
- Antiques
- Household

- Craft items
- items

- Music items

• Glassware

• Housewares

• Dishes

- - Books • Jewelry

• Linens

• Fabric

• Yarn

items and more!

• China

items

• Christmas

• Decorative

NO televisions, computers or tires, please!

Proceeds from the Giant Sale will be used to cover the costs of both ongoing maintenance and major repairs at the Grange Hall, which is listed on the National Historic Registry.

The Bethlehem Grange No. 137 is among the oldest grange organizations at 143 years old, with the National Grange celebrating its 150th anniversary this year.

To arrange delivery or pick-up of your donations please call any of the following:

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111 HUNTER AVENUE,

Tax Map/Parcel ID No .:

Section: 65.21 Block: 3

Lot: 37 of the CITY of ALBANY, NY 12206

ALBANY NY 12206

NY 12212-2905.

ty amount. school taxes

Michelle Curtis

Tax Collector

DATED:

D-161168

2017

<u>2017</u>.

penalty will apply for payment from October 1 through October 31,

2017, please reference school tax bill for penal-

turned over to the Al-

bany County Treasurer on November 15, 2017.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

NAME: TOWN CENTER

Partnership was filed with the Secretary of State of New York

Office location: 1704 Western Avenue, City and County of Albany,

New York 12203.

**COMPANY, L.P.** Certificate of Limited

on July

SSNY has been des-

ignated as agent of the Limited Partnership

upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy

of process to Limited Partnership at PO BOX

Unpaid

will be

August 23,

D-159950

Carol Carpenter at (518) 438-8862, Vern Starr at (518) 567-4294, Caroline Wirth at (518) 424-4953 or Jo Downey at (518) 767-2985.

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liability companies may be organized under the New York Limited Liabilitv Law. D-160888

Notice of Formation of Shannon P Smith Interiors, LLC, a Domestic teriors, LLC, a Domestic Limited Liability Compa-ny (LLC). Articles of Or-ganization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 4/21/2017. Office loca-tion: County of Albany. SSNY is designated as SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Shannon P Smith Interi-ors, LLC c/o United Coorporatiion, states 7014 13th ave STE 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228-1604. Purpose: any lawful purpose. D-161006

#### SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS Index No. 901602-17 STATE OF NEW YORK SUPREME COURT -COUNTY OF ALBANY

KEYBANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff,

THE HEIRS AT LARGE OF CATHERINE SZCZEPANIAK A. A/K/A CATHERINE ANN SZCZEPANIAK CATHERINE A/K/A FARMER A/K/A CATHERINE ANN FARMER, deceased, and all persons who are huswidows. bands. grantees, mortgagees, lienors, heirs, devisees, distributees, successors in interest of such of them as may be dead, and their husbands and distributees and successors of interest of all of whom and whose names and places are unknown to Plaintiff; THE HEIRS AT LARGE OF EDWARD SZCZEPANIAK A/K/A ED-WARD RAYMOND SZCZEPANIAK A/K/A ED-WARD R. SZCZEPANI-AK, deceased, and all persons who are husbands. widows,

#### LEGALS grantees, mortgagees, lienors, heirs, devisees, distributees, successors in interest of such of them as may be dead,

and their husbands and wives, heirs, devisees, distributees and successors of interest of all of whom and whose names and places are unknown to Plaintiff; THEODORE SZCZEPANIAK; HARRI-ET SZCZEPANIAK; NEW YORK STATE DEPART-OF TAXATION FINANCE-TAX MENT AND COMPLIANCE DIVISION-UNITED CO-ATC; CO-AIC; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; NEW YORK STATE DE-PARTMENT OF TACA-TION AND FINANCE; CITIBANK, N.A.; DJOHN DOED AND DJANE DOED said names being fictitious, it being the intention of Plaintiff to desig-nate any and all occu-pants of premises being foreclosed herein,

Defendants. Mortgaged Premises: 111 HUNTER AVENUE, ALBANY NY 12206 TO THE ABOVE NAMED

DEFENDANT(S): YOU ARE HEREBY SUM-MONED to answer the Complaint in the above entitled action and to serve a copy of your An-swer on the plaintiff[]s attorney within twenty (20) days of the service of this Summons, exclu-sive of the day of ser-vice, or within thirty (30) days after service of the same is complete where service is made in any manner other than by personal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a defen-dant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service hereof. Your failure to appear or answer will result in a judgment against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. In the event that a deficiency balance remains from the sale proceeds, a judgment may be en-

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NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer to the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home.

Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending payment to

your mortgage company will not stop this fore-closure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY EOP THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH

THE COURT. These pleadings are be-ing amended to include Heirs at Large of ED-WARD SZCZEPANIAK A/K/A EDWARD RAY-MOND SZCZEPANIAK A/K/A EDWARD R

SZCZEPANIAK, de-ceased, and the Heirs at Large of CATHERINE A SZCZEPANIAK A/K/A A/K/A CATHERINE ANN SZCZEPANIAK A/K/A CATHERINE FARMER A/K/A CATHERINE ANN FARMER, deceased. The pleadings are also being amended to include Theodore Szczepaniak and Harriet Szczepaniak as possible heirs to the Estate of EDWARD SZCZEPANIAK A/K/A ED-WARD RAYMOND SZCZEPANIAK A/K/A ED-

AK, deceased.

bany, County of Albany and State of New York, and known as Street No. 111 Hunter Avenue and more particularly bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point in

the northerly line of Hunter Avenue 80.33 feet easterly from the intersection of said street WARD R. SZCZEPANIline with the easterly line of Watervliet Avenue and RUNNING THENCE in an ALBANY County is des-

trial. The basis of venue northerly line Hunter Avenue a dis-tance of 23.25 feet to a is the location of the point which is at the southwesterly corner of FEIN SUCH & CRANE, premises conveyed by said Katherine Liecty to Attorneys for Plaintiff Office and P.O. Address 28 East Main Street, Suite 1800 said Albert Bartoli and wife by deed dated February 29, 1952 and known as Street No. 109 New York Hunter Avenue; THENCE in a northerly direction to and along (585) the center line of an alley located between the dwellings situated on premises known NATURE AND OBJECT OF ACTION The object of the above Street Nos. 109 and 111 Avenue and the westerly Hunter the along action is to foreclose a of boundary said mortgage held by the Plaintiff recorded in the County of ALBANY, premises No. 109 Hunter Avenue, a total distance of 125 feet to a State of New York as point which is at the more particularly de-scribed in the Complaint northwesterly corner of

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said premises No. 109 Hunter Avenue; THENCE in a westerly direction and parallel with said northerly line of Hunter Avenue a distance of 23.25 feet to a point; THENCE in a southerly

direction parallel with said westerly boundary of No. 109 Hunter Avenue a distance of 125 feet to the place of beginning

TOGETHER with a perpetual easement and right of way, in common with others, for ingress and egress over and along the easterly half of said allev located between the dwellings as aforesaid and running between Hunter Avenue and land to the rear to said dwellings; and subject to a perpetual ease-ment of ingress and egress over and along the westerly half of said alley, for the benefit of the owners, and occupants of premises No. 109 Hunter Avenue; it being the intention that said alley shall be and remain a common alley for the use of the own-ers and occupants of

held premises Nos. 109

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29. EXCEPTING AND RE-SERVING from the premises above de scribed the following piece of land situated in the northwesterly corner thereof and bounded

and described as follows BEGINNING at a point which is at the northwesterly corner of the premises above described as follows: RUNNING THENCE in an easterly direction along the northerly boundary thereof a distance of 5

feet to a point; THENCE southerly with an interior angle of 90 degrees a distance of 18 feet to a point; THENCE westerly with an interior angle of 90 degrees a distance of 5 feet to a point in the

westerly line of the above depremises scribed; and

THENCE northerly along the westerly boundary of said premises, a dis-tance of 18 feet to the place of beginning; being a rectangular piece of land directly adjoining on its westerly boundary the premises known as No. 25 Watervliet Avenue and which was conveyed by Katherine Licety to Maurice J. Decker by Deed dated April 8, 1952.

TOGETHER with the easement and right of way for ingress and egress to and from said rectangular parcel over and along the northerly end of the premises hereby conveyed as set forth in said Deed dated April 8, 1952. Mortgaged Premises:

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ALBANY, 38001, NY 12203 For any lawful purpose. D-158852

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## Silly season opens

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But, it looks

t's only August and something already stinks about this year's political season.

The naming of a party's intended candidates seems like it should be a relatively straightforward process. But, somewhere, somehow, one of the two major parties in the Town of Bethlehem messed that up. We've since learned how that happened, but the behavior that has since transpired can only be described as silly.

The proverbial wrench was tossed into the works in late June, when Highway Superintendent incumbent Brent Meredith informed the party's committee that he accepted another job and would not seek re-election. That opened another interview process, to the displeasure Dan Morin, a 13-year employee of the town's highway department who had already gone through the process once.

WHAT HAPPENED FIVE YEARS AGO ...

Neither Morin nor George Harder, a town board candidate who has promised to "work harder" for many years without winning a seat, seem to have the support of the larger Democratic party here in Bethlehem. Both men have been passed over for endorsement by the committee in the past. But this year, after the deadline to file substitution certificates with the Board of Elections passed, Morin and Harder filed a lawsuit that effectively invalidated their committee's designated candidates.

It seemed the substitution documents filed by the committee were not signed properly. How was this not caught? This is not a new process. Once Election Commissioner Matt Clyne noticed the error, he alerted Morin and Harder, but did not tell the members of his own committee.

One one side of the party divide, insurgent Democrats are accusing party leadership of nepotism and playing favorites. One the other side, party members have alleged "sour grapes" and feel they've been robbed of their democratic right to choose, in a primary election, the candidates who will appear on their party's

We remember

place they will now appear.

Social media has lit up in response to early election season shenanigans and the public discourse is getting heated. We guess that's why "silly season" is the best way to describe this time of year.

On a somber note, last week Bethlehem lost two individuals who helped build this community.

William Wright served more than half a century as a volunteer firefighter, spending time at both Elsmere and Delmar fire departments. Though he and his wife, Maureen, relocated seven years ago, his contribution to the town is still remembered.

John Flanigan was a volunteer firefighter, and active member of the Slingerlands Fire Department since 1954. And, within that time, he had served as the town's building inspector.

We often write about being a good neighbor in this newspaper. Mr. Wright and Mr. Flanigan certainly were that to all who call Bethlehem home. To those they left behind, we send our condolences.

### **2012: Democrats DA debate**

**ALBANY COUNTY** — One week before the 2012 primary elections, the two Democratic district attorney candidates made their cases to voters during a Sept. 5 candidate forum that saw more than a few heated exchanges.

Incumbent David Soares and challenger Lee Kindlon, the defense attorney for Christopher Porco, answered audience questions and challenged the other throughout the forum, presenting starkly opposing viewpoints with almost every answer. Soares stood by his record; Kindlon attacked it.

Youth crime was a main topic. Touting county programs, Soares said the most effective way to keep young people "off the street" is to have "programs kids want to be involved in."

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and are working," Soares said. "What we have seen over the years is an immense drop in crime, and so we've seen less arrest in kids. One of the reasons why is because we are targeting them at a much younger age and giving them activities to do after school when it's high time for crime."

Kindlon, however, said he wanted wholesale reform of the juvenile justice system, noting that New York was one of the last states to "treat kids as young as 16 as adults for criminal justice purposes."

On several occasions, Kindlon presented a proposal for a "rocket docket" program to speed up trials. "Imagine if we could cycle through fast enough, take care of those victims, witnesses, get to the point where we're actually putting people in prison in less than five months," he said. Soares scoffed at the proposal. "Unless he's running for judge, I don't know who else controls our docket. It's the judge that sets the calendar," he said.

County crime was another hot topic, and the way Soares was running the DA's office and spending money.

Both candidates were asked about the Occupy Albany movement. In 2011, Soares did not prosecute nonviolent protesters who were arrested for staying on state parkland past closing time.

"I would handle it the same way I handled it the first time," Soares said. "I believe that Albany County set an example for the entire country, where it is possible to have peaceful coexistence ... as long as there's no damage to property or people being injured."

Kindlon said he agreed with the goals of Occupy Albany, but not with

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In his closing statement, Soares argued the DA's office can "transform lives and transform a community," something he claimed he had done. He also claimed the City of Albany was most challenged community in the county.

Still Kindlon disagreed, saying Soares was "running to be the district attorney of the City of Albany" while Kindlon was running to be the "district attorney of Albany County."

Soares, who was elected as Albany County DA in 2004, ultimately won the primary challenge. He ran unopposed in the general election and remains the Albany County DA today.

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#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### "Friends and Family Slate" in BDC

"Given that you were considered by this committee and were not supported with anything more than a couple of votes, then I guess you're comfortable with that. I personally would not want to be responsible for launching a process that would deny the Democratic voters in our Town the opportunity to choose in the primary..." -Joanne Cunningham, August 10, 2017.

Joanne Cunningham, Bethlehem Democratic Committee Person and Albany County Legislator, made those comments to George Harder and Dan Morin, Democratic Candidates for Town Board and Highway Supervisor respectively, at a recent Bethlehem Democratic Committee (BDC) meeting. She seems to suggest that lack of BDC support for a candidate necessarily carries weight with the voting public. That is not always the case, and she knows it-- personally. On May 9, 2013, the

BDC held a meeting to vote on its proposed slate of candidates for the September primary ballot. Brent Meredith, Ms. Cunningham's husband, was an announced candidate for Highway Supervisor. He received zero votes from the Committee. He nevertheless went on to win the Democratic Primary against the BDC's endorsed candidate.

Albany County legislative representatives from Bethlehem were very vocal in support of the proposed anti-nepotism legislation in June this year. However, as BDC members, neither Bill Reinhardt nor Joanne Cunningham objected to the "friends and family" slate of candidates put forward by the BDC Executive Committee this May; a slate that included not only Brent Meredith, Joanne Cunningham's husband, but also Maureen Cunningham, Joanne's sister. Interestingly,

neither Chairman Jeffery Kuhn nor other members of the BDC leadership shared with the committee the family relationships between and among Meredith and Cunninghams Joanne and Maureen. Had those relationships been acknowledged and discussed, perhaps the initial Bethlehem Democratic slate would have looked differently. In short, the current state of turmoil following Brent Meredith's abrupt career change might have been avoided entirely.

