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## TOP STORY



For some residents, there is more to decide upon than just those running for posts within their local fire district. We break down what you will need to know before hitting the polls on Tuesday, Dec. 12.

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# Fire district elections

Two elections, one contest and a ballot proposal face residents of various Bethlehem fire districts

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**BETHLEHEM** — Elections in the five Bethlehem fire districts are taking place on Tuesday, Dec. 12. Each year, one of the five commissioners in each district is up for re-election to a five-year term, except in cases where a seat is prematurely vacated, requiring appointment and/or a special election. This year, Elsmere residents will also be faced with a bond proposition to build a \$1.4 million substation at Feura Bush and Wemple roads.

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■ POLICE, COURTS AND EMERGENCY CALLS

# Gifts for Guns drive underway

Local program offers \$150 gift cards for illegal guns

**ALBANY COUNTY** — The Capital District Gifts for Guns drive kicked off on Saturday, Dec. 2. The annual program, which offers a \$150 gift card to Crossgates Mall in exchange for every illegal handgun turned in, no questions asked, will operate every Saturday this month in Albany and, now, in Troy.

Last year, Gifts for Guns collected more than 60 illegal handguns at its location at Victory Church at 118 Quail Street in Albany. Thanks to a \$10,000

donation from St. Peter's Health Partners, the program, sponsored by District Attorney David Soares' "ENOUGH" campaign, has expanded to a new location in Troy this year. Victorious Life Church, at 1838 Fifth Avenue, will also be accepting illegal guns between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. every Saturday in December. (Please use the side entrance.)

The program accepts only illegal, non-registered weapons. "Usually if someone has a legal gun on a permit, they're responsible gun owners," said Pastor Charlie Muller of Victory Church, co-chair of Gifts for Guns. "It's the illegal guns that usually

wind up in the wrong hands."

In the time he's run the program, Muller said he's taken hundreds of illegal guns out of the Capital District. "I get a lot of guns that mothers find, I get a lot of guns that kids find, I get kids who are looking to turn their lives around."

Anyone who would like to take advantage of the program at other times should call Victory Christian Church at (518) 857-0726 to make an appointment. In cases where transportation is prohibitive or someone is afraid to take the gun in, Muller is usually willing to go and pick them up.

— Ali Hibbs

# State Pistol permit holders may need to recertify

**ALBANY** — State Police are reminding pistol permit holders of the approaching deadline to recertify their permits.

Recent changes to the state's Penal Law require license holders to recertify every five years. Individuals who were issued a Pistol/Revolver License before January 15, 2013, must re-certify by January 31, 2018.

There is no cost for recertification. The State Police have created a

simple online process that allows licensees to quickly complete their certification. More information can be found at: <http://troopers.ny.gov/firearms/>.

Licensees who do not wish to use the online process can also recertify by mail by downloading the form from the above link. Paper forms will also be available at all State Police stations.

Failure to recertify will serve as a revocation of the license per New York state law.

As part of the recertification process, licensees must affirm that they are not prohibited from possessing firearms under state and federal law, and must also confirm certain personal information, as well as provide details about the pistols and/or revolvers they own.

## Traffic stop leads to DWI arrest



GIBSON

**NEW SCOTLAND** — On Friday, Nov. 24, State Police arrested Lateef K. Gibson, 31, of Albany, for a misdemeanor DWI. A trooper reportedly stopped Gibson for speeding while on patrol in the City of Albany. Subsequent to the traffic stop, the trooper reported detecting the odor of an alcoholic beverage on Gibson's breath. Following administration of standard field sobriety test, Gibson was arrested for DWI and transported to the state police station in Guilderland, where he was found to have a BAC of 0.09 percent. He was released on tickets returnable to the City of Albany Court on Monday, Dec. 11.

## Woman charged with cashing check stolen from Bethlehem YMCA



MAINE

**BETHLEHEM** — State Police in Fonda arrested Kimberly A. Maine, 46, after she reportedly cashed a check in Amsterdam that was stolen from a vehicle parked at the Bethlehem YMCA almost a year ago.

In December 2016, Maine is alleged to have stolen the check, worth \$2,495, forged a signature and cashed it at Trustco Bank in Amsterdam. She has reportedly been implicated in a number of similar acts at banks around the Capital District and was in custody for similar charges at Rensselaer County jail when she was arrested on Tuesday, Nov. 28, for first-degree identity theft and second-degree forgery, both class D felonies; fourth-degree grand larceny, a class E felony; and two counts of fifth-degree criminal possession of stolen property, class A misdemeanors.

She was arraigned in the Town of Amsterdam Court and committed back to the Rensselaer County Correctional Facility with a future date in Amsterdam to be determined.

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## ■ POLICE, COURTS AND EMERGENCY CALLS

# Human remains found behind car wash



State and local law enforcement officials cordoned off this section of the hill behind the Hoffman Car Wash and Jiffy Lube on Delaware Avenue after a badly decomposed body was found there on Saturday. Jim Franco / Spotlight News

**BETHLEHEM** — Bethlehem Police ruled out foul play as the cause of death behind the body found near Hoffman Car Wash on Delaware Avenue in Elsmere on Saturday, Dec. 2.

Bethlehem Police Commander Adam Hornick said the remains belong to a woman who lived in the Capital District, but would not reveal her name or hometown until after family from out of town had been notified.

In a Monday evening press conference, Hornick said the unnamed woman had not been reported missing. Police said neither drugs nor alcohol are not believed to be a factor in her death. Officials estimate the woman had died in September.

A hunter found a badly decomposed body on Saturday, Dec. 2, halfway down the hill behind Hoffman's Car Wash on Delaware Avenue.

Commander Adam Hornick said it is "too premature in the investigation to determine the race, age or gender of the decedent, and it is too premature to say the cause of death or the manner of death."

The body was taken to Albany Medical Center Hospital where an autopsy was performed Monday, Dec. 4, Hornick said.

The body is so badly decomposed it is impossible to estimate at first glance how long it has been there, Hornick said.

It was found on a hill just a few hundred feet from a busy stretch of

Delaware Avenue and not far from a public dog park, a private farm and nature trails along the Normans Kill Creek the runs along the bottom of the hill.

"Given the area it was located, we are not surprised it was not located before this time," Hornick said. "It's close to an area where people frequent but not right in the area. There are trails, but they are on both sides."

Police had yellow tape running from the guardrail surrounding Hoffman's parking lot to about half way down the hill.

Hornick would not comment on the personal effects and/or clothing found on or near the body, if any.

Details of this story will be updated on [www.spotlightnews.com](http://www.spotlightnews.com).

## Fire destroys chicken coop

**GLENMONT** — A chicken coop caught fire at 583 Wemple Road on Friday, Nov. 24, at around 7:30 p.m.

The Selkirk Fire Department responded.

While no injuries were reported, the 10-foot by 10-foot coop was a total loss, said Commander Adam Hornick of the Bethlehem Police Department.

Six chickens died in the fire. Bethlehem police helped find a home for the surviving 18.

## Blaze displaces residents

**DELMAR** — A structure fire that broke out at 530 Sibley Place on Thursday, Nov. 30, was quickly extinguished by members of the Delmar and Elsmere fire departments.

The call came in shortly before 7 p.m., according to Commander Adam Hornick of the Bethlehem Police Department.

Upon arrival, crews were greeted with flames at the rear of the house and the attic.

While the home is not habitable at this time and its residents had to find alternative places to stay, the structure does not appear to be a total loss.

The blaze has been ruled accidental. There were no injuries.

The Bethlehem Police Department Cause and Origin Team, the Delmar-Bethlehem EMS and Albany County Paramedics provided assistance at the scene.

## Three injured in accident

**BETHLEHEM** — A Nov. 30 accident on Kenwood Avenue sent three people to the hospital.

According to Town of Bethlehem Police Commander Adam Hornick, at around 5:10 p.m., a 2013 Chrysler operated by 78-year-old Robert Heyer, of Delmar, was traveling east when he crossed the double yellow line, sideswiping a 2007 BMW operated by 66-year-old Kevin Herron, of Delmar.

The Chrysler continued into oncoming traffic and struck a westbound 2011 Nissan head-on. The Nissan was operated by 30-year-old Michaela Colagiovanni, of Albany.

Heyer and his passenger, 76-year-old Carol Heyer, were taken to Albany Medical Center Hospital with internal injuries. They are listed in stable condition.

Colagiovanni was also transported to Albany Med with a fractured arm.

Herron was not injured.

Based on witness accounts and the investigation by Bethlehem police, Robert Heyer was cited for failing to keep right and crossing a double yellow line.

While the investigation into why he crossed the yellow line continues, both alcohol and speed have been ruled out as contributing factors.



The occupants of this 2013 Chrysler sedan were transported to Albany Medical Center following a head-on crash on Kenwood Avenue on Nov. 30.

Jim Franco /  
Spotlight Newspapers



## Downed power lines ignite fire

**DELMAR** — A tree fell on power lines on Thursday, Nov. 30, briefly knocking out power to residents living in South Bethlehem and Selkirk.

While sparks caused leaves and brush to catch fire along Murray Road, it was quickly brought under control by the Delmar Fire Department. National Grid was on the scene to replace the lines and possibly the pole too.

Within an hour, power was back on for most of the affected area and only residents living on Murray Road from Feura Bush Road to Route 32 were electricity while repairs were made.

— Jim Franco

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■ COMMUNITY

**'Much Ado About Nothing' AT BCHS**

DELMAR — Bethlehem Central High School's Theatre Without a Net will put on performances of Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing* on Friday, Dec. 8, and Saturday, Dec. 9 at 7 p.m., and on Sunday, Dec. 10, at 10 p.m.

This year, Theatre Without a Net's annual Shakespeare play is *Much Ado About Nothing*. This Shakespearean comedy focuses on love, deceit, and humor, and the students at Bethlehem Central High School will wow audiences with their take on this classic play.

Tickets are \$. Bethlehem Central High School, 700 Delaware Ave., Delmar. For more information, call (518) 439-4921, or visit [www.bethlehemschools.org](http://www.bethlehemschools.org).

**SCREAMS Trip to Six Flags**

QUEENSBURY — The Bethlehem Central Middle School's SCREAMS Club is hosting a trip to the Six Flags Great Escape Lodge and Indoor Water Park on Friday, Dec. 8, from 4:15 to 10:15 p.m.



**Seeds for happiness**

Mike Pappalardi recently popped the question to his girlfriend Kayleigh Hall before picking out a Christmas Tree at Barkman Farm in Glenmont. We believe the answer was "yes."

Submitted photo

All middle school students in the Town of Bethlehem or the Bethlehem Central School District who are SCREAMS Club members are eligible to attend this event. To become a member, \$10 and a waiver are required, which can be downloaded from the SCREAMS Club page on the Town of Bethlehem Website. The bus will leave the Elm Avenue Town Park at 4:15 p.m. sharp.

The cost is \$55 and includes admission, transportation, supervision, and a food voucher to Birch Grill. The deadline to register is Thursday, Dec. 7.

Registration can be completed online, over the phone, or by bringing a check made out to Town of Bethlehem to the Elm Avenue Park Office. Attendees must bring a bathing suit and a towel. Money for other snacks or gifts is optional. Great Escape Lodge and Indoor Water Park, 89 Six Flags Drive, Queensbury. For more information, call (518) 439-4955 x1603, or visit [www.townofbethlehem.org](http://www.townofbethlehem.org).

**Holiday Concert**

COLONIE — Take a break from the hustle and bustle of the season to attend The Memorial

Concert Band of Colonie's annual Holiday Concert. The free performance will take place at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 13, in the Mark Cornell Auditorium at Colonie Central High School

This musical celebration will begin with some traditional concert band fare, highlighted by Giuseppe Verdi's "Nabucco," along with selections by Khachaturian, Carter, and Grainger.

The concert continues with holiday-themed music, including "A Home Alone Christmas," derived from the hit movie "Home Alone," "Shepherd's

Dance," from Amahl and the Night Visitors by Gian Carlo Menotti, "Candlelight Carol," by British choral conductor John Rutter and "Christmas a la Big Band."

Colonie Central High School is located at 1 Raider Blvd., off of Sand Creek Road, in Colonie.

For more information about the band, visit its website at [www.memorialbandcolonie.org](http://www.memorialbandcolonie.org) or its Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/groups/MemorialBandColonie/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/MemorialBandColonie/).

**More area concerts**

**Friendship Singers**

DELMAR — The Friendship Singers will present a holiday concert on Wednesday, Dec. 13, at the Delmar Reformed Church at 7 p.m.

**Delmar Community Orchestra**

The Delmar Community Orchestra will perform on Monday, December 11, at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall Auditorium.

**Busy Beavers at Thacher Park**

VOORHEESVILLE — Thacher Park will run a beaver-watching day on Saturday, Dec. 9, at 3:30 p.m.

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## ■ COMMUNITY

# Thanksgiving Day tragedy galvanizes community

Administrators, students at Bethlehem Children's School support family in crisis

By **ALI HIBBS**  
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**BETHLEHEM** — Melanie Fillerup was cooking a pork shoulder for Thanksgiving dinner this year. While she used two aluminum pans to account for the meat's weight, when she pulled it out of the oven, both pans buckled and tore, streaming hot grease onto Fillerup's legs. She screamed and called for her father in the next room. When they pulled the scalding pants off, she said her skin came off along with them.

They called 911 and Fillerup was airlifted to the burn unit at Westchester Medical Center, where she spent the next seven days in the ICU, fighting off infection and receiving treatments for the second- and third-degree burns covering 70 percent of her left leg and the lower portion of her right leg. Fillerup was still not completely out of the woods when she was allowed to return home on Thursday, Nov. 30 to continue her recovery — she was still taking antibiotics and may require a skin graft procedure.

For the foreseeable future, Fillerup will need to drive the two and a half hours to Westchester at least once a week, until her doctors feel the treatments have progressed past the point of

immediate danger. Following that, she expects that her total recovery time will take approximately nine months.

The single mother of two young sons, Adrian and Julian, Fillerup had just started a new job and had not yet completed enrollment in a health care plan. "And it turns out I needed it," she said ruefully, explaining that the Human Resources department at the new Spa Mirbeau in Crossgates Mall, where she is now the Food and Beverage manager, is helping her to figure out whether she could retroactively enroll. "She's not 100 percent sure that I'll be able to do that, though."

Jennifer Congdon, the director of Bethlehem Children's School, heard what happened to Fillerup when her mother called to explain why Adrian had missed school. "We were all just stunned and heartbroken," she said. "When it happens to anyone, it's sad, but we just adore this little boy; he's so incredibly precious. Just the thought of him being without his mom for even a short time was just heartbreaking to us."

In talking with the family, Congdon became aware of the financial challenges the accident was going to cause Fillerup. While she said that members of the school community have also

offered to help her navigate the healthcare system in hopes of acquiring retroactive coverage, the family is still facing a long recovery — both physically and financially.

Congdon said she spoke with staff and the school board and it was felt that the best thing for Adrian at a time like this is to be sure that he has consistency in his school life. So they told Fillerup that she won't have to worry about Adrian's tuition for the rest of the year.

Congdon also established a GoFundMe page to help pay for the \$10,000 cost of the helicopter flight to Westchester, which wouldn't be covered even if Fillerup manages to acquire retroactive coverage.

"We've been very touched by the outpouring of support from the community," she said. "In just three days, we've raised more than \$3,000 for them and it's been both a heartbreaking and heartwarming experience being able to help this family through this difficult time."

"She called me and told me that she knows I work hard," said Fillerup, acknowledging that raising four- and seven-year-old boys alone isn't always easy. She said that she and her parents, who have four other children, had made the decision to spend the



Melanie Fillerup, and her son, Adrian, pose for a photo in the Westchester ICU just days after Thanksgiving.

Submitted photo

extra money to send Adrian to a good pre-school, regardless of the tuition costs. (Julian attends Slingerlands Elementary.) "So we chose the Bethlehem School," she said. "And I'm grateful that we did."

Fillerup didn't expect any help from anyone. "I was unbelievably grateful and surprised," she said. "Not only has my whole family showed up in rotations to take care of me in the hospital and bring me food — because I haven't touched a single bit of hospital food while I've been here! — this also happened with Jennifer. I couldn't even believe that she would go out of her way to do that."

Speaking by phone on the day she was scheduled to return home, Fillerup said she had come through her first surgery well and that the pain is manageable with oral medication. She also said she was able to walk, albeit with some difficulty. She's confident she'll be able to manage the administrative aspects of her new job and is grateful that her assistant at Spa Mirbeau has been willing to step up during her hospitalization.

Fillerup has been touched by the support system she has been able to rely on during this time — from her new job, to her family, to the Bethlehem Children's School community. "I know they've always had a sense of community, that I loved," she said of the Bethlehem School. "But I'm beyond grateful for all of them."

"We started with a lower amount," Congdon said of the GoFundMe page at <https://www.gofundme.com/yv8s8-melanies-medical-fund>. "But we got such huge support right away that I thought, 'Why don't we just shoot for paying for the airlift to Westchester?' It would be incredible if we could get there. It's the holiday season and I think people are often looking for something to supplement their consumer purchases, something to feel good about. And so why not do our best to help this family out?"

## Bethlehem Town Board seeks member for one-year term

**BETHLEHEM** — Following the election of Town Board member David VanLuyen to the position of Town Supervisor, the 2018 Town Board needs to appoint an Interim Town Board member for the 2018 calendar year. Bethlehem residents who are interested in pursuing this appointment should mail or email a brief cover letter and bio/resume/vitae by Friday, Dec. 8, to the Town Supervisor's

office.

These materials will be shared with the 2018 Town Board (VanLuyen, Joyce Becker, Maureen Cunningham, and Jim Foster). All inquiries will be held in confidence at this time, and individuals who have already expressed an interest should do so again formally through a letter or email. The Town Board will make the appointment on Wednesday, Jan. 10, at

the 2018 organizational meeting.

Interested residents should send materials by Friday, Dec. 8 to supervisor@townofbethlehem.org, or by mail to Town Supervisor, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar NY 12054.

The interim Town Board appointment is for only one year. A special election will be held in the fall of 2018 to fill the office for the 2019 calendar year — which is the

remaining portion of the original four-year term. In the 2019 general local election, the office will be filled for a full four-year term.

In 2018, the salary for a Town Board member will be \$15,571. Further information on the duties and meeting times is available online at <http://www.townofbethlehem.org/155/Town-Board>.

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## From page 1 ... Fire district elections

**N. BETHLEHEM:** In North Bethlehem, there will be two elections this year — one to serve the remainder of Commissioner John Corelli's term, after he passed away in April and one for a full five-year term. Commissioner Bob Miller will be running for another five-year term, and volunteer firefighter Ken Marsh will be running to replace Corelli. Both candidates are running unopposed.

Voting will take place at the North Bethlehem Fire Station at 589 Russell Road in Albany.

**SLINGERLANDS:** In Slingerlands, there will also be two elections, as a seat was vacated with the death of Commissioner John Flanagan in August. Commissioner James Kerr, who was appointed to replace Flanagan, will be running for a five-year term, ending on Dec. 31, 2022. Department Treasurer Barry Moss will be running for a four-year

term, ending on Dec. 31, 2021.

Voting will take place at the firehouse at 1520 New Scotland Road from 6 to 9 p.m.

**DELMAR:** In the Delmar Fire District, current Fire Police Captain George Williams is running against Heather Dorsey, the daughter of sitting Commissioner Leo "Pat" Dorsey, to succeed Commissioner Robert D. Lemieux.

Voting will take place at Delmar Fire Station 1 at 145 Adams St, in Delmar from 6 to 9 p.m.

**SELKIRK:** In the Selkirk Fire District, which covers more than 50 percent of the town, Fire Commissioner Robert Burn is running unopposed to retain his seat.

While the district is considering construction of new infrastructure to accommodate new, larger apparatus, Commissioner Charles Wickham said a bond resolution for that

project is unlikely to be put before district residents until the spring. "We won't be bringing it to the public until we have all our facts and figures put together," he said. "Probably April or so."

Voting will take place at all three Selkirk fire stations from 6 to 9 p.m.

**ELSMERE:** In the Elsmere Fire District, Commissioner Richard Webster is running unopposed to retain his seat. Residents in Elsmere, however, will have an opportunity to vote on a bond proposition to build a new station to service the southern region of the district.

Proponents of the proposition, such as Commissioner Chairman John Brennan, point to the amount of residential and commercial development in the southern part of the district — between Haswell Farms and Route 9W — and claim that growth has necessitated the proposed \$1.4 million station that would be built at the corner of Feura Bush and Wemple roads, on 1.4 acres that has been owned by the district since 1982.

The new station, which Brennan said "would be no monstrosity," would be about 4,608 square feet and would have two truck bays, although there is only one available currently for the space. A second truck, said Brennan, may be acquired in the future, as deemed necessary by continued growth.

A report published by the district earlier this year identified that area as needing an improvement in "quality level and response time service," and, according to Brennan, that need will only be exacerbated as development continues.

Opponents of the new building point to an earlier report, which was commissioned in 2011 by all five Bethlehem fire districts, which some have interpreted as recommending greater consolidation between departments.

According to Elsmere Fire District resident Richard Root, there should be no need for a new sub-station when Delmar and Selkirk both have fire stations nearby. He said that he would like to see

district lines redrawn, so that responding stations are not farther away from potential calls than stations from other districts. Most of the districts, he explained, were established in the early 1900s and have never been redrawn to reflect growth in town.

"If you're looking to have, potentially, three fire houses within three miles of each other, there's a problem," he said. "There's an issue that's not being addressed."

Brennan explained that there is more organizational consolidation between districts as a result of the 2011 report, and Root acknowledged that a "mutual aid" agreement between the districts often brings more than one responding district to significant fires in their area.

According to Brennan, similar growth in neighboring fire districts has made counting on the Delmar and Selkirk districts to pick up any slack simply untenable and, he added, "That's not the charge we have from the residents and taxpayers, to

let someone else do it."

Brennan also said the proposal would not raise taxes in the district, where a typical homeowner with a \$200,000 home currently pays \$188 for fire services. Voters are being asked to approve a \$1.3 million bond, the principal and interest of which would be paid with money that has already been set aside by the district. "We have enough in our budget to accommodate that during this period," he said.

Root, who received notice of the bond proposal on Friday, Dec. 1, argued that district voters were not given enough time to review the proposal adequately. An informational meeting on the proposed sub-station has been scheduled for tonight, Wednesday, Dec. 6, at 6 p.m. at the firehouse at 15 West Poplar Drive in Delmar.

Voting will take place at the Elsmere Fire House at 15 West Poplar Drive in Delmar from 6 to 9 p.m.

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## ■ HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

# Bethlehem gets by Shaker/Colonie

**COLONIE** — Bethlehem scored twice during the second period to beat Shaker/Colonie 3-1 on Friday, Dec. 1.

Pat Englebride had three assists for The Eagles (2-0, 3-1) feeding Matt Bievenue for a goal at the 13:37 mark of the second period, Patrick Cavanagh at 10:26 in the second and lastly Ben Lavigne at 13:24 in the third.

For S/C Joe Malloy scored at the 5:30 mark of the second on an assist by Geremi Navarro.

In goal Alex Breiner had 16 saves for Bethlehem and Dan Malloy had 31 for Shaker/Colonie (0-1,0-3).

Bethlehem will host Queensbury on Wednesday, Dec. 6, while and Shaker Colonie will play at Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake on Saturday, Dec. 9.

— Photos by Jim Franco / Spotlight News



# Voorheesville wins season opener

**VOORHEESVILLE** — The Lady Blackbirds won their home opener on Tuesday, Nov. 27, by beating Ichabod Crane in a game that was closer than the 47-36 score.

Olivia Barringer led Voorheesville with 14 points in the Colonial Council matchup, while two teammates chipped in seven each – Sydney Salerno and Rebecca Clair.

Sophomore standout Madison Graham had 17 for the Lady Riders to lead all scorers.

Claire Reilly and Morgan Keith had five each for Voorheesville and Emily Burke and Claudia Reilly had four. Leah Weber chipped in a point to round out the scoring for the Lady Blackbirds.

Sophomore Riley Paul had six for the Lady Riders while Ama Boham had five and Abigail Grace chipped in four.

Voorheesville played at Watervliet while Ichabod Crane hosted Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk on Friday, Dec. 1.

— Photos by Jim Franco / Spotlight News







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shall mail process to: Double A Property Locating Services, Inc., 90 State St., Ste 700, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. D-168122

**Notice of formation of Hurlic Skin LLC.**  
Articles of Org. filed with the NY Secretary of State (NS) on 9/29/2017, office location: Albany County, NS is designated as agent upon whom process may be served, NS shall mail service of process (SOP) to Registered Agents Inc. at 90 State Street STE 700 Office 40 Albany NY 12207 purpose is any lawful purpose. D-170063

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
IMAGINE PARIS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/29/17. 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, 41 Union Square West, Suite 1528, New York, NY 10003. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-170518

**NOTICE OF FORMATION**  
of Immaculate Consulting LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/15/17. 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, 153-50 89th Ave #633, Jamaica N.Y. 11432. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-169544

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
JAF ASSOCIATES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/22/17. 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, c/o Daniels Norelli Scully & Cecere, P.C., 272 Duffy Avenue, Hicksville, NY 11801. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-170293

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)**  
The name of the LLC is JAIDEEP LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on October 12, 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 222 Sand Creek Road, Albany, New York 12205. D-169249

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)**  
The name of the LLC is

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JVJ HOLDING COMPANY LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on 11/9/2017. 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 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 595 New Loudon Rd. #307, Latham, NY 12110. D-168755

**Notice of formation of Domestic Limited Liability Company of KA Woolworth Building, LLC.**  
Articles of Org. filed with NY Secretary of State (NS) on 11/08/2017, office location: Albany County, NS is designated as agent upon whom process may be served, NS shall mail service of process (SOP) to KA Woolworth Building, LLC @ 9 Ponderosa Dr, Clifton Park, NY 12065. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. D-170137

**KAIIROS CONSULTING, LLC**  
Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 10/20/2017. Office in Albany Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 120 State St., Ste. 2, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-167190

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
LANBERN INVESTMENTS LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 11/22/17. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 09/11/17. 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, 30 Bates Road, Harrison, NY 10528. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-170288

**NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).**  
Name: LDFT VI LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, October 23, 2017. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 302 Washington Avenue Ext., Albany, NY 12203. D-170047

**NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**  
Name: Lia Group Services LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 11/10/17. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to c/o Lia Auto Group,

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1258 Central Avenue, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. D-168974

**Notice of Formation of LMH Enterprises, LLC.**  
Articles of Organization filed with SSNY on 11/15/2017. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 16 Douglas Rd., Delmar NY 12054. Purpose: any lawful activity. D-170132

**Notice of Formation**  
of Maestro Snow and Lawn Services LLC, a Domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/02/2017. Office location: County of Albany. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 17 Harold Ave Latham NY, 12110. Purpose: any lawful purpose. D-169006

**Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC)**  
Name: MARTA'S DIAMOND ESTHETICS, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on October 27, 2017. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY Designated as Agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: The LLC, 34 Broadway, Latham, New York 12110. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-168501

**NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**  
Name: MNM Realty Albany Associates LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 11/21/17. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 210 East 47th St #1C, New York, NY 10017. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. D-169817

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
MOCHITA, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/22/17. 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, c/o Serpico, Serpico & Siddiqui P.C., 16 Court Street, Suite 2000, Brooklyn, NY 11241. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-170295

**NOTICE OF FORMATION**  
of P4 Architecture, PLLC. Filed with SSNY on 10/16/17. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 92 Mason Road Delmar NY 12054. Purpose: Architecture. D-167253

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**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY PARK AVE SINGLE FAMILY LLC**  
Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on September 27, 2017. Office location: County of Albany, State of New York. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 14 Corporate Woods Blvd., Suite 100, Albany, NY 12211. For any lawful purpose. D-167072

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
RABIN-HARRIS HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/28/17. 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, 229 Chrystie Street, Apartment 615, New York, NY 10022. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-170461

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
RAYLEE ENTERPRISE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/20/17. 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, c/o Band, Rosenbaum & Martin, P.C., Certified Public Accountants, 440 Mamaroneck Avenue, Suite 508, Harrison, NY 10528. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-170200

**Notice of formation**  
of Ross and Fifth Press, LLC, a domestic Limited Liability Company(LLC). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on date September 26, 2017. Office location of Albany New York. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 1488 Deer Park Avenue #289 North Babylon NY 11703. Purpose: any lawful purpose. D-167729

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
SKIP FITNESS, LLC Art. Of Org filed with SSNY on 5/10/17. 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, One Commerce Plaza, 99 WASHINGTON Ave., STE 805-A ALBANY, NY 12210. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-169623

**Notice of Formation**  
of STREAMBURG INTERNATIONAL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 11.08.17. Office location, County of Albany. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it

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may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o SATEC, Inc., 10 Milltown Court, Union, NJ 07083. Purpose: any lawful act. D-168747

**Notice of qualification of Summit Technical Solutions, LLC.**  
Application for Authority, filed with the NY Secretary of State (NS) on 9/1/2011, Formed in NV. Office Location: Albany County. NS is designated as agent upon whom process may be served. NS shall mail service of process (SOP) to NW Registered Agent LLC @ 90 State Street Suite 700 Office 40, Albany, NY 12207, NW Registered Agent LLC is designated as agent for SOP at 90 State Street Suite 700 Office 40, Albany, NY 12207, purpose is any lawful purpose. D-168313

**SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS**  
Index No. 900119/2016 STATE OF NEW YORK SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF ALBANY NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC, Plaintiff, -vs- THE HEIRS AT LARGE OF PATRICIA ZIMMERMAN, deceased, and all persons who are husbands, widows, grantees, mortgagors, 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; JOHN R. ZIMMERMAN, III; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; "JOHN DOE" AND "JANE DOE" said names being fictitious, it being the intention of Plaintiff to designate any and all occupants of premises being foreclosed herein, Defendants. Mortgaged Premises: 79 GLENDALE AVENUE, ALBANY NY 12208 TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S): YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above entitled action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days of the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, 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 defendant 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 entered against you, unless the Defendant ob-

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tained a bankruptcy discharge and such other or further relief as may be just and equitable. 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 foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.

These pleadings are being amended to include the Heirs at Large of Patricia Zimmerman, deceased and John R. Zimmerman, III, as possible heir to the estate of Patricia Zimmerman, deceased. These pleadings are also being amended to include the new Plaintiff Nationstar Mortgage, LLC as assigned by the Assignment of Mortgage recorded in the Albany County Clerk's office on February 2, 2017 under Instrument Number 2017-3010. These pleadings are being further amended to include the United States of America and New York State Department of Taxation and Finance. ALBANY County is designated as the place of trial. The basis of venue is the location of the mortgaged premises. Dated: October 12, 2017 Mark K. Broyles, Esq. FEIN SUCH & CRANE, LLP Attorneys for Plaintiff Office and P.O. Address: 28 East Main Street, Suite 1800 Rochester, New York 14614 Telephone No. (585) 232-7400 Section: 75.43 Block: 2 Lot: 80 NATURE AND OBJECT OF ACTION The object of the above action is to foreclose a mortgage held by the Plaintiff recorded in the County of ALBANY, State of New York as more particularly described in the Complaint herein. TO THE DEFENDANT, the plaintiff makes no personal claim against you in this action. To the above named defendants: The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of HON. DENISE A. HARTMAN, Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, dated OCTOBER 26, 2017 and filed along with the supporting papers in the MONROE County Clerk's

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Office. This is an action to foreclose a Mortgage. All that lot or parcel of land forming on Glendale Avenue, in the City and County of Albany and State of New York, designated as Lot No. 79 on a map of subdivision No. 2 of Woodlawn Park owner by the Albany Driving Association made by Howard Batchelder, licensed E. & s., in the year 1922, and filed in the Albany County Clerk's Office November 13, 1923, and bounded and described as follows: Commencing at a point in the westerly line of Glendale Avenue distant one hundred forty and forty-seven hundredths (140.47) feet northerly from the point of intersection of the said westerly line of Glendale Avenue with the northerly line of Bethlehem Avenue, and running thence westerly and parallel with the northerly line of Bethlehem Avenue one hundred thirteen (113) feet; THENCE northerly and parallel with the westerly line of Glendale Avenue thirty-five (35) feet; THENCE easterly and parallel with said northerly line of Bethlehem Avenue one hundred thirteen (113) feet to the westerly line of Glendale Avenue; and THENCE southerly along the westerly line of Glendale Avenue thirty-five (35) feet to the point or place of BEGINNING. The above described property is also known as all the tract or parcel of land situate in the City of Albany, New York, described as follows: Lot No. 79, Beginning at a point in westerly line of Glendale Avenue 533 feet southerly from the point of intersection of the westerly line of Glendale Avenue and the southerly line of Helderberg Avenue and running westerly at right angles to Glendale Avenue 113 feet; THENCE southerly and parallel with Glendale Avenue 35 feet; THENCE easterly at right angles to Glendale Avenue 113 feet to the westerly line of Glendale Avenue; THENCE northerly along the westerly line of Glendale Avenue 35 feet to the point of beginning Mortgaged Premises: 79 GLENDALE AVENUE, ALBANY NY 12208 Tax Map/Parcel ID No.: Section: 75.43 Block: 2 Lot: 80 of the CITY OF ALBANY, NY 12208 C-168688

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CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-OPT1 Plaintiff(s), against, LUCY MAZONE, ROSE BINK, DIANE EVERTHART, STEVEN PRESTI, and any possible unknown heirs at law of SAMUEL R. GRISMALDI, and if they be dead, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or generally or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of who and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #12", the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint. Defendant(s). TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: 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 ON THE ATTORNEYS 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 A PAYMENT TO YOUR MORTGAGE COMPANY WILL NOT STOP THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE PLAINTIFF DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE FOR SOUNDVIEW HOME LOAN TRUST 2006-OPT1 ASSET BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-OPT1 AND FILING THE ANSWER WITHIN THE COURT. YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to

## BUSINESS

### Hance joins Herzog Law

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Bagyi resides in Voorheesville with his wife, Dania and daughters Kennedy and McKenna. He is also a 1989 graduate of Guilderland High School

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### Holiday shoppers won't spend more in 2017

**COLONIE —** The majority of people, 61 percent, will spend about the same on Christmas and holiday gifts this year as they did in 2017, according to a recent poll by the Siena College Research Institute.