It is hypocritical and more than a bit inappropriate for Ms. Cunningham to be so opinionated on the Harder/Morin lawsuit, given that the problems related to it stem from her husband not being forthcoming and pursuing job prospects while the membership of the BDC was out pounding the pavement in June collecting signatures for

his designating petition. Members of the BDC and others collected roughly 1,325 signatures for Brent Meredith for Highway Supervisor; Brent Meredith and Joann Cunningham collected zero signatures, a clear indication of their commitment to the re-election effort. A prudent person, under such conditions, would recuse themselves from comment, heeding the advice of my dear late Irish grandfather that "A closed mouth catches no flies." Finally, as a committee person who was certainly "in-theknow" that her husband was pursuing other job prospects, but didn't come forward, Ms. Cunningham bears direct responsibility for disenfranchising voters who signed her husband's designating petition. If there is not a September primary, Joanne Cunningham is among those chiefly to blame. Sean Raleigh

Member, Bethlehem

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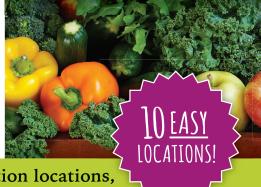
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#### COMMUNITY

### Library Card Sign-up Month

eptember is National Library Card Sign-up Month, and we're celebrating with a library-themed scavenger hunt from Sept. 5-30 that will test your library savvy. Participants will be entered in a raffle for some great prizes. Adults can stop by the Information Desk or visit bethlehempubliclibrary. org<http://www. bethlehempubliclibrary. org> beginning Sept. 5 to get started; kids can head to the Children's Place.

A library card is your ticket to free educational resources and activities for all ages. You can sign up for your own library card online anytime at bethlehempubliclibrary. org<http://www. bethlehempubliclibrary. org> or drop by the library circulation desk for help.

We may be saying so long to summer, but at the library, there are plenty of



reasons to greet fall with anticipation, as it marks the return of some of your favorite programs.

#### **Holiday hours**

The library will be closed Saturday-Monday, Sept. 2-4, for the Labor Day weekend. Sunday hours -noon to 5 p.m. begin on Sept. 10.

#### Tai Chi

Regular Tai Chi instruction returns beginning Sept. 7 at 10:30 a.m. and continuing on most Mondays through the fall. The program focuses on the core movements of the Tai Chi for Diabetes form. These movements build on skills week to week and provide a solid foundation in Tai Chi for people of any age.

#### **Coffee and talk**

Our Coffee & Conversation series kicks off the season with a crowd favorite on Friday, Sept. 15. To Life! Part 3, presented by Richard Feldman, features songs from popular American musicals about falling in love and being yourself. Coffee & Conversation, which is co-sponsored by Bethlehem Senior Projects format, is an hourlong program starting at 1 p.m. with a coffee and social hour following. A strong lineup continues through fall with topics that touch on music, history, culture and more. Pick up a flyer at the library or find the schedule online.

#### DayBooks return

After the summer hiatus, our book discussions begin anew in early September. DayBooks meets at 1:30 p.m. monthly on a Monday. Featured this

fall are "All Things Cease to Appear" by Elizabeth Brundage, who will be joining the discussion on Sept. 11, and "The Bad-Ass Librarians of Timbuktu: And Their Race to Save the World's Most Precious Manuscripts" by Joshua Hammer. Two evening book discussions - AfterDinner Books on Wednesdays and AfterDinner Too on Tuesdays - meet at 7 p.m. on alternate months. Those discussions will delve into "The Last Painting of Sara De Vos" by Dominic Smith in September and "Silence" by Shusaku Endo in October. Copies of the books are available at the information desk.

Our monthly Listening Parties with Bethlehem librarian Michael Farley are also back!

More information about can be found online at bethlehempubliclibrary.org. -Kristen Roberts

### **Tour Albany Rural**

our the Albany Rural Cemetery for a history of Albanians who lived through and were impacted by the Civil War. The tour will be on Sunday, September 10 and will be led by Bob Mulligan. Lunch will follow at Druthers Brewing Company. The tour is about a one mile walk on uneven ground.

Sign up starts on Friday, Sept. 1 for the AARP Smart Driving Course to be held on Wednesday, Sept. 20 at Town Hall.

On Sunday, October 15, we will have a bus trip to New York City. See the award-winning show, "Come From Away" or spend the day exploring the city. The cost for the bus trip and theater ticket is \$179 per person. The bus trip only is \$49 per person. The prices include the driver's gratuity and a donation to Bethlehem



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— Wilma DeLucco, President, Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc.

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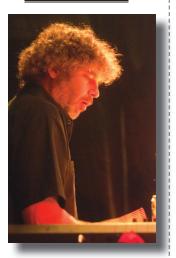
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#### PICK OF **THE WEEK**



#### **Pre-game at** Lake George

Several free shows kick off the weekend long music festival at Lake George, starting Friday, Sept. 1, at 5 p.m. Page B5





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#### CULTURE



A high-level look at sneaker collecting

#### **By MICHAEL HALLISEY**

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hortly after his son Lonzo declared himself eligible for the NBA draft in March, LaVar Ball positioned himself in front of television cameras seeking the next lucrative sneaker collab.

Though the 10-year, \$1 billion price tag he pressed Nike for was rejected, the pitch was far from an air ball for a company that reported \$8.2 billion in earnings the previous year. (It was, however, far more than the seven-year, \$100 million deal LeBron James signed as a rookie in 2003.) Just a month removed from being the

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Sneaker companies like Nike pull in billions of dollars from shoe sales. Some of those shoes, like the Air Jordans, can fetch three times its original price in the second-hand market.

> Photo by Michael Hallisey / TheSpot518





### quote of the week

"My favorite pair I ever had were the Red October Yeezy 2s. They're the most expensive. ... I had them for a little bit, and then *I sat and realized, at the* time I was 16-years old with \$3,000 shoes. I can't afford that. I let them go and did something better



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### RECENTLY ANNOUNCED **Dance's Tharp in Catskills**

Catskill Mountain Foundation hosts Twyla Tharp showcase on Sept. 9

HUNTER — Twyla Tharp, dance icon and one of America's greatest choreographers, will showcase a performance of works-in-progress on Saturday, Sept. 9 at the Catskill Mountain Foundation Orpheum Film and Performing Arts Center in Tannersville.

"We're very excited to return to the Catskills for this residency which provides a wonderful creative environment and an opportunity to get away from the city and its distractions," said Tharp, prior to the start of the three-week residency at CMF that started on Monday, Aug. 14. "The facilities are excellent and we look forward to interacting and engaging the community during the period, culminating with the works-in-progress performance."

Tharp will restage three works; "The Raggedy Dances (1972)," a playful exploration of a single theme set to ragtime and Mozart variations, popularly known as Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star"; "The Fugue," modeled on "The Musical Offering" by Johann Sebastian Bach; and "Dylan Love Songs," a quintet set to music by Bob Dylan.

"We are excited to welcome Twyla and her company back to CMF," said Pam Weisberg, director of programming at the Catskill Mountain Foundation. "To be able to host such a renowned dance icon in consecutive years is an honor for us as an organization and we



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New York City

Ballet, Paris Opera

Ballet, London's Royal

Ballet Theatre. She's won

television's "Baryshnikov by

Tharp," and a Tony Award

for the Broadway musical

A prolific force of nature, she's also written

three books, including her autobiography, "Push Comes To Shove," and

"The Creative Habit:

fourth book.

Learn it and Use it for

Life," which gives insights

is currently at work on her

Tharp is a recipient of

a MacArthur Fellowship,

into the American

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Twyla Tharp was inducted

Sciences in 1993 and was

of the American Academy

of Arts and Letters in

songs of Billy Joel.

"Movin' Out," featuring the

two Emmy Awards for

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believe the community will again enjoy the special showcase of works-inprogress on September 9. This ties in well with our overall mission of bringing the very best in the arts to our area and to the greater Catskill region."

Tharp and her company return to the Catskills after their visit last spring where they spent six weeks at the Foundation reconstructing two earlier works, "Country Dances" from 1976 and "Brahms Paganini" from 1980, a new work set to Beethoven's Opus 130 and 133, and a work-in-progress which featured photographs used as backdrops to the dancing taken by Tharp of the studio, the dancers and the area.

From Broadway to ballet, from Hollywood movies to television, Tharp has had an indelible influence on the world of dance.

Since graduating from Barnard College in 1963, Tharp has choreographed more than one hundred sixty works for her

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the Arts, the 2008 Jerome Robbins Prize, and a 2008 Kennedy Center Honor.

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The Catskill Mountain Foundation's (CMF) aim is to provide educational opportunities in the arts for youth and lifelong learners, to bring the experience of the arts to the Catskill community, and to support artists and art organizations in the development of their work through residencies. Since its founding in 1998, CMF has presented hundreds of music, dance, and theater performances;

screened over 1,000 films to tens of thousands of

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Tharp defined late 20th century and early 21st century dance.

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classes to thousands of students of all ages; and served thousands of art-loving patrons in its gallery and bookstore.

Tickets to Twyla Tharp's showcase of earlier and new works at the Orpheum Performing Arts Center on Saturday, Sept. 9 are available at www. catskillmtn.org.

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW

#### **Diana Ross**

#### Tanglewood — Wednesday, Aug. 30

LENOX, Mass. — Diana Ross, consummate performer and one of the most iconic female singers of all time, takes to the Koussevitzky Music Shed at Tanglewood, Wednesday, Aug. 30, at 7 p.m.

Ross is considered one of the most prominent women in popular music history and pop culture, first rising to fame in the 1960s as the lead singer of The Supremes. The group charted 12 No. 1 singles on the US Billboard Hot 100, including "Baby Love," "Come See About Me," and "Love Child."

Since then, Ross has gone on to a successful solo career intermingled with time as an actress and record producer.

For tickets, call (888) 266-1200 or visit www.bso. org/Performance/Detail/87936.

#### **A3**

#### Jay Street Pedestrian Mall — Thursday., Aug. 31

SCHENECTADY — A3, an acoustic jazz trio made up of Judd Staley on nylon string guitar, Bill Alston on steel string guitar and Michael Kimin on bass, will perform at Jazz on Jay, Thursday, Aug. 31, at noon.

In case of rain, the event will move to the Robb Alley at Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady).

The show is free. For information, call (518) 573-2922 or visit www.facebook.com/JazzOnJay/.

#### The Coteries

#### Wiswall Park — Thursday, Aug. 31

BALLSTON SPA - The Coteries, a femalefronted folk rock trio, will perform at the Concerts in the Park in Wiswall Park, Thursday, Aug. 31 at 6 p.m.

The trio will perform songs that reflect what its members experienced discovering themselves and the American countryside while traveling back roads in their old VW bus

For more information, call (518) 885-2772 or visit www.ballston.org.



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#### WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW

#### **The Avett Brothers**

#### Tanglewood — Friday, Sept. 1

**LENOX, Mass.** — Popular American folk-rock band The Avett Brothers makes its Tanglewood debut with special guest singer Nicole Atkins on Friday, Sept. 1, at 7 p.m.

For tickets and information, call (888) 266-1200 or visit www.bso.org/ Performance/Detail/86570.

#### Pete Townshend's Classic Quadrophenia

Tanglewood — Saturday, Sept. 2

**LENOX, Mass.** — The Who's Pete Townshend visits Tanglewood to perform works from Quadrophenia featuring Billy Idol, tenor Alfie Boe and The Boston Pops Orchestra on Saturday, Sept. 2, at 8 p.m.

For tickets and information, call (888) 266-1200 or visit www.bso.org/ Performance/Detail/90287.



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#### FESTIVAL NEWS

### **Steampunk Gala and Fest arriving**

Annual two-day event features Grymm Studios, Jeff Mach, Inventors' Challenge with prizes, Mini Maker Faire & Steampunk Pirate Party on Sept 15 & 16

#### **By DUNCAN CRARY**

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**TROY**— The annual steampunk festival kicks off its fourth year next month with an enchanted ball, a new riverside park fair setting, and a floating pirate party on the Hudson River.

"The Enchanted City is making the most of our Hudson River setting this year with the addition of a steampunk pirate riverboat and steam-powered set pieces at our Riverfront Park," said Enchanted City creator Susan Dunckel. "Dutch Apple Cruises will supply a floating bar, stage and facilities throughout the day and then will set sail with us in the evening for our festival after party."

"The Enchanted City IV, Deus Ex Machina - A Steampunk Fair" will be at Riverfront Park in downtown Troy on Saturday Sept. 16, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The free festival of steampunk fashion, fantasy and fabrications draws more than 5,000 participants and offers a familyfriendly inspired day of music, games, performance, food and fantasy. Special events include an opening parade of Mad Machinery, a costume contest, street performers and peddlers, storytelling, dancing, puppet shows, magic acts and more.

Adults and children are encouraged to come dressed in steampunk-themed costumes or as fairies to take part in the spectacle that will magically transform a waterfront park in historic downtown Troy into a "cosplay" alternative reality where Victorian fancy meets modern technology.

Although definitions vary slightly, "steampunk" is a genre of science fiction/ fantasy that takes place in an alternative 1800s setting in which modern technology like robotics and air travel are powered by Victorian style and sensibilities. It is an alternative "futuristic past."

The word steampunk was coined by novelist K. W. Jeter, author of "Morlock Night," a 1979 spinoff to "The Time Machine," by H.G. Wells.

#### **Bewitching Ball Gala**

The Enchanted City comes to life with a signature gala event on Friday, Sept. 15, at 7 p.m.

The night will feature ladies in finery, men in top hats, marionettes, music, signature cocktails with open bar, Parisian pastries, butlered hors d'oeuvres, and specialty fare stations catered by Chef Josh Colletto & Friends.

The gala will be held in the Tech Valley Center of Gravity Ball Room, located in the historic Quackenbush Building at 33 3rd Street in the heart of downtown Troy. (Fifty percent of profits raised will be donated to nonprofit Tech Valley Center of Gravity Community Outreach Fund to create open community programs, provide financial assistance with membership for community members demonstrating need, and provide open STEAM programming in the ThinQubator.)

The gala's distinguished guests include Jeff Mach, founder of Jeff Mach Events which runs the world's largest Steampunk event, The Steampunk World's Fair, and steampunk artist Joey Marsocci, a.k.a. Dr. Grymm of Grymm Studios.

"So many people ask me 'What is steampunk all about?' So this year I'm bringing in the professionals to answer that question," Dunckel said. "People are really fascinated by this world. They're curious and they really want to learn as much as they can."

On the eve of the festival, there will "A Bewitching Ball Gala Event" from 7 p.m. to 11:59 p.m. During the gala, Grymm Studios will provide walk around creatures that are a mixture of creature suit and puppetry. The creatures will interact with guests and have full sound and lighting effects to add to the performance. One of the creatures is a steampunk scarecrow called "The Harvester."

"Joey Marsocci is a master costume maker. These are full scale suits, they're at the level you would find in movies -- he does that quality of work," Dunckel said. "Some of these are really freaky, pretty scary and lots of fun."

Though he has designed in many styles, Marsocci said he prefers the darker, grittier side of steampunk that more closely reflects the writings of Mary Shelley and Edgar Allan Poe rather than H.G. Wells. His contemporary influences include the work and designs of film director, screenwriter and novelist Guillermo Del Toro, and fantasy illustrator Brian Froud.

"Everything I build or design has a story to it," Marsocci said. "My designs also always incorporate the war between organic materials versus machines as I believe it is a constant struggle in each of us especially in our present state of technology."