About half of all shoppers will spend less than \$500, about 25 percent will spend between \$500 and \$1,000 and about the same will spend more than \$1,000.

More than 75 percent say they will make donations of money, food or other gifts to charitable organizations that focus on the needy during the holiday season while 36 percent plan to volunteer for organizations that help people during the holidays.

"With a majority of New Yorkers saying that their finances are about the same as a year ago, it's not surprising that most hope to keep holiday spending about the same. Still, with more than two-thirds at least somewhat excited about the holiday season and overall consumer sentiment up slightly from a year ago, spending may well exceed best-laid plans," according to SCRI Director, Don Levy.

"By two-to-one New Yorkers say that, as much as they can, they will buy practical gifts more than splurging on special items. While we won't be wrapping up coal, it is more likely we'll see needs, rather than wants, under the tree."

More than 70 percent say they will do at least some of their shopping online. In a statistic sure to send shivers up the spine of brick and mortar retailers, nearly 20 percent of all state residents and 25 percent of younger residents as well as 28 percent of those earning at least \$100,000 a year, will do at least 75 percent of their shopping online.

In other findings:

Eighty-five percent of New Yorkers plan to celebrate Christmas.

Fifteen percent of all New Yorkers, including 98 percent of Jews, will celebrate Hanukkah.

Five percent of New Yorkers, including 22 percent of black residents, will celebrate Kwanzaa.

Just 3 percent will celebrate Festivus

The SCRI survey was conducted Nov. 6 through Nov. 15 by random telephone calls to 804 New York adults.

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answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not serviced with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the Plaintiff's attorney within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York; The United States of America, if designated as a Defendant in this action, may appear within (60) days of service thereof and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint. NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT: THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose on a mortgage which was recorded on the office of the Clerk of the County of Albany where the property is located on January 27, 2006 recorded in Liber 5159 of Mortgages at page, in the office of the Clerk of the County of Albany. Said mortgage was then assigned to DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE FOR SOUNDVIEW HOME LOAN TRUST 2006-PT1 ASSET BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-PT1, by assignment of mortgage which was dated on July 3, 2013 and the assignment of which was recorded on December 2, 2013, at the Clerk's office where the property is located covering premises known as 699

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3rd St, Albany, NY 12206 (Section: 65.21 Block: 1 Lot: 72). The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt described above to the above named Defendants: The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Hon. Denise A. Hartman, an Acting Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York dated October 17, 2017 and filed along with the supporting papers in the office of the Clerk of the County of Albany. This is an action to foreclose on a mortgage. ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the County of Albany and State of New York. SECTION: 65.21 BLOCK: 1 LOT: 72 said premises known as 699 3rd St, Albany, NY 12206. YOU ARE HEREBY PUT ON NOTICE THAT WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. By reason of the default in the payment of the monthly installment of principal and interest, among other things, as hereinafter set forth, Plaintiff, the holder and owner of the aforementioned note and mortgage, or their agents have elected and hereby accelerate the mortgage and declare the entire mortgage indebtedness immediately due and payable. The following amounts are now due and owing on said mort-

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gage, no part of any of which has been paid although duly demanded. Entire principal Balance in the amount of \$31,658.36 plus interest from January 1, 2013. UNLESS YOU DISPUTE THE VALIDITY OF THE DEBT, OR ANY PORTION THEREOF, WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER YOUR RECEIPT HEREOF THAT THE DEBT, OR ANY PORTION THEREOF, IS DISPUTED, THE DEBT OR JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU AND A COPY OF SUCH VERIFICATION OR JUDGMENT WILL BE MAILED TO YOU BY THE HEREIN DEBT COLLECTOR. IF APPLICABLE, UPON YOUR WRITTEN REQUEST, WITHIN SAID THIRTY (30) DAY PERIOD, THE HEREIN DEBT COLLECTOR WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH THE NAME, ADDRESS OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR. IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED A DISCHARGE FROM THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT, YOU ARE NOT PERSONALLY LIABLE FOR THE UNDERLYING INDEBTEDNESS OWED TO PLAINTIFF/CREDITOR AND THIS NOTICE/DISCLOSURE IS FOR COMPLIANCE AND INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY. HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN FORECLOSURE New York State requires that we send you this notice about the foreclosure process. Please read it carefully. SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT You are in danger of losing your home. If you fail to respond to the summons and complaint in this foreclosure action, you may lose your home. Please read the summons and complaint

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carefully. You should immediately contact an attorney or your local legal aid office to obtain advice on how to protect yourself. SOURCES OF INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE. The State encourages you to become informed about your options in foreclosure. In addition to seeking assistance from an attorney or legal aid, there are government agencies, and non-profit organizations that you may contact for information about possible options, including trying to work with our lender during this process. To locate an entity near you, you may call the toll-free helpline maintained by New York State Banking Department at 1-877-Bank-NYS or visit the Department's website at www.banking.state.ny.us FORECLOSURE RESCUE SCAMS Be careful of people who approach you with offers to "save" your home. There are individuals who watch for notices of foreclosure actions in order to unfairly profit from a homeowner's distress. You should be extremely careful about any such promises and any suggestions that you pay them a fee or sign over your deed. State law requires anyone offering such services for profit to enter into a contract which fully describes the services they will perform and fees they will charge, and which prohibits them from taking any money from you until they have completed all such promised services. Section 1303 NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR

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#### NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY COMPANY

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Scouts say, 'thank you'

Dear Editor:

On behalf of Boy Scout Troop 75 in Delmar, we would like to thank the entire local community for its support of our annual fundraiser, Sportsmart, which was held for the 45th time at the Bethlehem Central High School on Saturday, Nov. 18. Sportsmart is our annual consignment sale of all kinds of new and used sporting goods. Because of the tremendous support we received from the people of this community who came to Sportsmart and those that helped us promote it, the Troop was able to raise significant funds for its activities. More importantly, from the community's donations, we raised close to \$500 in funds that will be donated to the American Red Cross for Hurricane Relief Efforts.

Troop 75 would also like to thank the following businesses, whose donations of time, equipment, food and support once again

helped make Sportsmart a resounding success: TACS Auto; Glenmont Self Storage and National Bank of Cocksackie. We also had dozens of local businesses donate silent auction items – we thank them as well and a list of those businesses can be found on our Facebook page (see below). We also thank the wonderful assistance we receive from the administrative and custodial staff at Bethlehem High School. Further, we thank the Troop's charter sponsor, the First United Methodist Church in Delmar.

If you are interested in learning more about Sportsmart of Troop 75 please visit our Facebook page by typing in "Sportsmart - Troop 75" (please "Like" our page) or by going to our website at <http://www/delmartroop75.org> and click the "Sportsmart" link.

Sincerely,  
Peter Lauricella

Stacy Yarwood  
Sportsmart Co-Chairs

### Reader: Vote 'no' to bond



Dear Editor:

Elsmere Fire District voters have strong reasons to vote no on the Tuesday, Dec. 12 vote to build a new fire station at the corner of Feura Bush Road and Wemple Road: 1) It will cost tax dollars to fund the \$1.3 million bond, 2) We already have two fire stations less than 2 miles from this proposed site, 3) Voters have been given inadequate notice of this proposal (published in the media on Friday,

Dec. 1, a public information session on Wednesday, Dec. 6 and the vote is on Tuesday, Dec. 12 — all during the busy holiday season).

Yet, the most important reason to vote no on December 12 is that all five of Bethlehem's fire districts should be focusing on consolidating/sharing services and adjusting district boundaries, where necessary. That is a far better way to improve fire call response times, reduce increasing fire service costs

and deal with dwindling number of volunteer firefighters.

Seven years ago, as Town Supervisor I watched as all five fire departments engaged in the Manitou Inc. consulting study. At that time, each and every fire department only agreed to participate if consolidation and district boundary lines were "off-the-table". Therefore, these critical matters were not in the contract. It was a big mistake to avoid these controversial but essential

questions.

Each of Bethlehem's fire districts has a great deal of history, tradition and pride, and that's as it should be. And, no volunteer activity gives more in terms of community service, and requires personal training and time. But this is the time for the Fire District Commissioners and department leaders to do the right thing for the entire Town of Bethlehem. And that is, take a good hard look at our existing facilities, personnel, equipment and fire district boundaries, and determine how all of the Town's regions can be best served. It is simply not reasonable or responsible to expend more money on new facilities until we carefully consider these matters.

As a Glenmont resident living within the Elsmere Fire District and a social member of that department, I will be voting no on December 12 at the Elsmere Fire House, 15 West Poplar Drive (next to St. Stephens's Episcopal Church). I hope you will do the same.

Sincerely,  
Sam Messina

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# A season of song

The Bethlehem Senior Chorus presents "If Music Be the Food of Life" on Friday, Dec. 8, at 1 p.m., at the Bethlehem Town Hall, at 445 Delaware Ave in Delmar.

With the holidays approaching and thoughts turning to hospitality and festive fare, you can enjoy a musical journey featuring food-themed songs. Directed by Claudia Summers, the chorus, which is now in its 12th year, strives to present varied and timeless music that feeds your soul and puts a smile on your face.

Open to all, the concert is cosponsored by Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc.

## Second concert in music series

Continuing in the



musical vein, The Van Voris Trio will perform Sunday, Dec. 10, as part of the library's A Little Sunday Music series. The concert will feature arrangements of well-known classics from the 17th-20th centuries with family members John Van Voris on flute, Jodi Van Voris on violin and Laura Van Voris on cello.

A Little Sunday Music picks up again in 2018 with a concert featuring The Mendelssohn Club on Feb. 11. The 2017-18 season closes with The Broad Street Chamber Players on March 11. All concerts begin at 2 p.m. in the Community Room and are free and open to everyone. A Little Sunday Music is generously underwritten

by Friends of Bethlehem Public Library.

## Even more music

Once again, we're joining our friends from the Center for Disability Services for a morning of music with the Greg Nazarian Trio, a talented group consisting of a tenor saxophone, bass guitar and keyboard. The concert takes place Monday, Dec. 11, from 10:30-11:15 a.m., and refreshments will be served.

The Center for Disability Services provides opportunities and support for people with disabilities, and the goal of the musical gathering is to enhance their clients' social circles.

## Holiday hours

The library will be closed Sunday through Monday, Dec. 24-25, and Monday, Jan. 1.

— Kristen Roberts

# 'Lark Strings' to play at GPL

Take a break from the holiday mayhem and come to GPL on Sunday, Dec. 10, at 2 p.m., for a free concert by the Lark Strings. Violinists Jessica Belflower and Michael Emery join with violist Stephani Emery and cellist André Laurent O'Neil to present an afternoon of beautiful chamber music – from classical and contemporary composers.

## Maximize your benefits

Brian Doherty, author of the award-winning book "Getting Paid to Wait: Bigger Social

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Security Benefits the Simple and Easy Way," will speak at the Guilderland Library on Wednesday, Dec. 13, at 6:30 p.m., to explain ways to maximize your benefits. In addition, he will discuss what he calls the "3 Massive Misguided Reasons" why people claim too early and the "4 Things Everyone Should Know" before claiming benefits.

## Giraffe's Can't Dance?

Caregivers, parents, and kids in PreK to grade 2 can join WMHT's Barbara Lukas at GPL on Saturday, Dec. 9, at 10:30 a.m., for

a fun morning based on the classic children's book, "Giraffe's Can't Dance," (or can they?). Please register for this fun and funny class by calling (518) 456-2400, ext. 4.

## Celebrate Hanukkah

Celebrate Hanukkah, the Jewish festival of lights, at the GLP on Wednesday, Dec. 13, at 6:30. We'll have games, crafts and snacks to mark the eight-day, wintertime "festival of lights" that begins the night of December 12.

— Mark Curiale

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**A storm is coming**

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**Coming in last**

Falling short on a chance to open Albany's largest block party, The Late Shift thrives nonetheless

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**

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**W**ednesday night gigs guarantee small crowds. The Late Shift was one of four bands to play Jupiter Hall on what was the final round of Wednesday night shows 102.7 WEQQ organized for a weekly Battle of the Bands. The vertical string of mid-week nights strung across the month of August to determine who would open its annual Pearlpalooza music festival in Albany that summer.

It wasn't just a "battle" amongst musicians fighting for recognition: each band was tasked with the near impossible task of coaxing its fans to come out for support. Thursday mornings are not the time to be nursing a hangover, either from alcohol consumption, sleep deprivation or both. It's the type of dedication to their bands that fans pay forward with sloppy TPS reports and copious amounts of coffee.

There is, of course, an exception to every rule of thought.

The Late Shift consists of four guys who graduated from Shaker a few years back. They messed around with some instruments in high school and about five years ago, band frontman Scotty Somerville said they flipped the switch to become the group they are today. That band has cultivated a following that now allows them to host an annual Halloween party on the Captain J.P. Morgan Cruise and a regular "Thanksgiving Eve" gig at The Hollow Bar and Kitchen.

**FOR CRYING OUT LOUD**

The Late Shift plans to go into 2018 screaming hot after a stellar year that brought more attention to this hard working band.

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"It seems like on any Saturday, you'll see several great shows that you actually have to pick and choose between what you can actually go see. To me, although it fluctuates... I see the scene as hot as it's ever been right now."




— Scott Somerville, frontman of The Late Shift



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# Proctors opens Addy

New venue and incubator for local arts

By MICHAEL HALLISEY  
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SCHENECTADY — “You should know that as of five o’clock last night there were still lights and speakers still being hung,” said Proctors CEO Philip Morris during a Wednesday morning press conference to announce the opening of the Adeline Graham Theatrical Training and Innovation Center on Nov. 29. “In fact, you might even smell the dust burning off of the LEDs.”

Named after the philanthropist and longtime supporter of Proctors Theatre, the third floor space of the complex now houses a 100-seat theatre, multi-use classrooms, a media lab, a dance studio and a variety of amenities Proctors expects will serve more than 500 students and 10,000 patrons annually.

“There is nothing for us as exciting as opening The Addy,” said Morris. “This is as laser-focused as our mission gets — bringing together education, entertainment and economic development in one ‘wow’ package. We are beyond proud.”

The Addy is already in use by the Empire State Youth Orchestra’s CHIME program, serving 60 musicians from local elementary and middle schools. Starting, in January, The School of the Performing Arts at Proctors will host more than 200 students in weekly classes, including the middle school-based Acting Academy and the high school-oriented TheatreTECH.

Built as part of a larger capital campaign, the \$2.2 million project was supported by grants from Empire State Development and the Capital Region Economic Development Council, Schenectady County, Schenectady Metroplex Development Authority and the Wright Family Foundation.

“Philanthropy was such an important part of Adeline’s life,” said her niece, Heather Ward, now chair of The



Proctors CEO Philip Morris welcomes guests into The Addy during a Nov. 29 press conference.

Photo by Michael Hallisey / TheSpot518

Wright Family Foundation, Inc. “She shared this passion with so many organizations, and she dedicated so much of her time and energy to Proctors because she really understood the importance of education, training and community education through the arts.”

In a partnership with the Workforce Development Institute and TheatreTECH, The Addy will provide participants apprenticeship programs, training and certification that will allow them to work in a variety of performing arts careers. The performance space will also add another distinct venue to Proctors—serving as art house cinema, concert hall and theatrical stage.

“Any time you are willing to affect youth, you have an opportunity to change the world,” said Arnold Will, deputy regional director of Empire State Development. “In this case here, it’s really what we’re doing. We’re glad to be a part of taking a vacant facility, renovating it, being a part of the revitalization of downtown Schenectady, and we wish our continued support for Philip and continued success of this project.”

Ray Gillen, chair of Metroplex, said the new creativity hub should only help Schenectady as a whole, as it adds another venue to attract visitors to the city.

“This new venue completes the renovation of the cherished Carl Company, one of the last undeveloped spaces on State Street,” he said. “The third floor now features performing and exhibit space, including a versatile 100-seat theatre that will draw more people to downtown Schenectady.”

WHAT’S HAPPENING NOW

## An Evening with Keller Williams

The Egg — Thursday, Dec. 7

ALBANY — Keller Williams will perform at The Egg on Thursday, Dec. 7.

Williams combines the styles of folk, bluegrass, reggae, and rock to create a one-man show like no other. The concert starts at 7:30 p.m. and will feature Danton Boller on double bass. Williams’ albums include “Sync,” “Raw,” “Bluhm,” “Vape,” “Keys” and many more.

Tickets start at \$29.50 and are available for purchase online at tickets.theegg.org. For more information, call (518) 473-1845, or visit www.theegg.org.

The Egg is located at the Empire State Plaza in Albany.

## Three nights of live music

### The Parish Public House — Starts Thursday, Dec. 7

ALBANY — Five bands are slated to perform at the Parish Public House between Thurs., Dec. 7, and Sat., Dec. 9.

Contemporary rock group Lespecial with special guest Backup Planet, a Nashville-based progressive funk-rock band, will take the stage Thurs., Dec. 7 at 9 p.m. Advance tickets cost \$12 (+ \$1.65 fee) and are available for purchase online at Eventbrite.com. Tickets will also be sold at the door for \$15.

On Friday, Dec. 8, enjoy a night of rock and roll featuring Grateful Dead covers with The Wheel beginning at 9 p.m. There is no cover charge for this show.

Finally, on Saturday, Dec. 9, Northampton, Mass.-based electronic act Mammal Dap will deftly weave its hypnotic beats with pumping bass, lush pads and soaring hooks, following a set by Haley Moley, which features moody synth and guitar rock over electronic beats.

Cover charge is \$7 per person.

For more information about any of these shows, visit www.parishpublichouse.com/pph/.

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**Lecture, "Inventing Santa Claus" and Wine Tasting:**  
Thursday, December 7th, 7:00 pm  
Carlo DeVito will give a talk on his new book, "Inventing Santa Claus," followed by a wine tasting from Hudson Chatham Winery. \$5/Free for ACHA Members

**Holiday Tea: Saturday, December 9th, 1:00 pm**  
Enjoy a festive Holiday Tea served in the formal dining room. Sit with friends in one of the lovely parlors and then stroll through the beautifully decorated rooms and hallways. Enjoy a visit from Sinterklaas! \$25/\$20 for ACHA members, pre-paid reservations required.

**Musicians of Ma'alwyck:**  
Sunday, December 10th, 2:00 pm  
Please enjoy a special Ten Broeck Mansion Holiday Concert by the Musicians of Ma'alwyck, the acclaimed Capital Region's chamber music ensemble lead by violinist and director Ann-Marie Barker Schwartz. Then join guests for light refreshments and a stroll through the decorated Mansion. \$25/\$20 for ACHA Members, reservations encouraged.



**Lecture, "The Santa Claus Mysteries: What We Still Don't Know About Saint Nicholas, Sinterklaas and Santa Claus,"**  
Tuesday, December 12th, 7:00 pm  
Join Karl Felsen in an exploration of the historical and cultural character surrounding that most famous jolly old elf. \$5/Free for ACHA Members.

**Candlelight Tour: Thursday and Friday, December 14th, 7:00 pm and December 15th, 6:30 pm & 7:30 pm**  
Take a candlelit tour through the beautiful Ten Broeck Mansion and journey through the history of the American Christmas. \$15/\$10 for ACHA Members, reservations encouraged.



**Children's Story Hour:**  
Saturday, December 16th, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Bring your children to hear Holiday stories read by Sinterklaas, decorate cookies, and take a photo with Sinterklaas. [Recommended ages 3 to 10]. Free admission.

**Helderberg Madrigals:**  
Saturday, December 16th, 1:00 pm  
Enjoy afternoon coffee & desserts and holiday songs performed by the full ensemble of the Helderberg Madrigal Singers. Stroll through the beautifully decorated Mansion rooms and hallways. \$25/ \$20 for ACHA members, reservations encouraged.



Tickets may be purchased on our website at [www.tenbroeckmansion.org](http://www.tenbroeckmansion.org) or by calling 518-436-9826  
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■ FEATURE

# Life changing, changing lives

Our intern shares how volunteer work in Appalachia expanded her perspective on life and the world

By OLIVIA POUST  
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As a kid who grew up in Delmar, I've had a pretty set lifestyle in almost every regard. My comfort zone has only been as big as I've allowed for it to expand, which has really only been in the Capital District. The summer before my junior year of high school, I participated in a week of service, but it was still local, primarily in Albany and Troy. It wasn't until this summer that I took the step of leaving the region, and my comfort zone with it.

Appalachia Service Project, or ASP, is an organization that renovates homes in poverty-stricken areas of Appalachia. When my youth minister asked me if I would be interested in volunteering for a mission trip through ASP, I jumped at the idea, excited to finally help in areas other than where I was used to. I figured the level of poverty would be similar to what I'd experienced in Albany, just in a different setting.

Once we arrived in Wyoming County, W.Va, I realized how far off my original expectations had been. Even driving to ASP's center for the first time, I saw poverty like I had never been a witness to before.

Over the course of a week, we worked on two homes, the first being that of a woman and her blind husband, along with their three little boys who were in kindergarten, first grade, and third grade. Before ASP started to work on the house, the floors had holes so big that stray cats were finding their way into the boys' bedroom through them.

The three boys rank as the three happiest children that I've met in my entire life. Every Thursday night, ASP has a picnic for all of the families that they work with. The boys' mom warned us ahead of time that they like piggy back rides and she was by no means exaggerating. Throughout the evening they'd hop on for a ride, alternating who would take them so they could scope out who had the best speed and stamina, maximizing their piggy-back ride experience.

No matter where you were in the house, "ASP" was written in crayon, whether it was on the walls, on post-its that were left various places, or even on the family's truck. When the boys' mom told them not to write on the truck, the oldest—who was the notorious crayon-vandal—replied that he wrote it because he wants to work for ASP when he's older.

Later in the week, when we moved on to the second house, the atmosphere was completely different. This family had a

husband and wife, and had four children, but only two were present when we were there. They also had pets, which was an automatic mood booster for our entire group. They had a hyperactive chihuahua who could Houdini his way out of their fenced in yard with ease, and a kitten so small that she could fit in the palm of my hand, who we decided to name Kat, as she was previously nameless.

The family told us about the hardships that they'd been facing, which had recently involved Child Protective Services, an issue that I had only ever heard about from the news. In the time I spent with the family, I saw how much love the parents had for their children, and how distraught they would have been if they lost them.

The second day at this house, my group was playing with the kids out in their front yard. One of my group members was showing the older of the two boys how to ride a bike, and the rest of us were sitting with the younger boy. After a few minutes, their mom came out to take them inside, because even though they were with us, she feared that the neighbors would call CPS on them again. She continuously apologized to us and said she hoped she wasn't offending us, when all she was doing was trying not to have her babies taken from her.

Along with the struggle with CPS, the family also had to deal with not having electricity, since they couldn't afford to pay for it. The father had been laid off and was on disability, so the sole income for the family came from the mother who was working at a nearby nursing home.

These two families deal with more every day than I've had to deal with in a lifetime, yet they showed so much love and happiness toward each other and us. The children growing up in these homes are living a childhood that is almost entirely different from how mine was, but that's not at all a bad thing. Where I would have previously seen a house that smelled, had bugs, and was structurally unsound, they saw a home, and a pretty good one at that. Now having gone on this trip, I understand that while it's not a perfect house, it's what they have, and when it's filled with as much love as it is, the negatives don't matter as much.

The group I was with was the last of the season, so we were responsible for finishing the homes. By the end of the projects, the boys bedroom at the first house had a real, beautiful floor, the same home was insulated, and I left with an experience that changed my perspective forever.

ASP is a Christian organization, but it accepts volunteers no matter what their beliefs. To learn more about ASP and find out how to volunteer, visit [www.asphome.org](http://www.asphome.org).

Olivia Poust is a senior at Bethlehem Central High School and is an intern at Spotlight News.



**■ PICK OF THE WEEK**



George Fazio / Special to TheSpot518

# Hurricane's a comin'

Kristen Capolino to rock Rustic Barn

**TROY** — She put on an electrifying show at this summer's Rockin' on the River, and Kristen Capolino is set to return to the Collar City to play at The Rustic Barn Pub on Friday, Dec. 8, at 9 p.m.

Capolino plays a mean, "Flying V" electric guitar, jumping around and sometimes getting into the mix of the crowd as she plays her brand of rock and roll.

Capolino played to a Troy crowd at Rockin' on the River in July, and returns to the Collar City in support of her newest album, "These Days."

The 28-year-old said she gravitated towards music at an early age, mixing in a video diet of Disney movies and rock and roll videos; often times guitar driven music. Now a resident of Woodstock, Capolino has shared the stage with many headlining acts, including Lady Antebellum, Gavin DeGraw, Bret Michaels, Wyclef Jean, Kenny Greenberg, Michael Schenker and Les Paul.

Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at [kristencapolino.brownpapertickets.com](http://kristencapolino.brownpapertickets.com). For more information, visit [www.rusticbarnpub.org](http://www.rusticbarnpub.org).

The Rustic Barn Pub is located at 150 Speigletown Road in Troy.

**■ WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW**

**Hump Day Happy Hour**  
The Low Beat — Wednesday, Dec. 6

**ALBANY** — A pair of punk acts are set to perform at The Low Beat during Happy Hour on Wednesday, Dec. 6.

Albany-based Mystery Girls will take the stage at 6 p.m. with their New York Dolls meets Ramones style, followed by the infectious, punk driven tracks of The Regrettes from Los Angeles, whose songs proudly bear a brazen and unabashed attitude in the vein of Courtney Barnett or Karen O, along with a pop aesthetic reminiscent of Buddy Holly or the Temptations.

Tickets cost \$10 and are available for purchase online at [Eventbrite.com](http://Eventbrite.com) (+ \$1.54 in fees) or at the door. For more information, visit [www.thelowbeat.com](http://www.thelowbeat.com).

The Low Beat is located at 335 Central Ave.

**Darlingside with Front Country**  
The Egg — Friday, Dec. 8

**ALBANY** — Darlingside and Front Country are going to perform at The Egg on Friday, Dec. 8.

Darlingside uses vocal harmonies, guitars, classical strings, mandolin, and percussion to play a mix of folk, bluegrass, and classical genres. That band has been extremely successful and has won the folk Alliance "Artist of the Year Award." Front Country's music blends together genres ranging from high-lonesome mountain music to pop. The show will start at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$34 and can be purchased online at [tickets.theegg.org](http://tickets.theegg.org). For more information, call (518) 473-1845, or visit [www.theegg.com](http://www.theegg.com).

The Egg is located at the Empire State Plaza.

**■ MORE OF WHAT'S HAPPENING**

**Savoy Brown**  
The Upper Room — Friday, Dec. 8

**ALBANY** — Savoy Brown will be releasing its new album "Witchy Feeling" and celebrating the 50th anniversary of its first album, "Shake Down," at this performance held at the Upper Room on Friday, Dec. 8.

In the sixties, Savoy Brown was one of the first UK bands to re-invent the blues. Although its first album was released 50 years ago, the band has continued to perform and make music.

Kim Simmonds, the founding member, has a star on the Rock Walk of Fame, and is regarded as one of the best blues/rock players in the world.

Tickets start at \$20 (+ \$2.09 in fees), and can be purchased online at [Eventbrite.com](http://Eventbrite.com).

For more information, call (518) 694-3100, or visit [www.theupperroomalbany.com](http://www.theupperroomalbany.com).

The Upper Room is located at 59-61 N Pearl St. in downtown Albany.



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### Consider The Source

The Hollow — Friday, Dec. 8

ALBANY — New York City-based trio Consider The Source will perform at The Hollow Bar + Kitchen on Fri., Dec. 8.

Drawing from progressive rock, fusion and jazz, with alien sounds soaked in Indian and Middle Eastern styles, Consider The Source blends disparate parts into a striking, utterly original whole. Dubbed "Sci-Fi Middle Eastern Fusion," the band's music strikes a rare balance between cerebral and emotional, intellectual and primal.

Brooklyn-based trio Teddy Midnight, self-described as an Electro-Dance-Funk band, is also on the bill.

The show begins at 9 p.m. Advance tickets cost \$12 and are available for purchase online at Eventbrite.com. Tickets will also be sold at the door for \$15.

For more information, visit [www.thehollowalbany.com](http://www.thehollowalbany.com).

The Hollow Bar + Kitchen is located at 79 North Pearl St. in downtown Albany.



### NIGHT: Trevor Noah

The Palace Theatre — Saturday, Dec. 9

ALBANY — Trevor Noah is the host of the Emmy and Peabody Award winning show, "The Daily Show," on Comedy Central and will perform at The Palace Theatre on Saturday, Dec. 9, at 7 p.m.

His comedy special, "Afraid of the Dark," was debuted on Netflix in February 2017. In 2016, he released his first book entitled "Born a Crime: Stories from a South African Childhood." Not long after, the book became a New York Times bestseller.

Tickets start at \$39.50, and can be purchased online at [ticketmaster.com](http://ticketmaster.com)

For more information, call (518) 465-4663, or visit [www.palacealbany.org](http://www.palacealbany.org).

The Palace Theatre is located at 19 Clinton Ave. in Albany.

### DAY: The Nutcracker

The Egg — Saturday, Dec. 9

ALBANY — The Albany Berkshire Ballet performs two shows of "The Nutcracker" at The Egg on Saturday, Dec. 9, at 1:30 and 5:30 p.m.

The Albany Berkshire Ballet is nationally recognized for its versatility in performing both classical and contemporary dance works. The company's classical repertory rivals that of any large company performing today.

Tickets start at \$35 and can be purchased online at [tickets.theegg.org](http://tickets.theegg.org).

For more information, visit [www.theegg.org](http://www.theegg.org).

The Egg is located at The Empire State Plaza in Albany.

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**Albany Rail Yard**  
1118 Central Ave., Albany. (518) 489-2990  
Every Wed: **Salsa Night** | 8:30 p.m.  
Fri: **Mike and the Monsters** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **Diva and the Dirty Boys** | 8 p.m.

**Athos**  
1814 Western Ave., Albany. (518) 608-6400  
Fri: **Mike Dimin Duo** | 7 p.m.

**Caffè Lena**  
47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs.  
(518) 225-0882  
Fri: **Holiday Folk Show** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **Ellis Paul** | 2 p.m. (family) & | 8 p.m.  
Sun: **The Forgettable Four** | 2 p.m. •  
**Empty Pockets Holiday Show** | 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: **In Spite of Ourselves** | 7:15 p.m.  
Sat: **Cam & Mike** | 7:15 p.m.

**Carson's Woodside Tavern**  
57 NY-9P, Malta. (518) 584-9791  
Thur: **Tim Wechgelaer** | 7 p.m.  
Fri: **Mikki Bakken** | 7 p.m.  
Sat: **Keller & Cannon** | 7 p.m.

**Centre Street Pub**  
308 Union St., Schenectady.  
(518) 393-2337  
Thur: **Girl Blue** | 7 p.m.  
Fri: **Joel Fisher and the Still Prodigals** | 9 p.m.  
Sat: **Grand Central Station** | 9 p.m.  
Every Mon: **Open Mic** | 8 p.m.

**Club Helsinki**  
405 Columbia St., Hudson.  
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Fri: **The Ballroom Thieves, The Harmaleighs** | 9 p.m.  
Sat: **Lady Moon & The Eclipse** | 9 p.m.

**Dinosaur BBQ**  
377 River St., Troy. (518) 308-0400  
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366 Delaware Ave., Albany. (518) 512-5100  
Fri: **Vicki Gayle** | 7 p.m.  
Sat: **Andy Lightening** | 7 p.m.  
**Blue Wilder** | 8 p.m.  
Every Tue: **Open Mic** | 7 p.m.

**The Fountain Restaurant**  
283 New Scotland Ave., Albany.  
(518) 482-9898  
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**Four Seasons Taproom**  
4 Middle Mannix Rd., Rensselaer.  
(518) 283-4445  
Sat: **Plus One** | 6 p.m.

# HOT SPOTS EVENTS CALENDAR



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## Preparing for the 'Extralife'

Darlingside, the Massachusetts-based quartet named Folk Alliance's "Artist of the Year" in 2015, is set to play The Egg Performing Arts Center at 8 p.m. on Fri., Dec. 8, ahead of its forthcoming album, "Extralife," scheduled for release on Feb. 23. For more information or to purchase tickets, call (518) 473-1845 or visit [www.theegg.org](http://www.theegg.org).

**Fuze Box**  
12 Central Ave., Albany. (518) 703-8937  
Fri: **Selector David Normal & DJ Tall A\$\$ Matt** (Punk 2 Funk) | 9:30 p.m.  
Sat: **80s Night w/ DJ JC** | 9 p.m.

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

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

**Hamlet and Ghost**  
24 Caroline St., Saratoga Springs.  
(518) 450-7287  
Wed: **Hot Club of Saratoga Trio** | 7 p.m.

**The Hangar on The Hudson**  
675 River St., Troy. (518) 272-9740  
Sat: **Bendt Vinyl Release & Birthday Bash w/ Good Fiction and Girl Blue** | 8 p.m.  
Sun: **Bill Kirchen's Honky Tonk Holiday** | 8 p.m.

**The Hollow Bar + Kitchen**  
79 N. Pearl St., Albany. (518) 426-8550  
Fri: **Consider The Source, Teddy Midnight** | 9 p.m.  
Sat: **Big Mean Sound Machine, Nautilus** | 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., Albany. (518) 432-6572  
Wed: **The Regrettes, Mystery Girl** | 6 p.m.