The gala ends at the stroke of midnight, the moment when the City of Troy becomes enchanted by the festival figurehead, Queen Mab.

Tickets to the gala are \$100 and can be purchased online at https://enchantedcity. ticketspice.com/the-enchanted-city-2017.

#### PICK OF THE WEEK

# **Pre-game at Lake George**

Free shows throughout the village kick off weekend long Adirondack Independence Music Festival

LAKE GEORGE - Pre-game the festival with a free pre-party at the Shepards Park Amphitheater on Friday, Sept. 1, starting at 5 p.m.

It's a free showcase of some of the best regional bands. It's the unofficial start of The Third Annual Adirondack Independence Music Festival, which starts the following Saturday, Sept. 2.

Get the party started with performances by Led Zeppelin tribute band Out on the Tiles at 5 p.m., Northamption's Beau Sasser Trio (featuring Beau Sasser and Adrian Tramontano of Kung Fu plus Albany guitarist Justin Henricks) at 6:30 p.m. and circus punk act Bella's Bartok.

The party continues at King Neptunes (1 Kurosake Lane, Lake George) with newgrass/Americana act Floodwood, featuring Moe drummer Vinnie Amico and Trey Anastasio Band bassist, Tony Markellis at 10:30 p.m.

The weekend as a whole promises to be one the best for live music, as the summer draws to a close this Labor Day weekend.

The festival itself carries over From Saturday to Sunday at the Charles R. Wood Festival commons.

Pink Talking Fish and Twiddle, along with sets from Ryan Montbleau Band, Kung Fu, Hayley Jane & The Primates, West End Blend, Funky Dawgz Brass Band,

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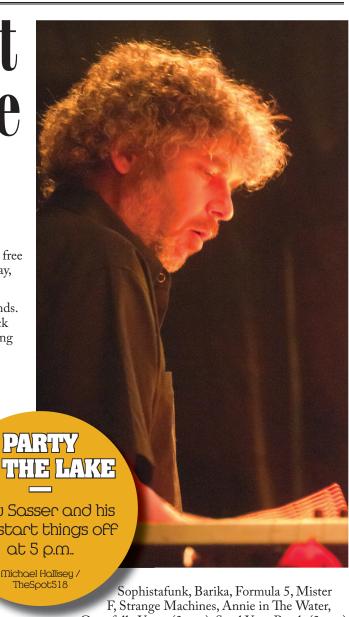
#### Life in the Adirondacks gallery at Blue Mountain Lake

BLUE MOUNTAIN LAKE — Experience an interactive gallery showcasing life in the Adirondacks at The Museum at Blue Mountain Lake, now through Thursday, Oct. 5.

For tickets and information, call (518) 352-7311 or visit www.theADKX.org.



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Beau Sasser and his Trio start things off

> Michael Hallisey / TheSpot518

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Gratefully Yours (3 sets), Steal Your Peach (3 sets) and Capital Zen are all listed on the bill to perform.

For more information on the free night of shows, or to purchase tickets for the festival., visit www.adkmusicfest. com.



#### WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW

#### Melissa Etheridge

Tanglewood — Sunday, Sept. 3

LENOX, Mass. - Melissa Etheridge, the Grammy and Oscar award-winning American rock singer-songwriter, takes to the Koussevitzky Music Shed at Tanglewood on Sunday, Sept. 3, at 2:30 p.m.

Known for her mix of personal lyrics, pop-based folk rock and smoky vocals, Etheridge will be joined by Keith Lockhart and the Boston Pops.

For tickets and informationm, call (888) 266-1200 or visit www.bso.org/Performance/Detail/87951.

#### **Rik Emmett**

#### The Upper Room — Friday, Sept. 8

ALBANY - Rik Emmett, lead singer and songwriter of Triumph, will play at The Upper Room on Friday, Sept. 8 at 8 p.m.

For information, visit www.rikemmett.com.

#### A Comedy of Tenors

Oldcastle Theatre Co. — Now through Sunday, Sept. 3

**BENNINGTON, Vt.** — The hilarious sequel to Ken Ludwig's "Lend Me a Tenor" is performing at the Oldcastle Theatre Company until Sunday, Sept. 3.

It's 1930s Paris and the stage is set for the concert of the century—as long as Producer Henry Saunders can keep Italian superstar Tito Merelli and his hotblooded wife Maria from causing runaway chaos.

For tickets and information, call (802) 447-0564 or visit www.brownpapertickets.com/event/2919695.

#### Sing Happy

Mac-Haydn Theatre — Saturday, Sept. 2

CHATHAM — The Mac-Hayden Theatre Company performs "Sing Happy" as its end of the season cabaret on Saturday, Sept. 2.

The Popular annual fundraising event will feature the music of composer John Kander and lyricist Fred Ebb.

For tickets and information, call (518) 392-9292 or visit www.machadyntheatre.org



#### WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW

#### **Dance Fever Thursdays**

#### Danceland — Thursday, Aug. 31

**LATHAM** — Learn West Coast Swing from Amber Woerner followed by more dancing until 10 p.m. at Danceland, on Thursday, Aug. 31, at 7:15 p.m.

Lessons cost \$10. For more information, call 518) 785-3888 or visit dancelandboomers.com/Calendar.aspx

#### **Ellen Sinopoli Dance Company**

#### The Egg — Wednesday, Aug. 30

**ALBANY** — The Ellen Sinopoli Dance Company takes to the stange under The Egg as part of The Empire State Plaza's final installment of the Made in The Shade at The Egg on Wednesday, Aug. 30.

A creative tour-de-fource for more than a quarter century, Ellen Sinopoli offers modern dance works performed by her company of compelling, athletic and versatile dancers.

The performance is free to the public. For more information, visit www.theegg. org.

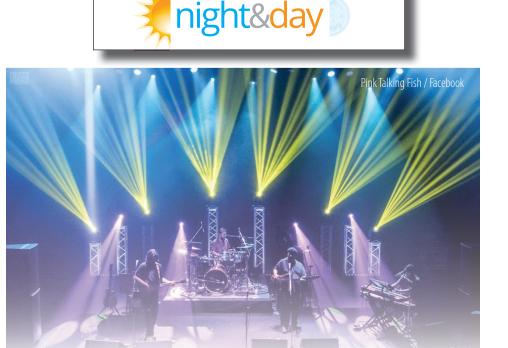
#### **Capital District Scottish Games**

#### The Altamont Fairgrounds — Saturday & Sunday, Sept. 2 & 3

**ALTAMONT** — The Schenectady Pipe Band hosts the 49th annual Capital District Scottish Games at The Altamont Fairgrounds on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 2 and 3.

This year's games include The Ceildh, pipe band events, solo piping and drumming, Highland dancing and athletics, a Scottish breed dog show, live music, children's activities and more.

The gates open at 8 a.m. on Saturday and 9 a.m. on Sunday. For tickets, visit www.brownpapertickets.com/event/2899860.



#### NIGHT: Third Annual Adirondack Independence Music Festival

LAKE GEORGE — The Third Annual Adirondack Independence Music Festival launches from Lake George Saturday, Sept. 2.

The two-day, multi-band event features headline performances by Pink Talking Fish and Twiddle, along with sets from Ryan Montbleau Band, Kung Fu, Hayley Jane & The Primates, West End Blend, Funky Dawgz Brass Band, Sophistafunk, Barika, Formula 5, Mister F, Strange Machines, Annie in The Water, Gratefully Yours (3 sets), Steal Your Peach (3 sets) and Capital Zen.

A variety of food and craft vendors plus an adult obstacle course on Saturday, Sept. 2 and Sunday, Sept. 3 from 1 p.m. to 11 p.m., at the Charles R. Wood Festival Commons, 17 West Brook Road, in Lake George.

For information and tickets for the festival, visit www.adkmusicfest.com.





#### DAY: The Great Schaghticoke Fair

**SCHAGHTICOKE** — The Great Schaghticoke Fair opens its gates for a six-day run starting Thursday, Aug. 30.

A showcase of the best that Rensselaer County residents and agriculture have to offer. Building after building will be bursting with vegetables, fruits, animals, antiques, baked goods and homemade crafts. Plus rides and entertainment for the whole family at the Reithhoffer Midway. Thursday, Aug. 30, through Monday, Sept. 4; gate opening time varies; fair closes daily at 9 p.m.

For tickets and information, visit www.schaghticokefair.com/index. php/?content=dailyfairschedule. Note that admission does not include rides.

77 Congress St., Troy, (518) 268-0068

Thur: Jeff Nania Group | 7 p.m. Every Fri: DJ Lounge | 11 p.m.

Troy Kitchen

#### CLUBS

9 Maple Avenue 9 Maple Ave., Saratoga Springs. www.9mapleave.com Fri: Scott Bassinson Quartet | 9 p.m.

Sat: Darren Lyons Trio 9 p.m. **Albany Rail Yard** 1118 Central Ave., Albany. (518) 489-2990 Every Wed: **Salsa Night** | 8:30 p.m. Sat: Repeat Offender | 8 p.m.

Arthur's Market 35 N. Ferry St., Schenectady. (518) 382-1938 Wed: Jim Connelly | 7 p.m. Thur: **Duck'n'Du** | 7 p.m. Fri: **Kitchen Jazz** 7 p.m. Sat: Maltacoustic 2 p.m.

#### Athos

1814 Western Ave., Albany. (518) 608-6400 Fri: Jeanne O'Conner & 'Azzaam Hammeed | 7 p.m.

Caffè Lena 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs. (518) 225-0882 Wed: Jeannine Ouderkirk (circlesinging) | 7 p.m.

Every Mon: **Open Mic** | 7 p.m. Carney's Tavern 17 Main St., Ballston Lake. (518) 280-7959 Every Thur: Matty Finn | 6 p.m. Fri: Herb Carter 7:15 p.m.

**Carson's Woodside Tavern** 57 NY-9P, Malta. (518) 584-9791 Thur: Dan Sherwin | 7 p.m. Fri: Chuck Kelsey | 7 p.m. Sat: The Heaters 7 p.m.

**Centre Street Pub** 308 Union St., Schenectady. (518) 393-2337 Thur: The Black Meadows | 8 p.m. Fri: The Deadbeats 9 p.m. Every Mon: Open Mic 8 p.m.

**Club Helsinki** 405 Columbia St., Hudson. (518) 828-4800 or helsinkihudson.com Fri: Big Sandy and his Fly-Rite Boys, Sarah Borges | 9 p.m. Sat: Charles Busch | 8 p.m. Sun: Eilen Jewell | 8 p.m.

**Daily Grind** 46 Third St., Troy. (518) 272-8658 Every Sun: **Sheiks of Third Street** | noon

**Diamond Club Grill** Embassy Suites, 88 Congress St., Saratoga Springs. (518) 886-1111 Wed: Garland Nelson | 7 p.m. Thur: Chris Dollard | 7 p.m.

Eden Cafe 269 Osborne Rd., Loudonville. (518) 977-3771 Fri: Jerry's Jam Session | 6 p.m.

Sat: Robert Rockwell 7:30 p.m. Tue: Open Mic | 7:30 p.m. Emack & Bolio's

366 Delaware Ave., Albany. (518) 512-5100 Fri: Jimy Graham | 7 p.m. Sat: Sybil Allyson / Roots of Change 7 p.m. Sun: Prateek Poddar | 7 p.m.

Every Tue: **Open Mic** | 7 p.m. **Fuze Box** 12 Central Ave., Albany. (518) 703-8937

Wed: **God Module** | 7 p.m. Fri: Ooluu, Statigbloom, Wychdoctor, DJ R3CLU23, Mechno Sferatu | 8 p.m. Sat: Abbey Death, Worms of the Earth, The Gothsicles, DJ Hunter, K-SPEK, Boss Salvage | 8 p.m.



# **ARTS**CALENDAR



Gaffney's 16 Caroline St., Saratoga Springs. (518) 587-7359 Every Tue: Open Mic w/ Rick Bolton | 8 p.m.

Grappa '72 818 Central Ave., Albany. (518) 482-7200 Every Wed & Thur: Hamilton Street Jazz **Company** | 6:30 p.m. The Half Moon

48 S. Front St., Hudson thehalfmoonhudson.com Sat: DJ Ephraim Asili, Zemog el Gallo Bueno | 8 p.m.

**Hamlet and Ghost** 24 Caroline St., Saratoga Springs. (518) 450-7287 Every Wed: Hot Club of Saratoga Trio

|7 p.m. The Happy Cappuccino 1 Crossgates Mall Rd., Albany. (518) 313-7423

Every Fri: Jecco | noon The Hollow Bar + Kitchen 79 N. Pearl St., Albany. (518) 426-8550 Sat: Good Fiction, Kimono Dragons, Fort Rooster | 9 p.m. Tue: Betty Who 9 p.m.

J.J. Rafferty's 847 New Loudon Rd., Latham. (518) 783-6800 Every Fri & Sat: DJ Billy 9 p.m.

**The Low Beat** 335 Central Ave., (518) 432-6572 Wed: Hamell on Trial 7 p.m. Every Wed: The Deadbeats | 10 p.m. Thur: Cully & The Chincihillas, Apostrophe s, Precedence, DJ Sato 8 p.m

Fri: Head of Hydrus, Seaspan, Start the Reactor, Anabasis | 8 p.m. Sat: Ozymandias, Mic Lanny, Jordan Hill, Promise the Unbreakable, Chris Cool Peeples, Kat Sopoetic, more | 8 p.m. Mon: The Convalescence, One Day Waiting, Oakheart | 7 p.m. Lucky Strike Social

1 Crossgates Mall Rd., Albany. (518) 556-3350 Wed: Battle of the Bands Round 4:

Bathrobe Robots, Dustin Sawyer, Shoebox Dojo, Hasty Page | 8 p.m. Wed (9/6): Battle of the Bands Final Round

McGeary's 4 Clinton Square, Albany. (518) 463-1455 Every Wed: Best Damn Open Mic Ever

with Mother Judge | 7:30 p.m. Every Sun: Blues Jam | 7:30 p.m. **Moon & River Café** 115 S. Ferry St., Schenectady.

(518) 377-5100 Wed: Front Porch Music | 7 p.m. Thur: John & Amy Bircher | 7 p.m. Sat: John Slovacek | 2 p.m. Johnny Willis | 7 p.m.

**Mouzon House** 1 York St., Saratoga Springs. (518) 226-0014 Every Thur: Hot Club of Saratoga Trio

|7 p.m. Every Sat: Joe Gitto & Dan Wancyk

**Newberry Music Hall** 388 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. (877) 565-3849 Every Fri: DJ Frankie Ramos (Latin Night) 9 p.m.