Every Wed: **The Deadbeats** | 10 p.m.  
Thur: **Off With Their Heads, Mobina Galore, Boxer Brown** | 8 p.m.  
Fri: **Saucy Pots** | 6 p.m. • **Stoker, Bare Mattress, Addison Boys** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **Owel, Parallel, Perfect Score, Imaginary Friends** | 6:30 p.m.

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Sun: **rKStar Open-Mic with Dan Goodspeed** | 7 p.m.

**Mouzon House**  
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Thur: **Hot Club of Saratoga Trio** | 7 p.m.  
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**Newberry Music Hall**  
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Sat: **Under the Den** | 9 p.m.

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Wed: **The Masters of Nostalgia** | 8:30 p.m.  
Thur: **Rodeo Barons** | 8 p.m.  
Fri: **Hot Club of Saratoga** | 9 p.m.

Sat: **The Resonators** | 9 p.m.  
Sun: **Misfit Jazz** | 8 p.m.  
Mon: **Sun Voyager** | 10 p.m.

**O'Slattery's Irish Pub**  
318 Delaware Ave., Delmar.  
(518) 439-5634  
Every Wed: **Dan Sherwin** | 6:30 p.m.  
Thur: **In The Loop** | 7 p.m.  
Fri: **Little Jack** | 7 p.m.  
Sat: **Playin' with Fire** | 7 p.m.

**Parish Public House**  
388 Broadway, Albany. (518) 365-0444  
Thur: **Lespecial, Back Up Planet** | 9 p.m.  
Fri: **The Wheel** | 9 p.m.  
Sat: **Mammal Dap, Haley Moley** | 9 p.m.

**Panza's**  
510 NY Rte. 9P (on Saratoga Lake), Saratoga Springs. (518) 584-6882  
Fri: **'Aazzaam Hameed & Roosevelt** | 6:30 p.m.

**The Parting Glass**  
40 Lake Ave., Saratoga Springs.  
(518) 583-1916  
Wed & Thur: **Irish Celtic Session** | 7 p.m.  
Fri: **Triskele Christmas** | 7 p.m.  
Sun: **Kevin McKrell** | 7 p.m.

**Pauly's Hotel**  
337 Central Ave., Albany. paulyshotel.com  
Thur: **It That Betrays, Adotwake, Mercy Gang, E. Grizzly** | 7 p.m.  
Fri: **Fragile Rabbit, Adrian Aardvark, The Great Pacific Garbage Patch** | 8:30 p.m.  
Sat: **Sect xVx, Media Limits, Promised End, Your Brain on Drugs** | 7 p.m.

**Prime at Saratoga National**  
458 Union Ave., Saratoga Springs.  
(518) 583-4653  
Sun: **Joe Sorrentino Trio (Jazz brunch)** | 10:30 a.m.

**Provence**  
Stuyvesant Plaza,  
1475 Western Ave., Albany.  
(518) 689-7777  
Fri: **Christine & Elliot Spero** | 6 p.m.  
Sat: **Jeff Nania** | 6 p.m.

**Putnam Den**  
63a Putnam St., Saratoga Springs.  
(518) 584-8066  
Fri: **Ripe, Campo** | 9 p.m.  
Sat: **Enter the Haggis, Black Mountain Symphony** | 9 p.m.

**Rustic Barn Pub**  
150 Speigletown Rd., Troy. (518) 235-5858  
Every Thur: **Open Mic** | 8 p.m.  
Fri: **Kristen Capolino** | 9 p.m.  
Sat: **Dr. Jah & The Love Prophets, Caribbean Sun** | 8 p.m.  
Sun: **Maurizio Russomanno** | 3 p.m.  
Tue: **Fiddlers Tour Sessions** | 7:30 p.m.

**Sake Japanese Steakhouse**  
611 Troy-Schenectady Rd., Latham.  
(518) 785-7215  
Sat: **One-Eyed Cat** | 7:30 p.m.

**Salt & Char**  
453 Broadway, Saratoga Springs.  
(518) 450-7500  
Every Sun: **Hot Club of Saratoga** | Noon

**Savoy Taproom**  
301 Lark St., Albany. (518) 599-5140  
Wed: **New Life, Eternal Crimes, Deadbeat Club, MoonWorship** | 9 p.m.  
Thur: **Savoy Soul Club** | 9 p.m.  
Sun: **Jazz Sundays at Savoy** | 6 p.m.

**Speakeasy 518**  
42 Howard St., Albany. (518) 449-2332  
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: **Tommy Verrigni Trio** | 7 p.m.  
Fri: **Completely Different** | 7 p.m.

**Troy Kitchen**  
77 Congress St., Troy. (518) 268-0068  
Thur: **Jeff Nania Group** | 7 p.m.

**Upstate Concert Hall**  
1208 NY 146, Clifton Park.  
(518) 371-0012 or upstateconcerthall.com  
Wed: **Oceans Ate Alaska, Gideon, Varials, Loathe** | 6:30 p.m.  
Fri: **Action Bronson, Meyhem Lauren** | 8 p.m.

**The Van Dyck**  
237 Union St., Schenectady.  
(518) 348-7999  
Fri: **Reelin' In The Years: The Music of Steely Dan** | 7 & 9 p.m.

**Vapor Night Club**  
Saratoga Hotel and Casino  
342 Jefferson St., Saratoga Springs.  
(518) 581-5775.  
Fri: **The Audiostars, J Yager** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **Skeeter Creek** | 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  
Fri: **Noreen Pratt** | 6 p.m.

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

**MUSIC**

**Jim Brickman**  
The Grammy nominated songwriter delivers the sound and spirit of the season with carols, classics and original songs helping you escape from the holiday hustle-bustle. Wed., Dec. 6, 7:30 p.m. Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 2nd St., Troy. \$25 to \$42. (518) 273-0038 or tickets.troymusicall.org

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

**Keller Williams**  
This singer, songwriter, and guitarist performs one of the most fascinating one-man shows as he performs his unique mix of folk, bluegrass, reggae and rock. He'll be accompanied by Danton Boller on double bass. Thurs., Dec. 7, 7:30 p.m. The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. \$29.50. (518) 473-1845 or tickets.theegg.org

**Crew Love Concert Series**  
Lineup features DMX, Drag-On, Jim Jones, Juelz Santana, Lloyd Banks, Young Buck, Tony Yayo, Freeway, Beanie Sigel, Peedi Crakk, and Young Gunz. Fri., Dec. 8. Doors at 7 p.m. for 8 p.m. show. Times Union Center, 51 South Pearl St., Albany. \$35 to \$150. (800) 745-3000 or www.timesunioncenter-albany.com/crew-live-concert-series

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**1786: Mozart's Miraculous Year — Part I**

David Alan Miller leads the Albany Symphony through performances of Mozart's "Marriage of Figaro, Overture and Selections," along with Piano Concertos No. 23 and 24. With pianists David Fung and Wei Luo. Sat., Dec. 9, 7:30 p.m. Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 2nd St., Troy. \$19 to \$60. (518) 694-3300 or tickets.albanysymphony.com

**In Praise of Christmas**

John Roberts, Lisa Preston and John Kirk will perform songs and carols of Christmas and Mid-Winter Celebrations. Sat., Dec. 9, 7:30 p.m. Old Songs Community Arts Center, 37 South Main St., Voorheesville. Online, \$20, or \$22 via phone or at the door. (518) 765-2815 or oldsongs.org

**Octavo Singers**

Choral group will perform Handel's "Messiah." Sat., Dec. 9, 7:30 p.m. Memorial Chapel, Union College, 807 Union St., Schenectady. Adults, \$32.04; seniors, \$26.87; and students, \$21.69 (prices inc. fees) via brownpapertickets.com/event/3099698. www.octavosingers.com

**Blind Boys of Alabama**

Five-time Grammy Award and Grammy Lifetime Award winning band will be performing songs from its holiday albums along with Gospel classics. Sat., Dec. 9, 8 p.m. Cohoes Music Hall, 58 Remsen St., Cohoes. \$37.50 to \$52.50. (518) 465-4663 or palacealbany.org

**Garland Jeffreys**

Brooklyn native The New Yorker calls "an explorer of the links between rock, race

and rebellion," who continues to defy expectations, returns. Sat., Dec. 9, 8 p.m. The Linda, 339 Central Ave., Albany. \$18. (518) 465-5233 or www.thelinda.org/event/garland-jeffreys-2/

**David Bromberg and Jerry Douglas**

Two of most admired acoustic guitarists each performing solo. Sat., Dec. 9, 8 p.m. The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. \$36. (518) 473-1845 or tickets.theegg.org

**Musicians of Ma'alwyck**

Holiday concert featuring this acclaimed chamber music ensemble led by violinist and director Ann-Marie Barker Schwartz. Sun., Dec. 10, 2 p.m. Ten Broeck Mansion, 9 Ten Broeck St., Albany. \$25; RSVP encouraged. (518) 436-9826 or www.tenbroeckmansion.org

**1786: Mozart's Miraculous Year — Part II**

David Alan Miller and the Albany Symphony will perform The Impresario, Overture and Selections, Piano Concerto No. 25, Horn Concerto No. 4 and Symphony No. 38, "Prague." Featured soloists are Felicia He, piano, and William Hughes, french horn. Sun., Dec. 10, 3 p.m. Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 2nd St., Troy. \$19 to \$60. (518) 694-3300 or tickets.albanysymphony.com

**Gesu Bambino**

Christmas Concert featuring classical, sacred and traditional selections by various composers in Italian, Latin and English performed by soprano Rosanne G. Hargrave and pianist Michael Clement. Dessert reception to follow. Sun., Dec. 10, 3 p.m. American Italian Heritage Museum, 1227 Central Ave., Albany. \$10; limited seating; RSVP required. (518) 435-1979 or www.americanitalianmuseum.org

**Victor Wooten Trio**

The five-time Grammy Award-winning musician is a master innovator of the bass guitar, gifted composer, arranger, producer, vocalist, multi-instrumentalist and founding member of Béla Fleck & The Flecktones. He'll be joined on stage by drummer Dennis Chambers and saxophonist Bob Franceschini for a spirited evening of jazz, funk and improvisational music. Sun., Dec. 10, 7:30 p.m. The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. \$36. (518) 473-1845 or tickets.theegg.org

**Delmar Community Orchestra**

The orchestra, under the direction of Conductor Michael Blostein, will present its Holiday Concert. Program includes selections from Vivaldi, Sibelius, and Telemann along with pops and holiday favorites. Mon., Dec. 11, 7:30 p.m. Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Free. (518) 439-6558 or delmarcommunityorchestra.wordpress.com

**Jennifer Nettles**

One of the most admired and animated performers, known for her powerhouse vocals and vivacious energy. She'll perform a combination of her biggest hits and holiday classics from her "To Celebrate Christmas" album. Tues., Dec. 12, 8 p.m. Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. \$39.75 to \$79.75. (518) 465-4663 or palacealbany.org

**The Memorial Concert Band of Colonie**

Symphonic band composed of some of the Capital District's most accomplished amateur musicians will present its annual Holiday Concert. Holiday program includes "A Home Alone Christmas," "Candlelight Carol," and "Christmas a la Big Band." Wed., Dec. 13, 7:30 p.m. Mark Cornell

Auditorium, Colonie Central High School, 1 Raider Blvd., Albany. Free. (518) 764-2712 or www.memorialbandcolonie.org

**WRGB Melodies of Christmas**

The Capital Region's premiere holiday extravaganza featuring the Empire State Youth Orchestra and Youth Chorale with special guests Grand Central Station, The McKrell's, The Northeast Ballet and Orlando's School of Dance. Net proceeds benefit the Melodies Center for Childhood Cancer and Blood Disorders at Albany Medical Center. Daily, Thurs., Dec. 14 through Sat., Dec. 16 at 7 p.m. and Sun. Dec. 17 at 3 p.m. MainStage, Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. \$15 and \$25; (limited availability for \$15 tickets on Thursday and Friday; limited availability for all tickets for the Sunday matinee performance). (518) 346-6204 or tickets.proctors.org

**Eileen Ivers Joyful Christmas**

Celebrate the season with one of the world's most acclaimed Celtic fiddlers. Thurs. Dec. 14, 7:30 p.m. Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 2nd Street, Troy. \$32 or \$36; \$20 tickets available for children younger than 16; call the box office for details. (518) 273-0038 or tickets.troymusicall.org

**The Gibson Brothers North Country Christmas Show**

A holiday concert with the premiere brother duo of the bluegrass genre. Fri., Dec. 15, 7:30 p.m. GE Theatre, Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. General admission, \$30; VIP, \$75. (518) 346-6204 or tickets.proctors.org

**Helderberg Madrigal Singers**

Enjoy afternoon coffee and desserts and holiday songs performed by the full ensemble. Dec. 16, 1 p.m. Ten Broeck Mansion, 9 Ten Broeck St., Albany. \$25;

reservations encouraged. (518) 436-9826 or www.tenbroeckmansion.org

**Mendelssohn Club of Albany**

Choral ensemble presents its annual "Class and Brass" Holiday Concert. This year's guest artists are the Tamarac Select Elementary Choir and the Adirondack Bones Trombone Quartet. Fri., Dec. 15, 7 p.m. The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. \$20. (518) 473-1845 or tickets.theegg.org

**Mountain Snow Orchestra with the McKrells**

John Kirk, Brian Melick and Kevin McKrell have been bringing Christmas cheer to audiences for years as the "orchestra" for the annual Mountain Snow Mistletoe Show. This year they will be joined by the 'new' McKrells and their Celtic-influenced "folkgrass" for a down home evening of holiday music, merriment and mischief. Fri., Dec. 15, 8 p.m. The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. \$28. (518) 473-1845 or tickets.theegg.org

**Sing Solstice!**

The Eighth Step presents a joyful evening of tradition, whimsy, laughter and concern for Mother Earth featuring Magpie and Kim & Reggie Harris. The Pokingbrook Morris Dancers will open the performance. Sat., Dec. 16, 7:30 p.m. GE Theatre, Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. General admission, \$26; gold circle, \$50. (518) 346-6204 or tickets.proctors.org

**Suburban Sounds**

Expressive carols and seasonal songs will be performed by this chorus of talented singers and musicians. Join us in this wintry celebration of Holiday Cheer. Sun., Dec. 17, 2 p.m. Guilderland Public Library, 2228 Western Ave., Guilderland. Free. (518) 861-8000.

**The Many Moods of Christmas**

Albany Pro Musica's annual holiday concert. This year's program features Ola Gjeilo's "Dreamweaver" and Robert Shaw's collection, "The Many Moods of Christmas, suite three. Sun., Dec. 17, 3 p.m. Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 2nd St., Troy. \$25 and \$35. (518) 273-0038 or tickets.troymusicall.org

**THEATER**

**'The Little Mermaid: Beyond the Sea'**

Come join us beneath the sea and beyond as the Pantaloons fracture yet another tale for their annual Holiday Panto! This year the Loons will be serving surf and turf with their zany twist on the popular fairy tale, "The Little Mermaid." Through Sun., Dec. 10. Shows: Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m.; Sundays at 2 p.m. The Ghent Playhouse, 6 Town Hall Place, Ghent. Adults, \$23.76; member, \$18.59; students, \$11.34; RVSPs strongly recommended. (800) 838-3006 or ghpanto.brownpapertickets.com

**'She Loves Me'**

Fall in love this holiday season alongside Amalia and George, the feuding store clerks who find solace in their secret lonely-hearts pen pals. Little do they know, they are actually writing to each other! A tangle of mistaken identity and hilarious encounters finally bring these soulmates together with a tuneful and witty score celebrated with numerous Tony, Olivier and Drama Desk Awards. Through Sun., Dec. 24. Shows: Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturdays at 3 and 8 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., with a 2 p.m. matinee on Wed., Dec. 6. Capital REP,

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18. Your child daughter
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- CLUES DOWN
1. Adventurous
2. Deliverer of speeches
3. Skin condition
4. Widened
5. James Cameron film
6. The 3rd letter of the Hebrew alphabet
7. Moved along a surface
9. Pharmacological agent
10. Charity
12. Seeing someone famous
14. Not happy
15. Farm animal
17. Give a nickname to
19. Uses up
20. Type of missile (abbr.)
23. Criticizes
24. Midwife
25. Entwined
26. Supervises interstate commerce
27. A way to convert
28. Female sibling
29. TV network
30. Tropical Asian plant
31. Line on a map
32. Denotes songbirds
33. Made publicly known
34. He devised mud cleats for football
36. Trends

Answers on Pg. B21

111 North Pearl St., Albany. \$25 to \$65; limited availability for most shows. (518) 445-7469 or tickets.proctors.org

**'A Christmas Carol'**

A new adaptation of Dickens's holiday classic comes to life as Tiny Tim, Bob Cratchit, and Ebenezer Scrooge take a fantastic journey through Christmas Past, Present and Future. Recommended for audience members ages 8+. Through Thurs. Dec. 14. Shows: Fridays at 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., Saturdays at 7:30 p.m., Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10 a.m.; Sun., Dec. 10 at 2 p.m. and Tues., Dec. 12 at 10:30 a.m. Schacht Fine Arts Center Theater, The Theater Institute at Sage, 5 Division St., Troy. Adults, \$15; Seniors/students/children, \$12 each. (518) 244-2248 or tickets.sage.edu

**'Miracle on 34th Street'**

In this holiday classic, an old man going by the name of Kris Kringle fills in for an intoxicated Santa in Macy's annual Thanksgiving Day parade. Kringle proves to be such a hit that he is soon appearing regularly at the chain's main store in midtown Manhattan. When Kringle surprises customers and employees alike by claiming that he really is Santa Claus, it leads to a court case to determine his mental health and his authenticity. Presented by the Classic Theater Guild, Inc. Through Sun., Dec. 10. Shows: Friday at 7:30 p.m., Saturday at 2 and 7:30 p.m. Sunday 2 p.m. matinee sold out. Inaugural performance in The Addy (the state-of-the-art, third-floor performance theater), Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Adults, \$22; Seniors/students, \$18; limited availability for Sat. matinee. (518) 346-6204 or tickets.proctors.org

**'See How They Run'**

A delightful farce set in an English vicarage, populated by an American actor and actress, a cockney maid, and four men in clergy suits. Who are they? That's just part of the fun in this hilarious holiday production. Through Sun., Dec. 31. Shows: Fridays at 8 p.m.; Saturdays at 3 and 8

p.m., Sundays at 3 p.m. and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. Curtain Call Theatre, 1 Jeanne Jugan Ln., Latham. (518) 877-PLAY (7529) or www.curtaincalltheatre.com

**'Finding Neverland'**

The incredible story behind one of the world's most beloved characters: Peter Pan. Playwright J.M. Barrie struggles to find inspiration until he meets four young brothers and their beautiful widowed mother. Spellbound by the boys' enchanting make-believe adventures, he sets out to write a play that will astound London theatergoers. With a little bit of pixie dust and a lot of faith, Barrie takes this monumental leap, leaving his old world behind for Neverland, where nothing is impossible and the wonder of childhood lasts forever. Through Sun., Dec. 10. Shows: Wed., Dec. 6, at 7:30 p.m.; Thurs., Dec. 7, at 1:30 and 8 p.m.; Fri., Dec. 8, at 8 p.m.; Sat., Dec. 9 at 2 and 8 p.m.; and Sun., Dec. 10, 2 p.m. MainStage, Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. \$20 to \$85. (518) 346-6204 or tickets.proctors.org

**'Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol'**

Dickens' story comes to life in this classic tale of the penny-pinching Ebenezer Scrooge and the loving family of his hapless employee, Bob Cratchet. Presented by Home Made Theater. Opens Fri., Dec. 8. Runs through Sun., Dec. 17. Shows: Fridays, 7:30 p.m., Sat., Dec. 9, and Sundays, 1 p.m., and Sat., Dec. 16, at 1 and 4:30 p.m. Spa Little Theatre, Saratoga Spa State Park, 19 Roosevelt Dr., Saratoga Springs. Adults, \$18; children ages 12 and younger, \$12. (518) 587-4427 or homemadetheater.org/box-office/

**'Annie'**

Circle Theatre Players present their production of the hit musical based on the "Little Orphan Annie" comic strip. Opens Fri., Dec. 8 and runs through Sun., Dec. 17. Shows: Fridays, Saturdays and Thurs., Dec. 14, at 8 p.m., Sundays at 2:30 p.m. Sand Lake Center for the Arts, 2880 NY Rte. 43, Averill Park. Adults, \$20; 18 and

younger, \$10. (518) 674-2007 or slcactp.ticketleap.com/annie

**'The Best Christmas Pageant Ever'**

The Herdmans are the worst kids in the history of the world. So when they crash Sunday school and demand parts in the Christmas pageant, the whole town panics. Silent night? Not a chance... But sometimes a little joyful noise is just right for Christmas. The classic, touching and hysterical children's book comes to life in this heart-warming and funny holiday musical starring Park Playhouse's incredible student cast. Runs Thurs., Dec. 14 through Sun., Dec. 17. Shows: Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m., with 2 p.m. performances on Saturday and Sunday. Adults \$25; children ages 12 and younger, \$15. (518) 465-4663 or palacealbany.org

**'A Tuna Christmas'**

Confetti Stage continues its tradition of hilarious Christmas shows. The second in a series of self-contained plays featuring the irreverent residents of a fictional town in Texas named "Tuna," these holiday hijinks feature dozens of zany characters, all played by the same 3 actors! Fri., Dec. 15 and Sat., Dec. 16, at 7:30 p.m. The Linda, 339 Central Ave., Albany. Adults, \$15; students, \$10. (518) 465-5233 or www.thelinda.org/events/

\$39.95 (dinner + show). Note: Prices for the Friday and Saturday night shows above increase \$5 if purchased on show day. 388 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. (518) 275-6897 or thecomedyworks.com

**The Funny Bone**

**Jim Breuer:** Stand-up comic who spent four years on Saturday Night Live known for his impressions of Joe Pesci and Brian Johnson of AC/DC, brings his Lighten Up Comedy Tour to town for one night and one show only. Thurs., Dec. 7; doors at 5:30 p.m. followed by show at 7 p.m. \$30. **Greg Morton:** Former mobile DJ who has directed and voice more than 20 Saturday Morning Cartoons and sings song parodies on nationally syndicated radio shows, including "The Bob and Tom Show" known for his "Obama Man" song and two-minute Star Wars mashup performs five shows over three days. Fri., Dec. 8, at 7:30 and 10 p.m. and Sat., Dec. 9, at 7 and 9:45 p.m., \$15; and Sun., Dec. 10 at 7 p.m., \$12. All shows 21+ unless indicated otherwise; doors 60 to 90 minutes before early show; 30 to 45 minutes before late shows. Crossgates Mall, 1 Crossgates Mall Rd., Guilderland. (518) 313-7484 or Albany.funnybone.com

**Mopco Improv Theatre**

**Storytime Time with Ethan Ullman**  
**1 Year Anniversary Show:** Enjoy a fresh mix of true stories told by comedians, storytellers, performers and beyond, each of which is either funny or has a twist that will leave you laughing. Fri., Dec. 8, doors at 7:30 p.m. followed by show at 8 p.m. Adults, \$11.53; seniors/students, \$7.32 (inc. fees). **Spontaneous Broadway:** After performers audition Broadway-style songs that they create on the spot based on titles generated by the audience, the most popular song is turned into an hour-long improvised musical. Every Saturday through Dec. 30; doors at 7:30 p.m., with show at 8 p.m. Adults, \$16.74; students/seniors, \$7.29 (inc. fees). 10 N. Jay St., Schenectady. (518) 577-6725 or www.mopco.org

**COMEDY**

**The Comedy Works: Saratoga Springs**

**Open Mic:** Every Thursday at 9 p.m.; sign ups begin at 7 p.m. Free to attend or participate. **Eric McMahon:** Comic who has not only recently opened for both Ray Romano and Andrew "Dice" Clay but also hosts the weekly radio show "What's Your Problem?" brings his upbeat, energetic delivery and his versatility to work blue or squeaky clean to the Spa City. Fri., Dec. 8, and Sat., Dec. 9, at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. Advance, \$15 (show only) or

**Palace Theatre**

**Trevor Noah:** The most successful comedian in Africa who now hosts the Emmy® and Peabody® Award-winning "The Daily Show" on Comedy Central. Sat., Dec. 9, 7 p.m. Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. \$39.50 to \$85. (518) 465-4663 or palacealbany.org

**DANCE**

**Moscow Ballet's Great Russian Nutcracker**

Celebrate this Christmas with the experience taking North America by storm! Marking the 25th Anniversary Tour, Moscow Ballet's Great Russian Nutcracker features over-the-top production and world class Russian artists. Larger than life Puppets, Nesting Dolls and gloriously hand-crafted costumes bring the Christmas spirit to life. Wed., Dec. 6, 7 p.m. Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. \$31 to \$71. (518) 465-4663 or www.palacealbany.org

**The Nutcracker**

The Albany Berkshire Ballet, nationally recognized for its versatility in performing both classical and contemporary dance works, will present the full-length ballet, a delight for all ages. Sat., Dec. 9 at 1:30 and 5:30 p.m. The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. \$25 and \$40. (518) 473-1845 or tickets.theegg.org

**FAMILY**

**21st annual Capital Holiday Lights in the Park**

Celebrate the holidays with this all-new, drive-through spectacular featuring more than 125 illuminated displays and scenes. Presented by Price Chopper/Market 32. Through Tues., Jan. 2, 2018. Open daily: Sundays through Thursdays from 6 to 9 p.m.; Fridays and Saturdays from 6 to 10 p.m. Washington Park, Albany; enter opposite New Scotland Avenue. Be sure to visit Santa (through Dec. 23) in the Lake

House and enjoy crafts and refreshments. Admisson based on vehicle size: cars, \$20 each, rates available for larger vehicles online. Proceeds benefit the Albany Police Athletic League. Latest information available at (518) 435-0392 or at www.albanycapitalholidaylights.com

**Snow-A-Palooza**

This 4th Annual fund raising event includes arts & crafts, cookie decorating, games, refreshments AND a visit from Santa. Proceeds from raffles will benefit the Toys for Toga program, the Ballston Area Community Center (BACC), the Mother Teresa Academy Cancer Awareness Fund and MBPA's Community Events. Presented by Bryant & Stratton College, Malta Business & Professional Association and Catskill Hudson Bank. Thurs., Dec. 7, 4 to 6 p.m. Bryant & Stratton College - Malta Extension, 2452 U.S. Rte.9, Malta. Free. (518) 441-4236

**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

**Family Saturday**

After looking at and being inspired by Kate Ericson and Mel Ziegler's piece "Constitution on Tour," which is part of the "Other Side: Art, Object, Self" exhibit, participants will construct train cars inspired by . Appropriate for children ages 5 and older. Sat., Dec. 2, 2 p.m. Tang Teaching Museum, Skidmore College, 815 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Free; registration required. (518) 580-8080.

**Holiday American Girl Tea**

Join us for a special Holiday American Girl Tea with hostess Samantha Parkington, who grew up at the turn of the 20th century. We'll enjoy an elegant tea with tasty cookies. Children will make ornaments to take home and will get a chance to see our very own Victorian dollhouse. All dolls welcome! Sat., Dec. 9, 2 p.m. Schenectady County

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**Open House**

Come and see the Bethlehem Historical Museum decked out in Victorian splendor for the holidays! Presented by The Bethlehem Historical Association. Sun., Dec. 10, from 1 to 4 p.m. Cedar Hill Schoolhouse Museum, 1003 River Rd. (corner of Clapper Road), Selkirk. Free. [BethlehemHistorical.org](http://BethlehemHistorical.org)

**An 1850s Christmas**

Explore the humble beginnings of the holiday we experience today. Children can explore the toys of the mid-19th century and create a paper Victorian ornament inspired by the decorations on our tree. We will read a copy of "The Night Before Christmas" that includes the illustrations originally published in 1844. Enjoy light refreshments and take advantage of our

Holiday Shoppe! Sun., Dec. 10, 2 p.m. The Stephen and Harriet Myers Residence, 194 Livingston Ave., Albany. \$10 donation per family requested. (518) 432-4432 or [undergroundrailroadhistory.org](http://undergroundrailroadhistory.org)

**Disney on Ice: Frozen**

Be a part of Anna's fearless adventure to find her sister, Queen Elsa, whose icy powers have trapped Arendelle in an eternal winter. Hosted by Mickey Mouse and Minnie Mouse, your whole family will delight in special appearances by stars from Toy Story, Finding Dory, The Lion King and the inspiring Disney Princesses. Thurs., Dec. 14, and Fri., Dec. 15 at 7 p.m.; Sat., Dec. 16 at 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Sun., Dec. 17 at noon and 4 p.m. Times Union Center, 51 South Pearl St., Albany. Premium shows (mornings and early afternoons): \$23 to \$78; non-premium shows (late afternoon/evening), \$18 to \$63. (800) 745-3000 or [www.timesunioncenter-albany.com/disney-ice-frozen](http://www.timesunioncenter-albany.com/disney-ice-frozen)

**FILM**

**'bwoy'**

After the death of his son, Schenectady resident Brad O'Connor (Anthony Rapp of Star Trek: Discovery) becomes entangled in a long-distance online affair with a young Jamaican man. When both Brad and his wife Marcia (De'Adre Aziza; The Breaks) seek solace in destructive ways, their lives and relationships are pushed to the brink. Released nationally by Breaking Glass Pictures, director John G. Young (a native of Rexford) will introduce the film and stick around for a brief Q&A afterwards. Not rated, but treat as R. 85 minutes. GE Theatre, Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Thurs., Dec. 7, 7 p.m. \$5. (518) 346-6204 or [tickets.proctors.org](http://tickets.proctors.org)

**'Creepshow' and 'Paperbacks from Hell'**

Grady Hendrix, author of "Horrorstör" and "My Best Friend's Exorcism," will appear

in person with "Paperbacks from Hell," his hilarious mind-melting, multi-media history of how three books in the 1970s the first horror novels to hit bestseller lists since the 1940s, not only opened the floodgates for an avalanche of horror paperbacks, but also the genre as a whole. Followed by a screening of Stephen King's "Creepshow" an anthology of five terrifying tales based on the E. C. Harrow comic books from 1950s, featuring Adrienne Barbeau, Leslie Nielsen and Ed Harris, among countless others. Not rated. Combined run time nearly four hours. Presented by It Came From Schenectady. Fri., Dec. 8, 7 p.m. GE Theatre, Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Adults, \$9; \$6 tickets available at the door for students w/ ID. (518) 346-6204 or [tickets.proctors.org](http://tickets.proctors.org)

**'Die Hard'**

Action/thriller from 1988 starring Bruce Willis, Alan Rickman and Bonnie Bedelia. John McClane, officer of the NYPD, tries to save his wife and several others who were taken hostage by German terrorist during a Christmas party at the Nakatomi Plaza in Los Angeles (imdb.com). Mon., Dec. 11, 7 p.m. Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. \$5. (518) 465-4663 or [palacealbany.org](http://palacealbany.org)

**Led Zeppelin: The Song Remains the Same**

Filed in 1973 over the course of a three-night stand at New York City's Madison Square Garden, this concert film shows the band at the peak of its hard-rocking glory. Rated PG. 137 minutes. Tues., Dec. 12, 7 p.m. GE Theatre, Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Adults, \$9; \$6 tickets available at the door for students w/ ID. (518) 346-6204 or [tickets.proctors.org](http://tickets.proctors.org)

**The Three Tenors Christmas Concert**

Joined by the Vienna Children's Choir, Pavarotti, Carreras and Domingo captured the joy and spirit of the season with their first ever Christmas concert. Digitally-restored, this concert features all of your

holiday favorites including Ave Maria, Silent Night, Little Drummer Boy and Happy Christmas/War is Over. Not rated. 81 minutes. Wed., Dec. 13, at 3, 5 and 7 p.m. GE Theatre, Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Adults, \$9; \$6 tickets available at the door for students w/ID. (518) 346-6204 or [tickets.proctors.org](http://tickets.proctors.org)

**LECTURES/ WORKSHOPS**

**Julia Jacquette**

Based in New York City and Amsterdam, Jacquette's work has been shown extensively at galleries and museums around the world, including the Museum of Modern Art, NY, and The Museum of Fine Arts Boston. She has taught at the Rhode Island School of Design, Princeton University, and is currently on the faculty at the Fashion Institute of Technology, NYC. She'll be speaking as part of the Artists Lecture Series. Thurs., Dec. 7, 6:30 p.m. Opalka Gallery, Sage College of Albany, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany. Free. (518) 292-7742 or [opalka.sage.edu](http://opalka.sage.edu)

**Be the Media! Art of Voice**

Explore your performing capabilities for radio with longtime instructor at the New School of Radio and Television, Tom Hawn! Learn to harness the power of your voice through professional broadcasting and recording techniques. Thurs., Dec. 7, 7 to 9 p.m. Sanctuary for Independent Media, 3361 6th Ave., Troy. \$10 (suggested); registration required at [www.mediasanctuary.org/workshopregistration/](http://www.mediasanctuary.org/workshopregistration/). (518) 272-2390 or [www.mediasanctuary.org](http://www.mediasanctuary.org)

**'The Santa Claus Mysteries'**

Karl Felsen will explain both the historical and cultural characters behind Saint Nicholas, Sinterklaas and Santa Claus during this lecture. Tues., Dec. 12, 7 p.m. Ten Broeck Mansion, 9 Ten Broeck St., Albany. \$5. (518) 436-9826 or [www.tenbroeckmansion.org](http://www.tenbroeckmansion.org)

**Italian Christmas Traditions**

Prof./Cav. Philip J. DiNovo will present slides and attendees are invited to share their family Christmas traditions. The Museum's Choir will sing several Italian Christmas Carols. A dessert social follows the program. Please bring a dessert to share. Free

**LITERARY**

**Caffe Lena Poetry Open Mic**

This month's event features readings by Marilyn Zembro Day and Leslie Neustadt. Hosted by Carol Graser. Wed., Dec. 6, open mic sign up begins at 7 p.m., followed by readings at 7:30 p.m. Caffè Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs. \$5. (518) 774-0354 or [www.caffeena.org](http://www.caffeena.org)

**Writers workshop**

Bi-weekly writers' get together. Eat, drink, schmooze and share, but, mostly write. Thurs., Dec. 7 at 6 p.m., Tech Valley Center of Gravity, Quackenbush Building, 30 Third St., Troy. Free. [www.tvcoc.org](http://www.tvcoc.org)

**Nic Stone**

Author of the debut young adult novel "Dear Martin," loosely inspired by a series of true events involving the shooting deaths of unarmed African-American teenagers, will read from her work. Presented in part by the New York State Writers Institute. Thurs., Dec. 7, 7 p.m. Huxley Theater, New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, 222 Madison Ave., Albany. Free. (518) 442-5620 or [www.albany.edu/writers-inst](http://www.albany.edu/writers-inst)

**Carlo DeVito**

The author will discuss his new book, "Inventing Santa Claus." Wine tasting follows. Thurs., Dec. 7, 7 p.m. Ten Broeck Mansion, 9 Ten Broeck St., Albany. \$5. (518) 436-9826 or [www.tenbroeckmansion.org](http://www.tenbroeckmansion.org)

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**MISCELLANEOUS**

**Shaker Christmas Craft Fair**  
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**The Shop at The Arts Center**  
Seasonal marketplace featuring some of the region's finest arts and crafts. Open through Sat., Dec. 23. Hours: Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Closed Sundays and Mondays. www.facebook.com/events/185115838719049

**Fort Orange Holiday Market**  
The market returns with local vendors, live music, pop-up workshops and more! Fridays, Dec. 8, 15, and 22, from 4 to 9 p.m. The Arcade Building, 488 Broadway, Albany. fortorangegeneralstore.com.