**Oh Bar** 304 Lark St., Albany. (518) 463-9004 Thur: Karaoke | 10 p.m.

**One Caroline Street** 1 Caroline St., Saratoga Springs. (518) 587-2026 Every Wed: The Masters of Nostalgia 8:30 p.m. Fri: The Resonators | 9 p.m. Sat: Glenn Jones 9 p.m. Mon: Angels on the Fourth | 10 p.m.

**On The Patio** Rivers Casino, 1 Rush St., Schenectady. (518) 579-8850

O'Slattery's Irish Pub Wed: George Krakat | 7 p.m. Thur: Erin Harkes | 7 p.m.

Wed: Irish Celtic Session | 7 p.m. Thur: Kevin & Kate McKrell | 8 p.m.

458 Union Ave., Saratoga Springs. (518) 583-4653 Every Sun: Joe Sorrentino Trio

#### Awkwafina returns to campus

This multi-talented Asian rap artist, comedian, author and actress was recently named one of "Hollywood's Rising Stars 35 and Under" by the Hollywood Reporter. The 2011 UAlbany grad will kick off the New York **State Writers Institute Fall Visiting Writers series** by discuss her life and career with Steve Barnes Thursday afternoon in the campus' main Performing Arts Center at 4:15 p.m.

> Photo courtesy New York State Writers Institute

Provence Stuyvesant Plaza,

1475 Western Ave., Albany. (518) 689-7777 Fri: Jeff Nania | 6 p.m Sat: Linda Harrison Trio | 6 p.m.

Putnam Den 63a Putnam St., Saratoga Springs. (518) 584-8066 Thur: Goose | 9:30 p.m.

**Rustic Barn Pub** 150 Speigletown Rd., Troy. (518) 235-5858 Every Thur: **Open Mic** | 8 p.m.

Salt & Char 453 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. (518) 450-7500

Sun: Hot Club of Saratoga | noon Saratoga Music Hall 474 Broadway, 3rd floor, Saratoga Springs.

(518) 587-5132 Fri: Joey Thomas Big Band | 7:30 p.m. Savoy Taproom

301 Lark St., Albany. (518) 599-5140 Fri: JB aka Dirty Moses, Victory Soul Orchestra, Anneice Marie Cousin, DJ Trumastr, Stephen Struss | 9 p.m.

Speakeasy 518 42 Howard St., Albany. (518) 449-2332 Thur: Mark Kleinhaut Duo | 9 p.m. Every Mon: Joe Finn | 8 p.m.

Tue: Mike Jenkins and The Fat Ties (swing night) | 8 p.m. Stockade Inn

1 North Church St., Schenectady. (518) 346-3400 Thur: Wee-B3 | 7 p.m.

#### Upstate Concert Hall 1208 NY 146, Clifton Park. (518) 371-0012 or upstateconcerthall.com

Sat: Warpaint | 8 p.m. The Van Dyck 237 Union St., Schenectady. (518) 348-7999

Tue: Keith Pray's Big Soul Ensemble 8 p.m.

Van Slyck's at Rivers Casino 1 Rush St., Schenectady. (518) 579-8800 Wed & Thur: DJ Trumastr | 8 p.m.

Waterworks Pub 76 Central Ave., Albany. (518) 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.

Wishing Well Restaurant

745 Saratoga Rd., Wilton. (518) 584-7640 Wed: Christine Spero | 6 p.m. Thur: Rob Aronstein | 6 p.m. Fri: Chris Dollard | 6 p.m. Sat, Sun & Mon: Rob Aronstein | 6 p.m.

Yono's 25 Chapel St., Albany. (518) 436-7747 Sat: Hamilton Street Jazz Duo 6:30 p.m.

#### MUSIC

Sting

Multiple award-winning singer/ songwriter/guitaritst and bassist both solo and with The Police tours in support of his latest release, "57th & 9th." With special guests Joe Sumner (Sting's son, also a singer/songwriter and bassist, both solo and with his rock band Fiction Plane) and The Last Bandoleros (modern Tex Mex). Wed., Aug. 30 at 8 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga Spa State Park, 108 Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Springs. Tickets: Lawn seats start at \$29.50; amphitheater seats (limited availability) start at \$59.50, \$79.50, \$99.50 and \$179.50 (before fees); platinum and VIP ticket packages also available; (800) 745-3000, livenation.com or in person at the SPAC Box Office.

#### **Diana Ross**

Consummate performer as well as one of the most iconic female singers of al time and one of the most prominent women in popular music history and pop culture of the late 20th century. Wed., Aug. 30, 7 p.m. Koussevitzky Music Shed, Tanglewood, 297 West St., Lenox, Mass. Tickets: Lawn seats, \$29; Amphitheater seats start at \$59, \$89, \$119 and \$149 (before fees). (888) 266-1200 or www.bso.org/Performance/Detail/87936.

#### A3

Acoustic jazz trio made up of Judd Staley on nylon string guitar, Bill Alston on steel string guitar and Michael Kimin on bass will perform its unique interpretations of standards for the final installation of this year's Jazz on Jay Concert Series. Thurs., Aug. 31, noon. Jay Street Pedestrian Mall, downtown Schenectady. (Rain location: Robb Alley at Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady). Free. (518) 573-2922 or www.facebook.com/JazzOnJay/

#### The Coteries

Female-fronted folk rock trio will perform songs that reflect what its members experienced discovering themselves and the American countryside while traveling





Calamity | 8 p.m. Fri: Hoser, Ferriday | 8:30 p.m.

Every Mon: Blue Monday Blues Jam | 8 p.m.

Prime at Saratoga National

(Jazz brunch) | 10:30 a.m.

Thur: Rich Ortiz | 5 p.m. 318 Delaware Ave., Delmar. (518) 439-5634

Fri: Kilashandra | 7 p.m. **The Parting Glass** 40 Lake Ave., Saratoga Springs. (518) 583-1916

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back roads in their old VW bus. Thurs., Aug. 31, 6 p.m. Concerts in the Park, Wiswall Park, Front St., Ballston Spa. Free. (518) 885-2772 or www.ballston.org

#### An evening of **Comedy and Music**

Features music by singer-songwriter Courtney Blackwell, accompanied by local veteran musician Drew McCabe, and Chris Blackwell (Courtney's older brother), followed by Las Vegas-based comedian Linda Lou (Chris and Courtney's mother). Thurs., Aug. 31, doors at 6:30 p.m., show begins at 7:30 p.m. \$25; with proceeds to benefit the St. Anne Institute Alumni Fund. (518) 465-5233 or www.thelinda. org/event/an-evening-of-music-andcomedy-to-benefit-the-saint-anneinstitute-alumni-fund

#### Adirondack Independence **Music Festival Pre-Party**

Get the party started on Fri., Sept. 1 with performances by Led Zeppelin tribute band Out on the Tiles at 5 p.m., Beau Sasser Trio (Beau Sasser and Adrian Tramontano of Kung Fu plus Albany quitarist Justin Henricks) at 6:30 p.m. and circus punk act Bella's Bartok Amphitheater, Shepards Park, Canada Street, downtown Lake George. Party continues at King Neptunes (1 Kurosake Ln., Lake George) with newgrass/ Americana act Floodwood, featuring drummer Vinne Amico (Moe) and bassist Tony Markellis (Trey Anastasio Band) at 10:30 p.m. Free. www.adkmusicfest.com

#### **The Avett Brothers**

Popular American folk-rock band makes its Tanglewood debut. With special quest singer Nicole Atkins. Fri. Sept. 1, 7 p.m. Koussevitzky Music Shed, Tanglewood, 297 West St., Lenox, Mass. Tickets: Lawn

#### seats, \$35; Amphitheater seats start at \$49, \$65, and \$75 (before fees). (888) 266-1200 or www.bso.org/ Performance/Detail/86570.

#### Zac Brown Band

Grammy award-winning American country band performs as part of its Welcome Home 2017 tour in support of its May release of the same name to close out SPAC's Pop and Rock concert series. With special guest Darrell Scott. Sat., Sept. 2 at 7 p.m. Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga Spa State Park, 108 Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Springs. Tickets: Lawn seats start at \$28.75; amphitheater seats (verified resale only with extremely *limited availability*) range from \$102 to \$750 (before fees); platinum packages also available; (800) 745-3000, livenation. com or in person at the SPAC Box Office.

#### **Third Annual Adirondack**

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#### Pete Townshend's **Classic Quadrophenia**

The first of four special performances of The Who's Classic Quadrophenia to U.S. audiences featuring music legends Pete Townshend, Billy Idol, and acclaimed tenor Alfie Boe accompanied by The Boston Pops Orchestra conducted by Keith Lockhart, Sat, Sept. 2, 8 p.m. Koussevitzky Music Shed, Tanglewood, 297 West St., Lenox, Mass. Tickets: Lawn seats, \$39: Amphitheater seats (extremely limited availability) start at \$69 (before fees). (888) 266-1200 or www.bso.org/ Performance/Detail/90287.

#### Melissa Etheridge

Grammy and Oscar award-winning American rock singer-songwriter, known for her mix of personal lyrics, pop-based folk rock and smoky vocals, joins Keith Lockhart and the Boston Pops. Sun., Sept. 3, 2:30 p.m. Koussevitzky Music Shed, Tanglewood, 297 West St., Lenox, Mass. Tickets: Lawn seats, \$15; Amphitheater seats start at \$35 and \$70 (before fees). (888) 266-1200 or www.bso.org/ Performance/Detail/87951

#### **Washington County Line**

Traditional bluegrass band will play songs by first and second generation bluegrass bands as well as bluegrass adaptations of early country, folk and contemporary numbers. Part of the Howlin' at the Moon Americana Music Series. Wed. Sept. 6, 7 p.m. Dutch Barn, Mabee Farm Historical Site, 1100 Main St. (Route 5S), Rotterdam Junction. \$5. (518) 877-5073 or schenectadyhistorical.org. **Old Songs Open Mic** 

Sign up to play for a 15 minute set. Wed., Sept. 6, 7:30 p.m., Old Songs Community Arts Center, 37 South Main St., Voorheesville. \$3. (518) 765-2815 or oldsongs.org

#### **Meltasia Music Festival**

Three-day festival featuring live music by Roky Erickson, Raekown, Pissed Jeans, Andy Blade (Eater), Insecure Men (Saul Adamczewski of Fat White Family), and Sloppy Jane, among others, along with plenty of food and beverage options and other fun. Fri., Sept. 8 through Sun., Sept. 10. Blackthorne Resort, 348 Sunside Rd., (off of State Route 145), East Durham. Tickets: Three-day (\$120.90), two-day (Friday/Saturday and Saturday/Sunday, \$83.09) and single day passes (\$45.25 Friday and Sunday; \$56.06 Saturday, all prices include fees) available: passes do not include lodging or camping fees; to book rooms, cabins or a camping spot call (518) 634-2541 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Lineup, schedule, tickets and more online at www.meltasia.com

#### **Hieroglyphic Being**

Chicago-based producer and record label boss (Mathematics), Jamal Moss, has spent decades prolifically releasing music into the outer orbits of house culture. Fri., Sept. 8, 7:30 p.m. Goodman Studio 1,EMPAC, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 110 8th St., Troy. Adults, \$18; seniors/ students, \$13. (518) 276-3921 or tickets. empac.rpi.edu

The Heartland Passage Tour This unique, new performance event marks the waterway's bicentennial and demonstrates its cultural and historical impact through songs, stories and film. Features the music by Jay Ungar and Molly Mason, storyteller and singer George Ward, and a special screening of Academy Award-winning filmmaker Paul Wagner's documentary "Boom and Bust: America's

presented by The Spinney Group

Journey on the Erie Canal." Sat., Sept. 9, 8 p.m. The Linda, 339 Central Ave., Albany. \$15. www.citylore.org/heartlandpassage-tour

#### **Little Feat**

Bringing together strains of blues, R&B, country, and rock & roll, this band has been an American roots music institution since 1969 – with classics such as "Dixie Chicken,""Willin" and "Sailin' Shoes," Sun., Sept. 10, 7 p.m. The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. \$49, \$59, and \$69. (518) 473-1875 or tickets.theegg.org **Bastille** 

Multiple award-winning U.K. pop quartet whose hits include "Pompeii,""Bad Blood," and "Flaws" continues on its "Wild, Wild World Tour." With special guest Frenship, the Los Angeles-based duo known for its affection of 80s style pop. Tues., Sept. 12, 8 p.m. Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. \$29.50 to \$39.50. (518) 465-4663 or www.palacealbany.org/events/detail/ bastille

#### **Boz Scaggs**

Legendary singer/songwriter known for hits including "Lowdown,""Breakdown Dead Ahead,""Heart of Mine," and "Lido Shuffle" tours in support of his latest solo release, "A Fool to Care." Tues., Sept. 12, 7:30 p.m. Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 State St., Troy. \$49, \$59, \$69 and \$79. (518) 273-0038 or www.troymusichall.org.