**Celebrate the Season**  
The Albany Woman's Club will hold its annual holiday gala on Fri., Dec. 8, from 6 to 9 p.m. Enjoy light fare by the Healthy Cafe, music by Mixed Company and a "must-have" silent auction in the organization's beautifully decorated historic home near Albany's Washington Park. Proceeds benefit the club and the Feed and Read Program of the Homeless and Travelers Aid, which provides backpacks with food and books each weekend of the school year for 625 children. Albany Woman's Club, 725 Madison Ave., Albany. \$75. (518) 465-3626 or www.womansclubofalbany.com

**Troy Waterfront Farmers Market**  
More than 80 food growers, bakers, chefs and artisans gather to offer the Capital District's freshest and finest! Plus, gather with other community members for live music, great food, family activities and learning opportunities. Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., through March 31, 2018. Troy Atrium, 49 4th St., Troy. Free Admission. (518) 708-4216 or www.troymarket.org

**State Capitol Building Tour**  
Take a guided tour through this historic, 19th-century architectural masterpiece which serves as the seat of New York State government. The one-hour tour will be led by a New York State Museum staff member. Sat., Dec. 9 and Sat., Dec. 16. Tours depart at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. from the Plaza Visitor Center and Gift Shop, located in the Empire State Plaza's North Concourse. Free, registration required; 25 participant limit. To register, call (518) 474-2418 or visit ogs.ny.gov/ESP/CT/Tours/Capitol.asp

**State Education Building Tour**  
Take a guided tour through the historic Education Building in downtown Albany. The 45-minute tour, led by a New York State Museum staff member, includes opportunities to explore Chancellors Hall, the Regents Room and the rotunda, adorned with murals by Albany native Will H. Low. Sat., Dec. 9 and Sat., Dec. 16. Tours depart at 12:30 and 2:30 p.m. from the front steps of the Education Building, 89 Washington Ave., Albany. Free, registration required; 25 participant limit. To register, call (518) 474-2418 or visit ogs.ny.gov/ESP/CT/Tours/Capitol.asp

**Holiday Tea**  
Enjoy a festive afternoon tea with friends in the dining room or in one of the lovely parlors before strolling through the beautifully decorated rooms and hallways. Sinterklaas will also pay a visit. Ten Broeck Mansion, 9 Ten Broeck St., Albany. \$25; pre-paid RSVP required. (518) 436-9826 or www.tenbroeckmansion.org

**Babes in Troyland**  
Troy Flea presents its third annual, two-day indoor winter "clubhouse" holiday market featuring more than 20 antique, vintage and crafts vendors selling candles, clothing, jewelry, original art prints, essential oils, dog apparel, children's items, vinyl records, housewares, instruments, furniture, books, tools and more. Live entertainment, including a very badly behaved Santa Claus and Elizabethan minstrels from Will Kempe's Players. Food and beverages available for purchase. Sat., Dec. 9, from 1 to 7 p.m. and Sun., Dec. 10, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Takk House, 55 Third St., downtown Troy. Admission: \$5 per person for both days. www.TroyFlea.com

**Paint and Sip (and dance) Fundraiser**  
It's a night of creativity, cocktails, great food and dancing for a great cause! Underground Railroad History Project joins forces with Albany's official Noche Latina to host this year's fundraiser! Funds raised will go to Underground Railroad History Project for the restoration of the Stephen and Harriet Myers Residence in Albany. Sat., Dec. 9, 7 p.m. The Albany Railyard, 1118 Central Ave., Albany. Advance, \$45 via EventBrite; \$50 at the door. (518) 432-4432 or undergroundrailroadhistory.org/event/paint-drink-dine-latin-nite/

**Schenectady GreenMarket**  
Festive, indoor marketplace featuring more than 60 vendors who produce everything they sell. Enjoy live music, prepared food and the region's freshest produce. Weekly on Sundays, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., through April 29, 2018. Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Free admission. (518) 986-0318 or schenectadygreenmarket.org/

**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., Dec. 12, 7:30 p.m. S.W. Pitts Hosiery Co., Old Loudon Road, Latham. Free. www.SAM24.org

**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 online). Dec. 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.artscenonline.org/social-media/

**EXHIBITS**

**Albany Institute of History and Art**  
**Continuing: "Well-Dressed in Victorian Albany: 19th Century Fashion from the Albany Institute Collection,"** features 50 mannequins dressed in clothing made of luxurious, vibrantly colored fabrics once worn by residents of the Capital District. Through Mon., Feb. 19, 2018. Also, **"Paintings of Addy": Dahl Taylor's Original Illustrations for American Girl:** Features more than 40 paintings by the Albany-based artist commissioned to re-illustrate American Girl's six books about nine-year-old Addy Walker along with artifacts from the museum's collection to illustrate daily life during the mid 19th-century. Through Sun., June 3, 2018. Also, **"Spotlight: Albany and Anti-Suffrage,"** tells the story of the women who first met in 1894 before the New York Constitutional Convention convened, organized the Albany branch of the New York State Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage, lobbied to make their views heard in 1915, and lost their fight in 1917; and **"The Fashionable Portrait:"** brings together 14 paintings and four miniature portraits from the Institute's collection highlight 19th century fashion as depicted in the work of portrait painters. Both through Sat., March 31, 2018. Plus ongoing exhibits. Museum 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 6-12, \$6; children 0-5, free. 125 Washington Ave., Albany. (518) 463-4478 or albanyinstitute.org.

**Albany International Airport**  
**Continuing: "Chasing the Tale,"** Group exhibit featuring work by seven artists, each of whom is engaged in a pictorial expression of storytelling cross personal mythology with collected narratives from historical, folk and popular culture. Through Feb. 26, 2018. Gallery hours: Daily, 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Free admission. Main Gallery, third floor, adjacent to Observation Area, 737 Albany Shaker Rd., Latham. (518) 242-2241 or arts@albanyairport.com

**Albany Pine Bush Discovery Center**  
**Continuing: "Pine Bush Perspectives,"** annual juried photo exhibit which celebrates the uniqueness and diversity of the Albany Pine Bush Preserve. On display indefinitely. Center hours: Weekdays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; weekends and most holidays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free admission. 195 New Karner Rd., Albany. (518) 456-0665 or www.albanypinebush.org

**Arts Center of the Capital Region**  
**Continuing "Elements of Nature,"** features artworks highlighting the creatures among us (some fantastical), the stages of life, the Earth and our Universe - bringing to mind the creativity it sparks as well as its importance to us each and every day. The works, which are done by individuals of varying ages and abilities, from preschool to senior citizen, were selected from the Center for Disability Services' annual exhibition on S. Manning Blvd. by the Arts Center gallery and education staff. Through Fri., Dec. 22, in the Foyer Gallery. Also: **"So It Would Seem,"** features works by four photographers that encourage viewers to look beyond the images to discover the moods, memories, even the very souls of their subjects, encompassed by the surrounding past and future. Through Wed., Dec. 27, in the Main Gallery. 265 River St., Troy. Gallery hours: Daily, Mon.-Thurs., 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Fri., 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sat., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sun., noon to 4 p.m. Free admission. (518) 273-0552 or artscenonline.org

**The Clark Art Institute**  
**Continuing: "The Impressionist Line: From Degas to Toulouse-Lautree,"** showcases the hallmarks of the "Impressionist line," including drawings by Claude Monet, color woodcuts by Paul Gauguin, etchings by Édouard Manet, pastels by Edgar Degas, and

color lithographs by Henri de Toulouse-Lautree. Through Sun., Jan. 7, 2018. Plus permanent collection. Museum hours: Daily, Tues.-Sun., 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: Adults, \$20; children 18 and younger, free. 225 South St., Williamstown, Mass. www.clarkart.edu

**Clement Art Gallery**  
**Continuing: "Holiday Small Works Art Show,"** featuring a large selection of original artwork by local artists. Through Sun., Dec. 31. Also, **antique print and map room** exhibits. Gallery hours:

Weekdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free admission. 201 Broadway, Troy. (518) 272-6811 or www.clementart.com

**Collar Works**  
**Continuing: "What is that leaping in your chest?"** Group exhibition in which the artists question the uncertainty of access to the American Dream. Through Sat., Dec. 30. 621 River St., Troy. Gallery hours: Thurs. & Fri., noon to 6 p.m. Sat., noon to 4 p.m. or by appointment. Free admission. (518) 285-0765 or collarworks.org

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**Mabee Farm Historic Site**

**Continuing: "In Harm's Way: Community Responses to Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee."**

An exploration of the devastating impact natural disasters have on local communities and the resiliency of our neighbors. Through Mon., Oct. 1, 2018. Also, **"Life on the Canal Then by Artists Now."** Show features artwork by 17 contemporary artists curated by Virginia Creighton. Through Thurs., May 31, 2018. Museum hours: Tues.–Sat., from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. 1100 Main St. (NY Route 55), 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

**miSci**

**Continuing: "Inside Edison's House of Magic: 125 Years of Innovation at GE."** Learn more about GE's founding, its inventions, its scientific pioneers who led the field and the employees who made the company run. Through Sun., May 6, 2018. Plus ongoing/permanent exhibits. Museum hours: Mon.–Sat., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun., noon to 5 p.m. 15 Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady. Admission: Adults (13+), \$10.50; seniors (65+), \$9; children (3-12) \$7.50. Additional \$5/person for planetarium show. (518) 382-7890 or www.miSci.org

**National Museum of Dance**

**Continuing: "Art in the Foyer: Design for Dance,"** highlighting the costume

sketches of design and dance historian Malcolm McCormack. Plus ongoing exhibits. Museum hours: Sat., 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sun., noon to 4 p.m. 99 South Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Admission: Adults, \$6.50; seniors/students (w/valid ID) \$5; children ages 4 to 12, \$3; children ages 3 and younger, free; (518) 584-2225 or www.dancemuseum.org

**New York State Museum**

**Continuing: "Votes for Women: Celebrating New York's Suffrage Centennial."** Large-scale exhibition will raise public awareness about the struggle for women's suffrage and equal rights in New York State from the 1848 Seneca Falls convention, through 1917, when women were finally allowed to vote. Through Sun., May 13, 2018. Also, **"Enterprising Waters: New York's Erie Canal (Phase One)."** In honor of the Bicentennial of the Erie Canal's construction, the state's Office of Cultural Education in collaboration with other organizations on the canal corridor, will present this rich story with unique objects, documents, and images. Through Oct. 20, 2019. Also, **"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, **"Hudson Valley Ruins,"** through Dec. 31. Plus ongoing/permanent exhibits. Museum hours: Tues.–Sun, 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: "Paper is Part of the Picture."** Exhibition focuses on the evolution of paper promotion over the last 125 years as seen through the Strathmore Archives (now at Mohawk paper), and how those promotions reflect the changing trends in American graphic design. Through Fri., Dec. 15. Gallery hours: Tues.–Fri., 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and

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**HOROSCOPES**

**December 2017 Week 1**

**ARIES – MAR 21/APR 20**  
Aries, an outburst of creativity may surprise those close to you, but this week you just may need an outlet. Channel this energy into a project you have been hoping to complete.

**TAURUS – APR 21/MAY 21**  
Your poker face is on this week, Taurus. Keep things close to the vest as you have a surprise to announce and don't want to spill the beans prematurely.

**GEMINI – MAY 22/JUN 21**  
You can't seem to sit still this week, Gemini. Get outdoors and take a hike or engage in another form of physical activity. Enjoy getting outside for some fun and fresh air.

**CANCER – JUN 22/JUL 22**  
Cancer, a drastic shift in direction at work can catch you off guard at first, especially since you've been comfortable. But this challenge can provide greater opportunities.

**LEO – JUL 23/AUG 23**  
Impatience will not serve you well this week, Leo. There is no room for shortcuts, so buckle down and devote yourself to the tasks at hand, even if they take a while.

**VIRGO – AUG 24/SEPT 22**  
A partnership might hit a rough patch this week, Virgo. But it isn't anything serious. Commit to working things out and you will have benefitted from this experience.

**LIBRA – SEPT 23/OCT 23**  
Libra, an unexpected turn of events spices things up in the coming days. Enjoy this change of pace but do your best to stay grounded throughout the tumult.

**SCORPIO – OCT 24/NOV 22**  
Scorpio, controlled chaos is the source of your inspiration this week. Ruffle a few feathers, but make sure you do so in a productive and effective way.

**SAGITTARIUS – NOV 23/DEC 21**  
Sagittarius, the solution to a problem you have had for awhile will come to you this week. This immediately makes you more comfy allows you to focus on recreation.

**CAPRICORN – DEC 22/JAN 20**  
Assignments at work take precedence this week, Capricorn. Do your best to navigate your way through a lengthy to-do list. Don't let distractions get in your way.

**AQUARIUS – JAN 21/FEB 18**  
Aquarius, living in your imagination helps you drum up creative ideas, but this week you have to periodically reconnect with reality. Shift the focus to work or family.

**PISCES – FEB 19/MAR 20**  
The road to satisfaction can't be found on a GPS device, Pisces. You have to do some soul-searching and figure out what you want.



## ■ CULINARY ARTS



# Clean Eating

Chef Bill's Turkey Croquettes

By **STACEY MORRIS**  
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If you're like me, using up the Thanksgiving leftovers via turkey sandwiches isn't your first choice. Being a middle-aged woman with a slow thyroid means I'm carb-leary. Not carb-free, but very discriminating about the white stuff, which means BREAD!

And if you're not like me and sandwiches are a regular part of your life, chances are, the week after Thanksgiving and all its attendant carb-centric side dishes have suddenly caused you to call a time-out (however brief) on the white stuff.

I totally get it...and I'm here to help. And while nothing's quite as wonderfully comforting as Turkey Soup, these Turkey Croquettes are a wonderful way to use up the leftovers, as well as serve as a nice change of pace, texture- and flavor-wise.

Chef Bill drew on his restaurant background for this one, noting it was often a method-of-choice for dazzling customers with an unusual menu special while also handily dispensing of product excess.

The croquettes make a delicious light lunch or dinner, paired with a salad or cooked vegetable. Gluten-Free breadcrumbs are in the recipe, but not enough to impart a carb overload. And since the turkey's already cooked, all that's required is a brief assemblage followed by sautéing them until brown on each side. Voila – a fresh take on holiday leftovers!

P.S. — Post-Easter, this works fantastically for ham croquettes. And in everyday usage, don't overlook the chicken leftovers!

### Ingredients: Serves four

1 ½ pounds roasted turkey, chopped fine, or food-processed coarsely

1 tablespoon fresh chopped thyme or sage  
 2 eggs, well-beaten or blitzed in the food processor or blender  
 1 medium onion, finely diced in the food processor  
 1 tablespoon brown mustard  
 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce  
 ½ cup mayonnaise  
 ¾ cup gluten-free breadcrumbs or gluten-free matzo meal + ½ cup for dredging  
 ½ teaspoon salt  
 ½ teaspoon pepper

### Instructions:

Blend all ingredients together in a mixing bowl using a wooden spoon or rubber spatula until all ingredients are blended and the mixture is the consistency of uncooked meatloaf. Cover and chill for at least 30 minutes.

Heat a large skillet with light olive oil, grapeseed oil, or any other oil with a high smoking point.