#### THEATER

#### After

The world premiere of the sequel to Andrew Schneider's Obie-winning theater performance "YOUARENOWHERE," is an emotional, story about time, bodies, death, physics and theater, commissioned

and developed in residence at EMPAC. Thurs., Aug. 31 and Fri., Sept. 1, at 7:30 p.m. Theater, EMPAC, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 110 8th St., Troy. Adults, \$18; seniors/students, \$13. Special dinner package available for \$25. (518) 276-3921 or tickets.empac.rpi.edu

#### A Comedy of Tenors

The hilarious sequel to Ken Ludwig's "Lend Me a Tenor." It's 1930s Paris and the stage is set for the concert of the century—as long as Producer Henry Saunders can keep Italian superstar Tito Merelli and his hot-blooded wife Maria from causing runaway chaos. Prepare for an uproarious ride, full of mistaken identities, bedroom hijinks and madcap delight. Through Sun., Sept. 3. Shows: Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m.; Sundays at 2 p.m.; Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 2 and 7:30 p.m. Oldcastle Theatre Company, 331 Main St., Bennington, Vt. General seating: \$14.36; premiere seating, \$52.74; VIP seating, \$68.27; students with valid ID: \$13.41 (prices include fees). (802) 447-0564 or www.brownpapertickets.com/ event/2919695

#### Hello, Dolly!

One of the greatest musicals of all time, is sure to send you into the fall season with a heart full of hope and love. Presented by Mac-Hadyn Theatre. Through Sun., Sept. 3. Shows: Thursdays at 2 and 8 p.m., Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturdays at 4 and 8 p.m., Sundays at 2 and 7 p.m., and Wed., Aug. 30 at 2 p.m. Mac-Haydn Theatre, 1925 State Route 203, Chatham. Adults, \$36 evenings, \$33 matinees; children younger than 12 with adult, \$15 (prices do not include fees). (518) 392-9292 or www.machadyntheatre.org

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#### **Sing Happy**

End of season cabaret. Popular annual fundraising event will feature the music of composer John Kander and lyricist Fred Ebb, performed by the Mac-Hadyn's 2017 company. Sat., Sept. 2, noon. \$40; includes show and post-performance refreshments. Mac-Haydn Theatre, 1925 State Route 203, Chatham. \$15. (518) 392-9292 or www. machadyntheatre.org

#### Lost in Yonkers

Neil Simon's Tony Award and Pulitzer Prize winning play is set in Yonkers in 1942. As the play opens, we meet Bella who lives at home with her mother, stern Grandma Kurnitz. Her ne'er-do-well son Eddie deposits his two young sons on the old lady's doorstep. He is financially strapped and taking to the road as a salesman. The boys are left to contend with Grandma, with Bella and her secret romance, and with Louie, her brother, a small-time hoodlum in a strange new world called Yonkers. Presented by Curtain Call Theatre. Opens Thurs., Sept. 7 and runs through Sat. Oct. 7. Shows: Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 3 p.m., with a 3 p.m. matinee show on Sat., Sept. 16. Performances take place at 1 Jeanne Jugan Ln., Latham. \$25. (518) 877-7529 or www. curtaincalltheatre.com

#### COMEDY

The Comedy Works The Comedy Works All-Stars: A

showcase of five or six of the funniest, hardest working comedians making a name for themselves. Fri., Sept. 1 and Sat., Sept. 2, at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. Advance, \$15 (show only) or \$39.95 (dinner + show). Note: Prices for the Friday and Saturday night shows above increase \$5 if purchased on show day. **Open Mic**, Thursdays at 9 p.m.; sign ups begin at 7 p.m., free to attend or participate. 388 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. (518) 275-6897 or thecomedyworks.com

#### **The Funny Bone**

Sam Morril: One of the best joke writers on today's scene. Thurs., Aug. 31, 7:30 p.m., \$12; Fri., Sept. 1; 7:30 and 10 p.m. and Sat., Sept. 2, 7 and 9:45 p.m., \$15; and Sun., Sept. 3 at 7 p.m.; \$12. WellRED Comedy Tour: Trae Crowder, Drew Morgan, and Cory Ryan Foster tour nationally in support of their best-selling book: "Liberal Redneck Manifesto: Draggin Dixie out of the Dark." Wed., Sept. 6, 7:30 p.m., \$25. Sean Patton: New Orleans native who has appeared on popular late night television programs. All shows 21+; doors open 60 to 90 minutes before first show time; 30 to 45 minutes before late shows. Thurs., Sept. 7, 7:30 p.m., \$12; Fri., Sept. 8; 7:30 and 10 p.m. and Sat., Sept. 9, 7 and 9:45 p.m., \$15; and Sun., Sept. 10 at 7 p.m.; \$12, Crossgates Mall, 1 Crossgates Mall Rd., Guilderland. (518) 313-7484 or Albany.funnybone.com

#### DANCE

Ellen Sinopoli Dance Company Modern dance works performed by a company of compelling, athletic and versatile dancers. Final installment of this year's Made in The Shade at The Egg series, Wed., Aug. 30, noon. Outdoor stage adjacent to The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Free. www.theeqg.org

#### Intermediate Line Dancing

Dance and lessons. Wed., Aug. 30, 7 to 10 p.m. Danceland, 638 Columbia St., Latham. \$9. (518) 785-3888 or dancelandboomers. com/Calendar.aspx

#### Dance Fever Thursdays

Beginner/intermediate West Coast Swing lesson with Amber Woerner followed by dancing until 10 p.m. Thurs., Aug. 31, 7:15 p.m. Danceland, 638 Columbia St., Latham. \$10. (518) 785-3888 or dancelandboomers.com/Calendar.aspx **Põhaku** 

Solo dance performance by dancer and choreographer Christopher K. Morgan that

incorporates hula, modern dance, classical music, storytelling, chant and projection. Presented as part of the 2017 Chatham Dance Festival. Sat., Sept. 2 and Sun., Sept. 3, 8 p.m. Tent, Performance Spaces for the 21st Century, 2980 State Route 66, Chatham. Adults, \$35; students,\$18. (518) 392-6121 or www.ps21chatham.org

#### Square Dancing Class

Looking for something new and exciting to do in your life? Give square dancing a try! It's not only great physical and mental exercise, but it also provides a venue for meeting new people and forming lifelong friendships. The Latham Circle Square Dance Club will host a class on Tues., Sept. 12 from 7 to 8 p.m., which will be followed by a free Round (similar to Ballroom) Dancing class from 8:15 to 9:15 p.m. All ages welcome with or without a partner. Newtonville United Methodist Church, 568 New Loudon Rd. (State Route 9), Latham. Free. For more information, call Charlene at (518) 228-3574, Diane at (518) 885-4517 or Janet at (518) 427-1145.

#### FAMILY

**KIDS! Storytime** 

For children and their parents/caregivers. Fridays at 10:30 a.m. Northshire Bookstore, 424 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Free. (518) 682-4200 or www.northshire.com

#### The Great Schaghticoke Fair

A showcase of the best that Rensselaer County residents and agriculture have to offer. Plus rides and entertainment for the whole family at the Reithhoffer Midway. Thurs., Aug. 30, through Mon., Sept. 4; gate opening time varies; fair closes daily at 9 p.m. Schaghticoke Fairgrounds, 69 Stillwater Bridge Rd. (State Routes 67 and 40), Schaghticoke. Admission: Opening day, \$1; Adults, \$11 for remainder of fair; children age 13 and younger admitted free during the entire fair; season pass for all six days, \$40. Admission *does not include rides*; separate tickets will need to be purchased at the Midway. \$1 rides (\$10 minimum purchase) on opening day; Unlimited ride wristband: \$21/day Thursday and Friday; \$23/day Saturday through Monday. Detailed daily schedule at www.schaghticokefair.com/index. php/?content=dailyfairschedule

#### Tarzan Zerbini Circus

200 years of affordable family fun will make its first swing through Albany! Show features the Erika Zerbini Liberty Horses, the Tarzan Zerbini Performing Elephants and Bruno's Tigers, beautifully trained and presented by Bruno Blaszak. Thurs., Sept. 8 at 7 p.m., Fri., Sept. 9 at 2 and 7 p.m., and Sat., Sept. 10 at 4 p.m. Premium seats available for \$45 and \$25 each; regular admission is \$17.50 for adults and \$7 for children ages 2 through 12 (prices do not include fees). Times Union Center, 51 South Pearl St., Albany. (518) 487-2000, (800) 745-3000 or ticketmaster.com.

#### Family Farm Day

Experience life on a working dairy farm. See how a cow is milked, what a modern dairy barn looks (and smells) like. Check out the tractors and other pieces of equipment, take a walking tour of the farm, and visit with some baby calves. Presented by Albany County Cornell Cooperative Extension and the Stanton Family. Sun., Sept. 10, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Stanton Farm, 81 Beirs Rd., Coeymans. Free. (518) 765-3500 or email arp253@ cornell.edu.

#### Old Fashioned Sunday

Enjoy a festive fun day with live music by three different Town of Colonie bands, Old Tyme craft demonstrations, exhibits, vendors. Tour the Pruyn House, its gardens, the one-room schoohouse and tool museum. Pony rides, face painting, a storyteller, magician, an art show and live animals for the kids. Presented by the Friends of Pruyn House. Sun., Sept. 10, noon to 4 p.m., rain or shine. Pruyn House, 207 Old Niskayuna Rd., Latham. Free. (518) 783-1435 or www.pruynhouse.org.



The Saratoga Performing Arts Center will present the 17th Annual Saratoga Wine & Food Festival and Concours D'Elegance, on Friday, Sept. 8 and Saturday, Sept. 9. Attendees will have the opportunity to indulge in premier wines and spirits from across the country, while enjoying cuisine from some of the Capital District's finest restaurants. Proceeds from the festival will benefit SPAC's Children's Education Program. Only adults 21 years of age and older will be admitted. For more details or to purchase tickets, call (518) 584-9330 or visit tickets.spac.org

#### Friday, Sept. 8

Adirondack Road Rally & Luncheon - Saratoga Auto Museum - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fans of collectable, rare, and beautiful cars won't want to miss the event. Grab your keys and jump start your day with a spirited hour and a half, professionally-led road rally through beautiful Adirondack roads to finish off at the historic and exclusive, members only, Lake George Club, where a delicious cocktail reception and three course wine-paired luncheon will be served. Cost: \$100 per person.

#### 4th Annual Fired UP! • SPAC Lawn • 7 to 10 p.m.

Eat, drink and mingle at this sizzling hot event. Come witness an exciting grill-off competition with the Capital District's top grillers battling it out for the FIRED UP! title. Eat and enjoy all the tasty grill bites, which will be paired with refreshing wine, mixed cocktails, and be sure to cast a vote for your favorite. Presented by Certified Angus Beef & Stella Artois. Cost : \$85 per person.

#### Saturday, Sept. 9

Grand Tasting • SPAC Lawn • 1 to 4 p.m.

Savor exquisite foods created by more than 20 Capital District while watching culinary demonstrations, participating in a live auction, and sipping on cocktails, wine and beer. The Saratoga Automobile Museum will present a show of luxury cars including classes of Shelby Cobra, Alfa Romeo, Porsche, Lancia, Maserati, Ferrari, Lamborghini, and much more! Don't miss out! Cost: \$85 per person, or upgrade to the Connoisseur Tent VIP Package for \$175 per person. VIP guests not only receive an extra hour to eat, drink and meet the chefs, but will also enjoy an array of fine foods, premier drinks and live music in an upscale and elegant VIP section.

#### FESTIVALS

**Capital District Scottish Games** The Schenectady Pipe Band hosts the 49th annual games, which include The Ceildh, pipe band events, solo piping and drumming, Highland dancing and athletics, a Scottish breed dog show, live

music, children's activities and more. Sat.,

Sept. 2 and Sun., Sept. 3; gates open at 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. respectively. Altamont Fair Grounds, 129 Grand St., (State Route 146), Altamont. General admission: Sat., \$19.62; Sun., \$11.34; weekend (both Sat. and Sun.) ticket \$26.87 (prices include fees). Other packages available. Advance tickets for sale online at www.brownpapertickets. com/event/2899860





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#### FILM

'Annie' Annie" is the story of a plucky, red-haired girl who dreams of life outside her dreary orphanage. One day, Annie (Aileen Quinn) is chosen to stay for one week with the famous billionaire "Daddy" Warbucks (Albert Finney). One week turns into many, and the only person standing in the way of Annie's fun is Miss Hannigan, the gin-soaked ruler of the orphanage (Carol Burnett). Will Miss Hannigan's zany attempts to kidnap the irrepressible Annie succeed? Enjoy all the unforgettable songs from this 1982 release, including "It's A Hard Knock Life" and "Tomorrow." Part of the Capitol Park After Dark Movie Series. Wed., Aug. 30, 8 p.m. West Capitol Park, State Capitol, between State Street and Washington Avenue. Free. (518) 474-4759 or summer.empirestateplaza.org

#### 'Sidemen: Long Road to Glory' This film, narrated by Marc Maron, is an intimate look at the incredible lives and legacies of piano player Pinetop Perkins, drummer Willie 'Big Eyes' Smith and guitarist Hubert Sumlin, all Muddy Waters and Howlin' Wolf sidemen. The film captures some of the last interviews and final live performances together, accompanied by performances and insights from many of the stars these legendary sidemen inspired. Not rated. 80 minutes. Sat., Sept. 2, at 3, 5 and 7 p.m. GE Theatre, Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. \$5. (518) 346-6204 or www.proctors.org

'The Night We Met' Written by famed Capitial District filmmakers Jon Russell Cring and Tracev Nichole Cring and filmed entirely in or around Schroon Lake, this award-winning film is based upon a memorable episode from Ms. Cring's teenage years. The film tells the story of Stacey and Nick, who meet when a mutual friend suggests the troubled Nick give Stacey a call, because she might just listen... and she does. Not Rated. Running time: 93 minutes. The filmmakers will introduce the film and participate in a short O&A session after the screening. Part of the "Location! Location! Location!" series showcasing exceptional cinema shot in upstate New York. Wed., Sept. 6, 7 p.m. GE Theatre, Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. \$5 (suggested). (518) 346-6204 or www.proctors.org

**'Incense, Sweaters, and Ice'** Feature-length video by Los Angelesbased artist Martine Syms that follows three protagonists, Mrs. Queen Esther Bernetta White, Girl, and WB ("whiteboy"). Shot in locations that reflect the route of the Great Migration (Los Angeles, Chicago, and Clarksdale, Miss.), the video employs distinct camera techniques to foreground the camera itself as a central character. Part of this fall's Other Uses series. Wed., Sept. 6, 7 p.m. Theater, EMPAC, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 110 8th St., Troy. \$6. (518) 276-3921 or tickets.empac.rpi.edu

#### 'Man Underground'

Filmmakers Michael Borowiec and Sam Marine shot this film primarily in Greene County. The film tells the story of former geologist and current divorcee Willem Koda is a UFO conspiracy theorist who is certain that the U.S. government is actively hiding extraterrestrial life forms. In an effort to educate the general public, he decides to make a no-budget DIY film with the help of friends and neighbors. However, his film also becomes a strange depiction of the events which caused his marriage to fall apart. The filmn introduce the film and participate in a short Q&A session after the screening. Part of the "Location! Location! Location!" series showcasing exceptional cinema shot in upstate New York. Thurs., Sept. 7, 7 p.m. GE Theatre, Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. \$5 (suggested). (518) 346-6204 or www.proctors.org

**'Backpack Full of Cash'** 1977 film starring Sean Connery, Ryan O'Neal and Gene Hackman that recounts

#### the true story of Operation Market Garden, the Allies' attempt during WWII to drive the German Army out of occupied Belgium and Holland. The film has significance for Albany, as it explains the genesis of the city's relationship to its "sister city" Nijmegen, Holland. Features commentary by director/producer Sarah Mondale and producer/editor Verna Aronow. Fri., Sept. 8, 7 p.m. Page Hall, UAlbany Downtown Campus, 135 Western Ave., Albany. Free. (518) 442-5620 or www.albany.edu/

#### writers-inst **'The Wizard of Oz'**

Classic 1939 film starring Judy Garland as Dorothy Gale, who is swept away from a farm in Kansas to a magical land of Oz in a tornado and embarks on a quest with her new friends to see the Wizard who can help her return to Kansas and help her friends as well (IMDb). Presented in conjunction with the R. John Wright Hollywood Convention taking place at the Albany Hilton from Sept. 7 - 9. Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. Thurs., Sept. 7 at 4 p.m. \$5. www.palacealbany. org/events/detail/the-wizard-of-oz-movie event

#### 'Gone with The Wind'

Classic 1939 film starring Clark Gable and Vivien Leigh based on the novel by Margaret Mitchell. A manipulative woman and a roguish man conduct a turbulent romance during the American Civil War and Reconstruction periods. Presented in conjunction with the R. John Wright Hollywood Convention taking place at the Albany Hilton from Sept. 7 - 9. Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. Fri., Sept. 8, at 8 p.m. \$5. www.palacealbany.org/ events/detail/gone-with-the-wind

#### The Humanity Project:

A Devised Documentary Film Two communities separated by oceans, language and culture yet connected by respect, compassion and understanding. A small Tanzanian village in desperate need of a labor clinic. A newly married American couple in search of hope. When two communities cross paths, can they fill each other's hearts or heal each other's pain? Capital District screening, Fri., Sept. 8, 7 p.m. GE Theatre, Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. \$20; proceeds benefit the Mloka Village Health Center. (518) 346-6204 or www.proctors.org

#### 'Man in the Red Bandana'

This is a story of how the courageous and selfless actions of one man can touch and inspire thousands. Welles Remy Crowther bravely saved at least ten people on September 11, 2001 at the cost of his own life. He went up, so others could come down. Narrated by Gwyneth Paltrow. Rated PG-13 for thematic material involving disaster-related images and descriptions. Running time 100 min. including a pre-recorded post-event Q&A with Jefferson Crowther (father of Welles Remy Crowther) and film director, Matthew J. Weiss. Sat., Sept. 9 at 7 p.m. and Sun., Sept. 10 at 2 p.m. GE Theatre, Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. \$5. (518) 346-6204 or www.proctors.org

#### LECTURES/ WORKSHOPS

#### Improv Fundadmentals: Narrative

Improvisers are not only the actors on stage, but the writers and the directors, too. This six-week course focuses on what makes a good story, and gives you the skills necessary to create one on your feet, out loud, in front of an audience. Great for writers and storytellers of all ages. Mondays, Sept. 6 through Oct. 11, 7 to 9 p.m. The Mopco Improve Theater, 10 N Jay St., Schenectady. \$115 to \$139. (518) 577-6725 or www.mopco.org/classes

**Musical Improv: Songcraft** Join Musical Director Mark S. Meritt as he guides you through the art of creating music in the moment. This 6-week class will cover all you need to learn the www.thespot518.com

language of song; from techniques in making up verses and choruses, inventing rhymes off the top of your head, or that sometimes you don't need rhyme! A great class for improvisers looking to expand their talents and singer/songwriters looking to shake things up. Sundays, Sept. 10 through Oct. 22 (no class Oct. 8), 1 to 3 p.m. The Mopco Improv Theater, 10 N Jay St., Schenectady. \$115 to \$139. (518) 577-6725 or www.mopco.org/classes

#### Feeding Mind and Body

Tracie Killär, who organizes the South End Café, which provides after school activities and dinnertime family meals for Albany Area children and families in need, will speak about this inspiring local mission. Learn what one caring person can do. Sun., Sept. 10, 11:30 a.m. Glenmont Community Church, 1 Chapel Ln., Glenmont. Free. www.glenmontcommunitychurch.org

#### LITERARY

#### Conversation with Awkwafina

Multi-talented rap artist, comedian, actress and author (aka Nora Lum) who graduated from the University at Albany with a bachelor's degree in journalism in 2011 Steve Barnes, one of her former professors will conduct an on-stage interview with her. Part of the New York State Writers' Institute Visiting Writers Series. Thurs., Aug. 31, 4:15 p.m. Main Theatre, Performing Arts Center, University at Albany Uptown Campus, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany. Free. (518) 442-5620 or www.albany.edu/ writers-inst

#### Nitty Gritty Poetry Slam

Albany's official poetry slam. Tues., Sept. 5. Sign up at 7 p.m.; open mic at 7:30 p.m. and slam at 8 p.m. 18+. The Low Beat, 335 Central Ave., Albany. \$3 before 7:30 p.m.; \$5 after 7:30 p.m. www.albanypoets.com/ nittygrittyslam

#### Poetry Open Mic

All styles welcome. Each poet reads two short poems (less than one page) or one longer poem with a limit of 5 minutes. Readers are asked to refrain from using excessive profanity or vulgarity. Wed., Sept. 6, sign-ups begin at 7 p.m. followed by featured poet's reading at 7:30 p.m. Caffe Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs. \$5. (518) 883-6394 or www.caffelena.org

#### The Art of Memoir – Seminar

Writer, poet and activist James Hart is the author of a powerful new memoir, "Lucky Jim" (2017), an account of his violent childhood, marriage to pop singer superstar Carly Simon, and his drug and alcohol addiction and subsequent recovery. Hart will be joined by several community writers and UAlbany students, who will read short passages of autobiography to further explore the art of memoir. Thurs., Sept. 7, 4:15 p.m. Standish Room, Science Library, University at Albany Uptown Campus, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany. Free. (518) 442-5620 or www.albany.edu/writers-inst.

#### The Art of Memoir – Reading

Celebrated memoir coach, Marion Roach Smith, author of "The Memoir Project: A Thoroughly Non-Standardized Text for Writing & Life (2011)," will host this reading with Hart. Thurs, Sept. 7, 7 p.m. Huxley Theatre, New York State Museum. 222 Madison Ave., Albany. Free. (518) 474-5877 or www.nysm.nysed.gov.

#### Writers workshop

Bi-weekly writers' get together. Eat, drink, schmooze and share, but, mostly write. Thurs., Sept. 7 at 6 p.m., Tech Valley Center of Gravity, Quackenbush Building, 30 Third St., Troy. Free. www.tvcog.org

#### MISCELLANEOUS Listening Here Launch

Be one of the first to experience this mobile web-app created by Stephanie Loveless and Cristyn Magnus for mindful listening. Listening Here delivers written instructions that encourage creative engagement with the everyday sounds

#### Summer Stroll

Linda Trela will lead a walking tour of the former Women's Industrial Club of Saratoga, better known today as Skidmore College. Learn more about Skidmore's early days, along with the Queen Anne Victorians along Union Avenue. Presented by the Saratoga Springs Preservation Foundation. Sun., Sept., 3, 10:30 a.m.; tour held rain or shine. Meet at the southwest corner of Spring and Circular streets. \$8 per person; reservations requested. (518) 587-5030 or nbabie@ saratogapreservation.org

#### **Delaware Community Farmers Market**

Offering local, fresh-picked fruits, vegetables, herbs, eggs, jams and baked goods. Tuesdays, 4 to 7 p.m. through November. Delaware Branch, Albany Public Library, 331 Delaware Ave., Albany. Free to attend. (518) 432-0516 or DelawareAreaNA@gmail.com

#### **Together Tuesday**

Tuesday nights in Eden Café are set-aside for groups to have a time of team building. Safe, non-alcoholic environment where trust can be fostered. Tuesdays, 4:30 to 9 p.m., 269 Osborne Rd., Loudonville. (518) 977-3771.

#### Veteran Meet-Up

All veterans welcome to free coffee Tuesdays from 6 to 8 p.m. Saratoga Coffee Traders, 447 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. (518) 884-4999 or www.VeteransPeerConnection.org

#### Social Night/Potluck/ Open House tours

It's the perfect night to come by and get a feel for this amazing creative community. Free. Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Tech Valley Center of Gravity, 30 Third St., Troy. (518) 279-7863 or www.tvcog.net.

#### **Geeks Who Drink**

A guiz show with eight rounds of eight questions each, including a music round, an audio round and a picture round. Free to play, with prizes for the top two teams and bonus prizes throughout the game. Tuesdays, 8 p.m., Olde English Pub, 683 Broadway, Albany.

#### Social Media

Meet new people and make art in a new medium. Each event will feature a signature cocktail or seasonal beverage pair with the art form that participants will be experimenting with (descriptions available online). First and third Tuesdays of the month (Sept. 5, and 19; Oct. 3 and 17: Nov. 7 and 21: and Dec. 5 and 19), 5:30 p.m. Arts Center of the Capital Region, 265 River St., Troy. \$35; includes materials and nibbles; other beverages available for purchase. Registration required. (518) 273-0552 or www.artscenteronline.org/ social-media/ Please note: Tues., Oct. 3 event is sold out.

#### Secret Stockade

Discover the secrets of Schenectady's historic Stockade section during a walking tour of the historic district, which lunch at Arthur's Mark inside an 1820's home and a visit to the Schenectady County Historical Society's Museum and Library. Wed., Sept. 6, 11 a.m. Tickets: \$20, available at www. schenectadyhistorical.org/walking-tours, via phone at (518) 374-0263 ext. 4 or email curator@schenectadyhistory.org

#### **Dollar Days**

Karie Jean's Closet will offer men's, women's and children's clothing for \$1 per item on Wednesdays, Sept. 6 and Sept. 13 from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.; also offered from noon to 3 p.m on Sun., Sept. 10. Proceeds from sales of clothing will go towards mission projects. First United Methodist Church of Voorheesvile, 68 Maple Ave., Voorheesville. (518) 765-2728. **Giant Sale** 

Browse a variety of vintage and new goods... tools, toys, small furniture.. you name it, it's probably here. Fri., Sept. 8, and Sat., Sept. 9, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Inside and outside, Bethlehem Grange No. 137 Hall, 24 Bridge St. (State Route 396), Selkirk. Free admission; proceeds from sale will enable the Grange to continue with ongoing and major repairs to its facility. (518) 438-8862.

#### **Giffy's BBQ Fundraiser**

Dinner includes a half chicken, baked potato, coleslaw, roll & butter, dessert and beverage. Fri., Sept. 8, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. (or until sold out). Shaker Road Loudonville Fire Dept., 550 Albany Shaker Road, Loudonville, \$12, cash or credit card: drive thru ONLY. (518) 458-1352.

#### **Back to School Fair**

Optometrist Dr. Robert Fox will discuss what children's eyes need to be most efficient for learning. A psychologist, occupational therapist, physical therapist and chiropractor will also be on hand to discuss preparing children for school this fall. Sat., Sept. 9, 9 a.m. to noon. Fox Vision Development Center, 1202 Troy Schenectady Road, Latham. Free, RSVP to drfoxassistant.gmail.com

#### **Central Troy Historic District** Food Tour

A leisurely 3 hour, 1.5 mile walk with five refreshing stops, a progressive brunch that helps quests experience Troy's evolution into a foodie paradise. Presented by Taste of Troy Food Tours. Saturdays, Sept. 9 and 16, and Oct. 21 and 28, from 9:45 a.m. to 1 p.m.; meet at 275 River St., in downtown Troy by the Troy, NY, sign. Adults, \$49 + tax and processing fee. www. tasteoftroyfoodtours.com

#### **State Education Building Tour**

Take a guided tour through the state's historic Education Building in downtown Albany. The 45-minute tour, led by a member of the New York State Museum staff, includes opportunities to explore Chancellors Hall, the Regents Room and the rotunda, adorned with murals by Albany native Will H. Low. Sat., Sept. 9, 12:30 and 2:30 p.m. Meet on the front steps of the Education Building, 89 Washington Ave., Albany. Free, registration required; tours limited to 25 participants each. To register, call (518)

474-2418 or visit ogs.ny.gov/ESP/CT/ Tours/Capitol.asp

#### **State Capitol Tour**

Take a guided tour through the state's historic Capitol Building in downtown Albany. The 1-hour tour is led by a member of the New York State Museum staff. Sat., Sept. 9, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Meet at the Plaza Visitor Center and Gift Shop located on the North Concourse of the Empire State Plaza. Free, registration required; tours limited to 25 participants each. To register, call (518) 474-2418 or visit ogs.ny.gov/ESP/CT/Tours/Capitol.asp **Trov Flea** 

An ever-growing, hip, outdoor summer/ fall market featuring a rotating slate of more than two dozen vintage and craft vendors combined with live music and food vendors. Its vintage section is full of high-quality, clothes, jewelry, comic books, collectibles, vinyl records, shoes and more. Sundays, Sept. 10 and 24, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; rain or shine. Troy Riverfront Park, River and Front streets, downtown Troy. Free admission. (518) 308-8304 or www.troyflea.com

#### Magicians' meeting

Capitaland Conjurers, the local group of The Society of American Magicians, Assembly #24, invites adults age 18 and older with any interest in the art of magic. including performance, history, collecting or pure entertainment for a fun evening. Tues., Sept. 12, 7:30 p.m. S.W. Pitts Hose Co., Old Loudon Road, Latham. www.SAM24.org

#### **Schenectady Suds**

Take a walk along what was once known as "Brewer's Street," looking at local history through the lens of a beer glass. This one hour walking tour of Schenectady's historic Stockade District will examine the history of brewing and the impact on the city and county's history, from the Colonial era to today's craft brew revival. Concludes with a pint and a tour with the brewers at Mad Jack Brewery/The Van Dyck Restaurant. Must be 21+ to participate. Thursday, Sept. 14, 21, and 28 at 6 p.m. \$15 (includes pint of beer at Mad Jack); advance registration required. www. schenectadyhistorical.org/walking-tours

#### EXHIBITS

#### **Adirondack Experience**

"Life in the Adirondacks:" Interactive gallery installation exploring the spirit, history, culture, and people of the Adirondack region, featuring more than 300 artifacts. Permanent installation, plus other permanent and temporary exhibits.

Hours: Daily, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., through Oct. 5. The Museum on Blue Mountain Lake, 9097 NY Route 30, Blue Mountain Lake. Adults, \$20; seniors, \$18; youths and students w/valid ID, \$12; children ages 5 and younger and active military personnel, free. (518) 352-7311 or

#### . www.theADKX.org **Albany Center Gallery**

**Continuing: "Passage,"** a printmaking show featuring works by Annie Bissett, Joan Dix Blair, Thorsten Dennerline, Nancy Haver, Sara Pike, Nori Pepep, Mary Ellen Riell and Sandy Wilmer, that focuses on travel and memories. Through Fri., Sept. 1. Hours: Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. or by appointment. 488 Broadway, Albany. Free admission. (518) 462-4775 or albanycentergallery.org

#### Albany Institute of History and Art

Continuing: 2017 Exhibition by Artists of the Mohawk-Hudson **Region:** Annual, juried exhibition pays tribute to the talented artists working within a 100-mile radius of the Capital District, Also "Back: A Re-Installation of 19th Century Sculpture by Jack Shear:" Shear, a photographer, curator, and collector of eclectic materials, enjoys the art of observation, sometimes with a twist. In this exhibit, he literally shines a light on the backs of the sculptures featured in the Sculpture Court. Both through Sun., Sept. 3. Also, "The Fashionable Portrait:" brings together 14 paintings and four miniature portraits from the Institute's collection to specifically highlight 19th century fashion as depicted in the work of portrait painters. Through Sun., March 18, 2018. Also "The Hudson River School: Landscape Paintings from the Albany Institute:" Reinstallation of nearly 90 paintings from this collection featuring works by Thomas Cole and Frederic Church, among others. On view indefinitely. Plus ongoing exhibits. Hours: Wed.: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thurs.: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Fri.

and Sat.: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sun.: noon to 5 p.m. Admission: Adults, \$10; seniors/ students (w/ID), \$8; children ages 6 to 12, \$6; children 5 and younger, free. 125 Washington Ave., (518) 463-4478 or www.albanyinstitute.org.