Using a 1/3-cup measuring cup, take a heaping 1/3-cup of the mixture and form into a burger-like patty. Place the remaining half-cup of breadcrumbs in a shallow bowl and dredge each side of patty. Saute over medium-high heat for three minutes each side, or until golden brown. Serve immediately or place in a warm oven until ready. Accompany with your favorite condiment or gravy.

Stacey Morris is a Loudonville based wellness blogger, cookbook author and health coach. Her website is [www.staceymorris.com](http://www.staceymorris.com).

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HEALTH & FITNESS

# The Mommy Mindset

Taking care of your child doesn't mean forgetting about yourself and your own health

By **DAN ROMAND**  
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Last week in our members' private Facebook group an interesting discussion came up about what I call the "mommy mindset" and its one of the most common things I hear from parents (By the way, it's not just moms but dads, too.) What is it?

Well it's usually something along the lines of "It's so hard to put yourself first when you have kids" or "I feel guilty if I do something for myself instead of focusing on my kids"

And was said during the discussion it's hard to find the time to cook healthy meals and/or workout with running the kids from place to place, constantly being on the go not to mention how much stress they feel because they never have time for themselves.

As a parent of six kids myself, I get it. As in "been there" and "done that."

I spent years in my car running from practice to practice, game to game. Eating out of drive thru windows, and constantly feeling the stress of "where the heck am I supposed to be next" or worse... "did I forget a kid somewhere?"

Now you'd think all these years later I'd look back with pride at doing all that. NOPE.

When I look back now I realize it was one of the biggest mistakes I've ever

made.

Yep, you read that right. Doing everything for my kids was a HUGE mistake and one that had I known what I was doing I would never have made.

Why? Because it played a large part in my being overweight, out of shape and, as the doctor said, lucky to make it to 50. Worse, I set the example for my kids to follow and now they too face the same struggles that I did back then.

I can hear the shock and rage already from that statement; however, my friends if it is true for me it is likely true for you. Let me explain.

Every parent I know wants what's best for his or her kids. Not just now but throughout their lives.

We'll go out of our way to do whatever it is we think we need to do to make our kids happy.

But are we truly setting them up for a happy, healthy life? Evidence shows it's just the opposite.

We're setting them up for a lifelong struggle with their health — one that could be avoided.

One of my beliefs is that as a parent we should be setting an example for our kids. And studies show that it is not what we say but what we do that resonates most with our kids.

In other words, that, "do as I say not as I do" mentality doesn't work.

The proof is in the



pudding my friends. If we are overweight, stressed, out of shape and have health issues related to that, the odds are that our children will too. Staggering odds at that.

And, no. It's not genetics, which seems to be the go to "let's blame it on this" scenario.

When we say we are too tired, too stressed and don't have the time to work out or make healthy meals what we are really saying is that it's ok to eat junk and sit on the couch. Not only does that compound unhealthy habits, you're setting a poor example. Sadly, you are teaching a lesson that your children are taking to heart each

and every day.

How do we know?

Childhood obesity levels are at an all time high and are climbing rapidly each and every year. These same children will likely be obese all their lives.

The stress our children are under in school and at home is increasing at a rapid rate as well. So much so that suicide rates are escalating each year as well.

The lack of exercise our children get (sorry folks using your thumb on the video game controller doesn't count) is also a primary factor, even when taking into account all those games/practices we

go to.

Think about that for a second... who does that remind you of?

If the answer is YOU then perhaps it's time for reflection.

The sad part is most Americans spend hours a day in front of the TV, on their computers or staring at their phone. Yet we say we don't have time to exercise or put ourselves first.

Sadly our kids are following suit. Multiple studies have shown that the average pre-schooler spends 4-5 hours a day in front of a screen. By the teenage years that's up to 9-10 hours each and every

day.

They don't naturally do this so where did they learn the behavior?

From us... their parents.

So what should we do?

First off, we should not worry about playing the blame game and instead be honest with ourselves about our health and our priorities, or lack thereof.

We need to stop making excuses why we can't take care of ourselves and set the example for our children to follow. We need to be proactive and discuss with our children the importance of eating right and exercising.

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## ■ MUSIC REVIEW

# Savoy Brown's 'Witchy Feelin'

By TJ DRUCKER

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A great blues song can let you feel the singer's pain, or make you smile and realize how fantastic life can be.

Being a 52-year-old band, Savoy Brown flaunts its experience and tugs at the heartstrings and cheekbones with each track on its latest, "Witchy Feelin'." That experience shines in the sheer grittiness of this album, which only begins to describe the feeling this band delivers from start to finish.

The opening track asks the question "Why Did You Hoodoo Me?" and the query will rattle around in your head all week. This eerie, dirty love song washes over you with a bouncy bass, fiery guitar licks and an inquisitive chorus; you'll find yourself humming throughout the day. "Livin' on the Bayou" slows things down with its laid back tempo and soaring guitar from Kim Simmonds. Pat DeSalvo's bass invokes a swampy Louisiana feel underneath Simmonds' licks. Things pick up again with "I Can't

Stop The Blues," which balances the thin line between crisp and dirty. Drummer Garnet Grimm really shines in this track, filling the room with his incredible cadence.

Things get slowed down quite a bit with the title track, "Witchy Feelin'." The trio takes its time before kicking up the pace with higher energy songs like "Guitar Slinger" and "Vintage Man."

"Close to Midnight" is the final track on the album and a fantastic instrumental that swirls around a jazzy beat and some Clapton-esque playing from Simmonds. The 8-minute behemoth that is "Thunder, Lightning & Rain" is where the band really shines. This song is a masterpiece and really shows the band's 50 years of experience.

Simmonds is no stranger to being on the road. As an original member, he was on stage with the band when it opened for Cream's first live show in London.

Savoy Brown is scheduled to play here in Albany at the Upper Room on Friday, Dec. 8 before heading south to Dutchess County to play Daryl's House in Pawling on Saturday, Dec. 16.



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## ■ CONCERT REVIEW

# A homecoming for Moriah Formica

Gritty vocalist wows local fans

By LAURA DENOFIO  
& JIM GILBERT

nysmusic.com

**ALBANY** — Don't underestimate Moriah Formica. Yes, she's only 17. Yes, she's small in stature. And yes, she can rock and roll just like Joan Jett.

Formica's concerts at Jupiter Hall on Friday and Sunday, Nov. 24 and 26 followed her successful time on NBC's television show "The Voice" and she was clearly welcomed home by local fans. Hailing from Latham, Formica became nationally known for her powerhouse performances on the reality television show earlier this fall. She returned to a sold out show Friday, Nov. 24, and played to a well attended, eclectic audience on the following Sunday with her old band.

Formica's microphone wasn't on during the first part of her initial song in Sunday's show, leaving her characteristically clear and strong voice out of the music for a few minutes. When the technology was fixed, though, her vocals grounded the group as it pushed through covers and even some original music, including "Save Me" and "Lovestruck." It looked like all hard work and no play until the artist began chatting with the audience, sharing perspectives on love and her desire to not always be perceived as aggressive.

The acoustic set in the middle of the concert revealed a more vulnerable side. She sang "No Regrets," a song about losing love, and "The Voice," and also shared life experiences about being in love in 10th grade with "Here's My Heart." Her breath control was solid as she held clear and pitch-perfect notes, continuing through "Stone Cold" with pianist Dustin Deluke.

After the acoustic set, the band rejoined her for some grittier and heavier rock songs. Ending with a cover of "Barracuda," Formica had heads nodding and bodies jumping.

Formica performed for 65 minutes with very few breaks for conversation. Rapid fire, intense and demonstrating undeniable clarity and pitch, Formica's performance was a wonderful reminder not to underestimate her. Yes, she's a local kid. Yes, "The Voice" didn't maintain her on the show. And yes, she's got a lot further to go with her career as a female rocker who can powerfully move an audience with both vocals and guitar. It's unlikely she'll stay home for long.

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**THEATRE REVIEW**

# What the... ?

A review of 'She Loves Me' at the Capital Rep through Dec. 24

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**B**rian Prather's set for "She Loves Me" is like an old timey music box or cuckoo clock: the violaceous palate of the set picked up subtly by Evan Prizant's costume design is delightful, and when the set pieces for Maracek's shoppe of all things perfumed begin to whirl as they shift into place, charm fills the stage. Coupled with Jamie Roderick's warm lighting, "She Loves Me" is gifted with an ideal mise en scene for the suddenly very popular musical; Manhattan's Roundabout Theatre's 2016 hit production was recently on PBS's Great Performances, and this 1963 musical based on a 1937 Hungarian play (which was adapted for several film versions over the intervening 70 years) strikes an oddly cheery note on workplace love relations in the present moment of discordant and disappointing hourly reports of repellent acts of men in such workplaces.

So it is oddly fitting that on the day Prairie Home Companion's homespun and old timey creator Garrison Keillor was severed from his workplace in public life for acts in the same vein as seen onstage here at Capital Repertory Theatre, "She

Loves Me" should bring its cheery and delightful depiction of workplace amorous shenanigans and be so utterly discordantly charming. It's an amazing accomplishment, akin to a holiday decorated musical box filled with delicious chocolate covered cherry cordials.

Artistic Director Maggie Mancinelli-Cahill has assembled a wonderful cast and moves them briskly about the intimate (the less kind would write "cramped") stage as they tell the stories in a year in Maracek's Parfumerie. Reminiscent of the workplace romances of Hello Dolly! (itself an adaptation of an adaptation of an Austrian comedy *Einen Jux will er sich machen* by Johann Nestroy, and the basis for one of the funniest plays in English, Tom Stoppard's *On the Razzle*), "She Loves Me" centers on chief salesclerk Georg Nowack (Michael McCorry Rose in a focused, exact, winning performance that is both star turn and ensemble friendly acting) and his anonymous amorous correspondence with the unknown "friend," who turns out to be Amalia Balash (Julia Burrows), who despise each other as they work in Maracek's and woo in letters.

As owner Maracek, local legend Kevin McGuire is at his finest, participating in the same play on the same plane as his castmates and giving his most realized performance, human and believably angry, crusty, caring, shaken, and supportive as needed. Marc de la Concha as milquetoast clerk Ladislav Sipos is a comic genius with genial air who wrings laughter with his antics in supportive of Georg no mater how veiled. Adam B. Shapiro's Headwaiter is the highlight of "A Romantic Atmosphere" that fuels the big reveal of Georg and Amalia's

anonymous correspondence at a restaurant of rendezvous, seemly always decorated for St. Valentine's Day or a New Orleans bordello. Jimmy Bain's smile, as delivery boy Arpad (who longs to ascend to the height of the mercantile world to become a clerk in Maracek's), beams like a sunny day, and his comedic chops and timing in his scene with Maracek, "Try Me," opens act 2 with zeal. David Girard is brilliant as workplace Lothario Kodaly, believably capturing the greasy charm of the narcissist who loves only himself even as he carries on with Maracek's wife as well as fellow clerk Ilona Ritter (an amazingly funny yet heartaching Tracy Jai Edwards, who sings as well as she dances all founded on an acting talent that makes her many moments on stage all the more engaging and charming). The troupe's all hands and feet on deck creation of "Twelve Days to Christmas" near the finale of Act 2 is this production's highlight and should not be missed by anyone needing to be put into the holiday spirit.

Yet, there is a moment that symbolizes the show's oddly "WTF" discordance with the present moment in our Nation's struggle to reclaim "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" for all: at the climax of "Ilona" the winsome and supple Edwards does a split centerstage, the split in her dress exposing her legs fully. It's a mildly suggestive moment but fits the song, until Kodaly takes Ilona's split and makes it a slide across half the stage to downright, and it is a downright "WTF" moment, like biting into a chocolate covered cherry cordial and finding a short hair. It's similar moments that mar an otherwise weirdly wonderful "She Loves Me."

## From page B17 ... The Mommy Mindset

And, we need to not just discuss it but, also set the example. We as parents need to eat healthy instead of hitting the drive thru, ordering a pizza night after night or sitting down with a bag of chips and dip for dinner.

And we need to make sure we exercise for 30-60 minutes at least 5 times a week.

Finally, we need to show our kids that life isn't about running around like a chicken with our head cut off all day then flopping on the couch for hours on end at night cause we're "too tired" to do anything else.

We need to BE PARENTS and make our health and wellbeing a priority and teach our children that they too need to do so, not just for themselves but for their kids, our future grandchildren.

Simply put, it is up to us as parents to lead the way because the fact is we are leading the way no matter what we do.

If we choose to be unhealthy, make excuses and say "I'm too busy," then we are teaching our kids to say and do the same. Now, and for the rest of their lives.

Conversely if we choose to cook healthy meals, exercise and show that we will make both a priority then our children too follow that lead.

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**From page B1 ...**  
Coming in last

When Scotty, Mike Davies, Jake Lester, and Sean Murphy took to the Jupiter Hall stage, a relative swell of people crossed the floor towards the stage — relative in terms that a bulge of bodies from the approximately 80 in attendance started dancing. In a competition where the crowd was asked to submit hand written ballots to decide the winner, the proverbial hat had been tipped. Chanting and singing along

to the songs, the favorite seemed to have already been named with still two bands yet to perform. But, it wasn't so.

Ultimately, Hasty Page won over the crowd as the final act of the evening. The three-piece band out of Albany (has since been playing with a fourth band member) earned the spoils of kicking off the Capital City's biggest block party of the year. But, it turns out that oft-quoted line by Ricky Bobby "If you ain't first, you're last," isn't true.

"Sometimes it's a humbling experience to go into something very confidently and not necessarily have the results you want," said Somerville, who added he

and his bandmates didn't walk into the room with the expectation of winning. He acknowledged that the pool of bands they were up against, like Hasty Page, were already "more up-and-coming than us." [But,] we actually wound up getting a lot of great exposure from it. It really started our relationship with a lot of people."

Along with the exposure to additional fans and WEQX, Somerville said Greg Bell of Guthrie Bell Productions was in attendance, too. Bell is responsible for bringing in many of the regional acts who perform at the Palace Theatre, Cohoes Music Hall and The Hollow. Somerville said the performances at the Battle of the Bands impressed Bell enough to have The Late Shift open for Jimkata's farewell performance at The Hollow in October.

Jimkata is one of those regional bands with the reputation of working hard, performing more than 150 shows a year. After several years together, the band's last album "In Motion" dropped last year, Jimkata decided to call it quits. The opportunity to play with them, Somerville said, was inspiring.

"It's funny whenever you get an opportunity to play with a band having a lot of success, whether that success is coming to an end or it's just starting," he said. "Just speaking with them, we've done a lot of things similar as bands, we know a lot of similar people. It's amazing to find people who are having a lot of success and see that they do a lot of the things you are, it's definitely inspiring."

Flash forward to the day before Thanksgiving. Another Wednesday night gig. Another surprisingly large crowd. The Late Shift is headlining its "Thanksgiving

Eve" party, a show they've put together now for four years at arguably one of the hottest joints in a hot local music scene. "There are more and more incredible acts popping up everywhere," said Somerville. "It seems like on any Saturday, you'll see several great shows that you actually have to pick and choose between what you can actually go see. To me, although it fluctuates... I see the scene as hot as it's ever been right now." And, on an evening before fans go to see family for the holidays, a vibrant crowd packed the Hollow to see The Late Shift, along with local hip-hop artists Wavy Cunningham and DJ Mercy, and The Other Brothers, a funk rock band out of New Paltz. No TPS reports or college papers due the following day so the crowd let loose. Late into the night, The Late Shift lead the crowd into a sing-along to Aerosmith's "I Don't Want to Miss a Thing." It's an obvious favorite, but it lends something of an anthem. A mid-week crowd wishing it can "stay lost in this moment," dedicating themselves to both a band and music scene on the rise.

Plans are already in motion for 2018. Somerville said the band has two more gigs planned this month, including a New Year's Eve show that's still being worked out. The band already has the bridge work laid out to follow-up last year's "Fork & Knives."

"We can't put a date on it, but there's definitely some stuff going on behind the scenes," said Somerville. "There's some new songs, and some new approaches for some of the songs, too. Some new styles. All within our wheelhouse, but kind of exploring a few different things. There's some stuff we're really excited about."



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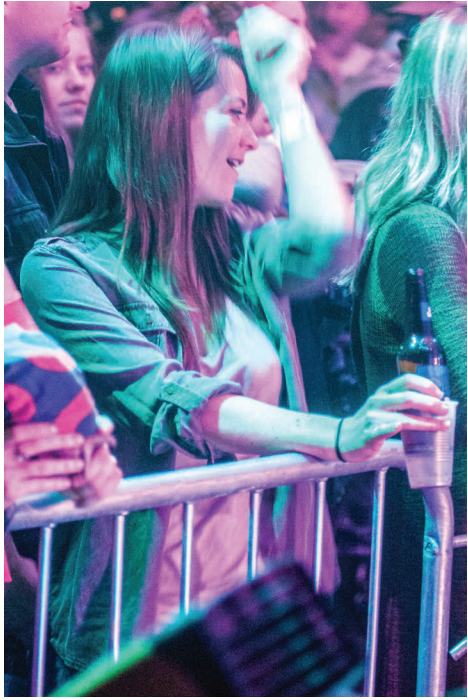
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