#### Cedar Hill

Schoolhouse Museum Continuing: "Bethlehem 100 Years Ago" takes a particular look at what our town was like during World War I. Military memorabilia will also be featured. Presented by the Bethlehem Historical Association, Through Tues., Oct. 31, Open Sundays from 2 to 4 p.m. 1003 River Road, Selkirk. Free. BethlehemHistorical.orgs

The Clark Art Institute

Continuing: Helen Frankenthaler: "As **In Nature,**" featuring 12 of the American artist's large abstract paintings, through Oct. 9, and "No Rules," 17 woodcuts which focus on her inventive and groundbreaking approach to woodcuts, through Sept. 24; also "Orchestrating Elegance: Alma-Tadema and Design," which offers new insight into the artist's Greco-Pompeian style music room for Henry Gurdon Marquand's New York mansion: through Sept. 4.; "An Inner World," features seven exceptional genre paintings by Dutch artists working in or near the city of Leiden in the 17th century, through Oct. 1; and "Thomas Schutte: **Crystal**," the artist's first full-scale architectural work in the U.S., through Oct. 9. Plus permanent collection. Open Tues. through Sun., 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: Adults, \$20; children 18 and younger, free. 225 South St., Williamstown, Mass. www.clarkart.edu

#### **Experimental Media and**

Performing Arts Center Continuing: "An Evening with Queen White" by Martine Syms. Augmentedreality installation invites visitors to meet the virtual character, Queen White. Eschewing conventional virtual reality, the audience experiences a 360° environment without the use of a headset: several screens are placed in different locations around the studio; each showing only portions of the video, exposing the limits of each screen's size and shape. Through Wed., Sept. 6. Hours: weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Studio 1—Goodman, EMPAC, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 110 8th St., Troy. Free admission. (518) 276-3921 or www.empac.rpi.edu

#### Fort Orange General Store New: Pop-up exhibit featuring

abstract/action paintings by Alex Waters. Opening reception during Albany's First Friday, Sept. 1, from 5 to 7 p.m. Exhibit on display through Labor Day weekend. Hours: weekdays from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., and weekends, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. 412 Broadway, Albany. Free admission. www.fortorangegeneralstore.com

#### The Hyde Collection Continuing: To Distribute and

Multiply: The Feibes & Schmitt Gift marks the opening of The Hyde's first gallery dedicated to Modern and Contemporary art with 40 abstract and nonrepresentational works selected from Warren Feibes and the late James Schmitt's collection donated to the museum last year. On view indefinitely. Also, "Ellsworth Kelly: Slow Curve" which examines the artist's experimentation with curved fields of color, and "Ellsworth Kelly: Fruits and Flowers," a selection of 26 lithographs featuring line drawn images from which his "Slow Curve" works are derived: both through Sept. 24. Plus permanent collection. Open: Tues. through Sat., 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun., noon to 5 p.m. Admission: adults, \$12; seniors (60+), \$10; children/students (w/ID)/active military and their families, free. 161 Warren St., Glens Falls. (518) 792-1761 or www.hydecollection.org

#### Mabee Farm Historic Site Continuing: "Four by Four," features

the creative vision of four artists, Deborah

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Angilletta, John Morrette, Tim Prendergast and Maureen Sausa, in four sets of four paintings, each based on a photograph. Also "Erie Canal Re-Imagined." Working with historical photos of the Erie Canal from the Schenectady County Historical Society's Library, Dana Hatchett provides a great visual adventure in pencil, Conté crayon, and charcoal that explores the structural grace of the canal and what was built around it. Intrigued by natural landscapes modified by the canal and its aqueducts, bridges, and locks, the artist strives to inspire understanding and appreciation of the past. Through Oct. 31 Open Tuesday through Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. 1100 Main St. (State Route 5S), Rotterdam Junction. Admission: \$5 per adult for self-guided access; or \$8 for a combined tour and access to exhibits; children and students (w/ID) free. (518) 887-5073 or schenectadyhistorical.org

#### Mandeville Gallery

**Continuing: "Branding the AfroFuture"** by Stacey Robinson. Multimedia work discusses "Black Utopias" as spaces of peace away from colonial influence by considering Black protest movements and the art movements that document them. Part of the Art Installation Series, through March 2018 at the Schaffer Library Learning Commons. Union College, 807 Union St., Schenectady. Free. (518) 388-6004 or muse.union.edu/mandeville/home

#### miSci

Continuing: Wind and Solar: The Renewable Energy Revolution: New interactive exhibit sponsored by GE Renewable Energy encourages visitors' understanding of renewable energy technology and climate change factors, while inspiring advocacy for renewable solutions to society's ever-increasing energy needs. Also MRI: Examining the Human Body; explore the science behind a landmark medical imaging system developed here in the Capital District. Both on display indefinitely. Plus ongoing/ permanent exhibits. Open Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, noon to 5 p.m. 15 Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady. Adults (13+), \$10.50; seniors (65+), \$9; children (3-12) \$7.50. Additional \$5/person charge for planetarium show. (518) 382-7890 or www.miSci.org.

**National Museum of Dance** Continuing: "National Museum of Dance and Hall of Fame - Celebrating 30 Years," and "Art in the Foyer: Design for Dance," highlighting the costume sketches of design and dance historian Malcolm McCormack; also "The Dancing Athlete," "50 Years at SPAC," Hall of Fame Inductees Patricia Wilde and Gregory Hines. Plus ongoing exhibits. Open daily, Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. 99 South Broadway, Saratoga Springs, Adults, \$6.50; seniors/students (w/valid ID) \$5; children ages 4 to 12, \$3; children ages 3 and younger, free; Free admission for all on Tuesdays. (518) 584-2225 or www.dancemuseum.ord

#### New York State Museum Continuing: "A Spirit of Sacrifice:

Continuing: "A Spirit of Sacrifice: New York State in the First World War," featuring artifacts, images, posters and documents from collections at the Museum, State Archives, State Library and other cultural institutions. Through June 3, 2018. Also, "The People's Art: Selections from the Empire State Plaza Art Collection," through Sept. 3; and "Hudson Valley Ruins," through Dec. 31. Plus ongoing/permanent exhibits. Open Tuesday through Sunday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Empire State Plaza, 222 Madison Ave., Albany. Free admission; suggested donation of \$5/person or \$10/family. (518) 474-5877 or

#### www.nysm.nysed.gov Opalka Gallery

**Continuing: Kathryn Field exhibit.** Field's work has been shown in galleries and museums across the U.S. and in Sydney, Australia. Her commissioned sculpture "Celebration," was installed in the Shea Learning Center on the Russell Sage College Campus in Troy last fall. Exhibit honors Susan C. Scrimshaw, Ph.D., who stepped down as The Sage College's president in June. Through Sat., Sept. 9. Opening reception: Fri., Sept. 1 from 6 to 8 p.m. Open Tues. through Fri., 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Sat., noon to 4 p.m. Sage College of Albany, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany. Free. (518) 292-7742 or opalka.sage.edu.

#### Pine Hills Branch Albany Public Library

**Continuing:** "**Illustrated**," showcases illustration as a medium, with a special focus on illustrators, Meg Sodano and Cara Hanley of Albany, and Marie Beebe of Chatham. Through Oct. 28. Open Mondays and Wednesdays, noon to 8 p.m.; Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursdays and Fridays, noon to 6 p.m., and Saturdays, noon to 5 p.m. 517 Western Ave., Albany. (518) 482-7911 or www.albanypubliclibrary. org/locations/pine-hills/

#### Saratoga Arts

**Continuing: 10x10**, annual show featuring work created by artists of all ages and abilities, including works created by participants of the Saratoga Arts' Visual Arts Summer Camp Program (Main Gallery). Through Sept. 2. **Paintings by Susan Beadle** (Reception Gallery) and **Unfurled by Karen Cummings** (Members' Hall Gallery). 320 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Free. Open weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. (518) 584-4132 or saratoga-arts.org

#### Saratoga Auto Museum Continuing: "The Gavel: Cars of the Saratoga Auto Auction," which takes a look at the history, process, popularity and potential of automobile collecting along with "Auto Sketches by Robert Selkowitz," and "Photography by Michael DiPlecco," through Sept. 17. Plus ongoing exhibits. 110 Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Spa State Park, Saratoga Springs. saratogaautomuseum.org

Saratoga Clay Arts Center Continuing: Melding our Leanred Experiences, featuring works by Jill Fishon-Kovachick and Leslie Strong. Schacht Gallery. Through Sun., Sept. 3. Open daily, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. 167 Hayes Rd., Schuylerville. Free. (518) 581-2529 or saratogaclayarts.org

#### Schenectady County Historical Society

**Continuing: "Together Until the End: Schenectady in World War I,"** through Nov. 2017. Plus ongoing exhibits. Open weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. 32 Washington Ave., Schenectady. Admission: \$5. (518) 374-0263 or www.schenectadyhistorical.org

#### Scarlet Seven Fine Art Gallery New: "l'Origine du Monde: Eroticism." This exhibit is designed to call into

question our sexual morality and the personal boundaries of each viewer. The 20+ artists featured in this exhibit have all have created images that call into question the fine line between romantic, sensual, erotic, and pornographic. This is an adult only exhibit. Through Sun., Sept. 24. 137 4th St., Troy. Free. Open Mon. and Tues., by appointment, Wed., from 3 to 8 p.m.; and Sat. and Sun. from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. (S18) 378-6583, (S18) 312-1564 or www. scarletsevengallery.com

Tang Teaching Museum Continuing: "Liz Collins — Energy Field," a long-running installation created as a lounge/social space for visitors and students, through Sept. 10. Closing party, featuring artist talk, knitting and more on Thurs., Sept. 8, beginning at 5 p.m. Also, "If I Had Possession Over Judgement Day: Collections of Claud Simard," featuring art and objects from across centuries and continents; through Sept. 24. Also, "Other Side:—Art, Object, Self," selected pieces from the Tang Collection that showcase the use of paint, glass, marble, fabric, found objects and even artists' bodies to force a critical examination of national, cultural and self identity. Through Dec. 30. *New: "States* **of Incarceration,"** organized by students and formerly incarcerated individuals from 20 cities, this traveling exhibit explores the history and future of mass incarceration. Tang show focuses on the now closed Mount McGregor prison, studied in Professor Eric Morser's "Adventures in Public History: The Prison Project" course. Opens Sat., Sept. 2, and runs through Wed., Oct. 11. Skidmore College, 815 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Free. tang.skidmore.edu

#### University Art Museum

Continuing: Sara Greenberger Rafferty: "Gloves Off," a collection of recent video, sculpture and photography that furthers the artist's ongoing fascination with domesticity, the body, consumer culture, fashion, violence and stand-up comedy in a kaleidoscopic view of contemporary culture on the edge, and Cameron Martin: "Abstracts," a new body of non-objective paintings that address current generative roles for abstraction by an artist best known for his large scale, photographically based landscape paintings. Through Sept. 9. Uptown Campus, University at Albany, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany. Hours: Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Wednesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, noon to 4 p.m. Free. (518) 442-4035 or www.albany.edu/museum.

### CALL FOR ARTISTS Arts Center

#### of the Capital Region

Nasty Women of the North: Entries sought for this group exhibition scheduled for Fri., Oct. 27 through Sun., Oct. 29. Show will serve to demonstrate solidarity among artists who identify with being a Nasty Woman in the face of threats to roll back women's and individual rights. Organized by the Feminist Art Project of Upstate NY. Information about the movement: nastywomenexhibition.org. Submissions due by 11:59 p.m. on Fri., Sept. 15. Also, *PARK(ing) Day:* Artists, designers, architects and Troy business owners are invited to submit plans for transforming a metered parking space into a temporary public space that engages Troy in both its natural and built environment. Five short and three long-term installations will be awarded. Submissions due by

Tues., Sept. 4. For more details about either of these opportunities, visit http://artscenterofthecapitalregion. submittable.com/submit. Scroll down to the appropriate entry for information and to submit entry(ies).

#### Mabee Farm Historic Site

Artists, crafters and vendors wanted for Schenectady County Historical Society's Fall Foliage Festival scheduled for Sun., Oct. 15. (518) 887-5073 or www.schenectadyhistorical.org.

#### Saratoga Arts

Art in Public Places: Artists are invited to schedule a month-long exhibit as part of this program. For details, visit www.saratoga-arts.org/exhibitions/ publicplaces. To schedule an exhibit, e-mail ehuneck@saratoga-arts.org with your top two choices of location and month. Exhibitions are scheduled on a first-come, first-serve basis. Also, Art in the Park: Artists are invited to exhibit and sell their work in beautiful Congress Park on Sat., Sept. 16. This year's event will also include prizes, a Kidz Art Zone, live music and food vendors. Registration fees: \$65 for Saratoga Arts members \$75 for non-members. Application at saratoga-arts.org/exhibitions/ artinthepark. For more details, call

artinthepark. For more details, call (518) 584-4132 or e-mail ehuneck@ saratoga-arts.org. Applications due Fri., Sept. 1.

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#### CAPRICORN

**December 22 – January 19** An opportunity is worth pursuing, Capricorn, so give it a go. A rumor turns out to be true. Rest easy. The change will not affect you whatsoever..

#### **AQUARIUS**

#### January 20- February 18

Opulent surroundings inspire you to make changes to your own surroundings. Start with the room you use the most, Aquarius. It could use a facelift.

#### PISCES

#### February 19 – March 20

Interesting times are on the horizon. Let go and join the activities, Pisces. A trip down memory lane inspires an intricate restoration project.

#### ARIES

#### March 21 - April 19

Contemplation provokes action. Go, Aries, go! The cornerstone of your beliefs is challenged. Don't back down. A usually quiet fellow makes his presence known.

#### TAURUS

April 20 – May 20 You get the runaround, and it frustrates you to no end. Patience, Taurus. Eventually you will get the answers you seek. A book is well received.

#### GEMINI

May 21 – June 21 You're pulled in a million different directions this week, and time is precious. Do what you can, Gemini, and accept all offers of help. You will come out smiling.

#### CANCER

#### June 22 – July 22

It's time, Cancer. You've been dealing with an issue for far too long. Look high and low for a solution that will put an end to the matter once and for all.

#### LEO

July 23 – August 22 Absolutely not, Leo. You have done your part. Now it is time for others to live up to their commitments. A request is fulfilled in an unexpected way. August 2017 Week 5

#### VIRGO

August 23 – September 22 Research is your friend, Virgo. Do your homework before you sign any contracts this week. Something is amiss. A loved one reaches a fitness goal.

#### LIBRA

#### **September 23 – October 22** Balance is the key to happiness this week, Libra. Work hard, play hard and be happy. A promise is broken, but this time, it works in your favor.

#### **SCORPIO**

answered.

**October 23 – November 21** Peace be yours, Scorpio. Life has been much too hectic as of late, but things will soon settle down and harmony will reign once more. A question is

#### SAGITTARIUS

**November 22 – December 21** Pack your bags, Sagittarius. A trip invitation is headed your way. Don't say no. You deserve a break. A notebook reveals more than you bargained for.

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### Food & Vino

Roasted Corn & Tomato Salad with Basil Balsamic Dressing

> **By MICKEY SPELVIN** news@spotlightnews.com

#### CULINARY ARTS

e're assuming you'll be hitting someone's backyard for a end of summer cookout this Labor Day weekend. So, this recipe may just be the perfect compliment to those hamburgers and hot dogs on the grill. With that in mind, this week's wine pairs perfectly with a beefy hamburger. The ingredients are enough for four people, so feel free to change things up accordingly.

#### Ingredients

The Salad: 1 pint (a small basket) grape tomatoes

2 ears quality sweet corn

1/4 C green onions (about 2 scallions or Spring onions)

1 clove fresh garlic 8 nice basil leaves

#### The Dressing:

1/4 C white Balsamic vinegar

1/2 C high quality olive oil

1 tsp honey (or sugar) 8-10 fresh basil leaves

1/2 tsp sea salt

#### 1/4 tsp black pepper

#### Directions

The Salad:

Carefully cut the ears of corn at both ends — just feel for the tip and cut it off and cut off most of the remnant of the stalk (the bottom). Leave the hust on the corn. Put the ears on the grill and watch it as it scorches, and turn to roast the ear evenly to black. When done, remove to cool. Then shuck the ears and remove the silk. Stand an ear on the stalk end and slowly cut the corn from the cob and put the cut corn in a bowl. Repeat with the next ear. Cut the tomatoes in half and add to the bowl. Add minced garlic, shredded basil and onions that are sliced into thin discs.

#### The Dressing:

In a small bowl, combine the oil and vinegar, sweetener, salt and pepper, and whisk until well combined, smoothly cloudy

#### Pairing

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#### **By DAN ROMAND**

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e have a serious problem in this country, and I'm not talking about something political.

No, I'm talking about something far more important than that. Our mind-set is killing us. Literally.

It's something that's been on my mind over the past couple of months while I've seen the affects of "mind-set problem" on a couple of friends of mine, and they aren't good. We define "living" or "fun" in terms of how we eat, drink and live. We live to "party on" and we worry about the consequences later. The problem arises when later comes.

And, sometimes it's not as far away as you think.

Think about it for a second. Ever have someone say to you, "Oh, c'mon. One piece of cake won't kill you." Maybe you have that friend who habitually asks you, "Why go to the gym? You're gonna die anyway."

Now, I'll be the first to admit that I

occasionally ascribe to the "You Only Live Once" way of thinking, and life should be enjoyed. And, yes one slice of cake won't kill you. But, the problem, is we don't stop at once slice of cake.

Oh, no. We eat the entire cake and wash it down with a 12-pack of beer. I'm sure a few of you are saying, "He's exaggerating a bit there." Am I? When you look at the statistics the answer is: No. Not really. When it comes to the Top 7 causes of death in this country six are due to lifestyle choices. The exception being auto accidents. Among the leading causes of death are heart disease, cancer and diabetes. While one piece of cake won't kill you, the cumulative effect of having a piece of cake every day most certainly will.

And it's only getting worse.

About 70 percent of the U.S. is overweight, and more than a third is obese. Diabetes is growing at an alarming rate with some studies showing an increase of 90 percent in the past 10 years. Current estimates predict one in three Americans will have Type 2 diabetes in the near future.

Think about that a second. In the typical "American Household "with two parents and two kids, at least one and possibly two members of the family will have diabetes. Obesity, in particular childhood obesity, is growing at alarming rates. Despite all the statistics, and all the warnings, most people refuse to acknowledge the problem. Instead, they'll follow the, "You Only Live Once" mindset. And, that's my point — you do only live once. So why not make it as long and happy a life as you can?

When you make poor choices — poor eating, drinking and exercising habits it comes at a cost. For many, it means a shorter life filled with more misery. That means less time spent with your children and grandchildren. It means less time traveling. In short, it means less time spent living.

A poor lifestyle can give you something more. It can give you more time spent in doctor's office. More time in the hospital. It can mean more money spent on prescriptions and health care costs. It can give you more misery and sadness.

Now I'm not trying to be Debbie Downer here, but those friends I mentioned earlier, they are facing those consequences now — in their mid-50s. Speaking with both of them, they truly are regretting those decisions they made 10, 20 and 30 years ago. Both of them used those very quotes I gave earlier, many times over.

One was just diagnosed with diabetes and is looking at sticking shots in his thigh every day the rest of his life. The other is headed for a triple-bypass and multiple months of recovery.

So, take a moment and think about what it is that is important to you, and adjust your choices accordingly.

If you truly don't care if you have to stick needles in your thigh or that you'll be spending hours, days or weeks at the doctor or in the hospital well then you can have your cake and eat it, too. Who am I (or anyone) to judge if that's the choice you make?

But if things like playing with your grandkids, or traveling once you retire are important, then you need to decide if that piece of cake is worth it.

Don't just add years to your life, add life to your years.

The bottom line is its 100 percent on you and no one else. No one is holding a gun to your head and forcing you to scarf down an entire plate of chili cheese fries in five minutes or sit on the couch five-plus hours a day which is what most of us do.

It's your choice either way.

One final thought from someone who is in his mid-50's and works with seniors every single day. I'm working with them and discussing the choices they've made in the past that lead them to come to me for help. Not a single one has said to me, "I'm glad I made the bad choices that got me here."

They do say, "I wish I had made better choices so that as I reach the back end of my time here on Earth, I can enjoy it more and have more time on it."

Take a moment to think about that and what you will want to say to your former self in 20 or 30 years. What's the answer you want to give when you look in the mirror?

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#### MUSIC REVIEW

### Your Name Here's '5 Weeks'

#### By DAVE OSTROFF nysmusic.com

his album is a true inspiration to aspiring artists and those currently running through the trials and tribulations of beginning adulthood. It's a complicated time to be alive but it's comforting to know that there's a number of people in the same place in life.

This is a thoroughly impressive album from an orchestral and emotional stand point. It's always moving forward, it's unpredictable and it's the result of years of blood, sweat and tears. Simply put, it's like Ben Folds Five in space. But that's almost insulting to summarize it as such because of its complexity and deeper meaning that lies within the recordings.

Before the analysis, listneners need a bit of a history lesson about Garrett Eckl and the creation of his first album.

Eckl, 21, is a student from Rochester NY who studied computer science at Drexel University while juggling a job in NASA's Goddard Flight Center. Eckl has always been a music lover and recently began to dabble in the art of music production. He began writing and recording a concept album out of his small Washington, D.C. apartment but his progress was limited by time and space (no

#### pun intended).

Some time passed and Eckl decided that his passion no longer lain in computer science and that completing this first EP was what he wanted most. He dropped out of Drexel, left NASA, moved back to Rochester and in one year's time, finished the album. His seemingly rash decision yielded heckling from his friends but was countered by support from his family. His decision to move away is what helped inspire that album's theme - appreciate what you have and don't look back. From drum tracks to album art, Eckl did it all. He says it's a concept album about a man who has five weeks left to live. Eckl asks people to give it a try and think to yourself, "Think about what you would do if you only had five weeks to live. Would you be the same person or would you make drastic changes in your life?"

It's obvious that Eckl is fiddling with a variety of styles here (that's to be expected with an EP) but the album still holds a powerful story. "Fall Apart (Start Again)" and "Out Of Time" are definitely his most impressive pieces of work. The lyrical content is a little somber, and that's true throughout the album, but the first two songs counter those thought provoking lyrics with a complex and upbeat tone. As said before, the sound is very reminiscent of Ben Folds in terms of his voice and some prominent piano sections. NYS Music brought this to Eckl's attention and he said that although he is familiar with Folds, he was not an influence within Eckl's music. Rather, the stylings of Breaking Benjamin, Green Day and Three Days Grace were the basis of his musical approach.

Working down the track list, listeners will come to "Life on an Island" and will notice that Ben Folds style predominately on this track. One of the most intriguing parts of the track is the beat, specifically as it starts off. It's polyrhythmic, complex and immediately gets you moving. The song builds very well and is highlighted by one of the most moving guitar solos on the album.

"Fade" pops up next and it's where the album takes a sharp turn in terms of genre – It's obvious there is much more of an electronic influence here. As mentioned before, Eckl recorded and produced the

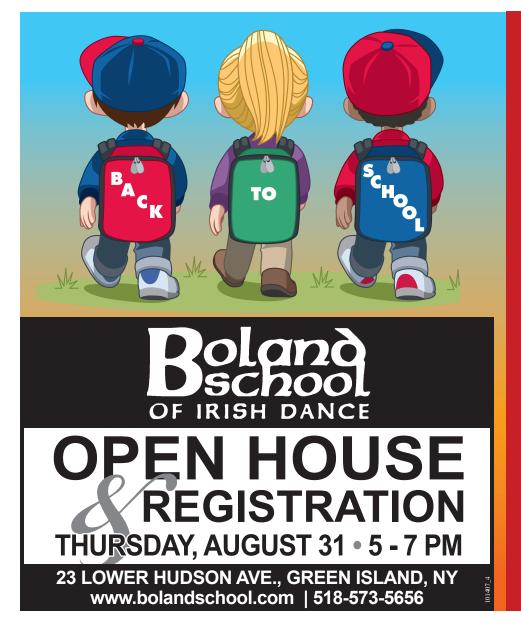
entire album so, NYS Music asked him if there were any compositional influences he had. Eckl said that although it's not something he follows closely, he believes subconsciously the score from the Netflix original series Stranger Things played a part in the composition of some of his songs – this is very apparent in this track. The song is docile most of the way through, but builds up to a drop that one may not expect to be followed by the previous tracks. Regardless, it's very well made and it makes for a nice change of pace when listening to the album all the way through, which is how it should be enjoyed.

Finally, the most melancholy recording plays through, "The Last Week." It exclusively consists of a piano, strings-violins and Eckl's voice. It's not a particularly thrilling song but is very fitting considering the overall theme and the name of the track. It's does have a build up which ends a little abruptly, but again, is fitting for the theme of the album.

All in all, this album may not tickle everyone's fancy. This is undeniably a somber album, but it should be appreciated for its theme and production value. Listeners should be inspired by this album and spurred on to do the things they love. And although it may be crazy to drop a great education and job, pursuing your dreams and passions can result in creating something epic, just as Eckl has.



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nation's best freshman basketball player, Lonzo was taking that next step towards a successful professional career. Nike started that game more than 30 years ago, when it signed Michael Jordan to a five-year deal worth \$7 million. The Air Jordan 1 reached consumers with a \$65 price tag, paired with a marketing strategy involving Spike Lee uttering the now ubiquitous phrase, "It's gotta be the shoes."

The generation that grew up with Jordan called them high tops, and likely wore their last pair in high school. Today, the shoes define the man. It's a fashion

accessory. More than that. Sneakers are often the focal point upon which the entire outfit is based. Before you step out for the night, the shirt, the hat and everything up top needs to match the shoes. The fashion world is aware. Louis Vuitton and Gucci, two of the biggest names on 7th Avenue produce high end sneakers. We continue to call them sneakers to differentiate from dress shoes; however, they are priced just as high and are sought after with equal intent — to impress.

"I think people are really into fashion, and into sneakers, and it makes a name for themselves to wear high-end stuff," said David Ravida, an employee of Laced Up, a retail store in Crossgates Mall that sells new and previously owned shoes.

These shoes garner a lot of money on the second-hand market, where the asking price on a pair of kicks can be 10 times that of its original market value. Nevermind that someone previously wore them. If they still look good, and the demand is there, those shoes still retain value. Collectors emerged and with that an entire new market place was established. Solecollector.com was started in 2003. It's a web magazine covering all aspects of footwear fashion, from rumored releases to collector trends. The RealReal out of San Francisco is a consignment store that started in 2011. It's online portal is another place collectors to go to get a handle on the next hottest trend. There are also sneaker cons throughout the country, New York City is among the largest, and

as one would expect, it's a place collectors go to trade, sell and buy their next pair.

"They're looking for limited edition sneakers — Air Jordans — things that are hard to get and in high demand," said Ravida, who has been collecting shoes for ten years. "The crown jewel of sneakers right now is the Adidas Yeezys made by Kanye West." The collaboration from West and Adidas produces a shoe that hits the streets at \$220. The demand for the shoes makes them difficult to obtain in the primary market. "So, the resale value can go double, to triple that," said Ravida. "If they come out for \$220, they might range from \$550 to \$1,000. He even has payers that go for \$3,000, \$4,000."

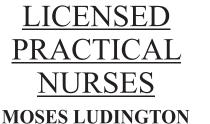
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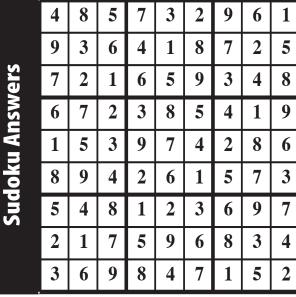
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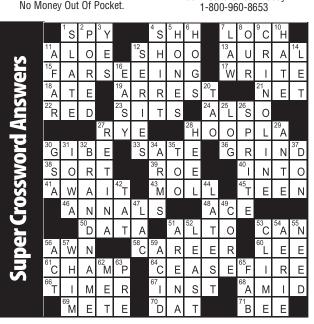
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People selling second-hand products through the internet can sometimes create dangerous situations for themselves. In July, a Latham teenager advertised the sale of a pair of shoes. According to Colonie Police, the buyer arrived with four friends. An argument reportedly ensued. The victim told police he was jumped, hit in the head with a gun and stabbed in the back. Police Sgt. George Thomaides said, "It's out of hand for something that cost \$12 to make in China."

The victim was transported to Albany Medical Center for non-life threatening injuries. The buyer later reported to police.

Colonie Police encourage people selling second-hand goods to have the buyer meet them at The Town of Colonie Public Safety Center on Wolf Road. Thomaides said transactions can be done right in the parking lot, and many other police agencies do the same.

Stores like Laced Up provide a safe

alternative for shoe collectors to buy products. Outside of making purchases over the internet, customers can see the shoe in person, and the store is staffed by fellow collectors who know what they are looking at.

"My favorite pair I ever had were the Red October Yeezy 2s," said Ryan Bartolomeo, another collector at Laced Up. "Yeah, they're the most expensive." Barolomeo said the Red October Yeezy 2s can fetch up to \$3,500. He bought his pair at a shoecon in Brooklyn, but only after trading in several pairs of shoes from his collection. They were the shoes he said he always wanted. But, they didn't stay in his collection long.

"I had them for a little bit, and then I sat and realized, at the time I was 16-years old with \$3,000 shoes. I can't afford that," he said. "I let them go and did something better with the money."

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"Yes, exactly," said Bartolomeo, laughing. "That's what wound up happening."

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